

BIG STORM AT MESSINA.

Immense Fissure Opened Called; "The Mouth of Hell."

Thieves Cut Off Fingers and Mutilate Ears of Dead.

U.S. Fleet Aiding Victims—Burying the Bodies.

Messina, Jan. 11.—Search for the buried victims of Italy's great earthquake continues, and is frequently rewarded with the rescue of the living.

On Saturday night a terrific tempest accompanied by earthquake shocks arose causing a number of fresh collapses in the ruined city, and spreading new terror among the survivors.

The disinfecting of the city is progressing rapidly. Two depositories, connected by ferries, have been established, and disinfectants will also be transported along the Sicilian and Calabrian coasts for distribution in the inland villages.

Gen. Mazza, in his report to the Premier yesterday, said that the recovery of valuables stolen from the ruins was progressing satisfactorily. Seven thieves were arrested on Saturday.

The American fleet, which arrived here on Saturday morning, left on Saturday night. Admiral Sperry's last act before leaving was to send a launch with a burial party to convey the body of Mrs. J. Ogston, wife of the British Consul, across the straits to the British cemetery.

Naples, Jan. 11.—Owing to a storm Rear Admiral Sperry was not landed from the battleship Connecticut, which arrived here yesterday.

Ambassador Griscom, who arrived here on the Connecticut, received a wireless message to-day announcing that the relief ship Bayern had stopped at Reggio on its way to Catania and Syracuse, to discharge considerable supplies for the interior towns of Calabria.

THE WORK OF GHOULS. Rome, Jan. 11.—The Corriere Italia publishes an interview to-day with Gen. Mazza dealing especially with the looting of the earthquake zone.

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Her Engagement to Jesse Williamson, of Philadelphia, has been announced.

LIQUOR LICENSES LIMITED TO FIFTY.

Suit is the Decision of the Citizens' Campaign Committee.

Three subjects of vital importance were discussed at a meeting of the Citizens' Campaign Committee on Saturday night.

The three important subjects discussed were the future of the committee, the liquor license reduction to be demanded and the finances of the organization.

Probably the thing which the people generally are most interested in just now is the reduction to be demanded.

SUIT AGAINST COMMISSION.

Misrepresentation by Hydro-Electric People Alleged.

Mr. F. R. Martin has issued a writ against the Hydro-Electric Commission, on behalf of Gideon Hodgkins, to set aside an agreement made by him with the Commission for the lease of his property, in Gainsborough Township, Lincoln county.

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FROM EAR TO EAR.

The Rev. John Carmichael Cuts His Throat.

Murderer of Browning Attempts Suicide at His Sister's.

Carthage, Ills., Jan. 11.—Rev. John Carmichael attempted to commit suicide here to-day at the home of his sister, Mrs. Miranda Hughes.

Carmichael in his letter admitted his identity and declared that he killed Browning and cut up the body while under the hypnotic influence of his wife.

THE MAN IN OVERALLS.

We would have a better face to ask for two Senators if we had sent two supporters.

The bar-room sees its fish. Mayor Stewart is out of it at last, but it has been an awful two years.

Home industry week comes round once a year just like a holiday.

Hamilton is still languishing for lack of an auditorium. Nothing doing.

Perhaps the Board of Trade will open a publicity department. We see what other cities are doing. Look at even Welland.

The inaugural ceremony at the City Hall to-day was almost regal in its splendor. All it needed was Sam Garrity in a gold-laced uniform to make the illusion complete.

Whitney is very slow in doing anything for the secret societies. Why not find out if its members' dues are quite safe?

Mrs. Hoodless, for instance, would be a great acquisition to the School Board. She could tell the Trustees things about education they never dreamed of, and advise them on matters they are at present very much in the dark about.

If Sir Wilfrid gave no promise to Mr. Zimmelman's friends, how can he be expected to listen to the Board of Trade?

You can hardly find a Grit in town now who has a good word for the hotel men. "I've got no use for them," is what they tell me. Ask why, they answer, "What did they do in West Hamilton?" Sure enough, if the barroom goes it will be the hotel men's own fault. The Grits have put up with it long enough. Some have even quit drinking.

Still Mr. Hendrie makes no move in re the west end marsh. Keeping it for next election, perhaps.

Mr. Champ, now that he is the head of it, might talk over with the Board of Trade the question of an annual fair in this city. Would it bring business to the city and help to advertise it? Some people think it would.

If we are to judge our drinking water by the health of the city we must be getting pretty good stuff.

Is the Y. W. C. A. going to build this spring or is the clock going to be hung up again?

The firemen's old age pension fund is threatening to attract public attention once more.

The only thing that worries me now is the ice crop. It's so hard to convince the ice-farmers that there will be plenty of frost before Good Friday.

Another thing about Toronto is that it is never satisfied unless you go there and spend your money.

Then Whitney may also insist that we use the long "s" when writing our epistles.

Seeing the antagonism of the neighbors to the Collegiate Institute skating rink prudence would suggest that it be taken in at night.

Don't forget to low-tow to Mayor McLaren.

BROTHERS DIED. Both Passed Away at the Same Time—Telegrams Crossed.

CITY COUNCIL HAS MADE GOOD START.

Large Crowd at Inaugural Meeting—Mayor's Speech—Ryan Took His Seat.

The largest crowd that ever assembled in the City Hall to see a new Council make its bow filled the chambers and corridors this morning when the inaugural meeting of the 1909 Council was held.

It was expected that Ald. W. J. Ryan, whose ability to qualify in view of the fact that he was said to have gone surety for a sewer contract for the city was questioned on Saturday, would not attend the inaugural meeting and would wait until the Council accepted a new contract before taking his seat.

HANDS OVER THE KEYS. After City Clerk Kent had read the official verdict of the electors in the mayoralty contest, the aldermanic elections and on the by-laws, Rev. D. R. Drummond, of St. Paul's Church, offered prayer, and retiring Mayor T. J. Stewart, stepped forward and handed over the keys of office.

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INDUSTRIAL ADVANCEMENT. I would also suggest that the Council take up with the Board of Health the matter of taking over low lying lands, heads of inlets, gullies and so on, for dumping purposes, with a view to the city getting any improvement in value instead of falling down in front of the marsh lands at the west end of the city should be at once taken up with the Ontario Government.

ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT. A committee should be appointed at once to again take up seriously the question of the re-organization of the City Engineer's Department.

WILL WORK IN HARMONY. Local Steamboat Companies Will Interchange Tickets.

The annual meeting of the Turbine Steamship Co. was held this morning in the Oddfellows' Hall, John street north.

WANT THEM RELEASED. Smith to Be Deported—Sherrill's Friends Working.

Police Magistrate Jellis has received two petitions for the release of prisoners in Central Prison. One comes from W. J. Scott, superintendent of immigration, who asks His Worship to let him know when John Smith has served a long enough period of his nine months' sentence for theft.

THE ASSIZES. Mr. Justice Teetzel Opened Court Here To-day.

The Winter Assizes opened this afternoon, Justice Teetzel presiding. It is quite likely that a number of the civil actions will be settled, or sent over until the next sittings of the court.

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LUCAS-GLASSCO. Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Mary Hamilton, only daughter of George F. and Mrs. Glassco, and Mr. Alan Stanley Bruce Lucas, at the Church of the Ascension on Saturday afternoon, January 23rd, at 4 o'clock.

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NEWSBOYS' LITTLE RIOT.

Sunday World Trouble Resulted in Demonstration.

One of the Leaders Arrested and Fined \$5.00.

Theft of Pair of Boots Ventilated in Police Court.

"What have we done? What have we done? We've put de World On de bum."

Such was the battle cry of thirty or forty newsboys who sold the Toronto Sunday World up to a week or so ago. They have lost their jobs now, because they went on strike and new boys have been put at work in their stead.

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# A GIRL IN A THOUSAND

"As a boy, yes. When I grew up I conquered this feeling, and have reason to believe I was not an insufferable bore in society, though I avoided its claims whenever I could. Then came the event that gave me the idea of going around the world at leisure, taking a couple of years to do it all—and I've been traveling ever since."

She was looking at him strangely.

"You speak of it as though you had had trouble."

"Well, I have. No man was ever badgered more."

"And they say that no man has trouble but what, if you look deep enough, you'll find a woman at the bottom of it all."

It was his turn to grow scarlet.

He gave a nervous little laugh.

"By Jove, you are right. There was in my case, but I beg of you to believe it was not in the sense you mean. She was nothing to me, absolutely nothing. In fact, I always looked upon her as a bore, or as I might say, my bete noire."

"How strange!" he asked, sharply.

"Do you believe me?" he asked, sharply.

"Why, monsieur, as if I could do anything else. I am sure you look like a truthful man, but it is very peculiar. And you never told this young woman you wanted to be a brother to her?"

"I told her because I detested her! Good heavens, she had spoiled many a night's sleep for me, just thinking about her. Ugh! please drop the subject."

"Perhaps some day I shall meet her."

He was struck dumb by the absurdity of it all, as he remembered the grim Miss Chester.

"I think you may," he said, finally, "and I promise, when the proper time comes, to tell you my miserable story. It would please me to know that you thought I did right. But it must wait until—well, we are longer acquainted."

He had paused because he knew that the most appropriate time for this disclosure might mean when he was telling Miss Magde the state of his feelings toward her, and it was quite too early for such a rash avowal.

## CHAPTER XXI.

That morning drive was the most delightful experience in the whole life of Rex Grafton.

He could have continued it indefinitely—always provided this charming character handled the ribbons and nestled at his side.

Several times the conversation drifted back to the danger line. Rex was curious about the unknown camp who had persecuted the girl, and it would worry him constantly until she felt constrained to tell him all about it; but Miss Magde did not seem to feel enough confidence in the advent of a new brother to make a father confessor of him.

So he was left to grope in darkness, tantalized by a well-meant but dim light which she unwittingly let fall upon the path.

He learned that her determination to leave the classic precincts of London had been a surprisingly sudden character. In fact, she had not dreamed of such a thing.

It was caused by a letter.

That much she admitted.

Rex hazarded a guess that in this letter she heard of the intended coming of the persecutor, and hence her desire to avoid one who had annoyed her in the past.

What virtuous indignation that young man experienced—what would he not have given to be able to meet this fellow as he stepped out of the railway carriage and went up the station floor with his gloomy, morose, perhaps, after all, it was just as well Magde refused to give him any further satisfaction, for he was in a humor that could hardly be held accountable; she had said the other was a weakling, but even that might not save him from a severe thrashing such as a certain rooster girl and cause her so much annoyance.

What hold had he upon her?

Was he an old flame, bent upon kindling anew the spark of love in her heart?

"Ah! she said she detested him, but that might not mean she always detested him. Love sometimes turns to hate, and there might even have been a time when her shapely arms clung about the neck of this unprincipled scamp. Rex was sure he must be unprincipled—and her ruby lips were given up freely to his caresses.

Strange why he should shiver at the mere idea of such a possibility. He had never known such a girl as Magde Moore existed forty hours before. Could it be the time was so very brief? Why, it seemed to this ardent lover as though he must have known her forever—at least, in his dreams she was no stranger.

Well, he knew at least before that ride was over that he was a gone case—he felt ready to admit defiantly that he had been head over ears in love with the fair and demure dame who sat at his side.

As yet her plans were not arranged—she promised to send him word—if he was possessed of the notion of doing a little traveling somewhere on the continent, who could raise any objection if he were of the party?

And Rex was satisfied.

"I have little to pack—can pay a visit right now to my bankers and arrange all necessary letters of credit. I'm quite ready to sudden move, you know," he said, cheerfully, as though pleased to be doing something—perhaps he remembered his recent resolve to live for others—that would apply to the present instance, for Magde could be set down under such a general heading.

"Oh! I hope you won't regret it," she sighed, "and blame me for hinting at such a thing."

"Why, it's all my own doing. I'd have pushed myself in if necessary. Don't you ever dream that I'll cease to sing halloo! at the chance?"

"You'll call me bold, perhaps think I've never outgrown my girl life on the prairie, in spite of a Bryn Mawr College education?"

"I'll never think of you in any other light than as the most charming girl I ever knew; you must pardon me for saying it, but you forced me to defend myself, Miss Magde."

She did not look very provoked; what girl would when the sincere tone of the speaker affirmed that the compliment came straight from his heart.

"There's the Duchess of Connaught driving," she said, ingeniously, and the awkwardness of their conversation was bridged over.

All too soon Rex left her at the hotel. He felt as though walking upon air as he sauntered along Fleet street and the Strand, meaning to visit his banker

and make some little arrangements that would cover his finances no matter where he turned his steps.

About this time he remembered Bridgewater.

"That remarkable awakening was brought about by the appearance of the diplomat in the midst of the crowd, and his seizing the dreamer's arm."

"What's happening?" demanded the little man.

"Now why the deuce should you think anything had taken place; that is, anything out of the regular run of my fortunes," said Rex, peevishly. And Bridgewater, the heartless scamp, laughed with the disdainful air of a scoundrel.

"Well, you were walking on velvet, and you hardly knew how you were being jostled. One fellow with the manners of a coster gave you his elbow in the side. When Rex Grafton would have returned the favor with interest; but, egad! you only turned and smiled as sweetly at him as might a cherub. I say, old man, you're not sick, I hope?"

"Never was better."

"What's there only one explanation. Heavens! I wonder how it will affect me. If I look half as astute as you acted, my business as a diplomat is ruined forever—no offence intended, remember my boy."

Then Rex woke up, laughed heartily, and slapped the other on the back.

"I was day dreaming—hang it, man, you see the intoxicating effect of nearly two hours in a dogcart alongside an angel. Never indulge in a dogcart, Bridgewater. It turns the brain a good deal like chloroform or ether."

"Go to, hypocrite! Fancy how you'd feel if the angel's place had been filled by another—say the delightful Miss Chester, for instance."

Rex drew a long breath.

"How forbid! But I confess it was the witchery of Madge Moore and not the motion of the blessed dogcart that turned my head."

"Tell me all about it."

Rex looked at him and smiled.

"There are some things too sacred to confide even to a good friend like you, and these I leave to your imagination," he said, soberly.

"Bless my soul, I believe in his impulsive Yankee fashion he's already engaged," said the other.

"Oh! no, not quite so far as that, but ready to be as soon as the chance comes. There are some things I can tell you—in fact, I want your advice."

Bridgewater showed interest in the case.

He was decidedly taken with the fact that such a charming girl as Madge Moore should be hounded and persecuted by some man.

"What have you concluded about him?" he asked.

Rex gave his opinion that it was an old lover who refused to be shaken off. "Nonsense—don't believe it," snorted his friend.

"Well, you're keen enough about these puzzles, suppose you tell me what relation he occupies to the young lady?" demanded Rex, eagerly.

"You've said it—relation. I believe he's some cousin, or, perhaps, a miserable half-brother who has always been a bit of an enemy to her beauty, to such an extent that she desires to keep out of his reach."

"Hear, hear!" said Rex, after the encouraging fashion of the sage who was speaking.

"It's reasonable. She detests him, she says, yet not for the world does she want him injured. Didn't she compare your athletic figure to his attenuated one, to his disadvantage, and beg of you not to hurt him? Consider that enigma as good as solved, dear boy, and give me a handier nut to crack."

"Well," said Rex, desperately, "what's the outcome of the whole blessed business to be?"

"Easy as falling off a log. Presently you and the scamp who persecutes her must take a noble licking, when some one must take a noble licking. Then you win the girl, defy Miss Chester and that ridiculous will of your silly uncle, and sail away over sunny seas, the happiest man, barring one, upon the face of the earth."

"By heaven you're a true prophet, Bridgewater—but why make any exception at all?"

