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# Wheat

## PATTEN CAUGHT IN CORN RISE

Chicago Operator is Said to Stand Great Chance of Losing Millions This Time.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The Record-Herald says to-day:  
With the dawn of Christmas Day, James A. Patten, whose recent "corners" in cotton and wheat have made him a dominant figure in the bourses of the world, is entering upon the most desperate speculative battle of his career.

Surrounded on all sides by enemies and facing a rising market, he is fighting fiercely to keep down the price of corn. In spite of his most strenuous efforts the cost of that commodity has risen from 10 to 12 cents above the price at which he sold it. He is known to be between 10,000,000 and 20,000,000 bushels of corn "short."

Unless there is a marked and radical change in market conditions in the near future, his enemies say, the erstwhile "wheat king" will by May 1 next be metamorphosed into the "corn goat" to the tune of \$2,000,000 or more.

Already Mr. Patten has suffered huge "paper" losses. All indications point to these losses becoming greater instead of less. During the last month he has been playing Santa Claus to large numbers of farmers throughout the west and southwest. The farmers saw the Christmas-money possibilities of the corn market about the same time that Mr. Patten did, but from a different angle.

That was last August. Mr. Patten sold corn and the farmers bought. Ever since then the price of corn has been going up. With the beginning of the Christmas season the farmers began to close out their lines at profits of from 6 to 10 cents per bushel and Mr. Patten, with his brother George, who is interested in the deal, has contributed the money which has lent a more than wanted air of yuletide cheer to thousands of rural households.

**Cotton Men Join.**  
The farmers' closing out sales are, however, only a preliminary to what the bulls in the corn market confident-ly expect to come. In the December campaign to keep corn down Mr. Patten and his brother have sold with a lavish hand. They are still selling. Matters have come to the point where their selling has no effect on the market.

Meanwhile a group of corn "bulls," composed of a large extent of corn raisers whom Mr. Patten squeezed severely by his recent incursion into the southern cotton market, have organized to keep the price of corn up and have joined with the farmers in their effort to make things unpleasant for Mr. Patten.

They assert, compared with the price of pork and other provisions, corn is worth from 25 cents to a bushel. They are buying corn on that theory. Mr. Patten is trying to sell as fast as he can.

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Exact figures as to how much corn Mr. Patten is "short" are, of course, not available. That is a secret closely guarded.

**ALD. HOPKINS RETIRES FROM MAYORALTY RACE**  
Found That Sentiment Favored Giving a Second Term to Present Occupant of the Chair.

**MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY**  
Benefactions in the United States During This Year.

**NEW YORK, Dec. 26.**—The total public benefactions in the United States during the past 12 months were \$141,250,000, an amount just \$40,000,000 greater than any previous year in the history of the country, according to statistics compiled by a New York newspaper.

## Vatican Distrusts Albert's Leanings

Cardinal Merry Del Val Sends Instructions of Warning, Lest Socialist Sympathies Hurt Papal Interests.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The Petite République prints a resume of an alleged cipher despatch sent by Cardinal Merry del Val, papal secretary, to the prince of Brussel, saying that the accession of King Albert has created inquietude in Rome, where he is considered a lukewarm Catholic, with anti-clerical, even socialist, sympathies.

## HOUSE WRECKED BY NATURAL GAS

Two Men at Galt Fearfully Burned by Explosion in Cellar.

GALE, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—The one-time comfortable, well-appointed home of Charles Fleur, aged 40, on Beverley-street, is to-day a ruin, while Fleur and a brother-in-law, Thomas Bliton, aged 35, are in the hospital, charred and blackened beyond recognition, and with little chance of surviving.

The house was literally blown up, one-half being reduced to fragments. The two men in the cellar received the full shock of the explosion, together with the subsequent fire.

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## UNIONISTS RELUCTANT TO SILENT NOTE

Careful Arguments of the Peers Are Not Appealing to the English Electorate.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(New York Sun Cable.)—The Christmas lull in the political campaign is welcome to everybody. Battle will be resumed Tuesday. The peers must leave the arena on January 8, after which they are not supposed to participate in electioneering work so far as addressing meetings is concerned, but between Tuesday and that date the peers are looked for hard work, thirty-five of them addressing public meetings in all parts of the country within that period.

This unprecedented flood of lordly eloquence does not seem thus far to have had any great effect. Lords Curzon and Milner have probably gone through the first weeks of the campaign with the best success in the world. The Unionists are lamentably lacking in men who appeal to the imagination of the electorate. It says voters required to be interested as well as instructed, and it is afraid that the most part will not be deeply impressed by the purple patches of Mr. Lloyd-George and the daring inexactitudes of Winston Churchill than by the dull, thoughtful arguments of Lord Curzon and Walter Long.

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## HUNDREDS MADE HOMELESS BY STORM TIDE

Sweeps Along Massachusetts Bay Coast—Couple Drowned in Bed—Great Damage Over Wide Area.

A heavy fall of snow everywhere piled high by a strong northeast wind, covers New England, most of the middle Atlantic states and a fringe of the midwest, and in many places stalled. Through the east wire communication is seriously crippled and cities and country highways are impassable.

Some loss of life is reported. At Boston a great tidal wave crept into a house, drowned a man and his wife in bed, and then crept away. Two men were drowned near Seymour, Conn., when a trolley car plunged into the river. The crew of the steamer Thurman ashore on the Jersey coast, was taken off by life savers.

At Chelsea, so recently devastated by fire, 2500 persons have been driven from their homes by high water.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Grim winter swept into New England to-day on the wings of a northeast storm with such terrific energy as to cause great damage, much inconvenience, not a little suffering and a few deaths.

The gale drove a tide into Massachusetts Bay which nearly equaled that of the famous storm of 1851. A heavy, wet snow prostrated all wires throughout the southeastern sections, railroad trains were stalled and three persons lost their lives in Everett and Chelsea by the sudden rise of the tide.

Coming on a full moon, the gale rode a wave along the coast which, in some places, reached a height of over fourteen feet above low water mark, only being exceeded by that which swept the coast at the time "Milton's Light" was destroyed in April 1836.

In this city, the tide went across Atlantic-avenue on the water front, filling hundreds of cellars and causing an estimated damage of \$100,000. Everett, Cornelius Harkin and his wife were caught in their beds and overwhelmed by the flood, while an infant lost its life in Chelsea under similar circumstances.

In many places along the coast persons were taken from their homes in boats, and hundreds of people and families, from the upper stories of their houses.

In Everett and Chelsea hundreds of persons were driven from their homes by a flood resulting from the cresting of a dam which had been known as the Dyke in Chelsea, just over the Everett line. To-night the homeless were housed with friends and relatives by the municipal authorities in the city buildings and churches.

