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LONDON MEN TURNED BACK BY PORT HURON AUTHORITIES

Canadian Packing Co.'s
Employees Barred From
the U. S.

THOS. OLESON
WAS ARRESTED

Manager Rechnitzer of London
Had to Bail Him Out—Co.
Has Factory in Michigan.

A dispatch from Port Huron to The
Advertiser says:

"Thomas Oleson, one of the owners
of the Canadian Packing Company, of
London, which has a branch in this
city, known as the Port Huron Pack-
ing Company, was arrested by the local
immigration officers yesterday, charged
with having brought eleven men here
from London, Ont., to work in the local
plant, in violation of the alien labor
law. The local plant has been shut
down for some time, and it was Ole-
son's intention to make preparation to
start up again. Oleson says he was
ignorant of the law on the subject. The
eleven laborers are held at the im-
migration office at the Tunnel. Oleson
will have a hearing before United
States Commissioner Harris today."

Are Londoners.

Mr. E. Rechnitzer, of the Canadian
Packing Company, was called up by
The Advertiser, and confirmed the re-
port that the eleven men were for-
employees of the Canadian Packing
Company here, whose plant was de-
stroyed by fire some time ago.

"Yes, they were our men," said Mr.
Rechnitzer. "We have commenced
work there, and Mr. Oleson told them
that they might get temporary em-
ployment, if they got over to Port
Huron. The men went over, and made
to effort to do the alien labor law.
When they arrived, however, they were
arrested."

"Eight of them were sent back to
London, and the other three are still
held as witnesses. I had to go bail
for Mr. Oleson, and he was liberated.
His case will be heard in February
next, I am making arrangements to
have the others released."

An Outrage.

"I think it is a perfect outrage. These
men were out of employment here.
They were to be given temporary
work in Port Huron in our factory, and
would return soon. I informed the
authorities there that the worst they
could do was to compel the men to
pay the head tax, but they did not
think so."

The Port Huron authorities were
none too agreeable in the matter of
bail, as Mr. Rechnitzer was compelled
to put up cash for a large portion of
it, about \$500, as well as security for
the rest.

EAST END NOTES.

Mr. C. B. Keenleyside addressed the
members of the Hyatt Avenue Ep-
worth League at the church last even-
ing on the growth of Christianity, his
text being "Consider the lilies, how
they grow." The address was a very
interesting one. Mr. Keenleyside draw-
ing numerous comparisons from plant
life. Mr. W. D. Yeo presided in the
absence of President P. Granger.

Saunby Suit Case Cost \$19,575.17 Accounts Finally Straightened Out

Last of an Action Which Com-
menced More Than a
Decade Ago.

The last transaction in connection
with the now celebrated Saunby law-
suit was performed at the meeting of
the water commission last evening
when all the accounts were paid and
the matter closed up.

It actually cost the city \$19,575.17.
Up to this year the city had expended
the sum of \$15,766.25. Yesterday the

Big Surplus for Commission Water Accounts \$31,409 to Good

City Council Will Get It and as
Result Will Also Have Big
Surplus.

The net profits of the water com-
mission this year reached the sum of
\$61,509. Of this amount \$30,397 was
applied to sinking fund and interest,
leaving \$31,409 to be turned over to
the city.

This is \$17,000 in excess of the esti-
mated net receipts, and will make it
certain that there will be no over-
draft this year for the city council,
in spite of many extraordinary ex-
penses.

AGED LADY DIES RESULT OF FALL

Mrs. Maria Doty, of Thames Street,
Succumbs to Injuries.

Mrs. Maria Doty, the aged lady who
fell down the cellar stairs at the
home of her daughter, Mrs. George
Finch, 343 Thames street, a few days
ago, died in Victoria Hospital this
morning.

Mrs. Doty was 86 years of age and
never recovered from the shock she
received when falling. Her injuries
were not of a serious character had they
happened to a younger person, but in
Mrs. Doty's case, accompanied by the
shock, they proved fatal. Mrs. Doty
had lived in London for many years,
and is survived by her daughter, Mrs.
Finch, of 343 Thames street.

The funeral arrangements have not
yet been completed.

WILLIAM PAUL CHARGED WITH THEFT

Alleged That He Took Two Overcoats
Not His Property—Another
Charge, Too.

William Paul, a young man well
known to the police, was arrested by
Detectives Nickle and Egelton this
morning on a charge of stealing two
overcoats recently.

One of the coats was missed from
the City Hotel and the other from the
Harrison House.

Paul is also charged with fraud,
having obtained a horse from a liv-
ing man and not paying for it. He will be
given a hearing before Magistrate
Loce tomorrow morning.

THE KING MUCH BETTER

Appears to Have Quite Recovered
From His Indisposition.

London, Dec. 15.—King Edward left
here for Brighton today, his appear-
ance indicating that he had practi-
cally recovered from his recent attack
of influenza. He will remain at the
seaside resort until about Dec. 21,
when he goes to Sandringham for the
holidays.

In that time he expects to have fully
regained his health. As he boarded
the train here today, his majesty
chatted pleasantly with the railroad
officials on the platform, and cordially
acknowledged the salutations of his
fellow passengers. His eye was bright,
his step brisk, and he gave every in-
dication of rapid convalescence.

LOSES VALUABLE BOAT.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Times to-
day says: On returning from a drive
yesterday afternoon to her apartment
in the Hotel St. Regis, Lady North-
cliffe found one of her trunks has been
ransacked and a black feather bed,
valued at \$75, taken away. The house
detective hopes to recover the boat be-
fore Lady Northcliffe sails for England
with her husband, on the Lusitania
tomorrow.

Commences His Duties.

Mr. W. J. S. Saunders, son of Ald.
Saunders, who was appointed assistant
city treasurer at the last meeting of
the council, commenced work yester-
day.

AGED MAN HAD A CLOSE CALL

Joseph Needham, of 859 Wel-
lington Street, Found Very
Ill in His House.

The timely arrival of some neigh-
bors was all that prevented Joseph
Needham, an aged man living at 859
Wellington street, from dying alone
and uncared for on Friday evening
last.

Mr. Needham lives alone, and his
neighbors noticed on Friday that he
was not around as usual.

As evening approached they grew
uneasy and decided to investigate.
The window of his bedroom was
opened, and Mr. Needham was found
in his bed in an unconscious condi-
tion.

Dr. Weekes was called, and found
that Mr. Needham was suffering from
an affection of the heart, which has
troubled him for some time.

He was speedily revived, and is at
present recovering rapidly.

SUDDEN DEATH OF COUNT MURAVIEFF

Noted Russian Statesman Has Fatal
Seizure While at Rome.

Rome, Dec. 15.—Count Nicholas V.
Muraviev, the Russian ambassador to
Italy, was seized with an attack of
apoplexy while walking on the Corso
yesterday. He was carried to a hotel,
and died shortly afterwards.

Count Nicholas Muraviev was ap-
pointed ambassador to Italy in Feb-
ruary, 1905. Prior to this he had held
the portfolio of minister of justice.

M. Muraviev was born in 1850, and
with his brother was instrumental to
a large measure in the transformation
of the Russian penal system, and in
utilizing the vast resources of Siberia.

ALEX. J. ROSS DEAD BROTHER OF SENATOR

Passes Away at His Residence in East
Williams Township.

Strathroy, Dec. 15.—Alexander J.
Ross died suddenly on Sunday at
Rosedale, his residence, sixth conces-
sion, East Williams, death being due
to heart failure. Deceased was born
in the township of East Williams 71
years ago, where he lived all his life.
For a number of years he was a
member of East Williams council. He
is survived by a widow and five chil-
dren. Hon. G. W. Ross was a brother.

A RED HOT FIGHT IN THE EAST END

Contractor and an Ex-Policeman Come
to Blows Last Night.

A warm fight took place at the cor-
ner of Rectory and Van streets last
evening when a well-known Hamilton
road contractor clashed with an ex-
policeman, who interfered when the
former attempted to chastise a num-
ber of boys who he claims abused his
little son.

The contractor claims that the boys
struck his son over the back with a
shovel, and then completed the per-
formance by kicking him in the face.
The father naturally investigated, with
the result that he was soon "pluck-
ing" the offenders.

About that time the former member
of the police force happened along
and took a hand in the fray. He ac-
cording to the contractor, commanded
him to "move on" in his official man-
ner, with the option of having his
face punched.

The contractor stated that he had a
firm hold on terra firma, and that he
intended to maintain it until the
punches became too numerous.
The fight waged for some time, to
the delight of a number of small boys
before the contestants were satisfied to
quit.

NAVIGATION CLOSED.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 15.—Nav-
igation for the season of 1908 is
practically closed. Both the Canadian and
Michigan locks have commenced the
work of laying up for the winter. The
steamer Thomas Friant, expected down
today, will be the last boat to pass
through the locks.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR.
FORECASTS.
Moderate westerly winds, fair and mild.
Wednesday—Fair, stationary or a little
lower temperature.

TEMPERATURES.
Today Yesterday

Stations.	Sam.	Min.	Max.
London	12	20	34
Calgary	12	20	34
Winnipeg	20	10	24
Park Sound	20	10	24
Toronto	26	20	38
Ottawa	28	12	28
Montreal	24	16	28
Quebec	22	15	24
Father Point	8	14	26
Port Arthur	26	14	26
Yonkers	23	14	41
Edmonton	20	10	30
Qu'Appelle	8	8	22
St. John	24	20	30
Victoria	26	24	44
Battleford	10	10	24
Halifax	28	15	36

A few light falls of snow or rain have
occurred from the lakes to the Maritime
Provinces, but the weather generally has
been fair in all portions of the Dominion.
Somewhat colder conditions prevail in the
West, especially in the northern portions
of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR THE POOR

Christmas is rapidly approaching, and arrangements are
being completed by the workers of the Salvation Army in
London to render that welcome which is so gratefully received
year by year. Last year nearly two hundred baskets were
given out, each containing either a chicken or roast of beef,
some with both, according to the size of family, the size of
roast given running from four pounds to ten pounds. Besides
the meat in the basket there were quantities of potatoes, tur-
nips, carrots, onions, sugar, butter, currants, raisins, peel,
spice, bread, biscuits, oranges, apples and tea. There were also
a quantity of coffee, besides tinned goods, comprising salmon,
sardines, etc., contributed by various merchants in the city.
In all there were over 1,500 meals supplied. Besides all this
a large amount of clothing had been sent in by the citizens,
and where the need existed this was generously distributed—
some families being completely fitted out even to shoes and
headwear.

The Army workers are now prepared to hear from any
party who knows of a need existing, regardless of race or
 creed, so that it can be investigated and attended to.

The workers are urgently in need of a lot of warm clothing,
both for children and grownups, and shall be very pleased to
see that it is gathered up if phone 1538 is called.

The Army have been informed that a young woman has
been soliciting for this object. They have no one collecting
but what is being given through the pots and appeals, or
Captain Magier.

THUNDERER TAKES IT BACK APOLOGIZES TO COMMISSION

The London Times Retracts Insinuations Rellecting on the Mem-
bers of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission
Published on Eve of the General Elections.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The Thunderer has
publicly retracted the insinuations
made against the integrity of the Cana-
dian National Transcontinental Rail-
way commissioners in an article writ-
ten by its special correspondent in
Canada, and published in London on
the eve of the Canadian general elec-
tions. The action of the commission
in placing the matter in the hands of
Sir Charles Russell, Canada's legal
agent in London, with the request that
he take all necessary steps to vindi-
cate the commission against all at-
tacks in the London Times or in any
other British paper reflecting on the
integrity of the commissioners or their
officials, resulted in the following
apologetic paragraph headed: "The
Canadian Elections." in the Times,
under date of Dec. 12:

The Abstraction.
"Our attention has been called by
Hon. Simon H. Parent, K. C., the chair-

man of the Transcontinental Railway
commission of Canada, to a certain
cable sent us by one of our Canadian
correspondents and appearing in the
Times of Oct. 24, and the Mail of Oct.
26, 1908. We desire to say that this
message was not intended to convey
the slightest reflection upon the com-
missioners or on their integrity. We
ourselves do not regard the dispatch
as containing any such reflection, and
we regret that anybody should put
such construction upon it. A cable
conveying news to the above ef-
fect was received this morning by
Hon. Mr. Parent from Sir Charles
Russell. The latter has a standing
commission to institute prompt legal
action against any British paper which
in its campaign slanders of the
Opposition here, may make charges
against the commission similar to
those made in the Times of the article
complained of.

The commission has been watching
for prompt reproduction of the
Times' article in the Winnipeg Tele-
gram, but so far the latter paper has
not made good its threat.

DUTCH GRAB ANOTHER SHIP GUARDING COAST OF CASTRO

Battleship of the Netherlands Blockading Fleet Swoops Upon
Coast Guard Vessel of the Venezuela Navy
and Makes It a Prize.

An Easy Capture.

The "23, De Mayo" was captured
at a point a little north of Cumana, a
city of 12,000 persons on the Gulf of
Caracoli. The battleship Jacob Von
Heemskerck observed the "23, De
Mayo" in the offing, and promptly took
possession of her. A prize crew, made
up of members of the crew of the
Dutch warship, was sent aboard the
"23, De Mayo" assuming command
and direction of the coast guard ship,
and raising the Dutch flag at the
foremast. At the same time, the
Venezuelan crew, which had been in
charge of the "23, De Mayo," was
sent ashore in the small boats of the
captured ship. The battleship Jacob
Von Heemskerck then proceeded back
to this port and escorting her prize.
The Dutch cruiser Gelderland left here
yesterday for the Venezuelan coast.

Carpenter Victim of Blood Poisoning Cut His Hand With Carving Knife

Wm. H. Davidson, of 219 Wil-
liam Street, Confined to His
Home Seriously Ill.

As a result of cutting his hand
slightly with a carving knife recently,
Mr. William H. Davidson, of 219 Wil-
liam street, carpenter, is confined to
his home with an attack of blood-
poisoning which for several days it was
feared would prove fatal.

The accident occurred in the most
simple manner. While at dinner last
week, Mrs. Davidson was cutting some
meat, and finding that the carving
knife was a little dull, asked her hus-
band to sharpen it.

He did so, and returned with it,
and in order to test its sharpness, wet
his hand and drew the knife very light-
ly across it.

A Slight Cut.

Mr. Davidson did not notice at the
time that his hand had been cut at
all, so slight was the wound, and it
was not until he was taken ill a couple
of days later and the small cut as-
sumed a most malignant aspect, that
he realized what he had done.

The physician in attendance gave it
as his opinion that the poisoning was
probably due to some poisonous sub-
stance from the stone used in sharp-
ening the knife.

Mr. Davidson is still in a very seri-
ous condition, but it is believed the
worst stages of the blood-poisoning are
passed and that he will now recover.