"Because I hope to see you and go one better."

"Ah! you make progress with the arm," he asked.

"Why not? I haven't made a study of women all these years for nothing. And the old gentleman favors me—that St. Michael Order has quite turned his Abyssinian head."

"Do you know who she is, yet, and what is her relation to the old ex-general?"

"A granddaughter—his child married an Englishman, and Nance came as my wife, do you think she'd help or hinder you, eh?"

"As a diplomat, you mean—hang it, I've given up all that. If I get what the rajah promised, I'm fixed financially to the end of time, and my life work will be to make Nance happy."

"Ah! you're made of the right stuff, I say—all honor to your sentiments, old chap—and how about the general—what the deuce brought him to London? Not a desire to make money, surely, or even to gull the foolish people who look in his name at a wonderful profit?"

"It's something deeper. I have imagined he is in contact with Menekel. You see, since Kitchener knocked the Kalifa out and recaptured Upper Egypt, the Abyssinians have been fearful lest they had covetous eyes on their profitable hill country, the oasis of that desert land. They've flirted with France, made overtures to Russia and kept an army in the field. I've been told that old ex-army officers that had the Boer trouble, not broken out when it did well have had Abyssinia before now. That, I believe, is Ras Ragoula's real mission in London. He has means of keeping in touch with all that goes on in official circles, and frequently he is seen wishing out widdersohn to a dark-hued traveller who goes to Port Said and below via a P. & O. steamer."

"Well, it's none of our affair. Meanwhile, the girl has been incited with the Salvation Army disease for rescuing wretched humanity. Does he object?"

"Not as far as I know. These people claim to be the only real Christians on earth. They have ceremonies in vogue, such as the ancient Jews used to practice around the Ark of the Covenant, and things we read about. She has been a big success, they tell me."

"I suppose you're quite pat with the soldiers and lassies of the army now?"

"Utterly impervious to such mosquito

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Plan to Hasten the Evacuation of the Stricken Town.

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The famous Triptych, painted by Antonello da Messina, which was the best work exhibited in the local gallery, has been recovered undamaged. The efforts to hasten the evacuation of Messina have been only partially successful. It has been found impossible to exclude the survivors by force, while the plan to cease the distribution of food, limiting its distribution to the ships, has proved to be practically useless. The survivors obstinately cling to the ruins. They say they would rather die from starvation than abandon their native city. Moreover, the soldiers share their ration with the hungry sufferers. The refugees, who are now scattered throughout Italy, are clamoring to return.

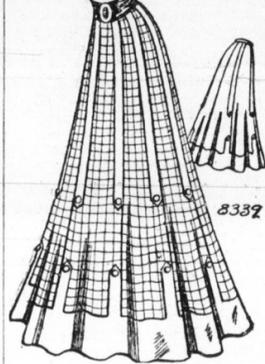
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A severe storm at Reggio, to-night wrecked the improvised hut, and scattered the meagre belongings of the refugees. Many boats were wrecked. The telegraph office was damaged. Many of the damaged walls are standing by the earthquake were thrown down. A collision between two Italian warships off the shore was averted by stranding the R. Umberto. It is reported that six persons were rescued from the ruins at Messina to-day, all of them desperately weak.

In accordance with instructions from the Archbishop, priests are traversing the ruins, praying for and absolving the dead with uplifted hands.

Gen. Mazza has adopted stringent measures in order to protect the people and their property, having established a police force of 500 men, and ordered that any person found cavorting without a permit shall be shot.

# TIMES PATTERNS.



LADIES' NINE-GORE SKIRT WITH OR WITHOUT FOLD.

No. 8339—A pleasing stylish skirt model. For general wear, shopping or travelling a skirt cut on simple lines is always desirable. The model here shown was developed in checked brown and white suitings, with trimming of plain brown cloth. Blue panama, with rows of braid in graduated widths will be equally pleasing for this design. The pattern is cut in 5 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inches waist measure. It requires 2 1/2 yards of 50-inch material for the 24-inch size with 1 1/2 yards of contrasting material for the facing.

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

Address, "Pattern Department," Times Office, Hamilton.

It will take several days before you can get patterns.

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You'll feel immensely better by taking Dr. Hamilton's Pills. They not only cure sickness, but prevent it; they keep the blood pure and rich, free the system from germs, and disease-producing matter. You can get well and stay well if you will use Dr. Hamilton's Mandrake and Butterbush Pills, 25c per box, or five boxes for \$1, at druggists, or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., and Hartford, Conn., U. S. A.

# GAS EXPLODED.

Twenty-Five Men Killed in Mine at Zegler, Ill.

Duquena, Ill., Jan. 10.—A disastrous gas explosion in which twenty-five men lost their lives occurred to-day in Joseph Letzer's famous colliery at Zegler. A spark from a trolley, which set an electric motor coming in contact with a pocket of gas, is given as the cause of the explosion. Eight bodies yet remain in the mine, but they will be recovered before morning, it is thought.

Joseph Letzer personally conducted the first relief party that descended into the mine to recover the bodies. The lone survivor of the explosion was an Italian youth, who escaped unharmful.

An expert who had been experimenting with the gas in the mines at Zegler, left on Wednesday, confident that he had placed the mine in a safe condition to be operated.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c

# LEGS AMPUTATED.

Assaley, the Syrian Murderer, Not Expected to Live.

Montreal, Jan. 10.—Salem Assaley, the Syrian peddler who shot and killed his brother and tried to murder his sister-in-law at Hawkesbury on December 28th, had both his legs amputated yesterday at L'Orignal. Assaley spent five and five nights without food or water under a pile of wood in the shed adjoining the house where the deed was committed, and then dragged himself four miles along the road with both his legs frozen, only to be arrested on the train while on his way to Montreal. Assaley is not likely to recover from the operation.

# CORNERS, WARTS, BUNIONS, CALLOUSES

Removed for all time by applying Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extract. It contains no acids, never burns and cures permanently. Use only "Putnam's."

Western Forger Sentenced.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—C. De Forbes, ex-bank manager and former secretary of Malcolm's Western Canneries, Limited, in which much eastern capital is invested, was sentenced to three months in jail for forgery and misappropriation of funds. His thefts amounted to about a thousand dollars.

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Gen. Mazza has adopted stringent measures in order to protect the people and their property, having established a police force of 500 men, and ordered that any person found cavorting without a permit shall be shot.

# RECORD FOR FINES.

Penalties Collected by Ontario License Officials.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Over \$300,000 in fines were collected by the Provincial license officials throughout Ontario during the year 1908. This constitutes a record amount and is ascribed to extra vigilance in the administration of the law, an official report indicates that the observance of the act has very generally improved.

The license year does not close until April 30, and consequently the official figures are not yet made up. From January to December, however, the total figures passed the thirty thousand mark. The nearest approach to this total was in 1906.

It is significant that of this total over \$120,000 was secured as a result of convictions secured by Provincial Officer George Morrison, and nearly \$8,000 by Provincial Officer Ayeart. The number of convictions secured by the one hundred and two local license inspectors added to the total of 20,000, or one-third of the total received.

# BURGLAR FIGHTS.

Niagara Falls Officer Catches a Man in a Grocery Store.

Niagara Falls, Jan. 10.—At 1 o'clock this morning Officer Farrell, of the city police force, found the back door of a grocery store, belonging to A. E. Dell, open. Entering the store, the policeman was gripped by a burglar, and only after a prolonged struggle did the officer down his man and convey him to the lock-up. The man gave his name as J. Hopkinson, living on Grey street. He is 25 years old, and married. Investigation showed that the man had gained an entry to the store by breaking the back window and forcing the cat-in. He had unlocked the back door, and made a hurried departure in case his operations were disturbed, and it was this which caused his discovery.

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Thamesville, Ont., Jan. 10.—A house on the Seane side road, about five miles from here, was the scene of a "whitecap" outrage recently, when a party of men, wearing masks, dragged a man named Owens from his seat and drove him to a barn, where he was tarred and feathered, the second to which he had been treated within a week, escorted him from the neighborhood to the accompaniment of reviver shots.

Last night, Owens, who is nearly sixty years old, and who has a wife in that town, whom it is alleged he does not support, became very attentive to a 20-year-old girl in Widdowton, and a few weeks ago he accompanied her to her home on the Seane road, where they took up residence. The girl's father came here and laid a complaint before a justice of the peace, and as a result the two migrated to Morpeth, a village on Lake Erie, about twelve miles to the south.

At Morpeth the villagers took strong exception to their presence and on New Year's night a party took the man out and tarred and feathered him. The couple then returned to the paternal abode and again quartered themselves on the family.

This was a little too much for the neighbors. A "whitecap" party broke into the house, where they found the man and girl, and Owens was again smeared with tar and feathers liberally scattered over him. He was then given solemn warning that worse would befall him if he showed his face there again, and after an interval spent by the victim in removing as much of the tar as possible, he was driven away, several of his assailants firing their pistols as an additional deterrent to his reappearance.

Justice Tompkins has decided that Thaw is entitled to prove he is now sane.

# Lord Charles Beresford's Presents to Four of His Warhops.

London, Jan. 10.—Four battleships of the British navy have received New Year's gifts in the shape of bull pups presented by Admiral Charles Beresford. The pups are the progeny of Lord Charles' bulldog which bears the cryptic name of Sometime, and formed the subject of this signal, which the Commander-in-Chief of the Channel squadron made on Wednesday to the captains of the four battleships to which he presented the pups.

"I have not yet named the bulldog pups, but am calling them by the names of the battleships. The breed and pedigree of those pups will be sent to the ship's company later, but the owner of the sire has refused £2,000 for him."

Every British navy officer firmly believes that German navy officers regularly drink to the toast "The Day," which means the day on which Germany will pulverize Britain, and if the idea lying behind the name of the Beresford bulldog. Sometime, is carried out in christening the pups Teutonic wardrooms will have a good pendant to the story. Thus are the good relations between the two great nations encouraged.

# AGAIN THE GUILLOTINE.

"If Frenchmen Want Blood, They Shall Have It," Says President.

Paris, Jan. 10.—The Petit Parisien says four of the Pollet gang will be guillotined on Monday morning at Bethune. M. Deibler, the official executioner, took the guillotine to the station Saturday evening. The Pollet gang were known to have committed seven murders. President Fallieres is reported to have said when he ratified the death penalty: "If Frenchmen want blood they shall have it."

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THE MAYOR'S INAUGURAL.

Mayor McLaren, in his inaugural address at this morning's meeting of the Council, touched upon a number of matters which he regards as of importance to the Council of 1904, just entering upon its duties. The carrying of the sewers through the re-vent wall, and the adoption of a business policy with regard to the city dock, were the first matters mentioned. His Worship very properly impressed upon the Council the wisdom of moving to secure lands along the face of the mountain for the benefit of the public, and to take immediate steps to obtain for the city the inlets and low-lying lands which the city is from time to time filling up, and not allow speculators to seize them for their own profit. On the question of a municipal lighting system it was to be expected that Mayor McLaren would have something to say, he having been such a pronounced advocate of it last year. He commended the question to the careful consideration of the Council, while properly expressing the opinion that Hamilton should control its own system. There will be no question as to the wisdom of the city "controlling" its lighting system. There is, however, likely to be a feeling that "control" the situation, it is not necessary for the city to "own and operate" a costly plant, which, at the best, would be a useless duplication of investment, and bind itself to an unknown expense to a monopoly of 30 years. Mayor McLaren is well advised in commending such a matter to the careful consideration of the Council. Even were there not a most favorable contract for electric lighting now made, the matter is not one for reckless plunging. As it is now, ill-advised action may lead to serious complications and heavy loss to the city. That the Mayor appreciates this is evident by his urging caution in dealing with the power question upon which the City Solicitor is preparing a legal opinion. It is but natural that Mayor McLaren, having devoted so much work last year toward bringing about better street railway conditions, should have expressed the hope that the Company would proceed early with the work of improvement. The defeat of the good roads by law causes a difficulty to loom up ahead in regard to the city's part of the money necessary for the work. This is a matter that will tax the ability of the financiers of the new Council. The Mayor suggests that the city apply for power to submit a by-law to provide for the election of a board of control, and to reduce the number of wards in the city. This is a matter which does not require haste and which will doubtless receive due consideration during the year.

To the Times the part of Mayor McLaren's inaugural address outlining a policy for the year which he deems the most important is that in which he advocates the appointment of a strong industrial committee to place Hamilton's superior advantages before the world of capital and industry. There is a profitable field for exploitation here, badly neglected during the last year. While we have been neglecting our opportunities—even fighting to injure Hamilton industries and Hamilton's reputation, and striving to forward the interests of other municipalities at the expense of our own people—sister cities, alert to their chances, have been pushing their claims and spending money to get the industries which, under natural conditions, would have found much more desirable locations here. It is long enough that we should neglect to push our own cause; it is much worse that we should seek to damage our own institutions and contribute to the advancement of those of other places. If Mayor McLaren can get the Council of 1904 to keep this part of his programme prominent throughout the year, and to pursue a policy of "Hamilton First," he will achieve some degree of success, and will prevent much of the evil which the anti-Hamilton policy of Mayor Stewart during the last year threatened to cause to the city.

BENIGHTED RUSSIA.

It would indeed be astonishing if reform in the system of Russian Government were to succeed easily while the people of the nation remain in such a benighted condition. The twin evils of Russia are ignorance and poverty. The story told by statistics on the subject is most depressing. The official data for the year 1903, the most recent available—have been studied by members of the leading political party in the Duma. In that year the exact number of the population—so far as exactitude in such a matter can be attained—was 144,184,000, and among these there were only 26,558,000 who could read or write. Out of every thousand individuals the average number who could read or write differed largely according to the provinces, as the following table will show:

Table with 2 columns: Province, Literate population. Rows include Baltic provinces, Finland, Vistula basin, European Russia, Siberia, Caucasus, Central Asia.

Russia spends millions for military and naval purposes, while she does not spend hundreds for education. The yearly outlay of the state for popular instruction was but 11 copecks, or 2 1/2¢ a head! If we add to this the sums furnished by cities, zemstvos and communities for educational purposes, the amount increases to 41 copecks, or 10 1/2¢. How insignificant even this expenditure really is may be gathered from a comparison with the educational

budget of other countries appearing in the Contemporary Review: Japan spends annually 18 1/2¢; Sweden and Norway, 28 3/4¢; France, 38 1/2¢; Great Britain, 48 1/2¢; Switzerland, 58 3/4¢; Germany, 58 1/4¢; United States, 108 1/2¢; New Zealand, 118 1/2¢.

Russia is far in the rear of the whole cultured world in the matter of education, even China leading her. It has been calculated that there are in Russia 13,250,000 children between the ages of 8 and 12 who would need 265,042 schools if the average school accommodated 50 children. Taking that as a basis, and putting the salary of the teacher at 300 roubles, or £37 10s., and £6 5s. for religious instruction, the amount payable in salaries alone would amount to 103,366,000 roubles, and the upkeep of the schools ought to cost about 182,021,000 roubles, so that altogether 300,000,000 roubles is a moderate estimate of what should be expended annually on elementary education. The cold facts of Russian statistics show that the entire budget of the Ministry of Public Instruction is but a trifle over 3 per cent. of that, or 91,114,000 roubles. When the Czar's Government seriously sets about making reasonable provision for the education of the Russian people, the world may look for some substantial progress in his kingdom. But not till then.

REV. DR. GARDINER'S DEATH.