In Everett, boats from the Chelsea Naval Hospital were used to rescue people and families from the upper stories of their houses. A wireless message from Highland Light says a 54 mile and many Cape Cod for two hours after a velocity which has not been exceeded since 1858. The tide went completely over Main-street in Provincetown, flooding the cellars of all the houses on the waterfront.

At Lynn the tide made a clean sweep across the narrow lanes which connect Nahant with the mainland, and for several hours that rocky peninsula was an island. The state highway was covered to a depth of four feet with sea water.

Fifty families in the vicinity of Saugus River were driven from their homes by the tide, and many were taken out of their houses in boats.

On Nantasket Beach in Hull, all the bulkheads from Pemberton to the Atlantic Hotel were either washed away or badly damaged, while a summer residence between Point Alorton and the Nantasket House lost its piazza, and many of its windows were undermined. It is estimated that the damage to property in that town alone will reach \$100,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A fall of ten inches of snow blocked the streets to-day and 10,000 shovellers and 6000 trucks were set to work in an effort to clear the roads for to-morrow's traffic. It is estimated it will cost \$200,000 for the job.

Three deaths in the city were charged to-day to the severity of the storm. The victims were men who had spent the night vainly seeking shelter and food, finally succumbing to exposure. Joseph Hart, 65 years old, died in a pew at a Catholic Church to-day, probably of exhaustion after wandering in the cold.

Plate glass windows were smashed and frail structures overturned in many parts of the city. Hundreds of automobiles were stalled in snowdrifts and many were still in the same plight to-night.

Sixteen inches at Philadelphia. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 26.—A snowfall of 16 inches, which drifted in places to a height of ten feet or more, completely tied up the city. Hundreds of cars and trolley traffic in this vicinity.

Train Blocked Around Pittsburgh. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 26.—All long distance trains on the Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio, and Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroads, both east and westbound, have practically abandoned schedules in and out of Pittsburgh. It may be days before normal running conditions again prevail.



MONDAY MORNING
QUALITY NOT QUANTITY
AS MOTTO FOR PARENTS
SPOKANE WOMAN WHOSE AIM IS TO EDUCATE ON RESPONSIBILITY OF INCREASING BIRTH RATE.

CHRISTMAS SNOWFALL
WAS ABOUT 4 INCHES
Storm Which Held Toronto in Its Grip Saturday General Thru Eastern Canada.

RUSHED INTO FLAMES
TO SAVE HIS TOYS
Boy Has Thrilling Escape From Death in Rescuing Skates and Sister's Doll.

NEW YORK OPENS UP
ITS HEART TO THE POOR
Timothy Sullivan's Association Fed and Clothed Many Thousands - Sailors in the City.

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MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN
Thomas Davies, Hke Banquo's ghost, has issued his determination to stay in the majority race in causing Controller Geary's campaign managers to resign.

QUEEN OF THE REDS WAS
HOSTESS AND POURED TEA
Emma Goldman in Gay Spirits, While Berkman Savd the "Wallflowers."

MINISTER OF LABOR
Tells St. Andrew's Institute of Unequal Social Conditions in India.

CHICAGO SHORT OF COAL
Famine Feared Unless There is a Favorable Change of Weather.

PRESENTS FOR PATIENTS
CHECK FOR THE HOSPITAL
Cyrene Preceptory Marches in a Body to the Home For Incurable Children.

FIRE RAGED NEAR BULLETS
Chief of New York Fire Department Was in Deadly Peril.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Firemen under Battalion Chief McKernan, of the second battalion, and Chief Croker, as well as in unknown peril last night in fighting a fire in the basement of No. 7 Cortland-street.

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THIRD TRAGIC DEATH
Port Stanley Woman Expires Suddenly, as Did Husband and Sister.

TO JOIN THEIR HUSBANDS
Women and Children Arrive at the British Welfare League.

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Queen Quality Shoe advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman's foot in a high-heeled shoe.

Advertisement for The Robert Simpson Company Limited, featuring a list of various goods and services.

Advertisement for a clothing store, listing various items and prices.

Advertisement for a business or service, providing contact information and details.

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Boxing Lang Beats Lanky Bob Games on Hockey Toronto Men Run Athletics Toronto Men Run 1-3 at Burlington

Note and Comment

According to official averages the team batting should have given the Toronto club the championship of the Eastern Baseball League...

Watch for another crop of opinions after the series of games...

After still further meditation Coach Slugg of Chicago names the champion...

And there is the president of one of the smaller scientific institutions...

At the one hundred and forty-third dinner of the Glomac Club, held at York, England, on Dec. 14...

Waterloo pro hockey team had a busy Christmas day...

H. V. L. Ross, the winner of the last London to Brighton walk...

NELSON AND WOLGAST SIGN

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—The Nelson-Wolgast contest of 45 rounds...

By Appointment To

John Lock, the popular treasurer of the T. D. C., was behind the California trotting mare...

H. M. THE KING

Little Jack, the Elmham pacer, gave Starter Nube a lot of trouble...

B. R. H. THE PRINCE OF WALES

Nettie Star went one of the best races of her career...

Jack Johnson Eats and Talks

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight pugilist...

THE BEST TWO SCOTS

JAMES BUCHANAN & CO. LIMITED SCOTCH WHISKY DISTILLERS

Lang Beats Lanky Bob Games on Hockey Toronto Men Run Athletics Toronto Men Run 1-3 at Burlington

Lang Beats Lanky Bob

The veteran James Noble, who did the starting, was in good form...

Good Crowd Considering the Stormy Weather Attends Toronto Driving Club Races--Notes of the Harness Horses

The Toronto Driving Club's opening day at Dufferin Park on Christmas of their big ice meeting...

DUFFERIN PARK GOSSIP

Vernon Miller, behind New York trotter, C. D. J., did a lot of shouting...

Wholesale Fruit Men v. Eaton's

Monday night, at the Toronto Bowling Club, will be one of the bowling events of the season...

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26--Mayor Don L. Love of Lincoln is in favor of legislation...

At New Orleans Leonard Lander of California was awarded the position of mayor...

Practice Hours To-day

Practice hours to-day at Mutual-street rink: 2.30-4.00--Argonauts...

President's Team Won

Parkdale Curling Club played its annual Christmas, President v. Vice-President...

Will Meet To-night

A meeting of the representatives of the city curling clubs will be held at the Victoria rink to-night...

