4 P.M. EDITION

London Advertiser

Read Small Ads. ON PAGE 3.

40TH YEAR. NO. 17071 THE ADVERTISER, LONDON, ONTARIO, MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1903. PRICE TWO CENTS.

PANIC AT SIX DAYS' CYCLE RACE

Practical Joker Builds Fire Beneath Sleeping Man.

AND CROWD RUSHES ON TRACK

In Front of the Flying Riders—One Contestant Thrown and Seriously Injured—Narrow Escapes.

New York, Dec. 7. — Serious results were narrowly averted in a panic at the six-day bicycle race in Madison Square Garden today when a criminally reckless practical joker in the audience lit a paper under a sleeping man's chair and shouted "Fire." Several hundred persons on that side of the garden rushed in panic from their seats and breaking through the guard rail fell and slid down the steep sides of the wooden track, a number of the flying riders having close escapes from collisions. Referee Reeves immediately ordered the riders to dismount and succeeded in stopping them before the leaders reached the struggling mass on the track. In the galleries the cry of fire caused great excitement, but after several minutes order was restored and the race resumed. The whirlwind pace set at the outset of the race, was slackened by the withdrawal early today of Kramer and Fenn, who went in to pace the first 138 miles, and at 10 a.m. the leaders who had finished 225 miles, 2 laps, were nearly a mile behind the record.

A number of falls took place durthe day, the most serious accident being that in which Bowler, Simar and McLean went down, McLean lapsing into unconsciousness, and being unable to continue. He refused to go to the hospital when revived. His team mate Moran, continued the race for several hours alone, after which the team was withdrawn. All the other teams at 10 o'clock were well bunched, except Hedspeth and Dove, the colored riders, who had been lapped repeatedly. The score at 10 a. m. follows: Simar and Gougoltz, Rettich and Beaugendre, Breton and Contenet, Butler and Leander, Krebs and Peterson, Jacobson and Newkirk, John and Menus Bedell, Root and Dorlon, Bardgett and Galvin, Keegan and Turvill, Fisher and Bowler, and Walthour and Munroe, 225 miles 2 laps; Krebs and Barclay 225 miles and 1 lap; Samson and Vanderstuyft, 225 miles; Hedspeth and Dove, 224 miles 4 laps.

Record 226 miles.

CZAR WILL HUNT POISONER DOWN

Commission to Discover Who Killed Little Princess.

WILD NIGHT RIDE OF FATHER

To Bedside of the Dying Child—Great Presence of Mind Shown by the Czarina.

Munich, Dec. 7. — Rigid measures have been ordered by the Czar to mark the inquiry into the mysterious poisoning and death of the child Princess Elizabeth, of Hesse, while a guest of himself and the Czarina at the royal hunting lodge at Skierniewice.

It will be remembered that the child's illness immediately followed a supper at the lodge at which the Czarina was also present, that the Empress was ill simultaneously with the little princess, although the Czarin's attack was not so severe as to put her life into absolute jeopardy. Though it is not the custom of the Russian court to advertise unhappy affairs of this sort, the Czar is determined to get at the truth of the matter.

The Czar has accordingly appointed a commission of investigation with unlimited power to probe in any direction they may see fit. The commission is headed by Baron Frederichs, minister of the imperial court and general of cavalry. Not only is the commission appointed to determine the exact manner in which the little princess came to her death, but it is also designated as having the duty of finding the guilty persons and bringing them to punishment.

The Muenchener Neuesten Nachrichten frankly declares that the reports coming from the Russian court physicians regarding the result of the autopsy performed on the body of the princess are not to be believed. One of these declared that Elizabeth died as a result of ptomaine poisoning arising from her having eaten oyster patties at the fatal supper. This conflicts with the report published in the Wratschetnaia Gazatta, a Russian medical periodical, under the signature of Dr. Hirsch, also a Russian court physician, which states that Elizabeth died of typhoid poisoning.

A touching story is told of the wild ride of the Grand Duke of Hesse to reach the side of his little daughter before she died. He and the Czar were many miles from the hunting lodge when the news first reached them.

With only two riders for escort the duke started ahead, riding at breakneck speed through the woods all of the night. The Czar, with a larger escort, followed about an hour or two behind. But in spite of the wild, perilous ride the duke did not arrive at the lodge until several minutes after his little daughter died in the arms of the Czarina.

The Czarina, though ill herself, displayed admirable presence of mind following the sudden illness of the child. She caused a physician to be brought from 50 miles away to the child's side in less than three-quarters of an hour, arranging for a special train to meet him at his home station as fast as he could be driven there from his home, and having carriages in waiting to drive him at top speed from the station at Skierniewice to the royal lodge, ten miles away.

ON FIVE CENTS A DAY

U. S. Authorities to See if Men Can Live On That.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 7. — "Can a man subsist on 5 cents per meal and perform hard labor?" is a question which the United States authorities will try to answer from experiments to be conducted in Omaha three days of this week.

Major Bean, chief commissary department of Missouri, has selected ten laborers from among the rustlers and general workmen of his department, and will this week feed them on meals costing only 5 cents each.

The test will take place in the general corral in this city and is attracting much attention from army officers everywhere. The greatest publicity will be given the experiments, and no intimidation will be used on the men.

During this time the workmen will be kept at their routine tasks and there will be no shirking.

BORDEN TO BUY MANY NEW GUNS

A Dozen Field Batteries and Many Maxims To Be Bought.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The visit of Sir Frederick Borden to England is for a double purpose. Not only, as already stated, will the Minister of Militia confer with the war office in regard to the provisions of the militia bill under which it is proposed to appoint a Canadian officer to command the Canadian militia, but Sir Frederick will also purchase field artillery and siege and Maxim guns. Of field artillery there will probably be ten or a dozen batteries. As to Maxims, enough will likely be bought to enable a Maxim company to be formed in connection with every city corps. At present the number of Maxim guns in the country would not exceed fifteen. Doubtless the minister would prefer to make his purchases through the war office, but if that institution cannot guarantee the delivery of the guns within reasonable time the artillery will be got outside. Canada wants none but the best, and in order to insure that the guns shall be up to requirements Lieut.-Col. Rutherford, assistant adjutant-general of artillery, is accompanying the minister.

TORN TO PIECES

Terrible Death of an Engineer at Berlin.

Berlin, Ont., Dec. 7.—A dreadful fatality occurred at the sugar factory here this morning. Fred Clifton, head engineer, of Saginaw, Mich., being literally torn to pieces.

Clifton appears to have been caught in the belting and dragged into the machinery with resistless power. His lifeless body had to be picked up and deposited into a basket.

HERE'S THE PINCH

18,000 Operatives Have Wages Reduced 10 Per Cent.

Boston, Dec. 7.—The wages of 15,000 cotton mill operatives were reduced about 10 per cent today in New Bedford, Fitchburg, Baltic, Conn.; Taftville, Conn.; Fisherville, Mass., and Pawtucket, R. I. The total number of mill hands who have had their pay lowered during the present cotton crisis is now about 18,000. Five thousand additional operatives in Berkshire County have been given notice that their pay will be cut next week. Most of the mill which have participated in the cut today follow the course of the Fall River schedule adopted Nov. 30. Of the operatives affected by today's notice about 12,000 are employed in New Bedford.

THREE MOBS GOT THE ASSAULTER

The First Beat Him, the Second Injured Him and the Third Hanged Him.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 7.—Three mobs administered different degrees of punishment Friday to Lewis Jackson, colored, aged 25, who committed an assault upon the 4-year-old daughter of R. F. Ensey, an officer of the United States engineering corps, stationed at Fort Dade, at the entrance to Tampa Bay.

The first mob, composed of artillerymen at the fort, captured Jackson after the commission of the crime and gave him a severe beating. They were restrained with difficulty by the officers from killing him on the spot. The negro was brought to Tampa and delivered to the sheriff, who locked him up in the county jail.

The exact offense committed by the negro being unprecedented in this state, there was no statute to cover it, and the sheriff had to release the prisoner. Liberty was short to Jackson, however. He had gone only a short distance from the jail, when he was intercepted by a mob and taken to a small thicket near the city limits, where, by the same methods used in the case of a negro hackman, George Hobston, several months ago, the victim was injured seriously.

This satisfied this mob and the negro was bundled into a cab and ordered driven to a hospital.

Jackson was released by this mob, however, only to fall into the hands of another, which stopped the cab, took him out and quickly hanged him to a limb of an oak tree. The mob dispersed, there was no shooting and the lynching was not discovered until early this morning.

PRINCESS TRIES TO KILL PRINCE

Scandal in Austrian Royal Family Startles Europe.

SHOOTS HUSBAND'S PARAMOUR

And Attempts to Kill Him—Wild Scenes in the Royal Palace at Vienna.

New York, Dec. 7. — Prince Otto, of Windisch-Graetz, his youthful and immensely wealthy wife, the Princess Elizabeth Marie, whom he married only a year ago, and a pretty actress of the opera at Prague, are the central figures in an extraordinary scandal that is rending half a dozen European courts says a Vienna cable to the World.

The princess, who is the granddaughter on her father's side of the Emperor of Austria, and on her mother's side of the Belgians, only 20 years old, a royal personage who renounced her rights to the throne of Austria, in order to marry as her heart dictated, has had a narrow escape from the stigma of a murderess, for she did nothing less than shoot and seriously wound the actress with whom the prince was having a rendezvous.

The remarkable affair took place in the palace of the estate of the prince's family at Prague. It came as a shock to the highest circles of Bohemia, where it was supposed that the home-life of the young folks was ideal.

It appears that Prince Otto had been secretly paying assiduous attention to the actress. The princess was blissfully ignorant of the intrigue until on a certain night she was informed, presumably through some disappointed suitor of the actress, that the prince was then entertaining in his apartments in the palace the lovely rival.

The princess is, or was at least, deeply in love with the prince, and it is said, that the news of his unfaithfulness provoked a storm of passion. Grasping a gold-mounted revolver of small calibers, given to her by her recreant husband for protection at an hour of possible peril, the princess crept along the corridor until she reached the door of the antechamber of the prince's apartments. A valet stood at the door. He declined to allow the princess to enter. She, it is said, became infuriated and fired at the man, who fled down the corridors, terribly frightened. Then the princess proceeded to the prince's apartments.

Frenzied with rage and humiliation she stood before the guilty pair revolver in hand. The prince sprang toward his angered princess, but as he did so the princess cried "beast," and shot the actress in the breast. The woman uttered a shriek and fell inanimate to the floor. The prince seized his wife, who would have made her revenge complete with another shot had not her intention been thwarted. The princess now overcome with the enormity of her deed, broke down and was led weeping from the apartment. Medical aid was summoned, and it was found that the actress had a serious but not necessarily mortal wound. She was quickly removed to her own apartments in the city.

Strenuous efforts were made to keep the affair secret, but the facts came out through the actress' servants and were soon common property in the city.

The princess' act is generally commended by the more straight-laced members of high society, and there will of course be no legal action against her for her punishment of the stage beauty.

Prince Otto is 30 years old. Before his marriage to the Archduchess Elizabeth Marie of Austria, he was a simple lieutenant in the First Regiment of Uhlans. He and the archduchess met at a grand ball here, and fell in love. The Austrian Emperor, whose favorite granddaughter she was, opposed the marriage, but his determined granddaughter told him she would either marry the man she loved or retire to a convent. The Emperor gave way and the marriage was celebrated in a magnificent way here, after the archduchess had renounced her right of succession to the dual throne of Austria and Hungary. In consideration of her renunciation, necessary because the lieutenant though of an ancient family, was poor and without royal title, the Emperor gave to the bride securities valued at $1,600,000, a yearly allowance of $250,000, jewels worth $1,000,000, a gold dinner service and several residences.

The princess is the daughter of the unfortunate Crown Prince Rudolf, whose tragic death stirred the whole world. The crown prince and the Countess Marie Vetsera were found dead together at the hunting lodge, Meyerling, the supposition being that the prince had killed the countess and then committed suicide.

GERMANY IS GROWING

Increase in Population During 1902 Greatest Ever Known.

Berlin, Dec. 7. — The growth of the population of Germany in 1902, regarding which statistics have just been tabulated, was the greatest ever known amounting to 902,312 or 15.61 per 1,000, campared with 15.09 in 1901 and 14.63, the average for the last ten years. The number of births during the decade increased only slightly, remaining just above 2,000,000 yearly. The gain therefore is due exclusively to the diminished death rate, which was 20.56 in 1902, compared with 22.68 for the previous decade.

Venice Under Water.

Venice, Dec. 7. — As a result of the extremely bad weather, with a violent wind, which has prevailed for some days, Venice was almost entirely under water for a few hours yesterday. At the piazza of the Cathedral of St. Mark the flood rose to a height of four feet, while inside the cathedral the water was so high as to threaten serious damage. Gondolas had to be used from shop doors to step doors and bridges were improvised by the firemen, the ordinary bridges having disappeared. The water gradually subsided.

EARLY ELECTION, SAYS A MINISTER

Hon. Mr. Prefontaine Hints at a Winter Campaign.

CONSERVATIVES FALL OUT

South Brant and West Algoma Liberals Hold Meetings—Liberal Conventions in Ontario.

Montreal, Dec. 7. — Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, returned yesterday from a trip of inspection to Prince Edward Island, and left later for Ottawa. In the course of an interview he said that the call for a general election would almost certainly come within six months. When asked if it would not be found inconvenient to carry on a winter campaign in some quarters, he replied that it might, but he was afraid it would have to be faced just the same, and that those who had to take part would get used to it.

There is every probability that Mr. Peter Lyall, a well-known local contractor, will be the Liberal candidate for the Commons in St. Antoine division of Montreal.

WEST ALGOMA LIBERALS.

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 7.—The convention to select a candidate to contest the newly-formed riding of West Algoma at the forthcoming Dominion election will be held at Sault Ste. Marie on the afternoon of Tuesday, Dec. 22. This was decided at an organization meeting of Liberals at Bruce Mines on Thursday night, when a new riding association was formed with the following officers: President, John Mackey, Sault Ste. Marie; vice-presidents, J. S. Dobie, Bruce Mines; J. Armstrong, St. Joseph Island; William Douglas, White River; secretary, George Stone; treasurer, John Dawson. The names that will likely be presented at the nominating convention are Mr. J. J. Kehoe and Dr. Gibson.

ACTIVE IN SOUTH BRANT.

Brantford, Dec. 7.—The annual meeting of the South Brant Reform Association was held Saturday afternoon, with a large attendance. Mr. D. G. Hanmer acted as chairman, and the following officers were elected for the year: President, E. L. Goold; vice-president, D. G. Hanmer; secretary, E. Sweet; treasurer, John Muir; chairman Brantford Township, L. Chapin; Oakland Township, J. A. Massacar; Burford Township, W. H. Metcalf. Addresses were made by Mr. C. B. Heyd, M. P., and Mr. T. H. Preston, M. P. P., and resolutions of confidence in the Laurier and Ross Governments were adopted. Mr. Preston confined himself to a discussion of provincial issues, and Mr. Heyd gave an account of his stewardship as representative in the Dominion House, outlining the work of the last session.

A CONSERVATIVE QUARREL.

Brockville, Ont., Dec. 5. — There is trouble in the ranks of the Conservative party in Grenville. Recently, in opposition to the wishes of Mr. R. L. Joynt, M.P.P., a meeting of the party was called at Spencerville, and the feeling was very pronounced in favor of dropping Mr. Joynt and substituting Mr. Howard Ferguson, of Kemptville, as the next candidate for the Legislature. As a preliminary, Mr. Joynt was turned down as chairman of the executive, and Mr. Ferguson put in his place. They decided to call a regular nominating convention for both Houses on Dec. 8. So strong is the feeling that Mr. Joynt has written an open letter to the president of the Conservative Association, in which he refers to the action of the executive as an outrage on Mr. Whitney and himself, and says it has been instigated by a man who never possessed the confidence of the association. He tells him that such treatment of a sitting member is a thing unheard of. Mr. Joynt concludes his open letter by declaring that he will not in any way be bound by what the convention may do.

It is now stated that Mr. Geo. Benson, president of the Edwardsburg Starch Company, has declared his willingness to run against Dr. Reid, Conservative M. P., for the Federal House.

LIBERAL CONVENTIONS.

The following Liberal conventions have been called to nominate candidates for the Dominion:

North Ontario, at Beaverton, Monday, Dec. 14.

Center York, at Richmond Hill, Wednesday, Dec. 16.

South Grey, at Durham, Wednesday, Dec. 16.

East Lambton, at Watford, Thursday, Dec. 17.

West Algoma, at Sault Ste. Marie, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Tommorrow—Colder With Snow.

London, Monday, Dec. 7.

Sun rises..7:36 a.m. Moon rises..8:14 p.m.
Sun sets...4:41 p.m. Moon sets...9:59 a.m.

Toronto, Dec. 6—8 p.m.

Local snow flurries have occurred in Canada today from the Territories to the Maritime Provinces, but the weather has been generally fair and temperatures moderate everywhere.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 10 below—2; Victoria, 42—46; Kamloops, 28—32; Swift Current, 20—32; Winnipeg, 4—18; Parry Sound, 18—36; Toronto, 28—33; Ottawa, 20—28; Montreal, 22—26; Quebec, 18—22; Halifax, 28—38.

FORECASTS.

Monday, Dec. 7—8 a.m.

Today—Cloudy, with light local snowfalls.

Tuesday—Strong northwesterly winds; colder, with snow flurries.

Temperatures.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	24	16	Clear
Winnipeg	0	0	Clear
Parry Sound	28	26	Cloudy
Toronto	26	26	Cloudy
Ottawa	24	24	Cloudy
Montreal	26	24	Snow
Quebec	14	14	Fair
Father Point	18	16	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is much the same throughout Ontario and Quebec. In Manitoba it is fairly cold, but further west comparatively mild, the temperatures having been above the freezing point each day for some time past.

Local temperatures: Saturday—Highest, 27°; lowest, 19°. Sunday—Highest, 29°; lowest, 24°.

RAILROADED TO INSANE ASYLUM

Sensational Statement by a Wealthy American Man.

ESCAPED AND FLED TO CANADA

Says His Persecutor Is Well-Known Millionaire and Attempted to Kidnap Him.

New York, Dec. 7. — The World today says: William Burwell Ellis, a once wealthy southerner, who in recent years had been a publisher on Fifth avenue, who escaped from an attendant the day after he was committed to the Manhattan State Hospital for the Insane, has written from Toronto, a letter to a New York paper, declaring that he has been persecuted and was railroaded to an asylum by bitter enemies, including one man, who is a millionaire. He tells a startling story of an attempt to kidnap him since his escape, and says the attempt was made by private detectives hired by this millionaire, whom Ellis considers principally responsible for all his misfortunes. Edgar A. Duveau, the private detective, who was sentenced last week to ten years in Sing Sing for concocting a plot to assault and rob Samuel Lewis, a wealthy silk merchant, is named as the man who went to Canada under the name of Shea and tried to kidnap Ellis. "Duveau was implicated in a plot to kill Mr. Ellis and chloroform him if necessary," says Assistant District Attorney Chas. Knott, jun. The trial of Ellis on the complaint of insanity attracted attention all over the country and lasted for weeks.

"My finances were exhausted," writes Mr. Ellis. "My credit among business men was wrecked because of the charge of insanity, and I saw all hope vanishing. I determined to leave for Canada. I got $50 from a friend, eluded my attendants, crossed to Hoboken, and went from there to Toronto on May 17th."

Assistant District Attorney Nott is quoted as saying that $5,000 had been offered for Ellis' return. The names of those offering the reward are not made public.

ADVENT SERMON AT ROME

Ceremony in Throne Room Attended by the Pope.

Rome, Dec. 7. — The congregation of the propaganda should have met this morning to discuss important matters, but the cardinals all went to the Advent sermon at the Vatican, and the meeting of the propaganda was postponed.

The Pope was present at the Advent sermon, which was delivered in the throne hall by the apostolic preacher Father Paolo Della Pieve Kakauchin. The function was most interesting and picturesque. A pulpit was erected under the canopy of the throne, in front of a long line of seats for the cardinals. Behind them were seats for the other high dignitaries of the church. In a corner of the hall, on the right of the pulpit, was a structure resembling a private confessional, surrounded by a grating. When all present were seated, a figure, clad in white, appeared behind the grating, and the audience rose, the cardinals saluting by taking off their zucchettos. Then the sermon began, and was ended with a prayer for the Pope, who never clearly showed himself. When the white, kneeling figure arose and was about to leave, the congregation rose as before and again saluted. The preacher then went into an adjoining room and kissed the hand of the Pope.

SCARED BY FACE POWDER

Package for Harem Beauty Starts Panic at Yildiz Kiosk.

Athens, Dec. 7. — A rather comical incident which has just taken place inside the walls which surround the harem of Sultan Abdul Hamid shows how strong is his fear of anarchists.

One of the inmates of the harem, who was high in the favor of her master, had learned from a visitor the use of face powder and bribed one of the eunuchs to send to Vienna for a particular brand.

In due time the box arrived at Yildiz Kiosk, only to be seized immediately by the secret agents of the Sultan.

With all precautions the suspicious box was sent to the laboratory of the army, while the agents reported to the Sultan that they had seized a box of dynamite addressed to a eunuch in the harem.

The poor fellow was immediately arrested and thrown into a dungeon.

A week later the military authorities reported that they had found the contents of the box harmless.

The eunuch was then taken from his prison, but punished with banishment for life to Asia Minor, for having caused the Sultan unnecessary worry.

THE POPE'S PORTRAIT

The Marquise de Wentworth Invited to Paint One.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The Marquise de Wentworth, of New York, has been invited to visit Rome and paint the portrait of the Pope. In 1900 the Marquise painted Leo, and it is claimed that her portrait of him is as good as Benjamin Constant's noted picture.

Last spring the Marquise was summoned to paint a picture of the dead Pontiff lying in state. The Marquise is devoting her brush wholly to religious subjects. She has painted portraits of Cardinals Vaughan, Rampolla and Ferrata and Archibishop Corrigan. The Marquise's portrait of John W. Mackay was recently shipped to the family.

The Marquise is the first woman ever to paint a Pope.

ENDED IN HIS OWN DEATH

Summary Action of an Italian Naval Official.

Aden, Dec. 7. — Lieutenant-Commander Charles Grabau, an Italian officer commanding an armed dhow, landed a party of friendly natives at Darbe, Somaliland, Africa, and ordered the Italian flag hoisted on the fort. The commandant of the fort refused to permit the order to be carried out unless it had the sanction of the Sultan. Lieutenant-Commander Grabau thereupon gave the commandant two hours in which to obey the order, and at the expiration of that time the commandant not having complied, fired upon the fort. The fort replied with shell, killing Grabau. The dhow then put out to sea and was picked up by the Italian cruiser Galilee, which landed the officer's body here.

BARBER SHOOTS HIS EMPLOYE

Hamilton Likely to Have a Murder Case Upon Its Hand.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 7.—Frank Johnson, the colored man who entered his barber shop, 124 John street, on Saturday night in an intoxicated condition, after being on a spree for several days, and shot and probably fatally wounded Nathaniel Moore, another colored man, employed in the shop, and then turned the revolver on himself, was released from the city hospital this morning, his injuries not being of a serious nature.

Moore is in a critical condition. The bullet has not been extracted, and the hospital physicians have grave doubts as to his recovery.

Moore is unmarried. He lived on North Catherine street. Johnson is a married man, and has frequently, when intoxicated, threatened to shoot his wife. He is now in jail on remand awaiting the result of Moore's injuries.

TEMPORARY INSANITY

Is the Jury's Verdict in the Tilbury Suicide.

Tilbury, Ont., Dec. 7. — Coroner Bray, of Chatham, held an inquest today on the body of F. B. McNaughton, late manager of the Merchants' Bank here, who shot himself yesterday.

The jury, after hearing the evidence, decided that McNaughton came to his death by a pistol shot, fired by himself, while laboring under temporary insanity, caused by his worrying over business matters.

COLORED DRESS SUITS?

London Papers Deny That Men Wear Green Swallowtails.

London, Dec. 7. — Much ridicule has been excited by a statement that appeared in a London paper the other day that many smart men had been seen recently wearing evening dress suits in bright colors. The report has no foundation in fact. It is true that hunting coats are to be seen at dinners and balls in the country during the winter, but when one talks of men clad in bright blues and greens in London drawing-room it is purely an exercise of the imagination.

Will Nurse the Japs.

London, Dec. 7. — The Daily Telegraph has received a note from the Japanese ladies of London, signed by the wife of Viscount Havashi, the Japanese minister here, expressing joy and gratitude for the generous action of Mrs. McGee and six hundred American ladies, who offered their services as nurses for Japanese soldiers in the event of a war between Japan and Russia, and thanking them for such a deed of womanly sympathy.

WALKED 10 MILES IN NIGHTDRESS

Young Woman Travels Barefoot From Her Home to St. Thomas.

St. Thomas, Dec. 7. — Miss Crawford, daughter of Archibald Crawford, hear Shedden, a demented young woman, had a terrible experience Saturday morning She walked or ran from her home to this city, a distance of ten miles, barefooted and wearing no clothing but her night robe. Her feet were terribly cut by the hard roads, and she suffered greatly from the extreme cold and exposure. She came direct to the Hutchison House, where she was cared for, and is expected to recover.

Provincial Appointments.

Toronto, Dec. 7. — The following provincial appointments are gazetted: Dr. C. McL. Lang, Owen Sound, and Dr. T. E. Bennett, Meaford, associate coroners in the county of Grey; E. B. Flintoft, Waterloo; G. F. Kelleher, Galt; Edward Proulx, Plantagenet, and J. A. Cockburn, Crysler, county of Stormont, to be notaries public; David Robertson, Warkworth, clerk of ninth division court of Northumberland county, in place of the late R. P. Hurlburt; and Hugh A. McLean, Underwood, clerk of the sixth division court of Bruce county.

Compulsory Male Voting.

Madrid, Dec. 7.—A law compelling men to vote is among the legislation the new cabinet intends to introduce. The ministers propose to deal generally with electoral reform and one of the clauses of the bill will make it compulsory for every elector to exercise the right of elective franchise.

THE MESSAGE TO U. S. CONGRESS

Roosevelt Touches on Labor and Capital.

REJOICES OVER ALASKA AWARD

And Explains the Interference at Panama—Wants Bribery To Be Extraditable Offenae.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7. — The President in his annual message to Congress today said in part as follows: "The country is to be congratulated on the amount of substantial achievement which has marked the past year, both as regards our foreign and as regards our domestic policy.

"We recognize that this is an era of federation and combination, in which great capitalistic corporations and labor unions have become factors of tremendous importance in all industrial centers."

"From all sources, exclusive of postal service, the receipts of the Government for the last fiscal year, aggregated to $560,396,674. The expenditures for the surplus for the fiscal year being $54,297,-same period were $506,099,007 80, the 667. The indications are that the surplus for the present fiscal year will be very small, if, indeed, there be any surplus.

"Colombia, by her persistence in repulsing the advances that have been made has forced us for the sake of our own honor and interest and well-being, not merely of our own people, but of the people of Isthmus of Panama and the people of civilized countries of the world to take decisive steps to bring to an end a condition of affairs which had become intolerable."

"Steps have been taken by the state department looking to the making of bribery an extraditable offense with foreign powers. The need of more effective treaties concerning this crime is manifest. It should be the policy of the United States to leave no place on earth where a corrupt man fleeing from this country can rest in peace. There is no reason why bribery should not be included in all treaties as extraditable.

"The Alaskan tribunal met in London on Sept. 23, under the presidency of Lord Alverstone. The proceeding were expeditious and marked by a friendly and conscientious spirit. The respective cases, counter-cases and arguments pointed the issues clearly and fully. On Oct. 20 a majority of the tribunal reached and signed an agreement on

Continued on Page 4.

LORD ROSEBERY'S "BEST BED BOOKS"

London Starts Discussion of Literary Nightcaps.

A LIBEL ON THE DOMINION

Oxford School Atlases Depict Canada as 3,000,000 Miles of Frozen Waste.

London, Dec. 7. — Lord Rosebery is the most entertaining critic of the schemes of other people. He seldom puts forward one of his own. This week, however, he has definitely recommended that sufferers from insomnia should read "Cockburn of Ormiston's Letters to His Gardener" in bed.

This led to a discussion in the press as to what are the best bed books, and ought people to read abed. One paper consulted physicians, who declare that it is bad for the sight. The damage, says one, is not confined to the eyes—it is bad for the whole body. This authority hints at overstraining of the neck muscles and rheumatism of the shoulders. Another doctor says: "Reading in bed is a disease. The habit is as bad as that of taking drugs."

On the other hand, well-known people write that they have not suffered from the lifelong practice of this habit. F. T. Bullen declares that his sight is perfect at 48, and he learned everything he knows by reading in bed.