POLITICAL SLATE FOR COUNCIL CONSERVATIVES GETTING READY

Said To Be Trouble in Regard to the Mayoralty—School Board
Ticket Practically Completed—Ex-Ald. Cooper To Be
Dropped From the Slate for the Council.

Through an oversight on somebody's
part the story leaked out yesterday
that the Conservatives would run a
slate for the council, in spite of the
fact that no politics in municipal af-
fairs has been the cry for some time
in certain quarters.

It was known that the Gray faction
would have a slate, as Mr. Gray stated
in his acceptance speech at the Con-
servative Association's annual meet-
ing that he believed in politics from
start to finish, and would run a slate
everywhere.

When he stamped the association
the fact was then demonstrated that
the Conservatives intended going right
after the municipal offices.

Framing a Slate.

In the meantime they have been
framing the slate together. At pres-
ent they are troubled about the mayoral-
ty. Mr. C. M. R. Graham is promi-
nently mentioned and would accept a
party nomination.

But ex-Ald. R. F. Matthews has to
be reckoned with. If he were to stand
aside the Gray Conservatives would
have no hesitation in announcing a
slate. Mr. Matthews has the prior
claim to the nomination, but as he is
an ardent Beck man, he is non persona
grata to the Gray faction.

Slate for Council.

In the meantime the Conservatives
are going ahead with their slate for
the council. Already some names
have been mentioned among them be-
ing Mr. John L. Flannigan, Benj.
Noble, W. C. Fitzgerald, Ald. Booth,
Ald. Rose, Ald. Parsons and others.

Ald. Beattie's Position.

This does not include Ald. J. H. A.
Beattie, who would be the first man
on this slate, if he decides to run.
The chairman of the finances
committee is not very popular with
the Beck faction just now,
but he is with the Gray faction, and
as he has done excellent service on
the council, he stands high with the
rank and file.

School Trustees.

And the board of education. The
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Young Liberals Hold Nominations Enthusiastic Meeting Held Last Night

Proposition To Hold a Mock
Parliament in Hyman Hall
This Winter.

There was a large attendance of the
members of the Young Liberal Club
at Hyman Hall last evening, when
nominations for the different offices
were made. A number of prominent
young Liberals were mentioned for the
positions, and no doubt a keen struggle
for the honors will result.

Some amendments to the constitu-
tion were proposed by Mr. A. A.
Briggs, and were accepted in part.
It was decided to organize a mock

parliament in connection with the
club.

Mr. U. A. Buchner explained the
plan of it, and declared that if it was
given the support it should be, there
was no doubt that it would prove very
beneficial to the club. A meeting was
called for Thursday evening in Hy-
man Hall to complete the details of
the organization.

President's Address.

President Arthur Sippi presided. He
explained that he had occupied the
position now for two years, and would
like to have had been many difficul-
ties to contend with, but the executive
had stood loyally by him, and at the
present time the club was in a pros-
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Two Actions Against Grand Trunk Damages Sought Totals \$25,000

Miss Fewings, of St. Thomas, Is
One Plaintiff and Mrs. Frank
Fralick, London, the Other.

Four cases are already entered for
trial at the assizes which open in the
county court buildings on Jan. 11.

The first two are jury cases, the
last two non-jury.

The actions are as follows:

Action for \$10,000.
Edith Fewings, against the Grand
Trunk Railway Company—An action
for \$10,000 damages for injuries done
the plaintiff, who is a resident of St.
Thomas, at the company's Richmond
street crossing in London. It is
claimed that there was criminal neg-
ligence on the part of the employees of
the company that the gates were not
closed, and that the engine did not
whistle on nearing the crossing.

Mr. C. F. Maxwell acts for the plain-
tiff and Mr. W. H. Biggar for the de-
fendant.

Another Against G. T. R.

The other jury case is that of Kate
Fralick vs. the Grand Trunk Railway
Company—An action to recover \$15,000
damages made by Mrs. Fralick on
behalf of herself and her seven

children, for the death of her hus-
band, an engineer of the company,
who was killed in a wreck on the
Tilsonburg branch. The action
charges criminal negligence in not
providing a proper system of protec-
tion, in a lack of sufficient number of
employees, and incompetence on the
part of the staff of the station yard.

Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons
act for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. H.
Biggar for the defence.

Non-Jury Cases.

The two non-jury cases are Wright
& Sons' Company vs. Walter Brothers,
of Listowel, a case of loss resulting
from non-delivery of certain goods.
The claim is for \$257.50. Messrs. Gib-
bons, Harper & Gibbons act for the
plaintiff, and Morphy & Carthew for
the defence.

C. S. Hyman & Co. vs. the Canadian
Pacific Railway Company—The plain-
tiffs shipped 212 bundles of sheetpiles
to St. John, N. B., but the defendants
failed to deliver 23 of the bundles,
and would give the plaintiff no sat-
isfaction regarding them, so action
has been taken to recover the value
of the lost property, amounting to
\$400.

Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons
for the plaintiff, and Mr. Angus Mc-
Murphy, K.C., of Toronto, for the de-
fendant.

Dying Millionaire Burns His Money

London, Dec. 15.—A special dispatch
from St. Petersburg to The Daily Mail re-
lates that a dying Moscow millionaire
named Petroff, had his whole fortune
withdrawn from the banks and the bank

notes brought to the sickroom. They were
then piled before him and set on fire.
Petroff summoned his relatives and
showed them the ashes, congratulating
them on having escaped the evil of
wealth.

Father Teefy at the Canadian Club

Rev. Father Teefy, president of St.
Michael's College, Toronto, and one of
the most prominent educationists in
the Catholic Church in Canada, will ad-
dress the Canadian Club on Friday.

He is well known throughout the
country, and is recognized as one of

the ablest and most gifted sons of the
church.

As a public speaker he is much above
the ordinary, and his address will be
inspiring and thoughtful.

There will no doubt be a large at-
tendance at the luncheon.

Runaway Team Crashes Into a Buggy

Chatham, Dec. 15.—Cruelly bruised
and injured from being trampled be-
neath the feet of horses, Mrs. Peter
McKerrall, wife of a prosperous
farmer near here, is in a serious con-
dition. She and her husband were
driving along a country road, when back of the buggy to atoms,

two teams of horses, racing from the
rear struck the rig. Two of the horses,
which were runaways, crashed into the
rig with terrific force, the animals
practically climbing upon it, and with
their heavy hoofs beating the top and

WOODS' FAIR

Santa Claus' Headquarters and Workroom

Toys from every part of the globe to be found there. Be sure and let the children come this week and see the real live Santa Claus, who walks and talks with them. Our immense toy department (upstairs) is now a perfect fairyland. Come and see the doll show, the pretty faces and handsome dresses.

We easily have the largest variety, easily the best values, and we are easily the most popular store in London.

Shop in the morning if possible, as more can be seen and accomplished from 9 to 12 than in twice as many hours in the afternoon.

SPECIAL VALUES IN TOYS THIS WEEK.

Kindergarten Sets, table and 2 chairs, beautifully red enamelled, large size, well made. Special at, set \$1.50
Something new. Trucks' mechanical animals, 5 in box, instructing and full of surprises. Price, box 25c
Hockey Sticks, made of best seasoned rock elm. Special at, each 15c, 25c and 50c
Hockey Pucks, each 15c and 25c
Doll's Carriage—Wicker doll carriages at, each 25c, 35c, 40c and 50c

Also Bicycle-Wheeled Carriages and Go-Carts. Special line at, each 65c and \$1
Also an extra fine Carriage, upholstered, and with fancy parasol, special price this week \$1.75

Boys' and Girls' Sleighs—Special values in boys' and girls' low and high sleighs at 25c and 35c
Extra fine spring-runner sleighs at 50c and 75c
Baby Sleighs, with steel runners, high and low back, finished in light oak. Price, each \$1.25 and \$1.50

PRETTY BOXES OF STATIONERY, 25c.

Our Stationery Boxes were never as nice. They are simply beautiful, and you will wonder how we can sell them at the prices. See our special at, this week, 25c

Other lines at 10c, 15c, 19c and up as high \$1.50 a box

THOUSANDS OF BOOKS AT POPULAR PRICES.

Cloth-Bound Books at 10c and 15c
Alger Books for Boys at 19c
Pansy Books for Girls at 19c
An especially attractive line, with beautiful, fancy covers, for Christmas gifts, at 25c
Christmas Umbrellas, in gold and silver mounting, extra values, at, each \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.50

WOODS' FAIR

J. M. THOMSON

TO PROBE WALL STREET

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Governor Hughes last night announced the appointment of a committee of nine consisting of bankers, businessmen and economists to inquire into the facts surrounding the business of exchanges in New York, and to suggest "what changes, if any, are advisable in the state bearing upon speculation in securities and commodities, or relating to the protection of investors; or with regard to the instrumentalities and organizations used in dealing in securities and commodities which are the subject of speculation."

The committee named includes: Horace White, author and editor; Charles A. Schieren, merchant, formerly mayor of Brooklyn; David Leaventritt, former justice of the supreme court; Clark Williams, state superintendent of banks; John B. Clark, professor of political economy in Columbia University; William B. King, banker, president of Columbia Trust Company, a member of the firm of Paulkner, Page & Co.; Samuel H. Ordway, lawyer, New York; Edward D. Page, of New York, and Charles Sprague Smith, director of People's Institute, all of New York City.

The committee is to serve without compensation, and it is understood that all have signified their willingness to act. The commission has been asked by the governor to report as early as possible.

The Night Riders and State Troops Face to Face in Battle Array

Trial of Rankin's Murderers May Bring on a Bloody Conflict.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 15.—What may mean the last bloody stand of the famous Tennessee nightriders is by no means an impossibility in this city within the next day or so. Eight of the mountaineers are in a prisoner's dock charged with murder, and hundreds of their fellow clansmen are pouring into Union City, vowing by the clan bond of the mountains that not a hair of the heads of their leaders shall be harmed.

It is to guard against this that Gov. Patterson has rushed state troops to this city to preserve law and order and convict the murderers of the slain attorney, Rankin.

The townspeople are staying indoors. Women and children are not to be seen on the streets at any time, while pending the arrival of the state

troops all available men have been sworn in as deputy officers.

The eight men are charged with the putting to death of Captain Quentin Rankin, a prominent attorney of Trenton, Tenn., the culminating act of a series of outlawry so high-handed as to call for the mustering of the soldiery of the state to add the civil authorities in the hunting down and prosecution of the members of the clan.

The investigation of the depredations of the nightriders clan began within two days of the killing of Captain Rankin on the night of Oct. 19. Since that time, under the personal direction of Governor Patterson, an unrelenting crusade has been waged, and resulted in the arrest of several hundred men. The circuit court was convened in special session and as fast as secured, the evidence was presented and more than 150 indictments have been found, charging various degrees of lawlessness. The present is the second term of the court, the first term, the legality of which was questioned, ending a week ago.

Premature Blast Knocks Out Four

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—As the result of an explosion in one of the Portland Cement Company quarries, outside Hull, yesterday morning, four men lie in the Water Street Hospital, one of them in a serious condition and the others are slightly injured.

The injured are: Thomas McKinstrey, Wrightville, aged 32, fractured foot; Alphonse Belanger, Hull, aged 47, skull seriously fractured; Zephias

Bigras, Gattineau Point, aged 19, fractured shoulder and arm; Louis Gudyment, Ottawa, fractured leg, in the hospital; and Wm. McEwen and J. Tremblay, of Hull, are less seriously injured.

Thomas McKinstrey was connecting fuses for a blast at the bottom of the quarry, but the explosion occurred prematurely and the laborers had not time to clamber within safe distance.

Good News for York Loan Folk

Toronto, Dec. 15.—There was good news today for the shareholders of the defunct York Loan Company at the offices of the National Trust Company, liquidators.

Last December, which was considered a better month for real estate in general than the present month, saw \$300 worth of York Loan lands sold.

This month so far over \$17,000 worth has been disposed of, and with the signing of some contracts this afternoon the amount will go up to \$20,000.

This represents a sale of about 750 feet of land in all sizes of parcels from 25 to 150 feet. The lots sold are those on the west side of Roncesvalles avenue, and extending west to Sunnyside avenue.

No More Japs To Enter United States

Washington, Dec. 15.—All Japanese emigration to America to be stopped by a voluntary order of the Mikado's Government — this is the immediate solution of the Jap-American problem that is said to be upon the eve of fruition. Secured through the tact of Secretary of State Root, it is declared the edict is expected to emanate once and for all time the last possible cause of trouble between the two

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FREE! THE STARR HOCKEY SKATES

To every boy and girl in London who will bring four of the following orders to

The Advertiser Office

I hereby state that I have not taken THE LONDON ADVERTISER regularly for the past 30 days, and in consideration of The Advertiser furnishing a pair of Hockey Skates free to

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I order The London Advertiser and agree to pay for the same at the rate of 10 cents per week for at least twelve (12) weeks.

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Start Paper..... Address.....

SPECIAL NOTICE Start Today To Earn a Prize

Bring in each order as soon as you get it, and it will be placed to your credit.

- A Bone-Handled (2 blades) Knife for one order.
- A Pearl-Handled (2 blades) Knife for two orders.
- A Gunmetal Watch for three orders.
- A Waterson Fountain Pen for one order. Better ones for two or three orders.
- Hockey Stick for one order.
- A long list of prizes to select from. See the

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TEAROOM OPEN TOMORROW

Temporary arrangements having been completed, everything is now in running order for serving light refreshments on the fourth floor—and our TEAROOM will hold its initial reception tomorrow. This will be found a restful and refreshing spot for the tired shopper, and an innovation that will be heartily welcomed by the ladies. Take the elevator to the fourth floor.

IT'S SIMPLE AFTER ALL

The Solution of the Christmas Problem.

This is the report from many sources everywhere you turn these mornings. You hear expressions of pleasure from the early-morning shoppers. These delighted shoppers are telling their friends what a pleasure it is to come out first thing in the morning to arrive at SMALLMAN & INGRAM'S early, and be able to turn in any direction and find someone, not only willing, but able, and with leisure to help, and to make sure that the right address is put on your packages, and the delivery be made when it should; and instead of rushing yourself into the purchase of something, your selections are made with ease.

The importance of these little things is so well known and worth while, that we are not surprised to find the band of morning shoppers increasing daily. STORE OPENS AT 8 O'CLOCK. USE THE PRECIOUS MORNING HOURS.

Fancy Wool Waistings

Fast Color, Printed (All-Wool).
Fine French Serges, 55c
Quality, 35c Yard

To clear out quickly, we have made a collection of these good odd lines and short ends; some only a couple of waist lengths. The material is heavier than wool delaine, but not quite as heavy as French flannel—a nice weight for odd waists or sacks, and consists of plaid and fancy stripes. Stripes are in old rose, red and purple; plaid in green; also some cream grounds with black ring design of small dots. A splendid opportunity this for Christmas. But come now, the quantities are not large. All were 55c a yard. Now, a yard 35c

SECOND FLOOR.