Fitz Lasts 12 Rounds Purse Was \$20,000

Battle in Australia Was Scheduled for Twenty Rounds--Jack Johnson Won One Year Ago

SYDNEY, W. S. W., Dec. 27.—Bill Lang won to-day from Bob Fitzsimmons in the twelfth round of a scheduled twenty round fight.

Hockey on the Holiday GALT CHAMPIONS WIN

GALT, Dec. 25.—The pro hockey season opened here this afternoon with an exhibition game between the Galt team, champions of the Ontario Hockey League...

Berlin Rolls Up a Score

WATERLOO, Dec. 25.—Berlin and Waterloo pro hockey teams played an exciting game in the rink this evening...

Eatonias Win at Stratford

STRATFORD, Dec. 25.—The hockey seniors of Stratford and the Eatonias of Waterloo played an exhibition game here...

Game at Mount Forest

MOUNT FOREST, Dec. 25.—A very fast and exciting hockey game was played here this evening between Mount Forest and Waterloo...

Practice Hours To-day

Practice hours to-day at Mutual-street rink: 2.30-4.00--Argonauts...

Barney Oldfield's Record

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 25.—Barney Oldfield established a new world record for fifteen miles on an oval track...

Will Meet To-night

A meeting of the representatives of the city curling clubs will be held at the Victoria rink to-night...

Corkery the Winner Richards 2, Holden 3 Race at Burlington

BURLINGTON, Dec. 25.—The annual 104-mile Burlington Christmas road race, which is four laps of a loop...

St. Yves Defeats Marsh

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 25.—Henri St. Yves, Marston champion of the world, defeated John Marsh, Canadian champion...

VANCOUVER'S LACROSSE TEAM

Con Jones' Twelve Will Soon Be Strong Enough to Beat Westminster. VANCOUVER, Dec. 25.—Front present prospects Vancouver will have a championship lacrosse team here next year...

Soccer in England

Christmas Day Games in First and Second Divisions. LONDON, Dec. 25.—(C.A.F. Cable)—Association football in the league to-day resulted as follows:

Sunday Racing in Mexico

JUAREZ, Dec. 25.—Following are the results on Sunday: FIFTH RACE—Selling, 6 furlongs...

WHEN IN MONTREAL

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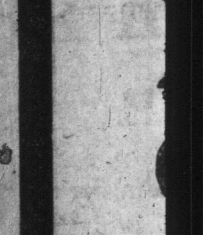
ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—The national defense committee of the duma has rejected, by a large majority, the credit for new battleships.

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45 King St. East King Edward Hotel CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS Ottawa and Central Y.M.C.A. Play Basketball To-night.

There was some strenuous rolling and hard-fought games at the Toronto Bay Club last week for who would carry off the Christmas turkey...

George Marth says he was more disappointed in losing three straight games than in not winning a Christmas turkey...

VANCOUVER WIN. VANCOUVER, Dec. 25.—The University of California was defeated by Vancouver to-day by a score of 1-0 in the first of the series of three games for the Rugby championship...

Blackburn Rovers... 2 Preston N. E... 2 Bristol City... 2 Everton... 1 Luton... 1 Liverpool... 3 Bolton W... 1 Manchester U... 0 Sheffield W... 3 Plymouth... 1 Exeter City... 0 Leyton... 0 Southampton... 2 Reading... 2 Millwall... 0 New Brighton... 2 Watford... 0 Queen's Park... 0 Norwich... 2 Gillingham... 3 Stockport... 1 W. Brom. A... 0 Wolverhampton W... 1

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Over Win... The University of Toronto was defeated today by 3 to 0... The game was contested, and one minute left to play...

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EYEBRIGHT DISQUALIFIED WOODWINDER'S HANDICAP

Powers Fined and Suspended, Tho He Landed Three Other Races —Results and Entries.

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 25.—The attendance record at Moncrief Park was broken today by the largest crowd that ever attended a race in Florida being present when the barrier shot up on the first event. Five of the six races were won by favorites, and they were heavily played, which sent the big crowd home in the best of spirits.

Christmas at Oakland.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 25.—Summaries for today: FIRST RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Duddy Cyp, 104 (Kidders), 11 to 5. 2. J. H. Barr, 109 (Dugan), 8 to 1. 3. Passenger, 109 (Vosper), 8 to 1. 4. Dr. Dougherty, 110 (McBride), 10 to 1. 5. Dickie Dicks, 110 (Crosby), 10 to 1.

Results at Tampa.

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 25.—Summaries for today: FIRST RACE—5 1/2 furlongs: 1. Serenade, 106 (Deverich), 6 to 1. 2. Robby Cook, 86 (Cole), 4 to 1. 3. Nellie Burgess, 111 (Matthews), 15 to 1. Time 1:23. Santa Maria, 104 (Baleshed), 10 to 1.

Oakland Program.

OAKLAND, Dec. 25.—The card for Monday is as follows: FIRST RACE, 5 furlongs: 1. Beaumont, 109 (Graham), 10 to 1. 2. Anne Walker, 109 (Chatterlings), 10 to 1. 3. Marburg, 112 (Servicnic), 10 to 1. 4. Sir Barry, 108 (Argona), 10 to 1. 5. Deerech, 108 (Ybor), 10 to 1. 6. Bold, 106 (Thistle Belle), 10 to 1.

TO-DAY'S ENTRIES

TAMPA, Dec. 25.—Following are the Tampa entries for Monday: FIRST RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs, selling: 1. Daisy E., 104 (Dunvegan), 10 to 1. 2. Frank Plumb, 104 (True Boy), 10 to 1. 3. Siler, 104 (True Boy), 10 to 1. 4. Comie Opera, 109 (Auspicious), 10 to 1. 5. Birdseye, 109 (Auspicious), 10 to 1.

TO-DAY'S BEST BET

TO-DAY'S BEST BET: Rialto, 1-1, Won. Saturday's Best Bet was Elfal, 3-1, Won. One Best-Bet Record: Dec. 18 Lady Irma, 5-2, Won. 20 Rostrum, 6-5, Won. 21 May Amelia, 6-5, 2nd. 22 Best Bet, 8-1, Won. 23 Rosalie, 6-5, Won. 24 Dr. Holsberg, 16-5, 2nd. 25 Rialto, 3-1, Won.

TO-DAY'S HORSE

TO-DAY'S HORSE: DAVY PUT 'EM OVER AGAIN. DAVY expects the Best Week he has ever had. Be sure and see him TO-DAY, for he has something extra special in store. Start with him in the first race—a handicap. DAVY is bound to be the winner. DAVY wants all his clients to make One Plunge. Price \$2.00 daily; \$5.00 weekly.