In reference to what books are the best literary nightcaps the experts give a variety of opinions, but the general agreement is against sensational novels. Lord Rosebery supports Cockburn's letters because they belong to a rare class of books that people could enjoy by the bedside, not as literary opiates, but because they are pleasant and healthy to read and could be broken off at any minute when the reader felt drowsy.

The different publishers, booksellers and literary men recommend essays and sermons and Omar Khayyam's innumerable works, but Bernard Quaritch refuses to give any advice that might encourage the dangerous habit, "beyond suggesting that reports of fires caused by the practice might be beneficial reading."

The Outlook recommends that the vice-chancellors of Oxford and Cambridge universities heed the indictment that J. H. Turner, the agent-general of British Columbia, has brought against a textbook which is largely used officially and recommended for Oxford and Cambridge examinations throughout the empire. The publication especially singled out is the "School Geography Atlas," by the headmaster of New College School, Oxford. The current edition of this book affords such items as this: "The Dominion of Canada is in extent more than 3,000,000 miles, but the greater part consists of frozen wastes and swamps." The Canadian Pacific is said to extend "from Montreal to New Westminster." Only four towns in British Columbia are found worthy of mention. Esquimalt, British naval base, is not even mentioned.

Mr. Turner quotes approvingly the following from a letter from a British Columbia schoolmaster: "Small wonder that arbitration award throws littoral tracts as bouquets at the feet of the United States when such gross ignorance exists in matters Canadian."

WHISKARD'S THREE BUSY STORES, 228, 230, 232 Dundas St.

Handkerchief Giving Is a Fixed Fashion.

This will be a Handkerchief ad.—because we have bought all sorts at all prices—and we want you to know about it. The assortment is complete; from the beautiful embroidered and dainty lace to the plain hemstitched kind—and at prices which enable you to buy the half-dozen or dozen, because prices will be made accordingly.

LADIES' FINE EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS; you only want to see them to buy. Special line of white hemstitched; embroidered in corner; regular 12½c. Our price each **7c**

Ladies' Fine Handkerchiefs, embroidered and with drawn thread. Inexpensive and a genuine bargain, at each 15c and **10c**

Ladies' Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, raised embroidery work; beautiful patterns; worth 35c. Our price, each 20c and **25c**

LADIES' LACE-BORDERED HANDKERCHIEFS; special line; lace border two inches wide; regular 12½c goods for each 7c and **8c**

Ladies' Fine Lace Embroidered Handkerchiefs, double-hemstitched; fine Valenciennes lace, inch and one-half wide; regular 10c. Our price each **5c**

Ladies' Valenciennes Lace-Bordered Handkerchiefs. We have a large assortment of these and will clear them out at 4c each, 20c per half dozen or one dozen for **35c**

MEN'S FINE LAWN HANDKERCHIEFS; hemstitched; either wide or narrow hem; regular 10c line. Sale price each **7c**

CATHEDRAL FALLING

Chief Church of Spain in Danger of Total Ruin.

Toledo, Spain, Dec. 7.—The historic Cathedral of Toledo, founded in 587, and the metropolitan church of Spain, is in danger of total demolition. A part of the roof collapsed today and the remainder is declared to be liable to fall at any moment. The structure is 404 feet in length and with its lofty tower and spire has been one of the most noted sights in Spain for centuries.

Although many of its treasures have been removed to Madrid, there are still a number of noted relics stowed away in the stately structure. The cathedral is the glory of Toledo, and one of the finest monuments in Spain. It is built upon the site of an ancient mosque, and many of the customs observed in its walls date from early times. For instance, in the Mezarabic Temple the ritual known by the name is still performed.

The present structure, begun in 1227, and completed in 1497, though sacked over and over again, is still one of the richest treasures of art and antiquities in Spain.

The structure is an immense pile, though its magnificence does not show full because of the close surrounding houses. Two towers, one rising 325 feet, are the most conspicuous features. Inside the space is so immense that it fails from overvastness of making its impression. The stained glass windows are beautiful works of art.

Within its walls are interred a long array of archbishops, cardinals, kings and heroes.

The Archbishop of Toledo is Primate of Spain.

ONE OF A SCORE

In a Newfoundland Town Cured of Lame Back and Kidney Disease by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Fortune Harbor, Nfld., Dec. 7.—Richard Quirk, one of the best known residents of this place, is one of a score of people here who suffered from Lame Back and Kidney Disease, and were permanently cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. Mr. Quirk says:

"I suffered from Lumbago and Kidney Disease for more than twenty years. At intervals I was totally unable to work. Doctors and medicines gave me little relief, and I had almost made up my mind my trouble was incurable, when I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. I experienced relief almost at once, and seven or eight boxes cured me permanently."

Cure your Backache with Dodd's Kidney Pills, and it will never develop into Bright's Disease.

Few poems would be written but for the inability of poets to live without eating.

THEY ARE A POWERFUL NERVINE.—Dyspepsia causes derangement of the nervous system, and nervous debility once engendered is difficult to deal with. There are many testimonials as to the efficacy of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills in treating this disorder, showing that they never fail to produce good results. By giving proper tone to the digestive organs, they restore equilibrium to the nerve centers.

Inventing lies has cheapened many a good man's reputation.

A wise man hopes only for the things that are possible and probable.

Distress After Eating

Nausea between meals, belching, vomiting, flatulence, fits of nervous headache, pain in the stomach, are all symptoms of dyspepsia, and the longer it is neglected the harder it is to cure it.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Radically and permanently cure it—strengthen and tone the stomach and other digestive organs for the *natural* performance of their functions.

Accept no substitute for Hood's.

"My appetite was gone; nothing tempted me to eat, and what little I did eat felt annoying and unpleasant in my stomach. I tried many remedies without any benefit whatever. Finally, Hood's Sarsaparilla having been recommended, I began its use. After taking one bottle my stomach would retain food, and my appetite began to improve. After taking three bottles I was completely cured." WILLIAM ROSS, Wellington Street, Sarnia, Ontario.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.

A RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

Young Man of Amherstburg Fatally Injured.

Amherstburg, Ont., Dec. 7. — Bernhardt Burns, of the township of Anderson, was fatally injured at the M. C. R. depot yesterday. He was 25 years old, and a son of Capt. John C. Burns. Burns was unloading hogs when his team became frightened at a locomotive. Burns jumped from his wagon to the horses and was dragged by them some yards when another team also took fright and crashed into him pinning him between the two wagons.

BANK MANAGER KILLS HIMSELF

F. B. McNaughton, of the Merchants' Bank, Tilbury, Commits Suicide by Shooting.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 7. — F. B. McNaughton, manager of the branch of the Merchants' Bank at Tilbury, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the offices of the bank at that place.

Deceased came from Gananoque to Tilbury about two weeks ago. His parents live in Quebec City. The motive that prompted such a rash act, is at present unknown. McNaughton was comparatively a young man, being in the neighborhood of 35 years of age and unmarried.

A coroner immediately examined the remains and viewed the locality. A jury will be impaneled and an inquest held at 9:30 this morning.

He was boarding at the International Hotel here, and asked the proprietor to make out his bill as he intended going away. Mr. MacDougall, teller of the Merchants' Bank, was reading in his room just above the bank, when the shot was fired. He immediately ran downstairs and tried the door, but found it locked and the key on the inside. He broke a window in order to get into the bank, and found Mr. McNaughton lying on the floor just behind the teller's office. He ran out for a doctor, and one being handy, had him there before five minutes had elapsed. But Mr. McNaughton was dead when the doctor arrived, and he pronounced death to have been instantaneous. Mr. McNaughton had just come in from a walk. He went direct to the bank and wrote a note to MacDougall, giving him his father's address and the combination of the safe, and stated that he had shot himself and was perfectly sane. No cause for the act is known yet. Nearly every night he would go to the bank and walk up and down from about 10:30 p.m. until 12, as though he had something on his mind.

HORRORS OF THE CONGO

The British Commissioner Tells of Outrage and Slavery.

London, Dec. 7. — Roger Casement, British consul in the Congo State, has just completed a tour of investigation undertaken under the orders of British Government, and he fully confirms the worst reports of outrages perpetrated on natives of that part of Africa.

Mr. Casement's tour was to have lasted six months, but after the scenes he witnessed and the information he obtained in the first two months, the consul decided that further evidence was unnecessary.

The report which Mr. Casement is now preparing for the foreign office will show that the most horrible outrages are still being perpetrated under the "rubber regime," and that slavery and barbarism in their most revolting forms still exist. The Casement party traveled over a thousand miles from the coast along the Congo and its tributaries, visiting the Abir and Lulonga rubber zones.

Pending the delivery of report to the foreign office the investigators refuse to furnish any details, but a member of the mission summed up the situation by saying: ""The most terrible slavery exists, the administration is atrocious and if there is not speedy intervention it will be too late."

NOVEMBER IN ONTARIO

Official Weather Report for the Month—Exceptionally Mild.

Toronto, Dec. 7. — The Government weather bureau's report for the month of November says: The weather in this province was exceptionally mild up to the 18th, when quite wintry conditions set in, and it then continued unusually cold to the end of the month. Much bright sunshine occurred throughout the month, but from the 12th to 24th showers were somewhat frequent. The precipitation which was light was mostly rain up to the 15th and snow during the second half of the month. At most lake ports navigation continued open to the 30th. In Muskoka, however, steamboat service ceased on the 29th when the ice at Gravenhurst was four inches in thickness.

Reports regarding fall wheat are generally favorable and the unusually early protection by snow is also in its favor. Plowing continued to about the 18th, after which the ground was frozen. In some localities roots and apples were frozen causing heavy losses. At Collingwood the snowfall of the month was phenomenally heavy, a total depth of 48 inches being recorded.

DOWIE MAY SETTLE

Submits a Plan That the Receivers May Accept.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—By a stroke of diplomacy John Alexander Dowie has established harmony between Zion, its creditors and receivers, out of court. He proposed to settle with his immediate creditors, to arrange with others on a reasonable time basis, and to end the receivership. At a conference today between the attorneys representing the heaviest creditors and Jacob Newman, attorney for the receivers, Dowie showed the lawyers a statement setting forth Zion's assets and liabilities. In his showing he offered to settle all urgent claims in cash and to put Zion on a cash basis in all future dealings with the outside world. Mr. Dowie's petition of figures and his offers of settlement were satisfactory to the attorneys. His plan will be submitted tomorrow to a meeting of receivers, their attorneys and the attorneys for his creditors, and it is believed will be accepted.

WHEN ALL OTHER corn preparations fail, try Holloway's Corn Cure. No pain whatever, and no inconvenience in using it.

Tortured with Pain.

Too Weak to Work.

ULCERS, BOILS AND PIMPLES ALL OVER HER BODY.

Such was the condition of Mrs. Samuel Deitz, Zurich, Ont.

She happily found relief from her terrible suffering by using

Burdock Blood Bitters.

A remedy without a rival for the cure of all diseases and troubles arising from bad blood. A record extending over a quarter of a century and thousands of testimonials will prove this. Mrs. Deitz writes: "Too weak to work, tortured with the pain of ulcers, boils and pimples all over my body, especially on my face. I had almost made up my mind to give up trying to have them cured. I was ashamed to have any person come to see me, my face was in such a terrible state. I tried everything I could think of but get worse and worse. I was then led to try Burdock Blood Bitters and was surprised at the wonderful change the first bottle made. Altogether I took seven bottles and am now completely cured and am in perfect health again. I feel that B.B.B. saved my life."

NEW LANGUAGE OF DIPLOMACY

Adoption of English at The Hague Is Significant.

WAS OPPOSED BY ALL EUROPE

A Precedent Established That Will Be Observed in Future Arbitrations.

New York, Dec. 7. — One result of the Venezuelan blockade by England, Germany and Italy, undreamed of at the time, is the adoption of the English language by The Hague court of arbitration for use in the hearing of disputes. To the man in the street this may seem of slight importance, for he has not come in contact with the jealous opposition of the continent, and especially of France, to the use of any other language than French in diplomatic negotiations or in international arbitrations. But when he is aware of the intrigues carried on and the determined efforts made to have French used exclusively or at least as the dominant tongue in the Venezuelan proceedings, he will understand how bitter was the struggle and how important was the question.

It is not going too far to say that the reason of the delay in the organization of the court may be traced to the desire of some of the interested powers to prevent the supremacy of the English. The selections of the president of the court is even said to haev been due in part to the belief that he would advocate the employment of French. Pressure was applied to the Venezuelan minister in Paris to induce him to advise the court that his Government approved the use of French. When M. Murairev, the minister of justice of Russia, and president of the court, went to Paris, he made an explanation in regard to the attitude of the court with regard to the language question.

The first step in behalf of the use of English was made by Herbert W. Bowen, minister to Venezuela, when, as the envoy of President Castro's Government he negotiated terms of peace with the allies. By article IV. of the protocol signed last May, it was provided that "the proceedings shall be conducted in the English language, but the arguments may, with the permisison of the tribunal, be made in any other language also.

When the protocol with France was signed, M. Jusserand, the French ambassador in Washington, inserted a clause designed to put the French language on an equality with the English. The delay in the organization of the tribunal is well known. France approved of the selection of M. Murairev, as did the other powers, for the Russian minister is an exceptionally learned man and a well-known advocate of arbitration. But France believed him also a firm supported of her tongue, though it is well known that M. Murairev speaks good English.

The tribunal was finally organized and to the dismay of the American counsel, a report reached them that the tribunal had determined to rule that French should be the official language of the court. Mr. Bowen said to the court: "If the tribunal decide against the plain stipulation of the protocols the United States cannot be expected again to apeal to it, for the provisions of the conventions defining the scope of the disputes to be determined might not be observed."

News of the letter of the Venezuelan minister to France, saying his Government approved the use of French, also filed with the court, reached the ears of Mr. Bowen. When the tribunal reassembled after he had obtained this information he read a cablegram from President Castro saying that the minister had acted without authority and that Mr. Bowen was the representative of Venezuela before the court.

The tribunal retired for a short period, and on its return the secretary-general read the following explanation of its decision:

"The tribunal in answer to the request which has been made declares, in accordance with article iv. of the protocol of the 7th of May, 1903, that the English language is recognized as the official language of the proceedings, but in accordance with the exact meaning of the said article arguments may be presented in another language only with the permission of the tribunal; that the tribunal, by the decision just pronounced, has admitted, within the limits indicated by this decision, the French language as subsidiary, since it is familiar to the members of the tribunal and to the majority of the representatives of the parties."

Both Judge Fenfield, the solicitor of state, who made an excellent impression at The Hague, and Mr. Bowen were highly gratified by this decision. Mr. Bowen said that it was a victory of high importance to the English-speaking people, for it established a precedent which would be observed undoubtedly in future arbitrations.

MARTHA MIEHM'S DEATH

Coroner's Jury Indicts Father for Manslaughter.

Stratford, Ont., Dec. 7.—On Nov. 13 last Martha Miehm, the 14-year-old daughter of Elias Miehm, who lives just outside the corporation limits, died at her home after a five weeks' illness of typhoid fever, during which time no medical man attended her, by reason of her parents' belief in faith cure. On Friday night a jury, empaneled by Coronor Rankin, brought in a verdict of cupable negligence, and on Saturday Miehm was indicted for manslaughter. After being in the grave for nearly three weeks the body was exhumed, and a post-mortem held by two doctors, who found that death was due to typhoid. Three weeks before death Dr. Robertson, medical health officer, visited the house and warned the people then of their folly in not calling in a physician, but the warning was unheeded.

The Dreyfus Case.

Paris, Dec. 7.—It is now stated that the great quantity of documents transmitted to the revision committee in the Dreyfus case will prevent the rendering of an opinion by the commissioners before next Friday or Saturday. The anti-Dreyfus movement here called attention through the declaration of the French Socialist party that it had not signed and did not approve of the recent manifesto urging opposition to the Government's policy.

Love is never to be found "marked down" on a bargain counter.

THE WEATHER TODAY—Milder, with snow flurries.

It's a loss of money of course to us to close every night at 6, but then our salespeople deserve some consideration. Making money isn't everything in life. Shop early.

CHRISTMAS ...SHOPPING

Christmas shopping will be far better done if you take time to do it, and the best way to take time is to start early. Many commenced weeks ago, and the number grows larger every day. Our grand display of Beautiful Colored Dress Goods is one of the attractions of our store to those in search of sensible, useful gifts. We are showing all the latest materials for evening wear, and quality goods in dainty shades for waists and blouses. We are specially anxious that you see the lovely Silk-Finish Henriettas we are showing in newest and prettiest shades, guaranteed French dye, wide width. Our low price, per yard only **50c**

Bargains in Trimming Department

We've decided on clearing at very special prices our stock of Black Velvet Ribbons with cotton back. We will sell these by the piece (18 yards to piece). This is positively the best make in Cotton Back Velvet Ribbon, and you know we wouldn't make this statement if it wasn't so. Edges guaranteed not to ravel.

Regular $1.10 and $1.25 per piece of 18 yards, selling now at only **75c**
Regular $1.00 per piece of 18 yards, selling at, per piece **65c**
Regular 85c per piece of 18 yards, selling at, per piece **55c**
Regular 50c per piece of 18 yards, selling at, per piece **35c**
Regular 45c per piece of 18 yards, selling at, per piece **25c**

Dainty Low-Priced Valenciennes Laces.

New stock of French Valenciennes Laces and Insertions just in. On time for Christmas very dainty designs and patterns in several widths for making handkerchiefs and other pretty Christmas gifts. Make your selection early. Prices range from **10c to 25c** per yard.

White Cotton Vals. and Insertions, pretty patterns, wide and narrow widths, all prices.
Real Maltese Laces and Insertions, for making very handsome handkerchiefs. Per yard from ..... **25c** to **$1.50**
Plain and Spot Net Footings, for handkerchiefs and fancy work, at all prices and in all widths.
Spot Net Footings, with dainty Val. edge at, per yard ..... **8½c, 10c** and **12½c**
White Point d'Esprit Nets, for fancy work, 27-inch at, per yard **25c**
White Point d'Esprit Nets, for fancy work, 36-inch at, per yard **35c**
White Wash Nets, for fancy work, 36-inch at, per yard **25c**

See These and Other Pretty Goods in Lace Department,

SMALLMAN & INGRAM,

149, 151 and 153 DUNDAS STREET.

BOERS FOR MEXICO

Gen. Viljoen Has Secured Big Tract of Land.

London, Dec. 7.—Gen. Ben Viljoen, the former Boer commander, sailed for New York on the steamship Umbria, for the purpose of completing arrangements for the establishment of a Boer colony in Mexico. He says that he has already secured 85,000 acres, and expects to get 2,000,000 more later on in Northern Mexico, where the climate closely resembles that of the Transvaal. Gen. Viljoen gives a discouraging account of the Boers in South Africa at the present time.

THE COTTON CRISIS

Present Situation the Worst in Twenty-Five Years.

Vienna, Dec. 7.—The Austrian cotton manufacturers are seriously affected by the advance in the American cottton market. Some factories are expected to shut down temporarily. Experts say that the entire continental cotton industry must be adjusted to meet the new conditions, and some profess to see consolation in the probability that the general curtailment of manufactured goods will tend to a healthier condition in the cotton industry of Europe.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 7.—The president of one of the largest cloth mills in the south said: "The situation is critical, view it any way you may. Taken as a whole, I believe the condition confronting us today is the worst in twenty-five years. The only remedy I see is a general curtailment, the chief benefit from that being that the mills could run at a small loss."

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLIONS OF MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE TEETHING, with PERFECT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES the CHILD, SOFTENS the GUMS, ALLAYS all PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC and is the best remedy for DIARRHEA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's."

A Boxer Massacre.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The Raphel published yesterday morning a dispatch from St. Petersburg announcing the massacre by Boxers of a number of Christians in the Szechuan Province of China.

You can't cure a cough or cold from the outside. You must cure it through the blood.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure The Lung Tonic

Is the only remedy that will do this. It gets right to the root of the trouble. It is guaranteed to cure.

Prices 25c., 50c. and $1.00

S. C. WELLS & CO. Toronto, Can. LeRoy, N.Y. 8

THE BUFFALO MURDER

Suspect Bonier Makes Some Significant Statements.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 7.—An important fact in connection with the murder mystery was learned from Mrs. Lindholm during one of the examinations conducted by the district attorney. On Thursday, Nov. 19, the day the Frehr couple disappeared, and it is believed were murdered and buried in the mud back of their home, Bonier left his home at 312 Monroe street, early in the day, and did not return until late at night. Mrs. Lindholm was his housekeeper at the Monroe street house. She noticed upon his return Thursday night that his shoes were covered with mud. She says Bonier offered no explanation for his long absence nor for the mud-spattered shoes and clothes. In the course of an inquisition after these facts were learned, Bonier was caught in a lie. At first he admitted that he was muddy on his return Thursday night, but gave as an explanation that he had been digging celery in the yard of the Frehr house, which he claims to have bought the same day. Half an hour later he made a contradictory statement. He said he had been with the Frehr couple from 2 o'clock until 4 Thursday afternoon. He went directly home after completing the purchase of the property. He had not seen the Frehrs since. "Then," said District Attorney Coatsworth, "why did you tell us you were digging celery that afternoon?" The old man was confused and mumbled a weak reply. It was the first time during his examination that Bonier has been caught napping. Other important facts were learned from Mrs. Lindholm.

THE CHICAGO CARMEN

The Windy City May Again Be Tied Up.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7.—Dissatisfaction over the rules promulgated by the Chicago Railway Company is likely it is said, to precipitate a second strike by the employes of the company. The most objectionable rule, according to the leaders of Carmen's Union, is one prohibiting the men from wearing union buttons on the outside of their coats. In defiance of the rule, President Buckley, of the union, has instructed the men to report for duty today wearing the insignia as usual, and he declares that the discharge of one man in an attempt to enforce the rule will be the signal for a general strike. General Manager McCulloch said that he had heard of the men's objections, but that the rules were for the good of the public and would be enforced. Another rule relating to the soliciting of money as gifts or the collecting of money by the company's employes is regarded by the men as an attempt to prevent aiding other unions.

IT WILL PROLONG LIFE.—De Sota, the Spaniard, lost his life in the wilds of Florida, whither he went for the purpose of discovering the legendary "Fountain of Perpetual Youth," said to exist in that then unknown country. While Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil will not perpetuate youth, it will remove the bodily pains which make the young old before their time and harass the aged into untimely graves.

Chicago had an attendance of 20,000,000 people at her world's fair, but St. Louis counts confidently on an attendance of 40,000,000.

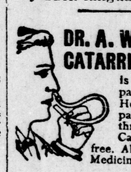
Lifebuoy Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases. 22

Any dachshund may start a hare, but it takes a greyhound to catch it.

"EASY TO TAKE GIBRALTAR"

The French Marine Minister Denies Making the Statement.

Paris, Dec. 7.—Denial is made here of a statement published only in the Figaro and circulated in the United States to the effect that Minister of Marine Peiletan, in a speech at a banquet Wednesday night said: "It would be easy to take Gibraltar, which is only a make-believe fortress." The words attributed to the minister, which, if correct, would show him to be guilty of a serious indiscretion, were discounted by the fact that they were published only in the Figaro, which is conducting a campaign against the marine ministry, and which did not print the context of the minister's speech. The Figaro Saturday morning publishes a note from the committee in charge of the banquet expressing regret that some one present had communicated to the press, contrary to the traditions of society giving the banquet, what purported to be an extract from M. Pelletan's speech, and adding that the marine minister did not use the words attributed to him either in a speech or in conversation at the banquet table. The Figaro also prints a letter from M. Joseph Reinach, who was present at the banquet, denying that M. Pelletan used any such language.



DR. A. W. CHASE'S CATARRH CURE ... 25c. is sent direct to the diseased parts by the Improved Blower. Heals the ulcers, clears the air passages, stops droppings in the throat and permanantly cures Catarrh and Hay Fever. Blower free. All dealers, or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Toronto and Buffalo.

The Libertad Is Fast.

Glasgow, Dec. 7. — Speed for the Libertad, which, with her sister ship, Constitution, was sold to the British admiralty by the Chilian Government, have shown an average of 20.3 knots per hour, thus showing that she is the fastest battleship afloat.

SEED must be planted in good soil to produce large returns. Money must be judiciously invested to get the highest rate.

3½% DEPOSITS DEBENTURES 4½%

ABSOLUTE SECURITY

Call or write for particulars.

THE PEOPLES Building & Loan Ass'n.

428 Richmond St., London.

7lc-zxv

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS.

DIED.

PARK—On Monday, Dec. 7, 1903, the wife of Rev. A. R. Park, of Denfield.

Funeral on Tuesday, at 11 a.m., from her late residence, Denfield. Interment at Watwick Cemetery.

CAMERON—In Westminster Township, on Sunday, Dec. 6, 1903, Janet Cameron.

Funeral from her late residence, lot 8, con. 7, Westminster Township, on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 11 o'clock; service at 10:30 a.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

DURAND—In Port Huron, Sunday, Dec. 6, 1903, Elsie Ferguson, youngest daughter of the late George F. Durand, of this city, aged 21 years and 6 months.

Funeral private.

DUNN—At her late residence, 515 Hamilton road, on Dec. 5, 1903, Laura, beloved wife of Edward Dunn, late of Jarrow-on-Tyne, England, aged 27 years.

Funeral on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 8; service at All Saints' Church at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

Transient Condensed Advertisements —No Advertisement Less Than Ten Cents.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.—Two cents per word each insertion.

MEETINGS—When no admission is charged, one cent per word each insertion.

ARTICLES FOR SALE, TO LET, HELP WANTED, SITUATIONS WANTED, BOARD AND LODGING, LOST AND FOUND, ROOMS TO LET, REAL ESTATE FOR SALE, ETC.—First insertion one cent per word, each subsequent insertion one-half cent per word. No advertisement less than ten words.

BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENTS — One cent per word each insertion. Six insertions for price of five; twelve for nine; eighteen for price of thirteen; one month for price of seventeen.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.

Grand—Tonight—8:15

MISS MARGARET ANGLIN

In Henry H. Davies' Successful Comedy

CYNTHIA

PRECEDED BY

MR. HENRY MILLER

IN

Frederick Lemaitre

PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50.

TOMORROW NIGHT.

W. R. Dailey present the jolly comedian,

HARRY STUBBS

in the sparkling comedy success,

"THE GAY MR. GOLDSTEIN."

25c, 35c, 50c, 75c. Seats on sale now.

MRS. MACKELCAN WILL SING—Auditorium, Dec. 10. 66n-ywtzxw

ALLAN LINE CHRISTMAS TRIPS

Two grand Christmas excursions, R. M. S. Bavarian, Halifax to Liverpool, Monday, Dec. 7, Ionian, from St. John, Saturday, Dec. 12. F. B. Clarke, 416 Richmond street.

IMPERIAL CLUB CONCERT

TUESDAY, DEC. 8, 1903.
Admission, 25c and 15c. At City Hall. 71u

BLIND PIANIST, THOMAS MITCHELTREE, "Best Chopin Player"—Tuesday evening; first of cycle in Conservatory Hall. Single recital, 50 cents; entire recital (three), $1. b

WESTMINSTER RINK—CADET BAND tonight. Good ice. Admission, 10c. b

LECTURE—"OUR RELATIONS," REV. Mr. Knowles, Auditorium, Dec. 10. 66n-ywtzxw

MISS EDNA MORTIMORE AND MR. Ed. Webster will sing, Auditorium, Dec. 10. 66n-ywtzxw

DUNDAS STREET CENTER CHURCH

Choir Concert

TUESDAY, DEC. 15.

Artists: Soprano, Miss Dora McMurtry; baritone, Mr. Arthur Blight; solo 'cellist, Mr. Paul Hahn; and the Church Choir. 70a

TONY CORTESE — THE ORIGINAL London Harpers. Music furnished for all occasions. 161 Maple street. Telephone 1,570.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard. Special attention given to waltz and two-step. Rapid teaching; low rates; lessons any hour; satisfaction guaranteed. Residence and academy, 345 Princess avenue.

ADVANCED CLASS FOR LADIES AND gentlemen opens at Palace Dancing Academy, Wednesday evening, Dec. 9. Number limited. Register your name early. Dayton & McCormick.

CHOICEST MUSIC FURNISHED FOR private parties, balls, banquets, etc. Telephone 1,265. Tony Vita's Italian Harpers, 131 Queen's avenue.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED—MIDDLE-aged woman preferred; two children. Freeman Porter, Ingersoll. 69k

KITCHEN GIRL WANTED AT ONCE. Apply Fraser House. 69c

GOOD GENERAL SERVANT WANTED. Apply Mrs. McBride, 501 Colborne street. 68n

WANTED AT ONCE—GOOD GENERAL servant; good wages. Apply 359 Dundas street. 68tf

WANTED — GOOD GENERAL SERVANT. Apply 297 Wolfe street. 68tf

THIS PARAGRAPH (WHICH IS PRINTED one or more times on this page), together with nine others like it, cut out and stuck on a sheet of paper and presented to The London Advertiser business office, entitles you to one estimate on the bean jar.