The death of Rev. James Gardiner, D. C. L., Belleville, removes perhaps the oldest of the pioneer Methodist ministers of Canada. Dr. Gardiner had been 68 years an ordained minister of the Methodist Church, and was in his ninety-first year at the time of his death. At the time of the rebellion of 1837 he was foreman in the office of the Plain Speaker, Belleville. Dr. Gardiner, with his own hands, assisted in the building of the first Methodist church in Bytown, now Ottawa, and the story of his ministerial experiences would include much of the history of more than three score years of Methodism. He was well known to many of the citizens of Hamilton, having for some years edited the Christian Advocate, published in this city. Mr. H. F. Gardiner, superintendent of the Institute for the Blind, Brantford, and formerly editor of the Times, is a son of Rev. Dr. Gardiner. A widow and four daughters also survive him.

IT WILL NOT SUCCEED.

It looks very much as if Mr. Seath and Mr. Goggin had determined that Whitney shall compel the pupils of Ontario public schools to adopt the "our" spelling in "favor," "honor," "labor," and that class of words. No effort is made to justify this retrogressive policy on grounds of common sense. Those who have come forward in defence of it simply advance the statement that it conforms more nearly with current English practice. The Toronto Mail and Empire, strangely enough, tries to excuse its adherence to the use of the "our" by the brainy remark that "Advocates of free trade ought not to be bigoted or hide-bound in the matter of orthography." One of the "our" advocates, in a letter to the Globe, declares for the "all red" spelling, and treats the matter as if it were one of loyalty to Great Britain. No better evidence of the weakness of the cause of the retrogressionists could be given than the presentation of this as an argument. To render it valid and of any force, it must be conceded that Canadians shall deny themselves any advantages of progress made in any part of the world other than Great Britain, unless the particular gain shall have first been taken advantage of in the old land. To merely state such a proposition is to subject it to ridicule. Canada did not hesitate to adopt the decimal system of coinage, while Great Britain continued the pounds, shillings and pence system, with its many inconveniences. Yet if we are to adopt the arguments of the "our" partisans our adoption of the simpler method was an evidence of disloyalty for which we should hasten to make amends by going back to pounds, shillings and pence, sovereigns, guineas and farthings. Similarly we should decline to avail ourselves of any gains due to United States invention or discovery. The idea is too absurd to be seriously entertained.

Perhaps the exhibition of incapacity which the Education Department officials make in their effort to justify or excuse the proposal to take this backward step, may lead Hon. Dr. Fyfe and the Premier to call a halt and prevent the consummation of this piece of addle-headed foolishness. The dropping of the "u" from the words in question is a gain to brevity and to historical accuracy as well as to phonetics. It outrages no principle of English word construction. It is a reversion to the earlier and purer form. Whatever may be said as to the vagaries of certain would-be spelling reformers, the dropping of the "u" in these cases has been accepted by the vast majority of Canadian writers and speakers. The effort to compel its general re-introduction will prove a failure, and it will result in causing much confusion and added difficulty to the pupils upon whom the stipidity is inflicted.

The most peculiar reflection upon the license reduction vote in Toronto that we have seen appears in the Toronto Saturday Night. It says, in speaking of divisions on questions of that kind: "Many vote to humor their consciences, then go their ways, not averse to taking a wee drop illegally to humor their stomachs." But does such a comment help to the solution of the liquor problem?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The drowning season has opened, and the daily toll of lives sacrificed to skating on thin ice is reported. Warnings seem to be in vain.

The prefect of Messina Province estimates the damage by earthquake, there and in Reggio, at \$1,200,000,000. A few millions here or there in such an estimate do not matter.

An idea of the importance of the moving picture business may be gained when it is pointed out that one United States company, dealing in the films has a capital of \$15,000,000.

The Times is an advocate of a forward policy in attracting industries to Hamilton. But it does not support the theory that the City Council should hire industries to come or stay in Hamilton.

Of the \$30,000 collected in fines for infractions of the liquor license law last year, about \$21,000 was secured as the result of the work of two provincial liquor officers. That is a somewhat bad showing for the local license inspectors.

The Inland Revenue Department analyst finds that our people purchase large quantities of ground cocoon shells and other foreign substances as pepper. A few fines would probably have a good effect.

The promised reduction in telephone rates has not yet been made by the Manitoba Government. Mr. Roblin promised to cut the Bell rates in two. The only changes yet made have been in the matter of increases.

Already Winnipeg discovers that its proposed \$3,000,000 power plant is likely to cost \$5,000,000. This is the usual municipal ownership experience. There is some talk of an injunction to place the matter fairly before the people.

Now, Mr. Gates, of the United States Steel Trust, admits that that industry will not suffer if the Dingley tariff is reduced one-half! Carnegie seems to have been right. But will the political bosses consent that the Great Fraud on the People should end?

The election of officers of a friendly benefit association of Steel Plant employees resulted in a row marked by its absence of friendliness. Competition for the places of honor in the association is rather too keen when knives and other weapons enter into it.

If "favor" is by fiat of Whitney to be made "favour" and "labor," "labour" again, shall we also be ordered to revert to the "musick," "poetick," "polittic," etc., of Dr. Johnson's time? And shall we be required to write "natural," "mortal," "cruel," etc., with double "l," as was then the vogue?

The Dominion Railway Commission shows a laudable desire to carry out the object for which it was created; that is, to see exact justice done between the people and the companies which serve them. The promptness with which the new express tariff and rules evoked its censure is a testimony to its practical usefulness.

The change which secures for the Lake Superior Corporation a large amount of British capital, enough, it is understood, to put the control of the institution in British hands, will probably mean much for the large and varied interests involved. For some years it has been handicapped by lack of funds, but with the change now to be made an era of progress and development may be ushered in.

While the Mail and Empire flounders wildly in an attempt to confound the "faddists" who want to spell as they speak, that is to say, those who object to going back to the "our" in the words which by general consent we spell "favor," "honor," "labor," etc., we notice that the editorial reactionary falls into "honorable" and "favorable." Send him to school to be birched by those geniuses Seath and Goggin!

While the Mail and Empire seriously denounces the advocates of the "our" spelling of "favor" and words of its class, the editor himself finds it so hard to take the step backward to "our" that he tells us, in a note (separated from the denunciatory editorial) that "the New York State Chamber of Commerce is in FAVOR of the opening of negotiations for reciprocity between Canada and the United States."

The year just closed was a disastrous one for some railways. Twenty-four roads were placed in receivers' hands and mortgages on three were foreclosed. These roads had a mileage of 8,000 miles, and bonds and stocks amounting to \$96,359,000. Added to the depression, the railways suffered from the anti-capitalistic craze which seems to have afflicted so many law-making bodies.

The Toronto News, which is exceedingly active in attacking the Government, objects to it being contended in favor of the Marine Department (1) That the irregularities were inheritances from the Prefontaine regime; (2) That Mr. Brodeur had reformed the book-keeping; (3) That the evil had been done by Tory officials not loyal to the Department; (4) That the Government by appointing the Civil Service Commission had already begun the work of reform. If the News would amend its statement by saying that the evil conditions had been handed down from the Conservative Government, and that the issue of the Civil Service Commission was but the culmination of a series of

efforts to bring about reform, the case would be stated more honestly. What fault should any honest journal find with the Government for pursuing this reform policy?

The people of Chatham are somewhat alarmed over the Beck boasts as to the number of municipalities voting to enter the Hydro-Electric scheme. The people of Chatham voted on a referendum as to authorizing the Council to negotiate, but without any idea of binding themselves to the scheme. They fully believe that if the Council under such authorization concluded negotiations, a by-law incorporating the terms would have to be submitted to the ratepayers. That is not the idea given out by the Hydro-Electric organs; but if sharp tricks are attempted, Chatham, too, will appeal to the courts.

OUR EXCHANGES

Need More Snow. (Toronto Telegram.) If we only had a little more snow it would be just like winter.

Wire Tapping. (Kingston Standard.) A Hamilton citizen is charged with having tapped catarract wires and stealing electric power. One can never tell where these Hamilton people will break out next.

8,000 Coming. (Kingston Whig.) The Salvation Army has a contract to convey 8,000 Englishmen to Canada during this year. It is to be hoped they will all go west. The older cities are pretty well supplied with labor.

Over the "U." (Toronto Globe.) It is this inherent scynophany of a small group of pro-English people in Toronto that has more than once stimulated revolt in intelligent and self-respecting Canadian opinion.

Canada Knows Her Business. (New York Journal of Commerce.) The Canadians are perfectly able to take care of themselves; and here they have done so and propose hereafter to trade with those nations that express a desire to trade with them is proven by their new tariff policy.

The Extra Vowel. (Woodstock Sentinel-Review.) It is said that when the new public school readers are put in service they will undertake to teach school children that words commonly ending in "or" should be spelled with a "u," as "labour," "honour," "favour." Did Sir James Whitney find the missing vowel with his little? Will the books undertake to give "auksent" too?

Where They Have the Tonic Sol-Fa. (Vancouver World.) In America singing is considered a woman's art, and in much of the attention is paid to the training of boys in music. In English and Scotch schools it is different. What struck me about the school singing I heard was that it was all done with so much joy and evident relish on the part of the children.

One Cause of Defeat. (Toronto News.) The News often has warned the liquor trade that it was unwise in antagonizing public opinion by forcing licensed houses upon purely residential districts where they were not wanted. Saturday Night attributes the credit of New Year's Day in large measure to an impolitic move of this character.

Seath's Big Task. (Goderich Signal.) John Seath, who bosses the Department of Education down at Toronto, orders that homophonic words ending in "or," such as honor, favour, labor, etc., should be spelled with a "u," as honour, favour, labour, etc. But it will take more than John Seath's decree to make the people of Ontario take up with such an obsolete notion.

Mr. Kelso's Work. (Toronto Star.) It is not going too far to say that J. J. Kelso, in what he has done to secure the surroundings of proper home influences for children whose parents were unfit for parenthood, has performed a more valuable service in preventing crime than half the police force of Ontario have performed in the suppression of crime. There are hundreds, possibly thousands, of young men and young women, living respectable, useful lives to-day, who, but for Mr. Kelso's work, would have gone to destruction.

Girls in Boarding Houses. (Toronto Mail and Empire.) Loneliness is not the greatest woe of the ex-domiciled young woman. In the ways of the world, she may become a victim of heartless people she is thrown among. A crime that has become rather common of late is that of bigamy, and the sufferers of the wrong are usually girls away from home, who, but for Mr. Kelso's work, would have gone to destruction.

The "Ownership" Delusion. (Trade Review.) The socialist is dreaming a beautiful dream of abolishing poverty and all manner of wretchedness and inequality of the world. It is, perhaps, not surprising that this programme has attracted so many people whose hearts are oppressed by the spectacle of human suf-

Advertisement for Bank of Hamilton. Includes text: 'It is an open question where it is more unwise to keep money, not immediately needed; in the home or in the pocket...'. Features an illustration of the bank building and a list of branches.

Advertisement for Norman Ellis. Text: 'Sterling Silver Opportunities. Even the City Officials of Cleveland Are Ruminating This.' Includes an illustration of a pair of glasses.

Advertisement for Epps's Cocoa. Text: 'A delicious drink and a sustaining food. Fragrant, nutritious and economical. This excellent Cocoa maintains the system in robust health, and enables it to resist winter's extreme cold.'

Advertisement for Blachford & Son. Text: 'Blachford & Son Funeral Directors. 57 King Street West. Established 1842. Private Mortuary.'

Advertisement for 'The Sisters' Thanks'. Text: 'The sisters in charge of St. Mary's Orphanage gratefully acknowledge the many kind remembrances from generous friends and benefactors who contributed in no small degree to the happiness of the little ones under their care.'

AMUSEMENTS

Owing to the special attractions at the theatres, the disagreeable weather and the fact that Saturday evening is not an opportune time for a musical event in Hamilton, the audience was smaller than was expected at the song recital given by Mr. Lissant Beardmore, of Toronto, in the Hamilton Conservatory Recital Hall.

The second group of the love song from "Walkure" and in the third "A Maid Sings Light" were particularly enjoyable. The programme was as follows: Who is Sylvia? . . . . . Schubert Auf dem Meer . . . . . Robert Franz Liebest ist da . . . . . Robert Franz Gute Nacht . . . . . Robert Franz Standchen . . . . . Robert Franz Die Blauen Fruehlingssagen . . . . . Franz Ich hab'm Traume gewinet . . . . . Franz Fur Musik . . . . . Robert Franz Es hat die Rose sich beklagt . . . . . Franz Siegmund's Love Song from Die Walkure

Gesang Weylas . . . . . Hugo Wolf Verborgenen . . . . . Hugo Wolf Welterleuchten . . . . . Hugo Kaufmann Caro Mio Ben . . . . . G. Gaudian Slumber Song . . . . . MacDowell The Robin Sings in the Apple Tree . . . . . MacDowell Thy Swain Bent Low to the Lily . . . . . MacDowell A Maid Sings Light . . . . . MacDowell Obstinat . . . . . MacDowell Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes . . . . . Old English Air Sweet Wind That Blows . . . . . Chasnet Ouvre tes Yeux Bleues . . . . . Madinet The piano used was a Heintzman Co. grand, the singing master being Mr. Franz. The piano was very well illustrated. It contributed in no small degree to the success of the recital.

At a meeting of Hamilton Lodge No. 25 of the Theatrical Mechanics' Association, held last week, the following officers were elected for the coming year: President—Walter Brittain, Vice-President—Thomas McNab, Treasurer—William Stroud, Past President—Robert Stamp, Recording Secretary—William Fudge, Financial Secretary—George Eves, Delegate to the Grand Lodge—Robert Stamp, Physician—Dr. Hilker.

With the Brothers Byrne and a company of ten clever comedians, acrobats and pantomimists heading such a strong bill as the Bennett offering this week patrons of that house are assured thorough pleasing entertainment. The Byrne Brothers' attraction is staged with a carload of special comedians, is practically a reproduction of the first act of "8 Bells," the big spectacle, with which these clever entertainers were so long identified. Their vaudeville offering is entitled "The Mishaps of a Carriage Ride," and is said to be a cyclone of merriment. Ben Coe's comedy sketch "A Lamb on Wall Street," should attract more than ordinary attention for it is said to be one of the best laugh provokers on the variety stage. Coe himself is one of the best comedians England ever sent to this country, and he has a way of entertaining that is inviting. The sketch is replete with bright repartee, funny situations and has a very pleasing ending. In addition to these features the bill will include such meritorious numbers as the Johnnie Bush Trio, featuring the celebrated British comedians, Johnnie Bush, Coakley and McBride, clever comedians and dancers, who were long identified with the Red Mill Company in the past; made famous by Stone and Montgomery, the Vynos with their odd musical offering, "The Musical Farmyard," Hal Ben, Italian singer, and Jane Whitlock, a charming singing comedienne. The pictures will be new and entertaining.

"BINCO IN ARIZONA" Throughout Miss Lillian Mortimer's new play, "Binco in Arizona," which comes to the Grand next Friday and Saturday, there is said to be a fascinating plot that holds the attention of the audience. The plot centres on a romance founded on facts in the far southwest. It concerns a wife who had been left at Black Creek, Arizona, and adopted by Jim Hunt, a popular mine owner, who was in love with the camp schoolmistress, Miss June. The wife became a general favorite with all at Black Creek, and was named "Binco," and became proficient in all western pastimes, such as shooting, throwing the lariat and breaking horses. Arriving at the age of sixteen, she became an aunt that she is an English heiress and had been abducted when a baby. A villainous cousin had known of her inheritance some time previous and had journeyed to Black Creek with the ostensible purpose of securing a mine by forged deeds and winning Binco with her heritage. The cousin discovers that Binco is engaged to Dick and they contrive, with the assistance of Black Hawk, an Indian Chief, to murder Dick. Several daring attempts have been made only to end disastrously. One of the narrowest escapes is when Black Hawk and his tribe, crazed by whiskey, capture Dick and Binco and bind them to the stake for scalping and burning. This scene is intensely wrought up by the Indians secured by Manager Veronee from the reservation, and the audience will have the opportunity of witnessing a genuine Ghost Dance, with its attendant ceremonies. Seats go on sale on Wednesday.