French Wool Challies

Cream grounds with dainty, colored spots, sprigs and floral designs; also navy and black grounds, with white spots. These make pretty waists, sacks, kimonos and children's dresses; 30 inches wide. A yard 45c, 50c, 75c and 85c
A length of one of these in a pretty box makes a pretty and acceptable gift. Boxed free of charge.

SECOND FLOOR.

Store closes
6 p.m. daily,
Saturday,
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Richmond
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Men's House Coats---These Are an Actual Necessity

Better have your pick of these while such values are to be had.

Long House Robes, \$3 and \$4.75

This assortment consists of German Velour and Tweed Robes, all nicely finished, and good range of colors. Exceptional prices for such coats. Each \$3 and \$4.75

Also another special-priced lot of two-tone German Velour Robes, in navy, brown, green and grey; finished with satin binding; handsome styles for such a low price. Each \$5.75

Other lines in soft wool blanketing, handsome scroll designs, in cardinal, grey and brown. Comfortable and durable. Only, each \$5.75 and \$8.75

Men's Long House Robes of double-faced cloth, light and dark colors, finished down front, collar, pockets, etc., with stitched broadcloth; bands same, with facings of cloth, and finished with cord also. Prices \$7.50 to \$12

Smoking Jackets, \$3.75 to \$11.00

A handsome assortment of these popular Double-Faced Cloth House Coats for Men, pockets, collar and cuffs trimmed with reverse side of cloth, and at prices to suit all purses. Each \$3.75, \$5, \$5.50, \$6.50, \$7.50 to \$11

Now is the time to make your selection in these, while the assortment and sizes are complete. If you wish, have your choice reserved.

THIRD FLOOR—TAKE ELEVATOR.

For Your Evening Dress New Mercerized Mulls

Beautiful quality these, in pretty evening shades of pink, pale blue, yellow, mauve, brown, navy, black and white, with the finish of silk (note the width), 46-inch; fast colors. Yard 25c

For Fancy Aprons

Dotted Swiss Muslins, in pin dot and large spots. These make very dainty, fancy aprons; 30-inch. At, yard 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c and 50c

Mercerised Brocade Sateens

40-inch, self-colors. A yard 35c
The new idea in coat and bodice lining. These are now being shown in our lining department, in myrtle, navy, brown, fawn, rose, cream and black; 40-inch. A yard 35c

RICHMOND ST.—SOUTH AISLE.

IN TOYTOWN Drums and Horns

It would not seem like Christmas morning to awaken and not hear the sound of the children's drums and horns, and the boys' brigade on the march. They will take a dollar's worth of fun out of a 15c horn.

HORNS, 15c up to \$1 each. Our dollar instrument is a solid brass, three-tone cornet—a good one.

DRUMS, 30c to \$1.25 each. The \$1.25 Drum is a snare drum, and a good one.

IN THE BASEMENT.

Unsolicited Praise of the NORDHEIMER PIANO

At the Franco-British Exhibition

London, England, Musical News, July 25, 1908:

The Nordheimer pianos, in particular, need fear no comparison, as far as up-rightness go, with any competitor, and it is a matter for congratulation that such excellent instruments are manufactured in Canada.

The above is one of the many unsolicited testimonials bestowed upon NORDHEIMER PIANOS. These famous instruments are known and admired all over the British Empire.

We have a slightly used Nordheimer Piano on sale this week. Regular price, \$350; now, \$275. Terms—\$10 cash, and \$8 per month.

NORDHEIMERS Limited

188 DUNDAS STREET, T. C. WRIGHT, Manager. Established 1840.



This is the flour we good cooks know Will make the Bread that's white as snow It's just as good for Pies and Cakes And all my skill as Chef I'll stake On Beaver Flour's reputation; "The popular flour of the nation."

Beaver Flour
the original Blended Flour

RALPH SMITH MAY FOLLOW TEMPLEMAN

Nanaimo Man Spoken of as Probability for the Cabinet.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Hon. Wm. Templeman, minister of inland revenue, Ralph Smith, M. P. for Nanaimo, and Wm. Sloan, M. P. for Comox-Atlin, the two Liberal members from British Columbia, are in conference with the Prime Minister, regarding the cabinet representation of the Pacific coast province.

Mr. Sloan arrived yesterday morning on the heels of Mr. Smith, and both were favored with an opportunity of discussing the matter with Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

In the event of Mr. Templeman's withdrawal from the cabinet, Mr. Smith is spoken of as his successor.

C. P. R. LINE SECURES ALL ORIENTAL BUSINESS

Hill and Harriman Lines Refuse to Publish Freight Tariffs.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company, a foreign corporation, is the only railway doing business in the United States with the Orient which has complied with the ruling of the interstate commerce commission that carriers handling freight and merchandise partly by rail and partly by ocean steamship shall publish the amount charged for the rail haul and the amount represented for the ocean journey separately. The Canadian Pacific has filed with the commission a statement of its tariffs showing its through and proportioned class commodity rates from points in Illinois and seven other middle western states to Vancouver B. C., and from that point to points in the Orient and elsewhere.

Other transcontinental lines, including the Hill and Harriman combinations, declined to comply with the ruling of the commission and withdrew their tariffs, substituting in their places tariffs showing heavy increases from the coast to the Pacific Coast, but not beyond. To all intents and purposes this means the withdrawal of the American lines from the Oriental trade, and most of it will now go via Vancouver, giving the Canadian Pacific a practical monopoly with its middle western railway connections of this valuable transportation business.

Members of the commission express themselves as puzzled at the attitude of the big transcontinental lines in practically withdrawing from the transportation of merchandise and freight to the Orient.

POINT IN LIFE INSURANCE.

St. Paul, Dec. 15.—A life insurance policy contained the following condition in a case tried in Minnesota: "Provided, however, that no obligation is assumed by the company prior to the date hereof, nor unless on said date the assured is alive and in sound health." The supreme court of Minnesota held, in an action against the company on the policy (Murphy vs. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company), that the defendant's promise was conditional; that it was a fact of the sound health of the insured which determined the liability of the defendant; not his apparent health, or his or anyone's opinion or belief that he was in sound health, and that the term "sound health" as it was used in the policy did not mean perfect health, but an absence of any disease that had a direct tendency to shorten life.

SIR WILFRID'S ANSWER

To Protest Against His Election for Ottawa City.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's preliminary objections to the election petition entered against him in Ottawa were filed at Osgoode Hall, yesterday.

Among the objections are that the petition of Menard was not presented by a person who has a right to vote, and on that ground Menard is disqualified; that the petitioner hired horses, carriages and other vehicles for John L. Chabot and Thomas Bir-kett in the election, that by promises of employment, the giving of money and other considerations he was guilty of bribery; that no affidavit was presented or filed by the petitioner; the paper purporting to be such being signed and sworn to by him without his having any knowledge of its contents, and that the petition is not made in good faith, but is purely vexatious.

The preliminary objections of Hon. J. R. Stratton to the protest filed by J. H. Burnham in West Peterboro were heard by Mr. Justice Britton, George Holmstead, K. C., clerk of the court, was subpoenaed by the petitioner to give evidence as to the currency in which the security was paid. The petitioner alleges that the \$1,000 bill in which the security was paid was legal tender. The petitioner also claims that the protest should be void be-

BRANTFORD MAN IN TROUBLE

Arrested by the Police of Pittsburgh and Charged With Assault.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 15.—Following a chase extending through several states and lasting two months, Thomas P. Martin, of Brantford, Ont., was arrested last night at Rochester, Pa., by Detectives Lally and Dillon, and brought to Pittsburgh, and placed in Central station. He will have to answer a charge of attempted murder and highway robbery. Martin, who is said to be well connected in the Canadian town, is accused with two companions, also under arrest, of enticing George Robinson, a rich oil producer, of Butler, Pa., to the "Water street wharf," attacking him and leaving him for dead. Robinson is still in a hospital, and will leave it a cripple for life.

Martin was caught while visiting a female friend in Rochester. He denies his guilt, but the police say they have got the right man. Martin refused to tell of his Brantford friends, saying he didn't wish to have his relatives disgraced. The Brantford police will be asked for information concerning him. Martin was traced through Ohio, Maryland and New York before being captured.

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FAVORING ITS FRIENDS.

The Toronto Globe exposes the dishonesty of the claim that the present Ontario Government has abolished the patronage lists. It points out that Mr. Hanna's advertisement, inviting tenders for various supplies for public institutions, is identical with that inserted in the newspapers by his predecessor, Mr. Stratton. The Globe adds:

"The Whitney Government does exactly in this respect what the Ross Government did, but the latter had not the hypocrisy to pretend to be doing something different. On more than one occasion the Ross Government was able to point to some Tory who had sold supplies to the departments. The Whitney Government would be able to show that some fortunate Grit had been favored by it. There is, however, no change in the respective methods in this regard. The only change is that whereas formerly Grit firms got the orders, now Tory firms get them."

The Toronto News, which has been tauding the present Government for a supposed reform in the methods of purchasing supplies, may have been misled by Mr. Hanna, who asserted that 95 per cent of the purchases were made under the tender system. The facts are plainly exposed in the public accounts. It is preposterous to say that Liberal merchants and traders are on the same footing as Conservatives in regard to supplying 95 per cent of the goods for Ontario public institutions. If open competition prevails to this extent, how comes it that 95 per cent of the business goes to Conservative firms?

THE TIDE TURNING.

What in the United States is regarded as a reliable sign of returning prosperity is the fact that the laborers who began to return in hundreds of thousands to their former homes in Europe a year ago, are now coming back. The outward movement was of such dimensions that the steamship companies found it impossible to provide accommodation for all who sought it; now the same people are returning and bringing others with them. Each steamship arriving on this side the Atlantic has a crowded steerage. In one last week four vessels—the Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm, the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, the Duca di Genova and the Oceanic—reached New York and landed 4,443 steerage passengers, almost all of whom came from Mediterranean ports. Every trans-Atlantic steamer coming across has a goodly quota of these immigrants. This means that the industrial clouds which have for a year darkened the sky are rolling away. The Europeans are the harbingers of prosperity.

READY-MADE FOODS.

Government measures taken of late years to insure as far as possible the purity of foods, have had the effect of materially improving the quality of canned and bottled goods. It is gratifying to learn from an official source that the products of Canadian firms compare favorably with those of the best foreign houses.

This fact is emphasized in a bulletin recently issued by the laboratory of the inland revenue department at Ottawa, giving the result of the analysis of samples of canned meats and pickles collected in various parts of the country. Of the 76 samples tested, only one, of potted pheasant, was found to be unsatisfactory, although even this might not be too "gamey" for some tastes. Twenty-eight samples showed evidence of the use of boracic acid as a preservative, but in no case above the quantity permitted by British practice, viz., one-half of one percent of weight. The fact that all the potted meats tested gave reaction for starch indicates that cereals were used in their production. In itself, starch is not unwholesome, and its presence in minute quantities may do no harm. In some cases, however, the amount reached 2 per cent, and in one 5 per cent, showing that some kind of flour had been used to give consistency. Except in this one extreme case, the analyst pronounces the product good.

Of the 149 samples of pickles analyzed, all but two were found to be sound and firm. Pickles, as defined by the United States standard, are "clean, sound, immature cucumbers, properly prepared, without taking any metallic compound other than salt, and prepared in any kind of vinegar, with or without spices." The same rule applies to other vegetables. To give hardness to the vegetables, alum or sulphurous acid is used. These substances, if present, only in minute quantities, do not necessarily mean that the standard has been departed from, as mustard may in some cases develop

sulphurous acid, and alumina may be the result of chemical action on any vegetable which grows lying on the ground. Soluble alumina was found to be present in 25 out of the 149 samples, while in twelve cases sulphurous acid reactions were obtained, and in twelve other salicylic acid was present. The analyst does not say harm would result from the use of these articles. The pickle-making industry in Canada has largely developed of late years, and as regards quality Canadian pickles are considered as good as the best.

DEPOPULATION OF FRANCE.

The population of France continues to decline at an amazing rate. To make matters worse, there seems no reason to hope for an improvement. The vital statistics for last year show a reduction in the birth rate even below the figures of the previous year, while the number of deaths increased. In 1907 there were in the entire country 32,878 fewer births than in 1906, and 13,693 more deaths. The actual excess of deaths over births was 19,820.

The ratio of births was 207 to 10,000 of population in 1907, as compared with 215 in 1906. In 82 departments there was a falling off, only five—Seine, Inferieure, Saone-et-Loire, Bouches-du-Rhone, Pas de Calais and Meurthe-et-Moselle—showing an increase, and that only slight. In the outlying regions of intense rusticity, the decline of births is a most alarming feature, and it is evident north and south, east and west. For instance, La Dordogne, in the southwest, shows a decrease of 1,434 births; Finisterre, in the northwest, 1,067, and Ardèche, in the southwest, 971. No part of the country is free from the tendency, but on the whole the southern provinces show it in the most marked degree, and those on the Swiss and German frontier the least. The excess of deaths manifests itself in 55 departments, that of the Seine, virtually Paris, being the greatest, with 3,316.

From 1901 to 1905, inclusive, the population of France showed an average increase of 18 a year for each 100,000 of population. The increase in 1906 was 7, but last year there was an actual decrease of 50 in every 100,000. In the department of Lot, on the Upper Garonne, there were 143 births to 244 deaths in a population of about 215,000, which has been declining steadily since 1890, when its inhabitants numbered close on 260,000. Evidently France more than any other country is suffering from race suicide. It is the proverbial thrift of the French carried to an excess that menaces the future of France as one of the great powers.

Governor Hughes' reforming zeal is now directed against Wall Street. He has gone at it like a lion, but will he come out like so many others—a sheared lamb?

Mr. Ralph Smith, the able Liberal-Labor member for Nanaimo, is mentioned for the vacant portfolio of minister of inland revenue. A cabinet position would make him the John Burns of Canadian politics.

The water commissioners installed 101 metres last year. They are adopting the meter system on the installment plan. It is a wise policy, and it would be wiser if it were applied on a more generous scale. There is no city in which the argument for the general adoption of the meter system is stronger.

The appeal in behalf of the Muskoka free hospital is worthy of local support. The city should have made provision long ago for consumptives. In any event it will be some time before this can be done, even if the bylaw is adopted in January. In the meantime the Muskoka management will provide a ward for London patients. Consumption is not a malady that will wait.

Whenever a woollen mill chances to fail, the responsibility is thrown upon the Ottawa Government. In the opinion of the majority of Canadians, the Government has gone far enough in giving the woollen men 30 per cent. It is not called upon to give them brains and enterprise to run their business. Some of them who have these qualities are doing pretty well.