WANTED—A GOOD GENERAL SERVANT; no washing or ironing. Apply to Mrs. Charles H. Ivey, 256 Central avenue. 69k

TEACHERS WANTED.

TEACHER WANTED FOR ENSUING year for Nilestown public school. Apply Frank Barrows, secretary-treasurer, Nilestown. 70c

MALE TEACHER WANTED FOR S. S. No. 3, Township of Aberdeen. Additional services to begin on Jan. 3, 1904. Apply, stating salary wanted, J. H. MacLeod, secretary-treasurer No. 3, Gordon Lake P. O., Algoma, Ont. 70k

WANTED—TEACHER FOR S. S. NO. 5, Mosa, for year 1904. Applicants state qualification, experience and salary expected. Address Angus Taylor, Cashmere, Ont. 71c 81u

DERMATOLOGY.

AFTER DEC. 1, LADIES MAY HAVE their hair shampooed at the London Dermatological Institute, 443 Park avenue. Facilities for rapid drying. Evening appointments for ladies engaged during the day. Hours, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mrs. Graham's Cactico Hair Grower, Dandruff Cure and Hair Restorer. zxv

MALE HELP WANTED.

GENTLEMAN OF GOOD ADDRESS can secure excellent permanent situation; salary. Cooper, London, Ont.

BE A TELEGRAPHER AND EARN from $45 to $150 monthly. You can learn in from three to six months. Our telegraph book tells how. We mail it free. Dominion School of Telegraphy, 26 King street east, Toronto. 59tf-z

WANTED—RELIABLE MEN TO SELL for the Fonthill Nurseries; largest and best assortment of stock; liberal terms to workers; pay weekly; outfit free; exclusive territory. Stone & Wellington.

FIRST-CLASS WOOD PATTERN-MAKER wanted. Empire Manufacturing Company, 443 Talbot street. 71c

WANTED—MAN TO DRIVE FRUIT rig. Apply Catalano & Sansone, 399 Dundas. b

A SURE INVESTMENT, PAYING FROM 8 per cent up. For particulars write 379 Princess avenue, or 'phone 1,658. Agents wanted.

WANTED AT ONCE—BLACKSMITH'S helper; six to twelve months' experience. John Wilkins, Poplar Hill. 69n

WANTED—AN OFFICE BOY, BY THE 1st of January. Apply at once, in own handwriting. Box 42, Advertiser office. 70c

THE INTERCOLONIAL REALTY COMPANY, Limited, successors to Canadian Realty Company, 110 Dundas street, London. Capital, $100,000. Agencies being established in all parts of Canada and principal European countries. Real estate bought, sold or exchanged anywhere on thoroughly modern plans.

MEN—WE OFFER SPLENDID INDUCEMENTS to learn barber trade; short time required; tools donated, board included, diplomas granted, positions furnished; best paying trade in existence for poor men. Write for particulars. Moler Barber College, Chicago, Ill. 71uk

THIS PARAGRAPH (WHICH IS PRINTED one or more times on this page), together with nine others like it, cut out and stuck on a sheet of paper and presented to The London Advertiser business office, entitles you to one estimate on the bean jar.

WANTED—GOOD, SMART SALESMEN, to sell fruit trees and ornamental trees, for whole time or part time; pay weekly; best terms in the business. Apply immediately. Pelham Nursery Company, Toronto, Ont.

WANTED — CARRIAGE TRIMMER, and couple of boys. Apply A. B. Greer, carriage factory, corner Talbot and York streets. 70u

WATCHES FREE TO AGENTS—WANTED—Gentlemen and ladies to engage in the sale of our watches. We give our agents a free sample $10 watch, to take orders, and a liberal commission. If you would like profitable employment for your spare time, write us at once for sample and terms. Address Ideal Watch Company, Department 12, Toronto, Ont. 70h-tx

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—TWO GOOD WORK-HORSES, about 1,400 pounds. Apply 259 Hill street. 70c

COMPETE LINE VERY BEST STEEL hockey skates. Bob-sleigh skates for small children. J. H. Cunningham, 664 Dundas street.

SEE JAMES STEWART'S BASEBURNERS and steel ranges. Best on earth. Brock's Feed Store, 197 King street. tzw

BASEBURNERS, RANGES AND ALL kinds of cook stoves and second-hand furniture, at Keene's 141 King street.

CUTTERS AND HACK SLEIGHS—Quality and prices right. This is the right place to have your carriages put in repair for spring. Smith's, corner Richmond and Maple.

FOR SALE—FORTY LAYING HENS, Rocks and Leghorns. 858 Elias street. 71c

FOR SALE—ONE BEAUTIFUL ROSEWOOD case piano, 7 1-3 octaves, first-class condition, guaranteed five years, for $100, payable $3 per month. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas, corner Clarence street.

D. H. GILLIES & CO., LEADING COAL and wood yard. Office and yard, corner Adelaide and Bathurst streets. 'Phone 1,312.

FOR SALE, CHEAP—MEDIUM-SIZED chicken coop, with 150 square feet wire netting. Apply 374 Lyle street. 66n

J. G. COLEMAN, 264½ DUNDAS street, offers full line cigars, tobaccos, pipes, smokers' sundries, at best prices.

FOR SALE — WASHINGTON HAND-PRESS; cheap for cash. Address Box 38, this office. 94tf

FOUR ROGERS TYPOGRAPH MACHINES,

All in splendid working order, and will be sold at half price. Address LONDON ADVERTISER, London, Ont.

SLEIGH—GOOD GLADSTONE; AND robes; cheap; also first-class fire-proof safe. 276 Dundas street. 71c

SPRINGS, MATTRESSES AND IRON beds—Special low prices this week at Keene Bros., 125 and 127 King street.

FOR SALE—THREE POUNDS FINEST select raisins, 25c; three pounds cleaned Vostizza currants, 25c; Crosse & Blackwell's peels, 15c per pound; choice prunes, three pounds for 25c; 3½ pounds icing sugar, 25c. Try our teas and coffees for a good cup. Mincemeat, 10c. Prompt delivery. Market Grocery, 103 King street. H. T. Johnson. zxt

CALL AND SEE THE BATHS AND closets and basins in our showroom before purchasing elsewhere. Prices to meet everybody. Smith Plumbing Company, Masonic Temple, King street. z

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE IN stock best quality egg, stove and chestnut coal, best Massillon lump for grates. Good hard wood, in block or split. 'Phone 1,391. Green & Co., 495 York.

NETS TO COVER ENTIRE HEAD AT Miller's Hair Store. See our new line of fancy back combs and large pins. 223 Dundas street.

$35 WILL BUY A SECOND-HAND 4-horse power engine, suitable for gas or gasoline. D. McKenzie & Co., 298 Richmond street.

F. S. ONN, FISH MARKET—FRESH, salted and smoked fish. We guarantee our goods to be reliable. 'Phone 1,296.

THE SAFFOMORE SELF-EXPANDING Syringe and O. K. Tablets. Sole Agency, 340½ Richmond street, room 2.

WILLIAMS SEWING MACHINE, IN first-class condition, for sale cheap, as party is leaving city. 430 Princess avenue. 69c

FOR SALE—GLADSTONE CUTTER and two robes. Apply 74 King street. 69n

FOR SALE—BAR FIXTURES; CHEAP. Apply Sadlier House. 60tf

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS HIGH oak office desk; in good order and suitable for a bookkeeper; will be sold cheap, as the owner has no further use for it. Apply at this office. 57tf

SLATE ROOFING.

SLATE ROOFING, ASPHALT, CEMENT paint for iron roofs. Walter Scott, 504 York street, London.

STORAGE AND MOVING VANS.

PEOPLE'S MOVING VAN—LARGEST in city. A. Henderson, corner Colborne and Cheapside. 'Phone 1,724.

IMPROVED VANS, BEST STORAGE, private rooms. Furniture for storage carted free. H. Porter & Co., 91 Carling. 'Phones 1,163 and 1,167.

WANTED.

WANTED—$2,500 ON FIRST MORTGAGE at 5 per cent half yearly, on productive city property worth at least $4,000. Address Box [illegible] this office. 81tf

WANTED—200 CORDS SOFT WOOD for brickyard purposes; state quality and price. Address Alex. Johnston, 114 Masonic Temple, London. 81tf

MONEY TO LOAN.

PRIVATE FUNDS AT LOWEST RATES. M. P. McDonagh, barrister, 418 Talbot street.

PRIVATE AND TRUST FUNDS TO loan at 4¾c to 5½ per cent on real estate security, in sums to suit. No commission charged. T. W. Scandrett, solicitor, 98 Dundas street, London.

PRIVATE FUNDS TO LOAN—LOWEST rates. Buchner & Gunn, 83 Dundas street.

MONEY TO LOAN—EASY TERMS; lowest rate. Avery Casey, barrister, 87½ Dundas street, London.

BANKERS AND BROKERS.

I BUY AND SELL ALL LISTED AND unlisted securities. Mining, oil and industrials a specialty. All New York and Chicago stocks dealt in. Write for my list and market letter, and make money. Horace J. Phillips, banker and broker, 704-705 Keystone building, Pittsburg, Pa. 58k-tz

ARCHITECTS.

MATTHEWS & MURRAY, ARCHITECTS, Duffield block. Telephone 966. Herbert Matthews. William Murray.

G. CRADDOCK, ARCHITECT—ALBION building, London.

H. C. McBRIDE, ARCHITECT—SIXTH floor, Bank of Toronto Chambers.

MOORE & HENRY—ARCHITECTS, LAND SURVEYORS, CIVIL ENGINEERS. John M. Moore. Frederick Henry.

MEDICAL CARDS.

J. J. MASON, B.A., M.D., 587 RICHMOND street. 'Phone 388.

DR. BATESON, 589 RICHMOND STREET Specialty, midwifery. Telephone 1,136.

DR. J. B. CAMPBELL, 380 DUNDAS street. Hours, 12 to 4 and 6 to 8.

DR. MEEK, QUEEN'S AVENUE, LONDON—Specialty, diseases of women. Hours, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

HADLEY WILLIAMS, M.D., F.R.C.S. (England)—Specialist, surgical diseases only. 439 Park avenue. 'Phone 824.

DR. McLELLAN, HOMOEOPATHIST—Graduate New York Eye and Ear Hospital, 1889. Specialist eye, ear, nose and throat only. 497 Talbot street.

DR. JAMES D. WILSON, CORNER Talbot and Fullarton. Special attention paid to diseases of children.

DR. BAYLY, 211 QUEEN'S AVENUE—Specialty, diseases of children. 'Phone 827.

R. OVENS, M.D., 225 QUEEN'S AVENUE—Eye, ear, nose and throat.

R. W. SHAW, M.D., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S. (England)—Office, 287 King street. Telephone 839.

DR. C. P. JENTO, 207 QUEEN'S AVENUE. 'Phone 939.

DR. JOHN D. WILSON—OFFICE AND residence, 260 Queen's avenue. Special attention paid to diseases of women and children. Office hours, 11:30 to 4 p.m.

DR. BALFOUR, QUEEN'S AVENUE, opposite St. Andrew's Church—Diseases of women and children. 'Phone 22.

DR. W. J. STEVENSON, 391 DUNDAS street. 'Phone 510. Special attention diseases of women and surgery.

DR. N. R. HENDERSON HAS REMOVED to 473 Park avenue. Eye, ear, nose and throat only.

BOARDING, ROOMS, ETC.

FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED rooms, with or without board. Apply 476 Park avenue. Terms reasonable.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED BY W. H. Bartram, 99 Dundas street.

LICENSES ISSUED BY THOMAS GILLEAN, jeweler, 402 Richmond street.

ISSUED BY C. D. JOHNSTON, 198 Dundas street. Private office.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE—CHEESE FACTORY, IN good district; makes over 100 tons. For particulars apply Box 41, Advertiser. 71n-zxv

DRESS CUTTING SCHOOL.

THE LONDON CUTTING SCHOOL supplies the latest devices for cutting and designing garments. Pupils are carefully instructed until capable cutters. Located permanently. Correspondence solicited. 233½ Dundas street, London, Ont.

INSURANCE.

LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE

Fire and Life Insurance Company.
Capital and Assets exceed $62,000,000.

E. Towe & Co. Agents, City Office—Over Bank, corner Dundas and Richmond Streets. Funds loaned on real estate security. Phone 690 or 1007. zxt

HOTEL CARDS.

CLARENCE HOUSE—NOW IN THE hands of Fitzpatrick & O'Hagan.

BRUNSWICK HOUSE, CORNER YORK and Clarence—$1 per day. M. J. O'Donohue, proprietor.

DOMINION HOUSE — ADJOINING Grand Trunk Railway station, London. J. J. Cox, proprietor.

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

JOHN WRIGHT, STOCK BROKER, London, Ont. 'Phone 683.

SIGN PAINTING.

GLEN BROS., 126 DUNDAS STREET—Headquarters for electric illuminated signs.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

GROCERY STOCK AND BALANCE OF lease of store; central; good business; call for particulars. J. F. Sangster, 112 Masonic Temple.

ELECTRO-VAPOR BATHS.

RHEUMATISM, SCIATICA, LUMBAGO successfully treated. Mrs. Ray Gadsby's massage parlors, 228 Dundas street. 'Phone 1,062.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

NO. 139 QUEEN'S AVENUE—NEARLY new; splendid two-story brick residence, stone foundation, modern improvements, five bedrooms and two parlors, plate glass windows, grillwork between rooms, furnace, bath, etc.; lot, 55x150; easy terms. Apply F. H. Butler, 16 Masonic Tempie. 1tf

FOR SALE—ABOUT 8 ACRES, SUITABLE for market gardener; good house and barn; Saunders survey, Pottersburg. Apply W. Hearman & Son, coal merchants, William street. 59a-zxv

$3,000 WILL BUY THE FOLLOWING properties on the southeast corner of Dundas and Glebe streets: Parcel 1—Two semi-detached two-story frame houses, on brick foundation, 6 rooms each, bath in good repair. Parcel 2—Two small stores. Parcel 3—1½-story frame house and frame barn, on the east of Glebe street. All rented to good tenants. Will pay 9 per cent on the investment. P. Walsh, 110 Dundas street. 'Phone 1,021. b

THREE NEW FRAME HOUSES, WITH cement foundation and cellars; bath, water closet; very desirable dwellings; would rent to good tenants. J. F. Sangster, 112 Masonic Temple.

LEGAL CARDS.

FITZGERALD & FITZGERALD, BARRISTERS. Money to loan. Masonic Tempie, London.

T. W. SCANDRETT — BARRISTER, solicitor, etc., 98 Dundas street, London.

GIBBONS & HARPER—BARRISTERS, etc. London. Office, corner Richmond and Carling streets. George C. Gibbons, K.C.; Fred F. Harper.

JARVIS & VINING — BARRISTERS, etc., 101 Dundas street. C. G. Jarvis; Jared Vining, B.A.

McEVOY & PERRIN—BARRISTERS, solictors, Robinson Hall Chambers, opposite Court House. Money to loan.

PURDOM & PURDOM—BARRISTERS, solicitors, etc. Office, Masonic Temple building, corner Richmond and King streets, London, Ont. Thos. H. Purdom, K.C.; Alexander Purdom.

W. H. BARTRAM—BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, etc.—Office, 99 Dundas street.

E. B. STONE — BARRISTER, ETC. District manager Federal Life. Office, Masonic Temple.

STUART & GUNN—BARRISTERS, ETC. Office, 112 Masonic Temple. Alex. Stuart, K.C.; George C. Gunn.

T. H. LUSCOMBE—BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, etc., 169 Dundas street, near Richmond. Money at lowest rates.

JOHN F. FAULDS—BARRISTER, ETC., Robinson Hall Chambers, opposite Court House. Money to loan.

A. GREENLEES—BARRISTER, ETC., Canadian Loan Company's building, Richmond street, London. Private funds to loan.

HELLMUTH & IVEY—IVEY & DROMGOLE—Barristers, etc., over Bank of Commerce.

BUCHNER & GUNN—BARRISTERS, etc., 83 Dundas street, London; 'phone 99. Money to loan, lowest rates. U. A. Buchner, J. M. Gunn, B.A.

MAGEE, McKILLOP & MURPHY, barristers, solicitors, notaries, etc. Office, corner Richmond and Dundas, London. James Magee, K.C.; J. B. McKillop; Thomas J. Murphy.

DENTAL CARDS.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST—Successor to the late Dr. Davis. Specialty, preservation of natural teeth. 173 Dundas street. 'Phone 975.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY, DENTISTS, 216 Dundas street, next Edy Bros., over Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone 228.

DR. WESTLAND, DENTIST, CHICAGO—Post-graduate in Crown, Bridge and Porcelain work. Philadelphia post-graduate, Porcelain. Masonic Temple, first floor.

DR. A. G. FRASER, DENTIST, 189 Dundas street. Telephone 1,381.

DR. HARRY SILK, DENTIST, 185½ Dundas street. Terms, cash. Telephones: Office, 1,248; residence, 1,244.

MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

G. D. ATKINSON, ORGANIST DUNDAS Center Church—Teacher piano and organ playing. Studio, 425 Dundas. zyxwv

MR. A. D. JORDAN, ORGANIST OF First Methodist Church—Tteacher of piano and organ. London Conservatory of Music. Apply for terms, etc.

ST. JOHN HYTTENRAUCH—PUPILS received for piano, harmony, sight singing, history. Residence, 781 Richmond, or homes of pupils.

CYRIL DWIGHT-EDWARDS, BARITONE, late London, England—Instruction in art of absolute voice production, breathing and singing. Concert and other engagements. 341 Dundas.

JAMES CRESSWELL, TEACHER OF violin. Conductor Grand Opera House Orchestra. Pupils received. 523 King street.

GEORGE C. PHELPS, ORGANIST ST. James' Episcopal Church — Teacher piano, harmony, theory. Studio, 321 King street. Telephone 999.

ROSELLE POCOCKE, ORGANIST AND choirmaster King Street Presbyterian Church. Teacher of voice, violin and piano. 379 King street.

J. W. FETHERSTON, TEACHER OF singing, piano, theory. Studio, 325 Queen's avenue. Telephone 1,432.

W. A. BLUETHNER, TEACHER OF piano and harmony. Studio, Nordheimer's.

CHARLES E. WHEELER, ORGANIST St. Andrew's Church. Subjects: Organ, piano, harmony, singing. Studio, 640 Wellington. 'Phone 1,527.

MARGARET B. McCOY, SOPRANO soloist, Dundas Center Church—Church and concert engagements and pupils accepted. 512 Dufferin avenue.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

JOHN H. WILSON, VETERINARY surgeon—Office and residence, 346 Richmond street. 'Phone 430.

TENNENT & BARNES, VETERINARY surgeons—Office, 137 King street; residence and infirmary, corner King and Wellington. 'Phones 688 and 273. Treatment of dogs a specialty.

W. R. KINCAID, VETERINARY SURGEON—Twenty years' experience. Office, 117 King. Residence, 365 Ridout. Telephone 455.

MASSEUSE.

MRS. HARRIETTA CAULA — MASSEUSE and scalp specialist. Massage a cure for wrinkles, facial blemishes, rheumatism, sciatica and nervousness. 151 Maple street.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MME. ROWAN, PALMIST AND MIND reader, is still at the Metropolitan Hotel. 71n

LESSONS GIVEN IN EMBROIDERY and all kinds of fancy work. 501½ Richmond street.

OSTEOPATHY.

H. V. CATON, OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN—Consultation free. 405½ Richmond street, corner Dundas.

LAWYERS TOO STRENUOUS

Police Magistrate Had To Call Them Down.

Abram Roys' Reputation Gets Him a Place in the Central.

This morning those who attended the police court, whether on compulsion or otherwise, were treated to an unexpected outburst from Messrs. Essery and Meredith. Mr. E. Meredith was defending Mrs. A. Strichan, who was charged with keeping a disorderly house in the same block where Mr. Essery has his office. That is, Mr. Essery was the complainant, and the magistrate's suggestion was that he withdraw the charge and adjourn the case until Thursday for that purpose. It was not clear what started the contention, but the two lawyers quarreled in such a way that the magistrate had to tell them that he would hear no more of it.

When Abraham Roys told his tale of woe the other day, he did not count on getting a bad reputation from Hamilton. The mere fact that he lived there was, of course, enough to make the authorities here suspicious, and today the magistrate said that their suspicions had been well founded, for the man had been given 90 days to get out of that city.

Hamilton being too good for Roys, P. M. Love picked out the next worse place, and ordered his being taken to Toronto for three months, where he will be prevented from begging by resting in the Central Prison. Roys wanted his sentence reduced to 89 days, but this wasn't bargain day, so he was sentenced to three months.

Thomas Loney looked very sorrowful when remanded until Saturday. He is the man who stole some boots, but whose hard-luck story was to be investigated. The chief said there were a number of things in Loney's possession which he had not satisfactorily accounted for. Loney said he was quite willing to explain, and semed surprised that he should be given five days to do so.

There were several intoxes on the register. Two were remanded for a few days, two were discharged, it being their first offense, and Mary Spail was let go on her paying a previous fine of two dollars.

Two young men who had their cases adjourned a week ago to allow them to settle with a liverman, whose whip they had broken and whose robe they had lost, came up again today, and were given another week to settle. The men have since found a robe, the ownership of which the liveryman denies, but which they allege belongs to him, claiming that it is a hold-up on his part.

M. Finch, restaurant keeper, was fined $20 and costs for selling liquor without a license, the offense having been committed a few nights ago at a club supper.

SPOT TO THE RESCUE

Dog Rescues Girl Whose Hands Were Tied by Burglar.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—A faithful watchdog gnawed at the bonds which were cutting to the bone on a young girl's wrists, and finally severed the cords and saved the family jewels of its mistress, Mrs. R. A. Barclay, No. 3,653 Grand Boulevard.

The burglar, long feared by the mistress of the house, attempted entrance early in the afternoon, and Miss Anna Hastings opened the basement door to him.

A big negro confronted her, and she was bound and gagged in a moment. The colored man carried her to the first floor of the building and left her in the kitchen.

The watchdog, Spot, had been playing about, and as soon as the burglar left the room to secure the jewelry about the house, Miss Hastings, who is the companion of Mrs. Barclay, called to the dog and commanded it to cut the bonds about her wrists.

The dog set at the task, and in a moment Miss Hastings was free, and ran to the front of the house, despite the presence of the burglar in the dining-room.

At the front doorstep Miss Hastings cried loudly for help, and the negro made his escape from the back door, leaving all the valuables which he had collected in the library.

SO RAPIDLY does lung irritation spread and deepen, that often in a few weeks a simple cough culminates in tubercular consumption. Give heed to a cough, there is always danger in delay, get a bottle of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, and cure yourself. It is a medicine unsurpassed for all throat and lung troubles. It is compounded from several herbs, each one of which stands at the head of the list as exerting a wonderful influence in curing consumption and all lung diseases.

LOST AND FOUND.

WILL THE MAN THAT WAS SEEN enticing a Scotch collie pup from the corner of William and Piccadilly streets on Friday afternoon, return to 733 William street? 71c

LOST, SUNDAY—SMALL BLACK DOG; answers to "Nigger": had on strap with city tag attached. Reward, 65 Stanley street. 71c

LOST—A COLLIE DOG; SABLE COLOR; white markings. Reward at 529 Quebec street. 71c

LOST—COLLIE BITCH PUP; WHITE nose and front feet. 247 Oxford. Reward. 70u

HOUSES, ETC., TO LET.

OFFICE ROOM TO RENT—BANK OF Commerce buildings. Apply Ivey & Dromgole, barristers. 35tf

TWO OFFICES, WITH VAULTS, ALBION buildings. Apply to T. H. Carling, at the Brewery. 52tf

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Furniture carefully handled. John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London, late of London Furniture Company. 'Phone 310.

FOREST CITY MOVING VANS, 257 Talbot street. Residence, 554½ Waterloo. Telephone 1,444. Broughton-McKim.

$3 PER MONTH FOR STORE—GOOD stand for grocer, butcher, laundry or plumbing. Apply 60 Stanley street. 70n-tzyvty

EDUCATIONAL.

THE LONDON STUDIO OF ELOCUTION, Vocal and Physical Culture. Miss Mydra I. Lent, 238 Princess avenue.

J. A. YOUNG PREPARES PUPILS FOR matriculation, etc. Class in civil service commencing. 349 Princess.

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE—PETER IMLARY, lot 21, con. 6; Dec. 8; 15 new milch cows, 30 cows due for calves in March and April, 25 store cattle, 5 brood sows, 40 store hogs. Thomas Clark, auctioneer. b

THIS MAN EATS MONEY

Absentmindedly Mistook It for Plug of Tobacco.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 7.—Occasions of persons burning their money through mistake are not infrequent, but it is rather unusual for a man to eat money accidentally. Such was the luck of Frank Kreimer, a farmer, living near this city.

Mr. Kreimer started from his home the other day to a neighbor's to buy a hog, and as he passed out of the house he picked up two or three leaves of long green tobacco and stuffed them in his pocket with a $5 bill. On the way he had to pass through a woods pasture, and there he espied a squirrel.

Watching the squirrel, and with his mind entirely on it, Kreimer reached into his pocket, crumbled up a leaf of the tobacco and bit a chew off it. He thought the tobacco tasted rather queer, but continued to chew it until he arrived at the neighbor's, made the deal for the hog and started to pay for it. He made the discovery that only half the bill was in his pocket; the rest of it was missing. Then he thought of that odd tasting quid of tobacco, and investigated. In biting off the leaf tobacco he had bitten the bill in two with it, and had been chewing half of it for about an hour.

LACKAYE ARRESTED

Super Said Actor Assaulted Him, but Charge Was Dismissed.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 7. — Wilton Lackaye, the star in the play, "The Pit," was arrested today on a warrant sworn out by John Wickener, of this city, who charged the actor with striking him last night. Wickener was one of the supers and one of the excited brokers in the cotton pit scene.

He says he was laughing at the star's misfortune, as he had been told to do, whereupon Lackaye shoved and kicked him, and after the performance ordered him out of the house.

In his defense Lackaye said the young man had been creating a disturbance the entire week and made an otherwise impressive scene ridiculous. He denied having assaulted the man. The charge was dismissed by Justice Loden.

HEN TOOK FREE RIDE

Confused by Advancing Express, It Roosted Between Cars.

New York, Dec. 7.—A little speckled hen had a free ride yesterday on an express train on the Lackawanna Railroad, boarding it while it was running at about 40 miles an hour, and alighting at the next stop.

The train was moving west, and as it passed through East Orange, N. J., the hen became confused, hesitated, and then ran directly for the train, flying to the platform between the last two cars. It lit on the railing.

The train sped on until Brick Church was reached. There the hen hopped off and strutted with much cackling and ruffling of feathers down Evergreen Place.

FLOWERS IN THE ARCTIC

Prof. Schei Saw Whole Meadows of Them in His Last Polar Trip.

London, Dec. 7. — Prof. Schei, the geologist, who accompanied the recent Sverdrup expedition, has written an interesting paper for the Christiania Geographical Society, about the vegetation which was found in Ellesmere Land in the Arctic regions.

It appears from the paper that there are whole meadows full of Arctic flowers, and there are so-called bird mountains, which might almost be described as botanical gardens. A slope discovered over one bay was completely covered with a violet covered carpet of saxifraga and oppositifolia. Traces were found in stony debris which proved that there were formerly in those regions flowers which now only grow in warm climates like Australia.

RECALL WAS UNANIMOUS

Rev. H. C. Speller Surprised by Sarnia Baptist Church.

His Flock Want Him Back — Handsome Presentation.

The Sarnia Post of Saturday says: One of the largest gatherings that the room ever contained assembled in the lecture room of the Central Baptist Church on Wednesday evening last to enjoy a social evening and do honor to the Rev. H. C. Speller and Mrs. Speller, the latter feature being in the nature of a most complete and very pleasant surprise to the beloved pastor and his estimable wife.

After a very pleasing musical programme Mr. George S. Samis, came forward with a beautifully illuminated and engrossed address, which he read to the late pastor and Mrs. Speller, while Mrs. W. J. Barber and Mrs. James K. Nelson presented the worthy couple with two purses of gold and a basket of choice flowers, the gold amounting to over $100. The address referred to Mr. Speller's faithful ministry for nearly nine years, and expressed sorrow at the thought of separation.

THE RECALL.

The Post goes on to say: "The climax of the deep feeling which has been stirring the people, not only of the immediate membership and congregation of the Central Baptist Church, but of many throughout the town of other creeds and denominations, was reached on Thursday evening at the monthly business meeting, when a largely attended gathering of the membership of the church passed an unanimous call to Rev. H. C. Speller to again assume the position of pastor of the church. So unanimous was the call that on the formal motion to make it unanimous there was not a single dissenting voice. The unanimity and strength of feeling which characterized the call makes it almost certain that Mr. Speller will accept, and the church is certainly to be congratulated upon having again secured so earnest, able and faithful a minister of the word. It is hoped that at a very early date Mr. Speller will see his way clear to favorably receive the spontaneous and unanimous call tendered him. With the unanimity that appears to prevail in the church, it is evident that there are great things in store for pastor and people."

