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Heavy Mail.**

The Majestic's Mail.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 20.—The steamship Majestic, which touched at Queenstown today carries 1,672 bags of mail. This is claimed to be the heaviest mail ever carried from England to America.

The Voyage of the Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Blenheim will sail at 2 o'clock. Lord Lansdowne and United States Ambassador Bayard have written letters expressive of their great regret at the death of Sir John Thompson.

Protection in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20.—The Novosti announces that an increase in the Russian duty on imports has been approved by the Imperial Council in order to protect native growers.

Mail Delivery Record Broken.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The mail carried by the steamship Campania, which arrived at Queenstown at 11:18 o'clock this evening, will be delivered in London at 5:40 o'clock tomorrow evening. This is claimed to be the quickest delivery on record.

Papal Church Union.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Daily Chronicle's Rome correspondent says that the Pope desires the Cardinals to elaborate a plan of union of the Roman and Russian Churches. His Holiness wishes to pave the way for union, says the correspondent, although he does not expect any immediate results.

Hungary Rocked.

BUDA-PESTH, Dec. 20.—The earthquake last evening, which wrecked many houses in Oravica, was felt in many districts of Southern Hungary. Temecvar was shaken severely, and most of the inhabitants were too much frightened to go to bed. No deaths had been reported at 10 o'clock this evening.

Earthquake shocks shook many towns in Bosnia and Serbia also last night.

Mersey Men Stirred Up.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—The Mersey dock board, prompted by the increasing rivalry of Southampton, has submitted to the London and Northwestern Railway a plan for running trains directly to the Liverpool pier head to meet the ocean steamships from America. The plan is designed to shorten the time and decrease the inconvenience of a trip from New York to London via Liverpool.

Hungarian Cabinet Crisis.

VIENNA, Dec. 20.—Premier Dr. Weyerle had an audience with the Emperor this afternoon and discussed his retirement from office. His official resignation was not placed in the Emperor's hands, but it lacks only the form. It will be given within a few days. Dr. Banffy, president of the Hungarian Chamber of Deputies, is likely to succeed him. He is nominally a Conservative, but he has strong Liberal tendencies.

The Real Sir Roger.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Standard has a dispatch from Sydney, N. S. W., which gives full details of the supposed discovery of the real Sir Roger Tichborne. The heir in the famous Tichborne inheritance case is in an insane asylum at Parramatta under the name of Wm. Crosswell. The Governor of New South Wales and conspicuous citizens are said to be assisting in the inquiry.

Prolonged Christmas Holidays.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Two-thirds of the wholesale and retail establishments of the metropolis in all branches of industry have agreed to suspend work from noon of Saturday, Dec. 22, to the morning of Friday, Dec. 28. All employees receiving weekly salaries to be paid in full. This will be the longest Christmas holiday ever known in England. Throughout the country business will be generally suspended from Saturday until Thursday morning.

Peace!

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Important dispatches have been received here tonight from Tokyo indicating clearly that the war between China and Japan has practically ended, and assurances are given in quarters known to be thoroughly cognizant of diplomatic affairs that the Emperor of China has been prevailed on to hasten commissioners to Japan, and that these envoys have such power of concessions as will without doubt enable them to bring about an immediate and thorough end of hostilities.

Had \$180,000 in His Pocket.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The body of Captain Overgaard, of the ship Don Juan, which was wrecked off Denmark on Dec. 6, was washed ashore on Saturday last near the spot where the vessel was wrecked. The body, which evidently had been buried deep in the sand and had been uncovered by the recent storm, was well preserved. Among the papers found in the clothing were \$180,000 in bank notes and American securities, which the authorities are holding for the proper claimants. The Don Juan was on a voyage from New York to Gothenburg when she was wrecked.

