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**FIVE YEARS FOR FLEXEN;  
ALBERSTADT ESCAPED LASH****Half-Breed Who Shot Policemen Green and Smith Gives  
Drunkenness as Excuse—Sentence Day at Sessions.**

Thomas E. Flexen, the young half-breed, whose gun play resulted in the wounding of P. Cs Harry Greene and Walter Smith, was this morning sentenced by Judge Macbeth to five years in the Kingston penitentiary.

When asked whether he had anything to say, Flexen answered: "Nothing, your honor."

"It would seem from depositions placed in my hands that you were hardly accountable for your actions," continued the judge.

"I was drunk, your honor," answered the prisoner.

"I am afraid I cannot take that into consideration, it is a dangerous thing to become drunk with two loaded revolvers in your pocket. You are very fortunate that you are not on trial for



THOMAS E. FLEXEN,  
Sentenced to Five Years at Kingston  
For the Wounding of Policemen  
Green and Smith.

Your life, I cannot be lenient. I cannot overlook your offense. The lives of the citizens must be protected. I have come to the conclusion from the depositions in my hand that you deliberately intended to murder the officers sent to apprehend you. I sentence you to five years in the provincial penitentiary."

**Showed No Emotion.**

Flexen is 18 years of age, and has been an exemplary prisoner. He took his sentence with the stoicism of his race, and showed no emotion whatever.

**Alberstadt Sentenced.**

Charles J. F. Alberstadt, convicted of an indecent assault on Miss Gooding, was sentenced to 1½ years in the Cen-

tral Prison. Only the prisoner's somewhat delicate state of health prevented his honor giving him the lash.

When asked whether he had anything to say, Alberstadt said: "I know nothing of the case I am charged with."

His honor declared that the jury were quite warranted in bringing in their verdict. He had no fault to find with it. He thought it correct. Flogging is the punishment appropriated by law for this offense.

"Only the state of your health prevents me giving you the full punishment instituted by law. I do not think it would be prudent to sentence you to a flogging. I am glad for the sake of your old mother and wife that this added indignity has been spared them. You have already spent three months in jail. I sentence you to 1½ years in Central Prison."

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**Suspended Sentence.**

Garfield Jennings, who pleaded guilty of having stolen \$18 from a farm hand named Shaver living near Odell, was allowed to go on suspended sentence by Judge Macbeth. He received a scathing lecture by his honor, who characterized his method of living as disgraceful in the extreme.

Jennings' excuse was that he was drunk, and did not remember stealing the money. He had none when he started, but had quite a run of money when he returned.

"Is it not disgraceful," said Judge Macbeth, "for a young man to plead drunkenness as an excuse for such a crime? In your case it is peculiarly disgraceful. Your mother is a widow with five sons, of whom you are the oldest. Your brothers are much younger than you. You are the head of the family. You are supposed to set them a good example. Would you expect them to ask leniency, on a plea of drunkenness were they convicted of a crime? I can find words to express the incredible folly of it all? You were tried at the sessions on a charge of robbery and were declared innocent. Whether you were really so, you know best. One thing is certain, and that is that you were loafing around the streets with a man named Winslow, who has been convicted three times of dishonesty. I hope the leniency I show will not be thrown away on you. I will give you more chance. You should lead a better life in future."

Jennings promised to take the pledge, and do better in future. Jennings is 23 years of age.

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**Three-Cornered Fight  
for Mayor's Chair Likely****Mr. John W. Pocock a Possible Candidate—His Views on  
Waterworks Extension.**

Interest in the municipal election is increasing. Today it was learned that there is a possibility of Mr. John W. Pocock entering the mayoralty contest. When seen by a reporter to-day, Mr. Pocock stated that it will be on the question of the new main that he will appeal to the people if he should be a mayoralty candidate.

"I believe that when the bylaw for the new main comes before the people the electors will not take into consideration the necessity for the extra main," he said, "but will rather consider the mortgage which the construction of the additional main will entail, in which case the main may be knocked out."

"I have spoken to both Messrs. Stevely and Judd, and they inform me that if the people vote against the bylaw they cannot see what the mayor, the council or the commissioners can do, and they feel that of necessity the main project will have to be dropped."

"I do not agree with this view. I maintain the main is an absolute necessity, and if the people will not authorize the issue of debentures for the purpose, then the work should be proceeded with out of the current revenue of the waterworks department."

"I will promise the people to see that all, whether corporations or individuals, shall be made to pay their just water rates. I believe that the railways of London alone are getting \$20,000 of \$25,000 worth of free water annually. If they are made to pay the same as the ordinary citizen, it will not take the waterworks department many years to

pay for the new main out of its own revenue.

"If I am elected I promise the people to build the new main without issuing a dollar of debentures. The main I consider an absolute necessity in the general interests of the city. We want no more such experiences as the car works burning down."

Mr. Pocock has been a successful



MR. JOHN W. POCKOCK.

London merchant for years, and was born in this city. Two years ago he was elected to the water commission, and retired at the end of his term. He has large business interests in the city, and is a member of the firm known as the London Shoe Company. If he should be a candidate he says he will go before the people independent of either party.

**SPLENDID MANAGEMENT OF  
CIVIC FINANCES THIS YEAR****Misrepresentations of the Free  
Press—A Contrast to  
Year 1904.**

The Free Press last evening undertook to attack Mayor Campbell's administration, but in so doing it exposed its own argument. It was not very long ago that the council of a year ago, this year's council, of which Mayor Campbell is the head and Ald. Stevely the finance minister, will come out with a surplus of \$25,000. It is responsible for an overdraft, but it is hoped that the surplus from the committee of the council, with the \$1,400 now lying in the city treasury, will more than make up his deficit and the council of 1905 will be able to show a clean sheet on all counts.

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**GENERAL STRIKE  
CALLED IN RUSSIA****Government in Poor Shape to  
Meet New Crisis.****FRESH MUTINY IN SEBASTOPOL****The Situation in Baltic Provinces  
Steadily Growing Worse—Popu-  
lace Ask Authorities for Arms.**

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20.—On account of some confusion the general strike was proclaimed at Moscow to-day at noon, instead of tomorrow, and was inaugurated there with a complete suspension of the street railroad service.

The Government enters on the new struggle greatly crippled. The situation in the Baltic Provinces is growing steadily worse, and in the Caucasus the renewal of the outbreak of the Tatars and Armenians has produced another reign of terror. The inhabitants of Tiflis and other cities are begging the authorities to furnish them with arms for the purpose of organizing a militia for self protection.

At Sebastopol new mutinies have occurred, and 1,500 soldiers have been disbanded and are under guard. The troops at Kharkoff have revolted, and the inhabitants are still administering the city. The weather has become very cold. Deep snow covers the country so far south as Kieff, and it is believed that a few days' hunger and starvation will easily drive the people to desperation, and provoke uprisings and attacks on strikers, and perhaps general pillage.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20.—2:05 a.m.—A call for a general strike throughout Russia, to begin Thursday at noon, was issued tonight. The call is approved by the Union of Unions, the Union of Peasants and General Railway Union, and the councils of workers of St. Petersburg and Moscow. A response received from the railway men of Moscow is unanimously for a strike. The leaders have declared their ability to stop every railway in Russia.

Takum, Courland, Dec. 19.—Here today, with three guns, Cossacks shelled the place, and charged the mobs of peasants, who surrendered or were dispersed. Order has now been re-established and soldiers are burying the bodies of the slain and caring for the wounded.

In all three hundred and forty soldiers and peasants were killed and many were wounded. Most of the remaining population have fled to Tika, which now is the safest town in this part of Russia.

YANKEE SHIPPERS KICK

**Say Newfoundland Is Interfering  
With Their Treaty Rights.**

Washington, Dec. 20.—The state department has received some bitter complaints from American officials of fishing vessels against the Newfoundland officials for interfering with what they regard as their treaty rights to fish within Newfoundland territorial waters. Only a few days since an American fishing smack was seized at a Newfoundland port because, several months ago, she had, it was alleged, shipped some Newfoundlanders from the Bay of Islands. The American ship owners felt that this was an infringement of their right to ply their vocation in those waters as guaranteed by treaty.

The state department has been exchanging notes on this subject with the British Government. The department has not been able to make direct issue with the Newfoundlanders in respect to their right to make it a punishable offense to ship Newfoundlanders within their own waters. It is not quite clear, however, whether, while admitting the right of the Newfoundland authorities to punish their own people who ship on an American vessel, in violation of local law, it is prepared to concede the amenability to Newfoundland laws of American shippers who ship such men.