25 Thousand People

are today eating Tea Biscuits and Cake made with PURITY BAKING POWDER. Are You?

It makes delicious, appetizing and nourishing food. Only 20c pound.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,
Chemists and Druggists,
216 Dundas Street.

THAMESFORD.

Thamesford, Dec. 7. — A little more snow and this locality would present a model for a Canadian December.

O. M. Alger, editor of the Embro Courier, was here on the 3rd inst. He is trying to arrange for a printing establishment in this village.

The lecture given in the school house on Friday, Dec. 4, was well-attended, and the subject "Buried Civilization" was ably handled by the university professor of Toronto. There is some talk of the promoters of these lectures having for the last one of the series the subject "The Jungles of Africa," with a lantern to illustrate the different views.

The branch of the Traders' Bank in this village is doing a good business. Pro. Mgr. W. A. Sinister, of Ingersoll, and Pro. Accountant C. A. Barfett, of Toronto, are both very promising and popular young men, and no doubt will make the best of citizens. The community wishes them success.

James Keys was in the Forest City over Sunday, the 6th inst.

Miss Patterson, of Kinardine, is the guest of Mrs. B. B. McCarty for a short time, preparatory to leaving for the Pacific Coast.

Mr. J. W. Pengelly was here on Saturday, looking after the Singer Company's interests.

Geo. Mercer, sen., is very ill with la grippe.

Some of our people attended the opening of Mr. Malcolm's store, Dec. 4, at Lakeside. There was a very large crowd, but they report a nice outing and a very enjoyable dance.

Teameeting tonight in the Presbyterian Church gives promise of being largely attended.

Who Is Foster?

London, Dec. 7. — The London Daily News says: Hon. Mr. Foster before returning to Canada remarked that forty millions of people were hard to permeate with adequate ideas of empire. We would rather suggest that twelve millions of colonists are hard to permeate with adequate ideas of the motherland. Who is Foster? Lord Aberdeen, arriving at Edinburgh on Sunday from London, and finding no hansom cab, drove to his club in a milk wagon.

The Fiscal Campaign.

London, Dec. 7.—The parliamentary committee of the Co-operative Congress, in a protest against food taxes, says its own societies produce £2,800,000 worth of flour. Mr. Chamberlain's proposal would add to the cost of the purchaser at least £500,000. The tax proposed would also add £366,000 to the cost of the dairy and £200,000 to meet the 10 per cent duty on manufactured articles. The scheme would seriously hit the co-operative movement in Lancashire and Yorkshire especially.

Snaps for Gentlemen.

Another lot of 20th Century Sample Suits and Overcoats at cost price:

5 Men's Suits .. .. $22 for **$17**
9 Men's Suits .. .. $20 for **$15**
11 Men's Suits .. .. $18 for **$14**
7 Men's Suits .. .. $16 for **$12**
6 Men's Suits .. .. $14 for **$10**

13 Overcoats, reductions as above.

11 pairs of Trousers, reductions as above.

The above are all this fall's samples. Call at once and

London Advertiser.

TWO EDITIONS DAILY - WEEKLY

TELEPHONE CALLS.

Business Office 107
Editorial Department 124
Job Department 175

LONDON, MONDAY, DEC. 7.

Canadian Commerce and Its Channels.

The trade and navigation returns of the Dominion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, have just been distributed and contain a mass of interesting information as to the character and course of Canadian commerce. The total foreign trade of Canada in 1903 was $459,640,240, as compared with $239,025,360 in 1896. The exports and imports for the two years were:

	1896	1903.
Exports	$121,013,852	$225,849,724
Imports	110,587,480	233,790,516

The exports have nearly doubled in seven years, and the imports have more than doubled. The exports were classified as follows:

	1896.	1903.
Mine	$ 8,059,650	$31,064,861
Fisheries	11,077,765	11,800,184
Forest	27,175,686	36,386,015
Animals and their produce	36,507,641	69,817,542
Agricultural products	14,083,361	44,624,321
Manufactures	9,365,384	20,624,967

It will be noticed there has been an increase in every class, but it is most marked in the products of the mine, the farm and the factory. The countries purchasing from Canada more than $1,000,000 worth of produce in the fiscal year 1903 were as follows:

Great Britain	$131,202,321
United States	71,783,924
France	1,341,618
Germany	2,097,699
Belgium	2,150,550
Newfoundland	2,516,576
West Indies	3,642,176
South America	2,542,056
Australia	2,929,861

These figures show that Great Britain is far and away the best customer of this country. The bulk of our exports of animals and their produce and of agricultural products go to the old country. The United States is the greatest purchaser of the produce of Canadian mines. Of our exports of fishery and forest products, the United States and Great Britain take equal amounts. It is the farmer to whom the British market is the chief prize.

Turning to our purchases from other countries we find that the United States is our principal supply depot. Our imports this year from the following countries were:

Great Britain	$ 58,896,901
United States	137,605,195
France	6,580,029
Germany	12,282,637
Holland	1,270,540
Belgium	2,800,182
Newfoundland	1,197,581
West Indies	2,379,275
South America	1,989,952
China and Japan	1,939,542

Our enormous purchases from the United States are explained by the fact that most of the raw material imported by Canadian manufacturers comes from that country. Great Britain sends us comparatively little as the following import table shows:

	Dutiable.	Free
Great Britain	$42,438,575	$16,630,111
United States	75,278,483	69,485,892

It is the fashion for those who want to find fault with the tariff policy of the Dominion Government to point to the aggregate value of our imports from the United States, and suggest that the country is being swamped with goods that should be made at home. The question cannot be fairly considered unless the imports are analyzed. Below will be found a list of free goods imported from Great Britain and the United States, which throws some light on the matter. The importation of nearly $7,000,000 worth of anthracite coal from the United States is surely not a subject of complaint, seeing that no hard coal is mined in this country. The wood-working industries and the western settlers demand free forest products. Undressed furs, hides and skins, flax, hemp, raw tobacco, coke, raw cotton and crude rubber are the raw materials for great staple industries in this country, and it so happens that manufacturers are able to buy them more cheaply in the United States than elsewhere. We imported last year $5,287,583 worth of settlers' effects from across the line. No one is so foolish as to propose a tariff on these articles. From the United States we also received over $8,000,000 worth of coin and bullion, but so far there has been no objection to money entering the country. The duty was taken off binder twine, Indian corn, barbed and other fencing wire, and cream separators to lighten the farmers' burden. These articles are as much the raw materials of the farmer as cotton wool is the raw material of the cotton manufacturer. It will be found that the other items on the list, apart from fruits and coffee, which are not grown in this country, are mainly products which enter into industrial processes and which the Canadian manufacturer desires to purchase duty free:

	From G. Britain	From the U. S.
China clay	$ 46,322	$ 15,669
Hard coal	345,015	6,683,649
Ores of metals	173	589,921
Salt for fisheries	236,734	9,423
Forest products	3,294	4,836,200
Animals for improvement manufacture	262	415,841
Furs, undressed	354,483	1,190,314
Grease for soap manufacture	262	415,841
Hides and skins	1,301,762	2,612,332
Wool	568,070	307,672
Green fruit	.....	902,235
Undressed hemp	.....	3,250,329
Manila grass	164,133	268,850
Flax	42,915	1,303,758
Raw tobacco	79,966	2,241,297
Binder twine	96	1,809,865
Fire brick for manufactures	130,522	295,753
Coke	70,469	1,152,287
Raw cotton	28,788	5,936,729
Jute cloth, unfinished	735,221	32,949
Copper for manufactures	35,044	1,382,865
Cream separators	174,275	404,916
Iron and steel products for manufactures	466,207	1,699,002
Tin	229,878	428,153
Barbed wire fencing	42,031	620,851
Galvanized iron or steel wire	22,269	597,200
Beet sugar machinery	80	603,142
Mining machinery	24,235	951,220
Steel rails	1,861,790	1,470,787
Cocoanut and palm oil	66,553	107,036
Crude rubber	5,941	1,527,074
Yarn for factories	292,922	63,101
Coffee, green	65,643	43,148
Settlers' effects	1,117,843	5,287,883
Gold and silver coin	95,643	7,863,625
Gold bullion	10,220	670,373
Silver bullion	.....	280,960

Figures are not dry when they tell a tale of such marvelous development as do the statistics of Canadian trade. Canada's record of over 100 per cent increase in foreign trade in seven years is without a parallel in the world. Other tests—banking statistics, land sales, immigration returns—are equally satisfactory. The Canada of seven years ago can hardly be recognized in the prosperous Canada of today. It is laughable to recall the prophecies of blue ruin which followed the introduction of the Government's tariff in 1897. Sir Charles Tupper will not care to have these words of his recalled:

"I feel that so far from rejoicing at it from a party standpoint, I deplore from the bottom of my heart the ruin that is going to be inflicted upon the best interests of Canada and upon its great industries. Still, I unhesitatingly say that, from a party point of view, the honorable gentlemen are doing our work; they are showing the people of this country that no reliance can be placed upon the most solemn declarations that they make either in the House or out of it; they are showing the people of this country that, having obtained power, which was all they wished for, they are now prepared to abuse that power at a cost of sacrifice of the industries of Canada."

Vocal Registration.

[Guelph Mercury.]

Patti may have weakened a little on her upper register, but she has still a firm grip on her cash register.

A Sincere Protest.

[Washington Star.]

"Don't you suspect that this sensational preacher uses religion as a cloak?"

"Worse than that," answered the conservative clergyman, "he uses it as a circus tent."

Theater Hat Question.

[London Daily Mirror.]

As a theatrical manager, I am inclined to see a good deal of merit in the American method of disposing of the difficulty of the femmine hat; the man of true fashion takes three seats—one for himself, one for the lady, and one for her hat. I confess the plan strikes me as at once eminently gallant, and eminently profitable.

R. I. P.

[Pertopolis Post.]

He adopted the no-breakfast fad.

He cut out noon lunch for health's sake.

He walked ten miles a day for exercise.

He abandoned tea drinking.

He quit drinking coffee.

He gave up meat.

He stopped eating vegetables.

He slept in the open air.

Now he rests in peace beneath the beautiful snow.

Taken at Last.

[Yale Record.]

Ethel—So Edith has finally caught the nobleman she was trying to hook?

Marjory—Yes, she said in her last letter that he belongs to the landed gentry.

New Idea in Monuments.

[S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.]

Let us fashion a lofty shaft and white
That will tower forever and a day
Upon some splendid, enduring height
To dazzle all who may pass that way.

Not in honor of anyone
Who founds a nation, or with his pen,
Or brush, surpasses what has been done
Since art has appealed to the sons of men.

Not for the hero who wins in war,
And not for the man of millions who
Keeps working for more and more, but for
The man who, having enough, is through.

Post-Nuptial Pleasantry.

[Cricago Tribune.]

"I wonder if you have an idea how foolish you looked when you asked me to marry you?"

"No, I haven't, but I know I couldn't have looked half as foolish as I was."

How to Perpetuate Prosperity.

[Paris Star-Transcript.]

Of late the large dailies have been dilating at length on the hard times that are coming. Do not these papers, by daily pouring forth this tale of woe, superinduce hard times? People reading the items begin to save, even in what they almost consider necessities. The result is that money is tighter—times become hard. If the papers would take a more optimistic view, the result would be to lessen the hard times, if they do come.

What It May Do.

[Chicago Post.]

"Be philosophical. What's the use of regret anyway?"

"Of no use, unless it leads you to avoid doing the same old foolish thing again."

Credo.

[Mrs. Mary Ashley Townsend.]

I believe if I should die,
And you should kiss my eyelids when I lie
Cold, dead and dumb as all the world contains,
The folded orbs would open at thy breath,
And, from its exile in the isles of death,
Life would come gladly back along my veins.

I believe if I were dead,
And you upon my lifeless heart should tread,
Not knowing what the poor clod chanced to be,
I would find sudden pulse beneath the touch
Of him it ever loved in life so much,
And throb again—warm, tender, true to thee.

I believe if on my grave,
Hidden in woody depths or by the wave,
Your eyes should drop some warm tears of regret,
From every salty seed of your dear grief,
Some fair, sweet blossom would leap into leaf,
To prove death could not make my love forget.

I believe if I should fade
Into some mystic realms where light is made,
And you should long once more my face to see,
I would come forth upon the hills of night
And gather stars, like fagots, till thy sight,
Led by their beacon-blaze, fell full on me.

I believe my faith in thee
(Strong as my life), so nobly placed to be,
I would as soon expect to see the sun
Fall like a dead king from his height sublime,
His glory stricken from the throne of time,
As thee unworthy the worship thou hast won.

I believe who hath not loved
Hath half the sweetness of his life unproved;
Like one who, with the grape within his grasp,
Drops it, with all its crimson juice unpressed,
And all its luscious sweetness left unguessed,
Out from his careless and unheeding clasp.

I believe love, pure and true,
Is to the soul a sweet, immortal dew,
That gems life's petals in the hour of dusk,
The waiting angels see and recognize
The rich crown-jewel, Love of Paradise,
When life falls from us like a withered husk.

THE MESSAGE TO U. S. CONGRESS

Continued from Page 1.

all the questions submitted by the terms of the conference.

"The result is satisfactory in every way. It is of great material advantage to our people in the far Northwest. It has removed from the field of discussion and possible danger a question liable to become more acutely accentuated with each passing year. Finally, it has furnished a signal proof of fairness and goodwill, with which two friendly nations can approach and determine issues involving national sovereignty, and by their nature incapable of submission to a third power for adjudication.

"Immediately after the adjournment of Congress a revolution broke out in Panama. The people of Panama had long been discontented with the Republic of Colombia, and they had been kept quiet only by the prospect of the conclusion of the treaty, which was to them a matter of vital concern. When it became evident that the treaty was hopelessly lost, the people of Panama rose literally to one man. Not a shot was fired by a single man on the isthmus in the interest of the Colombian Government."

In short, he continues, the experiences of over half a century has shown Colombia to be utterly incapable of keeping order on the isthmus.

Under such circumstances the Government of the United States would have been guilty of folly and weakness, amounting in their sum to a crime against the nation had it acted otherwise than it did when the revolution of Nov. 3 last took place in Panama.

THE LUCANIA WON

British Liner Runs Away From the American Flyer.

London, Dec. 7. — Since Nov. 1, at which date the American line changed its sailings from Wednesdays to Saturdays to compete with the Cunard Line in carrying the American mails, there has been a keen rivalry between the two lines.

A speed contest to the eastward was ended yesterday when the Lucania arrived at Queenstown at noon, thus insuring the delivery of her mails in London this morning. The Cunarder left New York, Nov. 28, at 11 a.m., for Liverpool, one hour after the American liner left for Southampton. At a late hour last night the St. Paul had not been reported at Southampton.

A PITIFUL PLEA

Wife Asks To Go to Jail Instead of Her Husband.

Watertown, Dec. 7.—It was a pitiful scene that came to the notice of Judge E. C. Emerson in county court when James A. Duncan was called to plead to the six indictments of forgery against him. Beside Duncan sat his wife, crying aloud, a wee baby in her arms, two little tots with heads on her knees, all crying. The fourth child, and next to the youngest, not yet old enough to walk, was being held by the prisoner at the bar.

When the six indictments were read he was advised by his attorney, V. K. Kellogg, to plead guilty to the first five. Duncan acted on his advice, and then burst into tears, burying his head on the clerk's desk.

As Duncan was about to be sworn Mrs. Duncan, with the babe in her arms, arose and said:

"Judge, will you allow me to say a word? Take me instead of him, and leave him to take care of the children. I am not able to take care of this family."

Duncan was sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

THE SLEEPY KING WAS RATHER SLOW

Saturday's Performance at Grand a Disappointment.

LEADING ROLE WAS POOR ONE

For a Comedian of Walter Jones' Ability—Manager Ben Stern in the City.

The Walter Jones Comic Opera Company Saturday afternoon and evening presented "The Sleepy King" at the Grand. It is a piece in two acts, and was written by George V. Hobart, the music being composed by G. E. Conteno, a New York bandmaster of the Sousa type. The "plot" hinges on the inconveniences of a sleepy monarch of Persia, who finds it necessary to sleep at all times, resting his head on the shoulders of his guests, on the leaves of palms and on pillows lying lonesome-looking in the center of the stage. In short, it is the limit of light opera or musical comedy foolishness, and to this distinguishing character may be added, without prejudice, the fact that it is laggy, and devoid of humor. That it possesses no humor is proven by the flat attempts of such clever people as Walter Jones, Ed Redway and Nellie O'Neil to extract fun from it, and cause the audience to laugh.

Walter Jones, whose appearance here in "The Chaperons," a couple of years ago, in an inexpressibly funny role, and whose memory has been cherished by local theatergoers ever since, was Saturday but one degree removed from signal failure. His part was weak, deplorably weak, and his voice, which appears to have gone back on him, could not be heard distinctly ten seats back from the footlights. And the major portion of what was intended to be funny was lost on the audience. It seems a pity that a man of Jones' ability should smother himself in such an atmosphere as that of "The Sleepy King."

Mr. Jones' leading support was furnished by Mr. Ed Redway, who has been Jones' running mate for years, and who played Jones' part in "The Chaperons" a year ago in London, when the leading comedian was ill. His part of Yankee D. Picklesauer, an American traveler, was well-taken, and to Redway may be given credit for the only real humor of the performance.

Miss Nellie O'Neil, whose last appearance in London was in "The Female Drummer," in the London Opera House, three years ago, was given a warm reception by the audience, and after leading one song and chorus, she was recalled a half dozen times.

There are two animal characters in "The Sleepy King," an owl and a goat, and both are taken by little Dave Abrahams, who was the clever cat of "The Show Girl."

Miss Catherine Linyard, the Princess of the piece, sung very well, as did also Mr. Geo. Fiske, as the Wandering Troubodour. The remainder of the cast were not better than the ordinary.

The music is not at all of a pleasing character, and the several numbers, with the exception of that rendered by Miss O'Neil, were coldly received. The choruses were average.

The settings and costuming were of a high order.

BEN STERN IN LONDON.

Mr. Ben Stern, business manager of "The Silver Slipper" Company, which is billed to appear at the Grand a week from Tuesday, was in London Saturday. Mr. Stern is one of the best-known theatrical men in America, and his connection with "The Silver Slipper" is a certificate of character for that production. Years ago, when David Belasco, now a wealthy manager and writer of plays, was on the ground floor, he and Mr. Stern roomed together in New York, in a tenement house. Later both made money, and took to different fields, though in the same line of business. In his day Mr. Stern has been connected with the tours of all the big theatrical stars, including Sir Henry Irving and Ellen Terry, Mary Anderson, and Fanny Davenport. He also conducted one of Patti's tours, and was with Mrs. Langtry the first time she toured America, in 1883. He was also manager of the famous Carleton Opera Company, and of the first London Gaiety Company to visit America, and last year was with the "Foxy Quiller" Company.

"The Silver Slipper," as is well-known, is modeled after "Florodora," and Mr. Stern speaks highly of the production. The company is composed of 100 people, who travel all over the United States, and Canada, in a special train of five cars. In one ballroom scene, Mr. Stein says twelve gowns, worth $500 a piece, and made by Worth, of Paris, are shown, the entire production costing its owner $50,000.

Mr. George F. Beard, representing "The Country Girl," is in the city today. "The Country Girl" will be seen at the Grand next Monday night, and it is said to be the most tuneful and pretty musical comedy that now holds the boards.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Genuine

Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Must Bear Signature of

Brent Good

See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

Very small and as easy to take as sugar.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

FOR HEADACHE.
FOR DIZZINESS.
FOR BILIOUSNESS.
FOR TORPID LIVER.
FOR CONSTIPATION.
FOR SALLOW SKIN.
FOR THE COMPLEXION

CURE SICK HEADACHE.

CHRISTMAS LINENS.

ONE of the most important features of the Christmas season is the embellishment of the festive table. Fine Linens occupy a prominent place amongst the decorations. We carry a full and complete range of Fine Irish Table Damasks, Napkins and Centers, also Fine Fancy Linens, exquisite patterns; dainty and patient needlework on fine flax fabrics; pieces for all sorts of house use and home adornment, and yet the moderate prices bring them within everybody's means.

Novelties in Tray Cloths, Centers, Doilies, Tea Cloths, Pillow Shams.

Teneriffe Wheel Lace Work from Funchal, in Doilies, square or round. From 25c to $1 35.

Fine Linen Doilies, Tray Cloths and Tea Cloths; worked by the Japanese of Tokio; finest goods on the market in hand-drawn work.

Doilies from 15c to 48c. Tray Cloths from 75c to 97c.

Centers from 48c to 75c. Tea Cloths from $1 25 to $1 50.

Very fine Irish hand-embroidered, in beautiful, heavily-worked designs, in Tray Cloths, Tea Cloths and Dresser Covers, etc.; a full assortment.

Swiss Embroidered Pillow Shams; exquisite designs with Dresser Covers to match.

Fine Irish Linen Hand Loom Table Damask and Napkins in sets. A full range of designs, made of pure flax, from $6 00 to $30 00 per set.

Irish Table Damask in all widths, absolutely pure flax, twenty different designs.

Irish Table Napkins in endless variety; all sizes and prices.

Plain Irish Linen, hemstitched for drawn work—Center Pieces, Tray Cloths and Tea Cloth sizes.

Fine Sheer Linen for Handkerchiefs and Centers, 36 inches wide, in many qualities, from 50c to $1 65 per yard.

Art Denims, French Sateens and Draperies for Cushions and Easy Corners. The latest designs at from 18c to 32c.

KINGSMILL'S

A FIRST-CLASS ATTRACTION.

"The Gay Mr. Goldstein," an excellent comedy to be presented at the Grand tomorrow night, is head by Mr. Harry Stubbs, who has long been identified with stock companies in the larger cities, and is known as a very humorous comedian. The company includes a number of fine specialty artists. Speaking of Harry Stubbs in "The Gay Mr. Goldstein," the Chicago American says: "In addition to being young and good-looking, Harry Stubbs is an artist to his finger tips. Chicago sees few such clever comedians in the course of the theatrical year."

MARGARET ANGLIN AND HENRY MILLER.

When Margaret Anglin and Henry Miller appear at the Grand tonight playgoers will have an opportunity to see two of America's foremost stars, supported by their own metropolitan company. It is seldom that one star such as either of these can be seen in this city, so the combination of the two makes the event the chief dramatic feature of the season. Miss Anglin is looked upon now in New York, by managers and critics as the greatest actress left this side of the water. To see her in a play is an experience never forgotten. Mr. Miller, who, for ten years, has been steadily climbing to his present leading place on the national stage, is one of the most brilliant exponents of intellectual drama now before the public. A large audience should be at the Grand tonight.

NEAR-BY JOTTINGS

By Special Correspondents of the Daily and Weekly Advertiser.

Contributors' names are not published, but all letters should be signed and dated.

SOUTH DELAWARE.

South Delaware, Dec. 7.—Miss Forbes, our popular teacher, is on the sick list.

Turkeys are a luxury in this part of the country. Buyers are now paying 12 cents a pound, live weight.

William Scott is buying up a herd of dairy cows.

Rev. R. McIntyre has been secured for the fourth time as chairman at the River Road Sunday school entertainment, Southwold. This speaks volumes for Mr. McIntyre's popularity. The entertainment will be held on Dec. 23.

Mrs. E. Parsons is laid up with sickness.

Miss May McFarlane spent a few days at D. Campbell's.

Parker & Son, of Sparta, are busy threshing beans in this part of the county. The yield is about 25 bushels to the acre, and the sample is very good.

D. Campbell has bought a handsome chestnut pacer from Dr. Evely, of St. Thomas—one which can step away down in the "teens."

W. S. West, barrister, of Woodstock, spent Sunday here with his sister, Mrs. D. Campbell.

John Leach, foreman for L. Lion, has left for the lumber woods. Mr. Leach has secured Mr. Mathews to take his place here.

John McFarlane has engaged Arthur Dean, of Tilsonburg, as foreman of his stables.

Parsons Bros. are remodeling their stables.

Thomas Parsons, who left two weeks ago with three carloads of choice export cattle, has arrived in Glasgow, and struck one of the best markets of the season.

James Campbell has sold a load of cattle to John Campbell, of Lawrence.

Quite a number from this district attended a school entertainment at Littlewood on Friday evening, and enjoyed themselves immensely. The scholars took their different parts exceedingly well under the able management of their teacher, John Bannatyne. The school room was handsomely decorated with bunting, evergreens and very appropriate mottoes. Among the outsiders who contributed to the enjoyment of the evening and had to respond to repeated encores, were the following: Mis Ethel Mann, the leading soprano singers of Littlewood Methodist Church, Messrs. Cole and Swindle, in their harmonica duets; James Dalgilsh, violin solos; the Misses Piper and Taylor, and Mr. N. Griffith acted as accompanists during the evening. Rev. R. McIntyre and Rev. Mr. Irwin addressed the school in a few well-chosen words. In the trustees' report, presented during the evening, it was shown how much they appreciate the work of the teacher by his salary being raised $50 for the ensuing year. Edgar Stanton presided over the meeting, and made a model chairman.

Miss S. McPherson, who has been on the sick list for some time, is now in her usual good health.

McPherson Bros. were in London on Saturday on business.

Love Bros. furnished the organ for the school entertainment at Littlewood.

Misses Jessie and Helen Johnston and Gladys Malcolm are guests of Miss Lena McFarlane this week.

Miss May, of Toronto, who has been visiting at John Henry May's, is enjoying herself so well that she will stay for a few weeks longer.

Miss Bertha Vicary and her brothers attended the wedding of their cousin, Mr. Wm. Axford, and Miss Hunt, of Scotsville, on Wednesday evening.

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, Dec. 7.—The local lodge of I. O. F. elected the following officers for 1904 at their regular meeting on Friday night: P. C. R., C. W. Doyle; C. R., G. A. Bogue; V. C. R., Neil Bannatyne; orator, William Finch; S. W., C. A. Bogue; J. W., Roy Bannatyne; S. B., Frank Orr; J. B., J. Herbert Cornell; organist, J. D. Bannatyne; financial secretary, Alex. Bannatyne (re-elected); recording secretary, A. K. Sadler (re-elected).

Mr. James A. Kelly, general merchant, has found it necessary on account of increasing business to engage a young lady from the city as clerk.

Prof. Alex. Bannatyne is practicing horse-shoeing these days after the methods laid down by Prof. Brush.

WESTMINSTER.

Westminster, Dec. 7. — A few days ago Mr. Walter Blaikie was stricken with a paralytic stroke at the home of Mr. James A. Beattie on the 6th. He is slightly better at last accounts.

Miss Janet Cameron returned from Gravenhurst last week not improved any by her sojourn there. At present Miss Cameron is very low.

Fifteen new communicants were received into church membership recently by Dr. McCrae, who conducted the sacramental service.

Miss Davina M. McCrae, of the manse, has gone to Guelph for a brief visit to relatives there.

Christmas Gifts.

Feather cushions, 50 cents each; down cushons, tea coseys, feather pillows, in art tickings. Feathers sold by the pound. Mattresses, springs, iron beds, large stock of stoves at J. F. Hunt & Sons', feather pillow and mattress manufacturers, 595 Richmond street, north. Telephone 997.

A MEDICINE CHEST IN ITSELF.—Only the well-to-do can afford to possess a medicine chest, but Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, which is a medicine chest in itself, being a remedy for rheumatism, lumbago, sore throat, colds, coughs, catarrh, asthma, and a potent healer for wounds, cuts, bruises, sprains, etc., is within the reach of the poorest, owing to its cheapness. It should be in every house.

American machinery for sinking wells is in demand in all foreign oil fields.

CURSE -OF- DRINK

CURED BY COLONIAL REMEDY

No taste. No odor. Can be given in glass of water, tea or coffee, without patient's knowledge. Colonial Remedy will cure or destroy the diseased appetite for alcoholic stimulants, whether the patient is a confirmed inebriate, a "tippler," social drinker or drunkard. Impossible for anyone to have an appetite for alcoholic liquors after using Colonial Remedy.

Indorsed by Members of W.C.T.U.

Mrs. Moore, press superintendent of Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Ventura, Cal., writes: "I have tested Colonial Remedy on very obstinate drunkards, and the cures have been many. In many cases the Remedy was given secretly. I cheerfully recommend and indorse Colonial Remedy. Members of our Union are delighted to find an economical treatment to aid us in our temperance work."