GOES WEDNESDAY

GOES WEDNESDAY: This will be the best thing that has ever left our office. (Center Krum, 5-1, Won. Dr. Holsberg, 3-1, Won. Rosalie, 6-5, Won. Lou Lanier, 3-1, Won. Rostrum, 6-5, Won. These are the winners that left our office the past week.) 11 WINNERS IN 14 DAYS. You cannot afford to be without our daily wire. Be a winner. 25 CENTS WIRE. All weekly subscribers get Wednesday's Special free. TO-DAY'S PRESS SPECIAL—Lace, Inv., Sunday, Toronto. EXCELSIOR TURF REVIEW. Room 3, London Loan Building, London, Ont.

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## ZELAYA TAKES REFUGE ON MEXICAN GUNBOAT

No Attempt Made by U. S. Authorities  
to Prevent Flight  
of Ex-President.

MANAGUA, Dec. 26.—Jose Santos Zelaya, the ex-president of Nicaragua, has taken himself out of the country and is now aboard the Mexican gunboat General Guerrero, bound for Salina Cruz. Under the cover of darkness Thursday morning Zelaya, accompanied by a heavily armed guard, proceeded to Corinto, in which port the Mexican warship had been waiting for him. Zelaya's coming was unheralded, but a guard from the Guerrero revealed his name and he was safe under the protection of the Mexican flag.

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon the warship weighed anchor and pointed out to sea. A salute of thirteen guns was fired from the harbor, with marines and soldiers and citizens waving the former dictator a farewell from the beach. Zelaya stood alone and waved his hand to the crowd. He was accompanied by a small party of men, but the American cruiser made no response.

President Masferrer, who has been found no funds in the treasury. There is a general unwillingness to accept as legal tender the last issue of paper money by Zelaya for fear the new administration will declare it worthless. A new war tax is inevitable.

### CITIZENS NOT VILLAGERS.

Did you ever stop to think why clever and ambitious men leave Toronto and go out west? Ask them, and they will tell you. They want room to grow; room to expand; an opportunity to develop; a chance to work out their ideas.

Why can't they do it in Toronto? Because there are too many old fogies. Toronto is suffering from arrested development. You cannot get the old fogies to see this or believe it. They were born when Toronto was a village and they haven't been outside the Belt Line. They do not know that there are half-a-dozen towns all round the Belt Line, all bigger than the Toronto in which they were born. So they object to the big schemes that are necessary for the Toronto of to-day. They decline to be a party to the progress which the city ought to make as the capital of the richest province in the British Empire. They will not themselves assist, and they refuse to allow others to do so. The young men with the clear vision, and the big hearts, and the strong hands go west and take their wisdom with them.

Every hand you hear people in Toronto deploring the absence of the western spirit. And you see the old curmudgeons sitting around driving away the young men who carry the western spirit with them.

Cause after cause has been killed in Toronto by the old men who have gained their own ends, got their own schemes thru and are satisfied; but who dislike, from sheer disinclination to have others engage in projects they are not interested in, to stand aside and let the city move on.

Where they cannot help they feel constrained to hinder.

At the present time this is the only opposition, besides that of corporate interests with their own ends to serve, which the two big projects before the city have to meet.

The Bloor-street viaduct is almost unanimously favored by all who know the ground. The street railway interests are opposed to it, because it means a strong link in the city system against double and triple fares charged by some interests from East Toronto to across the city.

If Winnipeg, or Calgary, or Edmonton, or Vancouver were cut in two by a deep gash like the Don Valley, how long would it be in those western towns before steps were taken to unify the city territory.

Twenty years ago the Don viaduct was discussed as a necessary improvement that must be carried out some day. Ten years ago Ald. Foster got it before the council and it was still more evidently necessary. The argument of cost was raised, and \$375,000 was refused. To-day double the amount is necessary. Ten years later probably four times as much would be required. The old men who object now will be dead then, as many of those who interfered ten years ago are dead now. They saved a few paltry dollars to themselves then, and their survivors must now pay double for their stinginess. From ten to fifteen cents a head of the population a year would have paid for the viaduct ten years ago. To-day eight cents a head for forty years on an average population of 500,000 would pay for it. These rich old opponents of municipal improvements rarely have large families, so that five is a liberal allowance. Their share would be forty cents a year of the cost. The Globe is particularly set against the Bloor-street viaduct. As the organ of the snells, this is to be expected, but it is unexpectedly energetic in its opposition. This appears to be the result of a coalition with the aged elements of the Guild of Civic Arts, a body which has imagined many admirable things, but which comes out flatfooted against the first practicable improvement it has had to consider. The Globe says the Bloor-street viaduct—after ten years and more—has not been sufficiently considered. It introduces as new the plan turned down two years ago, to build a bridge from Wellesley-street. The engineer admitted at the time that this was only a palliative and that the Bloor-street viaduct would have to be built later. The Globe suggested that The World is interested in a short cut from Don Mills-road to the centre of the city. But that was an argument against the Bloor-street viaduct. The Globe has not advanced this plan as weighing with The World now, and the inconsistency should be noted. If it were merely to serve the Don Mills-road, Wellesley-street would do, but The World wishes to serve the whole city, east and west, north and south, and the Bloor-street viaduct is the only way to do it. Nothing else will send the stream of traffic and population across the Bloor East and Danforth-avenue stretch to East Toronto. Opponents of the Bloor-street viaduct should be compelled to go and observe the business going on at Bloor and Yonge-streets and realize that there is the retail centre of the residential dis-

trict. The young men who go about the city and know where the growth is, want the Bloor-street viaduct. The Globe and its old friends are afraid of such enterprise.

Controller Hocken's tube system is another project that has lined up the old men against progress. The Globe has been very doubtful, but since sending a correspondent to London, who has probably ventured into a tube there, we are glad to note that our temporary adviser tells readers that it is "safe" to vote for tubes.

Tubes are the one thing now needed to make Toronto the London, Paris and Berlin of Canada. Great lessons are to be learned from the fearful errors made in New York and Chicago. In street railway and transportation problems. The experience already gained with the street railway in Toronto is sufficient to teach any ordinary man the necessity of municipal ownership and operation of these franchises and utilities. Toronto has taken a great step in securing municipal electric power. It is probable that at an early date expropriation proceedings will give the street railway back to the city. The company is determined not to permit this, but to extend the franchise if possible. That is the real objection to the Bloor-street viaduct and to tubes, for these are steps to the greater project. That is the real issue in the present municipal election. If a mayor and council in any degree favorable to the street railway can be elected, efforts will be made in some way to entangle the city with the company.