The British Postmaster-General admits that since the "intellectual preference" has been in operation the number of British publications going to Canada has increased at the rate of 6,000,000 a year. For years the British postoffice opposed the reduction of rates which has made this increase possible. The British publishers can thank the Canadian Government for the change.

NOT A BOTHERSOME SPOUSE.

[London Opinion.]
The Helms—But why should I marry you? I don't love you.
Her Sutor—Oh, that's all right. I shan't be at home very much, you know.

THE DEMOCRATIC AGE.

[Punch.]
Kind Lady—Well, my little man, what are you going to be when you grow up?
Little Man—Somethin' what don't wear a collar.

THE RECLINING ANCIENTS.

[London Globe.]
We stand and sit too much, according to the views of Dr. Geibke in a lecture before a body of German physicians. Chairs may have been known to the ancients, but they were used only on extraordinary occasions.

Persons of culture as well as the barbarians took their meals and their rest reclining. Dr. Krueh, of Munich, says that to this day the Greeks prefer the reclining of the sitting posture, and the fact that they lie not upon the back, but upon the stomach accounts for the better and more supple figures of these people.

WARNING.

[Nashville American.]
Hear the tramping
Of the tramp
Up and down
The busy street.
At the counter
See the crush
Like a noisy
Football rush.
See the weary
Ladies stand,
With their money
In their hand,
Trying hard
To beat the game
And get action
On the same.
See the patrons
Thicker grow
At the bargain
Counter row.
Men and women,
Girls and boys
After fancy
Goods and toys
For their dear ones
And, I swear,
Some for whom
They do not care—
Sight that has
A battle beat
To a frazzle
Quite complete,
Worse than crowds
That go insane
Round the presidential train
Or the human
Frighit ship
On the street car's
Homeward trip.
If through that
You would not plow,
Buy your Christmas
Presents now.

UNASCERTAINED.

[Melbourne Weekly Times.]
Smithson—What is Brown's earning capacity?
Jones—It's never been tested. He's always been employed by the Government.

PERSISTENCY.

[Chicago News.]
Little Willie—Say, pa, what is persistence?
Pa—It's the trait a woman displays when she attempts to remove a wrinkle, my son.

EVIDENTLY EXAGGERATED.

[Royal Magazine.]
Among the begging letters recently received at the office of a benevolent society was one running thus:
"This unfortunate young man is the only son of a widow, who died childless, and his earnings maintain his aged father and infant brothers, whose sole support he is."
The secretary of the society wrote on the margin of the epistle the following note:
"The circumstances of the case are evidently exaggerated."

A PLEA FOR EXTRAVAGANCE.

[The Lady.]
Beautiful dressing is an art. The world would lose something of its grace and charm without it. Men have left off wearing picturesque and low clothes; really somebody must do it. It is extravagance in woman's dress so very wicked, then?

SLUMP IN GOOD ACTRESSES.

[The Tatler.]
It is more than probable that the "slump" in actresses of mark is due to the fact that the playhouse is being attended more and more by women. As women are rarely very much interested in other women, there has been less call for the real actress.

AMIABLE.

[Pathfinder.]
"Daughter, is your husband amiable?"
"Well, ma, he's just exactly like pa. When he gets his own way about everything he's just perfectly lovely."

THE OLD, BROKEN AUTO.

[Punch.]
How dear to my heart is my broken-down auto,
As fond recollection presents it to view;
The auto which cost me five thousand good dollars,
And filled me with happiness when it was new.
With nothing to hinder and friends in the tonneau
I raced her along in most beautiful style,
I seldom took more than about sixty seconds,
When the cops were not looking, to cover a mile;
My badly-wrecked auto, my busted-up auto,
My old broken auto upon the scrap-pile.
That red-painted auto I hailed as a treasure,
When first I serenely took hold of the wheel;
The telegraph poles seemed to stand close together,
As I went like a streak in my automobile.
When others attempted to pass me I merely
Turned on the high speed, with a sneer for a smile,
And left them to fall in behind me, consuming
The dust and the vapor, which may have been vile.
Alas, my dear auto, my now useless auto,
My old broken auto upon the scrap-pile.
How often I raced over rusty bumps with it,
While the ladies behind me bounced up in the air;
I hustled an auto the first week I had it,
And escaped death ten times by the width of a hair;
But now it is merely a fond reminiscence,
My hands on the gear I no longer defile;
I will never again cause the farmers to curse me,
Or attempt to take curves in a fool-hardy style;
My long, raking auto, my busted-up auto,
My old, broken auto upon the scrap-pile.

CATTLE MARKET.

[Kansas City Independent.]
"I noticed you have taken the cow-catcher off the engine," said the passenger on the rural railroad.
"Yes," replied the conductor, with a wink. "We never run over any more cows. Since folks have discovered that the automobile owners pay more for killing a cow than the railroad they turn them out on the pile instead of on the track."

MEN AS HUSBANDS.

[Herald.]
To do men justice they are reader with their stories of happiness and the incredible accomplishments of their wives than with the tales, although they do tell them. A man doesn't complain of his wife unless forced to it. And then he does not complain; he merely does not tell lies to himself. One is not talking now of the divorce courts, but of the heroes of the divorce courts, but of decent husbands who wedded their wives in the determination to be true and kind to them.



"Brewster's Millions."

"Brewster's Millions" will be seen at the Grand on Friday and Saturday. The play is a dramatic version by Winchell Smith and Byron O'Leary of George Barr McCutcheon's famous and successful novel, headed by Edward Abeles, in the stellar character, will be seen here. Frederic Thompson is proprietor and manager, and in his latest efforts in stage effects he has outdone his marvellous work in the staging of the wonderful spectacles in the New York Hippodrome.

Pleased Houses at Bennett's.

Yesterday a well-filled house throughout the day viewed the pictures at Bennett's, and judging by their applause, they were all well pleased. The talking pictures are very good, indeed. The illustrated songs are well handled by Miss Camille Stafford. The silent motion pictures are exceptionally good.

NEWS FROM WESTERN ONTARIO

County Councillor Young, of Guelph Township, claims that the death of Samuel Malette, of Guelph, was caused by drinking water from the River Speed below the city's septic tanks. The county will press the suit against the city for maintaining a nuisance.

An inquest will be held into the death of Bankman Wm. Stewart, killed in the Pere Marquette yards at St. Thomas yesterday.

The coroner's jury that investigated the death of Mrs. Reame, an aged Chatham lady, found dead in bed yesterday, brought in a verdict of death by suffocation in the throes of epilepsy.

Rev. J. M. Hoyt, of St. Thomas, has been called to First Baptist Church, at Toledo. It is not generally thought he will accept.

Stratford city council last night did not send the Niagara power bylaw to the people. More information was needed and the matter was laid over until Thursday next.

Charles Maloney, the 5-year-old son of Henry Maloney, of Galt, was run over by a runaway horse yesterday afternoon and was seriously injured. There are 131 residents in Elgin County. The township of Southwold has the largest number, 25.

Lawrence Murphy, of St. Thomas, was arrested yesterday by P. C. Kirkland, on a charge of non-support preferred by his wife.

The St. Thomas Trades and Labor Council will not interfere with the municipal elections whatever.

Mr. Alex. J. Ross, one of the plaintiffs of East Williams, is dead, aged 71 years. Hon. George W. Ross is his brother.

Municipal candidates are very scarce in Ingersoll. The majority of the council will seek re-election.

Rev. Robert McIntyre, of Tempo, left yesterday for his new charge at Bridgeburg.

ANNIVERSARY OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Big Event Is Scheduled for London Township Next Sunday.

Sunday next will mark the thirty-third anniversary of the opening of St. John's Episcopal Church, London Township, and special sermons will be preached to commemorate the event. The services will be in charge of Rev. Frank G. Newton, of Parkhill. On Monday evening next the annual Christmas treat will be held in the town hall, and Rev. R. S. W. Howard will give an illustrated lecture on "Alice in Wonderland," for the children. There will also be a large Christmas tree.

The first church to be erected in St. John's was built 75 years ago. It was used until 1875, when the present building was built.

The first rector was Rev. Benjamin Cronyn, afterward first Bishop of Huron, who was in charge from 1836 to 1841. He was succeeded by Rev. C. C. Brough, first archdeacon of London, from 1841 to 1873. Ven. Archdeacon Marsh followed, and continued rector till 1898, after which the present rector, Ven. Archdeacon Richardson was appointed.

The ground occupied by the first church, i. e., the whole township, has now no less than six churches besides St. John's, viz., St. George's, Trinity Church, Birr; Church of Hosannah, Hyde Park; Emmanuel; Grace, Hinton; and St. Luke's Broughdale.

DR. ERNEST WILLIAMS IS PRESIDENT

London Medical Association Chose Its Officers Last Night.

The regular meeting of the London Medical Association was held last night, and the officers for the year were chosen as follows: President, Dr. Ernest Williams; vice-president, Dr. U. E. Bateson; secretary-treasurer, Dr. C. H. Reason.

During the evening Dr. Wishart gave a most interesting paper on Colles fractures, and the discussion following was taken part in by Drs. Senjorne, Eccles and Hadley Williams.

COUNCIL 75, C. O. F., ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

Mr. E. Wingett Was Chosen Chief Councillor.

A well attended meeting of the members of Council No. 75, of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, was held last evening, when the fol-

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Mothers, get busy, buy your Boys' Christmas presents this week. Don't wait for Saturday, you can get served better during the week. Here are a few specials:

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The accompanying diagram shows how Miss Modiste cut her square into six pieces, which re-form into three squares of similar size.

THE AMETHYST CROSS

By Fergus Hume

"The bands of death on him," muttered Tim, using an antique Irish oath. "Sure I knew he wasn't any kith or kin as yours, miss, though by the same token I never rightly knew as his hardship was yer father's."

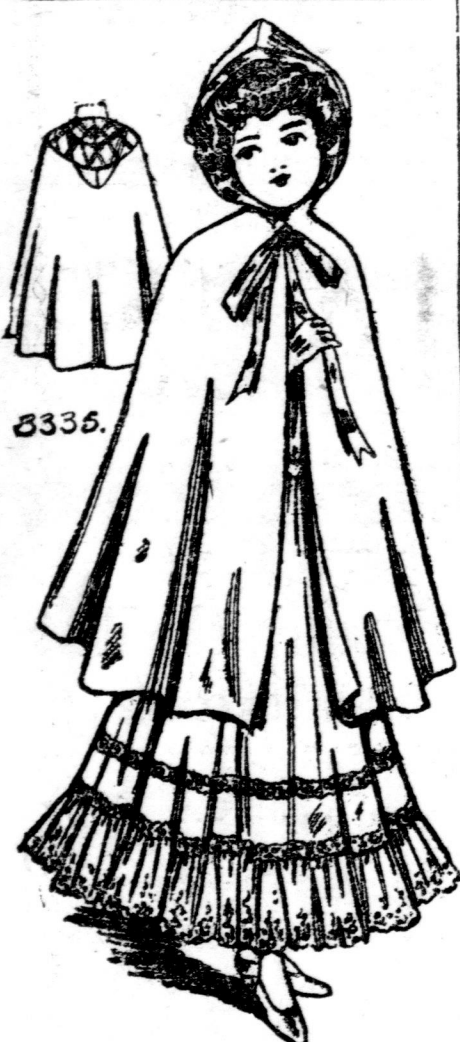
"Tim," said this young mistress, severely, "you told Mrs. Walker in my presence there was no child with the poor lady who died at Wimbledon."

"Is it yer mother ye talk av, miss?" asked Tim innocently. "Sure it was lyin' I wot, an' if I hadn't lied, that devil—it's the masher, I mane—wud have brought trouble on ye."

"In what way, Tim?" asked George, looking puzzled.

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rowed ashore and found ye stunned an' bound, bad luck to the devil who did it. I tuck ye into the cottage and called softly to the young mistress, there. She thought I was a dream an' an' come down to see to you. An' now ye know, both av ye."

Lesbia and George looked at one another in astonishment. "Why didn't you tell us this before?" asked Walker sharply. "And why did you bring me to the cottage?"

"Sure, now," said Tim, in injured tones, "didn't I think as 'twas the masher had been up to some divilment, and didn't dare speak in case he'd get Miss Lesbia clapped into jail along side him. But I knew as the masher wud niver dare to harm ye in his own house, wud Miss Lesbia by the side av ye, an' so I brought ye here into my very jaws as it wot. An wasn't I right, me dear sor?"

"Yes," assented Walker promptly. "I think you were. It was very clever of you to have protected me in that way, even though it meant coming and not Hale who assaulted me. Well, Lesbia, he turned to the girl, 'there is another thing made clear. Quite a surprise.'"

"I hope it is the last surprise," said the girl wearily. "I am very tired of being surprised."

"In that case," said a smooth voice at her elbow, "you'll be tired at seeing me."

Lesbia started to her feet with a cry, and George with an exclamation of astonishment. As to Tim, he scrambled to his feet with an oath. "Augh! Murder! Murder!" cried the Irishman, "it's the black devil his name is. 'Twas his compliments," said Hale, who was standing and composed near the lovers. "You were so busy engaged talking, Lesbia, that you did not hear me come down the path?"

"How dare you come here?" said the girl indignantly.

"It's my own house, I had the key," retorted Hale coolly. "I opened the front door and entered. Finding no one within I came here and find that Tim is giving me away. But I am not as black as I am painted."

"You are much worse, I daresay," said George bluntly.

"Oh, you've been there, you lucky young man," said Hale, raising his eyebrows. "I congratulate you on marrying Lesbia and on getting the money."

"In spite of all your plotting," said Walker, sharply.

Hale sat down on the bench with a sudden look of fatigue. He was cool and smiling and bore himself both shamelessly and dauntlessly. But it was apparent that he behaved thus out of bravado. In an eye of his hand and of the fact that he was dressed as carefully as ever, he was thoroughly ill and had his back to the wall.

"You had better leave this place," said Lesbia, clinging to her lover. "The police are looking for you."

"Someone else is hunting for me," said Hale gloomily. "Maud Ellis is on my track, swearing vengeance."

"Why should she?"

"Because to get the money and induce her to play her part I promised to marry her. I have no intention of doing so. Then again, for my own safety, I have sent a communication to the police offering to tell all I know about Tim and his gang on condition that I am let off. Maud, confound her, has found this out, and swears to have my life."

"She would scarcely go as far as that," said George, scornfully.

"Oh, I think so," said Hale quietly. "She can't show herself, as she is in danger from the police also, and so will revenge herself as she best can. I don't think there's much she would stick at. I caught sight of her on the London platform as I got down this morning so I expect she will follow me to this house. There will be trouble unless you can aid me to get away."

"How can we compound a felony?" asked George, frowning.