**ENGINEERS AND G. T. R.****Men Say They Are Unable to Get  
Conference With Company.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Toronto, Dec. 20.—The Grand Trunk engineers are apparently hopeless of a satisfactory arrangement resulting from the conference between the management and the committee that has been in Montreal for the last three months, and it was learned today that the committee would be recalled and a new one appointed. The general membership say they are discouraged at repeated failures to make officials keep appointments. Even international officers have failed to make an impression on the management.

**Convicts Played the Hero;  
Through Flames to Rescue****In New York Jail Five Male Prisoners Save Lives of  
Hundreds of Panic-Stricken Women.**

New York, Dec. 20.—Men forgot that they were convicts, and remembered only that they were men, on Blackwell's Island early this morning, when the male prisoners, marshaled by their keepers into a fire-fighting and life-saving corps, bore from the flaming floors of the women's wards 544 frantic women, and from the hospital beds 50 more.

Starting in the sewing-room of the workhouse, and from a cause which has not yet been definitely decided, the fire had reached a fierce blaze at 2 o'clock, when it was discovered. The fire engine on the island proved inadequate, and a call for help was sent to the city department.

Seven engines were sent over, but were not sufficient to save the women's workhouse from destruction.

**Women in a Panic.**

On the top floor of this building were cells for the women, and every one held one or two prisoners when the fire occurred. These women became frantic with fright, and were soon choking with the dense smoke

that filled all the halls and their cells. That most of them did not perish is due to the recent installation of a system by which in emergencies every cell in a tier can be opened simultaneously with all the others.

**Convicts Play the Man.**

When the extent and danger of the blaze became apparent, the wardens marshaled his regular fighting force of employees, and soon were at work. The flames spread so fast, however, that this force proved hopelessly inadequate. Then it was decided to trust to the male prisoners' sense of manhood, and they bore the test well.

Released from their cells and marshaled into small bodies, they entered the burning building, and went at the work of fire-fighting and rescue with utter disregard of the danger to themselves. The flames were crackling all about them, and they plunged through the densest smoke when they brought out in their arms the last of the women prisoners.

The fire was confined to the women's workhouse.

**PARTY AXE BUSY  
AT HAMILTON****Head of the Asylum Dismissed  
and Several Other Changes  
Are Slated.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Hamilton, Dec. 20.—The party axe has begun to swing in Hamilton, and the first head to come in contact with it was Dr. James Russell, for eighteen years superintendent of the asylum, and one of the best-known alienists in Canada. He received official notice yesterday that his services would not be required after the new year. Several other changes are slated, and will likely go into effect at the beginning of the new year.

**THREE IN LOCKUP NOW****Another Indian Arrested on Charge  
of Robbery at Middlemiss.**

Constable Coultis, of Muncey, brought Thomas Henry, a young Indian, to jail this morning to answer a charge of breaking into and robbing Richards' store and postoffice at Middlemiss, on Dec. 8. Henry appeared before Squire Edwards, and was remanded for a week.

High Constable McLeod found between \$40 and \$50 worth of the stolen goods at the homes of John Alexander and Johnson Peters, arrested yesterday.

A number of other persons are suspected of being implicated in the robbery, and warrants have been issued for their arrest.

**Jewels Lost in Wreck.**

Kansas City, Dec. 20.—Besides the loss of life the Santa Fe train wreck at Lang, Kansas, Tuesday, there was about \$5,000 in gold and \$9,000 in currency, and many thousands dollars' worth of jewelry destroyed by the express car attached to the train taking fire. The money was in transit from the National Bank of Commerce in Kansas City to Kansas bankers. One estimate places the value of the precious stones and gold and silver at \$50,000. Most of the packages contained Christmas presents.

**Two Washington Fires.**

Washington, Dec. 20.—Washington early today was visited by two fires, entailing an approximate aggregate loss of \$100,000. At one of them four women were carried down ladders by a fireman and a policeman. What the women were nearly overcome by smoke.

The grand jury, at the December sessions, brought in its presentment this morning, and it had something to say on the prevalence of crime in Middlesex County. The jury had considered nine cases of crime, and regretted the large docket. Some of the charges were serious; some of them were trivial. They indicated a moral depravity, and a disregard of a true sense of honor, right and law, said the jury, which advocated the use of the lash as a deterrent to crime. The seriousness of the situation called for some action, and the best way to prevent crime would be by a strict enforcement of law and the application of the lash. Their remarks on this subject were as follows:

"In your charge to us, you mentioned the apparent increase of crime, and suggested that we recommend some way to suppress and decrease the same. It is a dif-

**MOUNT PILES UP;  
3,000 FEET HIGHER****The Eruption of a South Sea  
Volcano Covers Thirty Square  
Miles With Lava.**

Honolulu, Dec. 20.—The steamer Ventura arrived from Australia yesterday. She brought a report that the eruption of Mount Matatu, on the island of Savaii, in the Samoan group, has increased to such force that the mountain has been piled up 3,000 feet. The lava has covered 30 square miles and a stream of lava 12 miles wide is flowing into the ocean. The lava is being thrown 200 feet high. The natives have deserted the region.

**May Yoke Seeks Divorce.**

Berlin, Dec. 20.—May Yoke, the actress, formerly Lady Frances Hope, has brought suit here for divorce against her husband, Major Putnam Bradley Strong, son of the late Mayor Strong, of New York.

She was here for three days, but has now gone to Monte Carlo, to await the result of the divorce proceedings.

**Big Dock Fire.**

New York, Dec. 20.—The ferry house of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad at the foot of West Twenty-second street, was completely destroyed and that of the Jersey Central badly damaged by fire at noon today. One shed and a section of the dock belonging to the Erie Railroad were also partially burned. The loss is estimated at \$650,000.

**Rescued Entombed.**

New York, Dec. 19.—After nearly 40 hours of unceasing effort on the part of more than 100 rescuers, 2 Italian laborers who had been caught in a cave-in in the East River Tunnel 40 feet below the surface were rescued today. The men were in a terribly exhausted condition, but will recover.

**Lash Is Favored by Jury  
As Means to Lessen Crime****Its Adoption in the Penal In-  
stitutions Recommended at  
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**BEATS TWO TO DEATH****Fatally Injures a Third and Seriously  
Wounds a Fourth.**

St. Joseph, La., Dec. 20.—A Asa Bee, a young negro, beat two white men to death near here last night with a piece of iron pipe, fatally wounded another, and seriously injured a fourth, using the same weapon. Robbery of \$45 and the clothing the men wore prompted the crimes. The dead are: John Kelly, of Memphis, Tenn., and Charles W. Hecker of Chicago. The fatally wounded is a companion of the victims, name not known. The seriously wounded is a man named Callahan, who is suffering from a cut in the head.

**Drug Flerger Fund.**

Montreal, Dec. 20.—At a meeting of the National Drug and Chemical Company, Canada's drug merger, held here, a cash fund of \$250,000 was raised to be devoted to manufacturing chemicals in Canada. The importation of chemicals at present amounts to 90 per cent, and it is intended to manufacture 50 per cent of that amount. A factory will be erected in Montreal for the purpose.

**INVESTMENT CO. ASSIGNS****The Canadian Co-operative, of Win-  
nipeg, Out of Business.**

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—The Canadian Co-operative Investment Company assigned in trust on Dec. 12 to the Northern Trusts Company, and the announcement was made yesterday. Liabilities are estimated at about \$160,000 and assets at \$200,000. The cause of the assignment was that contract holders took advantage of withdrawal claims and the monies received were not equal to the amount necessary to meet the withdrawals. Money was borrowed from the Bank of Hamilton to the extent of \$24,000 on mortgage securities, with the expectation of being able to pay it back gradually from money received from contract holders. Several new companies entered the field in the meantime and made it difficult to get new business.

**War in Morocco.**

Paris, Dec. 20.—The Tangleur correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that the pretender to the Moorish throne, Bu Hamara, is preparing to attack the Sultan's troops with a numerous army near the Algerian frontier.

**Dr. Osler Breaks Out Again;  
Death Bed Visions Nonsense**

New York, Dec. 20.—A Baltimore dispatch to the American says: Dr. William Osler, now of England, in his latest book, says that death-bed visions, believed in by thousands, and of which there are scores of supposed authentic records, is plain nonsense. Moreover, he supports his declaration by 500 death-bed observations of his own, which he thinks prove absolutely that such reported visions are untrue.

In all these cases there was suffering, fear and other emotions, but no thought of the future. His observation is a startling contribution to a subject which has always keenly interested scientists, clergymen and physicians, and it is certain to provoke general discussion.

Dr. Osler says: "As a rule man dies as he has lived, unfluenced, practically, by the thought of a future life. I have careful records of about 500 deathbeds, studied particularly with reference to the modes of death and the sensations of the dying. Ninety suffered bodily pain and distress of some sort or another; eleven showed mental apprehension; two positive terror; one expressed spiritual exaltation; one bitter remorse. The great majority gave no sign one way or the other. Like their birth, their death was a sleep and a forgetting. The preacher was right in this matter. Man hath no pre-eminence over the beast—as one dieth, so dieth the other."