A Representative in Disgrace.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—In Hanover today Herr Louis, a member of the Reichstag, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment and to be deprived of civil rights for five years in connection with the Schnitz divorce case. Louis, who was cited as a

co-respondent, denied upon the witness stand that he had ever maintained improper relations with Frau Schnitz and the woman during a four days' examination repeatedly made similar denials. Today, however, she admitted intimacy with Herr Louis, whereupon the court took immediate action, with the result of sending him to prison.

Grateful Armenians.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Armenians of London and Paris, in recognition of Mr. Gladstone's letter of sympathy and encouragement, will present a silver and gilt chalice to the Hawarden Church on his 55th birthday.

The Daily News correspondent in Vienna says: The Christian Armenians are about to ask for an autonomous government similar to that formerly given to East Roumelia. Failing to obtain this they will ask for instructions similar to those of Crete. A deputation of Armenians will call upon the commission of inquiry to impress upon its members the necessity of procuring Christian government of some sort for Armenia.

The Control of Egypt and Morocco.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Le Journal prints the text of an alleged Anglo-Italian agreement in regard to the Sudan and Morocco, supplying the details of a previously published, but unconfirmed, report of common action on the part of England and Italy in Africa. According to the agreement as published in Le Journal, Italy is to occupy Khartoum and support England in her occupancy of Egypt. Italy will also take possession of Morocco, with the exception of Tangier, which is to be in British possession.

ROME, Dec. 20.—The authenticity of the publication in Le Journal of Paris, purporting to be the text of an agreement between Italy and England in regard to the Sudan and Morocco, is semi-officially denied here. It is declared no such agreement exists.

Is Churchill Dying?

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The St. James' Gazette learns that Lord Randolph Churchill is returning home by the way of Egypt and Marseilles. The condition of his health is very serious, and his friends are fearful that he cannot recover.

BOY TRAIN-WRECKERS.

**Wanted to Kill a Lady Teacher Who
Used the Birch.**

PEABODY, Mass., Dec. 20.—Kenneth Belmer, aged 13, and Chester Palmer, 10 years old, were arraigned in court today, charged with attempted train wrecking at Lynnfield, on the Boston and Maine road. Four fishplates were found tightly wedged into a switch in such a manner that they would have derailed a train if they had not been discovered and removed.

Belmer has confessed that he attempted to throw the train from the track, and implicated the Palmer boy. He said his object was to try and kill a lady school teacher of Lynnfield, who had assisted another teacher in whipping the boys, and who rides daily to her home on the train.

Belmer was adjudged guilty, and will be committed to a reform school. Palmer was placed on probation.

CAMERA VS. CRIME.

**The Form of a Man Pictured in a
Murdered Woman's Eyes.**

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 20.—A startling development was made in the Shearman murder case this morning. Both of Mrs. Shearman's eyes are believed to hold pictures of the man who murdered her.

Fred S. Marsh, an amateur photographer, with his kodak photographed one eye of Mrs. Shearman, and the form of a man was found there. The face of the man was not obtained. Both of Mrs. Shearman's eyes were removed and taken by the coroner for further examination. Mrs. Davis' eyes were photographed, but no image was found there, and it is believed that the murderer came upon her from behind.

The Passengers Escaped.

SCHOLCRAFT, Mich., Dec. 20.—A heavily loaded excursion train on the Grand Trunk railway, bound for Winnipeg with Canadians on board, was derailed here today. The baggage car and locomotive were wrecked and the baggage man hurt, but all the passengers escaped injury.

Cabinet Ministers Sworn In.

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, Hon. John Costigan, W. B. Ives, A. R. Dickey and Dr. Montague left this afternoon for Montreal to be sworn into office by Lord Aberdeen. These are all the Ministers who are changing and who require to take the oath of office.

A Montreal dispatch says: It was decided that the ceremony of swearing in the new Cabinet would take place tomorrow morning.

Burned Her Baby Sister to Death.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Baby Louis Fruch, 3 months old, was left in the room alone with a 3-year-old sister for a few minutes, the latter rocking the cradle. As soon as the mother had departed the 3-year-old girl took a newspaper, and lighting it at an open grate, threw it on the baby's cradle. The baby's clothing caught fire and the little one died this morning from its injuries.