"It is better than to see a tragedy," retorted Hale. "I am not afraid of Maud unless she takes me by surprise; but that is just what she will do. I am not your father, Lesbia, as you know now, and perhaps I have not been kind in my treatment of you. I ask you to exercise that kind nature which you always declared you possessed, and give me fifty pounds to get abroad with. Once across the Channel, and I can ship for myself."

"I have not got fifty pounds," said Lesbia, hesitating. Badly as Hale had treated her, she yet wished to assist him, and truly he was in great need of the coils of fire which she could heap on his head.

"You can soon get it," said Hale, eagerly. "Charvatton will give you anything. Send Walker here to ask him for the money, and I can remain concealed in the cottage until he returns."

The lovers looked at one another. Both were inclined to assist the miserable man, little as he deserved kindness at their hands. Tim, with a grim face, stood behind Lesbia, and a forgiving nature, would gladly have pitched his old master into the river, had Lesbia but lifted a finger. But she gave no sign, so Tim waited. It was hard to say what would have happened—no doubt the granting of Hale's modest request, but that Providence decided the matter.

The four people in the garden were so deeply engaged in conversation that they did not observe a man crossing the river from the opposite shore some distance above the garden. Tim indeed did catch a glimpse of a craft holding two people, but did not take much notice. The boat reached the near shore and then dropped down alongside the bank, until it was directly abreast of the chestnut tree. Then for the first time, George and Lesbia looked round at the sound of dipping oars. Hale raised his head and looked at the next moment there was the sharp report of a revolver, and he rolled off the bench, shot through the breast. Twice again the revolver spoke and twice Hale was wounded. Maud Ellis was a clear shot.

"There," cried she, flinging the weapon ashore to Lesbia, "you can finish him off. He betrayed my uncle, he betrayed me, he betrayed us all. Only Sargent, who is rowing me, and I have escaped. Good-bye, Lesbia. You have your lover—my lover—the man I adore. I hope you will be happy. I have done justice on that blackguard, so I am going to clear. You'll never see me again, and you can thank your stars that I did not kill you as well as that scoundrel there. George—good-bye, good-bye."

She sat down quickly in the boat, which was already receding rapidly from the garden. Sargent apparently had not expected that Maud would have been so thorough. In her vengeance and could be seen talking angrily to her. He rowed with all his might across the river, left the boat drift down-stream and leaped ashore.

Maud followed alertly and the two set off, running rapidly. Where they went, how they escaped, George never knew; but that was the last seen of them in England.

Meanwhile Lesbia was on her knees beside the wretched man who had done her much harm, striving to staunch his wounds with her handkerchief. Tim already had run up the path shouting for the police, and George was about to follow, as he wanted Maud to be arrested for her dastardly crime, when Hale opened his eyes.

"Are you there, Lesbia?" he asked, faintly. "It's no use my asking for your forgiveness, as I hate being a sneak at the last moment. I have lived bad and I have died bad. But I can say this, that you are the sole human being I regret having injured. You are a fool, as you have always been, like your father—but you are a sweet fool, and I love you."

"Hush, hush!" said Lesbia distractedly. "George, take him into the house and fetch the doctor. We must save him—"

"No," gasped Hale with a flash of energy. "Don't save me! Let me rot in jail. Maud has done me a good turn, after all. I die and—and—I cheat—I cheat—the law," he opened his eyes again and stared at the two pale faces. "Oh, don't die, you," he gasped, "oh, to think that I should be—"

"It's too late, Tim; he is dead," said Lesbia faintly.

"Dead is it," muttered Tim, staring and crossing himself. "Then me mother is right in all she said. Sudden death and the black grave. Augh! 'Twas the truth me mother spake after all."

LONDON PUTS ON CHRISTMAS PLAYS

Amateur Theatricals to Raise Money for Poor in Vogue in England.

London, Dec. 14.—With the approach of Christmas the season of good deeds begins—though society always manages to get out of its good deeds much fun if not excitement. Society during the next few weeks will devote itself to private theatricals on behalf of charity. The Duchess of Portland and the Duchess of Devonshire will be among the audience at the Mansfield next Wednesday, when "The Second Commandment" will be played by society amateurs on behalf of the Notley Sanatorium. Serby Hall, on the same day, will see the production of two plays by Lady Galway, in one of which, "My Lady's Garden," she will take part and be supported, among others, by Lord Galway.

Mrs. Arthur James is the moving spirit of the company which will play "His Excellency, the Governor," at Rugby and Northampton. She will be supported by other well-known amateur actresses. Mrs. Charles Crutchley, Mrs. Alwyn, Felloes and Colonel Newham Davis, while again Leo Trevor's services have been requisitioned, both to play and stage manage.

Royal Work Attractive.

Prince and Princess Louis of Battenberg are responsible for an artistic work of charity, which is creating a great amount of interest in the West End. This is a pack of cards styled "The Quartette Game," with the subtitle, "Some Naval and Military Families," designed by the princess with the assistance of her husband. Each card is a picture of a service type that must have come under the notice of the Battenbergs in the course of their travels and residence throughout the empire, a colonial governor, his wife and daughter and son, who is the commander of a destroyer. This is a game of cards, and the object is to play the game of a naval officer. The petty officer, his wife and baby and so on are types. The work of the royal personages will, of course, be hailed as masterly, but one may say before the set becomes public—for it is as yet a private issue—that it is done with genuine humorous observation and much talent.

The drawing, the sergeant major, his wife of the old school, a bouncing matron, wearing a bonnet with strings and their very modern daughter with her cycling skirt and bicycle are particularly delightful. There are in the style of large heads and diminutive bodies that is so popular in foreign caricature, but had dropped out in England, surviving only in the terrible image of the ugly valentines.

Princess Rides to Hounds.

While on royalty it is interesting to note that the pretty young Princess Mary of Wales has just gratified one of her greatest desires and had her first ride to the hounds. The pack selected was the West Norfolk, under the mastership of Lord Romney, and the little princess was under the care of Major General J. E. Brockschurst, C. V. O., equerry to the Queen and one of her majesty's most trusted friends. Her royal highness is said to have shown very good judgment and pluck. She took several leaps in fearless style; in all the run lasted more than half an hour and though spills were frequent, the princess kept well up with the pack, and was one of the few in at the finish.

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FALLS TO THE GROUND

Toronto Man Receives Fatal Injuries in Mysterious Manner.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—At St. Michael's Hospital the police last night took a statement from Thos. McBrien, who with John Diamond and John Campbell was arrested Sunday night on a charge of breaking into a front street warehouse.

When arrested McBrien was being led by his two companions along Front street. His face was almost in shadows and he was bleeding profusely. The men told a confused story of being in the warehouse on business, and McBrien falling out of a window on a pile of glass. They were arrested, Diamond and Campbell being held in the cells and McBrien being taken to the hospital. His condition is hopeless. Investigation at the warehouse, stocked with glass goods, showed that a third-story window had been pried open and that a ladder was used to gain access to it.

McBrien says he fell from a hoist shaft to the ground, but the police believe he was coming out of the window with his arms full of glass goods, missed the ladder and fell to the ground.

Westminster Township Council met in Lambeth Nov. 20, at the west end of the council chamber, to settle the matter. Messrs. Anson, M. Hunt and John McDougal were appointed. Mr. Chas. Carrothers addressed the council re rebate on Dingman creek. The reeve, J. H. Mair and J. W. Laidlaw will be a committee to interview Mr. Farncombe, the engineer, regarding same.

Mr. Birtwhistle addressed the council regarding a ditch in front of his place, and along the side of the South-western Traction Railway. The whole council will meet and examine the same.

Checks were issued to the amount of \$1,682.42.

Next meeting of council, Dec. 15.

GEO. RIDDELL, Clerk.

TO SELL ISLANDS

Berkengia, on the Coast, Wanted by Germany for Naval Station.

London, Dec. 14.—A dispatch from Lisbon declares upon reliable authority that the overture of the Berkengia Islands is about to sell them to the German Government. It is also stated that the German Government intends to fortify the islands and to establish naval and coaling stations there.

It is reported that the rumor of the sale has caused considerable apprehension in Lisbon and it is believed that the Portuguese Government will prohibit the sale.

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Stomach Catarrh
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Bad Case Cured.

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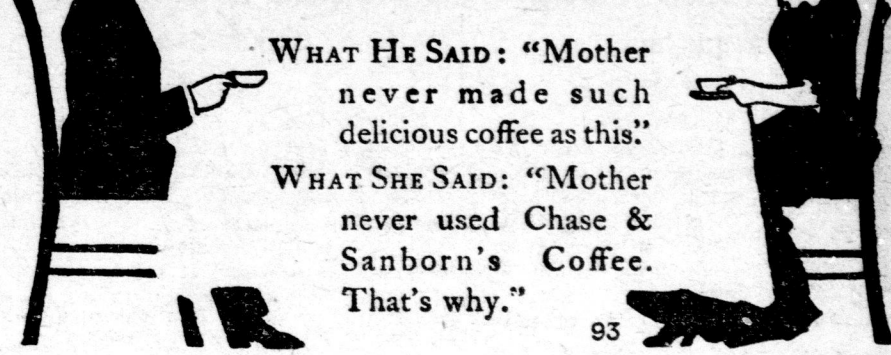
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PICKING JURY TO TRY HAINS

Latter's Plea Likely To Be One of Self Defense—Sure of Acquittal.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 15.—When court adjourned last night after two long sessions consumed in wearisome examinations of talesmen, six jurors sat in the jury box competent to try Thornton J. Hains, a short story writer, on charges of being an accessory to the killing of William E. Annis, an editor, shot down at the Bayside Yacht Club last summer by Captain Peter C. Hains, Jun., of the United States army. Difficulties of securing a jury because of opinions formed of the case were apparent in the examination of talesmen, and Justice Crane directed a new panel of 100 talesmen to be drawn, and a night session to be held. Justice Crane hopes that the trial may be concluded by the end of the week.

Interrogations of talesmen by Hains counsel indicate that the defense will be based principally on the proposition that Thornton Hains, fearing that his brother's house in jeopardy from the crowd at the club house, because of the shooting of Annis, drew his revolver, and held the crowd back. His act was one of defense and not of offense, according to his counsel.

Author Will Testify.

John F. McIntyre, of counsel for Hains, announced last night, that Hains would take the witness stand in his own defense. He will likely tell of those events at Fort Hamilton, which led up to the separation of Captain Hains and his wife, and to the tragedy at the Bayside Yacht Club. Mr. McIntyre will offer in evidence the alleged confession made by Mrs. Claudia Hains to her husband.

All of the counsel for the defense were subpoenaed by District Attorney Darrin to appear as witnesses on the case. Mr. Darrin, of Hains counsel, said Mr. Darrin desired to secure the possession of certain letters written by Thornton J. Hains to Captain Hains last spring asking him to return from the Philippines.

Thornton J. Hains took a lively interest in the examination of talesmen yesterday, and frequently chatted and smiled with his counsel over some of the answers of prospective jury men. Whenever the state's attorney asked a talesman if he knew the defendant, Hains would smile, and point to himself to indicate that he was the defendant, and not one of the numerous counsel who were grouped about him. Hains said he had every confidence that he would get Christmas dinner at home. After the adjournment of court he was manacled to a deputy sheriff and taken in an automobile to the Long Island Jail. General Peter Hains and Mrs. Hains, father and mother of the defendant, returned to New York following the afternoon session of court.

The six jurors selected were: William Hill, foreman; Thomas Walsh, builder; Henry Hecker, shipping clerk; Samuel Johnson, builders' supplies dealer; John Benham, stable man; Frederick Richmond, broker's cashier.

When court adjourned last night Justice Crane told the six jurors that he felt they could be trusted to go back and forth to their homes, and he did not believe any one would be so dishonorable as to approach them. Justice Crane said: "I do not believe you will slander the jury system, and I am going to let you go to your homes. I am going to put you on your honor, and if anyone approaches you, let me know."

HARRIMAN WINS

Cannot Be Compelled To Tell of Union Pacific Stock Deals.

Washington, Dec. 15.—In deciding yesterday the cases of Edward H. Harriman and Otto H. Kahn, vs. the Interstate Commerce commission, the supreme court of the United States held that the commission is not entitled under the interstate commerce law to press questions relative to private transactions, even though they involve dealings in the securities of interstate railroads, when the investigation of such questions is a part that has been begun on the commission's initiative.

The opinion of the court was announced by Justice Holmes and dealt with the refusal of Messrs. Harriman and Kahn to make reply to questions put by the commission in the course of an inquiry concerning the dealings of Mr. Harriman as president of the Union Pacific Railway in the stocks of other railroad companies, many of which are competing lines. In the course of his opinion Justice Holmes said that the commission's inquiries should be confined to cases in which complaint had been made. He said that privacy should be properly regarded in proceedings begun by the commission for its own purposes. He also said that the powers conferred in the interstate commerce law exceed any which have ever been delegated by an executive body of lawmakers.

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AUSTRIA PACIFIC UNDER PRESSURE

Francis Joseph Resolved to Close His Reign Without Balkan War.

London, Dec. 14.—After two months' obstinacy and dangerous delay there are signs now visible that Austria-Hungary may show herself amenable to the first principles of international law. Her repentance is of that unsatisfactory kind which is produced only by compulsion. Still she is giving way under the pressure, and that is considered the main thing.

There has been practical confirmation of last week's report that Francis Joseph is determined to reassess his authority at least on the point of maintenance of peace. His future successor may pursue an adventurous policy if he chooses, but not to the expense of his life during the life of the present sovereign.

Germany also, while publicly proclaiming her dutiful loyalty to her ally, privately has been urging moderation at Vienna and pointing out the obvious untenability of the Austrian attitude toward Turkey.

Troops Suffering a Factor.

Domestic protests throughout the dual monarchy against a reckless less policy of government continue to grow stronger. A more insistent national sympathy has been excited also by the severe sufferings from cold and hunger among the 200,000 troops which have been rushed to the southern frontiers without adequate provision against the severe climate.

All these influences, combined with the Emperor's stern veto, have compelled even Aehrenthal's intolerance to give way and he is preparing in a sulky spirit to reopen negotiations with Turkey. His consent to discuss the question of the annexed provinces by written correspondence with the powers as preliminary to a possible conference of the powers, is to say the least, a gracious concession. It means indefinite delay. English, French and Russian diplomats agree that failure to reach a definite agreement before campaign weather comes again would involve great perils. All depends therefore on the spirit with which Austria enters upon the execution of her latest suggestion.

Where Delay Imperils Peace. If the war party in Austria is simply playing for time and its possible contingencies, then the present concession is more apparent than real. The usual rule that delay makes for peace is reversed in the present situation.