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## LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mr. Allan Todd, of this city, is spending a few days with friends in Bradford.

—Mr. T. D. Garvey has been transferred from the Petrolia to the London branch of the Bank of Toronto.

—Mr. N. Whit Miller, of Luna, New Mexico, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents on Elmwood avenue.

—The death took place in Chicago recently of Mr. Thomas Elms, a former Londoner. Mr. Elms is survived by his wife (nee Rymill), one brother, Mr. Harry Elms, of Colborne street, and a sister, Mrs. Rymill, of Oxford street.

—Among the arrivals in the city for the holiday season is J. T. Little, of Vancouver, member of the wholesale commission firm of Little Bros., of that city. Mr. Little at one time resided in London, and was well known in social circles. He is visiting his mother and sisters for a few days, after which he will return to Vancouver.

## A STORMY CHRISTMAS.

If Rev. Irl Hicks' predictions are verified, in this section of the country, what is called a regular storm period will extend from the 20th to the 25th, with the crisis touching the 23rd, 24th and 25th. Violent winter storms and blizzards pushed southward and eastward by high northwesterly gales and a great cold wave will be the features of the period. The general cold will partially break up on the 27th, 28th and 29th, and on these days there will be renewed squalls of rain, snow and wind, but these are likely to be moderate in comparison to their predecessors. The month will close with another change to colder.

NO TRUTH IN STORY.

The story circulated in this city a few days ago and which found its way into the newspapers, to the effect that Austin Andrews, a former Londoner, had both legs taken off in a railway accident in the Northwest, proves to be without foundation. Relatives, who reside here, wired Mr. Andrews' sister, Mrs. Frank Barclay, of Wawanesa, Man., 30 miles from Brandon, regarding the story, and yesterday received a letter stating that Mr. Andrews was in good health, and was with his wife and family at Star City, Saskatchewan, where he was engaged in business. How the report of the alleged accident arose is somewhat of a mystery.

## MR. GRAY'S LECTURES.

The second lecture of the series being presented this season under the auspices of the Young People's Society of the King Street Presbyterian Church was held Monday evening, when Mr. N. R. Gray, B.A., of the Collegiate Institute staff, gave a scholarly and pleasing interpretation of the comedy, "As You Like It." Mr. Gray brought out very clearly the series of amusing incidents attendant on the love-making of the different characters, and spoke very convincingly of the beauties of a sylvan life. He was aided by a series of stereoscopic views, which were skillfully directed by Rev. Walter Moffat, of Chalmers Church. The pleasure of the evening was enhanced by the singing of the ballad, "Loch Lomond," by Miss Mowat, and of the "Hunter's Song," from "As You Like It," by the church quartet.

## ON UNIVERSITY BOARDS

Question of High School Representation Discussed at Toronto.

High school representation on university boards was discussed at a conference held at Toronto between the university commission and a committee representing the high school department of the Ontario Educational Association. Prof. Squair, Principal Embree, Messrs. Thompson, Burt and Hagarty, made up the committee.

It was the general opinion that representation on the arts faculty organization, where curricula are formed, would be most effective from the high school point of view. A comparatively large representation there, and a smaller one on the science, or whatever the highest university body may be called, was stated to be satisfactory to high school teachers. In support of this it was pointed out that there is a close inter-relationship between the secondary schools and the university at that point, as the matriculation curriculum largely fixes the high school course of studies, and the undergraduate course in arts produces many teachers for the schools.

For the teachers it was urged that there should be a special matriculation board, on which they would have an equal voice with the faculty. The commission gave sympathetic attention to the arguments, but doubted whether it could recommend a board, in which other colleges would have a voice. The raising of the matriculation standard from 33 to 42 per cent desired by the high school men. Considerable discussion took place on the relation of the alumni to the university, the establishment of a chair of education at the university, and undergraduate discipline.

## MUSIC AND DRAMA

"The Arrival of Kitty" will be seen at the Grand on Christmas Day, afternoon and evening. The play is the latest product of the pen of Norman Lee Swarcovitch and is conceded to be his best effort. It is a pure comedy, and is said to sparkle with wit, and abound in the most mirth-provoking incidents and situations. Popular prices have been arranged, and the sale of seats is now on.

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Negro on Peg.....30c

Mechanical Engine.....25c

Rope-Walker.....35c

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Paddy's Pig.....35c

Fireman Climbing Ladder.....40c

Auto.....30c

Crabs.....35c

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## At Last! Paisley Pattern Silks

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**BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS**

**DEATHS**  
**DONALDSON**—In London Township, on Dec. 13, 1906, Mary Adeline, beloved wife of Duncan Donaldson, aged 49 years. Funeral from her late residence, corner of Dundas and Dundas, on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 2:30, to St. John's Church. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at St. John's Cemetery.

**SCARLETT**—At the residence of her son-in-law, W. Smith, 206 Clarence street, on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1906, Helen Rebecca, widow of the late William Scarlett, in her 73rd year. Funeral private, Friday. Please omit flowers.

**BROWN**—In this city, on Dec. 20, 1906, Alice, widow of the late James Brown, aged 58 years. Funeral from her late residence, No. 12 Cathcart street, South London, on Friday, Dec. 22, at 3 o'clock; service at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

**DALE**—In Westminster Township, on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1906, Melvin Dale, aged 71. Funeral from the residence of Mr. George Laidlaw, lot 7, corner 3, Westminster Township, on Friday, Dec. 22, at 10 o'clock; service at 9:30 a.m.; interment at Pond Mills Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

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**The Arrival of Kitty**  
Mat. 5c to 10c. Eve. 5c, 10c, 15c.

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**Kermath's Actions—A Thief Remanded.**

Magistrate Love did not deem William Kermath's actions those of a thief when he secured a pair of shoes from Asphian's store on Dundas street, without paying for them.

Kermath knew Eugene Lefer, one of the clerks in the store, and asked him if he might obtain a pair of shoes on credit. Lefer inquired of the proprietor, and told Kermath that they could not let him have anything unless paid for.

Thereupon Kermath tried on a pair, left his old shoes, asking that they be half-soled, and stating that he would pay the entire bill when he got the old ones, he proceeded to go out. The clerk wouldn't stand for this, however. He tried to catch Kermath by the coat-tails. With a new pair of shoes on his feet, Kermath took to his heels with Lefer in hot pursuit. Asphian's sons in full pursuit, Kermath was caught and brought back to the store, and then taken to the police station.

Mr. Kermath, Jan., and Lefer both stated that Kermath sneaked strongly of the store, and the proprietor was inclined to take the lenient view that Kermath's action was more a drunken freak than a theft.

Kermath pleaded guilty to a charge of disorderly conduct and was fined \$50, and costs of 21 days in jail.

James W. Barclay's tastes seemed to be along the same lines as Kermath's. He, however, pleaded guilty to stealing a pair of long rubber boots from Thorne Bros. Barclay was remanded a week for sentence.

John Turner promised "faithfully" to reform, but his folly of the past day or so will cost him \$5 or ten days' imprisonment. John was drunk.

Victor Berent was drunk also. The disorderly change was not pressed. Berent took hold of a lady by the arm on Richmond street, but whether she was a stranger to him or not the policeman who arrested him did not know. There was no doubt about Berent being drunk. He was fined \$5 or ten days.

A. Curtin has a serious charge of non-support against him. Curtin has a wife and two small children, and it is claimed that he has neglected them so badly that their health is impaired. Curtin pleaded guilty and was remanded until Saturday for trial.

**MEETINGS.**  
**NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR** the office of separate school trustee will take place at St. Peter's church at noon on Wednesday, the 27th inst. T. J. Murphy, returning officer; M. O'Sullivan, secretary.

**ELOCUTION.**  
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## The York Loan Operations.

The affairs of the York Loan are very much in the public eye. The stockholders are numbered by thousands, spread over the whole Dominion, and a great many are people of small means, whose entire savings have been paid into the company. The system upon which the company worked, while unsound, was not of a fraudulent character, and under prudent management might have been carried on successfully, at least for many years. As it is there is reason to believe the shareholders will suffer little, if any, loss.

The stock was in \$50 shares, and the shareholder paid for it on the savings plan, at the rate of 25 cents per week, or \$1 per month. He was entitled to profits from the outset, so that by paying 25 cents per week for 3½ years—\$45.50 in all—he secured a \$50 share. If he paid in for ten years, or \$130 in all, he would have \$150.57, the \$25.50 representing profits. Those who allowed their money to remain in for more than three years received 3 per cent interest, but those who remained in for five or ten years received 4 per cent.