A tube system will give the city control of the street railway. It will also react in an almost startling way on other important city enterprises. Once the tubes are in use the traffic will grow by leaps and bounds as it does everywhere. Tributary surface lines will hasten the growth of new suburban districts and the city with cheap fares and suburban residences will become a satisfactory labor producing centre. In a comparatively short time the city will be using the 18,000 horse power which will reduce the cost of Niagara power to \$14. At \$14 competition with the city power and light and heat system will be impossible, and the citizens will have the cheapest rates possessed by any large city.

No wonder the corporation organs like The Star are fighting the Bloor-street viaduct and the tubes. No wonder the organs of senility like The Mail and Empire are unable to see any good thing in either of these projects. No wonder his rival and all the aldermanic candidates are following Controller Hocken's lead in supporting such popular measures. The people will vote for tubes and the Bloor-street viaduct.

**THE REAL CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.**  
John Ross Robertson has again initiated his annual donation of \$10,000 to the funds of the Sick Children's Hospital, than which there is no more deserving institution in the city. It owned its establishment mainly to him and has since received his close and constant care and attention. This has been for Mr. Robertson a labor of love and the hospital will always remain a memorial to his public spirit and charitable heart. There are no other large subscribers to its funds, but Mr. Robertson has cheerfully borne the burden and has repeatedly enabled the hospital to extend the sphere of its beneficent influence.

Fortunately there are numerous small donations from those who appreciate the work the hospital is doing, but it would be well if some of Toronto's wealthier citizens came forward and assisted this most deserving institution.

**PAYING EXPENDITURES.**  
Writing on the duty and function of government, Professor Seligman of Columbia University says: "The growth of democracy has brought with it new conceptions as to the duty and functions of government. Expenditures which would have appalled our fathers seem to us reasonable and necessary. To hope to remove the problem of taxation by cutting down expenditures is vain. Economy we must indeed have, but not parsimony. The ideal of expenditures is not to spend little, but to spend well. Savages spend little or nothing, but are none the less savages. Democracy must spend much—ever spend more—but it should spend intelligently. With the growth of civilization, expenditures must increase."

Cities that spend little in earlier days have had to find huge sums to remedy evil conditions that wisdom and foresight would have prevented. The cities of Germany and Britain long ago learned that intelligent expenditures are not burdensome but profitable. They recognize to-day the need for planning in advance, for anticipating natural growth, for securing symmetrical expansion. Toronto's neglect to provide necessary links between east and west has made it lopsided, has

prevented the creation of genuine civic spirit and has hindered the development of one of its best residential districts. This short-sighted policy has already cost the city much and will cost it more the longer absolutely necessary improvements are delayed. Bridging the gap between Bloor-street and Danforth-avenue will open up a valuable artery of traffic, will stimulate the development of the northeastern section and return thru increased assessment values a revenue far more than its present cost to the ratepayers.

**WORKMEN AS SHAREHOLDERS.**  
About a year ago The World noticed the co-partnership scheme established at the instance of Sir Christopher Furness, in connection with Irvine's Shipbuilding and Drydocks Company, at West Hartlepool, England. By it the employees of the firm were enabled to become shareholders, and 50,000 shares of £1 each were allotted to them, each employee agreeing that a regular deduction of five per cent. be made from his pay until the shares were fully paid up. A communication was recently issued to the employe shareholders by the directors, who stated that they consider the results of the working of the company since the adoption of the scheme are very satisfactory from every point of view.

Satisfaction was expressed with the fact that every steamer built and repaired since the commencement of the co-partnership arrangement had been delivered in strict accordance with the terms of the contract. The directors, too, noted that in one case where the company had undertaken to lengthen a steamer for a valued customer in six weeks, the work was completed in six days less than the stipulated time. This was given as a sample of the evidence as to the value of the scheme and the loyalty of the men. The financial results have also been very satisfactory and a dividend has been declared on the agreed basis—four per cent. to the employe shareholders and five per cent. to the ordinary stockholders. In addition, a bonus of five per cent. has been given to both classes of shareholders.

**ALD. BREDIN WILL WIN.**  
In the contest for controllerships there seems to be very little doubt but that Ald. Bredin will have a place on the board. He is in the field at the instance and by the urgent request of a great number of personal friends, many of them the staunchest and most successful business men in the city.

Ald. Bredin realizes the greater transportation needs of the city. Being a large property owner and a resident of Deer Park, one of the "far-out" districts and one of the newest additions to a greater Toronto, he sees the absolute necessity of the proposed tube system and is in hearty sympathy with it. The tube, the viaduct and other progressive measures will be live questions in city affairs in 1910 and citizens are waking up to the fact that good business heads such as Ald. Bredin are indispensable to a successful completion of these important public undertakings.

That Bredin will be elected seems a foregone conclusion.

**SAFE TO VOTE FOR TUBES.**  
Toronto Globe.—The electors should possess themselves of some clear conceptions with respect to the "tubes" plebiscite. It should be thoroughly understood that an affirmative answer to the question which the elector will find on his ballot only enables the council to seek legislation empowering it to undertake such an enterprise. But the important and governing thing in the whole situation is that nothing can actually be done until a regular money bylaw is submitted to the vote of the ratepayers.

There would be nothing, therefore, inconsistent in a citizen who believes, as we do, that Toronto has not yet quite arrived at the underground transportation stage from marking its ballot in the affirmative. That the tubes will come is as sure as anything human can be, and there can be no harm in seeking information with regard to them, and leaving plenty of time to think the subject over. Mr. Myles has given an estimate of the probable cost, but it does not pretend to be an estimate founded on borings, etc. If it is \$5,000,000 would carry out Mr. Myles' plans, the underground system of railways would be nearer at hand than some of us think.

The vote on the tubes will in reality be a test of the attitude of the public towards the street railway service. It will be the protest of the strap-holder, the man who does not get a seat once in five times, against the indifference of the management of the city, and it would be especially the protest of the residents of those parts of the city where there is either no car service or the traveler has to pay two fares.

A vote in the affirmative is merely a declaration that relief is needed, and that it is time to discuss means of relief. No construction expenditures can be incurred until the ratepayers at some future ballot authorize it. Under the circumstances the electors may safely be advised to vote "Yes."

Broadway Church, New Year's Night, Jessie Alexander, Arthur Blight.

That no efforts were made to block the flight of the former president is accepted as an indication that the position originally taken by the United States Secretary of State was altogether tenable. The right of asylum, under international law, is rigorously regarded, and President Masferrer, in demanding such a right from the commander of the Mexican gunboat Guerrero, made a request that could not well be refused.

A precedent was established in the case of Ne-Alexis, former president of Santo Domingo, when, in 1891, a French cruiser lying in the harbor. He was granted the asylum by the government on a number of occasions. The French minister evaded the demand for the return of the warship and taken aboard. No protest ever was made over the incident, and it was regarded as coming well within the scope of the law of nations.