Knocked Out by John Barleycorn.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 20.—A special from Lima, Ohio, says: The John L. Sullivan Company arrived this morning from the south en route to St. Marys. John has drunk and abused Agent Deros, of the United States Express Company, shamefully. Deros went after his gun, while Officer Wingate attempted to quiet the brawling champion, but he turned on the officer and threatened to knock his head off. He was finally put in the smoker by members of the company and bystanders and made to behave himself.

Dr. McGlynn's Standing.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Richard R. Bartsell, rector of St. Mary's Church, when shown the item printed in New York papers today to the effect that Dr. McGlynn was no longer an apostle of the anti-poverty doctrine which brought about his excommunication, and that he has written to Archbishop Corrigan asking that he be assigned to a parish in the diocese in New York, pronounced the statements untrue. He stated that Dr. McGlynn had not renounced the doctrines of Henry George. He further denied the report that Dr. McGlynn's restoration to the church after his excommunication was not complete.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 20. At From
Per-la.....Hamburg.....New York
Carnegie.....Queens.....New York

Late Canadian News.

**Death of Beverley, Son of Judge
Robertson.**

**A Grand Trunk Brakeman Badly In-
jured—Looses a Foot.**

There are no important developments in the financial situation at St. Johns, Nfld. Revs. Messrs. Hunter and Crossley are meeting with much success in their work in St. Catharines.

An extension of the Brantford street railway to Lovejoy's Park, near Cairnsville, has been formally opened.

The Lake of the Woods Milling Company will build three elevators in Manitoba and the Territories next spring.

Complete returns of the Winnipeg mayoralty election show that Mr. McMicken was elected by only two majority over Mr. Gilroy.

Charles Connelly, a firman of the Dominion fishery cruiser Petrol, was run over and killed by a yard engine in Owen Sound Wednesday night.

John Stinson, a G. T. R. brakeman, had one of his legs badly crushed at Newtonville on Wednesday night. He was taken to Belleville and had his right foot amputated.

The cargo of cotton on board the steamer Oakfield, St. Johns, Nfld., is still burning fiercely, and all efforts to subdue the flames have proved fruitless. The steamer is a mass of fire.

Rev. George Freeman, who for seven years was pastor of the Deser Park Presbyterian Church, Toronto, of which he was the first minister, died at Eglington on Wednesday night.

Beverly Robertson, son of Judge Robertson, died at Walkerville on Wednesday evening. He was 43 years of age and until about five years ago was recognized as one of the cleverest lawyers in Canada.

The Rev. Dr. Chiniquy has written a long letter to Archbishop Fabre, saying that now that his health has been restored he would be very glad to receive his Lordship in his humble home to discuss with him the error of which his Lordship says he is guilty.

Two deputations waited on the Ontario Government on Thursday in reference to the selection of a county town for the county of Nipissing. Mattawa and North Bay were represented. The Government promised to consider the respective merits of each place before making a final decision.

It is now known that the cause of the terrible accident in Quebec some days ago by which Sergeant Redmond with two women and two children were so badly burned while operating an illicit whisky still is due to the fact that coal oil had been thrown into the chimney to kill the peculiar whisky smell—on old trick.

The annual banquet of the members of Upper Canada College took place Thursday night in the rotunda of the Board of Trade. There were about 175 gentlemen present. Ex-Judge Kingsmill presided. Among the speakers of the evening were Hon. Geo. W. Ross and the Lieutenant-Governor.

In connection with the tragic death of William Henderson, in Eglon county, it is rumored that the missing axe had been found covered with blood and also that a bloody pair of pants have been found. The adjourned inquest will be resumed tomorrow at 10 a.m., and some strong developments are looked for.

ALONG THE LINES.