The money paid in was invested by the company in real estate in Toronto, and everything went well until the short-term shares began to mature and the shareholders began to draw out their money. The company could not realize readily on its real estate, and the money so invested was drawing no interest, while all the time the company was obliged to pay interest upon it to the shareholders. The only way in which the company could meet its obligations, until it could dispose of its real estate holdings to advantage, was by getting new shareholders, but the receipts on this account failed to keep pace with the amount paid out on maturing shares. Last year the company was called upon to pay out \$1,414,000 to shareholders, while its receipts were only \$1,335,000. The principal weakness of the system was the inordinate expense of management. It required an army of agents for the house to house collection of money paid in for shares, and to canvass for new shareholders.

The bulk of the company's money was invested in a solid block of land in Toronto, extending from Queen street to Bloor street, east of High Park. In order to realize on it improvements had to be made, roads being constructed and houses built. All this required more money, and taxes aggregating \$25,000 had to be paid. The property is assessed at about \$1,000,000, but is said to be worth about \$1,500,000 if ample time is allowed in which to effect sales. The assets of the company, unless a hurried liquidation results in a forced sale of the real estate, are believed to be ample to protect the shareholders.

## The Uprising in Livonia.

The outbreak in the Baltic provinces is another reminder of the heterogeneity of the Russian Empire. Russia is not a nation, but a collection of nationalities, held together by brute force. Conquered peoples like the Poles, the Finns and the Lithuanians have not been assimilated, but persist in their race feelings. The Finns were placated for a century by a large measure of political freedom, but the recent attempt to abolish their constitutional rights sent their national spirit on fire. The Lithuanians have known nothing but oppression under Russian rule, but they have been a meek and patient people. Now that authority is paralyzed, and they are no longer cowed by Russian bayonets, their smoldering hatred of the nobles and landlords of Livonia is flaming up.

In the middle ages, Lithuania was a great independent state. In the thirteenth century the Lithuanians, then little better than savages, became involved in a long struggle with the knights sword-bearers who established themselves on the shores of the Baltic, and who, in connection with the Teutonic order, subdued and converted the kindred pagan tribes of the Prussians and others. The Lithuanians, though inferior in the arts of war, maintained their freedom, and rapidly grew in power, at the expense of their eastern neighbors. They reached the zenith of their greatness in the fourteenth century, when their possessions extended from the Baltic to the Black Sea, Lithuania and Poland were subsequently united, but when the latter country was dismembered, late in the eighteenth century, Lithuania fell into the maw of Russia.

There are three divisions of the Lithuanian people: the Lithuanians proper, the Letts, and the Ehsts. In Livonia, where the people are now in rebellion,

41 per cent are Letts, and 47 per cent Ehsts, the Russians being only a handful. The nobility and the burgher class in the towns are Germans. Livonia is the most miserable province in Russia. Only 15 per cent of the land belongs to the peasants. They hate their German landlords and have been prevented from emigrating to neighboring provinces en masse only by the forcible intervention of the Russian Government. It is easy to understand the terrible atrocities which are reported from the province. There is a reminiscence of the French revolution in the revenge which the peasants are wreaking upon the nobles and landowners.

## Balfour's Limping Logic.

Mr. Balfour, in his speech at Leeds, was as equivocal as usual. He declared himself to be a free trader, but while he was opposed to protection per se, he asked for the power of negotiation, which is the power to employ protection as an act of reprisal against foreign countries. At the same time he pronounced in favor of colonial preferences.

It is plain there can be no preferences on colonial products unless there is a tariff on foreign imports. The condition of a colonial preference is protection for the colonies against foreign competition in the British market. Mr. Chamberlain's position is therefore more consistent than Mr. Balfour's. Mr. Chamberlain is for protection out and out. Mr. Balfour is for protection as an act of retaliation, a temporary device to force foreign countries to relax the severity of their tariffs against British goods. If Germany or the United States, for example, reduced their tariffs under pressure of British retaliation, Mr. Balfour would be obliged, as a free trader, to cancel the duties on American and German imports, and in so doing he would cancel to that extent the preference on colonial imports.

Mr. Balfour cannot be both a free trader and a protectionist. His balancing act is unconvincing.

No paid agent of the corporations should sit in the mayor's chair next year.

The Russian proletariat has called so many strikes on the Government that by all the rules of the game the Government would have struck out long ago.

The New York Central will adopt electricity as its motive power between Buffalo and Rochester. This fits in with Edison's prediction that there will be no steam locomotives in fifteen years.

The extracts from The Advertiser of 35 years ago, published daily in these columns, show that the best citizens considered it an honor to them to be nominated for the council. Why not now?

Mr. Balfour thinks a colonial preference is possible without a duty on grain. As far as Canada is concerned a preference that excluded grain would be the play of "Hamlet" with Hamlet left out.

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## Unsympathetic.

[Chicago News.]  
Softleigh—I say, doc, I've—aw—got shooting pains in the face, doc, don't you know?  
Dr. Gruff—Well, what do you expect with a face like that?

## His Punishment.

[Milwaukee Sentinel.]  
Mephisto looked at the newcomer over his spectacles.  
"What is this fellow guilty of?" he asked the attendant.  
"Your Satanic Majesty, he used to smoke cigarettes on the platforms of street cars, and blow the smoke through the door."  
"Put him in No. 13, and roast him over a slow fire made of cigarettes."

## Practical Love.

[Chicago Journal.]  
Ruth—Do you love me for myself alone?  
Reuben—Yes, and when we're married I don't want any of the family thrown in.

## Foot in It Again.

[Cleveland Leader.]  
Mr. Brakes—Who is that sour-looking fellow over there?  
Mr. Grubbs—Sir, she has the misfortune to be my wife.  
Mr. Brakes—Oh—ah—er—indeed, sir, the misfortune is—er—all yours, I'm sure!

## Unchanged.

[Glasgow Evening Times.]  
"I met Dumley today for the first time in years. He hasn't changed much, but he doesn't seem to realize it."  
"How do you mean?"  
"Oh, he's fonder of talking about what a fool he used to be."

## Usually So.

[Philadelphia Press.]  
"Who is that?" "conspirator?" asked the visitor to the banquet.  
"That," replied the editor, "is just the new office boy."  
"Oh! His face seemed familiar—"  
"Perhaps it is, but his manner is more so."

## A Pathetic Tale.

[Harper's Weekly.]  
Lady (at bookstall)—I want to get a good novel to read on the train—something rather pathetic.  
Salesman—Let me see. How would "The Last Days of Pompeii" do?  
Lady—Pompeii. I never heard of him. What did he die of?  
Salesman—I'm not quite sure, ma'am—some kind of an eruption, I've heard.

## Discontent.

[New York Times.]  
The mail is full of letters.  
And the soup is full of peas.  
There's sugar in the coffee.  
And the yard is full of trees;  
The fields are full of stubble.  
And there's grass upon the ground;  
But the world is full of trouble.  
If we only look around.

The corn is full of kernels.  
There are lilies in the brooks;  
The towns are full of people.  
There are stories in the books;  
The orchards are full of apples.  
And the meadows are full of hay—  
But what troubles us is to fret us.  
If we really want to fret.

The hills are full of blossoms.  
And the trees are full of leaves.  
The meadows are full of clover.  
And the fields are full of sheaves;  
The bread is full of flour.  
And the rain is full of dew—  
But how much that is to fret us.  
If we really want to fret.

The bees are full of honey.  
And the apples full of juice.  
The banks are full of money.  
But—be happy. What's the use?  
The beach is full of pebbles.  
There is water in the creek—  
But nothing really is to fret us.  
If we really want to fret.

The birds are full of song.  
And the flowers are full of bloom.  
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The Canadian Government is in perfect harmony with the Canadian people in taking the utmost pains to prevent the growth toward imperialism from being checked by even the appearance of an attempt to bind Canada to the findings of an authority which shall be superior to Canada's responsible government. For the present, at all events, the British subjects who live and vote in Canada will insist that no control be exercised over them by ministers who are only re-

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Unsympathetic.  
[Chicago News.]

such allegations will be made by the Provincial Secretary or his colleagues.

The truth is, as we have said before, that licenses were demanded for men who had been fined many times for violation of the law, and even for illicit selling, that hotelkeepers who were notorious for breaking the law, and many others, were given the blackguards of English a good thing.

Then, after a moment's reflection, he added a proud whisper: "And the whole lot of 'em sitting together couldn't do it! Oh, it's a grand navy we've got!"

A Patriot After All.  
[Exchange.]  
"We'll not get home rule for Ould Orlan," said an Irishman, "till France and Russia and Germany and many others give these blackguards of English a good thing."

THE MYSTERY OF FIONA MACLEOD.