There has been some talk this week, especially in the French press, of translating the present triple entente into a full Anglo-Franco-Russian alliance. The chief virtue of the present understanding between these powers is that its terms are not technically binding. There is more moral value and more practical strength in these days in voluntary entente than in a formal treaty. A treaty binds governments only and sometimes its benefits are less welcome. An entente binds both governments and peoples, and when its essential element of friendship disappears then a treaty would be of little value.

Europe has furnished two striking demonstrations of both points within a month. The bitterness now existing between Austria and Italy is an example of the negative value of treaty obligations. When France feared she was to become a victim of German aggression a month ago the British government offered to support her with all the resources of the empire, and the British people, if they had been consulted, would have approved unanimously.

SHORT SHRIFF FOR REBELS.

Indian Council Proposes to Expedite Trials of Anti-English Plotters.

Calcutta, Dec. 14.—The council passed a bill today providing for a speedier trial of persons implicated in plots and political offenses against the British Government in India. Sir Harvey Adamson, ordinary member of the council, when introducing the measure, referred to a far-reaching conspiracy, the object of which was to subvert the British rule.

Many seditious organizations, he stated, have lately sprung up throughout India to boycott foreign goods and to terrorize communities in which they exist with a view to bringing about a general revolution against British rule.

These organizations, the members of which number some 15,000, are the nurseries for young anarchists, many of whom come of respectable parents.

FOOTPRINTS OF VANISHED

Evidence of Inter-Glacial People in the Vicinity of Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—What is declared by Prof. Coleman, of the University of Toronto, to be the footprints of a people of the inter-glacial period, dating back from fifty to one hundred thousand years, distinctly marked in a strata of blue clay, has been unearthed by workmen on the waterworks tunnel of Toronto Bay.

On Nov. 13, in the morning, the concreting gang in Haney & Miller's waterworks tunnel laid bare, for over thirty feet, a strata of blue clay six feet wide in which there were over a hundred imprints of human feet encased in moccasins.

At the same level, near the footprints, a piece of inter-glacial wood, 12 inches long, was also found. These footprints were found 1,000 feet from shore No. 2, and at a place 70 feet below the water level of the bay.

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At the same level some imperfect footprints were discovered.

All the footprints, excepting a few which went sideways, were pointing towards Toronto. They varied from slight depressions to two inches in depth.

The markings have been shown to many who have pronounced them as probably genuine.

PARIS WILL DRIVE APACHE FROM CITY

Old Fortifications Where Criminals Live and Hide Are To Be Razed.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Before next summer rolls around, the demolition of the famous fortifications of Paris will have begun. For ten years the Government has been talking of such an action, and now it has been definitely decided upon.

The fortifications are interesting because of the curious race of people which inhabits them, made up of a conglomeration of Apaches and other criminals, and known under the general name of "fort-lifs." It is estimated that they number something like 10,000, and they are a people apart from the rest of the city.

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Judge Angered by Stories. As she has denied all this story once since her arrest she is beginning to incense the judge, who is not a believer in mythomania. Question after question he hurled at her sternly and without pity for six hours, and he did succeed in making her contradict herself more than once.

On the streets boys are selling postcards of the house in Impasse Rosin, of the artist's family, and of the beautiful Mme. Steinhilf as she was several years ago. These last postcards are attracting the most attention, and dealers who have them find it difficult to keep enough in stock to satisfy the public demand.

PARIS AIRED BY STEINHILF CASE

Tragedy Sole Topic in Gatherings of All the Classes.

Paris, Dec. 15.—How closely the Parisians are following the Steinhilf case is shown by a skit published yesterday by Adrien Vely, who tells of a dinner invitation which he posted at the bottom of which were the words, "on ne parlera pas," the idea, of course, being that the affair should not be the topic of conversation at the table.

When the guests gathered at the dinner the host, who had invited the hostess on her splendid idea and then found they had nothing else to talk about. All attempts to keep the conversation going were vain and finally each guest turned to the neighbor and began to whisper about the Steinhilf case.

At this point newboys were heard howling about the tenth special extra of the evening paper in the streets, and the host in desperation ordered to go around. The ban was raised, the table commenced talking about Mme. Steinhilf and the dinner became a great success.

"Mythomania" Is One Result. As a result of the successive and contradictory inventions of the widow the word mythomania has been coined. The word is used to describe the tendency to a special kind of lying. Homer was one of the first mythomania. The mythomania tells a lie, but it is spontaneous and an expression of interior truth. The lie comes from the abysses of unconscious personality. The mythomania believes he is telling the truth, and he is telling in any case his truth, that which he believes for the moment.

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TO WED AN EARL

Betrothal of Daughter of Ogden Mills to Lord Grandard Announced.

London, Dec. 15.—The betrothal is announced of Beatrice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, of New York, to Lord Grandard, Earl of Grandard of Castle Forbes, County Longford, Ireland.

The engagement of Miss Mills was practically forecast when the Earl of Grandard came to the United States in August with her parents as his guest.

Miss Mills, who is a niece of Mrs. Whitelaw Reid and granddaughter of D. O. Mills, is one of the twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills. The sisters made their entire entry into society about five years ago, and Miss Gladys Mills became Mrs. Henry Carnegie Phillips last December.

The Earl of Grandard was born in 1874. He entered the army in the Scots Guards, a crack infantry regiment, and became a captain, serving in the South African campaign of 1900 and 1902. He is master of the horse and lord-in-waiting to the King, and deputy lieutenant for the County Longford, Ireland. The earl is in the Irish peerage, but the holder sits in the House of Lords as Baron Grandard, in the peerage of the United Kingdom. He has a fine seat, Castle Forbes, at Newtownforbes, Longford, with about 21,000 acres of land.

Many orders have been bestowed upon the earl. The king of Spain has conferred on him the Grand Cross of the Order of Charles III, and the Grand Cross of Isabella the Catholic, and has also made him a companion of the Spanish order of military merit.

For his services in the war he has received from the British crown the Queen's medal with three clasps and the King's medal with two.

EVANS ON DREADNAUGHTS

Says U. S. Ships Are Vastly Superior to Those of Britain.

New York, Dec. 15.—That the latest battleships built by this country are vastly superior to England's Dreadnaughts is emphatically stated by Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, in an article in the latest number of Hampton's Broadway Magazine, wherein he and relies to criticism of it made some years ago by Henry Reuter and others.

"I do not for a moment claim that the Indiana and her sister ships are

equal to the Dreadnaughts of the English navy," says Admiral Evans, "only that she is the equal to the English ships designed at the same time. But I do claim that our latest ships are vastly superior to the Dreadnaughts."

Admiral Evans urges the superiority of the 13-inch gun over the 12-inch, and asserts that the change to the lesser calibre to conform to England's type was a most serious blunder. He also declares that "after many weeks of close observation, I am sure that the lower edge of the armor belt is too high rather than too low."

Admiral Evans continues: "Of all the inaccurate and misleading statements in the wonderful Reuter's criticism, the most incorrect is that the battleships of the United States are in exactly the same condition as were the Russian ships after the Russo-Japan fight in the Sea of Japan—not temporarily, but permanently. I assert that the battle fleet of the United States never was and never will be, never can be, in the condition of that Russian fleet when it went into action for the last time."

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LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD OF SPORTS

SALARY OF HOCKEY STARS OUTRANKS BALL PLAYERS

Even Honus Wagner's Thousands Look Like Change Beside Piles of Cash Passed to the Crack Skaters.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 15.—Now that hockey managers in Canada are offering the players here such colossal salaries to jump back there, local experts are sitting down and figuring out for themselves how impossible it will be for the Canadian moguls to make good. For stacked up against these offers the baseball stipends do not look like the frenzied extravagance that one would at first be led to believe.

The great and only Honus Wagner, received, it is said, \$10,000 for a season of six months, or approximately \$16,666 a month. Last year he played 154 games, the brilliant forward player, \$1,600 in cash and a \$500-a-month job with all living expenses for approximately two months' hockey, which figured out at 10 league games. Getting down to real figures, Wagner received about \$55 every time he went on the diamond for a league game. Phillips practically cost his club \$1,800, or \$180 every time he appeared in a league game. Phillips actually played 13 games all season, three being of the exhibition variety, but he signed to play only 10. On

Wagner's basis of salary Phillips would receive the stupendous sum of \$17,720.

When the Kenora Thistles went to Montreal to play the Wanderers for the Stanley Cup two years ago, the defenders, after losing the first game offered Russell Bowie, the dashing forward of the Montreal Victorias, \$245 to play the final and deciding game. Amateur as he was, Bowie had the money in his pocket and got as far as the Wanderers' dressing room before he changed his mind. Last winter Renfrew offered Fred Taylor \$1,500 for a season of nine games in the Creamery town.

In the late winter of 1906, after Kenora had taken the Stanley Cup west, the Wanderers won the E. C. H. L. championship and started for Winnipeg next day in quest of the famous trophy. The Wanderers had been strengthened by Hod Stuart, while Kenora was none too strong. Consequently, Alf Smith and Harry Westwick, of Ottawa, were hurried to the scene at a salary of \$400 each for every game.

The Varsity and Collegiate To Have Fast Hockey Teams

Probable Line-Up of the School Boys' Seven.

London is going to be well in the swim in hockey this season. Besides the intermediate and junior teams, there is the Bankers' League and teams from the Western University and Collegiate, all of which have some very strong players.

The University expects that this year will surpass all others in its hockey annals. It has fallen heir to some very strong men, which has raised the hearts of the students high, and they are expecting to cut a pretty big swath this year.

Collegiate Hockey.

The Collegiate has some very promising material, though a few of the old standbys have left, but there are some new men this year, whom, it is hoped, will do something towards filling their places. Several tentative suggestions as to a lineup have already been made, the most promising of which is as follows:

Goal—Parkinson.

Point—"Mike" Wood.

Coverpoint—Progers.

Rover—Weld.

Right—Glen.

Left—Glen.

As to the centre man, there is plenty of material, and it's only a matter of making a choice. Of course, attempting to give a lineup at this time of year is always more or less guesswork, and the chances are that there will be many changes in the above. Glen is a new man, but is thought to be a good one, and everyone expects him to make the team. The rest of the players are more or less known. London, as most of them played last year with either the senior or junior Collegiate teams. It is a very encouraging sign to see so much interest taken in the game and so many players anxious to play. That, of course, is the way to win, if not this year, then the next. But everyone is confidently expecting that in this case it will be this year.

NEARLY 24 HOURS IN TURKISH BATH DECIDE SCALPING CASE THIS WEEK

Winners of Six-Day Bike Race Fully Recover From Strain.

New York, Dec. 14.—Floyd MacFarland and Jimmy Moran, winners in the six-day bicycle race Saturday night and most of Sunday in a Turkish bath and today are out on the gay White Way, enjoying themselves and looking fit to start another week's grind on a moment's notice. Rutt and Stoll, who won second place, have also fully recovered from the strain of the long race. MacFarland and Rutt will sail for France late this month, while Moran and Stoll will spend a few hours on the track at the Velodrome d'Hiver, in Paris. MacFarland has taken Young A. J. Clarke, the Australian wonder, under his wing and expects to give him some racing in Paris.

A FUTILE CONFERENCE

Rochester Yachtsmen Refuse to Surrender in Seneca Affair.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—It looks very much as if the position of affairs anent the Canada cup, after Saturday's futile conference between representatives of the Royal Canadian and Rochester Yacht Clubs at Rochester, is as follows:

Rochester has the cup and has not the slightest desire to give it up. If local yachtsmen desire to compete for it, they will have to come to Rochester terms.

If not, the cup will adorn its present quarters for some time to come. Addition G. Hanan builds another racing craft.

Saturday's conference produced absolutely no results, though the representatives wrangled the matter for upwards of eight hours. After it was all over Secretary Clute Nigon, of the Rochester Club, gave out the opinion that his club had yielded a point when it expressed its willingness to let the whole matter rest with the Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes.

WINNERS YESTERDAY.

Oakland, Dec. 14.—Winners here today were: Sophomore, 15 to 5; Argonaut, 4 to 1; Miss Mazzoni, 11 to 5; Firestone, 15 to 1; Billy Bowleys, 10 to 1; Twilight Queen, 13 to 5.

Los Angeles, Dec. 14.—Results here today were: Del Cruzados, 11 to 10; Duke of Bridgewater, 3 to 2; Pal, 10 to 1; Bucket Brigade, 2 to 1; Goldway, 1 to 10; Director, even.

A young man of Vienna who promised his aged aunt that he would never part with any treasures she might bequeath to him now finds at her death that he has taken upon himself the care of 56 cats.

ALF. SMITH BACK AT CAPITAL

He Says Brother Harry Has Been Signed by Montreal Wanderers.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Harry Smith, of Ottawa, who has been playing hockey in Pittsburgh this winter, is likely to finish the season with Wanderers of Montreal. While nothing has been given out from Montreal, it is understood that the club has closed with Smith and that he will join the champions almost immediately.

Alf Smith came home from Pittsburgh Saturday night, and he was the first to make the announcement here that Wanderers were dicker with his brother. They have been after him for two or three weeks, and negotiations came to a head on Thursday last, when the club wired asking him to name his terms. It is understood that these have been satisfactory. Smith is said to have been playing great hockey in the Smoky City this season, and is just the man Wanderers wanted to hold down the position filled by Bruce Stuart last winter.

According to Alf Smith, there is likely to be a change of players in Pittsburgh very soon. Western Ontario clubs are offering bigger money, and with living expenses lighter the Canadian boys look favorably on the proposition to return to their native country. Tommy Smith, McDonald and Povey will be with Brantford, and several others are already arranging to hook up and get out of Pittsburgh. The season in the West Pennsylvania League ends on Feb. 5.

Shamrocks are after Horace Gaul, of Ottawa. He has been in Pittsburgh for the last three weeks, but is considering a pretty good offer from the Irishmen. Gaul played with Renfrew last season.

TIGERS NOW LEAD IN TURKEY LEAGUE

By defeating the Grocers last night on the ideal alleys, the Tigers put themselves in the lead in the Turkey League, which the Stars are a close second, being only 12 pins behind. Last night the Tigers had a substantial lead of 192 pins.

Scott carried off all the honors, playing a magnificent game throughout, though he weakened somewhat in the second game. In the third game he made high individual score of 232, and had a high aggregate with a score of 584.

The following are last night's scores:

Tigers	Grocers
Hennessy	193 162 172—527
Ross	180 137 150—467
Smith	119 155 132—406
Manning	174 166 205—545
Scott	195 157 232—584
Totals	851 777 891—2519

Norwich City 5, West Hampshire United 3.

Watford 1, Brighton and Hove 1.

Bristol Rovers 2, Crystal Palace 2.

Coventry 1, Brentford 0.

Southampton 2, Millwall 1.

Millwall 4, Swindon 1.

New Brompton 3, Portsmouth 3.

Northampton 1, Exeter 0.

Reading 2, Leyton 1.

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Wales 9, Australia 6.