**THE STUDENT VOLUNTEERS**  
3700 Delegates Will Attend Conference at Rochester.

ROCHESTER, Dec. 26.—The 3700 delegates who will attend the quadrennial conference of the Student Volunteer Movement for foreign missions, to be held in this city commencing Wednesday and continuing until Sunday, will make it probably the most representative student gathering ever held in this country. The delegates include 400 students and professors from 700 institutions of learning on the American continent, besides 200 missionaries who have returned from work in foreign countries.

Delegates come on the way from Washington, Oregon and California; others are coming from the maritime provinces of Canada; from the gulf states of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and the States of the northwest. Special trains are bringing delegates from Denver, Dallas, Toledo, Chicago, St. Paul, Toronto, Boston, New York and Philadelphia. The delegates are to be entertained in the homes of Rochester.

Among the speakers will be Ambassador Bryce, N. W. Rowell, K.C. Canada, Gifford Pinchot, Bishop W. F. McDowell of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Bishop A. S. Lloyd of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Bishop E. R. Hendrix of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, Robert E. Speer of the Presbyterian Church, E. C. Moore, Harvard; Prof. H. P. Beach, Yale; Prof. E. I. Bosworth, Oberlin; George S. Eddy, India; and Dr. Julius Richter, Germany; John R. Mott will preside.

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**IRON AND STEEL REVIEW**  
Big Orders for Steel Rails for Next Year's Delivery.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Heavy specifications on contracts for finished steel products continue to roll in upon the mills, and consumers generally are pressing for deliveries, but new business in both finished products and raw material is being contracted. Last week railroads placed orders for about 50,000 tons of rails, two-thirds of the business being in the west. Specifications were also received on 20,000 tons for the Illinois Central. Rail contracts for the Illinois Central, which were placed in 1909, for 1909 and 1910 delivery, have aggregated 31,300,000 tons, of which only 1600 tons were for this year's delivery.

New orders for fabricated steel for buildings and bridges have aggregated only about 25,000 tons, but specifications have been about twice as large. There is more evidence of contraction in the volume of business in sheet and tinplate. Great activity continues in wire products, however, specifications in December maintaining the November average.

**Auto Skidded in Snow.**  
COLLIER, Ohio, Dec. 26.—Frank McGill of Coshocton, while on route in an automobile to Columbus to-night, to attend the automobile show, was instantly killed. His machine skidded in the snow and turned turtle.

**Another Wonder of the Wireless.**  
HIGHLAND LIGHT, Mass., Dec. 23.—Cuba and Central America came into touch with New England last night and early to-day by means of the wireless telegraph, according to Electrician, Eason of the navy wireless station here.

Eason says he picked up a message which was being flashed from Key West to Cuba, and that he caught two messages being sent from Colon to the cruiser Des Moines in Nicaraguian waters.

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### GIRL S.S. TEACHER ADMITS A BURGLARY

Is Under Arrest For Robbing Adjoining Apartment of Jewels and Furs.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Miss Emma Wright, 19 years old, a Sunday school teacher, living at No. 352 Prospect-place, Brooklyn, broke down as she was being led to a cell in the Raymond-street jail, and confessed that she was guilty of burglary.

The young woman is very pretty and is engaged to be married. She and her mother and father came to Brooklyn from Boston six months ago. Mr. Wright has a position in the offices of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. The girl soon after her arrival in Brooklyn joined St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, on St. John's-place, and she became so popular there that two months ago she was induced to take charge of a class of girls.

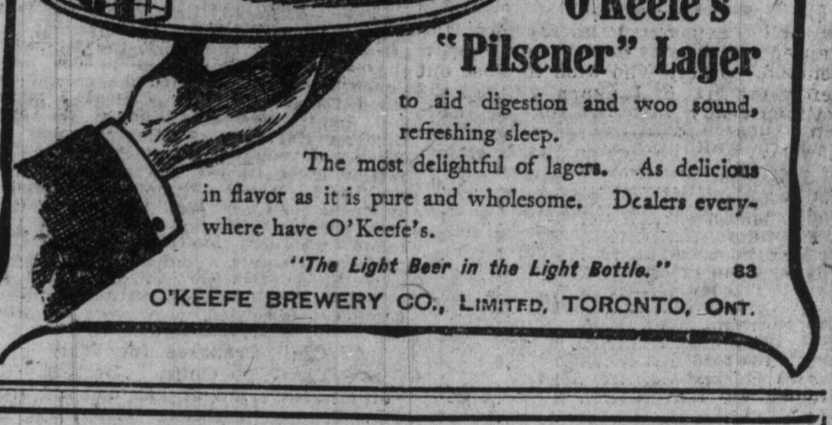
On Thursday afternoon Walter Francis, who lives with his wife on the third floor of the apartment house at No. 352 Prospect-place, reported to the police that in the afternoon a burglar had broken into his rooms and taken from them a pair of diamond earrings, a pair of pearls, a sapphire, inexpensive rings, a set of furs and a suit of clothes belonging to his wife. Detective Lynch heard his story, and he started out.

Lynch made a house-to-house canvass of the block, enquiring of the occupants whether they had suffered from the visit of a burglar. He met no success until he reached Miss Wright's apartments. When he tapped on the door she opened it, and the detective was about to begin his questioning when he saw a ring on her finger which, he says, tallied with the description of one of those stolen from the building adjoining. He interrogated the girl. Miss Wright, her face grown pale, sobbed out a confession, he says.

"I stole the things," Lynch avers the girl admitted. "I do not know why I took them. I have never stolen before. As I sat by my window I often saw Mrs. Francis leaving her home, and her fine clothes aroused in me a desire for such raiment. When I was sure that their flat was unoccupied yesterday I broke open the door and took the articles. I took them to a house on Bergen-street."

### A Dainty Bedtime Luncheon.

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Yuletide Messiah.  
Dr. F. H. Torrington announces for next Thursday evening his annual production of Handel's "Messiah" and the reserved seat plan opens at the Massey Hall this morning. The chorus on this occasion will be the combined forces of the Festival Chorus and West Toronto Chorus, and the accompaniments will be played by an orchestra of 50. Soloists are Miss Ellen Millet, soprano; Mrs. Carter-Merry, alto; Mr. E. C. Town, Chicago, tenor, and Mr. Frank Croxon, New York, bass.

WM. MARA, 79 Yonge St., Toronto.