AT THE SAVOY. In selecting "A Flag of Truce" as the production for this week at the Savoy Theatre, the management has an offering that should please. In those days of problem plays and society dramas, from which the audience rises confused and dissatisfied with social conditions, the beauty and simplicity of a New England drama, is most refreshing. The play is in four acts and is considered the masterpiece of William Hathaway, the well-known dramatist. The late Joseph Hawthorn's success in his career in the role of Tom Hewitt, the part that will be interpreted by Mr. Selman. Miss Effie Laasche will play Annie, the heroine; Miss Kathryn Shay as Hattie and Stuart Beebe, as Harry

Swift, have the comedy situations, which are most entertaining. This play will undoubtedly prove as attractive as "Sweet Clover," and "The Belle of Richmond." It has that pure, wholesome charm that made these plays winners. Photographs of Miss Claudia Lucas will be given every lady who attends the matinee to-morrow. Seats were placed on sale this morning for "Frou-Frou." This famous drama was the greatest success ever produced at Daly Theatre in New York, and will give the witness Miss Lasche a chance to display her emotional powers.

MRS. RICHARDS' RECITAL. The second of Mrs. A. Elmore Richards' evenings, under the auspices of Caxton Chapter, I. O. E. E., will be placed in the Conservatory of Music to-morrow evening. Among her selections will be "The Ragged Dancers' Party" and "How Grandma Danced the Minuet," and a character impersonation, given by request, Miss Marjorie Insole, Mrs. G. W. Heming, Dr. Wickins and Mr. Ernest Bruce will contribute the musical part of the program. Mrs. W. H. Thresher will preside at the piano. Conservatory of Music hall should be filled to overflowing.

THE ASIATICS.

Rev. Mr. Etherington Touched on Subject at Y.M.C.A.

The men's meeting at Central Y. M. C. A. was led by Rev. E. J. Etherington, rector of St. Thomas' Church. There was a large attendance and all listened with closest attention to the speaker as he told of the early days of Brittany, and the power of the gospel to change not only man, but nation. His subject was, "Remember the Rock From Which Ye Are Hewn." The reverend gentleman dwelt upon the British and American treatment of the Chinese, and prophesied that in the near future it would be necessary to throw our gates open to the Chinese as their gates are thrown open to us.

The song service at 8.30 in Association Hall was conducted by Mr. J. Manship, chairman of the Religious Work Committee. After leading the audience in some bright new hymns he gave an illustrated address on the "Travels of St. Paul," which was both interesting and instructive. Rev. F. E. Howitt will be the speaker next Sunday evening, and will illustrate his address with a number of interesting slides. Those who were present yesterday at the men's meeting at 4.15 at East Hamilton Y. M. C. A. were treated to a fine address by Rev. J. Roy van Wyck, pastor of Westminster Church. The all important question, "What must I do to be saved?" was the subject of the address. J. W. Brethour sang "Jesus Savior Pilot Me" very effectively. These meetings are held every Sunday at 4.15, and a cordial invitation is extended to all men.

AT BENNETT'S THEATRE. MOST COMPLETE STOCK In safety razors, the Gillette, Witch, Star, Ever Ready, Boker's, etc., and in other razors the Carbor-Magnesium, King Shaver, Diamond Edge, King Shaver. We offer \$500 in fine imported shaving brushes. Our stock of razor straps includes Russian leather, Arab, seal, horse-shell, porpoise, etc., at J. W. Gernie's, 32 James street north.

Shea's Clearing Sale. Our store is closed to-day, making ready for the annual clearing out sale of all winter dry goods, millinery cloaks, suits, skirts, blouses, wrappers, misses' and children's dresses, dress materials, cloths and cloaking, blankets, comforters, Damask table linen, table cloths, table napkins, hostess and underwear, gloves, umbrellas and parasols. Owing to unusual mild weather many goods remain unsold, and as has been our custom in the past not to carry any one season's goods over to next year, it means many deep cut and clearing prices on more than \$75,000 stock in thirty days. Extra specials may be certain in blankets, comforters, samples of underwear and blouses, dress materials, cloths, cloaking and silks, as we are giving up the sale of dress goods, cloths and silks. Starting out can be looked for. Shop early as you can, to check to-morrow if possible—James Shea.

BRITANNIA RINK. To-night at Britannia Roller Rink there will be 15 skating numbers. New music has just arrived from New York. On Wednesday night there will be a match race between Christie and Hamberg. These boys finished 1st and 2nd in the recent handicap race and a good contest is assured. The distance will be two miles.

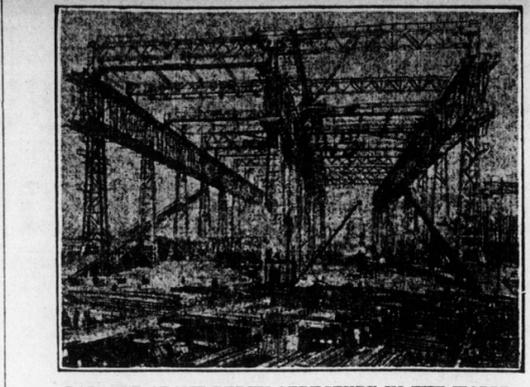
A grand carnival will be held on Friday evening. All the carnivals held at this rink have been successful, and this one will be no exception. There will be six valuable prizes.

SPEAKS WITH AUTHORITY. Dr. Sexton, superintendent of technical education for the Province of Nova Scotia, will address the Canadian Club at its luncheon in the Hotel Royal to-morrow night. Dr. Sexton is one of the foremost authorities in Canada on the subject, and his address should be heard by all interested, especially educationists and manufacturers.

HEBREW SCHOOLS. Mr. Isaac Mintz presided over a large gathering last night in Germania Hall, one of the city interested in the establishment of a Hebrew school. Historical and religious subjects of the Yiddish race will be the principal subjects taught if the school is started, and the chances of that are good. The meeting was addressed by Rabbi Freidlander in English and by Rabbi Levin in Yiddish. The object met with hearty approval, and a free will offering taken up netted \$200 for the institution. Other meetings will be held in the near future.

COURT EXCELSIOR. The officers of Court Excelsior, A. O. F. No. 1275, were installed at their last meeting by Bro. T. C. K. Cowan, assisted by Bros. T. Coleman and Davey, of Court Pride, as follows: P. C. R. Bro. W. Lucas; C. R. Bro. Robert S. C. R. Bro. James; sec. Bro. W. Mosler; treas. Bro. C. Cooper; sec. Bro. W. Donohue; J. U. Bro. A. Hibbard; S. B. Bro. J. A. McDugal; J. B. Bro. Geo. Todd; physician, Dr. T. Coleman.

Succinct. "Hello, Swinburne! What under the sun have you been doing to your nose?" "I called a bigger man a liar the other day. Looks as if we were going to have a snowstorm, doesn't it?"



LARGEST CRANE BERTH STRUCTURE IN THE WORLD.

The gigantic crane shown in the picture is in the shipyards of Harland & Wolff, Belfast, Ireland. It has been constructed for the building of the new White Line steamships "Olympic" and "Titanic," which will be built side by side. They will be the largest passenger vessels afloat.

Fire Fighting, New Style

The Flood of Water Put on Tap by High Pressure

(New York Sun.) Fire Chief Croker is as happy over the new high pressure service as a child over a new toy. At last he has found a weapon that will reduce a fierce blaze to submission, completely smother it and drown out the last flickering spark in less time than was formerly required to wet down a little one alarm blaze.

Although it has been in operation only a few months the system has made a good in every detail in the opinion of the firemen, has fulfilled, even exceeded, every contract requirement. The specifications called for two supply stations containing ten electrically operated centrifugal pumps, each capable of delivering 3,100 gallons of water a minute at a pressure of 300 pounds to the square inch. At the official tests each pump delivered 3,600 gallons a minute at a pressure of 350 pounds to the square inch. Furthermore, the distribution mains were completed well within the time limit and the cost of installation was considerably below the appropriation.

Three alarm fires are now a thing of the past. The old fashioned steamer with its galloping horses, tooting whistles and shouting of orders, no solution in memory in certain parts of the city. Individual bravery on the part of the men in the ranks will not be the prime requisite under the new order that it was under the old. Technical training will be the main qualification demanded of new men.

A few days ago a fire broke out in the heart of the dry goods district on lower Broadway. For a little while, a very little while, it threatened to develop into a good old-fashioned three alarm blaze, but as soon as the new high pressure service got going the flames gasped, flickered and died out in short order.

During the smothering process a row of blue coats and helmets disappeared along the curb across the street while a handful of men at the nozzles of half a dozen high pressure lines poured 6,000 gallons of water a minute into the blazing structure. One of the disgruntled snobs called out in disgust, "The change in the old-fashioned three alarm blaze, but as soon as the new high pressure service got going the flames gasped, flickered and died out in short order."

He was right. There was no excitement, no shouting of orders, no swarming round of battalion chiefs and lieutenants, no hand to hand battle with the flames. No, indeed! Fire fighting under the new order is a cold blooded business proposition entirely devoid of the old time picturesque features. The change will no doubt arouse regret in the hearts of the blue clad men to whom the smell of smoke was the breath of life, but from a purely utilitarian point of view the new method of fire fighting is a vast improvement over the old. Insurance rates will be substantially decreased in the near future. Fewer men will be required under the new system than under the old. Steamers will be superseded by hose tenders.

Some of the most important engine companies in the downtown district have already been disbanded. More will go the same way. All this means a large saving to the city in the cost of maintaining the fire fighting force. The district at present patrolled by the high pressure service extends from Twenty-third street on the north to Chambers street on the south and along the Hudson River to Fourth avenue, the Bowers and Park row. When it is borne in mind that one idea of the new system is to provide a more efficient fighting force in the city, it is inclined to wonder why the high pressure service has been installed in this midtown district, where there are comparatively few buildings over ten or fifteen stories in height, instead of in the financial and office building district of the lower end of Manhattan Island, where twenty-story buildings are common.

The reasons for this are many. First of all the buildings between Chambers and Twenty-third streets are not as a rule of fireproof construction. On the other hand the new downtown skyscrapers are of fireproof construction. They are of fireproof construction. They are of fireproof construction. They are of fireproof construction.

A modern office building has automatic sprinklers, a stand pipe running its full height and reservoirs at several levels. The fire apparatus in such a building is ready for service almost instantly and is able to cope with an ordinary blaze without assistance. In very high buildings like the Singer tower water is not raised from the basement to the top floor in a single stand pipe but is forced to successive levels ten or fifteen stories apart by easy stages. At the top of the building and at each intermediate level are large storage tanks and pumping engines. The tanks supply water for ordinary purposes by force of gravitation; the pumps maintain a constant level at each supply point and can raise the pressure in the stand pipe to several hundred pounds.

It is only a matter of time before the high pressure mains will be extended as far south as the Battery and individual systems supplied by the city supply. A direct connection can then be made between standpipe and hydrant and the blaze fought at close range. A fire in a high building can be

streams can be concentrated on any single block without using a length of hose greater than 500 feet. In one day 40,000,000 gallons of water could be poured into a single block from these sixty nozzles. This places the fire department in the position of having more water than the men can handle. Indeed, the present fear is not that a fire will get beyond control, but that the surplus water will do more damage than the flames would have done if uncontrolled. The firemen, though, are every day becoming more familiar with the workings of the new system, and are learning just what pressure and what volume of water to use.—New York Sun.

OBITUARY.

Death of Miss Boyes—Funerals of the Day.

Miss Betsey Boyes, one of Hamilton's respected residents, passed away yesterday at the home of her nephew, Mr. J. M. Boyes, 17 West avenue south. Deceased was born on Oct. 19, 1826, and had lived in this city nearly all her life. She was a daughter of the late Capt. James Boyes, and had a wide circle of friends, who will regret to hear of her death. The funeral will take place on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Susanna Ricketts, wife of Fred J. Ricketts, died yesterday at her home, 171 Hunter street west. Deceased was born in England on Dec. 18, 1850, and had been a resident of this city for thirty years. She leaves a husband only.—The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Garnet Austin died at the City Hospital yesterday morning. The deceased was a highly respected man of Haliburton, and came to the city a week ago on Saturday to undergo an operation for appendicitis. After the second operation on Saturday he gradually grew worse, and passed away Sunday morning early. The funeral will take place at a store at Haliburton, and was very much respected. His age was 24 years. He leaves a father, B. F. Austin, five brothers and five sisters. The brothers are Walter and Harry of Haliburton; Edward of this city; Fred and Frank of Galt. The sisters are Mrs. R. J. Thompson, British Columbia; Mrs. J. B. Anderson, Haliburton; Mrs. D. H. Fletcher, and Misses Margaret and Maud, city. The remains were taken on the 7.40 P. M. train this morning for Haliburton, where the funeral takes place to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

The last sad rites were held over the remains of John J. Lawlor in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The funeral taking place from his mother's residence, 144 Emerald street north, to St. Patrick's Church, where requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Walsh. Rev. Father Coty officiated at the grave. The pallbearers were D. Lawlor, J. Battie, A. Aussem, A. Clappison, J. Smette and H. Woodhouse. The members of the Hamilton Gun Club attended the funeral in a body. The floral tributes were: Anchor, William and Frank McCombs; sickle, Miss Nellie, Coal; shaft of wheat, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pushinsky, Miss Mae Phoenix; wreath, Bert and Albert Aussem, Thomas Crooks, Rob Dixon and L. Monck; I. Hecker Little and A. Clappison; cross, Tim Sullivan and wife, Hamilton Gun Club, G. D. Burns and George E. Gates; pillow, Mrs. and Mrs. A. S. Foster; sprays, Mrs. W. J. Wark, Buffalo, Mrs. John Dixon, Walter A. Howell, James Curran, George Macleod; spiritual bouquets, Dan Lawlor, J. J. Lawlor, J. P. Neilligan, Miss McMahon, Jas. B. Battie, Mrs. and Mrs. J. J. Neilligan, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Clark, St. Patrick's Church, J. B. and Mrs. Lawlor, Joseph Boyle, May Bain and J. F. Radigan.

A large number of friends attended the funeral of William Hodd which took place on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence, 85 Tisdale street, to Hamilton Cemetery. Rev. E. J. Etherington conducted the religious services at the house and grave. The members of Court Mechanics of London attended the funeral in a body and held service at the grave. The pallbearers were: James Jackson, Robert Lentz, Charles Hunter, Alexander Dvnes, J. A. Jackson. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful and included pieces from Court Mechanics of London, P. F. Conservatives of No. 1 Ward, Ben Hur employees, officers of Wentworth Street Baptist Church, and many others.

The remains of Mrs. Martha Coll were laid to rest in Hamilton Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place at 2 o'clock from her late residence, 196 Locke street south. Rev. F. E. Howitt conducted the services. The pallbearers were: Thomas Fanning, George Collins, George Harris, John McMenemy, James Webb, John Collins, and R. Kemp.

Rev. Dr. Fletcher officiated at the funeral of Mrs. J. Burgess, which took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late residence, 306 Hess street south, to Hamilton Cemetery. The pallbearers were: George Burgess, Frank Cassell, Andrew Cassell, William Holt, Joseph Hatty, and Harry Lane.

NOT THE MAN.

Arrest Made at Cedar Grove Not Rev. Carmichael.