Druggists or by mail, $1. Trial package free by writing to Mrs. M. A. Cowan (for years secretary of a Woman's Christian Temperance Union), St. Catharine street, Montreal. Sold in London by W. T. Strong & Co. zw

TO ROOT OUT MAFIA

U. S. Authorities Will Give Death-Blow to the Band.

New York, Dec. 7.—Police departments in this city, Philadelphia, Chicago and other metropolis have by a rapid succession of events been brought face to face with the problem that the safety of thousands of American citizens and their families depend on the uprooting and destruction of the Mafia, with its appalling record of murders and other crimes, in this country.

The Mafia Society, and particularly the Black Hand Band, one of its branches, is conducted with a shrewdness and secrecy that foils every attempt to penetrate its haunts, get inside knowledge and bring its members to justice.

Chief of Police Hayes had a conference with Inspector McCluskey and Detective Petrosino, admitted to be the ablest man in the police department for work among the Italians of this city.

In Philadelphia yesterday the police took into custody fifteen men who are believed to be members of the Mafia.

A complete plan for the extermination of Sicilian and Italian blackmailing societies is reported to have been mapped out. Agents of the secrete service branch of the treasury department, postoffice department inspectors and police operatives of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, and two or three other cities will participate, and it is proposed that a death-blow shall be dealt the foreign bands.

A CURE FOR RHEUMATISM.—The intrusion of uric acid into the blood vessels is a fruitful cause of rheumatic pains. This irregularity is owing to a deranged and unhealthy condition of the liver. Anyone subject to this painful affection will find a remedy in Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. Their action upon the kidneys is pronounced and most beneficial, and by restoring healthy action they correct impurities in the blood.

Seattle is 1,450 miles nearer China and Japan than San Francisco.

London to New York and Philadelphia

In going to the above points you will find the Grand Trunk and Lehigh Valley will give you the best service. Five fast express trains daily from London. For tickets and Pullmans call at G. T. R. city or station ticket office. 63-bc

..BAYLEY'S..
Special Bargains.

Busy times at these stores. Prices such as these always bring immediate results.

FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS.
NO SUCH VALUES ANYWHERE.

Ladies' Silk Stock and Fancy Collars—Regularly sold at 25c, 50c, 75c, $1 50 and $2.00, on sale at **10c, 15c, 25c, 50c 75c** and **$1.00.** Greatest Collar assortment ever shown in London.

Ladies' Fancy Silk and Elastic Belts—Worth 50c and 75c, on sale at **25c** and **35c.**

Handkerchiefs—None to compare. Christmas season 1903 better than ever. Beautiful Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth 25c, on sale at **12½c.**

Others, worth 25c and 35c, at **15c.**

At **25c** we show a range that other stores would ask 50c for. Our price **25c.**

Initial Handkerchiefs at **7c** and **10c.** Worth double.

Hemstitched, Lawn and Pure Linen, at **2½c, 5c, 10c, 12½c** up to **35c.**

Kid Gloves—For ladies and children. Specially purchased for the Christmas trade. Bayley's Dollar Glove a standard of excellence. Every shade desirable can be had.

Children's Kid Gloves, dome clasp, worth 75c, for **59c.**

Fans—A handsome assortment Sequin Fans, worth $1 00, for **50c**, and a beautiful Lace Sequin Fan, worth $2.00, for **$1.00.**

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Umbrellas—At money-saving prices. Rich and elegant in effect at moderate drygoods prices.

Silk Waists—Special prices. Very Handsome Silk Waist, worth $5.00, for **$2.95.**

And the best $6.00 Waist ever shown in London at **$3.95.**

LINENS—Beautiful Linens at come-atable prices. You must see them to understand how great their value. Tablecloths and Napkins to match in new and elegant designs. Tablecloths at $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 that will surprise you. Better ones at $3.50 to $10.00.
Elegant Pillow Shams, Runners and Tray Cloths from 25c up.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO LOOK OUR LINENS OVER.

BAYLEY'S.

WILL BRITAIN BE DRAGGED IN?

War Between Japan and Russia Considered a Certainty.

THE ALLIES MAY BE INVOLVED

British Military Attaches Ordered to Far East—Japan Demands Prompt Reply to Proposals.

London, Dec. 6.—Europe awaits with uneasiness news from Tokio in regard to the action of the Japanese Parliament, which met today, on the troubles with Russia. It is not expected at the Japanese legation here that definite intelligence in regard to the crisis will arrive before Tuesday. The majority of the diplomatic authorities agree that peace will be preserved only by substantial concessions on the part of Russia. The British Government is so convinced of the imminence of war between these two countries that several army officers sailed today to act as foreign military attaches on the Japanese side. Nevertheless, there are reasons why it is not necessary to regard it as impossible that the Russian attitude will be essentially modified. Much, indeed, practically everything, depends on whether the Czar has sufficient strength of character to interpose at the last moment his veto against war. It is necessary, unfortunately, to throw discredit on the report, which emanated from Paris on Wednesday, that a basis of agreement had been reached between the two countries, whereby Russia would have a free hand in Manchuria, and Japan in Korea. The diplomatist who was partially responsible for this announcement now affirms that the reporter who interviewed him misunderstood his statements. He adds, however, that the circulation of the report has had a good effect. He is sure, he says, that the interviewer was quite blameless in the matter.

It remains to be seen what object the diplomatist had in view in desiring the circulation of such a statement. More than one suggests itself. It may be taken for granted, for instance, that France earnestly desires a settlement on some such basis. Russia, if willing to concede this, would concede more, for she will either maintain her present position under control of the war party, or the latter will be displaced and a radical change of policy will be adopted. Moreover, the crisis has advanced to such an acute stage that it is doubtful if Japan can now be induced to accept the compromise suggested by the French foreign office.

The situation is regarded with grave apprehension by the serious newspapers of Great Britain. Thus, the Spectator, in discussing what would happen if Russia found it necessary to ask the co-operation of France, argues that if the latter country declined, it would create a situation so dangerous for France that she must find another "makeweight" by arranging terms with Great Britain and Italy against an attack from Germany. "If," the Spectator says, "we were willing to give them, she might be able to forego the Russian alliance. But if France thinks it dangerous to risk parting from Russia and comes to her aid we must, of course, come to the help of Japan and engage in a war on sea and land with France and Russia. That risk is the price we have to pay for the Japanese alliance. It really comes to this, then, that if Russia were beaten by Japan we should find ourselves either at war with France and Russia or else we would be forced to make an alliance with France, guaranteeing her against a German invasion, an entangling alliance of just the kind we have always tried to avoid. Possibly we may have the good luck to escape from this dilemma altogether, but the risk is not a pleasant one."

Tokio, Japan, Dec. 7.—The Japanese Diet met today and proceeded to organize for the dispatch of the business of the session, which the Emperor expected to open Tuesday. Admiral Alexieff, the Russian Viceroy, is still at Port Arthur. The news that the British admiral has purchased the two battleships, Libertad and Constitution, built on the Clyde for Chili, was heartily welcomed here.

Copenhagen, Dec. 7. — The ships of the Danish East Asiatic Company, which has a number of vessels under the Russian flag, and is connected with the French East Asiatic Company, are carrying unusually large cargoes of ammunition and other war supplies to Russian ports. in Asia.

Feet and Ankles Swollen

Could Not Sleep at Night.

Backache and Kidney Trouble the Cause.

Doan's Kidney Pills

Cared After Other Remedies Had Failed.

These Wonderful Kidney Pills Will Cure the Most Obstinate Cases of Kidney Trouble if Only Given a Fair Trial and Used According to Directions.

Read what Mrs. Geo. H. Alward, Whites Point, N.B. has to say about them: "This is to certify that I have used Doan's Kidney Pills for pain in the back and kidney trouble and I do most gratefully recommend them to any person suffering in this way. I was so bad with kidney trouble that I could not get around the house. My feet and ankles were so swollen and painful that I could get no rest day or night. I tried several remedies but could get no relief whatever until a friend advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills. I soon perceived a decided change for the better and had only taken two boxes when I was able to do my housework again, and three boxes made a complete cure."

Doan's Kidney Pills are 50 cts. per box, or 3 for $1.25, all dealers or

THE DOAN KIDNEY PILL CO., TORONTO, ONT.

GRAY & PARKER — ALWAYS THE BEST OF EVERYTHING FOR THE LEAST MONEY — Phone 1182

Money Scarce at Christmas

and presents have to be bought. There's where we come to your aid. Heaps of good and useful things here at the same low prices as we've been asking, and many at greatly reduced prices. Saving 25c on a purchase here means that you have 25c more to spend in toys or something more useful for your children. Come every day—bargains abound on every hand, as we are determined to sell our Christmas goods before Christmas.

These Are a Few of Our Values:

Dressing Sacks for Ladies, made of of good wrapperette, in pretty patterns and all sizes. Your money's worth at 50c, marked as a special bargain at only **25c**

A better line, made of cashmere-finished wrapperette, plain yoke, box-pleated front and back, bishop sleeve, turn back cuffs, cape collar, in all colors. A big bargain at 79c, our special price only **50c**

Ladies' Black Mercerized Skirts, the same as you've paid $1 75 for right along; 15-inch frill, trimmed with five narrow ruffles, corded; sizes, 38, 40, 42 and 43. A very rare bargain at only **$1 00**

Ladies' Black Mercerized Satin Underskirts, deep flounce, trimmed with three narrow frills, corded. A skirt that is worth every cent of $1 25, we're prepared to sell you at **89c**

Way Mufflers, in blue and black, a useful gift for persons exposed to the weather. Regular 50c, for .. **25c**

Ladies' Pure White Fleece-Lined Vests, regular 75c value, a big bargain at **50c**

Children's Heavy Fleeced Waists, in all sizes, worth 35c each, great value at **25c**

Christmas Kid Gloves.

Extra value in Ladies' Kid Gloves. Unequaled values priced low.

"Lillian," 2-dome Glove, in gray, mode, tan, black and white, our low price only **75c**

"Ethel" Kid Glove, fitted and guaranteed, in navy, brown, pearl, gray, dark gray, mode, biscuit shade, tan, black and white. Special at **$1 00**

Christmas Handkerchiefs.

A special line of Fancy Silk Hankerchiefs for the little folk with pictures, Christmas greetings and colored borders. Your choice of any of them at only **5c**

Ladies' Fine Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 50c, **75c**
Another line with silk centers and lace trimmed, 35c, **50c**

A fine line of Embroidered, Tucked, Lace and Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 20c and **25c**

A good choice of Embroidered and Lace Handkerchiefs, selling at 10c, 12½c and **15c**

Hemstitched Silk Handkerchiefs, with wide or narrow hem, 25c, 50c, 75c and **$1 00**

Silk Initialed Handkerchiefs at all prices.

Gray & Parker, 150 Dundas and Carling.

176 and 178 Dundas Street,
London, Monday, Dec. 7, 1903.

WOODS' FAIR

Tuesday--Great Book Sale.

Owing to the great demand for books at this season of the year, we have filled our book department with the choicest books. We can give you all kinds of books with the choicest bindings. We quote two lines here, but our book department is crowded with goods.

75c Books, Tuesday 35c.

45 beautiful books, birch-bark effect, in linen, perfectly designed, beautifully bound and clear type, in the very choicest titles, the last of our big sellers, regular selling price 75c, Tuesday, each **35c**

50c Books, Tuesday 25c.

110 beautiful Gift Books, with real Geneva watered cover, in two colors, with handsome boquet front, and colored decorations throughout. "Rock of Ages," "Abide with Me," "Flowers by the Wayside," and many others sold at all bookstores at 50c, our price, Tuesday, ... **25c**

$2, $3 and $3.75 Fountain Pens.

Highest grade, you may have your choice of this line at less than half the value, all guaranteed goods.

Big Hair Brush Sale.

3 dozen brushes, solid, hard-polished rosewood, one-piece back, all stamped and warranted, pure bristles, value $1, Tuesday **50c**

Big Snap in Hat Brushes.

3 dozen handsome black Ebony Hat Brushes, curved, 11 inches in length, filled with best French bristles, sold all over at 50c, Tuesday **25c**

Grand Sale of Ladies' Belts.

Every belt in the house reduced. Five dozen belts in all kinds, including taffeta silk, stitched with handsome buckles, also leather and kid styles, with chains and fancy ornaments, on Tuesday every belt will be reduced. Come early.

Ladies' Lounging Robe Snap.

One beautiful lounging robe, in nice red shade, felt trimmed and stitched, with heavy girdle made of the best quality eider-down flannel, sold all over at $5, Tuesday **$3 95**

Tuesday's Basement Specials--Parlor Lamps at Half Price.

12 only, beautiful China Parlor lamps, decorated bowls and globes, Tuesday at 8:30 just half price.

50 dozen Fancy China Cups and Saucers, value 20c and 25c, Tuesday special, only **10c**

Large white Ironstone Meat platters, value 50c, Tuesday, each **25c**

Santa Clause is on second floor every afternoon until Christmas.

WOODS' FAIR

MILK SUPPLY OF LONDON

Semi-Annual Report by the Medical Health Officer.

Standing of the Herds and Dairies and Quality of Milk.

In the semi-annual report of Medical Health Officer Hutchinson, the herds and dairies are classed A, B and C, according to merit. The milk is classed 1, 2 and 3, according to quality. The report is as follows:

A—Smith Bros., Lambeth, A, 1. Jos. Marshall, London Township, A, 1. A. Cornish, Westminster, A; supplies A. Pack. C. H. Sumner, Westminster, A; supplies George Tupholme. James Routledge, Lambeth, A; supplies W. S. Evans. C. E. Wilson, Westminster, A; supplies J. Thompson. Firman White, Lambeth, A; supplies W. S. Evans. W. J. Walker, Westminster, A, 1. D. Ferguson, Westminster, A; sells to Smith Bros. John Dale, Westminster, A; sells to Charles Foster. James McIntosh, Westminster, A; sells to George Wall. F. D. Anderson, Westminster, A; sells to F. Wilkinson. J. Griffith & Son, Byron, A; sell to W. Morden. J. M. Griffith, Westminster, A; sells to Frank Cox. Alexander Lowlie, Westminster, A; sells to Wm. McKirlie. James Byers, London Township, A; supplies William Phoenix. Wm. Bell, London Township, A; sells to A. E. Hourd.

B—Kettlewell D. McAlpin, Westminster, B, 1. Thos Hill, Westminster, B, 1. R. B. Lizzard, Westminster, B, sells to Wm. McKone. Wm. McKone, 1. S. J. Waddel, Westminster, B, sells to F. Dobbie. F. Dobbie, Westminster, 1. W. S. Evans, 1. H. F. Dale, Westminster, B, 1. Andrew Hogg, London Township, B, supplying Blaney. J. Blaney, 1. G. H. Summers, B, 1. S. Robb, London Township, 1, buys R. Springett, R. Springett, Hyde Park, B, supplies S. Robb. Chas. O'Hagan, London Township, B, 1. W. T. Summers, London Township, B, 1. A. Pack, 1. G. Hawkins, Westminster, B, 1. Mrs. Lawrence, W. London, B, 1. Wm. Cooper, 1. W. T. Sanborne, 1. S. S. Johnson, 1. Wm. Hill, London, Township, B, supplies A. Windrim. A. Windrim, 1. S. A. Dicey, 1, William Sloan, Westminster, B, 1. J. Dale, Westminster, B, sells to W. S. Evans. C. Griffith, 1. Carrol Bros., Westminster, B, supplies A. Willson. A. Willson, 1. W. Tazziman, B, sells to Wm. Phoenix. Chas. Foster & Son, B, 1. Walter Ingles, London Township, B, sells to Wm. Phoenix. K. Creighton, London Township, B. Thos. Flinn, London Township, B, sells to R. Sumner. A. Copeland, London Township, B, sells to R. Sumner. J. Rowlton, London Township, B, supplies Henry Mossop. Thomas Dyer, London Township, B, no sample obtained. Pat Fallon, London Township, B, sells to A. E. Hourd. Spettigue Bros., Westminster, B, 1. C. W. Hourd, Westminster, B, 2. John Staples, Nilestown, B, sells to D. Ross and Thos. Foster. D. Ross, 2. Wm. Heavington, Nilestown, B, sells to D. Ross. F. D. McClary, Nilestown, B, sells to P. F. McClary. P. F. McClary, 2. Mrs. Routledge, Oxford street, B, 2. R. Beattie, 2. W. H. Reave, London Township, B, 2. Henry Horne, Hyde Park, B, 2. T. J. Hackett, London Township, B, 2. A. E. Hourd, 2. J. Courtis, Westminster, B, 2. Topping Bros., Westminster, B, 2. Wm. Player, Westminster, B, 2. S. Thompson, 2. Wm. Phoenix, 2. C. Elliott, 2. E. Tanton, London Township, B, 2. J. Rodgers, Adelaide street, B, 2. Mrs. G. Heard, Adelaide street, B, 2. J. Wilkinson, Huron street, B, 2. H. Mossop, 2. Geo. F. Saul, London Township, B, 2. Albert Higg, London Township, B, 2. Thomas Higg, London Township, B, 2. J. Sinkler, London Township, B; sells to J. Marshal. W. Sage, London Township, B; sells to Thomas Foster. George Cushman, London Township, B, 2. H. Whetter, Westminster, B; sells to E. Polle. E. Polle, 2. R. J. Worrell, London Township, B; sells to E. Tanton. W. W. Wilkinson, London Township, B, 2. J. Wilkins, Westminster, B; sells to R. Beattie. Wm. McKerlie, Westminster, 2. A. Hoyt, Westminster, B, 2. H. M. O'Dell, Westminster, B; sells to Wm. Wall. Frank Cox, 2. James Yeo, Westminster, B; sells to George Tupholme. George Tupholme, 2. John Clark, London Township, Reimer Tridou, B; sells to Wm. Sloan. Wm. Morden, 2. F. Davidson, London Township, 2; buys from F. B. Fortner. S B. Fortner, London Township, B. John O'Brien, London Township, B, 2. D. J. McInnis, 2. Mrs. Freeman, London North, 2. R. Windrim, 2. F. D. Berry, 2; watered. William Murphy, 2.

C.—C. J. Barnes, Westminster, C; sells to S. Dicey. R. Sumner, Westminster, C, 1. Mrs. McArthur, Westminster, C; no sample obtained. T. J. Neely, London Township, C; sells to A. Pack.

BOODLING HINTED AT

In Connection With the Passage of a Hamilton Bylaw.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 7. — Grave rumors concerning the passage of a recent bylaw through the city council are spreading throughout the city. It is openly asserted that when the law suit to quash the bylaw comes before the courts, an effort will be made by the solicitor for the plaintiff to prove that money passed in at least one instance. The charge is made that one person was to receive $500 if he "could deliver the goods," and get an influential colleague for $200. It is intended to subpoena all the aldermen and seek to compel them to state in court whether there is any truth in the rumors. Public opinion favors the very fullest inquiry.

Radium for Kaiser.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—The conviction that the Kaiser's malady is really of a cancerous nature gains fresh confirmation daily. The news that has come from the palace at Potsdam that Dr. Moritz Schmidt, the Emperor's senior physician, is trying the effects of radium on the royal patient, is regarded as positive proof that the Emperor's condition is far more serious than has even been hinted by the doctors.

The French, as well as the English and German, are awakening to a sense of the vast future possibilities of the cotton-growing industry in Africa.

THE MISSING MILLIONAIRE

Found Wandering in the Virginia Mountains, Demented.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 7. — A Bristol, Tenn., special says: It is reported that Edward L. Wentz, the young Philadelphia millionaire, who had been missing since Oct. 14, has been found, and that he is probably demented. According to the report, Young Wentz is either in Philadelphia or on his way there. His brother, Daniel Wentz, went to Philadelphia three days ago. One of Wentz's attorneys, when asked about the matter would not deny that Wentz had been found, but said, that it might be so. Further than this he would not express himself. It appears that Wentz has been hiding in the mountains not far from Finney, a station on the Clinch Valley division of the Norfolk and Western Railroad.

BLED TO DEATH

Frederick Bush, of St. Catharines, Found Dead in Bed.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., Dec. 6.—Frederick Bush, an unmarried man, about 40 years of age, living alone, was found dead in his home here about 3 o'clock this afternoon. Not having been seen since Thursday last, the neighbors, becoming alarmed, notified Chief of Police Reid, who forced an entrance and on investigating found Bush lying on the bed dead, a bloody razor on the window near by, and a pool of blood on the floor. A small wound on the left arm showed where an artery had been cut, and the man slowly bled to death. It is supposed that brooding over financial affairs prompted Bush to take his own life. The coroner, on being notified, decided an inquest unnecessary, as all indications pointed to suicide. The remains were removed to Curtis' undertaking establishment and prepared for burial. The deceased is survived by a mother and sister, who reside in Toronto, and who have been notified.

A DANCE TRAGEDY

Rejected Lover Shoots His Sweetheart and Rival.

Paris, Mo., Dec. 7.—Enraged because Miss Annie Hartman, whom he had secured a license to wed, would not marry him, Frank Dawson, a member of one of Monroe County's pioneer families, has shot both his sweetheart and his successful rival, Abe Hughes. The crime was committed at the home of George Ownby, near Madison, during the progress of a dance. Dawson entered, and, without a word, fired two shots, both taking effect. The girl is mortally wounded, and the condition of Hughes is serious. Dawson has been brought to Paris.

SHIP LOST AT CAPE RACE

All Hands on a Norwegian Craft Perish.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 7.—An unknown square-rigged vessel, believed to be a Norwegian craft, struck on Ferryland Head, near Cape Race, during a furious storm at midnight on Friday, and every soul aboard perished. One body was washed ashore this morning, but bore nothing which could possibly lead to its identification, except a gold ring, marked with the initials "J. E."

Portions of wreck were also driven ashore bearing the words "Terrens," "Levekahyt," "Bestr" and "Kukal." These are the only clews so far, and nothing is known of the ship in these waters, though it will probably be possible to identify her when the sea becomes smooth.

The vessel struck at the foot of a steep cliff, and hung on the rocks for a short period.

Residents of the vicinity were unable to assist the crew, as no boat could live in the sea which was running, and nobody could reach them from the hilltops.

THESE TWO desirable qualifications, pleasant to the taste and at the same time effectual, are to be found in Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. Children like it.

TWO NURSES SUFFOCATED

One Is Dead and the Other Is Expected to Die.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 7.—Miss Helen Kauffman and her room-mate, Miss Nellie Pollard, nurses in the Maryland general hospital, were asphyxiated by illuminating gas in their room at the hospital. When found Miss Helen was dead, and no hopes are entertained for Miss Pollard. The young women were on duty Friday night. When they returned in the morning they apparently left a small gas heater burning. During the day the supply was cut off for the purpose of connecting a new meter. When the flow of gas was turned on the young women were presumably asleep, and the gas flowed into the room through the open burners.

GUARDED BRIDEGROOM

Held Brothers of the Bride to Prevent Them Using Their Guns.

Dublin, Ga., Dec. 7.—While four policemen held Russell and Peter Twitty, sons of the late Rev. P. S. Twitty, who was a prominent Methodist minister, thus preventing them from using pistols which they had drawn, their sister, Miss Helen Twitty, was married to Edward Keene, a local railroad officer.

The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. W. Matthews, the participants standing in a carriage, which, immediately after the ceremony, bore them to the railroad station.

The bridegroom declared his intention of marrying the girl if he was killed for it. Her brothers declared they would shoot him, and finally Keene called for police protection, and the brothers were forced to obey the orders of the bluecoats while they heard the words making Keene and their sister man and wife.

ALL DOCTORS ADMIT.

Pure Blood Is the Bedrock of Health.

Our bodies and minds are refreshed and strengthened by blood, and upon its purity our health depends.

A thousand disorders can be traced either directly or indirectly to an unhealthy condition of the blood. Among the most common are Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Nervousness, Eczema, humors and female irregularities.

When disease has entered the system through the blood, of course the only certain cure is a thorough purification of the blood. This is best accomplished by Ferrozone, which attacks poisons of every description and makes the blood pure and rich.

No cases are known where Ferrozone ever failed to disturb debilitated people. It contains abundance of nourishment and strengthening elements that have lifted many physical wrecks from beds of sickness and made them well.

Speaking of restorative properties of Ferrozone, Mr. Cyrus R. Sargeson, of Sydney, says: "I was in a dreadful condition with poor blood and palpitation of the heart for two years. I had scarcely any appetite, and suffered from rheumatism in the left shoulder. I noticed a slight change after the first box of Ferrozone, and when eight boxes were used I was a well man."

It may be exhausted nerves, a weak stomach or bad kidneys that drag you down. Be it one or all of them, Ferrozone will cure. Let Ferrozone assist you in finding and maintaining health. Price, 50 cents per box, or six boxes for $2 50, at all druggists, or by mail from The Ferrozone Company, Kingston, Ont.

Ferrozone Assures Health.

The New Idea in Journalism.

A new and pleasing innovation in the great metropolitan Sunday newspapers has been introduced by THE CHICAGO RECORD-HERALD in giving away with its Sunday edition THE CHICAGO RECORD-HERALD Sunday Magazine. In THE SUNDAY RECORD-HERALD Magazine readers of the SUNDAY RECORD-HERALD will recognize the advent of a new epoch in journalism. On Dec. 6 THE SUNDAY RECORD-HERALD began furnishing its readers without extra cost a magazine that surpasses the best illustrated weeklies in the beautiful execution of its color pages and equals them in every other particular. The magazine having a minimum size of sixteen pages will be printed on heavy enameled paper. At the present time eight pages will be in colors, four of which will be suitable for framing.

The beautiful highly illustrated pages in colors must be seen to be appreciated. Any newsdealer handling Chicago Sunday papers will be glad to show you a sample of the magazine and the advance pages for next Sunday if you will give him an opportunity to do so.

SEVERE COLDS are easily cured by the use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, a medicine of extraordinary penetrating and healing properties. It is acknowledged by those who have used it as being the best medicine sold for coughs, colds, inflammation of the lungs, and all affections of the throat and chest. Its agreeableness to the taste makes it a favorite with ladies and children.

A Good Fire..

That's what coke does every time. It burns to an ash and gives heat at all times. Order from us.

CITY GAS COMPANY,
Office—Cor. Dundas and Clarence Sts.

HOTEL ALBERT.

NEW YORK CITY.
EUROPEAN PLAN.
Corner of Eleventh street and University Place, one block west of Broadway.
A homelike, comfortable hotel, at moderate rates. Location most central, yet quiet. Away from the rattle and noise of Broadway. Convenient to wholesale district. Near the larger retail emporiums.

Rooms $1.00 Per Day and Up

L. & E. FRENKEL, Proprietors.
zxv

Indian Hand-Made Hockey Sticks

Used by the best clubs in Canada. We have Sticks from **10c** to **50c** each.

"The Swift" Hockey Skate

Is a new one this season, and a beauty. Rigid, but light. Try a pair and you will be well satisfied with them. Hockey Skates from **40c** to **$2 75.**

A. WESTMAN

ACCEPT ONLY

Labatt's INDIA PALE ALE

(LONDON)

Brewed with exceptional care and watchfulness until just the right body and flavor are obtained. Its flavor is the true flavor of good malt and hops. One case in your house will demonstrate to your entire satisfaction that it is the best table ale brewed. All dealers can supply you.

F. H. BUTLER,
STOCK BROKER.
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or on margins. Send for vest pocket manual. Long distance 'phone 1,278. OFFICES—Masonic Temple, London.

LATEST MARKETS

STOCK MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 7—Noon.—There has been less enthusiasm in the market from the bullish point of view this morning than for some days, but the undertone is relatively good, and just now it is inclining up and developing somewhat akin to aggressiveness. In several quarters of the market at one time or another during the day there was evidence of manipulation. This was particularly true of Brooklyn Rapid Transit, and the very sharp tone of Copper in the early dullness is open to suspicion. The initial prices this morning were somewhat irregular, but strong tendency developed after awhile. Before the end of the first hour, however, an easier tone prevailed, particularly in Pennsylvania and U. S. Q. Brooklyn Rapid Transit was forced up, and maintained at the higher figures for some time. The advance was too quick to permit of its being fully maintained. During the last hour the market was particularly active, and the Copper stocks benefited. There was no pressure of material importance. United States Steel fives developd strength. Sugar was firm and the whole industrial list is now strong. The market is not likely to develop a reactionary tendency during the afternoon session. Sales to noon, 354,000 shares.

NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 7.	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m
Amalgamated Copper	41¾	45¾	41¾	45¼
American Sugar Co.	123	125	123	124⅞
American Locomotive	15	15¼	15	15½
American Foundry	19¼	20	19¼	19¾
American Refining	46¼	49	46¼	48⅞
Atcheson, com	67⅜	67⅞	67¼	67⅞
Atcheson Pfd	92¼	..	..	..
B. & O	78¼	78⅞	78	78¾
Brooklyn Tran	46⅝	48¾	47¼	48⅞
C. P. R	118	119	118	118
Chesapeake & Ohio	31¾	31⅞	31⅝	31⅞
Chic. Great Western	15⅞	16	15¾	15⅞
Chicago and Alton	34½	34⅞	34½	34½
Col. Fuel and Iron	2[illegible]	..	..	..
Erie	27⅜	28¼	27½	28¼
Erie Pfd	67½	67½	67¼	67
Illinois Central	130¼	..	..	..
Kan. and Tex. com	17¾	18	17¾	18
Kan. and Tex. pref	38½	38¾	38¼	38¾
Louisville and Nashville	106	106¼	106	106¼
Manhattan	141	142¾	141	142¼
Metropolitan St. Ry	120¾	121½	120¼	121¼
Mexican Central	10¼	10⅜	9⅝	9⅞
M. P.	92¼	93⅞	92¼	93⅞
N. Y. Central	117⅜	118¼	117⅞	118¼
Norfolk & W	57¾	57⅞	57⅝	57⅞
Ont. and West	21½	21¾	21¼	21¾
Pennsylvania	117	117¾	116¾	117⅜
People's Gas	96¼	97¾	96¼	97
Reading	43¾	44¼	43⅝	44¾
Republic I. and S.	42	42¼	42	42
Rock Island	25¾	26⅜	25¼	26⅜
Southern Railway	20⅝	21⅛	20¾	21⅛
Southern Ry. Pfd	78½	78½	78¼	78¼
Southern Pacific	46⅝	46⅞	45¾	46⅞
St. Paul	143⅝	143¾	141¾	143¼
Texas	24¼	25¼	24¼	25¼
Tennessee Coal & Iron	33¼	33¾	32¾	33
Union Pacific	76½	76¾	75¾	76¾
U. S. Steel, com	11⅝	11⅞	11¾	11¾
U. S. Steel, pref	56	57⅛	55⅝	57⅛
Wabash, com	20¼	20¾	19⅞	20⅜
Wabash, pref	36	37⅜	36	37⅜
Wisconsin Central	17	..	..	..

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 7.	Ask.	Off
Canadian Pacific	118¾	118⅝
Duluth, common	10	7
Duluth, preferred	13	10
Winnipeg Electric	215	190
Montreal Street Railway	211	210
Toronto Street Railway	99¾	99
Halifax Street Railway	90	89
St. John Street Ry.	115	110
Twin City Transit Railway	95¾	95
Richelieu and Ontario	84	83⅝
Commercial Cable	160	152
Montreal Telegraph	165	162
Bell Telephone	160	150
Dominion Iron and Steel, com	9¼	8⅞
Dominion Steel, pref	27	24
Montreal Heat Light and Power	77⅜	77¼
N. S. Steel Bonds	77⅞	77½
Detroit Railway	70¼	70
Dominion Cotton	..	32½
Canada Colored Cotton	..	44
Dominion Coal	78	77½
Montreal Street Bonds, new	105	103½
Soo, com	55	53
Soo, pref	120	114
Windsor Hotel	85	83
Bank of Montreal	..	250
Molsons Bank	198	195
Merchants Bank	152	150
Ogilvie Milling Co. preferred	125	119
Ogilvie Bonds	125	118
Union Bank	140	..
Bank of Commerce	150¼	148
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	58⅞	58¾
Laurentide	100	..
Toledo Bonds	25⅝	25¼

SALES: C. P. R., 25 at 118⅛, 25 at 118¼, 36 at 119, 25 at 118¾; Power, 20 at 76¼, 75 at 77, 25 at 76¾, 100 at 75, 50 at 77¼, 200 at 77½, 25 at 77⅜, 50 at 77¼; Twin City, 100 at 94⅞, 125 at 95, 125 at 95¼; Coal, common, 50 at 76½, 25 at 77, 275 at 77¾, 25 at 77½, 25 at 77⅝, 25 at 77¼, 425 at 77¾, 50 at 79; Scotia, 25 at 77¼, 125 at 77½, 10 at 78, 50 at 77⅞, 25 at 77½; Montreal Railway, new, 25 at 199, 100 at 200; Iron, preferred, 75 at 25, 30 at 27; Iron, common, 50 at 8½, 5 at 9, 50 at 8¾; Detroit Railway, 125 at 69, 25 at 69¼, 50 at 69¾, 400 at 69¾, 10 at 69½, 25 at 69¾, 50 at 70⅜, 75 at 70¼, 50 at 70⅜, 75 at 70¼, 60 at 70; Montreal Railway, 100 at 207, 125 at 209½, 150 at 209⅝, 175 at 210, 25 at 210⅞, 25 at 210⅞, 250 at 211¼, 25 at 211, 125 at 210; Toledo Railway, 25 at 24¾, 25 at 24⅞, 75 at 24¾, 275 at 25, 50 at 25¼, 225 at 25, 50 at 25¼, 225 at 25⅜, 200 at 25½, 50 at 25¼, 50 at 25⅜, 200 at 25½, 25 at 25⅝, 50 at 25½, 50 at 25¾, 50 at 25½; Coal, preferred, 1 at 112½; R. and O., 1 at 82½, 25 at 83½, 110 at 83¾; Merchants' Bank, 5 at 151; Eastern Townships Bank, 9 at 161; Bank of Montreal, 2 at 250¾; Montreal Telegraph, 50 at 163; Iron bonds, 3,000 at 57, 6,000 at 57¼, 5,000 at 58½, 5,000 at 58¾, 1,000 at 58½, 3,000 at 59.

G. R. Pennington, Stock Broker and Promotor
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or on margins. Send for our Red Book, giving full instructions, Correspondence and accounts solicited. Long distance 'phone 180. Office—Ontario Loan and Debenture building, corner Market and Market Lane (third floor), London, Ont.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 7.	Ask.	Off
Ontario	..	125
Toronto	..	226
Commerce	..	149¼
Imperial	215	213½
Dominion	228	226½
Ottawa	215	..
Hamilton	210	207¾
Nova Scotia	270	..
Traders	132½	129¾
British America	..	98
Western Assurance	99½	98
Imperial Life	..	149
National Trust	140	..
Consumers Gas	..	205½
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land	..	94
Canada Northwest Land pref.	..	98
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	118¾	118½
Soo, preferred	116	113½
Soo, common	55	53
Toronto Electric Light	..	134
General Electric	143	143
London Electric	106	..
Commercial Cable	..	152½
Dominion Telegraph	..	113
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co.	84	83½
Niagara Navigation	125	118
Northern Navigation	85	78
St. L. and C. Navigation	..	112¾
Toronto Street Railway	100	99¾
Winnipeg St. Railway	..	170
Twin City Railway	95	94
Sao Paulo Tramway	92	89
Dominion Steel, com	8⅞	8¾
Dominion Coal, com	78	77
Nova Scotia Steel, com	77¾	77
Canada Salt	..	117
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
British Canadian L. and I.	..	70
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv.	..	102
Canada Permanent	..	123
Canada Savings and Loan	..	119
Central Canada Loan	..	150
Dominion Savings and Invest.	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	128
Huron and Erie L. and S. Co.	..	182
Landed Banking and Loan	..	120
Manitoba Loan	..	80
Toronto Mortgage	..	85
London Loan	120	..
Toronto Savings and Loan	..	130
Dominion Steel Bonds	59	58¾
N. S. Steel Bonds	109	107

SALES: Commerce, 11 at 151; Hamilton, 3 at 207¼, 10 at 207½, 8 at 207¾, 42 at 207½; Western Assurance, 10 at 99½; R. and O., 50 at 82½; Montreal Telegraph, 50 at 162¼; Canada Permanent, 50 at 123; C. P. R., 25 at 118⅝, 25 at 118¾, 25 at 118⅝, 3 at 119, 5 at 118½, 50 at 118⅝; Canadian General Electric, 15 at 142¼, 25 at 142¼, 25 at 142½, 5 at 142½; Cable, 38 at 152½; Twin City, 225 at 94⅞, 50 at 94¾; London and Canada, 20 at 90; Dominion Steel, 25 at 8¾; Nova Scotia Steel, 100 at 77, 25 at 77½; Dominion Steel bonds, 3,000 at 58¾, 5,000 at 57¼, 10,000 at 57½, 2,000 at 58; 8,000 at 58½, 6,000 at 58⅝; Nova Scotia bonds, 2,000 at 108; Hamilton Produce, 25 at 120.

5 to 6½ per cent is now obtained by the investor on first preferred stocks and bonds of the best railways, in consequence of this year's enormous shrinkage in values.
H. C. BECHER, Bond and Stock Broker.
112 Richmond St. Long Distance Phone 21

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Dec. 7	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—Dec	81¼	82¼	81½	82⅜
May	82	82⅞	81½	82½
July	77¾	78⅜	77⅝	78⅜
Corn—May	42	42	42⅛	42⅛
July	42¾	42⅞	42¾	42⅞
Oats—May	36	36¼	35⅞	36¼
July	33⅝	33⅞	33¼	33⅜
Pork—Jan	10 95	11 00	10 92	11 00
May	11 25	11 35	11 22	11 32
Lard—Jan	6 35	6 40	6 35	6 40
May	6 47	6 50	6 45	6 50
S.Ribs—Jan	5 87	5 90	5 87	5 90
May	6 05	6 10	6 05	6 10

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Monday, Dec. 7.

It was a quiet day so far as business was concerned on the market here today.

There were 15 loads of hay offered; most of the loads were inferior stuff; sales slow, at $8 to $8 50 for best loads, and $5 to $7 for inferior loads.

Straw is dull, at $5 per ton.

There was only one load of oats offered, which sold at 84c per cental.

A carload of live hogs sold at $4 35 per 100 pounds; they were purchased by Mr. D. McIntyre.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 7.—Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 2d. Futures steady; December nominal; March, 6s 4⅝d; March, 6s 4⅝d; May, 6s 3¼d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, 4s 3¾d. Futures quiet; January, 3s 11⅝d; March, 3s 10¾d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 5s 7½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter dull, 8s 3d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast steady, £5 5s to £6s 6d.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 67s 6d.

Pork—Firm; prime mess western, 85s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 47s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, dull, 42s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, weak, 45s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, weak, 43s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, weak, 42s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, weak, 41s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 46s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, firm, 34s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, quiet, 34s 3d; American refined, in pails, quiet, 3s 9d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—American finest white quiet, 52s; do, colored steady, 54s.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 23s.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 43s 9d.

Rosin—Common firm, 6s 10½d.

Petroleum—Refined firm, 7¾d.

Linseed Oil—Dull, 15s.

The imports of wheat into Liverpool last week were 42,900 quarters from Atlantic ports, and 110,000 from other ports.

The imports of corn from Atlantic ports last week were 32,500 quarters.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Wheat—The demand does not appear to be as good as it was, and local buyers here have reduced their prices the past week to the farmers, only paying 73c now at country points for winter wheat; cars of No. 2 red and white are quoted at 77c, east and west; goose is steady, at 70c for No. 2 east; spring is steady, at 73c for No. 1 east; Manitoba is steady, at 90c for No. 1 hard, 85½c for No. 1 northern and 83½c for No. 2 northern at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—The demand is fairly good and the market is steady to firmer, at $3 07½ bid for cars of 90 per cent winter wheat patents in buyers' bags, east or middle freights west; choice brands are held 15c to 20c higher; Manitoba steady, at $4 55 to $4 75 for cars of Hungarian patents, $4 25 to $4 45 for second patents, and $4 15 to $4 35 for strong bakers, bags included, on the track at Toronto. Millfeed—Quiet; cars of shorts are quoted at $17 and bran at $14 50 in bulk, east or west; Manitoba millfeed is steady, at $20 for cars of shorts and $18 for bran, sacks included, Toronto freights. Barley—Dull; No. 2 is quoted at 40c, No. 3 extra at 38c, and No. 3 at 36c, east or west. Buckwheat—Steady, at 44c for No. 2, high freights west, and at 46c east or low freights, New York. Rye—Steady, at 52c to 2½c, east and west. Corn—Steady; Canadian now is quoted at 46c; American new at 50c, for car lots on the track at Toronto; old American is quoted at 54½c for No. 2 yellow, 53½c for No. 2 mixed and No. 3 yellow, and 52½c for No. 3 mixed, on the track at Toronto. Oats—Dull and easier; No. 1 white are quoted at 28c and No. 2 white at 27½c east; No. 2 white are quoted at 27c, middle freights west. Oatmeal—Steady, at $3 50 for cars of bags and $3 70 for barrels on the track, Toronto, and 25c more for broken lots. Peas—Steady, at 62c to 62½c for No. 2 east, and 61c to 61½c west. Butter—The offerings are fair, but the flavor is not altogether above reproach; choice dairies and creameries are in good demand and steady; creamery prints, 21c to 22c; solids, 20c to 21c; dairy pound rolls, choice, 18c to 19c; large rolls, 16½c to 17½c; tubs, good to choice, 16c to 18c; medium, 14c to 15c; poor, 10c to 12c. Eggs—Receipts not large, especially of choice fresh-gathered; there is a good demand and prices are higher than a week ago; strictly fresh-gathered are quoted at 22c; seconds at 20c to 21c, and cold storage and limed at 20c. Dressed hogs—The offerings are light; demand is not very good, and the market is lower than it was a week ago, local packers only quoting $5 75, while holders ask 10c more; farmers' lots on the street market are quoted at $6 25 for light and $6 for heavy weights. Live hogs—Quiet; selects are quoted at $4 60, and light and heavy fats at $4 35.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 25,000; market slow; good to prime steers, $5 15 to $5 75; poor to medium, $3 50 to $4 75; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4 25; cows, $1 50 to $4; heifers, $2 to $4 75; canners, $1 50 to $2 40; bulls, $2 to $4 50; calves, $2 50 to $6 55.

Hogs—Receipts today, 42,000; market strong to 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $4 25 to $4 60; good to choice heavy, $4 45 to $4 55; rough heavy, $4 20 to $4 40; light, $4 20 to $4 45; bulk of sales at $4 35 to $4 50.

Sheep—Receipts, 25,000; sheep steady, lambs steady; good to choice wethers, $3 75 to $4 25; fair to choice mixed, $3 to $3 75; native lambs, $4 to $5 75.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Baled Hay—The demand is small and the market is dull; cars of No. 1 timothy on the track here are quoted at $9 per ton.

Baled Straw—Steady; cars on the track here are quoted at $5 per ton.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 7.—Flour—Receipts, 30,139 bbls; sales, 3,800 pkgs; flour was dull but firm; Minnesota patents, $4 55 to $4 75; Minnesota bakers, $3 70 to $3 85; winter patents, $4 to $4 35; winter straights, $4 to $4 10; winter extras, $3 to $3 35; winter low grades, $2 80 to $3 15. Buckwheat flour—Firm, $2 30 to $2 35. Rye flour—Steady; fair to good, $3 [illegible] to $3 40. Wheat—Receipts, 195,975 bu; sales, 700,000 bu; wheat was firm and most active on covering and stronger western markets; December, 91¼c to 91¾c; May, 85 9-16c to 86¼c; July, 82⅝c to 83c. Rye—Quiet; state and Jersey, 56c to 58c; No. 2 western, 63⅝c, f.o.b. afloat. Corn—Receipts, 59,350; corn was dull but steady with wheat. Oats—Receipts, 205,000 bu; track, white, 41c to 45c. Sugar—Raw nominal; fair refining 3 3-16c.

Use Strong's Balm-Zoin
for rough, red and chapped hands and face.
Price 25 Cents.

Strong's Baking Powder
leads—others follow.
25 Cents Per Pound.

Strong's Drug Store
184 Dundas Street.
Marriage Licenses issued at above address.

OLD MAN MISSING

Friends Anxious Concerning Whereabouts of George Roberts.

An old man named George Roberts has been missing since Saturday morning, and his friends are anxious concerning him. He is about 60 years of age and has been living with Mr. John Moore, at 177 Wellington street. On Friday he went to work for a baker in South London, and was paid on Saturday morning, since which time no one has heard of him. He is about 5 feet 5 inches in height, with slightly gray hair. He wore a cap and black coat, trousers and overcoat, and brown vest.

ARE HELPING OTHERS

Congregational Churches, Free of Debt, Giving to Central Fund.

Rev. D. S. Hamilton returned to the city Saturday, after visiting in company with Rev. J. P. Gerrie, of Watford, four Congregational Churches in the vicinity of Forest, in the interest of the "Central Jubilee Fund." The churches visited were Lake Shore, Ebenezer, Zion and North Plympton, in all of which very satisfactory meetings were held. These churches are all free from debt themselves, but are quite willing to contribute to the central fund, several subscriptions having been volunteered at the meetings, and a committee appointed in each church to continue the canvass for further contributions. Rev. Mr. Gunn, the field secretary of the jubilee movement, is unable to cover all the ground, and some of his ministerial brethren are lending a hand. Rev. J. K. Unsworth and Mr. Hamilton will hold a meeting at Frome on Friday evening next.

A PASTOR TO RESIGN

Rev. W. A. Wylie Will Leave Hyde Park Church.

May Take Pastoral Work of St. Andrew's for a Time.

The session of St. Andrew's Church have been negotiating with Rev. W. A. Wylie, to take charge of the pastoral work of St. Andrew's until a successor to Rev. Dr. Johnston is appointed.

Mr. Wylie is pastor of the church at Hyde Park, and he was approached on the understanding that it was his intention to shortly resign his place there owing to the continued ill-health of some members of his family. It is the desire of the session of St. Andrew's to have Mr. Wylie look solely after the pastoral work in the congregation, while the hearing of applicants for the vacancy is in progress. This may continue for several months.

Mr. Wylie may have his resignation in the hands of the clerk of the London Presbytery for the meeting to be held at Glencoe tomorrow. He recently expressed his determination to resign for the reason already stated. His family will spend the winter in the east.

Mr. Wylie has been pastor at Hyde Park for some years, and he is very highly thought of by the members of the church there. He is said to be willing to accept the work at St. Andrew's.

Well-Paid Ambassadors.

[Marquise de Fontenoy.]

Sir Mortimer Durand's salary has, it is reported in Government circles in London, been raised from the $30,000 a year enjoyed by Lord Pauncefote and Sir Michael Herbert, to $50,000 a year, which will have the effect not merely of rendering him the most highly remunerated foreign ambassador at Washington, but likewise will convert the British mission in the United States into the blue ribbon of the English diplomatic service.

The English ambassador in Paris receives $45,000 a year, and a magnificent official residence, which was formerly the palace of Princess Pauline Borghese, the beautiful sister of the first Napoleon. The British ambassador at Berlin has $40,000 and a residence, the ambassador at Rome has $35,000 a year and a residence, the ambassador at St. Petersburg $38,000 a year and a palace, while the ambassador at Constantinople has $40,000 a year, and not only a palace in the city, but also a beautiful suburban palace at Therapia. The grant of a salary of $50,000 a year, together with a fully furnished residence, to the British ambassador at Washington demonstrates the importance which Great Britain attaches to her relations with the United States.

What About St. Lawrence Canals?

[New York Sun.]

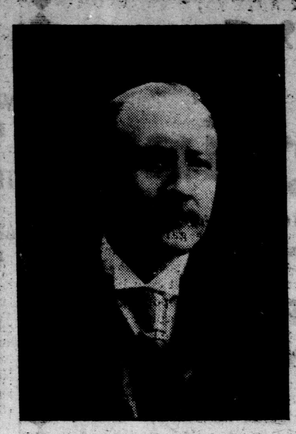
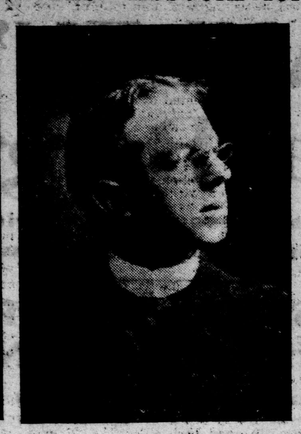
The ship canals of the world are nine in number, as follows:

The Suez Canal.
The Cronstadt and St. Petersburg Canal.
The Corinth Canal.
The Manchester Ship Canal.
The Kaiser Welhelm Canal.
The Elbe and Trave Canal.
The Welland Canal.
The American Sault Ste. Marie Canal.
The Canadian Sault Ste. Marie Canal.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Vapo-Cresolene tablets. Ten cents per box. All druggists.

THAT WATCH THAT WON'T KEEP TIME . . .
can be made a good timepiece if taken to
ADKINS, Watchmaker & Jeweler
Dundas and Elizabeth Streets, East London.
Marriage Licenses Issued.

NEW OFFICERS OF COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS' ASSOCIATION

Photos by Frank Cooper.
W. R. Grant, President. C. W. Nicholls, First Vice. J. T. Green, Second Vice

Merely Matter of Money, Says the City Engineer

Discusses the Need of Cleaning Sewers—Contagious Disease Does Not Disappear.

Dr. Hutchinson says that despite the cold weather and the fight being made against the spread of contagious diseases, the number of cases in this city is quite large, and the city's health conditions are not by any means satisfactory. During the past week or ten days there has been a noticeable falling off in the number of scarlet fever cases, but diphtheria holds its own with almost discouraging tenacity. All is being done that is possible to do to combat the disease. Each day all who apply to the medical officer are supplied with disinfectants at wholesale rates, and many citizens who have been afflicted with sickness in their families are taking advantage of the opportunity afforded by the city of obtaining disinfectants at a cheap rate.

Dr. Hutchinson is being congratulated today upon the comprehensiveness and thoroughness of his annual report. It is appreciated by local medical men, as well as by the city fathers and officials, and covers every point of interest both for the citizen and the sanitary expert.

SEWERS AND DISEASE.

Engineer Graydon agrees with Dr. Hutchinson that the sewers when not flushed regularly, are the cause of the spread of much disease in this city. Mr. Graydon says, however, that the flushing of the sewers is merely a matter of money, and that if the city will pay the men he can easily have all the flushing that is necessary done.

Dr. Hutchinson's reference to a garbage system for London also draws attention to the fact that the board of health, though empowered to do so, has as yet made no move to collect data for use in the establishing of a garbage system for this city.

Two cases of diphtheria were reported to Dr. Hutchinson Saturday. They were in South London and were sent to Victoria Hospital.

ASSESSMENT OF LANES.

Assessment Commissioner Grant says that the ruling of the court of revision regarding the assessing of lanes, makes it imperative that the assessors shall assess the lane to the property owners who own property abutting on it, and that the taxes for the same shall be divided amongst these property owners. In some cases lanes have been assessed to one man, despite the fact that a number of people used them, whilst in other instances it has been found impossible to say who really owned the lanes, and some of them have not been assessed at all.

NOTES.

A citizen called upon City Engineer Graydon today and asked to be told what numbers he should place on his two cottages on the Hamilton road, near Grey street. Mr. Graydon's reply was that when the city was numbered no record was kept, and that consequently it would be impossible for him to say what numbers should be placed on the houses. Mr. Graydon added that every 20 feet was entitled to a number.

A citizen points out that Redan street is misspelled on the signboards. The street runs south from the Hamilton road near Rectory, and the name appears on the signs as Radan street.

JOYES' LATEST SORROW

Says His Wife Refused to Let Him in the House.

Albert Joyes has laid an information against his wife, charging her with assault. For the past year some member of the family has brought the name before the court, and the present case is the culmination of many previous difficulties.

First Joyes was summoned for not sending his children to school, and he laid the blame on his wife. Since then Mrs. Joyes has several times appeared on behalf of her truant boy and latterly has led the magistrate to believe that she was anxious that the boy should go to school.

Joyes himself was not averse to sending the incorrigible youngster to Mimico Industrial School, and on this point his wife did not agree with him. The troubles of the family were brought to a head Saturday, when the elder boy got into a worse difficulty than playing "hookey." The youngster is now in jail awaiting sentence and the unhappy father claims to have been locked out of home.

Saturday when he returned home, he alleges, his wife refused to let him in and struck him with a fire shovel, threatening him in other ways if he ventured across the threshold. She accused him of being responsible for the boy being caught and refused to live with him any more.

A NEW VICAR-GENERAL

Rev. J. E. Meunier Succeeds Late Father Bayard.

Appointment Was Announced by Bishop McEvay at Windsor.

Bishop McEvay, who was in Windsor Sunday to confirm a class at St. Alphonsus' Church, announced the appointment of Rev. J. E. Meunier, parish priest to the office of vicar-general of the Diocese of London.

The office has been vacated by the death in this city of Rev. Father Bayard, some time ago.

Father Meunier, who went to Windsor from Belle Isle two years ago, and who has been very successful in his work there, will continue in charge of the Windsor parish.

GOOSE AND CAT AT HEEL

Silent Members of the Throng on Outgoing Steamer's Pier.

New York, Dec. 7.—Folks on the pier of the Atlantic Transport liner Mesaba, off yesterday for London, were startled by the appearance among them of a white goose and a cat. The goose and cat were unobtrusive and silent. They simply followed their master, Samuel Watson, around, while he atended to the shipment in crates of a lot of dogs and roosters. Mr. Watson is in the show business and the goose and cat are his star performers.

The Water Commissioner meets this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the city hall. The principal business will be the reception of the "nipple" report on London's water supply.

Lawsuit Threatened If Pavement Work Is Begun

Latest Development In the Case of Clarence Street—Alleged Irregularities.

The council meeting tonight should not only prove an interesting one, but a decidedly lively one. Many old scores of the year will no doubt be unearthed. The meeting of the 21st inst. will wind up the sessions of the year.

Outside of these matters, however, a petition from the property owners of Clarence street, between Dundas street and the G. T. R., will be presented, praying that the proposed bituminous macadam pavement which has been initiated and has already passed through all necessary preliminary stages, be not proceeded with; that all of the initiation proceedings be quashed, and that instead of bituminous macadam the council lay a Trinidad asphalt pavement on the street.

Just what action the council will take on the petition is not known for certain, but it is stated with a good deal of assurance that the macadam pavement will be knocked out, and tenders for an asphalt pavement called for, though it goes without saying that Trinidad asphalt will not be specified in the tenders.

The people of Clarence street are said to be up in arms against the proposed macadam pavement. When the city proposed to initiate it, a petition was promptly circulated against the work, and it is said sufficient names were secured to knock out the proposed initiative. But subsequently a number of names were removed, and when the petition was presented to the assessment commissioner it was found to be insufficiently signed. Another petition against the macadam roadway was then presented, but as it was not sent in within the time prescribed by law, no notice was taken of it, and the work of initiating the pavement was proceeded with as usual.

And now comes the third petition, and it is said that if this petition is not acted upon and the city attempts to put down the pavement, a lawsuit will result, the property owners interested, it is alleged, being ready to combat the work on the ground that certain illegalities in connection therewith are known to them, and which, it is still further alleged, will be found sufficient to put a stop to the laying of the pavement.

The deputy returning officers and the polling subdivisions will also be named tonight, so the session promises to be a lengthy one.

MRS. BOOMER RE-ELECTED

Again Chosen President of Convalescent Home Board.

Another Satisfactory Year Closed at the Institution.

The annual meeting of the board of management of the Convalescent Home was held at the home, York street, this morning, with the president, Mrs. Boomer, in the chair. Among those in attendance were Mesdames Labatt, De La Hooke, Niven, Edge, Callard, Bullen, Bremner, and Misses Meredith, and Loughead, Rev. Canon Dann, Henry Macklin, and E. W. M. Flock.

The reports for the year were presented and considered very satisfactory. That of the president, Mrs. Boomer, said that during the year the number of inmates in the home was 38, of whom 11 were English, 12 Canadians, 7 Irish, 6 Scotch, and 1 from the United States. Twelve were Roman Catholics, 26 Church of England, or members of other Protestant denominations. A large proportion of the patients were gratis, or those who could pay for only a small share of the cost of their maintenance. Mrs. Boomer said that a helping hand had been extended to other societies in the matter of helping those who were recovering from illness. The debt was reduced until now the encumbrance on the home only amounted to $300.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Boomer (re-elected).

Lady Patronesses—Mrs. Labatt and Mrs. Bremner.

Vice-Presidents—First, Mrs. Niven; second, Mrs. Blinn; third, Mrs. Edge.

Board of Management—The wives of the clergy of the city, honorary members and Mesdames Hopkins, De La Hooke, Callard, Kidner, Strong, St. John Hyttenrauch, R. K. Cowan, E. W. M. Flock, (Capt.) Wilson.

Treasurer—Miss Ada Meredith.

Assistant Treasurer—Miss Macnamara.

Secretary—Miss Loughead.

Assistant Secretary—Miss F. Mitchell.

Purchasing Committee—Mrs. Bremner, Mrs. Bullen, Mrs. Edge.

Advisory Board—Mr. Thomas McCormick, Rev. Canon Dann, Henry Macklin and John Wright.

The committee on repairs gave a very satisfactory account of the improvements accomplished at the home, at a cost of about $200. Of this sum, a good percentage had already been subscribed by friends of the institution.

The report of the treasurer showed payments of $604 57, of which $100 was on the mortgage.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—The children at the Children's Aid Shelter, who had scarlet fever, are much improved.

—Mrs. Edwards, wife of Squire Edwards, is very seriously ill at her home on Ridout street.

—Mr. Charles Ryan is again in charge of the Tecumseh House billiard parlor after a two weeks' rest in St. Thomas.