AT THE THEATRES

'The Blue Mouse.' The first performance of 'The Blue Mouse,' with the Canadian comedienne, Mabel Barrison, and Harry Connor, at the head of the original Lyric Theatre, New York, cast will take place to-night at the Royal Alexandra Theatre.



MABEL BARRISON.

Who will appear at the Royal Alexandra next week in 'The Blue Mouse.'

cal comedy ever produced. 'The Blue Mouse' is really a charming dancer who 'salutes' at a New York variety theatre. Yet there is no attempt to make the audience step into her life, as it were, or swallow disagreeable pills of suggestiveness.



BLANCA MOORE, WITH 'BRIGADIERS,' AT THE STAR NEXT WEEK.

try and abroad. Tho a society drama the same principal that originally made it such a success.

'The Thief.' 'The Thief,' the extraordinary French society play by Henry Bernstein, that Charles Frohman will produce at the Princess Theatre to-night, with a special company headed by Herbert Kelcey and Effie Shannon, is a work that has been the topic of much discussion and criticism during the past three or more years in this coun-



HATTIE WILLIAMS. In 'Detective Sparkes,' first New Year attraction at Princess.

up-to-date in every department the troupe goes former seasons one better by presenting a new two-act musical comedy entitled 'The Kidder.' The new production, which has been built on original lines, is destined to hold a lasting place in modern amusement because it is new, fresh and brizit, with features that come under the caption of novelties and sensations that really thrill. Comedy vaudeville specialties are introduced.

'The Toymaker.' 'The Toymaker,' a new and original musical play, was presented for the first time in Toronto at Broadway Hall on Xmas Eve, under the direction of Mme. Kathryn Chattow-Morton. The cast was composed entirely of amateurs, and the whole performance ran with the smoothness for an initial effort. The chorus sang well, and danced expertly. The leading role (a comedy old man), was well sustained by Lee Sullivan and his single solo was rendered acceptably. Miss K. Rose created much amusement as a grande dame, and Miss Grace Webster gave an exceedingly clever impersonation of a

What makes the event of interest is the fact that Willard Holcomb, who dramatized 'St. Elmo,' successfully produced his play at Richmond, Va., the wartime home of Mrs. Wilson, and received her approval as well as exclusive rights to stage her story.

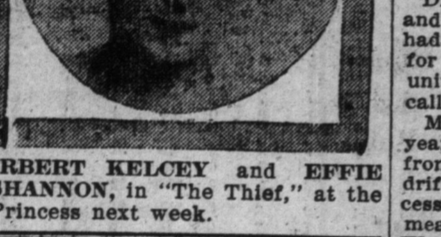
The comedy elements of the play are contributed naturally and 'in the period' by an old darky servant of the Murrys and a 'po' white' family, who are friendly to Edna. The scenes are all laid in the South in the vicinity of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Majestic Music Hall. Staley and Birbeck, whose wonderful transformation musical act, is one of the most unique turns in vaudeville, will head an international program of vaudeville this week at the Majestic Music Hall. Sam J. Curtis and Company, the added attraction, will offer 'The Tribulations of a Rural School Master' and others on the bill will be Tudor Cameron and Bonnie Gaylon, presenting 'On and Off the Stage'; Walter James, who impersonates Harry Lauder, Blanche Sloan, a petite comedienne, and several other attractive features.

At Shea's Theatre To-day. Today at Shea's Theatre the big New Year's bill will be headed by Thos. J. Ryan-Richfield Co. There is no funnier Irishman on the stage than Thos. J. Ryan, and he is splendidly assisted by Miss Richfield in the role of his daughter. The Six Musical Noses presenting their picturesque idyl, 'In Old Seville,' and Hasen Ben All's Arab, a whirlwind of bounding tumblers will be the special attractions for the week.

Other features to be seen are Mile. Chester and her statues, Dick Lynch, Evans and Lee, Malia and Bart, and the kinetograph.

At the Gayety. 'Vanity Fair,' the big extravaganza company, will offer an opportunity at the Gayety Theatre this week to judge



HERBERT KELCEY AND EFFIE SHANNON, in 'The Thief,' at the Princess next week.

in how far it has deserved the exceptionally fine favors that have been showered upon it, and in all probability it will demonstrate quite conclusively that an extravaganza with a real plot can be more than friendly towards the engagement of pretty girls in conjunction with comedians of ability and skill, and in the same spirit allow for novelty features and grandeur of costumes and stage effects.

At the Star. The attraction at the Star this week is the 'Brigadiers,' which has succeeded in gathering together this year one of the best companies that this famous organization of burlesquers has boasted since its inception. Always



NICHOLAS TSCHAIKOVSKY.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—Nicholas Tschaikovsky and Catherine Breshkovskaya, who are charged with being members of the revolutionary organization, will be put on trial in February.

There is a petition now on file in Premier Stolypin's office signed by about five hundred prominent citizens of New York, Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia, requesting assurances from the premier that Tschaikovsky and Madame Breshkovskaya, will be given an open and public trial, in accordance with the time-honored principles of justice in all nations.

The petition bears the signatures of Bishop Green, Seth Low, Francis Lynde Stanton, Morgan J. O'Brien, and other well-known American citizens. Both the defendants in the present case have served long terms of exile in Siberia. Tschaikovsky, who visited America in 1907, where he pleaded for the cause to which his life has been devoted, was arrested on his return to Russia and imprisoned in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul.

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ESTATE NOTICES. MORTGAGE SALE of Davenport Heights Building Lots, on Davenport Road, St. Clair Avenue and Russell Road.

AMERICANS PETITION FOR OPEN TRIAL IN RUSSIA Effort is Made to Temporarily Postpone Justice in Case of Two Alleged Revolutionists.

ROOFING. GALVANIZED IRON SKYLIGHTS. HOPE'S BIRD STORE. LOST. J. W. L. FORSTER, PORTRAIT PAINTER.

BOY SHOOT CHUM Accidental Fatality While Rabbit Hunting Near Chatham.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS. To Sir Mackenzie Bowell, ex-primo minister of Canada, veteran senator, Nestor of Canadian journalism, proprietor of Belleville Intelligencer, born at Rickinghall, Suffolk, England, Dec. 27, 1822.

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YORK COUNTY West Toronto North Toronto East Toronto

WILL BE SOME SHARP CONTESTS OUT IN COUNTY

High Taxes and Proposed Works Induce Criticism—County and Suburban Notes.

This will be nomination day throughout the length and breadth of York County, and in many of the municipalities indications all point to a revival of interest in municipal matters generally.

In Scarborough Township, where the present council consists of Reeve Anis, Deputy Reeve Paterson, and Councillors Green, Law and Ormerod, it is questionable if a contest will eventuate as a result of to-day's nomination.