Oxford 5, Cambridge 2.

Northampton 2, Blackheath 3.

Watsonians 23, Kelvinside A.C. 0.

Edinburgh University 6, Institution 0.

South Scotland 31, Rest 3.

Newport 9, Bristol 6.

Plymouth 12, United Services 8.

Gloucester 13, Leicester 8.

Pro. Australians 22, Pro. English 22.

Scottish League.

Dundee 2, Aberdeen 2.

Third Lanark 1, Clyde 1.

St. Mirren 1, Arbroath 1.

Celtic 2, Hibernian 0.

Falkirk 1, Queen's Park 3.

Hamilton A. 0, Rangers 7.

Morton 1, Kilmarnock 2.

Partick Thistle 0, Motherwell 2.

Hearts 0, Port Glasgow 1.

Irish League.

Distillery 1, Cliftonville 3.

Linfield 3, Belfast Celtic 2.

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Old Country Football Results

London, Dec. 15.—Saturday's games in the English Soccer League resulted as follows, the name of the home team being given first in each instance:

The League—First Division.

Bradford City 4, Woolwich Arsenal 1.

Blackburn Rovers 0, Notts County 2.

Chelsea 1, Newcastle United 2.

Sunderland 0, Bristol City 2.

Nottingham Forest 1, Preston N.E. 1.

Ashton Villa 0, Middlesbrough 3.

Sheffield United 4, Manchester City 0.

Bury 2, Liverpool 1.

Manchester United 4, Leicester Fosse 2.

Everton 1, Sheffield Wednesday 0.

First Division—Standing.

Everton	Pts.
Newcastle United	27
Manchester United	25
Blackburn Rovers	22
Sunderland	18
Aston Villa	18
Sheffield Wed.	18
Bristol City	18
Sheffield United	16
Manchester City	15
Liverpool	15
Woolwich Arsenal	15
Notts Forest	14
Nottingham Forest	14
Bury	13
Middlesbrough	13
Chelsea	12
Leicester Fosse	12
Bradford City	11

The League—Second Division.

Blackpool 3, Gainsborough Town 0.

Chester Town 4, Birmingham 0.

Glossop 1, West Bromwich 3.

Clapton Orient 2, Oldham Athletics 0.

Derby County 2, Grimsby Town 1.

Hull City 2, Fleetwood 0.

Leeds City 5, Wolverhampton Wanderers 2.

Stockport 1, Bolton Wanderers 0.

Tottenham Hotspurs 4, Burnley 2.

The League—Second Division.

West Bromwich A.	Pts.
Stockport	24
Tottenham Hotspurs	23
Bolton Wanderers	21
Hull City	21
Leeds City	20
Birmingham	19
Derby County	19
Fulham	18
Glossop	18
Chesterfield	17
Wolverhampton Wanderers	17
Clapton Orient	14
Bradford	11
Burnley	11
Gainsborough	11
Oldham Athletic	11
Barnsley	11
Grimsby	10

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\$25,000 A YEAR FOR BOY OF 15

Little Wootton, Riding Competitor of Danny Maher, Draws That Sum.

London, Dec. 15.—Sometimes the turf presents a spectacle or exhibits a personality which attracts the notice of people who ordinarily do not concern themselves with racing or its followers. Just lately a deal of this extraneous interest has been developed by a struggle between the famous English American jockey Daniel Maher and a little apprentice named Frank Wootton for the champion winning aggregate.

Little Wootton is a riding prodigy. Fame and fortune have come to him at a tender age. Still on the right side of 15, his position as one of the half-dozen leading jockeys is firmly established; and as for his earnings, one way and another—special fees and presents added to the regulation charge for riding—they probably reach \$25,000 a year. A French owner recently offered Wootton a retaining fee of \$10,000 a year for the lad to ride for him in France.

He is a sober-minded boy, with no desire to mix up to his earnings. These, as a matter of fact, are banked for him until such time as he arrives at years of discretion.

Reared in Australia, and taking to horses as a duck to water, Wootton rode his first winner in South Africa, his age then was under ten years, and bodily weight 4 stone 9 pounds. Now he pulls down the beam somewhere about 6 stone.

When Wootton came to England the boy soon forced himself into what has proved an ever-increasing prominence.

So far that nightmare of many jockeys—privation, in order to keep their weight down—has not troubled the boy. He lives like other people, and has never done any "fasting." He has never done any "fasting," and save for a single dose of physic on one occasion, which had such an effect that five pounds more than the superfluous flesh it was wanted to get rid of vanished. He has the brains and enthusiasm of a born jockey. Some body recently asked him how much it would take to make him give up riding, and he promptly replied, "Not all the money in the world."

The racing season ends on Saturday, and as Maher still leads by 11 it is practically impossible for Wootton to overhaul him. At the end of September he was suspended for a month on a charge of unfair riding. That cost him both the championship and a new riding record, since no jockey of his age has ever headed the winning table.

BRITISH

Sergt. Roff, Burton-on-Trent, winner of a \$15,000 lottery, has received nearly 1,000 applications for money from strangers.

Alderman Charles Townsend, of Bristol, who was one of the parliamentary representatives of the city from 1892 to 1895, is dead.

A fire caused the loss of \$150,000 at the corn mills and stores of Messrs. Henry Leatham & Sons, West Bute Dock, Cardiff.

A light carelessly thrown, set fire to and destroyed a considerable expanse of furze and undergrowth on Plumstead Common.

Edmund Coxhead, farmer, of Ivy Farm, Bickenhead, near Omskirik, Lancashire, was recently found frozen to death in one of his fields.

The first consignment of Rhodesian ivory of any importance to be sold commercially realized nearly \$2,500 at the London sale rooms recently.

A Swede was fined \$100 or three months, at Southampton, for stowing himself on the Kildonan Castle during the voyage from the Cape.

After seven years evading arrest for poaching, Richard Dawson, of King's Lynn, was recently sent to prison for fourteen days in default of paying a fine.

A milk dealer named Thomas, of Kingston, Herefordshire, was tossed and gored to death by a bull. His clothing was torn to rags and his body fearfully mangled.

A pear tree is in full bloom in the garden of Mr. P. Marples, Devonshire Arms Hotel, Stavely, although strangely enough, there is not a single leaf on the tree.

The Bishop of Manchester says the depressed trade and unemployment had not greatly affected the collections in aid of church funds in the Manchester Diocese.

More than 10,000 ratepayers have signed a petition asking the privy council to make Willesden a borough while a counter petition has only received 1,000 signatures.

The custom of ringing the curfew bell still survives in Hawarden parish, the bell being rung at 8 o'clock each evening, excepting Sundays, from All Souls' Day to Candlemas.

In consequence of the "bombardment" by a torpedo boat destroyer of the village of Benbridge, Isle of Wight, recently, firing by torpedo craft off this place has been suspended.

The head teacher of an Exeter school has invested in a small stock of boots and can supply a boy who has only one pair with the loan of a pair while his own are being mended.

Vice-Admiral Sir Henry Deacon Barry, late commander of the third cruiser squadron of the Mediterranean fleet, died recently in the Royal Naval Hospital, Chatham, where he had been a patient since October, from congestion of the lungs. Deceased was within a fortnight of his fifty-ninth birthday. He had to relinquish the command owing to illness. Previously he was admiral superintendent of Portsmouth dockyard, and formerly assistant director of naval intelligence.

Coverpoint's Philosophy

The R. C. Y. C. and the Rochester Yacht Club are deadlocked over the yachting question. Sent it to The Hague tribunal or the Hired Girls' Union and have it settled.

Ruby Robert Fitzsimmons is out again with the statement that Johnson will beat Burns. Bob was swatted to sleep by Johnson not long ago, and as he still thinks he is a world-beater, he is of the opinion that the Smoke is a perfect wizard. But the Wanderer Canadian will be handy when the bell rings.

Now that a lacrosse player has saved a man's life at Vancouver, we are due for something along the line of heroic conduct by a foot-runner or a hockey player.

Wm. Papke and Hugo Kelly, the Chicago Italian, will swap swats this evening in San Francisco for a considerable bundle of Uncle Samuel's coin.

Toronto University has won the soccer championship of Canada—a little compensation for the real thing.

If T. Longboat is again trimmed by the Italian there will be scarcely enough money left in Toronto to give the hand-books any work for the winter.

President McCaffery, of the Toronto baseball club, says there will be no baseball war. This is reassuring, as we were afraid of bloodshed.

The Canadian curlers for Scotland are getting ready to start, and they will have a grand time when they arrive. Their British among the heather will give the byes a braw time, with much good Scotch wif a drap of soda lant, but the visitors will no win many games.

The rival baseball magnates are having a merry row over who possesses the oldest baseball. Mr. George Dwyer, of Boston, claims along with the latest and best claimant for the proud honor. The next debate will be on something of interest.

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MARKET PRICES REMAINED FIRM

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Dec. 14.
 Today's market was a small one, but there was a good demand in every line and prices were steady. The following are the prices of the principal commodities:
 Grain—Wheat was in good demand and prices were steady at \$1.10 to \$1.17 per bushel, the latter price for a choice lot of black oats. Most of the sales were at \$1.12 per bushel. Wheat sold at 90c per bushel, and barley at \$1.15 per bushel.
 Hay and Straw—About a dozen loads of hay were offered, which sold at \$10 and \$10.50 per ton, mostly at the latter price. Straw sold at 50c per ton.
 Butter and Eggs—Butter seemed to be firm at 22c to 23c for choice crocks and 21c to 22c for pound rolls in wholesale lots. Fresh laid eggs were sold at 30c per dozen wholesale, and 32c to 35c retail.
 Vegetables and Fruits—There was a small quantity offered in this line and prices were steady. Potatoes were sold at 90c per bushel. Turnips, 35c per bushel. Parsnips, 20c to 25c per bushel. Onions, 90c per bushel. Lettuce, 10c per dozen. Celery, 20c to 25c per dozen.
 Poultry—Turkeys sold at 13c to 14c per pound dressed. Ducks, 10c per pound. Fowl, 10c per pound. Chickens, 10c per pound.
 Apples—Trade was brisk and prices firm at \$2.50 per barrel for Greenings and Baldwins and \$3 for Spies, by the bag 75c to \$1.25.
 Dressed Hogs—Trade brisk in this line and prices firm at \$8 per cwt for select and \$6 for fat hogs.
 Butcher's Meat—Beef sold at \$3.50 to \$7 per cwt. Veal, \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt; some at 10c per pound.
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SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

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LONDON MARKET WAS VERY DULL

Few Purchasers on the Square and Offerings Were Light

TURKEY CROP WAS VERY SHORT

Prices Ranged From 12½ Cents to 14 Cents a Pound—Some Comparative Figures.

The local market was exceptionally dull this morning, very few purchasers turning out, while the number of farmers was far below the average. Beef and other meats were dull, householders fearing to put in a large supply while the mild weather lasts. Very little poultry was offered, and buyers picking up what was brought in. They are said to be waiting for the exception of the vignettes of Sir George Drummond and Sir Edward Clouston. They cannot decide if they are to be sold or not. Londoners are warned to be on the lookout for them.

THE TURKEY CROP.
 One buyer claims that turkeys are very plentiful within a radius of thirty miles, whereas outside that district they are scarce, as farmers are shipping them in. They are said to be selling at 12c per pound dressed, at 13c per pound, and 14c per pound.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 14.—John Rogers & Co., Liverpool, quote today: United States steers, 12c to 12½c; Canadian, 10½c to 11½c; ranchers, 10c to 11c; cows and heifers, 10c to 11c; bulls, 9c to 10c. Trade is firm, but slow.

TORONTO.

Union Stock Yards, Toronto, Dec. 14.—Butchers had a good choice of cattle for their Christmas trade at this market today. The run was heavy, consisting of 105 cars of stock of all kinds, and including nearly 2,000 head of cattle. As usual in the week before the Christmas week, there was a good display of fine quality extra choice or fancy cattle about steady at last week's levels, and running from \$3.50 to \$4.25, while the common run of cattle, including cows and calves, found a rather slow market at \$1.50 to \$2.50. The run was 705 loads, with 2,135 head of cattle, 600 sheep and lambs, 25 hogs and 17 calves.

Butcher Cattle—Market Steady.

Lambs steady.

Hogs—Market Steady; select hogs, \$5.75 to \$6.00, f. o. b.

Extra choice or fancy cattle firm and in good demand.

Milk cows and springers—Market steady to firm for good stock, but easier for poor quality.

Feeding steers and good short-keep steady to firm at \$3.50 to \$4.00.

Stocks—Market quiet, but prices steady for best stock.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Trade good, prices firm. 120 loads in today, including 2,425 cattle, 2,534 sheep and lambs, 600 hogs and 104 calves. Export cattle, choice, \$4.75 to \$5.00; export cattle, medium, \$4.50 to \$4.75; export hogs, \$5.25 to \$5.50; export bulls, light, \$3 to \$3.25; export cows, \$2.50 to \$3; butchers' cattle, choice, \$4.75 to \$5; butchers' cattle, medium, \$4 to \$4.25; butchers' cattle, common, \$3 to \$3.25; butchers' cows, \$2.50 to \$3; butchers' bulls, \$3 to \$3.25; stockers, choice, \$2.50 to \$3; stockers, medium, \$2.25 to \$2.50; stockers' bulls, \$2 to \$2.25; heavy feeders, \$1.50 to \$2; sheep, \$1.50 to \$2; milch cows, choice, \$2 to \$2.25; milch cows, common, \$1.50 to \$2; springers, choice, \$2 to \$2.25; springers, common, \$1.50 to \$2; export hogs, \$5.25 to \$5.50; steady; calves, \$1.50 to \$2; hogs, select, \$5; fat and underweights, \$3 less, fed and watered.

HAY MARKETS.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Baled Hay and Straw—Prices in car lots on the market, are: Hay—No. 1 Timothy, \$10 to \$11; Straw—Range is from \$7 to \$8, according to quality.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—There is very little activity in the market at present. Holders of western grain persistently refuse to break prices on account of the fact that they can still compete with all grain. Local dealers' quotations are: Ontario Wheat—No. 2, white or red, outside, 93c to 94c; No. 2 mixed, 92c to 93c; No. 2, 91c to 92c; No. 2 northern, \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 3 northern, \$1.03 to \$1.04 on truck at lake ports. All rail, No. 1 northern, \$1.15; No. 2 northern, \$1.09 delivered at Ontario points.

Barley—No. 2, 54c to 55c; No. 3 extra, 52c to 53c; No. 3, 51c to 52c.

Rye—Dull; No. 2, 70c to 72c outside.

Oats—Ontario No. 2, white, 38c to 39c; Ontario No. 2 mixed, 37c to 38c outside; Manitoba No. 2, Western Canada, 40c on truck, lake ports; extra No. 1 feed, 41c; No. 1 feed, 40c on truck at lake ports.