Whitby, Ont., Jan. 11.—The man who was arrested last night at Cedar Grove on suspicion of being Rev. J. H. Carmichael, wanted at Adrian, Mich., for the murder of Olden Browning in the Baxter Run Methodist Church there on Tuesday night, was found this morning pot fully to answer the description of Rev. Mr. Carmichael, and accordingly was set at liberty. It is reported, however, that he may be re-arrested.

"NERVILINE" ALWAYS BEST.

Because it is immensely stronger than other liniments—because it relieves the congestion that causes pain—because it sinks into the nerve centres and affords relief at once. Now you understand why one family in three uses Nerviline; all these people have tested it, found it good in the hundred and one ailments that crop into every home—found Nerviline inestimably the finest remedy in the world for pains, aches, bruises, rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, colds, coughs, and children's ills, because stronger, surer, safer than the ordinary liniments. Every wise mother has a 25c bottle of "Nerviline" always on hand; it saves the doctor's bills.

Nan—Your nice new waist is all crumpled. Fan—Well, suppose it is! Do you think Jack is an armless wonder?

Stanley Mills & Co. LIMITED

Housekeepers' Day--Again

The Basement and Housefurnishing Sections claim special attention to-morrow in the splendid offerings for Housekeepers' Day. Many will buy to-morrow for their needs later on, because the savings in most cases are on limited lots that we are clearing out before stock-taking and because the supplying of the needs of the household at reduced prices is regarded by the careful housewife in the manner of a paying investment. We look for an extraordinarily heavy Tuesday. Come as early as you can.

An Iron Bedstead with a \$3 Mattress on Sale To-morrow for \$7.75

These Beds are all new stock and they are enamelled in white or green. Very strong and very well made Beds, with heavy corner pillars and fancy filling. With each bed, we offer to-morrow a regular \$3 Mattress and a closely bed, woven Spring for the exceedingly low price of \$7.75. These are in the double bed size. Single bed size for \$6.98.

ANOTHER BED SPECIAL—Handsome Brass and Iron Bedsteads, in white or green enamel finish, with an unmatchable brass rail across head and foot and heavy upright iron sections. They come in all sizes from 3 ft. to 4 ft. 6 inches wide. The outfit includes a spring with iron sides and an excellent sea grass and wool mattress. Price for the complete outfit to-morrow \$10.00.

Hardwood Cots \$1.75 Well made and strong Hardwood Cots, size 2 ft. 6 inches x 6 ft., each has a reliable spring attached and is fitted with folding legs and bed end pieces, very useful when an extra bed is required, splendid value at \$1.75. Bed complete with mattress, for \$3.25.

Infants' Cribs \$5.75 Six only Infants' Steel Cribs, the celebrated "Churchill" make. The sides can be raised or lowered as desired, and the crib folds up flat when not in use. Each is fitted with a fine wire spring, with helicals at ends, size is 25 x 48 inches, worth regularly \$6.50, ing to get out of order, splendid on sale Tuesday at \$5.75.

Waterproof Sheet 65c yd. Finest quality White Rubber Sheet, guaranteed perfectly waterproof, 36 inches wide, nice, soft finish, regularly 75c yard, on sale to-morrow at 65c.

Sham Holders 50c Tarbox Sham Holders, for wood spring, or ironsteads, very strong, hooding to get out of order, splendid on sale Tuesday at 50c set.

In the Groceries To-morrow

Study these values and bear in mind that they represent the choicest grades obtainable—fresh, tempting and clean. Selected Bacon 18c lb. or 2 lbs. for 35c Your choice of 200 sides of "Fowler's" selected Side Bacon, sliced if you wish it; regular 20c value, to-morrow 18c lb., or 2 lbs. for 35c. Upton's Pure Orange Marmalade in Cream Cheese in bulk 25c pound five pound pails, special 45c. Black, Green or Mixed California Grown Prunes, 3 pounds pleasing flavor and good quality, special 25c. Lima Beans, the genuine California Java Blend Coffee, ground while growth, large and flaky, at 10c pound or 3 pounds for 25c. Red Salmon at 16c can. Lemons, good sound fruit, clear Batger's Strawberry Jam, in one skins, special only 1c each. Navel Oranges, special 25c dozen. Canned Pineapple 10, 15 and 25c. Avadia Cod Fish, in a two pound Bartlett Peas at 10c can. Canned Blueberries at 10c.

Cleaning Materials Star Ammonia 5 and 10c package Old Dutch Cleanser 10c can Liquid Ammonia 10c bottle Wiltch Cleanser, 2 packages for 25c. Nonesuch Stove Polish, 10c bottle Gild Dust 5, 10 and 25c. Shiner Metal Polish, 15 and 25c. Pickstone's Crystal 20c dozen Eureka Silver Soap 25c cake Chloride of Lime 5 and 10c pkg.

January Sale News

Extra Special: Making Dress Skirts to Measure for \$1.49

An outburst of value-giving in the making of Dress Skirts that should attract hundreds in having their Separate Dress Skirts made now for present and spring wear. They are made in the latest fashions, style and fit, workmanship and finish is guaranteed, the same careful work going into each Skirt as if regular prices were being charged. We would advise you placing your orders at once, as a limited number are to be taken. Enquire for Miss Tyson, head of this department. A worth while January saving in making at \$1.49.

Flannelette Night Gowns and Skirts Made at 25c

Hundreds of orders have already been placed at this sale price. During January we are making to measure Women's Flannelette Night Gowns and Men's Night Skirts to measure at 25c, instead of the regular prices, 45 and 50c. Enquire at the Staple Department and choose from our large stocks of Flannels and Flannelettes.

January Sale of Table Linens and Sheets

Table Cloths Reduced English Bleached Cotton Hemstitched Sheets, in three sizes, both Sheets are hemstitched and extra heavy soft makes. \$2.25 Cloths now \$1.99 \$3.50 Cloths now \$2.99 \$4.50 Cloths now \$3.29 \$4.50 Cloths now \$3.89 \$5.00 Cloths now \$4.39 \$6.00 Cloths now \$5.29 \$6.50 Cloths now \$5.89

Opening Display of Muslins and Fine Swiss Dress Materials

MUSLINS—Just arrived, silk finished Mulls in plain and silk spot effects, in the season's latest shades of pink, sky, canary, white, brown and mauve, 30 and 46 inches wide. Very stylish for evening or reception dresses. Special values at 25c, 35c and 40c. SWISS MUSLINS—Direct from the large manufacturers in Switzerland. Snowy white, real Swiss Muslins, in plain, dotted and fancy floral weaves. A very large assortment for choosing in 34 and 46 inch widths, at 35c, 40c, 50c and 75c.

GINGHAMS—A part shipment of our Gingham has arrived, in the new stripe effect, in light and dark colors, new spring designs, at 15c to 30c yd. PRINTS—A part lot of our Prints have arrived and we expect to have more in a few days. They represent the most sought after and latest designs for spring and summer. All famous makes, at 12 1/2c and 14c.

FINCH BROS. 29-31 King St. West

Troublesome Small Animals. Farmers who live near the Blue Mountains, in Lehigh county, are greatly troubled with foxes, minks and weasels, and the farmers who live along the lowlands have their land spoiled by the muskrats and the skunks. A crusade has been declared against these animals and the farmers expect to exterminate them by trapping and shooting. More than 1,000 traps have been shipped from New Tripoli during the last week. Among the most successful trappers were the following: E. Stump and C. Frey, who had 40 skunks, 36 opossums and 34 muskrats; W. Oswald, five minks; J. Wolf, seven red foxes. There are a score of others who caught as high as 40 foxes, skunks, opossums and muskrats.—From the Punxsutawney Spirit.

The dolphin can travel 40 miles an hour.

A quantity of D. & A. sample Corsets, sizes 20 to 22; worth 50c to \$5.00; to be cleared at 35c to \$3.00

SHEA'S Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1909

MUSSED HANDKERCHIEFS—A quantity of Handkerchiefs, beautifully embroidered and with hemstitched and scalloped edges, used in decorating at Christmas; 15, 20 and 25c values, on sale to be cleared at each 10c

Women's Skirts A Slaughter

Good, dependable Tweed Skirts, well made, worth \$3.00, on sale for 99c. Skirts made of plain cloths and good fancy worsteds, women's, misses' and children's lengths, \$3.50 value, to be cleared at, each \$1.95

Annual January Clearing Sale

Sharp at 9 o'clock on Tuesday, January 12th, we will open our doors on what we intend will be the biggest sale in our history—Stocks are very large, for the unusually mild season has left many of our department overstocked with Winter goods—These have to be turned into money during the next 30 days. Furs, Mantles, Suits, Skirts, Underwear, Dress Goods, etc., etc., all take their share in these cut prices—half the original values in many cases; for cost was not considered when fixing these sale figures—Sale will last 30 days but be here to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, for the best is always picked up first. Tuesday and Wednesday, store will close from 12 o'clock to 1.15.

Millinery—To be Cleared

\$8.00 and \$10.00 Hats, the season's best styles, in all the good shades, to be cleared at, each \$2.95. Trimmed Hats, fresh and new, and in the very best styles, worth \$5.00 and \$6.50, to clear at, each \$1.95

Mantles for Women, Misses and Children To Be Cleared

No mantles in Canada have a better reputation than those sold by the Shea store. No matter how low the price is they have to meet our standard of value or they have no place here. Thus every Coat at its regular price is the best value you can get anywhere in the regular way. At these cut prices you see the immense savings you make. Every garment has the cut price tag on it. A very large proportion of them at half price and less, as follows:

- Large rack of Children's, Misses' and Women's Coats in a great variety of cloths, worth from \$3.50 to \$6.00, to be cleared at each \$1.95
Large rack of Misses' Coats, made of good warm tweeds and plain cloths, black and colors, worth \$4.50 to \$7.50, to be cleared at \$2.95
Large rack of Women's Stylish Mantles, good range of sizes, blacks and colors, various new and popular makes, \$10.00 Coats, for \$5.95
Large rack of Women's Coats, made of splendid black and colored cloths, good range of sizes, worth \$12.50 to \$15, to be cleared at each \$8.95

Women's Fur Lined Coats at \$27.50

Splendid Black and Colored Cloths, well lined with dependable fur, \$42.50 to \$50.00 value, to clear at \$27.50

Women's Suits at a Sacrifice

About 50 Women's Suits go into this sale to be cleared. All beautifully made garments, perfect in fit, material and workmanship. These are the cut prices:

- \$15 to \$18 Suits \$8.95, \$20 and \$22 Suits, \$10.00, \$25 Suits, \$12.50

Gloves and Mitts on Sale

Children's Mitts, 25c, for \$12 1/2c. Misses' Ringwood Gloves, 20c, for \$15c. Women's Double Knit Mitts, 25c for 15c; 35c, for 19c; 50c, for 25c

Velveteens on Sale

Hundreds of yards of splendid Colored Velveteens, worth 40c per yard, clearing at \$25c. Colored Velveteens, worth 50 and 55c, on sale for per yard 39c

Collar Goods on Sale

Sateens, good colors, 13c, for 10c. Black and Colored Sateens, worth 25c, to clear at 15c. 42-inch White Lawn, worth 15c and 18c, on sale for per yard 10c

\$15 to \$20 Coats for \$10.00

Hundreds of Women's Coats, made of Venetians, Kerseys, beavers and broadcloths, well lined and elegantly trimmed, full range of sizes, \$15 to \$20 values, to clear at \$10.00

German Mantles \$15.00

Richly Trimmed German Mantles, all sizes up to 48 bust, made of beautiful black cloths, \$20 and \$25 values, to clear at each \$15.00

Women's Caracul Coats \$15.00

About 40 Women's Caracul Cloth Coats, the most fashionable as well as the most comfortable and well wearing known to-day; these Coats are well and durably lined, finished with braids, and should sell readily for \$30.00, go on sale to clear at each \$15

Dress Goods and Silk Clearance

Our entire Dress Goods stock will have to be cleared out during this sale. Every yard of Dress Goods and Silks has been reduced to clear. 50c Silks for 29c, 65c Silks for 39c, 75c Silks for 50c, \$1.50 Dress Goods for \$1.00, \$1.00 and \$1.25 Dress Goods for 75c, 75c Dress Goods for 50c, 75c Dress Goods for 39c, 50c Dress Goods for 29c

Skirts Made to Measure \$1.25

During this sale we will make Skirts to your measure in the prevailing styles, and make them well; the only stipulation is the goods and trimmings must be bought during this sale; the charge is for making only, each \$1.25

A Startling Blouse Clearance

Silk Waists, black and colors, all good styles and perfect fitting, \$3 and \$3.50 values, to be cleared at, each \$1.95. Silk Net and Lace Waists, black, white and cream, 34 to 42 sizes, beautifully stylish goods, \$4.50 to \$5 value, to clear at, each \$2.95. Silk and Lace Waists, finished with applique, blacks, cream and colors, up to \$6, on sale to clear for, each \$3.95. Women's Waists, made of Lawns, Lustras and Sateens, cream, white, black and colors, full \$1 value, to clear at, each 95c. Dressing Sacks 95c

The Biggest Underskirt Sale Yet

100 only Women's Underskirts, made of Moreens, Taffettes, Sateens, beautifully frilled and ruffled, black and colors, worth \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Be there at 9 o'clock. They won't last an hour \$59c

Women's Underskirts at 98c, Worth \$2.00. Made of Moreens, Taffettes and Sateens, all sizes. Women's Underskirts at \$1.50, Worth \$2.50 and \$3.00. "Hydegoods" Heatherblom, Mesaline, Sateens, Moreens, Taffettes, etc., etc., blacks and colors.

Silk Underskirts at \$2.95

Made of Taffeta Silks and Silk Moirettes, of splendid quality, worth \$5.00 and \$5.50, to be cleared at, each \$2.95

Silk Underskirts at \$3.95

Made of beautiful high-grade Taffeta, in blacks and a good range of colors, beautifully pleated and ruffled, \$6.00 to \$7.50 values, on sale for \$3.95

Knitted Underskirts at \$1.75

Pure Wool Knit Underskirts, with deep, plain yoke, large sizes, worth \$2.50, on sale for \$1.75

A Sweeping Clearance of Neck Furs

No Furs sold in the trade are more dependable than those offered by the Shea Store. A large portion of them are sold under a broad guarantee that holds just as good under the cut prices as though you paid full value. These are cut prices:

- Marmot Stoles, worth \$3.50, for \$1.95. Storm Collars of Coney and Astrakhan, worth \$6, for \$4.50. Marmot and Musquash Stoles, \$10, for \$5.75. Isabella Fox Stole, worth \$35, for \$22.50. Rich Mink Furs at the following sweeping reductions: Stoles worth \$50, for \$35. Stoles worth \$60, for \$45. Muffs worth \$35, for \$20. Muffs worth \$25, for \$15. Bargains in Women's Underwear: Knitted Vests and Drawers, heavy fleece lined, worth 50 and 60c, on sale to clear at per garment 35c. Knitted Vests and Drawers, good heavy weight, worth 25c and 30c, on sale to clear at per garment 19c. Marmot and Astrakhan Stoles, \$5 for \$2.95. Marmot Stoles, worth \$7.50, for \$4.95. Possum Stoles, Isabella, blended and natural, \$12, for \$10. Isabella Fox Muffs, \$35, for \$25.00. Hundreds of these, made of good heavy cloth, dark and medium colors, all sizes, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2, all go for, each \$1.00. Samples of Whitewear, Corset Covers, Drawers, Night Gowns and Underskirts on sale at less than wholesale prices.