**The Long-Announced Grand Trunk
Inquiry Begun.**

**An Arrangement That Suits the Canadian
Pacific.**

The advisory committee of the immigrant clearing house authorized Chairman Caldwell to confer with the G. T. R. and C. P. R. with a view to abolishing the payment of excess commissions on immigrant business.

The Canada Southern directors declare the usual semi-annual dividend of 1 1/2 per cent, payable Feb. 1. Last year an extra dividend of 1 per cent was given. The Canada Southern is operated as a part of the Michigan Central system, and its proportion of the net earnings this year, \$323,000, is \$113,000 less than the amount received last year. After paying its dividends the Canada Southern will be obliged to report a deficit of \$52,000.

GRAND TRUNK AFFAIRS.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The long announced investigation into the accounts of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada is proceeding, the security holders' deputation having agreed to the limitation of the board of directors that the names of traders having outstanding accounts should not be published. The security holders' deputation within the past few days have cabled instructions to Mr. Barker, notifying him to begin his end of the investigation.

VICTORY FOR THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL- WAY.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company gained a decided victory in its contest with the western lines. When the meeting convened the Canadian Pacific demanded that the differentials which have been allowed it—\$10 and \$5 via Port Arthur and \$7.50 and \$7.50 via the Shasta route—should be made to apply on the territory as far south as London, Ont. The western lines at once refused the request, and the matter was under debate for the entire day. At 5 o'clock the western lines were firm in their position that they would under no conditions grant the differentials, which would allow the Canadian Pacific to tap the territory of the Grand Trunk and the Michigan Central. An hour later, however, they changed their minds, and it was announced that the differentials would apply on business at London, as requested by the Canadian Pacific. This will bring the lines of the Central Traffic Association squarely into the fight with the Canadian Pacific, and the matter will probably assume large proportions before it is settled.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern roads report for the year ending Dec. 31 gross earnings of \$19,524,945, a decrease of \$4,169,980; expenses, \$13,158,375, a decrease of \$3,955,534; net, \$6,366,566, a decrease of \$105,454.

POLITICAL ITEMS.

**Trouble in the Patron Banks in Man-
itoba—Madill on Marter.**

Mr. James Metcalfe, M. P. for Kingston, who will not be a candidate for the Dominion House at the next elections, says that Ald. Donald McIntyre will be nominated on behalf of the Conservative party.

There is a serious disagreement between the Patron's Advocate, the official paper of the Manitoba Patrons, and the executive of the order in this Province. Open letters are published by both sides, and a split in the ranks is almost inevitable.

President Madill, of the P. P. A., in a speech at Kingston said: "Mr. Marter's last speech was made to tack the rail for Dominion politics and to catch the Roman Catholic vote in Ontario. He cannot be elected in Toronto again."

A number of distinguished Canadians are conducting a court of inquiry in Detroit as to the working of the elective system in regard to such offices as sheriff, registrar of deeds, clerk of court, crown attorney, etc., when chosen by the people and paid regular salaries instead of being appointed by the Government as at present and paid fees. The commission are as follows: Chairman John A. Boyd, ex-Lieut.-Gov. John Beverly Robinson, Toronto; John J. Mason, Hamilton, and John J. Hobson, Guelph, with Jas. Fleming, Toronto, as secretary.

BURNED OUT.

**Cobourg Suffers to the Extent of \$6,000—
Other Fires.**

COBOURG, Ont., Dec. 20.—This morning about 3 o'clock the general store, postoffice and residence of George Mitchell, at Baltimore, were totally destroyed by fire. Boyd's carriage and rooms were also destroyed. Mitchell's loss is about \$6,000; Boyd's loss unknown.

MORRISTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Business buildings valued at \$60,000 were burned today.

IS JOE DUNN INSANE?