[From the New York World.]  
The announcement that the late William Sharp was the writer of the verses and tales signed "Fiona Macleod" clears up one of the most tantalizing mysteries of anonymous authorship. Inspired guessers had tried to fit these works to various writers, but had concluded that there really was a "Miss Macleod." "Who's Who" accepted "her" as a reality and gave "her" recreations as "sailing, hill walks, listening."

Mr. Sharp as Sharp was merely a writer of talent. As "Fiona Macleod" he drew near to, if he did not quite achieve, the greatness and richness of genius. The "Fiona Macleod" found believers, because no familiar writer was thought capable of such subtle work. Mark Twain's experience in writing the history of Joan of Arc was the reverse. He was detected at once, because readers recognized that no one else could have written it.

Sharp will be unjustly compared to MacPherson, the inventor of the "Ossian" humbug. Yet he did not try to invent a legendary self or go beyond legitimate anonymity. He made his work sound like a woman's. But did not readers for years suppose "George Eliot" a man? And what revelation of the feminine is there in "George Sand"? volume? "John Oliver Hobbes" was not so successful in this respect.

Did not Scott himself, after, as he says, Byron "bet" him at writing verse, long ago, in a long dispute as the author of "Waverley"? John Hay's authorship of "The Breadwinners" was absolutely kept secret, though suspected, during his lifetime. Sharp's secret was hardly even suspected. Perhaps he undervalued his best work. C. L. Douglass, a former mad scientist, is used to rage when reminded of his identity with "Levi Carroll," the clever and unforgettable author of "Alice in Wonderland."

POEMS THAT LIVE

The Rune of the Passion of Woman.

By Fiona Macleod (the late Wm. Sharp).  
Of this poem the Hibelot says: "The world of this unrhymed poem is magnificent vindication of verse free in itself—words of fire and tears. Herin the soul is stripped bare as the erstwhile beautiful body was stripped bare to the anguish of her whom Wilton limned for all time—the Fair Helmsman grown old."

Bitter, alas, the sorrow of lonely women.  
When no man by the ingle sits, and in the loneliness of peace and magnificence  
No little flower-like faces flush with longing.  
Bitter the loss of these, the lonely silence.  
The void heart, and only the grave not void.  
But bitter, oh, more bitter still, the longing.  
Of women who have known no love at all, who never.  
Never, never, have known hot and cold and the softness of a woman's hand.  
"Neath the lips or 'neath the clasp of longing.  
Who have never opened eyes of heaven to man's devotion.  
Who have never heard a husband whisper 'I love thee.'  
Who have lost their youth, their dreams, their fairness.  
In a vain upgrowing to a light that comes bitter these, but bitter than either.  
O most bitter for the heart of woman To have loved and been loved with passion.  
To have known the height and depth, the vision of  
Of triple-flaming love—and in the heart—self.  
Sun in a song of deathless love, immortal Sunrise-haired, and stary-eyed, and wondrous:  
To have felt the brain sustain the mighty Weight and reach of thought unspanned and spellless,  
To have felt the soul grow large and noble,  
To have felt the spirit dancing, eager, swift in bore and daring,  
All the glory and beauty of the body with joy of living, feel the bosom Rise and fall with surges of passion. Feel the lift of soul to soul, and know Of the rising triumph of the ultimate dream.

Devoid the pale place of deflated dreams: To know all this, to feel all this, to be a woman  
Crowned with the double crown of Hly And have the morning star to rule the And hidden hours  
To have felt the evening star thro' hours of dream.  
To be, to do, to act, to dream, to hope, To be perfect woman with the full, Sweet, wondrous and consummate joy Of womanhood fulfilled to all desires— And then, oh, then, to know the waning of the vision,  
To go through days and nights of starless longing,

Through nights and days of gloom and bitter sorrow:  
To see the fairness of the body passing, To see the beauty wither, the sweet color fade, the coming of the wintry lines Upon pale faces chilled with idle living, The slow subsistence of the tiles of living:  
To feel all this, and know the desolate horror  
Of the pale place of all deflated dreams, And to cry out with aching lips, and vainly:  
And to cry out with aching brain, and vainly:  
And to cry out with aching soul, and vainly:  
To cry, cry, cry with passionate heart-break, sobbing,  
To the dim wondrous shape of Love Retreating:  
To grope blindly for the warm hand, for the swift touch,  
To seek blindly for the starry lamps of passion.  
To crave blindly for the dear words of "longing."  
To go forth cold, and drear, and lonely, O so lonely.  
With the heart-cry even as the crying, The lamentable crying on the hills When aimless ewes go desolately astray—  
Yea, to go forth disconsol'd at last, who have worn  
The lower-vested lovely crown of rap-turous love:  
To know the eyes have lost their starry light,  
To know the hair no more a fragrant dusk is  
Wherein to whisper secrets of deep longing.  
To know the breasts shall henceforth be no havens  
For the dear weary head that loved to lie there—  
To go, to know, and yet to live and suffer.  
To be as use and wont demand, to fly to signal.  
That the soul founders in a sea of sorrow. But to be "true," a "woman," "patient," "devoted,"  
"Divinely acquiescent," all-forbearing, To laugh and smile, to comfort, to sustain.  
To do all this—oh, this is bitterest, Oh, this the heaviest cross, oh this the truest  
Whereon the woman hath her crucifixion.

TO BUY ADDITIONAL LANDS

Mayor Suggests Use of \$50,000 Surplus for Waterworks Purposes.

In the report of Mayor Campbell's address at the council on Monday evening, a section of the paragraph relating to the waterworks improvements was misplaced. The mayor's remarks along this line were as follows:

"Recognizing the absolute necessity for a second water-main, the water commissioners have asked the people to vote a large sum of money for that purpose. In addition to the water-main, however, it is absolutely necessary for some provision to be made for an increased supply of water. Every summer there are days when the consumption of water exceeds the supply and the surplus stored in the reservoir has to be drawn upon. A few weeks of intense drought would completely exhaust the reservoir, and leave the city in a very unfortunate condition. It was deemed advisable by you not to ask the city to vote any money for that purpose this year. But the need for it must be apparent to anyone interested in settling the water supply problem, I do not think that it will be

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JARDINIERS—Three specials for tomorrow, 35c kinds at 25c, 50c kinds at 35c, 75c and \$1 kinds at 49c.  
BURNT WOOD NOVELTIES—Racks, plaques and holders, regular 75c and upwards. Tomorrow 50c and upwards. 25c

## Gifts of Fine Linen

Housewives will thoroughly appreciate fine linens. To see our stock of beautiful scarfs, handsome table centers of linen lace, or these fine Irish table cloths, will help many to come to a decision what to give.

Handsome Christmas gifts from Linen counter.

Irish Linen hand-drawn work. In tray cloths, tea cloths, side-board and bureau scarfs. Very handsomely finished with two rows of hand-drawn work. Each 65c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.00

Linen lace doilies and center pieces, one of the season's novelties, 25c to \$2.75  
Hand-drawn Doilies 10c to \$1.25  
Pure Irish Linen table cloths, exclusive patterns, bordered all round. Prices from \$1.50 to \$10

## FURS The Right Sort of a Christmas Gift

\$6.25 for Regular \$8.50 to \$10 Muffs  
Newest shapes, including American Sable, Rock Marten and Jap Mink, both round and Empire Shapes. Come tomorrow for best choice.

J. H. Chapman &amp; Co., 126, 128, 128½ Dundas St

OPEN EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK.

Through nights and days of gloom and bitter sorrow:  
To see the fairness of the body passing, To see the beauty wither, the sweet color fade, the coming of the wintry lines Upon pale faces chilled with idle living, The slow subsistence of the tiles of living:  
To feel all this, and know the desolate horror  
Of the pale place of all deflated dreams, And to cry out with aching lips, and vainly:  
And to cry out with aching brain, and vainly:  
And to cry out with aching soul, and vainly:  
To cry, cry, cry with passionate heart-break, sobbing,  
To the dim wondrous shape of Love Retreating:  
To grope blindly for the warm hand, for the swift touch,  
To seek blindly for the starry lamps of passion.  
To crave blindly for the dear words of "longing."  
To go forth cold, and drear, and lonely, O so lonely.  
With the heart-cry even as the crying, The lamentable crying on the hills When aimless ewes go desolately astray—  
Yea, to go forth disconsol'd at last, who have worn  
The lower-vested lovely crown of rap-turous love:  
To know the eyes have lost their starry light,  
To know the hair no more a fragrant dusk is  
Wherein to whisper secrets of deep longing.  
To know the breasts shall henceforth be no havens  
For the dear weary head that loved to lie there—  
To go, to know, and yet to live and suffer.  
To be as use and wont demand, to fly to signal.  
That the soul founders in a sea of sorrow. But to be "true," a "woman," "patient," "devoted,"  
"Divinely acquiescent," all-forbearing, To laugh and smile, to comfort, to sustain.  
To do all this—oh, this is bitterest, Oh, this the heaviest cross, oh this the truest  
Whereon the woman hath her crucifixion.