Bleached and Unbleached Table Damasks

No better Linens than the Shea Damasks can be found in Canada. Every one a bargain at regular prices; the savings are easily figured:

- 35c Linens for 25c, 45c Linens for 35c, 50c Linens for 39c, \$1.00 Linens for 75c, \$1.25 Linens for 99c. 65c Linens for 49c, 75c Linens for 59c, 85c Linens for 69c, \$1.50 Linens for \$1.39, \$1.65 Linens for \$1.39

Clearing Bargains in Toweling

The Shea Towelling cannot be improved upon for its good wearing qualities. It pays to buy at these cut prices. 10c Towelling for 7 1/2c, 12 1/2c Towelling for 10c, 15c Towelling for 12 1/2c

Clearing Bargains in Towels

Part Linen Huck Towels, 15c value, for 10c. Bath Towels, 15c, for 12 1/2c; 20c, for 15c; 25c, for 20c; 40c, for 30c. A quantity of Cotton Towels, slightly imperfect, on sale, at about half regular prices.

Big Bargains in Sheetings

72-inch Unbleached Sheetings: 28c, for 19c, 35c, for 25c, 40c, for 32c, 45c, for 35c, 50c, for 39c, 60c, for 45c, 70c, for 55c, 80c, for 65c, 90c, for 75c, 100c, for 85c, 110c, for 95c, 120c, for 105c. 72 inch and 81 inch Sheetings: 30c, for 22 1/2c, 35c, for 25c, 40c, for 32 1/2c, 45c, for 35c, 50c, for 40c. PILLOW COTTON ON SALE AT CUT PRICES.

Big Clearance in Table Napkins

Beautiful Napkins, of splendid quality; some of them samples of the highest grade goods imported into Canada. \$1.25 Napkins for 75c, \$1.50 Napkins for \$1.00, \$1.75 Napkins for \$1.25, \$2.50 Napkins for \$1.69, \$3.00 Napkins for \$2.00, \$4.00 Napkins for \$2.60, \$5.00 Napkins for \$3.40, \$8.00 Napkins for \$5.95

Table Cloths to be Cleared

Beautiful Damask Cloths; some of them samples, a little soiled, but otherwise perfect; also a quantity of New Etoile Cloth, with slight imperfections; sizes 72 x 72 to 84 x 108, at these cut prices: \$4.75 for \$3.50, \$4.00 for \$2.95, \$3.50 for \$2.50, \$4.00 for \$3.15, \$2.50 for \$1.65, \$2.00 for \$1.15

Clearing Prices in Wrapperette

Good quality of Wrapperette, dark and light colors, stripe, check and floral designs, all good patterns, 13 1/2c quality for 9c; 15c quality for 11c

Special Flannelette Bargain

35 and 36-inch Flannelette, striped patterns, good, fast colors, 13 1/2c value, on sale, per yard 9 1/2c

Notion Counter Bargains

White Lamb Trimmings, per yard 12c for 8c, 18c for 12 1/2c, 25c for 18c. Side Combs, 15c per pair, 10c. Back Combs, 15c, each 10c. Hand Bags to Clear: 50c Bags for 25c, \$1.50 Bags for 75c, \$2.00 Bags for \$1.50, \$3.00 Bags for \$2.00, \$4.00 Bags for \$2.75, Women's Silk Belts, worth 25 and 35c, for 15c, Women's Silk Belts, worth 50, 75c and \$1.00, for 25c. Elastic and Cat Steel Belts, worth \$1.25, for 75c, \$1.50, for \$1.00, \$2.00, for \$1.40. Fancy Collars and Neck Ruffs on sale at about half values. Women's Golf Jackets: Women's Wool Golf Waists, in white, black and colors, all most beautiful quality and worth \$2.50 to \$3.50, will go on sale at one price, each \$1.95

Bargains in Bedding

White Blankets, every thread pure wool and first class in every way, 64 x 80 size, worth \$4.50, on sale to clear for per pair \$2.95. 8 lb. Pure Wool White Blankets, worth \$6.00 and \$6.50, to be cleared at per pair \$5.00. White Quilts, double bed size and beautiful texture, clear firm thread, worth \$1.25, for 99c. Batting Comforters, covered with silklike of good quality, worth \$1.75 and \$1.95, 60 x 72 size, to clear at each \$1.50

Women's and Boys' Hose

A quantity of Women's and Children's Hose in finest qualities of cashmere and worsted, to be cleared at these cut prices; all put in 3 lots for easy choosing. 25 and 28c Hose for 19c, 35 and 38c Hose for 25c, 50c Hose for 39c

Misses' and Children's Dresses

Every Miss' and Child's Dress in stock goes on sale at clearing out prices. The sizes are not complete in all lines, but you can get your size in some line; 2 years to 14 years: \$7.00 Dresses for \$4.95, \$5.00 Dresses for \$2.98, \$3.50 Dresses for \$1.95, \$2.50 Dresses for \$1.49, \$2.00 Dresses for \$1.25, \$1.00 Dresses for \$1.55

GROCERS' GUILD.

MESSRS. JOHNSTON AND AMBROSE CONCLUDE ARGUMENT.

Mr. G. T. Blackstock Answers for the Crown—Chief Justice Sir Glenholme Falconbridge Reserves His Decision on the Case.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Argument in the grocers' combine case was concluded before Chief Justice Glenholme Falconbridge on Saturday morning, and judgment was reserved. Mr. E. F. B. Johnston, K. C., containing his argument, denied that, as alleged by the crown, the guild had taken possession of a particular field of operations. As he had previously contended, the guild was open to all wholesalers. They had Mr. Andrew Maclean, who had acted with great patience and ability in presenting and elaborating the huge mass of testimony, and who also had presented the case in argument with great force and skill, and with great fairness and moderation.

TIGER AND BULL.

BATTLE BETWEEN THEM WITNESSED BY 5,500 PEOPLE.

Terrible Spectacle in Ring in Mexican City—Both Animals Will Die—A Ferocious Struggle—Details of the Fight.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 10.—The fight between a Tiagua bull and a Bengal tiger in the bull ring in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, opposite El Paso, this afternoon, was most ferocious and will result in the death of both animals. The sickening spectacle was witnessed by 5,500 people, largely Americans, and many of them tourists, who stopped over here especially to witness the barbaric spectacle. After three bulls had been despatched to the regular manner, the star performance was pulled off. The two animals, enclosed in an iron cage about thirty feet square, were brought together and the battle between the enraged brutes commenced. The bull was first taken into the enclosure and given the usual bull fight tortures to arouse his ire and then the iron cage containing the tiger was wheeled up to the entrance, but the tiger refused to get out and open the cage containing the tiger was wheeled up to the small cage and get at his adversary. The bull was badly scratched about the face. Finally the tiger came from his cage and the bull pored the cat with a long sharp horn as he emerged. With a sneeze of pain, the cat, with a powerful lunge, broke the bull's right leg in return and then the two animals went into the fight for their lives. The tiger was able to spring out of the way of the bull in a number of instances, but when the big, heavy animal caught his adversary it went hard with the tiger. The bull stepped upon the tiger in one instance, and there was a crunching of ribs audible in the seats of the amphitheatre. The bull also disabled the tiger in the back in a short time, and after that the fighting was very tame and was soon stopped by the cries of the Americans for pity, while the Mexicans cheered the brutal performance and wanted it to proceed. It was declared a draw by the judges, and where anything was wagered on the result the money was pulled down.

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In a slow form is allowing indigestion and constipation to exist. Four times as many die from constipation than from consumption. Laxa-Food will positively cure; contains nothing but pure food. Will you suffer or try it?—A. W. Maguire & Co.

CANADIAN DIVORCES

Notice is Given of Eight Applications for Separation.

The current issue of The Canada Gazette contains notice of eight divorce actions.

BAILIFF KILLED.

Was Struck by Fast Train at West Lorne.

St. Thomas, Jan. 10.—Mr. Malcolm Leitch, Bailiff of the Division Court at Dutton, and father of Mr. Colin St. Clair Leitch, a well-known barrister of this city, was instantly killed by the Wolverine Express on the M. C. R. at West Lorne on Saturday evening. Mr. Leitch had been in West Lorne on business, and in going over the track failed to notice the approach of the flyer, which struck and hurled his body a considerable distance.

SKATERS DROWNED.

PARRY SOUND COUPLE SKATED INTO GAP IN THE ICE.

Another Couple at Owen Sound Break Through—Young Lad Lost Near Adolphustown—Boy Dies at Toronto.

OWEN SOUND YOUTH DROWNED.

Owen Sound, Jan. 10.—Robert Hammond, aged 29, was drowned in the bay this afternoon. In company with a young lady with whom he was skating, he went through the ice where the water was scarcely four feet deep. There was a large crowd nearby, and Hammond climbed out on the ice and endeavored to pull the young woman out. The ice broke repeatedly. Two young men jumped in and succeeded in getting the young woman out, but by this time Hammond had become so benumbed that he could not hold the hand of his rescuers, and he sank. The body was recovered after half an hour's search, but was beyond resuscitation.

FATAL SKATING ACCIDENT.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Marville Binning, a 12-year-old boy living at 43 Lee

WATERWAYS TREATY

Ready for Ratification at London and Washington.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—Mr. George Gibbons, of London, Chairman of the Canadian section of the International Waterways Commission, was in Ottawa yesterday conferring with Sir Wilfrid Laurier relative to the treaty with the United States respecting international waterways, now ready for ratification at London and Washington. It is understood that all the details of the treaty have now been agreed on satisfactorily to both Canada and the United States, and the terms will follow the unanimous recommendation made last year in the report of the International Waterways Commission. Hon. Wm. Pugsley, who has been in Washington for the past week in connection with the treaty, returned to Ottawa yesterday.

Killed in Feud Fight.

Williamstown, Ky., Jan. 9.—Miss Ethel Ransom, aged twenty-five years, was killed and five other persons injured, two probably fatally, as a result of a feud fight on the streets of Williamstown to-day between the Lantern and Ransom families. Miss Ransom's brother, Sidney, was probably fatally wounded, as was also Charles Clark.

The socialist labor party in Britain will have 150 candidates in the next election.

Fifty sawmills in New Zealand will close owing to the free importation of Oregon pine.

BURNED IN OIL.

How the Murderer Hastened Victim's Cremation.

Think They Saw Rev. Mr. Carmichael.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Considerable excitement was created in York county yesterday by a report that a demented man answering the description of Rev. J. H. Carmichael, who is wanted for the murder of Gideon Brown in his church at Adair, Michigan, had been seen in the vicinity of Locust Hill. Constables and sectionmen started after the man, and it is reported that he was picked up at 9 o'clock last night and is now locked up in a C. P. R. oil house.

DRIVEN WITH OIL.

Detroit, Jan. 10.—Yesterday's developments failed to throw much light on the Battle Run church murder mystery. Motive for the killing of Gideon Brown, whose dismembered body was still burned in the church stove, is partly lacking. Rev. J. H. Carmichael, missing pastor of the church, was reported during last night and to-day to have been seen in Indiana.

An interesting development to-day was the report that shortly before last Tuesday's murder, Rev. Mr. Carmichael had ordered all the lamps of the church filled with oil. It had been customary to use only part of the lamps and those not used regularly had not been filled for a long time. As the lamps had not been used for a meeting since the last filling, the theory has been advanced that oil from the lamps was emptied into the stove to hasten the cremation of the body of Gideon Brown.

M. C. R. to be Electrified.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 9.—The Journal says that important changes in the operation of the Michigan Central Railway have been decided upon, involving the electrification of all the road's terminals here, and of the main line as far west as Ypsilanti, which is thirty miles from Detroit. Electric power will be generated by waterpower of the Huron River at Chelsea, Mich.

A woman was killed and four people wounded in a family feud street fight at Williamstown, Ky.

The Cook Brevet Co., of Indiana, will try to upset the prohibition law in Alabama.

OPENING AT SAINT GILES.

Rev. Dr. Hossack Predicts Great Things For New Church.

Ordination of New Officers In Two Churches Yesterday.

Missionary Anniversary at Charlton—A Memorial Service.

Rev. Dr. Hossack, of Toronto, preached at the formal opening of St. Giles Presbyterian Church yesterday morning and took as his text a verse covering the work of the church and showing why all should unite to do this work.

ORDINATION OF ELDERS.

After the regular morning service in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church yesterday morning three new elders, James Crombie, A. F. Wright and George Penny, were ordained and inducted.

REV. MAGWOOD AT WESLEY.

Rev. J. Wesley Magwood, of Oakville, occupied the pulpit in Wesley Church yesterday morning and evening, and there were good congregations present to hear this well-known speaker.

IMMANUEL CONGREGATIONAL.

Communion was held in Immanuel Congregational Church last night, and after the sacrament of the Lord's supper had been administered to the congregation, the pastor, Rev. T. Deane Raynor, conducted the induction of the deacons and officers for the coming year.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

Special missionary services were held in Charlton Avenue Methodist Church yesterday, conducted by Rev. S. E. Marshall, of Berlin. There was a good attendance of the congregation.

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A service in memory of members of the congregation who passed away during the year was conducted in Central Presbyterian Church yesterday morning by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Lyle.

HIS MUSICAL TRAINING.

Terrific Child—Will you please give something for me on the violin? Mr. Jones knows—but I don't know how, Bobby.

A MORAL PEST.

Bridge Whist So Characterized by an Irish Judge.

New York, Jan. 10.—A cable despatch to the Sun from London says: Commenting upon the disclosures as to gambling among girls, made yesterday at the inquest sessions at Naas, Ireland, in the course of a slander case against a woman bookmaker, Judge Barry said that the vice of gambling had gone so far in many towns that women bookmakers did a large business with domestic servants, who thus frittered away their wages.

CAXTON.

Annual Meeting of Literary Chapter, I.O.D.E.

The second annual meeting of Caxton Chapter, I. O. D. E., was held at the residence of the Regent, Mrs. R. G. Sutherland, on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Petrie, Treasurer, reported the total receipts for the year \$408.04; expenditures, \$184.29; balance, \$223.75. It was decided to maintain a patient at the San, for three or four months.

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FRUIT MEN MEET HERE.

Dominion Seed Commissioner Speaks on Good Seeds.

Mr. W. O. Sealey Discusses Duty on Early Fruits.

Advocates United Action With Other Branches of Agriculture.

A meeting of the Hamilton District Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association was held in Green's Hall on Saturday afternoon, at which able addresses were given by Mr. W. O. Sealey, M. P., and Mr. George H. Clark, Dominion Seed Commissioner, Ottawa.

The subject of Mr. Clark's address was: "Good Seeds and What They Mean to the Vegetable Grower." The question of seed supply is an intricate one, he said.

Mr. W. O. Sealey spoke on what means or steps can be taken to regulate the duty placed on early fruits and vegetables. He first referred to the pleasure it afforded him to present, and the mighty strides of progress the association had taken since its inaugural meeting eleven years ago.

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PIONEER MINISTER.

DEATH OF REV. JAMES GARDNER AT BELLEVILLE.

Had Served Sixty-Eight Years in the Ministry and Was in His Ninety-first Year—Once Connected With a pro-Mackenzie Newspaper—Lived in Hamilton.

Belleville, Jan. 10.—Rev. James Gardner, D. D., a pioneer Methodist minister, died yesterday in his ninety-first year. He had been 68 years in the ministry and had resided in this city and district most of that time.

AT ANCASTER.

Reception in Honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M'Webb.

A very pleasant and enjoyable time was spent on Thursday evening, Jan. 7, at the residence of W. O. and Colin Smith in honor of Harry L. McWebb and bride, of Hatchley.

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INVERTED LAWSUIT.

Man in This Case Sues For Breach of Promise.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—A breach of promise suit, in which Dr. Kirke Stanley, of New York, seeks to secure \$150,000 from Mrs. Jeanette Deere Chapman, one of the heirs to the millions of the late John Deere, of Moline, Ill., came to light to-day in the office of the clerk of the Superior Court.