**Or Is It Just a Case of Nervous Prostra-
tion?—A Hotel-Keeper Fined—Mar-
ket Butcher Found Guilty
Under the Hock-
ster Act.**

Matthew Simons, a market butcher, was charged at the police court this morning with a breach of the market bylaw in purchasing lambs to sell again. Mr. Simons denied having purchased the lambs but admitted selling two for Levi Howard. For this he received 50 cents. Howard said it was a usual thing for one butcher to sell another's meat. His axle broke on the day in question and he had to get it fixed. That was the reason he asked Simons to sell the meat for him. Simons was found guilty of having acted as an agent, but as the man has been unable to work for some months on account of a cut hand and has a wife and three children to support, the magistrate mercifully suspended sentence.

A HOTEL-KEEPER FINED.
John D. Wray, the proprietor of the Britannia House, was charged with a contravention of the liquor license law in having the blind down on the bar-room window at 9 o'clock on Saturday night.

Inspector Henderson says he found the bartender in the bar-room and people were going in just as he arrived. He thinks he was just a little too soon to find any drinking going on. However, Mr. Wray pleaded guilty to the charge, but stated that the young man was in the bar-room unknown to him. He paid a fine of \$20.

IS JOE DUNN INSANE?

Mr. Joseph Dunn, charged with insanity, shock like one with the palsy as he sat on the bench and talked with his lawyer, Mr. Love. Although his nerves are evidently shattered, Mr. Dunn talked quite rationally. He has no hallucinations, is quite harmless, and does not give the police any trouble whatever.

Mr. McKillop said that the jail surgeon had not completed his examination. Mr. Love urged that there had been an opportunity afforded for that. He held that the prisoner was quite rational, and not at all dangerous, and therefore should not be confined.

The magistrate said that every insane man was dangerous, and Mr. Love observed that some authorities differed from the magistrate. The whole trouble, he said, arose from a family disturbance. The son had gone away from home for two or three days; the father was very much annoyed at it, and the charge of insanity was the result.

Mr. Parke asked who the physician was who was examining Mr. Dunn, and Mr. McKillop replied that it was Dr. Moore. It was not like examining a man for a simple case of sickness. Time was required.

A remand was granted for a day. Mrs. Dunn and her grown up daughter and son were in court.

Nine Ships Overdue.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—There are now nine ships, carrying nearly 300 people, overdue on this coast. All of them have been long enough out to warrant apprehensions for their safety.

A Colored Bishop Dead.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Bishop Joseph P. Thompson, M.D.D., of the African Methodist Episcopal Society in this country, died at his residence this morning in his 76th year. He was born in slavery at Winchester, Va., Dec. 20, 1818.

A Listowel Man Killed.

LISTOWEL, Ont., Dec. 21.—Yesterday Wm. Bamford, of the firm of Bamford Bros., contractors and builders, was working a circular saw when the board became cramped between the saw and guard, and, being driven forward with great force, it struck Mr. Bamford near the stomach, causing internal injuries, from which death resulted about ten hours after. The unfortunate man was about 55 years of age and leaves a wife and family.

If you have a wound, or burn, or bruise, or sprain, or any inflammation, and apply Pond's Extract, it will get well a great deal quicker than it would otherwise; very, very quick, in fact. That is why almost everyone uses it, and if you haven't any, you had better buy a bottle at once.

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A Linen Doilie.

For 10 Cents.

Your
Christmas Dime.

A Silk Handkerchief
A Christmas Book.
A Pair of Hose.
A Pair of Cashmere Gloves.
A Pair of Wool Gauntlets.

For 25 Cents.

Your
Christmas Quarter

A Japanese Handkerchief
A Pure Silk Tie.
A Gentleman's Scarf.
A Dozen Doilies.
An Antimacassar.
A Pair of Men's Gloves.

For 50 Cents.

Your
Christmas Half.

An Umbrella.
A Lady's Hat.
A Pair of Kid Gloves.
A Pair of Lace Curtains.
A Rug for the Floor.
A Knitted Shawl.
A Blind for the Window.

For \$1.

Your Christmas
Dollar.

A French Fan.
A Child's Coat.
A Pair of Evening Gloves.
A Silk Muffler.
A Suit of Underwear.