Markham Township is morally certain to furnish some good fighting ground this year, the largely increased taxes being in a measure responsible.

Woodbridge Town is not likely to change its allegiance to Reeve Harris, and no one else, as a matter of fact, is seriously suggested, and the same may be said of Weston, where Reeve "Bob" Bull, who has rendered splendid service during the year, will get another year by acclamation.

In North Gwillimbury, Reeve John Smith will again seek re-election, but First-deputy Hill is retiring wholly from active municipal life.

In East Gwillimbury, Reeve John Smith will again seek re-election, but First-deputy Hill is retiring wholly from active municipal life.

KING CITY.

KING CITY, Dec. 26.—(Special).—The Christmas tree and entertainment of All Saints' Sunday school will be held in Crossley's Hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 30.

WEST TORONTO.

WEST TORONTO, Dec. 26.—(Special).—In Davenport Methodist Church this afternoon, Dr. Macnamara, the teacher of the Davenport Young Men's Bible Class, was presented by the members with a magnificent pair of Persian lamb gauntlets.

Two Popular Citizens Get Kindly Remembrances.

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NORTH TORONTO.

General Notes of Interest Picked Up Around Town.

NORTH TORONTO, Dec. 26.—(Special).—In Eglinton Methodist Church this morning and evening the pastor, Rev. Mr. Balfour, spoke most effectively with special reference to the morning service to the festive season, and some lessons to be gleaned therefrom.

In Eglinton Presbyterian Church this morning Rev. Mr. Beck conducted special Christmas services. An interesting feature of the occasion was the ordination of four new elders to the session in the persons of Charles Morris, Joseph Aitken, Wm. Hamley and E. W. Urry.

AURORA.

Big Evangelistic Meetings Close on Wednesday.

"TEAS" VERY POPULAR WITH BRITISH M.P.'S

Of 129,749 Meals Partaken in Recent Session, 61,561 Were of Afternoon Variety.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Wagers are being made that the parliamentary session just closed, remarkable in many respects, will be found to have established a record in so far as its culinary section is concerned.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Tea (61,561), Dinners (37,519), Luncheons (24,078), Meals at bar (4,240), Suppers (1,553), Breakfasts (307).

Teas, it will be observed, are far more numerous than any other class of refreshment, a circumstance largely accounted for by the social attractions and duties of the terrace, as well as in part by the more frugal tastes of modern legislators.

CAR CREW DROWN

Penned in Vestibule When Derailed Trolley Goes Thru Ice.

SEYMOUR, Conn., Dec. 26.—A trolley car jumped a switch on the route alongside the Naugatuck River, a mile above this place, during to-day's storm, and plunging down the bank, crashed thru the ice.

GIFT OF HALF A MILLION

Will Be Distributed Among 5000 Employees of Harvester Co.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Half a million dollars distributed by the International Harvester Co. to its employees.

Remembered His Employees.

The employees of the Griffin Amusement Co. were tendered a complimentary banquet on Christmas Eve by Mr. John Griffin, the president of the company.

Train Smashed Into Station.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 26.—A Great Northern freight train, carrying two miles on a down grade and into the union station. The locomotive crashed thru two brick walls, landing in the basement of the station.

NEWMARKET.

Old Residents Say They Never Saw Such Prices Before.

NEWMARKET, Dec. 26.—(Special).—Old residents of Newmarket declare that looking back over the past history of the town they cannot find a market day to equal that of last week.

KETTLEBY.

KETTLEBY, Dec. 26.—(Special).—The annual winter supper under the auspices of the Aid of the Kettleby Methodist Church will take place on Friday evening, Dec. 31.

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No advance is made upon the prices you would pay for the goods you buy as a cash customer, and absolutely nothing is charged for the club privilege.

Payments are to be spread over the next few months, according to agreement with our club office. Club members have the additional privilege, in common with cash customers, of leaving any work such as curtain making, carpet laying or furniture re-covering done free as per our offer outlined below.

The club office is on the ground floor, James Street. Talk the club's plan over to-morrow in person.

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Crumbs from a record-breaking Christmas trade. Reductions to console those whom Santa Claus misunderstood.

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- MEN'S FLANNELLETTES NIGHT ROBES. 500 Imported Heavy English Flannellette Night Robes. Made extra long, pink, blue and grey stripes. Sizes 14 to 20. Clearing at Tuesday, 65c.
- MEN'S NEGLIGE SHIRTS. 600 Men's Perfect Fitting Neglige Shirts: all the broken lines from \$1.00, \$1.05 and \$1.50 ranges; in a fine assortment of seasonable decorative sizes in the lot 14 to 17. To clear at Tuesday, 65c.
- MEN'S UNDERWEAR. 650 Men's Heavy Wool and Camel's Hair Underwear, double back and front; also heavy "wool-nap" garments; shirts made double sleeves selected, well-matched and strongly sewed muskrat skins; a particularly good garment. Regular \$1.75. On sale at Tuesday, \$1.25.



A Clearing Sale of Men's Overcoats

Regular \$10.50, \$11 and \$12. To Clear Tuesday, \$6.95.

Men's stylish Black Chesterfield Overcoats, in fine imported English beavers, chevots and melton cloths, fine quality materials, made up in the newest Chesterfield cut, well tailored and finished, good trimmings, sizes 35 to 44, regular \$10.50 to \$12. On sale Tuesday \$6.95.

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JEWS UNWISE TO MIX IN TURKISH POLITICS

Max Nordau Gives Warning at Opening Meeting of International Zionist Congress.

HAMBURG, Dec. 26.—The International Zionist Congress, the first held in Germany, opened to-day with a large attendance.

Death of Robert Martin.

One of the best known commercial men in Toronto died Saturday night in the person of Robert Martin, demonstrating traveler for the Imperial Varnish and Color Company.

HOW PRES. TAFT "SHOPPED"

Surprises Merchant by His Unostentatious Visit.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Two men left the crowd of Christmas shoppers on Pennsylvania-avenue shortly after 4 o'clock Friday afternoon and walked into the store of a dealer in leather goods.

FATAL INCENDIARISM

Three Miners Dead and Two Missing—Police Suspect Crime.

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CUMBERLAND, Md., Dec. 26.—Michael Malone, Michael McGraw and Charles Malone, miners, were burned to death yesterday near Harrison, W. Va., about 50 miles southwest of here.

Had Two Ribs Broken.

With two ribs fractured and several strained muscles, Mrs. Lang, a victim of the recent Chapleau wreck, was conveyed to her home on Ossington-avenue in Harry Ellis' ambulance last night. The injured lady arrived in the city at 6 o'clock on Christmas morning.

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