OWN THE AIR.

Owners Can Prevent Persons From Flying Across Their Property.

London, Jan. 10.—Aeronauts do not intend to be taken unawares when out flying, and are already bent on preparing what may be called "rules and regulations for the air."

LIVELY TIME.

Magistrate and Jailer Take Part in Free Fight at Ste. Agathe.

Montreal, Jan. 10.—A sensational story is reported here from Ste. Agathe, a small town in the Laurentians, short distance north of this city.

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THESE beautiful White Embroideries that have come to us fresh from the Swiss manufacturers are so good, so dainty and so low priced that thousands of people are buying the Spring's supplies now in order to share the savings. Investigate for yourself to-morrow.

Sample embroidery strips—Nearly half price Hundreds of pieces of manufacturers' fresh, crisp, new sample ends of Embroideries, Insertions and Edgings, in 4 and 4 1/2 yard lengths, will go on sale at greatly below regular Right House values. Pieces will not be cut. Per yard—

5c, real value 7c to 10c 13c, real value 20c to 22c 7c, real value 10c to 13c 15c, real value 23c to 28c 9c, real value 14c to 17c 19c, real value 25c to 32c 11c, real value 15c to 18c 23c, real value 28c to 35c

Blouse frontings—Greatest of all January sales Neat to elaborately embroidered Blouse Frontings, on wide muslin and mulls; spaces for tucking and Val lace inserting; open front and open back designs, in eyelet, shadow, blind and lace effects.

25c a front, value 50c yard 44c a front, value 88c yard 37c a front, value 75c yard 55c a front, value \$1.25 yard

These fronting embroideries are extremely stylish for winter, spring and next summer's wear, and hundreds of women will be glad of this opportunity to secure them at a great saving.

Table linens: A great variety Remarkable January bargains

RICH new Irish and Scotch woven-to-wear and wash-well Linen Tablings, in full bleach and half bleach weaves. The very best linen values ever offered and a stock to choose from which, in breadth and beauty, is the finest we've ever shown.

69c for special 70c lines 88c for special \$1.00 lines 69c for special 95c lines \$1.13 for special \$1.38 lines

Slightly imperfect fine table linens

HALF and full bleach, pure all Linen Tablings, in wide widths 54 to 72 inches. Dainty new daisy, pansy, 'mum, dice, tulip, Fleur de Lis and conventional designs. Dependable qualities—many yards run without any imperfections at all—others have merely a dropped stitch here or there or a heavy thread perhaps. Here are examples of the January underpricing. Don't miss the savings.

39c for special 50c lines 49c for special 65c lines 59c for special 70c lines 79c for special \$1.10 lines 69c for special 95c lines 88c for special \$1.20 lines

THOMAS C. WATKINS HAMILTON ONTARIO

Watson, John A. Young, Warren. Navy Island Fruit Growers' Association. Giuseppe, Lagripant. Vincenzo, M. Gracie, Grytaza.

SOO WORKS.

Large Control in Lake Superior Corporation Secured.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Large interests in the Lake Superior Corporation, which comprises the varied Soo industries, have been taken over through purchase during the past few days by British financial interests.

The transfer is a most important and far-reaching one for this Province. It involves the further expansion and development of all the allied manufacturing concerns, the building of large, modern blast furnaces, the probable immediate extension of the Algoma Central Railway to connect with the National Transcontinental route, and the relieving of the Government of Ontario within the next ten days of the remaining \$1,000,000 of the Provincial loan guaranteed advanced during the crisis of 1907.

The new interests are headed by Mr. Robert Fleming, of Edinburgh and London, well known as one of the most successful financial men.

NICHOLSON.

C.O.F. Court Installs Officers and Makes Presentation.

At the regular meeting of Court Nicholson, C. O. F., Bro. Jas. Gadsby, D. D. C. H. C. R., assisted by Bro. D. D. Campbell, P. D. D. H. C. R. and Bro. F. Miller, P. C. R., installed the officers for the new term as follows: P. C. R.—W. McRae. C. R. J.—J. Dorsey. V. C. R.—J. Clayton. Recording Secretary—A. C. Blake. Financial Secretary—T. Nicholson. Treasurer—J. Lawrie. Chaplain—A. H. McArthur. S. W.—J. Ginfel. J. W.—A. E. Cole. S. B.—A. H. Bam. A. J.—R. A. E. Reid. Physician—Dr. M. H. Langs. Pianist—H. E. Thornhill. Auditors—J. B. Graham, H. Carpenter. Trustee—Dr. W. S. Cody.

After the installation Bro. Gadsby, on behalf of the court, presented a beautiful engraved ring to P. C. R. W. McRae as a slight token of appreciation of his effective work as C. R. through the year 1908. Bro. McRae, in a few well chosen words, thanked the brothers for their kindness. Then followed an hour of speech and song, after which all were entertained to light refreshments, bringing to a close one of the best meetings held by Court Nicholson.

DOWAGER IS DEAD.

Dorking, Eng., Jan. 11.—The Dowager Duchess of Marlborough, who was Mrs. Louis Hamersley, of N. Y., city, is dead.

How a Little Boy Became a Great Painter.

In Scotland a great many years ago a little boy was born who, in spite of the poverty of his parents, became very famous and rich. His name was David Wilkie.

DAVID WILKIE.

"That is quite correct," replied the artist, "but many years ago when my father was a poor minister in Fife, you sent him a colored picture of a soldier in a Highlander's dress. I was so delighted with this picture that I was constantly drawing and trying to color copies of it. And I am sure it was in that way I got to like painting."

You Indoor People

must give the bowels help. Your choice must lie between harsh physic and candy Cascarets. Harshness makes the bowels colous, so you need increasing doses. Cascarets do just as much, but in a gentle way.

Vest-pocket box, 10 cents—at drug-stores. Each tablet of the box is marked G.C.C.

CASITORIA The Kid You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of



THE TIMES SPORTING PAGE

Gossip and Comment

Longboat is getting wise. He desires to stand in with the Powers that be in New York.

A short history of the Indian runner, entitled, "From the Woods to the Gardens," will likely be issued by Harry Rosenthal.

Quite a number of hockey enthusiasts will go to Brantford tonight to see the championship hockey match between the Toronto professionals and the home team.

The Executive Committee of the Hamilton Rugby Football Club will meet tomorrow night to make final arrangements for the annual banquet to the team.

Jim Jeffries refuses to fight for a one hundred thousand dollar purse. Shows the effect of climate around here may be a man fight for a dollar and costs—Toronto Telegram.

Otto Roehm will now join the big majority who declare that resorting to a brutal man prize fighting—Buffalo News.

The severance of relations between Tom Longboat and Tom Flanagan will lessen the interest locally in the Indian, though the manager could hardly have fallen into better hands than those of Patsy Powers.

Longboat and Flanagan did not navigate an untrifling surface. They encountered hidden rocks placed by design, but also the wreck does not produce any spool for the plotters. It all goes to Patsy Powers—Toronto World.

It may be generally known that Sam Fitzpatrick, the manager for Jack Johnson, the victorious negro pugilist, was not going into a strange country when he went to Sydney for the fight with Tommy Burns.

When Jackson went to England to beat Frank Slavin for the championship of the country and Australia, Fitzpatrick stayed in America and has made his home here ever since.

Soms of the boxing followers are not satisfied to have Jeffries or Corbett go after Johnson, but demand that Stanley Ketchel meet the big negro. That would be a case of sending another good little man against a great big man and the chances would be 10 to 1 in favor of the good big man.

There is one man that Johnson should meet first in a championship contest and that man is Sam Langford. The latter has challenged Johnson for the title and he is really the better candidate among the present crop of heavies.

Regarding Harry Bethune, the sprinter who died at Cleveland yesterday, the Toronto World says:

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Big Hockey Match at Brantford To-night.

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The breaking of the tie was a sad parting, but the two Toms separated on the best of terms. The Ontario agent presented the Flanagan with a souvenir pin—an Indian's head—remarking: "You are a fine fellow, and I'll always remember you."

Pressure of business at home and the continual care of Longboat that leaves no room for any other serious affairs prompted Tom Flanagan to turn his contract with Longboat over to P. T. Powers, lessee of the Madison Square Garden and President of the Eastern Baseball League and a few other things.

The first race under the new management will be against Shrubbs at Madison Square, Jan. 26. The new contract, which is signed, sealed and delivered, is now in Powers' hands, with Longboat's, Flanagan's, Powers' and Pollock's signatures, and a dollar paid over to make it binding.

And thus passes Longboat from the hands of Tom Flanagan, the best friend and closest guardian of his interests he ever had or ever will have. He came to Flanagan two years ago down and out, and besides his keep for that time—and it was the best he ever had in his existence—has today \$4,000 cash in the bank and a fine little wife as ballast.

Mr. Flanagan said that he regretted leaving the Indian at this time, when he had his heart set on making the Indian beat Alf Shrubbs, but his business interests demand it, and, besides, let it be whispered, one or two jealous-minded Canadians leader was about to earn a fortune with the Indian, kept hunting at jobs and rumors of jobs that made it so disagreeable that it was almost unendurable.

The Ontario Hockey Association games for the remainder of this week are: Tuesday—Intermediate—Cobourg at Lindsay; Guelph at Galt; Hespeler at Preston; Stratford at Seaford; Midland at Barrie.

Junior—Belleville vs. Trenton at Belleville; Cobourg at Oshawa; Whitby at Peterborough; Stratford at Colong; Mount Forest at Harrison; St. Mary's at London; Woodstock at Stratford; Newmarket at Barrie; Gravenhurst at Bracebridge.

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FOOTBALL IN OLD ENGLAND.

London, Jan. 11.—Following are results of British football matches in three leagues on Saturday.

League—First Division. Newcastle W. 3 Woodwich..... 0

Sheff. W. 1 Sheffield U. 0 Bristol City 1 Leicester F. 1 Preston N. E. 3 Everton..... 1

Middlesbrough 5 Manchester U. 0 Manchester City 4 Bradford C. 2

Liverpool 1 Blackburn R. 1 Sheffield U. 0 Sunderland..... 2

Aston V. 1 Nottingham F. 2 League—Second Division. Barnsley..... 1 Tottenham H. 1

Burnley..... 5 Stockport Cou. 1 Clapton O. 2 Derby County..... 0

Fulham..... 2 W. Bromwich A. 0 Gainsborough T. 2 Bolton W. 1

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Many Athletes Are Red Headed.

Many a fond mother who has brooded over the fact that her hopeful has locks of flaming red will take heart when she reads the resume of athletics for 1908.

Who won the junior "cross-country" championship at Celtic Park recently, out-classing a field of four score runners and winning in record time?

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Steel Plant Team Won the First Game.

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DECAPITATED BY GUILLOTINE.

Four Murderers Executed in France This Morning.

An Immense Crowd Enjoyed the Horrible Scene.

Capital Punishment Resumed—Eighteen More Heads to Cut Off.

Bethune, Pas de Calais, France, Jan. 11.—The first inflictions of capital punishment in France for a number of years past were witnessed in this town today, when four murderers were decapitated by the guillotine.

The record of crime against the four men was a long one. Working together, they formed a band which had terrorized northern France and southern Belgium for several years, robbing, assaulting and murdering. When the condemned men were led out of prison cries of vengeance arose from the assembled crowd, and as the knife fell four times in rapid succession the people present did not hesitate to evidence their satisfaction.

The French Parliament recently passed a resolution in favor of the retention of the death penalty in France, and the Cabinet a fortnight ago decided to carry out Parliament's ruling. The law permitting the infliction of capital punishment had been practically a dead letter, for it had been the custom of the President of the republic to commute all death sentences to life imprisonment.

There remain to-day eighteen persons in France under sentence of death, and the guillotine will be used for the executions.

The executions were carried out rather quickly, yet the multitude from the town and the surrounding country, which gathered early last night, was most impatient, and upon the appearance of the condemned began yelling for instant death. The chief upon the crowd was the most horrible feature of the execution. As one of the condemned men marched defiantly towards the steps of the platform, cries of rage broke from the crowd, which endeavored to break through the lines of soldiers, closely formed around the guillotine. The man brutally repulsed a priest who sought to console him. Shouts of joy burst from the crowd as the knife dropped. The troops immediately after the execution dispersed the crowd, and ended what was regarded by foreign observers as a degrading spectacle, and as suggesting the terrible scenes of the mob's thirst for blood during the revolution.

SHOOTERS HERE

For the Big Turkey Which Opens To-morrow.

Crack shots from various places in the United States and Canada are already here for the big tournament of the Hamilton Gun Club, which opens here to-morrow. Many more will be here before the morning. Among those who had registered at the two leading hotels up to 1 o'clock were:

- At the Waldorf—"Buffalo" Smith, Boston; C. Edward Wood, Walter H. Ewing, J. Carruthers, Jun., S. W. Drink, Montreal; C. G. Weiss and Ben. H. Elden, Depew, N. Y.; F. G. Morrison and Jos. Wagner, Hickory, N. Y.; A. E. Hookman, of New York; J. A. R. Elliott, New York; J. H. Hoole and P. W. Wilcox, Buffalo.

At the Royal—John R. Taylor, Columbus, O.; Geo. L. Ginn, New Haven, Conn.; A. E. Callon, New York; D. A. Tison, (United States champion), and E. S. Rogers, Cleveland; Walter Stokes and Randall Curriel, Nashville, Tenn.; W. B. Darton, Portland; L. J. Squier, Pittsburgh; T. C. Sims and C. L. Sims, Little Current.

Wm. McMichael, of this city, who won the two-mile roller skating championship of Ontario, last week, has received and accepted a challenge from J. A. Turner, a New York crack. The race will likely take place at the Britannia Rink within the next two weeks. Turner's manager came to Hamilton this afternoon to complete arrangements.

A meeting was held at the East Hamilton Y. M. C. A. on Saturday, Jan. 9, when the Junior City Basketball League was formed, consisting of six teams, which are as follows: Central Y. M. C. A., Juniors, St. Andrew's, St. John's, East Hamilton Y. M. C. A. No. 1, East Hamilton Y. M. C. A. No. 2, Central School. The games will all be played on the East Hamilton floor on Thursday and Saturday nights of each week, commencing Thursday, Jan. 14.

There will be a contest of the City Hockey League to-morrow evening at 8.30, at J. W. Nelson's, James street north.

Green Corn in Midwinter.

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Steamship Arrivals.

- Jan. 9.—Granville—At Halifax, from Liverpool. Empress of India—At Vancouver, from Hong Kong. Sicilian—At Halifax, from Glasgow. Celtic—At New York, from Liverpool. Devonian—At Liverpool, from Boston. Iberian—At Manchester, from Boston. New York—At Southampton, from New York. Kroonland—At Antwerp, from New York. Campania—At New York, from Liverpool. Roman—At Pertham, from Liverpool. La Bretagne—At New York, from Havre. Buenos Ayres—At New York, from Genoa. Trinidad—At Philadelphia, from Liverpool. Transatlantic—At Liverpool, from St. John. Bitterdam—At Cape Race, from Rotterdam. Montreal, Jan. 11.—Lake Manitoa passed Eastnet Light, 15 miles west, at noon to-day. Steamer Mount Temple will dock at noon to-day at St. John's.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

—Miss Alvena Prielipp, pupil of Miss Hazel Burton, has passed the primary piano examination of the Toronto University.

—W. Carroll's branch store at Caroline and York streets was burglarized last evening, but little of value was taken.

—Miss Elizabeth Walls, pupil of Sister N. J. Aurelia, St. Joseph's Convent, passed the recent university examination.