Corn—No. 2, 70c to 72c; Toronto freight, 6c to 6½c Toronto freight.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 50c to 51c outside.

Peas—No. 2, 80c to 81c.

Flour—Manitoba first patents, \$5.50; second, \$5.30; strong bakers' \$5.10; Ontario white patent, \$5.25 to \$5.30, buyers' sacks outside.

Milk Feed—Bran, \$20 to \$21 per ton in bags outside; shorts, \$21 to \$22 in bags outside.

To teach the prospective English emigrant things he should know in order to adapt himself to his future home is the object of an Imperial school near London. As it is the youngest who has determined to follow fortune across the seas is taught farming, riding, shooting and the rearing of cattle and horses.

COUNTERFEIT BILLS ARE IN CIRCULATION

Bank of Montreal Notes of the Denomination of \$5.

"Don't take any bad money." This slang admonition has its true meaning for Londoners these days. There's bad money in circulation, and you'll lose if you take it, unless you chloroform your conscience and "unload" it on someone else.

Five-dollar bills on the Bank of Montreal, bearing the date, Jan. 2, 1904, and lettered, "A," are going the rounds.

They are fairly well executed, with the exception of the vignettes of Sir George Drummond and Sir Edward Clouston.

They cannot decide if they are to be sold or not. Londoners are warned to be on the lookout for them.

FINAL WORKOUT FOR HUGO KELLY

Chicago Middle-Weight Fit for Twenty-five Round Bout With Papke Today.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 15.—Working at terrific speed before an immense audience, which taxed the capacity of the south side gymnasium, Hugo Kelly wound up his training yesterday for the 25-round battle tonight with Billy Papke at Jeffries Vernon arena. When the Chicago fighter stepped into the ring, he was met by a hail of cyclonic milling the beam stood still at 150 pounds, or two pounds under the required notch at which the middle-weights will clash.

Kelly will indulge in a few hikes along the beach roads today, just by way of keeping on edge, and expects to scale for the battle around 157 pounds, a figure at which he has always been able to show tremendous staying power over long distances. In his boxing yesterday Kelly banded his partner about the gymnasium, hitting freely with both hands, with sufficient force to stop an ordinary opponent. Big Hider, per H., was said to be selling at 12c per pound dressed, at 13c per pound, and 14c per pound.

Apples continue very high, a few barrels of Spies being offered. The prices range from \$2 to \$3.50 per barrel, some being sold for \$1 per bushel or \$1.25 per bushel.

The Prices.

Saturday's prices in many lines remained unchanged. The following is a schedule of prices:

Beef, forequarter, cwt., \$5.50 to \$6.00

Beef, hindquarter, cwt., 6.00 to 7.00

Veal, per cwt., 7.00 to 8.00

Mutton, per cwt., 6.00 to 8.00

Lamb, per cwt., 9.00 to 10.00

Live cows, each, 30.00 to 35.00

Chickens, per pair, 40.00 to 45.00

Hider, per H., 7.00 to 8.00

Sheepskins, 75.00 to 80.00

Calves, 11.00 to 12.00

Turkeys, per lb., 12.00 to 14.00

Chickens, per lb., 10.00 to 12.00

Chickens, per pair, 40.00 to 45.00

Ducks, per lb., 9.00 to 10.00

Geese, per lb., 9.00 to 10.00

Rabbits, per pair, 25.00 to 30.00

Butter, creamery roll, 25.00 to 28.00

Butter, creamery roll (wholesale), 25.00 to 28.

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It never varies. It can't,
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—at any progressive gro-
cer's.

City and District
—A regular meeting of the hospital
trust will be held at the Victoria Hos-
pital, Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 3 p.m.
—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Beal, and two
daughters leave tomorrow for an ex-
tended visit to England. They sail
from St. John, N. B., by the Allan
steamer Corsican.

Installing Engine.
Mr. Archie L. Simmie, of this city,
left last night for Cobalt where he
will be engaged for some time in in-
stalling a 500-horsepower engine in
the plant of the McKinley-Darragh-
Savage Mining Company. Mr. Simmie
is a son of Engineer Simmie at
the pump-house, and the engine was
built by the firm of E. Leonard &
Sons.

Provincial Health Board.
The provincial board of health meet
at 10 a.m. today.

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today and Wednesday, in Toronto. One
subject of discussion was the small-
pox situation, which is regarded as
materially worse in Ontario than last
year.

I. B. S. Tonight.
A special meeting of the members
of the Irish Benevolent Society will
be held in the board of trade rooms
tonight to make arrangements for the
distribution of Christmas cheer. A
large attendance is requested.

Women's Music Club.
Though only reorganized a few
weeks ago, the Women's Music Club
has already outgrown the attractive
quarters in Heintzman Hall, and it has
been found necessary to secure the
banqueting hall of the Masonic
Temple for the fortnightly recitals for
the remainder of the season. Cyril
Dwight-Edwards and W. A. Eleuther-
ius will be the assisting artists at the
third recital tomorrow (Wednesday)
afternoon, which will be held in the
Masonic Temple. A musical treat will
be furnished in the first of the two
artists' concert series. January when
Liza Lehmann's "Persian Garden" will
be presented by eminent soloists.

Rev. Mr. Rice Dead.
After lingering in an unconscious
condition for some days, Rev. J. J.
Rice, of Toronto, succumbed to his
injuries at the General Hospital at
1:30 yesterday afternoon. The aged
clergyman was 78 years of age. It
will be remembered that while on his
way to the hospital in Toronto last
Tuesday, of which he was chaplain
for the past two years, he was struck
by a Centennial street car. He was hur-
riedly taken to the hospital, and sustained injuries
to his head. Dr. C. M. Hincks was
with him at the time, and endeavored
to warn him, but was unsuccessful.
Mr. Rice leaves four children, Mrs.
George Fowler, of Indianapolis; Rev.
J. P. Rice, secretary of the Methodist
campus; Mrs. Hook, 1 Rathmally ave-
nue, Toronto; and Edward Rice, a
commercial traveller, Toronto.

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All rumors about Tom Longboat's
weak heart appear ridiculous when we
remember that he is shortly to be
married.

377 METERS USED IN CITY

Superintendent Moore of Water-
works Department Submits
Annual Report.

The annual report of Superintendent
Moore, of the water commission, was
submitted last evening at the meeting
of the water commission, and was or-
dered printed in the minutes.
Mr. Moore pointed out that in the
spring there was plenty of water, but
in the summer there was very little.
In the dry spell the reservoir was shut
off to insure fire protection.
During the year a conduit had been
built on the land purchased from Mr.
U. A. Buchner, and a considerable
amount of water was added to the
city's supply.
The grounds had been kept in good
order and a number of shade trees had
been planted. The reservoir, dam and
water power were in good repair.

Metres in Use.
There were 101 new metres installed
during the year, and at the present
time there are 377 in use.
The hydraulic power pumps were
operated during the year, as follows:
No. 1 pump, 6,550 hours; No. 2, 5,940
hours; No. 3, 4,188 hours. The Blake-
states steam pump was operated 3,026
hours, and the Kelly pump 14 hours.
Thirty new hydrants had been put
in, making 572 hydrants now in use.
This did not include 30 private
hydrants.

During the year the following 6-inch
mains had been laid: Currae Crescent,
328 feet; Nelson street, 182 feet; city
hospital, 485 feet; St. George street,
411 feet; Wellington road, 168 feet;
411 feet; 180 feet; Queen's Park,
574 feet; Bridport street, 632; Dorin-
da street, 467 feet; Dufferin avenue,
881 feet; Edward street, 504 feet; Gor-
don street, 300 feet; Sydenham street,
629 feet; Teresa street, Askin
avenue south, 160 feet; Weston street,
488 feet; Wolsey street, 676 feet.

Secretary Ellwood submitted his re-
port also, and it was ordered printed in
the minutes.

There was little other business to be
transacted and the year's business was
wound up.

Those present were: Mr. W. Jones,
chairman; Commissioner F. J. Darch,
Mayor Stevely, Engineer Moore and
Secretary Ellwood.

LATE MRS. M. C. CLARK
Mount Bridges Community Loses a
Much-Esteemed Resident.

Mount Bridges, Dec. 15.—After a few
days' illness which did not appear
serious enough to greatly alarm the
members of her household, Margaret
C. Dawson, wife of Wm. H. Clark,
died near Mount Bridges, on Friday,
Dec. 4, aged 44 years. Mrs. Clark was
a daughter of Mr. E. Dawson and his
late John Dawson, of Sylvan. She
survived by her husband, two sons,
her mother, three sisters and one
brother. These are, Wm. H. Clark,
Dawson, and Kenneth Clark; Mrs. E.
Dawson, London; Wm. Dawson, Park-
hill; Mrs. Geo. Clarke, Crediton; Mrs.
Mauf, Mackey, Sylvan, and Mrs. E. S.
English, London.

The funeral took place on Monday.
The services were conducted in Cook's
Presbyterian Church by Rev. Mr.
Leitch, and was very impressive. Mrs.
Clark had sung in the choir, and her
vacant chair was draped in black, as
was also the pulpit and choir railing.
The floral offerings were of an anchor
symbol, and consisted of an anchor from
the choir; a wreath from the Ladies'
Aid, of which she was secretary;
treasurer, and wreaths and sprays
from relatives and old school friends.

The pallbearers were six of her pupils,
she having taught school for a num-
ber of years in the section where she
lived. Rev. Mr. Leitch spoke feelingly
of the loss the church had sustained,
and made a touching reference to her
children so early bereft of a mother's
care.

Mr. Clark and his two young sons
have the sympathy of the entire com-
munity in their sudden bereavement.

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50 lbs. of "Salada" Tea in original
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Forks, regular \$9.00 dozen, for
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\$6.50, for \$3.75
6 only, Fancy Dinner Knives,
regular \$6.50, for \$3.00
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Spoons, in leather case, regular
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Plain and Chased Gold Filled Bracelets, from \$3.00 to \$11.
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A REUNION AT MEMORIAL CHURCH

Canon Hague Reviews the Good
Work of Bishops of the Past
and Bishop Williams.

The reunion held in connection with
the 35th anniversary of the opening
of the Memorial Church last night
was very largely attended, and proved
to be a most successful affair.
In opening the meeting, Canon
Hague spoke of the progress the
Diocese of Huron has made under the
able leadership of Bishop Cronyn,
Bishop Hellmuth, Bishop Baldwin and
Bishop Williams.

In speaking of the rectors of the
Memorial Church, Canon Hague spoke
particularly of the brief ministry of the
late Rev. Harrison Tilley, and men-
tioned also Ven. Archdeacon Rich-
ardson and Rev. Cecil Owen.

Rev. Lawrence Skey, rector of St.
Anne's Church, Toronto, gave a prac-
tical address on church work. He
deplored the evil of the club spirit
in the church, where people treat a
church as a place where they pay so
much and do their best to get the
worth of their money. This, Mr. Skey
said, is a decidedly wrong attitude,
and far from the example set by
Christ, who sought how much good
he could do for others.

During the evening a programme,
consisting of solos by Miss Mabel
Scarlett, Miss Moore, Mr. J. Doherty,
Duets by Messrs. Smith and Wright,
and a violin solo by Mr. Maurice
Poirer, was rendered, and greatly en-
joyed.

The serving of refreshments
brought a most enjoyable evening to
a close.

ANNUAL MEETING OF UNION LODGE
Officers Were Chosen for the Ensuing Year.

The annual meeting of Union
Lodge, No. 380, was held in the Ma-
sonic Temple, last night, and was
largely attended. The election of of-
ficers resulted as follows: I. P. M., J.
Dean; W. M., D. Davidson; S. W., J.
Moran; J. W. Ben Brighton; S. D.,
R. Somerville; J. D., R. Johnson;
chaplain, H. Stafford; treasurer, Geo.
Duncan and Ben Noble. Following the
election a banquet was held, at which
Worshipful Master D. Davidson pre-
sided. The toast list and responses
were as follows: "The Grand Lodge" by
D. D. G. Metherall, George Morris
and E. T. Messery; "Canada,"
Frank Lawson and J. A. Cottam;
"Visiting Lodges," Ray Armstrong
and G. Bott. Short addresses were given
by I. P. M. James Dean and W. M.
D. Davidson. During the evening
songs were rendered most acceptably
by Bros. Crawford and Dunne.

GEORGE MUIRHEAD WANTED BADLY
London Firm Receives Telegram Which
Puzzles Them.

On Saturday last Hunt Bros., of this
city, received a telegram from Toron-
to, asking them to locate a Mr. George
Muirhead, and send him to Toronto,
at once, as he was wanted there on im-
portant business.

The telegram was as follows:
"Hunt Bros., London:
"Can you locate George Muirhead?
Important he should go to Alex. Bruce,
K. C., Canada Life building, Toronto,
to sign church papers, without delay.
Will pay fare. Answer."
"PETER MCKELLAR."

There is no such name in the city
directory and he is not known at the
police station.

So far Hunt Bros. have been unable
to find any trace of the man.

PLAN TO REVIVE ORDER OF ELKS
Winnipeg Man in This City Seeking to
Effect Reorganization.

Plans are being rapidly formulated
for the revival of the Order of the
Elks, which some years ago was very
prosperous in the city.

Mr. R. D. Buckland, of Winnipeg,
has been in the city several days re-
organizing the order, and it is expect-
ed that within a short time the order
will be in full running order.

Last evening a meeting was held
with twenty members present. Some
of the details were considered, but it
was decided to hold another meeting
on Thursday evening to go further
into the matter.

The committee in charge is com-
posed of Ald. Ferguson chairman,
Mayor Stevely, J. A. Tancock, Carl
Beal, Thos. Baker, Frank Millar and
W. McGregor.

MR. DOUGHERTY GIVES THE FACTS
In Regard to the Theft From His
Room Recently.

Mr. Thomas Dougherty writes The
Advertiser as follows, in regard to an
item which appeared in this journal,
last evening:
The facts are as follows:
During Saturday morning last some-
one entered my apartments and stole
an open-faced silver Waltham stem-
winding watch, to which was attached
a fine razor, celluloid white handle,
with a red streak or "blood-stain,"
running along it. The razor was a pre-
sent made to me some years ago by
Mayor Stevely and his sister, Mrs.
George Tackaberry.

I have no doubt the theft was done
by a man or small boys.

Some one should present the coun-
cil with a picture of the German Em-
peror, as a gentle reminder of what
comes to those who talk too much.

A woman detected in Paris in the
act of shoplifting on Tuesday, con-
cealed her booty in the interior of a
baby which she was carrying in her
arms. The "baby" was made of zinc
and was hollow, and it was only after
the detective had noticed that
though the woman "lifted" various
articles she appeared to have no pocket-
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that her ruse became apparent.

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