—Mrs. W. A. Johnston leaves London today on a trip to Paris, sailing on Wednesday from Newport.

—Col. Macbeth, county clerk of the peace, who has been ill for a few days, will be able to attend at the opening of the county court tomorrow.

—The services at the county jail were conducted under the auspices of the Salvation Army yesterday. About twenty-five prisoners listened to the sermons.

THREATENED TO TAKE HIS LIFE.

A man who is said to have threatened to take his life, because of trouble in his home, was brought to the county jail yesterday. His name is George Jeffrey, of Cagadoc, a well-known farmer. Since his mother died a short time ago he has been very despondent, and it is believed that unless constantly watched he would attempt to take his life. He was remanded for a week by Squire Smyth.

DIED IN PORT HURON.

At Port Huron yesterday the death of Miss Elsie Ferguson Durand occurred. The young lady was only 21 years of age. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Durand of this city, and her remains have been brought here for burial in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the residence of her grandmother, Mrs. Annie E. Durand, 338 Dundas street, corner of Waterloo street.

SUFFERED FROM COLD AND HUNGER.

Alexander Le Breau, claiming to be a French-Canadian, affected by the trouble at the Sault, was found in London Township by Constable Arthur Corsault on Saturday, and as he was almost frozen, because of a lack of clothing, and worn out with hunger. He was brought to the city, and remanded to the county jail for a week by Squire Smyth.

ANOTHER CHARGE AGAINST STOCKFORD.

A farmer named Robinson, from East Nissouri, has laid a charge of theft against David Stockford, the man who has already pleaded guilty to a number of similar charges. Stockford's deeds have apparently been the boldest that have come under the attention of the county police for some time. On the latest charge he is accused of stealing a coat and vest, several pairs of socks and $10 in cash. He will be brought up for a hearing before Squire Lacey.

DR. JOHNSTON'S INDUCTION.

A congregation which filled every seat on the floor of the church was present Thursday evening in the American Presbyterian Church, Montreal, at the induction of the Rev. Robert Johnston, D. D., as pastor. Ministers representing other bodies were present, besides those of the same denomination, and the church was decorated for the occasion. "The service," says the Montreal Star, "was not only impressive, but was an event of interest, being the first time that the New York Presbytery has installed a minister in Montreal, the custom being to perform the ceremony in New York. The service was conducted by Rev. Anthony H. Evans, D. D., moderator of the Presbytery of New York, who preached the sermon, and asked the constitutional questions of the minister and the congregation, to which the latter responded by raising the right hand. The Scripture lesson was read by Dr. Shearer; the charge to the pastor by Rev. Jesse F. Forbes, D.D., and the charge to the people by Rev. Prof. James Ross, D.D., who has been acting pastor at the American Presbyterian Church."

An Imperial Life Investment Policy guarantees security to your estate in event of your death, paying an enormous dividend, and an excellent investment for yourself if you live. Ask Geo. R. Hamil

The FILIGREE ..BALL..

BY ANNA KATHERINE GREEN

Copyright by the Bobbs-Merrill Company, and by special arrangement with McLeod & Allen, Canadian Publishers.

It was a collection of obscure memoirs written by an English woman, but an English woman who had been in America during the early part of the century, and who had been brought more or less into contact with the mysteries connected with the Moore house in Washington. Several passages were marked, one particularly, by a heavy pencil-line running the length of the margin. As the name of Moore was freely scattered through these passages as well as through two or three faded newspaper clippings which I discovered pasted on the inside cover, I lost no time in setting about their perusal.

The following extracts are from the book itself, taken in the order in which I found them marked:

"It was about this time that I spent a week in the Moore house; that grand and historic structure concerning which and its occupants so many curious rumors are afloat. I knew nothing then of its discreditable fame; but from the first moment of my entrance into its ample and well lighted halls I experienced a sensation which I will not call dread, but which certainly was far from being the impulse of pure delight which the graciousness of my hostess and the imposing character of the place itself were calculated to produce. This emotion was but transitory, vanishing, as was natural, in the excitement of my welcome and the extraordinary interest I took in Callista Moore, who in those days was a most fascinating little body. Small to the pointing of appearing diminutive, and lacking all assertion in manner and bearing, she was nevertheless such a lady that she easily dominated all who approached her, and produced, quite against her will I am sure, an impression of aloofness seasoned with kindness, which made her a most surprising and entertaining study to the analytic observer. Her position as nominal mistress of an establishment already accounted one of the finest in Washington—the real owner, Reuben Moore, preferring to live abroad with his French wife—gave to her least action an importance which her shy, if not appealing looks, and a certain strained expression most difficult to characterize, vainly attempted to contradict. I could not understand her, and soon gave up the attempt; but my admiration held firm, and by the time the evening was half over I was her obedient slave. I think from what I know of her now that she would have preferred to be mine.

"I was put to sleep in a great chamber which I afterward heard called 'The Colonel's Own.' It was very grand and had a great bed in it almost royal in its size and splendor. I believe that I shrank quite unaccountably from this imposing piece of furniture when I first looked at it; it seemed so big and so out of proportion to my slim little body. But admonished by the look which I surprised on Mistress Callista's high-bred face, I quickly recalled an expression so unsuited to my position as guest, and, with a gush of well-simulated rapture, began to expatiate upon the interesting characteristics of the room, and express myself as delighted at the prospect of sleeping there.

"Instantly the nervous look left her, and, with the quiet remark, 'It was my father's room,' she set down the candles with which both her hands were burdened, and gave me a kiss so warm and surcharged with feeling that it sufficed to keep me happy and comfortable for a half-hour or more after she passed out.

"I had thought myself a very sleepy girl, but when, after a somewhat lengthened brooding over the dying embers in the open fireplace, I lay down behind the curtains of the huge bed, I found myself as far from sleep as I had ever been in my whole life.

"And I did not recover from this condition for the entire night. For hours I tossed from one side of the bed to the other in my efforts to avoid the persistent eyes of a scarcely-to-be-perceived drawing facing me from the opposite wall. It had no merit as a picture, this drawing, but seen as it was under the rays of a gibbous moon looking in through the half-open shutter, it exercised upon me a spell such as I can not describe and hope never again to experience. Finally I rose and pulled the curtains violently together across the foot of the bed. This shut out the picture; but I found it worse to imagine it there with its haunting eyes peering at me through the intervening folds of heavy damask than to confront it openly; so I pushed the curtains back again, only to rise a half-hour later and twitch them desperately together once more.

"I fidgeted and worried so that night that I must have looked quite pale when my attentive hostess met me at the head of the stairs the next morning. For her hand shook quite perceptibly as she grasped mine, and her voice was pitched in no natural key as she inquired how I had slept. I replied, as truth, if not courtesy, demanded, 'Not as well as usual,' whereupon her eyes fell and she remarked quite hurriedly, 'I am so sorry; you shall have another room tonight,' adding, in what appeared to be an unconscious whisper: 'There is no use; all feel it; even the young and the gay;' then aloud and with irrepressible anxiety: 'You didn't see anything, dear?'

"'No!' I protested in suddenly awakened dismay; 'only the strange eyes of that queer drawing peering at me through the curtains of my bed. Is it—is it a haunted room?'

"Her look was a shocked one, her protest quite vehement. 'Oh, no! No one has ever witnessed anything like a ghost there, but every one finds it impossible to sleep in that bed or even in the room. I do not know why, unless it is that my father spent so many weary years of incessant wakefulness inside its walls.'

"'And did he die in that bed?' I asked.

"She gave a startled shiver, and drew me hurriedly downstairs. As we paused at the foot, she pressed my hand and whispered:

"'Yes; at night; with the full of the moon upon him.'

"I answered her look with one she probably understood as little as I did hers. I had heard of this father of hers. He had been a terrible old man and had left a terrible memory behind him.

"The next day my room was changed according to her promise, but in the light of the charges I have since heard uttered against that house and the family who inhabit it, I am glad that I spent one night in what, if it was not a haunted chamber, had certainly a very thrilling effect upon its occupants."

Second passage; the italics showing where it was most heavily marked.

"The house contained another room as interesting as the one I have already mentioned. It went by the name of the library and its walls were heavily lined with books; but the family never sat there, nor was I ever fortunate enough to see it with its doors unclosed except on the occasion of the grand reception Mistress Callista gave in my honor. I have a fancy for big rooms and more than once urged my hostess to tell me why this one stood neglected. But the lady was not communicative on this topic and it was from another member of the household I learned that its precincts had been forever clouded by the unexpected death within them of one of her father's friends, a noted army officer.

"Why this should have occasioned a permanent disuse of the spot I could not understand, and as every one who conversed on this topic invariably gave the impression of saying less than the subject demanded, my curiosity soon became too much for me and I attacked Miss Callista once again in regard to it. She gave me a quick smile, for she was always amiable, but shook her head and introduced another topic. But one night when the wind was howling in the chimneys and the sense of loneliness was even greater than usual in the great house, we drew together on the rug in front of my bedroom fire, and, as the embers burned down to ashes before us, Miss Callista became more communicative.

"Her heart was heavy, she told me; had been heavy for years. Perhaps some ray of comfort would reach her if she took a friend into her confidence. God knew that she needed one especially on a night like this, when the wind woke echoes all over the house and it was hard to tell which most to fear, the sounds which came from no one knew where, or the silence which settled after.

"She trembled as she said this, and instinctively drew nearer my side so that our heads almost touched over the flickering flame from whose heat and light we sought courage. She seemed to feel grateful for this contact, and the next minute, flinging all her scruples to the wind, she began a relation of events which more or less answered my late unwelcome queries.

"The death in the library, about which her most perplexing memory hung, took place when she was a child and her father held that high governmental position which has reflected so much credit upon the family. Her father and the man who thus perished had been intimate friends. They had fought together in the War of 1812 and received the same distinguishing marks of presidential approval afterward. They were both members of an important commission which brought them into diplomatic relations with England. It was while serving on this commission that the sudden break occurred which ended all intimate relations between them, and created a change in her father that was equally remarked at home and abroad. What occasioned this break no one knew. Whether his great ambition had received some check through the jealousy of this so-called friend—a supposition which did not seem possible, as he rose rapidly after this—or on account of other causes darkly hinted at by his contemporaries, but never breaking into open gossip, he was never the same man afterwards. His children, who used to rush with effusion to greet him, now shrank into corners at his step, or slide behind half open doors, whence they peered with fearful interest at his tall figure, pacing in moody silence the halls of his ancestral home, or sitting with frowning brows over the embers dying away on the great hearthstone of his famous library.

"Their mother, who was an invalid, did not share these terrors. The father was ever tender of her, and the only smile they ever saw on his face came with his entrance into her darkened room.

[To be Continued.]

LONDONER IS APPOINTED TO THE EXECUTIVE OF O. H. A.

Mr. A. B. Cox Honored—Toronto Candidates for the Executive Snowed Under.

The most important event of the hockey season in Ontario, not excepting the playing of the games, commenced on Saturday. It was the annual meeting of the Ontario Hockey Association, held at Toronto, and it was by far the best meeting of the sporting organization ever held at the capital of Ontario. The officers were elected and a great deal of important business attended to. London's interests were well looked after, and the amendment proposed by the St. John's A. C. went through without a kick, which was unexpected. That club and the Hortons of this city were represented, but nothing very material to local interests came up. It is expected that the meeting today will decide whether or not Harry Peel will be placed with the amateur players again. A most significant feature of the meeting was the failure of any one of the Toronto men who were in the field for the executive to be elected to office. This is the first time such a thing has happened, and there are not a few clubs who will hear of it with joy. Toronto's monopoly has looked like a breakdown for quite a while, and it was inevitable that it should happen. There are still two men to be elected to the committee and they will likely be chosen from the Queen City men. Mr. John Ross Robertson was again elected to the office of president. It would be very hard to find a man to fill his place, and it is well that the sport has such a godfather to rely upon for sage advice and counsel. The number of new clubs entering this year more than equals the number that have retired, and as all are reporting themselves to be in fine condition it can be safely predicted that the coming season will be the best in the history of the country. The arrangements which will practically start the sport will be made immediately. Today the members of the outside teams will have a chance to put their proposals before the meeting. Then the newly-elected executive will meet next week to attend to the drafting of schedules and grouping the clubs. The association is in fine shape financially and everything augurs well for success.

Among the delegates were: A. B. Cox, St. John's A. C., London; W. Lillie, of Galt; B. Scott, Listowel, P. Leyden, Watford; Dr. Sinclair, Woodstock; J. Seeley, Meaford; W. E. Foley, Hortons, London; W. J. Elliott, Ingersoll; J. W. Chowen, Stratford; W. Windeyer, Kincardine; G. M. Clark, St. Marys; W. C. Cain, Brantford; N. E. Irvine, Guelph Victorias; Leo Layden, Paris.

First Vice-President A. H. Beeton, Second Vice-President Francis Nelson, Secretary-Treasurer W. A. Buchanan, Duff Adams (Paris), D. L. Darroch (Collingwood), E. B. Fink (Iroquois), and W. H. Lamont (Toronto), were the members of the executive committee present.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

In the course of his address President Robertson said that as a result of the intense feeling of rivalry that exists between certain towns in the association, the spectacle was furnished last winter of players being assaulted during the progress of the game by spectators. As is pointed out, on one or two occasions home teams are responsible for these acts of rowdyism. It is to be hoped that there will be no repetition of such cowardly conduct.

Another team complains that they had to play in a town, where the spectators, both male and female, reached over the boards and struck the players with gloves, canes and any other article that was at hand.

They also complained that the goal umpires were so biased that they had to be changed three times. These umpires refused to credit the visiting team with games when the puck went into the net, and credited the home team with games when the puck stayed out of the net.

The club referred to is not in the association this year, nor is it likely to be, for such conduct is reprehensible.

In other parts of the jurisdiction complaints have been made of the unfair decisions of goal umpires, necessitating a change in these officials during the game. Indeed, I have sometimes thought that the time would come when these umpires should be appointed by the association, for the goal umpire somehow or other looks upon himself as a member of the team.

The clubs of the association are to commended for their faithfulness to the rulings of the executive in the matter of refraining from entering into competition with players or clubs placed under the association's ban.

BANK LEAGUE QUESTION.

The ever-recurring question of the ban placed upon Bank League players, by the association, may come up again this year with a request, to have it removed.

The same causes exist for the continuance of the ruling that justified its adoption, and there has been no cause shown why or how hockey will be benefited by permitting these gentlemen to play. There is no fight between the O. H. A. and Bank Leagues, but the association, for the greater good of the greater number, has ruled the bank players out.

I refer to the old question as to the recognition or non-recognition of hockey as they have it in Pittsburg. The fact that the American Amateur Athletic Union is satisfied with the United States style of hockey should mean nothing to the O. H. A.

The Ontario Hockey Association does not attempt to tell either the American Amateur Athletic Union or the so-called Canadian Amateur Athletic Union who is eligible for competition in the annual series of running, jumping or foot races.

Nor can any organization tell the O. H. A. who is eligible to play hockey under our standards.

TO KEEP THE GAME CLEAN.

One of the main objects of the Ontario Hockey Association is to keep the game as clean as possible along amateur lines. It requires care and attention to watch the movements in the ranks of hockey players without looking into the status of sport in other branches. Usually it is sufficient for the association that a player has been allowed to compete in games as an amateur in other lines, without investigating his standing. The association has accepted the rulings of sister sporting bodies without a question, and has barred those only who have been placed under the ban by those bodies. The amateur spirit, however, in baseball is at such a low ebb, particularly in cities where leagues are formed, that about the only thing to do is to bar them all from the ranks of hockey. There are so few city players who have the slightest pretension to any kind of amateurism that it may safely be said that there is not a single senior baseball player in the cities who will not bear watching. About the only way to handle the matter is to make all baseball players show cause why they should not be debarred from hockey before being allowed to take part in any of our games.

STATEMENT OF FINANCES.

Mr. Buchanan read the treasurer's report and also that of the secretary. The receipts show the fees paid for the annual entrance of teams in the different series at $5 per team and for the entrance of a club to the association at $5 per club.

At the end of last year there was a balance in the bank of $1,066 12. After paying all our expenses he was able to report today a cash balance in the bank at the end of another year of $1,243 02, nearly $200 in excess of the previous year. The balance would have been much larger had the receipts of the final games been as large as the previous year. In the junior series the receipts fell very low, due to the fact that the contestants belonged to cities, where senior and intermediate teams held most of the interest.

LONDON'S AMENDMENT CARRIED

The amendment of Alfred B. Cox, of London, to regulations was seconded by Mr. Beaton, and carried. The amendment was modified by changing the word shall to may. This amendment now reads as follows: "The executive may, at the instance of any club, or if it considers that suspicious circumstances exist, on its own initiative, require any club in the association to satisfy the executive by statutory declaration evidence that such club is being carried on on a strictly amateur basis, and that none of its players are being paid or compensated, directly or indirectly, nor has any promise, direct or indirect, of payment or compensation for playing for such club."

C. H. Hersee, of Woodstock, withdrew his amendment to have the secretary of the association appoint a referee from outside the district when two clubs cannot agree on an official.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers was the most exciting order of business. The president, J. Ross Robertson, was elected by acclamation. Francis Nelson was elected first vice-president, A. H. Beaton withdrawing from his nomination.

J. W. Chowen withdrew from the contest for second vice, leaving D. L. Darroch elected by acclamation.

The executive elected is certainly very representative. Western Ontario will be represented by Duff Adams, of Paris; Northern Ontario by H. D. Jamieson, of Barrie; Eastern Ontario by E. Gus Porter, of Belleville, and Northeastern Ontario by J. E. Washburn, of Smith's Falls. The vote for the executive was as follows: Adams, Paris, 69; Washburn, Smith's Falls, 58; Porter, Belleville, 54; Jamieson, Barrie, 45; Chowen, Stratford, 35; Waghorne, Toronto, 29; Sinclair, Woodstock, 28; Fink, Iroquois, 21; Blain, Owen Sound, 21, and Lamont, Toronto, 9. Wilson, Markham, and Dromgole, Galt, withdrew from the contest.

A later dispatch concerning the meeting received from Toronto contains the following information, which will be a source of congratulation for the members of the St. John's A. C.: Messrs. Alfred B. Cox, of London, Ont., and Wm. Wyndham, of Hamilton, Ont., have been appointed on the executive of the O. H. A. by the president.

BANKERS' LEAGUE IS LIKELY TO INCLUDE EIGHT CLUBS

Four More Organizations Want to Come In—The Local Bank League Secures a Rink.

YACHTING.

FOR THE SEAWANHAKA CUP.

New York, Dec. 5.—The members of the White Bear Yacht Club, of Minnesota, are going to make a strong effort to capture the Seawanhaka Challenge Cup for small boats, which has been held so long by the Canadians. This cup was won several years ago by the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club, and it has been successfully defended every year since then. Last season the Manchester Yacht Club tried to win it, but failed, and the Manchester and White Bear Yacht Clubs and an English Club challenged. The White Bear's challenge was accepted. The members of the club have arranged to have four boats built.

THE TURF.

BILLINGS DOESN'T STOP AT DOLLARS.

G. K. S. Billings doesn't allow the price to stop him when he wants speed. He paid $7,600 at the Old Glory sale last week for the Prince of Orange, 2:06¼, a brown gelding by Prince of India 26773, by Baron Wilkes by George Wilkes, dam Annie D (dam of Prince of Orange, 2:06½, Roloson, 2:17¾, Bella B., 2:30¼) by Cuyler 100; second dam Peerless by Norman Temple 235. He is considered by experts to be one of the most perfect gentleman's roadsters in America, and one of the fastest horses that ever wore harness.

TORONTO JOCKEY KILLED.

Robert Rickson, a Toronto lad, who was galloping horses in the racing stable of Mr. George Hendrie, was killed at Nashville, Tenn., by the discharge of a revolver which he was examining.

THE WHEEL.

New York, Dec. 5.—With a 15-mile motor pace race, in which George Leander, of Chicago, the world's long-distance champion, defeated "Jimmy" Michaels, of Wales, the indoor cycle season was begun at Madison Square Garden tonight. Leander won easily by two and a half laps, and at no stage of the contest had Michaels a chance of winning. Most of the riders who have entered for the six-day race during the coming week took part in an international ten-mile event, which was won easily by Frank Kramer, the national champion.

THE RING.

JEFFRIES AND A DUTCHMAN.

New York, Dec. 5.—Arrangements are under way looking to a boxing contest between James J. Jeffries and Henry J. Placke, of Amsterdam, Holland, who claims to be champion of the continent. Placke has sent $300 forfeit to Richard K. Fox, of this city, to supply a challenge, and Billy Delaney, Jeffries' manager, has signified his willingness to negotiate for a match. Placke is 33 years old, is 6 feet 5½ inches tall and weighs 252 pounds. He claims that he is backed by members of the Netherland nobility, whom the has taught to box.

OUT IN THREE ROUNDS.

Philadelphia, Dec. 5.—"Jack" O'Brien knocked out "Jack" Williams in the third round of what was scheduled as a six-round bout tonight before the National Athletic Club. O'Brien landed on William at will, while the latter could not touch O'Brien.

FOOTBALL.

SARNIA WAS EASY.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The Limestones of Kingston had an easy time winning the O. R. F. U. junior championship by a one-sided victory over Sarnia this afternoon at Diamond Park before one of the smallest crowds that have witnessed a championship Rugby game here this season. The winners declared that they would ignore the order to play off again next Saturday. The score at the call of time was, Limestones 35, Sarnia 3. Early in the game the Limestones showed their superiority over their adversaries.

BASEBALL.

LEADERS IN THE AMERICAN.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The averages of Amerdican League players for the last season were given out today by Ban Johnston. The leaders are as follows:

Batting—Farrell, Boston, .404.

Pitchers, won and lost—Moore, Cleveland, .750.

Fielding — Pitchers, Howell, New York, 1,000; outfielders, Jones, Chicago, .988; first basemen, Anderson, St. Louis, .987; second basemen, McCormick, Washington, .964; third basemen, L. Cross, Philadelphia, .954; shortstops, Moran, Washington, .946 catchers, O'Connor, New York, .988.

TURF asa. O4!Nfl ..6 ..6 ..6 ..6 ..6 ..

SATURDAY'S TURF WINNERS.

At Bennings — The Major (Hoar); Bill Curti (T. Burns), 6 to 5 and 1 to 2; Bill Curtis (Burns), 6 to 5 and 1 to 2; Billy Ray (Kelly), 2 to 1 and 4 to 5; Carbuncle (T. Burns), 7 to 10; Wager (Creamer), 15 to 1 and 6 to 1; Duke of Kendall (Blake), 8 to 1 and 3 to 5.

At New Orleans — Lew Dorsey, 3 to 1; Tioya, 4 to 5; Misanthrope, 3 to 1; Rainland, 3 to 2; Potheen, 10 to 2; Air Light, 6 to 5.

HOCKEY.

FOUR MORE TEAMS TO ENTER.

The new Western Ontario Bankers' League, which is now in course of organization, will consist of eight clubs. Besides the four which entered originally, it is probable that four more will be in. This will make the league a very strong one. The local team has been notified that a meeting to organize will be held very soon, and a representative will be sent from the city. The local bank league has not drafted a schedule as yet, but the Princess Rink has been secured, and nights for practice and games arranged for. None of the games will be open to the public.

Sudden Changes of Temperature

Bring Hosts of Coughs and Colds—Serious Results Are Prevented by the Use of

DR. CHASE'S SYRUP OF LINSEED AND TURPENTINE.

Coughs and colds usually arise from sudden changes of temperature. It may be change of weather, passing from a warmer to a colder room or exposure to a draught.

It is not always possible to prevent exposure in these ways, but it is possible to prevent serious results by using Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine.

This great medicine has saved thousands of lives by preventing pneumonia, consumption and other forms of lung trouble.

It is mother's favorite remedy for croup, bronchitis, whooping-cough and the coughs and colds to which children are subject. Being pleasant to the taste, the little ones delight to take it.

It is prized by the old people because of the prompt and thorough relief it brings for asthma and other chronic ailment of the bronchial tubes.

The very fact that the sale of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine is more than three times that of any similar remedy, and was never so large as it is today, is sufficient proof of its merit. In the great majority of homes it is kept on hand for cases of emergency.

Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, 25 cents a bottle, family size (three times as much), 60 cents, at all dealers, of Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

To protect you against imitations the portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous receipt book author, are on every bottle. 3

DEATH OF MR. M. J. QUINN

Well-Known Lawyer and Politician of Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—M. J. F. Quinn, K.C., ex-M. P., one of Montreal's best-known lawyers, and a leading Irish Catholic politicians, died at his residence in this city yesterday after a protracted illness. Mr. Quinn, who was in his 62nd year, was elected to the House of Commons in the Conservative interests for St. Anne's division at the general elections of 1895, but was defeated at the last general election by Ald. Gallery, the recent member. Mr. Quinn was noted for his eloquence and also occupied a foremost place at the bar, especially in criminal practice. He was for a time crown prosecuting attorney before the court of King's bench.

Britain May Lose India.

Vienna, Dec. 7.—Professor Vampery, in an article in the Die Zeit on the possibility that the British expedition to Thibet will lead to international complications, declares that Great Britain must acquire Thibet unless she wishes to lose India.

Floods Near Rome.

Rome, Dec. 7.—The rise in the Tiber has flooded the country so near Rome that it is impossible to get to St. Paul's, two miles out of the city, as the districts surrounding Rome are now covered by four feet of water.

Ayer's Hair Vigor
Did you know it always restored color to gray hair, always? Makes the hair grow; and stops falling hair.
J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

A Meal in a Moment
is sometimes a necessity and in an emergency of this kind, The Busy Housewife finds "BOVRIL" to be truly a friend in need. A little
BOVRIL
added to even the most tasteless dish, gives the appetizing flavor of fresh lean beef, and by its aid rich nourishing soups and tasty gravies are easily prepared at short notice.

RAILWAYS AND NAVIGATION

Colorado California
Are interesting states to visit at any season of the year. Colorado is not only a summer resort, nor California merely a winter resort. Through train service daily from Chicago via the
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway
Three trains a day to San Francisco and one to Denver. A handsome book of fifty-six pages, descriptive of these states, and the new service there, sent to any address for six cents postage.
A. J. TAYLOR, Canadian Passenger Agent. 65u-z
8 King St., East, TORONTO.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL
"The Niagara Falls Route."
On and after Monday, Nov. 16th, 1903,
Trains will leave London, at city time, as follows:
9:10 a.m. 2:20 p.m. 7:05 p.m.
The splendid service to New York and all eastern points remains unchanged.
WINTER TOURIST RATES
Now in effect to southern points.
O. W. RUGGLES, G. P. and T. A. JOHN PAUL, C. P. and T. A

CANADIAN PACIFIC
London to Guelph and Return, $2.15.
TO WINTER FAIR TO BE HELD DEC. 7-11, 1903.
Single first class fare from all stations in Ontario, Sharbot Lake and west (but not west of North Bay). Tickets good going Dec. 5 to 11 inclusive, returning on or before Dec. 14, 1903. Special arrangements for judges and exhibitors holding proper certificates. Apply to any C. P. R. agent. W. FULTON, 161 Dundas street, London. A. H. NOTMAN, A.G.P.A., Toronto.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY
HUNTING SEASON 1903.
When and Where To Find BIG GAME
In Quebec and the Maratime Provinces.
WRITE FOR
"A Week in the Woods"
"Fishing and Hunting"
....TO....
TORONTO TICKET OFFICE.
51 King Street West.

BIG G CURES in 1 to 5 days. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents Contagion. THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO. CINCINNATI, O. U. S. A.
MEN AND WOMEN. Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astringent or poisonous. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for $1.00, or 3 bottles $2.75. Circular sent on request.

A Book for Christmas
If you have any journals or magazines for the year that you would like bound, bring them to us.
H. P. Bock, 438½ Richmond Street

WHITE STAR LINE
United States and Royal Mail Steamers.
New York, Queenstown and Liverpool
ARABIC.....DEC. 9, 9:30 A.M.
OCEANIC.....DEC. 16, 4 P.M.
TEUTONIC.....DEC. 23, NOON.
CEDRIC.....DEC. 30, 1 P.M.
MAJESTIC.....JAN. 6, 10 A.M.
Saloon rates from $75 up. Second saloon from $45 up, according to steamer and accommodation. Third class rates to Liverpool, London, Glasgow and Derry, $28 and $29 50.
Accommodations for all classes of passengers unexcelled.
E. DE LA HOOKE, CLOCK CORNER, Sole Agent for London.