—Members of the Fourth Field Battery desiring to play indoor baseball this season will meet at the battery quarters this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Stace Boyd, 122½ James street north, reported to the police to-day that jewelry valued at \$40 was stolen from his house about 6 p. m. last Tuesday.

—Mrs. H. Spence and Miss C. Carleton, pupils of Miss Mae Vorell, passed successfully their primary piano examination with honors at the Toronto University.

—Mr. Campbell Sweeney, manager of the Bank of Montreal in Vancouver, was in town yesterday visiting some of his old friends. Mr. Sweeney has entered his boy at Highfield School.

—Miss Emily Thresher and Master Bungie have returned to Yorkers, N. Y., after spending Christmas and New Year's at her parents' residence, 145 East Avenue north.

—Provincial charters have been issued to the Hamilton stamp and stationery capital \$40,000, and the Barton Telephone Company, with head office at the village of Hamon, capital \$10,000.

—Mr. Havis James, of Winnipeg, has been here for the past few days, and has purchased Deltie and Johnny, two fast trotters, and he will ship them to-night.

—Miss Douglas Anderson and Miss Mamie Havill, pupils of Margaret F. Langrill, Miss. Bac. L. M. Tor., have successfully passed the examinations of Toronto University in senior singing and senior piano respectively.

—Mr. L. L. Henderson, of Kingston, has been appointed general manager of the Montreal Transportation Company. He has been connected with the company for twenty-five years, half that time as manager at Kingston. Mr. Henderson is a brother-in-law of Hon. J. S. Hemrick.

—Robert Shaheen, 242 Bay street north, was taken to the City Hospital this morning from the Hamilton Bridge Works. He was suffering with a strain he sustained while at work. He was helped to lift a heavy article when injured, but is reported to be progressing favorably.

—Mrs. Geo. Anderson, of Minneapolis, the wife of Mrs. Nellie Blanford, of this city, is paying her brother, Mr. W. E. Blanford, a short visit at the old home, 324 Main street east, and will be pleased to see any of her old friends on Wednesday afternoon or evening, January 13th.

—Fred Wild, Bay street north, who reported his house entered a few days ago and a watch stolen, reported to the police to-day that a lady's gold watch and a man's chain and locket were stolen at the same time. The last articles missed were valued at \$70, and bring his total loss up to \$170.

HOT ELECTION.

Chairs, Clubs and Knives at a Friendly Society Meeting.

The office of treasurer of the Hamilton Steel & Iron Company's Employees' Benefit Society must be a much coveted job. On Saturday night the annual meeting was held in the Orange Hall and the election of officers was called for early. Every thing passed off smoothly until nominations for that office were asked for and several names were mentioned. The vote was taken and things looked rather good for one man, but the Italians and other foreigners and the Englishmen were divided. Hot words were exchanged and suddenly a chair was hurled across the room and this started the danger. Almost every chair in the room was damaged and knives and clubs were used. George Fox, of Gibson avenue, was injured. This cooled the meeting down and Fox was taken over to Dr. Wardell's, across the street, and his head was fixed up and a cut on his neck was sewn up. He was able to go home. The police are working on the case and prosecutions may follow.

MOUNT HAMILTON.

Mr. Paulin, formerly of Knox Church Mission, preached yesterday morning and evening in Chalmers' Church, Mount Hamilton. He will also preach next Sunday. Although this church decided to give a call to Rev. Mr. Lane, Barton Stone Church, with which it is affiliated, refused to join in the call, and it is not likely that anything will be done this winter in the way of calling a pastor. Mr. Paulin is much thought of by the mountaineers, and last night the church was well filled to hear him preach. The Ladies' Aid of the Church holds a social at the residence of Mrs. Pilgrim this evening.

Mr. Geo. Webb is making fairly good progress in digging and blasting out the trench for the sewer and water pipes. Yesterday's rain was welcome on the mountain, many of the wells being dry. The residents living within the city limits are expecting to have a share of the extra electric lights the city is getting next summer. It's pretty dark up there at times. Still, nobody has yet fallen over the mountain.

They are also in hope that Mr. Webb, by next season, will keep the incline cars running later than they now do.

The Jolley Cut improvements are good as far as they go, but it will require much more to make it right. One thing, it will need new sidewalks. There has been a good deal of building this past season, a number of fine residences having been put up along the brow of the mountain.

HAINS CASE.

Flushing, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Both the prosecution and the defence rest in the Hains case.

Mary Cuthbertson, who has a mania for wandering about and has been arrested, is in Toronto, Woodstock and London, was on Saturday committed to the London Asylum for the Insane. It is understood that Lieutenant-Governor Forget, of Saskatchewan, whose term of office will shortly expire, will be appointed to the Senate in succession to the late Senator Bernier.

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in the Daily Times also appear in the Semi-weekly Times. 50c first insertion; 25c for each subsequent insertion.

MARRIAGES

WADDELL—MUIR—A. Knott Church, Monday, January 11th, 1909, the marriage of Margaret Selina, youngest daughter of Mrs. Robert Muir, Charlton avenue east, to William H. Waddell, D. L. S., was solemnized, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. A. E. Mitchell, the pastor of the church.

DEATHS

BOYES—At the residence of her nephew, J. M. Boyes, 11 West avenue south, Saturday, 9th January, 1909, Miss Betsy Boyes, daughter of the late Captain James Boyes, aged 82 years. Funeral Tuesday at 2.30 p. m. Interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

GARDINER—At Belleville, on Jan. 8, 1909, Rev. James Gardner, D.C.L., in his 81st year.

HENRY—At Orono City, U. S., on Monday, January 4th, Margaret Henry, formerly of Hamilton. Funeral will leave the residence of her sister, Mrs. C. Murphy, 129 Mary street, to St. Patrick's Church, Interment to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Friends will please attend this funeral.

LINGER—Suddenly on Monday, 11th January, 1909, Anne, wife of Jesse Linger, aged 57 years. Funeral Wednesday, at 2.30 p. m., from the family residence, 238 Hughson street north, to Christ Church Cathedral, Interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

RICKETTS—At 171 Hunter street west, on Sunday, 10th January, 1909, Susanna, wife of Fred Ricketts, aged 58 years. Funeral Wednesday at 2 p. m., to St. Mark's Church. Interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

COUNCIL MADE GOOD START.

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CONDUIT SYSTEM.

Very many serious questions must be taken up almost immediately. It is for you to decide if we should go on with the construction of the conduit system for power and light wires in connection with the municipal power and light plant, and also to include the wires of the Cataract Company, the Telephone and Telegraph companies, in accordance with the by-law sanctioned by the people in January, 1908. Personally, I believe that Hamilton should control its own system in order to be in a position at any time it might be found necessary to protect the people from being overcharged for unpeasant lighting, or the users of power from being overcharged.

POWER QUESTION.

The power question for pumps, etc., also requires immediate consideration. I understand the city solicitor is preparing an opinion on the subject, which will be before you shortly and I hope you will be extremely cautious before coming to a final decision. I regret to say that the management of the local company, instead of meeting the city in a broad, business spirit in interpreting former contracts, have taken advantage of every legal technicality, however small, causing distrust and irritation among the citizens.

STREET RAILWAY MATTERS.

I hope there will be no further difficulty experienced in getting the Street Railway Company started at the earliest moment in the spring on a new system, such as will not only be suitable for the immediate needs, but also for the increased business that is sure to come. I believe such a policy will repay the company, as it does others. In any event, your duty is to see that the company live up to their agreements by all the means at your command. In this connection, I would like to mention the rejection by the people of the good roads by-law, difficultly will be found in procuring the necessary money to do the city's share of the road work, but the city must find a way to do its part, and you must determine how best to get the funds.

Outside of the pavements mentioned in the good roads by-law, there are many residential streets sadly in need of repair, and several in the newer districts which have never been metalled.

AGAINST OVERDRAFTS.

Attention should be given to these, while the greatest care should be exercised to cut out unneeded expenditures. An extraordinary effort must be made to get rid of the overdraft, and while we must not impede progress, I hope every member will assist in keeping within our means.

It might be well to submit the estimates in detail for publication in the minutes, and consider if it would not be better to require a two-thirds vote of the Council for any deviation therefrom.

NURSES' HOME.

It will be necessary to consider again proper accommodation for the nurses at the City Hospital, while at the same time, I am satisfied, that, outside of this, no more money should be expended on additions for hospital purposes on the present site, and you should take up the question of procuring a suitable location for future wants of this kind.

LICENSE REDUCTION.

The question of a reduction of licenses has been an issue in the recent elections, and all interests should be carefully considered before coming to a decision.

FAVORS BOARD OF CONTROL.

Owing to the difficulty in getting enough aldermen with sufficient time to devote to the administrative part of the business of a large city like Hamilton, I would suggest that we ask the Ontario Government for authority to submit a by-law to the people at the next municipal elections as to the desirability of electing at large a Board of Control of three or four men. These men being elected by the whole city would ensure equal treatment of all sections. In this case a reduction in the number of aldermen might be desirable.

I might say I will at all times endeavor to give any member all the information at my command, and I hope each chairman will do the same with the members of his committee, so that we may have the utmost confidence in each other, with a view to working together to produce the best possible results for our city.

SLATE GOES THROUGH.

The slate of chairmanships and the striking committee arranged at a caucus last week went through without a break, although an effort was made by Alderman Morris to have another striking committee appointed. It was intimated on Saturday that if Ald. Ryan did not take his seat, Mayor McLaren would be in a position to dictate, as it was said the Council was divided, ten to ten. As a matter of fact, Alderman Ryan was not required to insure the distribution

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of chairmanships as arranged, for, by Saturday night, there were fully fifteen aldermen prepared to back up the action decided upon.

When it came time to appoint the striking committee Alderman Peregrine moved that it be composed as follows: Aldermen Peregrine, Allan, Cooper, Jutten, Gardner, Crerar and Guy.

Several aldermen cried "carried," but Alderman Morris arose with an amendment and had the distinction of making the first division in the new Council. His amendment was that the committee comprise the men who headed the polls in the different wards, Aldermen Milne, Crerar, Forth, Allan, Gardner, Jutten and Cooper.

Mr. Morris said he had no objection to the committee named by Alderman Peregrine, but he thought the one he had named would be more representative of public opinion, and in the second place it would be a more independent committee.

"Evidently the electors considered the men who headed the polls as the most representative," he said, "and I think this important matter should be left in their hands."

Discussing independence, Ald. Morris said, "We know that in the past party politics have played an important part in arranging chairmanships and committees. This year the electors have said in no uncertain tone that there must be a stop to this, and that party politics must be dropped from municipal affairs. (Applause.) Look at the figures. They are convincing. Thirteen independent aldermen have been elected and only eight party candidates. The votes totalled 10,637 for independents and only 5,968 for party men. I think these are good reasons why my amendment should be adopted."

Alderman Peregrine took issue with Ald. Morris, and pointed out that two years ago Aldermen Loss, McLaren and himself were elected to the council for the very purpose of settling party politics out of municipal business. The committee named was representative of Conservatives, Reformers and the citizens' campaign candidates. He held that members who had been in the council were not qualified to arrange the committees, but those recently elected.

Mayor McLaren appealed to the council to drop the word "party" in discussion this year.

Only four aldermen supported the amendment. They were Morris, Milne, Ellis and Wright. The original motion carried.

CONGRATULATES NEW MAYOR.

On behalf of the Council, Alderman Peregrine congratulated the new Mayor. He said: "I desire to offer you the heartiest congratulations on your election. It was evident from the time you became a member of the council that you were destined to reach a very high place in the estimation of the people. I am sure your platform was one that commended itself to the electors, as the returns show. We are sorry to part with old faces, some of whom have been in the battle of ballots or resigned. In their place have come up a lot of new men, probably men of stronger calibre than we have had in years."

Ald. Peregrine spoke feelingly of the absence of City Messenger Smith, who had probably not missed an inaugural Council meeting in fifty years. His illness was such that he would probably never be able to serve the city again. The Council, on motion of Alderman Peregrine, passed a resolution of sympathy with the aged city messenger.

THE LADIES PRESENT.

Some of the ladies present included: Mrs. John Tope, Mrs. George C. Elliott, Mrs. C. E. Hopkins, Mrs. J. H. McNelly, Mrs. A. E. Wickins, Miss Wickins, Miss M. Goodfellow, Mrs. T. W. Jutten, Mrs. John Forth, Mrs. F. Avis, Mrs. Studholme, Mrs. Dr. Hopkins, Mrs. Silas Hopkins, Mrs. Catherine Hopkins, Mrs. George H. Lees, Mrs. William Lees, Mrs. Albert Pain, Miss Richter, Miss Gertrude Gardner, Mrs. George Buckingham, Mrs. A. J. Wright, Mrs. S. Beatty, Mrs. J. D. Forbes, Mrs. William Anderson, Mrs. G. H. Milne, Mrs. W. H. McLaren, Mrs. W. Davenport, Mrs. and Mrs. Edward Hopkins, (Stoney Creek), G. T. Goodree, Miss Kate Hopkins, Mrs. W. C. Thomson, Mrs. John I. McLaren, Mrs. William Hendrie, Miss Caroline Hope Crerar, Miss Margaret J. Frid, Miss Ruth F. Malcolm, Mrs. J. M. Peregrine, Mrs. Hugh Sweeney, Mrs. Norman Clark, Mrs. W. H. Nichols, Miss Florence Nichols, Miss C. Duncan, Miss Anderson, Mrs. R. S. Fraser, Mrs. W. G. Thompson, Mrs. George J. Guy and Mrs. R. L. Smith.

THE COMMITTEES.

The striking committee met immediately after the Council, and took less than an hour to arrange the committees and chairmanships. The chairmen are as follows:

- Finance—Peregrine. Board of Works—Allan. Fire and Water—Clark. Sewers—Jutten. Allan, Anderson. House of Refuge—Anderson. Harbor—Guy. Court House—Farmer. The committees are as follows: Finance—Peregrine, Hopkins, Cooper, Farmer, Crerar, Guy, Lees. Board of Works—Allan, Sweeney, Robson, Jutten, Allan, Guy, Farmer. Fire and Water—Clark, Milne, Lees, Morris, Gardner, Hopkins, Anderson. Markets—Gardner, Forth, Cooper, Robson, Peregrine, Ryan, Appleghath, Sewers—Jutten, Allan, Anderson, Wright, Morris, Appleghath, Crerar. Refuge—Anderson, Wright, Ellis, Milne, Forth, Sweeney, Morris. Harbor—Guy, Jutten, Ryan, Appleghath, Gardner, Hopkins, Crerar. Court House—Mayor, Farmer, Wright, Robson, Crerar, Ellis.

It will be noticed that Ald. Wright,

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ANNUAL MEETING OF S. & B. M. F. Ins. Co.

will be at head office, Etobicoke, on Tuesday, 22nd January, at one o'clock, p. m., to receive annual report, election of directors, settlement of claims, and other business pertaining to the company. W. M. MARTIN, President. J. F. FLECKER, Sec.-Treas. Dated at Stoney Creek, January 12th, 1909.

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THE WEATHER

FORECASTS—Strong northwest winds, fair and much colder with snow flurries. Tuesday fair and cold. The following is issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries:

Table with columns: City, Wind, Weather, Temp. (s.a.m., Min.). Rows include Calgary, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Father Point.

Since Saturday a shallow depression accompanied by light rains has moved in from the southwest states across the great lakes to the St. Lawrence valley in the Western Provinces and States the pressure has remained high and the temperature very low.

Western New York—Snow flurries and cold wave to-night; Tuesday colder and fair except snow near the lakes; fresh northwest winds.

Pay Your Water Rates

On or before the 14th Inst. and avoid the penalty. WM. A. KERR, Tax Collector.

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NOTICE

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