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## Handkerchiefs Are Humming

Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, beautiful large initial, 6 in fancy box, at a box ..... \$1.50  
Men's Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, each, 12½ to 50c  
Men's Cambric Handkerchiefs, upwards ..... 50c  
Ladies' Lace-Trimmed Handkerchiefs, each, 5c to ..... 50c  
Ladies' Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, each 5c to ..... 50c

## Prayer Books

Tomorrow special lines in English Church Prayerbooks, 25c to \$2.00

## Men's Caps

Substantial, genuine fur in the caps we sell.

SPECIAL—Men's No. 1 Electric Seal Caps, full size, wedge shape worth fully \$5.00, now till Christmas ..... \$3.95

Men's German Otter and Astrachan Caps, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00  
Children's Real Gray Lamb Caps, number one skins, not pilled, \$3.00 to ..... \$4.00  
Men's Saskatchewan and Imitation Astrachan Gaudinets, with horsehide face, at pair, ..... \$1.50  
Real Fur Gaudinets, pair, \$4.00 to ..... \$6.00

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OPEN EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK.

## Safer Than the Ordinary Bond.

By depositing your money with us you are relieved of the bother and expense of legal papers, and can realize on it sooner even in tight-money times than when invested in mortgages. Besides, we pay 4 per cent interest, and that interest, if allowed to remain with us, begets new interest.

Peoples Building and Loan Association,  
428 Richmond Street, London, Ont.

## Life Chips

10c Package  
Granola  
15c Package  
Granose Flakes  
15c Package  
Granose Biscuits  
15c Box  
Caramel Cereal  
13c and 25c Package

The above is a list of foods recommended to the public for their purity and for their other virtues. Dr. Kellogg, of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, the foremost food expert of America. The first four are breakfast foods, the last is the best known substitute for tea or coffee. Cut out this list for reference.

## Pure Olive Oil

Imported direct from Italy by  
Catalano & Sansone  
Put up in tins and bottles. For sale at any grocery store in the city or at the Importers, 292 Dundas street.  
Price, 25 cents bottle, or \$2 tin.

LADIES! MADAME DUVOY'S FRENCH FEMALE PILLS  
Are the most efficient remedy for Delayed Menstruation and Irregularities. Full-sized 22 box sent in plain sealed package, on receipt of \$1. DUVOY MEDICINE CO., TORONTO.

CANDIES  
At one-half regular price for holiday season only. CHOCOLATES, BON-BONS AND TAPIES.  
OLYMPIA CANDY WORKS  
The gold region of the Wittem in Siberia yields about \$2,000,000 a year. The River Moldau is to be made navigable up to the city of Prague, at a cost of over \$2,000,000.

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## BOOMERANG FOR LORD ROSEBERRY

Intemperate Outburst Recoils on His Reputation.

### THE BANNERMAN MINISTRY

The Deputy Speaker—Lord Fitzmaurice's Patriotism—No Company Directors in the Government.

London, Dec. 19. — Lord Roseberry asserted, last week, that he had cleared the air by his attack on home rule. It would be truer to say that, whatever effect his unlooked for interference might have had under other circumstances, it has really had singularly little influence on the political situation.

If the new ministry had been weak, if the distribution of the offices had been apparently decided on any principle but that of the best man for each place, Lord Roseberry's intemperate outburst might have been sufficient to blacken the reputation of the new Government and injure its prospects with the country. Now the result will be a serious recoil on his own reputation. He has shown a marked lack of judgment and an inferior capacity for leadership.

The Bannerman ministry owes its chief strength to two qualities: First, to the evidence of mutual sacrifices of opinion on minor thorny questions, by what had formerly been considered opposing sections of the Liberal party; secondly, to the various really brilliant selections, not only for cabinet positions, but for minor posts. There is some humor in opposing Mr. Winston Churchill, as under colonial secretary, against Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons. The choice of deputy speaker is also discriminating. Mr. Emmott is little known in London, but he carries great weight in Lancashire, where he has taken the lead in various important movements, such as the British Cotton Growing Association. He may be considered as eminently a representative of cotton and free trade.

Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice's appointment, as under foreign secretary, will considerably strengthen the Government in the House of Lords, where he will probably go. It is a conspicuous instance of patriotism that this statesman, who has been a minister before, and has had reasonable hopes of preferment, should at 60 years of age accept a subordinate office to Sir Edward Grey. It is generally understood that Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice was offered and declined a peerage without office, but that he will accept the two together.

The Manchester Guardian says that it is worth noting that for the first time in ten years we have now a Government in power which will contain no directors of public companies. Following the rule laid down by Mr. Gladstone and Lord Roseberry, the new prime minister has let it be known that all directorships held by members of his ministry at the time of their accepting office must be relinquished. In Mr. Balfour's Government no fewer than 48 directorships were held by 33 ministers. Without desiring to make any personal reflection on the late ministers, one must say that the present return to a more stringent standard of disinterested integrity must tend to elevate public life.

The announcement made this morning, that Lord Curzon will be offered the representation of London City in Parliament revives the interesting speculation as to whether he will return to the House of Commons. No doubt the present offer may specially

## WOMAN WINS RACE

Defeats Englishman in Contest Over Mile Course for \$500 Wager.

London, Dec. 19.—One of those rare sporting events in which a woman pits her jockeyship against that of man was made at Epsom this week. Mrs. Aggie, wife of a well-known veterinary surgeon, and W. Wyatt, of Epsom, made a match to ride a race over a mile course on the flat for \$500 a side.

The conditions were that the owners should be up, Mrs. Aggie riding her 6-year-old gray mare of 15 hands, and Mr. Wyatt a gray gelding of 14 hands. The latter animal won in Ireland and also at Melton Mowbray.

Mrs. Aggie went to scale at 11 stone and Mr. Wyatt at 9 stone 6 pounds. With the weight so much in his favor, odds of 2 to 1 were laid on the public, but to the surprise of most of the spectators, Mrs. Aggie won easily, sending her mare to the front soon after the start. She made nearly all the running and scored a decisive victory by eight lengths.

### THOSE WINDSOR SEIZURES

Customs Officials Say Toronto Importers Seldom Undervalue.

Toronto, Dec. 19. — The news of arrests at Windsor by Dominion customs officers for under-valuation surprised the Toronto custom house officials. They had heard of no steps being taken along similar lines here and were emphatic in declaring that the Toronto importers have been making an excellent record.

"There is now and then an ordered seizure," said one of the officials, "but it is absolutely without foundation that any special investigation has recently been held here regarding under-valuation, or that there has been any justification for such an event." The official also explained that the seizures are not given to the press as it is rare that fraud is established. Seizures are reported in Ottawa, and it is only when they are made public and then it is by the Ottawa authorities.

### CECIL ON PREFERENCE

Declares It Would Help Canadians and Hurt Englishmen.

London, Dec. 19.—Lord Hugh Cecil, addressing the Unionist Free Trade Club at York last night, in referring to Mr. Chamberlain's claim that the unity of the empire will be promoted by taxing corn and meat, said he could not understand why the people who were badly off in this country should put money into the pockets of Canadians who were better off, he was told. We should get concessions in respect of our manufactures, but these concessions were in the clouds and they would produce but a very slight effect and then only upon a very small part of the population.

In the report of the tariff commission on the carpet industry witnesses on the whole agreed that the Canadian preferential tariff has effected a change in conditions. One firm stated that the general effect of the Canadian preference in regard to the carpet trade has been not only to check foreign competition but to give a positive increase to British exports. Its removal would be a serious blow to British trade.

Lord Strathcona's knee is much better. It enabled him to get up, but not to go to the office today.

## ROWAT'S NOBBY STORE

The Headquarters for Christmas Delights Filled With Good Things.

The peculiar atmosphere of the Christmas season already surrounds the local business houses, and the latter recognize the season of cheer by exhibiting wares particularly fitting to Christmas time.

Among the stores first in cleanliness, first in quality and first in the hearts of Londoners, that of T. A. Rowat & Co. stands pre-eminent. The general appearance of the interior of this celebrated grocery is most characteristic of Christmas. In artistic profusion Christmas wares are exhibited and all have a fresh, appetizing appearance which almost compels those who view the edibles to become purchasers.

Rowat & Co.'s store has been noted in London as a standard of cleanliness and first-class goods. In many different lines Rowat has the sole right of sale in this city, and these classes are the ones that have a provincial or an international reputation for quality.

Among these are Harry Webb's plum puddings, the guarantee of excellence in Christmas puddings, and Columbia soups, catsups and relishes, which latter, while not essentially Christmas articles, are in great demand and are known throughout America for their quality.