For \$5.

Your Christmas
Five.

A Persian Hearth Rug.
A Lady's Mantle.
A Wool Shawl.
A Black Dress.
An Umbrella.
A Silk Fichu.

For \$10.

Your Christmas
Tenner.

A Silk Dress.
A Pair of Curtains.
A Suit of Clothes.
A Table Cover and Napkins.
A Lady's Dining Gown.

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—Do not wait till the eleventh hour on Christmas eve before you visit the stores, but buy your supplies now. The crowds get larger as the time passes by. Besides the early shopper gets the better opportunity for selection.

—“Christmas comes but once a year, and when it comes we’ll have”
 a plum pudding, though one not exactly sweet and suitable to the season, if our local contemporary can succeed in stirring in, as it is trying, the flavoring of political ill-will in connection with the municipal elections. Fie, neighbor! Hang up your stocking with the rest.

—Mr. Little says it will not be possible for him to canvass the thousands of electors who are entitled to vote for mayor for London for 1895. It is not necessary. Mr. Little is known in every home in the city as an able and upright business man. But his friends will have to watch that no one is prevented from giving him support by misrepresentations of any kind whatsoever.

—There is considerable interest in the coming Dominion contest in West Huron. It has been falsely reported that Mr. M. C. Cameron had retired from the contest. This is not so. According to the Goderich Signal, “M. C. Cameron has not retired from politics, and those who look upon him as a back number will find at the next election that they have to reckon with as live a specimen of the genus politician as there is upon the footstool, and Cameron and the member for West Huron will be synonymous terms in Canada’s next Parliament.”

—Apertips of the display of holiday advertisements in the ADVERTISER, the following from the New York Sun, will interest all classes of the community: “The circumstances that the trade of houses that advertise the most largely and persistently in the newspapers is always greatest proves that the public are interested in such announcements when they are put in the vehicle to which society now naturally looks for information.” Yes, the advertisements in the ADVERTISER these days are read with as much interest as any other portion of the paper, and the most persistent advertiser is the most successful business man here as well as in New York city. The public appreciates enterprise.

IS HE THE REAL SIR ROGER?

Once more they say the real Sir Roger Tichborne has been discovered in a lunatic asylum in Australia. Sensational disappearance incidents die hard. It is nearly a quarter of a century since the famous Tichborne trial took place in England, and the courts declared that the Claimant was not the real Sir Roger, but Richard Orton, the ex-butcher boy of Wapping. The man thus declared to be a bogus baronet, it will be remembered, returned from Australia, and, under her belief that he was really her son, was received by Lady Tichborne as the long-lost heir. Subsequently suspicions were aroused, and a trial took place, in which “Sir Roger” was put through a long and severe examination. There were many things in the evidence that made people believe he was the genuine Sir Roger, and others which cast suspicion on his pretensions. The hardest thing against him lay in the fact that whereas the real Sir Roger left England well educated, thoroughly grounded in the classics, the claimant was found to really know nothing about the higher branches of education, and could hardly spell a simple sentence correctly. Though it was contended that this shortcoming might be accounted for by his long period of roughing it in the Australian bush, the impression created by this had a most damaging effect on the case of the Claimant. Nevertheless, many people believed that he was the “real Roger,” and for years he was a hero in the estimation of thousands who crowded to hear him relate his tale of woe. If it is now established that the legitimate heir to the Tichborne estates is a lunatic in Australia, the mystery will be entirely cleared up, and it may reasonably be taken for granted that the claimant was none other than the Wapping butcher, and a very clever rascal.

A PRETTY GENERAL COMPLAINT.

(Woodstock Sentinel-Review.)

A good many names are being discussed now for what are called municipal honors. But how many people are really asking how they can get able and experienced men to go into the councils to transact their business for them. Petty personal considerations seem to have more weight in civic affairs than capacity. It probably always will be so.