ALLAN LINE
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
From St. John and Halifax every Saturday, to Liverpool, via Moville.
First cabin, $55 and upwards; second cabin, $37 50 and $40; and third class, to Liverpool, Derry, Belfast, Glasgow and London, $25 and $26. Through tickets to South Africa.
London Agents—E. De La Hooke, W. Fulton, F. B. Clarke.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM
Winter Fair, Guelph
$2.15 London to Guelph and Return.
Good going Dec. 5 to 11 inclusive; valid returning on or before Dec. 14.
Fast Service to Detroit and Chicago.
11:15 a.m. daily, arrives Detroit 1:10 p.m.; Chicago, 8:55 p.m.
7:50 p.m., "International Limited," daily, arrives Detroit, 9:30 p.m.; Chicago, 7:20 a.m. Through sleepers to Chicago, cafe parlor car to Detroit.
3:05 a.m. daily, arrives Detroit 7:25 a.m.; Chicago, 1:30 p.m. Through sleepers and vestibule coaches to Detroit and Chicago.
1,000 Mile Tickets at $25.
Good on all Grand Trunk trains east of Detroit, are on sale at principal offices. They are accepted on trains, or may be exchanged at station for tickets. You will find same convenient, and a money-saver.
For tickets and all information call at city ticket office, corner Richmond and Dundas streets, or depot ticket office.

CLYDE
TO FLORIDA.
The only direct all-water route between Boston, New York, Charleston, S. C., and Jacksonville, Fla.
Fast and Staunch Steamers.
Tri-Weekly Sailings.
Every Modern Convenience.
W. P. CLYDE & CO., Gen. Agents.
THEO G. EGER, G. M.
19 State Street, - - New York.
E. D. LA HOOKE, Agent, London.
LINE.

The WABASH RAILROAD
It is the great winter tourist route to the south and west, including Texas, Old Mexico and California, the lands of sunshine and flowers. Through standard and tourist sleeping cars are now run via this great southern route. The new and elegant trains on the Wabash are hauled by the most powerful engines ever built. Every comfort is provided equal to the best hotels, or the most luxurious homes. Nothing is wanting to complete one's happiness. The days and nights pass only too quickly, while traveling on the great Wabash line. For information as to rates, routes, etc., address any ticket agent, or J. A. Richardson, district passenger agent, northeast corner King and Yonge streets, Toronto.

CHRISTY GILBERT and GIBSON PICTURES.

O. B. GRAVES,
222 DUNDAS STREET.

DAINTY DESSERTS—
CREAM ROLLS,
CREAM PUFFS,
CHARLOTTE RUSSE.
TRY FRIENDS,
Phone 443.

J. Ferguson & Sons
UNDERTAKERS
'Phones 548 and 572. 180 King St.
Reasonable Charges; Personal Attention; First-Class Equipment. Open all the year around.
JOHN FERGUSON, Manager.

Every day more cooks and housewives are convinced that there is
ONE PERFECT FLOUR—
DAISY FLOUR
AT ALL GROCERS.

R. K. COWAN,
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, ETC.,
County Bldgs., next Court House, London.

OUR Electric Rooms are fitted up with every modern device for the treatment of Cancer, Tumors, Goitre, Varicocele, Hydrocele, Enlarged Glands, Rheumatism.
Dr. Pingel,
SPECIALIST,
444 Wellington Street, London.

FUNNY FOTOGRAFS.
The FREAKO shutter now in stock. Endless fun for 50 cents. Let us explain.
W. A. McKenzie, CAMERA SUPPLIES,
Opposite City Hall, Upstairs.

Wall Paper,
Painting,
Picture Framing.
H. & C. COLERICK,
212 Dundas St.

SUPPORT A HOME INSTITUTION BY INSURING IN THE
MONARCH CASH MUTUAL FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY.
This is the only company with its head office in London. Authorized stock capital, $500,000. 'Phone 1,611.
Head Office—59 Dundas Street, LONDON

London Conservatory of Music and School of Elocution
NOW OPEN.
Pupils may enter at any time.

You Are Cordially Invited.....
to visit our Art Store and inspect our selection of Art Goods, comprising ENGRAVINGS, ARTISTS' PROOFS, CARBON PHOTOS, CALENDARS and NOVELTIES IN STATUARY, etc.
H. & C. Colerick,
212 Dundas Street.

A HOME LIGHT.
The Incandescent Electric Light is distinctively a home light. It furnishes the best illumination for reading or work in the evening. It is steady—no fluttering—wind cannot blow it out—no chimney to clean—no bad odor—no waste. 'Phone 958.
London Electric Co.
359 RICHMOND ST.

HIGHEST GRADES OF
Burning Oil,
Lubricating Oil
and all other
Petroleum Products.
THE QUEEN CITY OIL CO.
Limited,
London Branch—York Street, East.
Head Office—Toronto.
zxv

POCOCK BROS.
MULE HIDE
HOCKEY BOOT
(Invictus Shoe)
GEO A. SLATER, Maker.
Approved by Montreal Hockey Club, world's champions, 1903. What they say: W. C. Nicholson—"They are light, durable and can't be beat." R. R. Boon—"They fill the requirements." Thomas C. Hodge—"The best yet." W. J. Bellington—"I don't know where they could be improved." A. W. Hooper—"They are 'all the way.'" J. C. Marshall—Speaking candidly, I admire them very much." Charles A. Lifflton—"I cannot see one objectionable point in their whole make-up." James H. Gardner—"The best ever. Nothing else for mine."
Sole Exclusively by Pocock Bros.
In skating boots we do the trade. Keep all the best kinds in boys', girls' and ladies', from $1 to $2 50. Free—A pair of skate straps with every pair of skating boots.

ORGANS
FOR CHRISTMAS
Some Special Bargains at present.
NORDHEIMER'S
188 Dundas St., London, Ont.
63 years established.

It Is Well To Have An Executor. .
Who will not die.
Who will not resign.
Who will never abscond.
Who will always be at home.
Who will keep accurate accounts.
Who will make a specialty of executing trusts.
—THE—
Canada Trust Co.
London, Canada.

Dr. R. Jarvis, DENTIST, Duffield Block,
BRANCH Office, Mt. Brydges (Fridays).

Golden Wedding.
That's the beautiful large Yellow Chrysanthemum, always so popular. Ours are grand ones.
GAMMAGE & SONS.

Cocoanut Macaroons
25c Per Pound.
Harry Ranahan,
Phone 1024.

Fancy Pencils and Pens
are to be found in our stock in abundance. One of these may be just what you want for Christmas. If so, don't fail to make your selection early. We shall be pleased to lay any article aside for you.
DIAMOND HALL
W. G. Young
211 Dundas Street.

BIRTH STONES.
If you intend making a friend a present, and if you know what month that friend was born in, you can give him or her a RING or a BROOCH, or something equally suitable, set with proper Birth Stones. All goods are NEW and up-to-date.
C. R. SUMNER, Watchmaker and Jeweler,
380 Richmond Street.

FURS
For Xmas Presents.
NECK FURS in Lynx, Sable, Blue Fox, Isabella Fox, Red Fox, Sable Fox, Stone Marten, Bear, Moleskin and all the new Furs, cut in the new shapes.
Beltz, Leading Furrier.

261 Dundas St. 'Phone 565.
The economy of our prices is more pronounced during the holiday season than at any other time.
DIRECT IMPORTATIONS
One of our latest is Havemeyer & Elder's
CRYSTAL DOMINO
Cut Loaf Sugar, per 5-lb carton, 50c.
JOHN LAWSON.

Of Course You Want Your Xmas Cake To Be a Success.
Its goodness depends on the materials you use. You can always depend on getting the best from us at the lowest prices consistent with quality.
Selected Valencia Raisins,
Cleaned Currants,
Finest Imported Peels,
Best Quality Shelled Nuts,
Pure Spices,
New Orleans Molasses,
Royal Pastry Flour.
ROYAL FIGS.
One-pound baskets 30c.
These are the best quality of washed Figs ever shown in London. Try a basket and compare them.
STUFFED DATES and STUFFED FIGS.
Filled with shelled nuts and crystallized ginger. They're delicious. 35c box.
TELEPHONE 317.
T. A. Rowat & Co.
234 Dundas Street.

A new message each day —watch for it.

Christmas Furnishings
Special offerings of new and beautiful furnishings to beautify the home for the Christmas season.
$50 Axminsters Rugs for $36 50.
Five only first quality Axminster Rugs, 10x13 feet, suitable designs for drawing-room, library or dining-room, in new and handsome designs and colorings. Regular price, $50, special to clear $36 50
$1 25 Brussels Carpet for $1 Yard.
450 yards of 5-frame best English Brussels, ⅝ borders to match, good designs and splendid colorings, always sold at $1 25 per yard, to clear, per yard $1
$5 English Eiderdowns $3 90 Each.
A wide range of beautiful patterns in Fine English Sateen, pink, green, blue and mauve shades, ventilated. Special value $3 90 each. Others in better quality making handsome gifts at $6, $8 and $10
Table Linens at Cost.
Our stock of Table Linens is to be cleared out and will be offered at cost prices and under.
A. Screaton & Co.

NEW STOCK TOBOGGANS
BOBSLEIGH COASTERS,
HAND SLEIGHS, BABY CUTTERS.
The Purdom, Gillespie Hardware Company,
Successors to JAMES REID & CO.

JOE'S NEPHEW IN CITY

Mr. Arthur Chamberlain on a Business Trip.

Hopes His Uncle Will Triumph—Says No More.

Mr. Arthur Chamberlain, of Birmingham, England, son of Arthur Chamingham, England, son of Arthur Chamberlain, a brother of Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, formerly British colonial secretary, was in this city today, and was registered at the Tecumseh House.

Mr. Chamberlain was seen by The Advertiser, but he was very reticent, and refused to talk of his famous uncle's policy in England. He had talked in Toronto, he said, and had been misinterpreted by a paper there.

Mr. Chamberlain, however, went as far as to state that he had hopes his uncle, the Hon. Joseph, would triumph, and he felt that the Chamberlain policy would solidify and unite the empire. Further than this he would not talk.

The distinguished Englishman is in America in the interests of a cartridge firm of Birmingham.

Saturday afternoon, while at work, and received a cut over the left eye. The wound was not a serious one, and after having it dressed at Victoria Hospital, Bucke was able to leave for home.

DEATH OF MRS. DUNN.

The death occurred Saturday of Mrs. Dunn, wife of Edward Dunn, of 515 Hamilton road. Mrs. Dunn, who was but 27 years of age, came to this city six weeks ago, with her husband, from England, Mr. Dunn, being employed as a boilermaker at Leonard's. She was ill on the voyage over, but appeared to have recovered, death being caused by peritonitis. Mr. Dunn is left with an infant child. The home of the couple was formerly in Jarrow-on-Tyne, England.

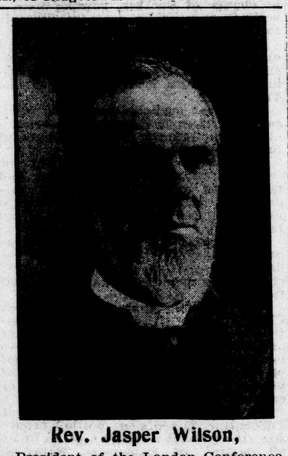
NEW PLACE OF WORSHIP MUST BE BUILT IN NEAR FUTURE

Hamilton Road Methodist Church and School Have Grown.

Close of the Forty Hours' Devotion at St. Peter's.

Young People's Day at Wellington Street Church—Pulpit Declared Vacant.

Anniversary services were held on Sunday in the Hamilton Road Methodist Church and were, by general consent, in every way the most impressive and successful in the history of the church. The progress of the church under the present pastor, Rev. S. J. Allin, has been of the most encouraging character. The congregation and Sunday school have both made such growth as to make it apparent that a new place of worship must be built in the near future. The services on Sunday were of special interest, owing to the presence of the president of the conference, Rev. Jasper Wilson, M. A., of Ridgetown. The president's discourses both morning and evening were strong, sensible and powerful presentations of the truth. The morning sermon was based on the words of Psalm 83, verses 1, 2 and 3: "His foundations is in the Holy mountain; the Lord loveth the gates of Zion." The theme was the church, its position, its security, and value to the world.



Rev. Jasper Wilson,
President of the London Conference, who conducted anniversary services at the Hamilton Road Methodist Church.

In the evening the words of the text were: "Be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the Lord, and work, for I am with you." From these words of the prophet addressed to the people with regard to the rebuilding of the temple, the preacher proceeded to show the need for unity, for co-operation in work and the encouragement found in the assurance of God's "I am with you." Speaking of the anxiety shown by many for the enjoyment of privileges, Mr. Wilson stated that when such privileges came they were often but poorly used and those to whom they came sought to excuse themselves from responsibility and toil under the plea of sickness, or want of time, or lack of ability.

"Every one is held responsible by God for the right use of time and opportunities. No one can be excused," he said. "Milton and Francis Parkin and Dr. Douglas, were cited as instances to show how men, handicapped in the work of life by infirmity of the flesh, could triumph over any obstacle and render heroic service."

"The social problems of the day, the orphan and the widow, and the many who are on the way to ruin would suggest to any one a field of labor. Never mind methods; get to work," added Mr. Wilson. "The unity of Christians is essential to the salvation of the world. No man must think of saving his soul unless he is willing to open his heart and hands to the cry of the perishing."

The choir of the church, under the direction of Mr. F. J. Fitzgerald, aided by Miss Beaumont, Miss M. E. Wilson, and the Messrs. Riddle, added much to the interest of the day's services. Special mention should be made of a beautiful quartet by the Misses Phoenix and Beaumont and Messrs. C. J. Pink and A. Riddle. An additional feature pleasing to the congregation was the presentation of a beautiful and costly new pulpit by Mr. A. Park, one of the stewards of the church. Rev. Walter Ayers and Mr. Thos. Brenton took part in the services, the latter also addressing the Sunday school in the afternoon.

TO DRAW YOUNG PEOPLE IN.

Special efforts are being made to draw young people into the church by the Wellington Street Methodists. Tonight a special open meeting of the Epworth League will be held. Yesterday was young people's day. Dr. Thornton, of Chatham, preached, both morning and evening to large congregations. Dr. Thornton is a prominent church worker among the young people, and made a favorable impression on his hearers. The sermons he preached were naturally evangelistic. The evening address was directed to the burden-bearing character of the Saviour. In opening he pointed out how the evolution of man had been to perfect man in a physical sense. Whether the evolution of the future would be psychical was a matter of controversy. There were some things, however, he said, about which there was no question. Sin was in the world, and death and sorrow and burden-bearing. Pointing out reasons for the divinity of Jesus Christ, he cited Col. Ingersoll, the renowned infidel, as admitting that he had no fault to find with the historic Christ. In the course of his remarks, Dr. Thornton referred to a mission he had visited in New York, where a young woman stated that every other form of sin went hand in hand with drunkenness. Upon this question he expressed his hate forcibly, adding that he prayed that the men of Canada might drop party politics and put down the liquor traffic. He held that Jesus Christ would give rest to those even with diseased appetites, such as the desire for whisky. He could count on his fingers the number of men cured by institutes for that purpose, but knew of hundreds saved by the Gospel. He pictured in conclusion of his half hour address, how Jesus Christ, coming into a man's life, made undesirable things desirable.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION.

Sunday evening the Forty Hours' Devotion were brought to a close in St. Peter's Cathedral. A large number received holy communion at the several masses, the men of the congregation receiving in a body at 8:30. At this mass, and also at 10:30, the rector, Rev. Father Aylward, preached an earnest sermon.

In the evening when the devotions were brought to a close, Bishop McEvay and Fathers Aylward, Egan, Dunn and Emery officiated, Father Egan preaching the sermon. After the "Litany of the Saints" had been chanted, a procession similar to that which took place the first day was formed, and the Sacrament was borne around the cathedral. His lordship the bishop carried the Host, and four members of the congregation supported the canopy of white silk which covered it. They were Messrs. Charles Wilson, Joseph Hickey, Clement Garvey and John Forristal, jun. All the clergy and altar boys also jointed in the procession.

Sunday next the members of St. Vincent de Paul Society will receive Holy Communion in a body at St. Mary's Church at 8:30 o'clock mass.

Bishop McEvay administered the sacrament of confirmation to 30 adults at Windsor. The confirmation marked the close of a mission which has been conducted at Windsor for the past few days by Rev. Father O'Bryan, S. J., and Rev. Father Devlin, S. J., both of Montreal.

Tuesday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, and special services will be conducted in the Catholic churches of London, as well as of the diocese.

PULPIT DECLARED VACANT

The official declaration of the vacancy of St. Andrew's pulpit was made yesterday morning by Rev. A. J. McGillivray, pastor of the new St. James Church, who was named by the presbytery for that purpose. The declaration was in the form of a communication from the clerk of the presbytery, and called for all convenient speed on the part of the congregation in securing a successor to Rev. Robert Johnston. The congregation was the usual large one, a fact which marks the stability and loyalty of St. Andrew's people. A well-based sermon was preached by Mr. McGillivray, who announced his willingness to do all in his power to aid the congregation when they were without a leader. The text was from Matthew xi., 11: "I say unto you that among them that are born of women there is not one greater than John the Baptist, notwithstanding that he that is least in the Kingdom of Heaven is greater than he." Mr. McGillivray said the words of the text were a magnificent tribute to John, who excelled all other men from Adam to Jesus. He had been the immediate harbinger of the Saviour of the world, and was like a man on a mighty mountain, above which were two others, however—one on which the children of the kingdom were, and the other the throne of God.

COMMUNION SERVICES.

At Knox Church yesterday the second largest number since the church was opened took communion. There were 223 communicants, of whom eight were new members received into the church.

Thirty-two new members took communion at the King Street Presbyterian Church yesterday.

The important question of the relations between the Presbyterian Church and Queen's University will be discussed at the meeting of the London Presbytery, which is to be held tomorrow at Glencoe.

Rev. W. J. Clark will lecture at Thamesford tonight.

Diplomas were presented at the Dundas Center Methodist Sunday school yesterday to 138 students who had attended every Sunday in the year.

The trustee board of the Askin Street Methodist Church has decided that if the present indebtedness on the church is met, no further mortgage will be put upon the building.

The new Sunday school building of the First Presbyterian Church will not be ready for occupation for two months.

At the First Methodist Church yesterday Mr. Norman H. Camp conducted the morning service, and Rev. J. V. Smith, of Toronto, the evening service. Rev. Mr. Bishop was taken ill in the evening and had to leave the pulpit. Next Sunday the educational anniversary services will be held.

Next Sunday is anniversary Sunday at the Cronyn Memorial Church, and by request Rev. Dyson Hague will preach at the evening service a special sermon on reasons for church-going. Tonight an illustrated address will be given under the auspices of the Young People's Society by Rev. Shields Boyd, a missionary to China, and a son of the late Judge Boyd.

LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Miss Clara Wilson, of Winnipeg, is the guest of London friends.

—Mr. C. A. Crozier, of Montreal, was revisiting London over Sunday.

—Mr. O. Labelle is in Montreal attending the funeral of his sister.

—Mrs. E. Reihm has returned home after visiting her parents and friends at Fordwich.

—A meeting of the hospital trust is to be held at the hospital tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

—His Honor Judge Elliott presided at a sitting of the fourth division court at Delaware on Saturday.

—Mrs. B. S. Sainsbury, Wolfe street, has returned home from visiting friends in Saginaw and Port Huron.

—Prof. Dearness delivered an interesting address at a meeting of one of the scientific branches of the Entomological Society in the Y. M. C. A. building on Saturday evening.

—The London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, had five successful sales of real estate last week, the fifth parcel, belonging to the Algie estate, being sold at St. Thomas Saturday by A. M. Hunt, auctioneer.

—Referring to the Presbyterian Church concert there the other evening, the Blenheim News says: Miss Elva McBroom, of London, was a favorite with the audience, and showed great skill and careful training in her violin selections. She gave her "1st concerto" in a manner that stamped her as a violinist of far more than ordinary ability."

BRICK-MAKING RECORD.

What is claimed as a brick-making record was made by the Builders' Supply Company Saturday, when in 8 hours and 35 minutes, 30,000 bricks were made.

BANQUET WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

The London Old Boys will have a jolly time Wednesday night, when a banquet will be held at the City Hotel. This will be the wind-up to the successful season, and Londoners in general are invited to join the executive on this pleasant occasion.

WILL LIVE AT SPRINGBANK.

Mr. James Carroll, of Springbank, Westminster, was married in Goderich last Wednesday to Miss Elizabeth Carpenter. The bride was attended by Miss Susie Smyth, of Mount Forest, and the groom by Mr. William Carroll, his brother. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll will reside at Springbank.

STRUCK BY A BELT.

Geo. Bucke, an employe of the London Rolling Mills, was struck by a belt Saturday afternoon, while at work, and received a cut over the left eye. The wound was not a serious one, and after having it dressed at Victoria Hospital, Bucke was able to leave for home.

TAKING STOCK?
How much are you worth?
How much would your wife be worth if you were gone?
Increase her worth by our policies.
THE MUTUAL LIFE OF CANADA,
O. R. GERMAN, Agent.

CARE IN DRESS.

People who care most for the refinements of the toilet are careful that their linen is not washed and ironed amid unsanitary surroundings.

These are the people who appreciate the extra care and cleanly methods of the FOREST PROCESS.

'Phone 1,048, or postal card will bring one of our white wagons.

FOREST CITY LAUNDRY,
"The Careful Laundry"—72-74 King St.

BILL WILL BE GOOD

Neighbors Effected His Reformation With Rope and Shotgun.

Des Moines, Dec. 7.—Bill Hewins returned to his home, near McCook Lake, South Dakota, after having been driven into Northwestern Iowa, in the vicinity of Sioux City.

Hewins came home drunk on Tuesday night, and after beating his wife, threatened to shoot her. She fled to the home of Dick Hopkins, a neighbor. Hewins followed, and did some wild shooting when he couldn't get into the house. A party of neighbors collected and went to Hewins' home, disarmed him and strung him up to a tree. Then he was cut down and escorted a mile down the road, the party shooting at his feet with shotguns all the way.

After staying away two days he returned, and promised to be good.

PAID HUSBAND'S SHORTAGE

Noble Sacrifice of Wife of a Missing Des Moines Official.

Des Moines, Dec. 7.—Horace Kelly, formerly secretary of the school district, was for many years one of Burlington's most prominent and trusted citizens. About two years ago it was found that he had misappropriated a large sum of money in small sums from time to time. He disappeared then and has not since been seen.

Mrs. Kelly and her children bravely began working to make up the defalcation, and the matter has been in process of settlement ever since.

The last act was the sale of the family homestead, with the proceeds from which Mrs. Kelly has paid the last cent which her husband owed the school district.

valley near Millau, Aveyron, France.

Dr. Barnetta A. Elzas, of Charleston, has begun an examination of the state records of South Carolina with a view to studying the part the Jews took in the early history of that commonwealth.

TRAVELERS' ASSOCIATION HAS BEST YEAR IN ITS HISTORY

Membership Now 1,800, and Reserve Fund $95,000.

All Officers for 1904 Are Elected by Acclamation.

Mr. W. R. Grant Chosen President—Association in Most Satisfactory Condition.

The Commercial Travelers' Association of Western Ontario met in the offices of the secretary, Mr. Alf. Robinson, Masonic Temple, on Saturday afternoon, and besides receiving a report on the financial standing of the association, it elected officers for the year.

The resume of the work of the past twelve months was given by Mr. Wm. Turnbull, who retires from the presidency after two years' service, and it was the most satisfactory ever submitted, showing, as it did, the largest addition to the reserve fund and the membership ranks ever accomplished in any year. With the affairs of the association running so well, it was not to be wondered at that the election of officers should not be marked by a contest, each position being filled by acclamation. Mr. Turnbull occupied the chair, and among those present were Messrs. John T. Green, William R. Grant, W. A. Wilson, E. R. C. Struthers, Sid Screaton, Wesley Smithson, James Smith, Harry E. Buttrey, William Lind, William Connor, John M. Dillon, George F. Brickenden, L. C. Johnston, R. M. Morrison, William Gray, W. L. Underwood, W. H. Escott, S. F. Glass, Robert Tait and C. W. Nicholls.

HOW THE ASSOCIATION STANDS.

In calling the meeting to order, President Turnbull said it gave him pleasure to be able to submit such a good report on the standing and work of the association, pointing out that the total membership had increased 130, now numbering 1,800, while the reserve fund now reached $95,000, a gain of $11,500 for the year. Three hundred and seventy new members had been received, but this was offset to a certain extent by withdrawals. However, he had the satisfaction of knowing that the increase both in membership and in the reserve fund was the largest in the history of the association. Mr. Turnbull made reference to the deaths which had occurred during the year, among the old and prominent members, who passed away, being T. P. Blackwell, the first vice-president; Nicholas Jeffrey, Isaac Waterman, Reuben North, P. M. Lawrason, Harold W. Southam, of London; Herrman Waterman, Buffalo; John Wardlaw, Galt, and W. R. Thompson, Teeswater. A number of these had served the association in different official capacities, and had assisted materially in building it up and bringing it to its present prosperous state. Their loss would be much deplored. The death claims during the year amounted to $8,010, all of which had been promptly paid. Mr. Turnbull called attention also to the fact that the association had no known liabilities. He also said the meetings of the board of management during the year had been especially well attended, and all the proceedings were characterized by cordial and harmonious action. He thanked the members of the association generally for their generous assistance in carrying on the business, and hoped that his successor would have the same support.

THE FINANCES.

The financial statement showed receipts of $40,744 85, as follows: Balance in Canadian Savings and Loan Company Bank, $5,109 87; traveling certificates, $17,530; associate members' fees, $510; duplicate certificates, $56; interest on debentures and savings bank account, $3,538 98; loan companies' debentures paid, $14,000.

The disbursements included: Death claims, $8,010; loan companies' debentures purchased, $15,000; loan companies' debentures renewed, $14,000; commissions to agents, $572; secretary's salary, $1,200; office assistance, $400; accident indemnities, $87 50; printing and advertising, $314 60; postage, stationery and sundries, $310; rent, telephone, telegrams, $235; taxes and audit, $147 16, and charitable fund grants, $25 10, leaving a balance in the bank of $423 49.

The assets now amount to $95,243 59, consisting of loan companies' debentures, $93,000; interest accrued, $1,415 10; office furniture $405, and balance in Canadian Savings Bank of $423 49. The liabilities consisted of a balance of $95 01 to the credit of the charitable fund, leaving a total net reserve of $95,148 58, or a net gain for the year of $11,769 82.

W. R. GRANT IS PRESIDENT.

The election of officers resulted in the choice of Mr. W. R. Grant, as president, in succession to Mr. Turnbull. Mr. Grant has been one of the most active members of the association for some years. Mr. Harry E. Buttrey, who for six months acted as second vice-president, Mr. Grant having been chosen first vice-president on the death of Mr. T. P. Blackwell in June, declined election as first vice, owing to business engagements, and Mr. C. W. Nicholls was chosen for the position. Mr. John T. Green was elected treasurer, a position he has of Hamilton, third vice (re-elected), and Mr. Samuel Munro was again For London—R. F. Davis, Harry E. filled for a long period.

The directors elected were as follows:

For London—R. F. Davis, Harry E. Buttrey, W. A. Wilson, E. R. C. Struthers, W. Smithson, Donald Ferguson, Sid M. Screaton and L. C. Johnston.

Toronto—F. W. Heath, H. Horsman, A. E. Johnston, H. H. Hannon.

Hamilton—George Hope, John Booker.

Stratford—James Dow.

Brantford—George Watt, jun.

St. Marys—James Maxwell.

Ayr—John G. Watson.

Oshawa—Capt. R. Dillon.

St. Thomas—B. F. Honsinger.

Woodstock—R. G. Bickerton and J. E. Ferguson.

Windsor—James F. Smyth.

Chatham—Charles Hadley, A. E. Merritt.

Ingersoll—W. Watterworth.

Sarnia—Wm. Storey.

St. John, N. B.—J. A. Brookbank.

New Hamburg—J. Ratz.

Winnipeg—T. Harry Slater.

Aylmer—R. G. B. Moore.

Montreal—A. T. Lane.

The annual meeting was fixed for Saturday, Dec. 19, at 2 o'clock, when several proposed changes in the bylaws will be considered.

DE WOLF HELPS EDNA

The Comedian Testifies in Dunsmuir Will Case.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 7. — De Wolf Hopper has given important testimony in the hearing of the suit brought by his former wife, Edna Wallace Hopper, for possession of a share of the $9,000,000 estate left by her stepfather, Alexander Dunsmuir, Premier of British Columbia. Mr. Hopper's evidence went far to establish the claim of the contestant that her stepfather was susceptible to influence which may have determined his apportionment of his fortune.

Hopper's testimony was taken in New York by a commission. He said he had known both Alexander Dunsmuir and his wife, the latter Edna Wallace Hopper's mother, in San Francisco. Dunsmuir, the actor testified, was a heavy drinker, and toward his end gave evidences that his mind had been weakened by inebriety. He told incidents that occurred at the Pacific Union Club and in New York to corroborate his testimony.

Ethnologists are of opinion that when America was discovered there were not on the continent of North American any more Indians than exist now.