Rowat & Co. introduced the fun-making Christmas cracker into London. This firm was the first to import these Christmas articles, which have now become almost a necessity. Over 40 varieties are exhibited, and the most fastidious can rely upon perfect satisfaction in purchasing them. They are all imported from London, England, and include the finest of art cosques, Japanese toy crackers, military and game crackers.

Malaga grapes and table raisins are appropriately Christmas edibles, and Rowat & Co.'s sale of these two lines has been unprecedented this season. The crystallized fruits have been made a specialty, and are indeed a luxury. Bishop, of California, is known the world over as the great fruit preserver. The spiced figs, preserved strawberries, figs, pineapples and oranges are among Rowat & Co.'s finest lines, and not less in the store are the fancy Christmas stockings, which are necessarily for the juvenile. Toys, candies, games and various articles fill these stockings, and a delightful surprise awaits the youngster to whom any one of these will go. These range in price from 10 cents to 75 cents, and are, by reason of their contents, remarkably cheap. These are all imported from London, England.

Always noted for their Christmas preparations, T. A. Rowat & Co. have this year surpassed all previous efforts, and the store as it now stands is a fitting evidence of earnest endeavor and success on the part of the firm.

### FOR A GAY CHRISTMAS

Automobile Masked Parties To Be a Novelty in England.

London, Dec. 19. — It appears as if Christmas week this year will be a time of unusual gaiety in the country houses, and even the approach of the general election is not being allowed to interfere with the arrangements for the holidays.

Automobile masked parties will be a great novelty in private entertaining, and much fun is promised at the country house parties, where they will take the place of the more elaborate ball masques.

The guests will disguise their identity by wearing automobile coats over their ordinary evening dress and a formidable pair of goggles will cover the upper portion of the face. At midnight the masks will be removed.

Most startling is the spade party, presumably an inspiration of Lord Rosebery or one of the athletic girls of the period. The guests arrive with spades at the house party and rally

# The Heintzman & Co Pianos

Have for over half a century been unexcelled in beauty of tone, brilliancy of touch, genuine durability and artistic construction—they are the best.

The same quality of material is used now as was used years ago. Material has greatly advanced in price. The prices of our pianos have not changed. You are therefore getting better value than ever before and we are getting a reputation for making the highest-grade piano on the market today.

## Our Special Christmas Offer

From now until January we have decided to offer a most beautiful French Burl Upright Piano, Weber, 7½ octaves, 3 pedals, colonial style, full music desk and all modern improvements for

**\$285--Payable \$6 Per Month.**

This is one of the finest pianos made in Canada, and you would pay \$350 elsewhere for one as good in quality.

We have received two carloads of special pianos for our Christmas trade, and we invite you to call and inspect our immense stock of new, handsome, up-to-date styles.

We also have a few snaps in second-hand pianos and organs. Will sell at a sacrifice.

STORE OPENEVENINGS UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK.

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217 Dundas Street, Corner Clarence

## LONDON LOSES BY FOG

Thick Fall Over City Estimated to Cost \$1,750,000 a Day.

London, Dec. 19. — "The City of Dreadful Night" — that is what London resembled more than anything else last week. The fog, otherwise the smog, to use the word invented by a number of the Smoke Abatement Society, meaning smoke-fog, the worst and most persistent fog of the season as yet, made its sudden appearance on the night of Sunday, after a beautiful, bright, sunny day, and then disappeared.

It is estimated that the fog, which is paralyzing business, is costing London \$1,750,000 a day.

On Tuesday King Smog achieved a great success from his point of view, mixing up the traffic in an inconceivable tangle, cabs, busses and vans having to be led along at a creeping pace, if they did not stop altogether, indeed. There was a brief period on Monday night, and again on Wednesday, when in the south of London, at any rate, traffic was brought to a complete standstill by one of these smogs. The supreme efforts to see the lights across the streets, to see even a bright incandescent lamp seven or eight yards away, was an impossibility.

To keep time at the railway was, of course, out of the question. Business men have arrived late in the city every morning except one, Wednesday, when King Smog left off for a while in the early part of the day, to return with renewed vigor later when half-hour journeys by all the to the suburbs occupied two and two and a half hours.

How the fog has affected trade may be imagined, for women especially were not going to venture out if they possibly could avoid it, and disconsolate shopkeepers could be seen standing in the doorways of an empty shop gazing with disgust at the thick pall which prevented the customers from seeing the goods in the windows.

But there was another danger to womankind, and men, too, for the matter of that, as gangs of toughs were soon gathering at the street corners, waiting their opportunities for pocket-picking, bag-and-purse snatching, although the police force had been strengthened by men put on to work overtime.

Such robberies some with considerable violence, have been numerous. It has affected theaters and the restaurants terribly, too, for the people prefer to remain at home in the evenings, rather than go out to dinner or seek entertainment.

When such a persistent fog never holds up all the day through tradesmen lose their customers, theaters their audiences, and trains, tram cars and omnibuses are run at a greatly increased cost, with less return, while thousands of workmen are turned out of work.

### Churchill on Loyalty.

London, Dec. 20.—Winston Churchill, under secretary to the colonies, speaking last night at Deptford, declined to believe that brave colonials who had helped in South Africa would demand as the price of their loyalty certain

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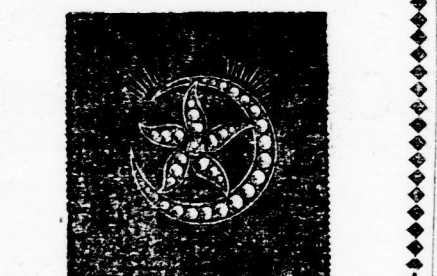
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Ladies', Men's and Children's Fur Garments of every description. See our selection.



Dainty and good are the Pearl and Diamond Mounted Brooches we are showing this season. Each piece is the work of an artist, and nowhere in the city is there as large and as full a display as at Diamond Hall. The accompanying illustration shows one of the most popular pieces for gift purposes. Our goods are quality right, prices right and design right.

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**THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TODAY**

[From the London Advertiser of Dec. 20, 1870.]

An "unusual interest has been excited in the pending municipal elections in this city. A desire apparently exists to have "an infusion of new blood" in the aldermanic board for 1871. It is probable that this desire will be to a certain extent realized. There are many excellent men in the council; there are some who are not deserving of that complimentary adjective, and certainly there are men at the whole council. Personally we have brought no charges, nor have we unfavorably mentioned by name any retiring alderman.

It is alleged by many citizens that the city hall is the headquarters of a "ring" which controls to a greater or less extent appointments, nominations, salaries, etc., besides performing other functions of a equally or still more questionable character. Many citizens deny the truth of this statement. This is a matter upon which each citizen will form his own opinion.

Mr. J. H. Flock, solicitor to the charter committee in connection with the proposed London, Huron and Bruce Railway, left for Toronto yesterday to give his personal attention to the passage of the charter through the Legislature. A deputation, consisting of Messrs. James Johnston, J. Williams, C. P. Smith, J. Atkinson, M. Anderson, T. Churchill and E. W. Hyman left to-

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Silver and Ebony Shoe Horns, Button Hooks, Nail Files, Silver Pencils and Toothpicks, Fancy Glass Boxes and Bottles, with Sterling Silver Tops, Match Safes, Cigarette Holders and a score of other inexpensive Christmas gifts.

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**Santa Claus** has filled our store to overflowing with the good things of every clime, of every nation.

**Holly and Mistletoe**

**LAWSON'S FUN-CREATING CHRISTMAS CRACKERS, PER BOX, FROM 15c to \$1 AND UP.**



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**FLORIDA ORANGES**—Everyone can have Oranges this Christmas. We have just received a large shipment of beautiful Florida Oranges, 25c per dozen. Regular price, 40c.

Beautifully Tinted Malaga Grapes, Glace Fruit, Blank's Stuffed Dates, Fard Dates, Mixed Nuts, Huntley and Palmer's Biscuits, Table Raisins, Royal Dehesa Clusters, \$1.00 per box; Tangerines, Grape Fruit, Rowntree's Chocolates (put up in pretty glove boxes, reticules, vases, etc.). These and numerous other delicacies will make suitable Christmas gifts.

Six pounds of Raisins for 25c, etc.

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day for the northern townships to address the people in behalf of the new railway.  
A meeting of the electors of ward 2, principally in the interest of the new candidates, Messrs. J. Jeffery, R. S. Murray and G. G. Magee was held at the Huron Hotel last evening.

The following have offered donations for the poor through St. George's Society: Mr. H. Taylor, Mr. J. Pannell, Mr. Thomas Harley and Mr. John Wright.

Mr. D. C. McDonald is meeting with energetic support in No. 1 ward.

The first of the series of fashionable dancing assemblies came off in the city hall last evening, between 40 and 50 couples being present. The band of the Seventh furnished the music.

The Rev. John Scott preached and administered the sacrament last Sabbath in Detroit (Rev. Mr. Milligan's congregation).

Messrs. M. Anderson and D. Lester—both good men—have decided not to offer for re-election in ward 5, and the contest is now between Messrs. E. Shaw, Graydon, Webb and Rapley.

Before the class closed for the holidays, the pupils of the sixth division, Union school, presented their teacher, Mr. Steele, with a handsome Bible and hymn book this morning.

The feeling is now growing strongly in favor of Southampton as the terminus of the London, Huron and Bruce Railway. It is about due north of here; is only about six or seven miles further than Kincardine; and is understood to be a better harbor.

The literary entertainment in the Forest City Lodge room last evening was a decided success. The readings of Mr. Laurie were specially admired, and the part piece met with immense applause—Messrs. Fairbairn, Noble and Chinnick particularly distinguishing themselves. Miss Evans presided at the melodeon with considerable skill.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Philharmonic Society last evening in Croisy Hall, Mrs. Raymond, organist, resigned the position that she has filled since the society started.

At the nominations for Caradoc yesterday, held in Mount Brydges, Mr. Thomas Northcott was re-elected reeve by acclamation; for deputy-reeve, Messrs. G. McGugan and Thos. Faulds were nominated; for councilors, Messrs. Dugald Leitch, A. Wisner, G. Middlemas, Charles Nagle, George Esteman, W. Collins and Malcolm M. Campbell.

The nominations for North Dorchester resulted as follows: A. Dreaney, reeve, and J. B. Lane, deputy-reeve, elected by acclamation; for councilors, James Creighton, R. Yennings, Seth Cline, Lawrence Johnston, William Thompson, Seth Barr and Adam Seord.

The following nominations were made in Ekfrid: For reeve, Hector McFarlane and Richard Coade; for

deputy-reeve, G. J. Coulthard, and Arch. McIntyre; for councilors, Allan Stevenson, C. J. Campbell, George Leithbridge, and Joseph Lotan.

In Bidolph, R. H. O'Neill was elected reeve by acclamation; John Hodgins, for deputy-reeve, by acclamation; and the following were nominated for councilors: John Dagg, Thompson Murdoch (sitting members), W. Garrett, M. Collison, T. Hodgins.

London, Dec. 19, John Bright has resigned the presidency of the board of trade.

Knowledge is power until a man reaches the point where he knows it all.

Even the barking dog stops to take a bite when hungry.

In several places in Prussia, a Berlin telegram to the London Leader says, experiments are being made with a somewhat novel material for soldiers' beds, namely, shavings of paper. These are stuffed into bags on which the soldiers lie. They are said to be more springy. Straw beds, moreover, must be changed every six months.

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and see how the pain disappears—the cough loosens—and the cold breaks! Nothing like it in relieving bronchitis, tonsillitis, quinsy and acute sore throat. Kills any pain—every time, in a bottle—4 droppers.

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**Gresca Brand**

Cresca Figs, 1 pound baskets 35c  
Cresca Figs, 2 pound baskets 60c  
Cresca Figs, glass jars 40c  
Cresca Stuffed Figs, glass jars 40c  
Cresca Stuffed Dates, per box 35c  
Cresca Stuffed Figs and Dates, 2 pound baskets 75c

**Headquarters for Cresca Brand**  
These are the finest delicacies that ever were brought to London. "Come and see them."

**Paper Shell Almonds, 30c lb.**

**Table Raisins**  
See our Table Raisins at 25c per pound. They are the best value to be had.

Other lines of Table Raisins at 15c, 30c and 40c per pound.

**Mixed Nuts, 20c per lb.**  
Walnuts, Almonds, Pecans, Filberts, Brazils.

**HOME-MADE MINCEMEAT.**  
13c, 2 pounds for 25c

Before buying call and see our stock of Fancy and Staple Groceries, which is the most complete in the city.

Your phone orders will have our prompt attention.

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We have the greatest assortment to choose from, and everything you buy from us is new and fresh. Leave your orders as early in the week as possible. Telephone orders will be most carefully filled.  
Phone 317 and 1866.

**Webb's Plum Puddings**

Tied in a pudding bag ready for steaming; 1, 2, 3 and 4 pounds each. 1-pound ..... 30c  
All other sizes, pound ..... 25c

**Sweet Oranges**

The kind nearly everyone wants at Christmas. We have some extra fancy Floridas, sweet and juicy, dozen, 30c, 40c and ..... 50c  
CALIFORNIA NAVELS, dozen, 30c, 40c and ..... 50c  
MEXICANS, dozen ..... 20c  
CHOICE FLORIDA GRAPE FRUIT ..... 10c

**Table Raisins**

We make a specialty of choice. Table Raisins at, pound ..... 25c  
FULL LAYERS ..... \$1.25  
Pink-Tinted Malaga Grapes. The finest fruit packed. Crisp and sweet, a pound ..... 25c

**NUTS**

BEST MIXED NUTS, comprising Almonds, Walnuts, Brazils, Pecans and Filberts, a pound, 20c  
GOOD MIXED NUTS, a pound, ..... 15c

**Crystallized Fruits**

Boxes, assorted ..... 50c  
These are very delicious.  
New Figs Dates, 2 pounds ..... 25c  
Cresca Figs, 1-pound baskets, 25c  
Barley Sugar Glasses ..... 15c  
Turkish Delight, a box ..... 20c  
Seven-Crown Figs, the largest packed, a pound ..... 20c  
Good Figs, 2 pounds for ..... 25c

**CANDY**

Creams, a pound, 10c to ..... 20c  
Chocolates, 2 pounds for ..... 25c  
FANCY BON BONS AND CHOCOLATES, in handsome packages, a box, 25c to ..... 75c

**Bishop's Preserved Fruits**

Pineapples, Figs, Oranges and Strawberries, large glasses, 50c  
Pure Red Currant Jelly, a glass ..... 35c  
Grape Fruit and Guava Jelly, a glass ..... 30c

**Christmas Crackers**

We import the greatest variety of Crackers to be found in the city, comprising:

JAPANESE TOY CRACKERS, MILITARY CRACKERS, GAME CRACKERS, ART COSAQUES, HOLLY CRACKERS, and a great number of others, containing fancy paper hats, caps, bonnets, aprons and an amusing collection of conundrums and answers.

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Upholstered in denim, chintz or taffeta, in any colors desired, to suit the decoration of the room. A piece of furniture that is an ornament to any room, and is above all things MOST USEFUL. Prices, \$7.50 to \$9.50 each.

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Covered in tapestry, velours, and silk or satin, ready for use. Price, \$1.50 to \$3.50 each.

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A fine assortment of attractive and useful articles.  
Candlesticks ..... \$1.00 to \$3.50 each  
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A special purchase of new pictures, very attractive, each ..... 50c to \$2  
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Men's Padded Mufflers, squares and chest protectors, ..... 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00  
Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, plain and initial ..... 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00  
Men's and Boys' Fancy Sweaters ..... 50c, 65c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00

LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS—HERE IS A SNAP!  
All Pure Linen Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 3 different size borders, regular 15c and 18c, for, each ..... 10c

Tapestry Cushion Tops, large size, heavy quality, 20 different scenes, each ..... 25c  
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Tray Covers, Shams, Sideboard Scarfs, Runners, Five o'Clock Teas, Veil Cases, Table Drapes, at prices that cannot be equalled  
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Cotton Blankets, large size, pair ..... 69c

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**THE TROUBLE AT SHANGHAI**

Volunteers and Sailors Still in Control of the City.

Shanghai, Dec. 20.—All is quiet in the town today. Business has been resumed, but the volunteers and sailors landed by the warships in port remain on duty as a precaution against a renewal of the fighting. The United States gunboat Villalobos has arrived to reinforce the Baltimore, and the British cruiser Andromeda is expected to reinforce the Diadem.  
The deadlock growing out of the mixed court dispute continues.  
The Taotai adheres to his demand for the dismissal of the British assessor and police inspectors, while the British consul refuses to yield. The foreign residents here support the consul's attitude.  
A curious fact regarding diamonds is that it is not uncommon for the crystals to explode as soon as they are brought up from the mine. Sometimes they have burst in the pockets or the warm hands of miners, due to the effect of increased temperature. Large stones are more likely to do this than small ones. Valuable stones have been destroyed in this way. By way of safeguard some dealers embed large diamonds in a raw potato for safe transport from South Africa.  
Anybody can be a critic, but only shrewd ones get pay for being one.  
The Bishop of London, Dr. Ingram, has denounced race suicide as a sin to the love of ease.