THE REQUISITION TO MR. LITTLE

In our advertising columns today will be found the response of Mr. J. W. Little to the demand of his fellow-taxpayers that he should accept nomination for the mayor’s chair for 1895. The number of citizens who voluntarily signed the requisition is over one-half the total number of electors who voted for mayor last January. Every class of the community, every creed, every political opinion, is represented on the requisition, and there is no doubt that if greater opportunity to sign had been afforded hundreds of additional names could have been obtained.

Under these circumstances there is general satisfaction that Mr. Little has seen fit to respond favorably to the call made upon him to serve his fellow-taxpayers as mayor for the ensuing year. He has worked for them faithfully and well in many other capacities, and no one can truthfully say that his conduct has not been above reproach. It is somewhat astonishing under these circumstances that the Free Press has seen fit to impugn the honesty of the men—composed, as we have said, of citizens of every shade of political opinion—who circulated and signed the requisition to Mr. Little. It broadly insinuates that neither the men who circulated the requisition nor the men who signed it, in so far as they are known to be Conservatives in national politics, were honorable in their intentions. And it intimates that it knows men who signed the requisition who will go back on their pledges to Mr. Little, and will support Mr. Jones because his political views coincide with their own.

This is the attitude of the Free Press, but we believe that in this it libels the independent Conservatives whom it thus attempts to drag into supporting the least capable man for mayor. The citizens of London do not desire their civic taxes to be expended to buttress the fortunes of any political party, and we believe that without regard to political affiliations they will resent the attempt of the Free Press to adopt such a course.

Citizens without regard to political affinity have requisitioned Mr. Little to accept nomination for the mayoralty not because of the views he holds with regard to general politics, but because they know that he is an upright, capable, progressive citizen, who has been tried in the public service in many capacities, and who can be trusted to give fair play to every section of the community, and at the same time carefully husband our municipal resources.

On this platform Mr. Little and his friends take their stand. It is unassailable. It cannot be demolished by unworthy insinuations of any kind, or by unfounded charges of lack of candor against either him or his Liberal or Conservative supporters, and there is no reason for doubting that the misrepresentation and bitterness so early attempted to be imported into the campaign by our city contemporary will be resented by the overwhelming majority of the citizens of London.

POTATOES IN THE ARGENTINE.

(Buenos Ayres Herald.)

Potatoes are so scarce and dear in this city that the high-class restaurants exhibit them in the windows beside rare fruit and vegetables.

MAKING HER BOW.

Miss Pauncetote Introduced to Washington Society—Elegant Social Event.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—The most elegant social event of the season was the reception given yesterday by the British ambassador and Lady Pauncetote to introduce their youngest daughter, Miss Audrey, to society. Lady Pauncetote, in a rich toilet of black silk, gave a most cordial welcome to her guests and introduced them to the handsome debutante, who stood by her side and who wore a stylish costume of white silk and black lace. In her hand Miss Audrey carried a large cluster of orchids and lilies of the valley, and the tables and mantels just behind the receiving party were loaded with flowers sent by the friends of the young lady. After greeting Lady Pauncetote, the guests passed into the middle drawing-room, where they met Sir Julian Pauncetote and the Misses Pauncetote. The orchestra was hidden behind a screen covered with Christmas greens at one end.

Sworn In.

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.—Messrs. Bowell, Coigan, Tupper, Ives, Dickey and Montague were sworn in by Lord Aberdeen at his Sherbrooke street residence this morning. They dined at the Windsor.

Lady Thompson and Hon. D. Mills.
 OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—Lady Thompson has received a kind and sympathetic letter from Hon. David Mills, M. P. for Bothwell, and has replied that she is sincerely thankful to him for his condolences.

Snow in Nebraska.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Dec. 21.—The snow for which Nebraska farmers have been praying for a month is falling all over Western Nebraska. A heavy snow fall at this time is absolutely necessary for winter wheat in Nebraska and South Dakota.

The Springfield Fire.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 21.—Further particulars of the fire at Springfield received this morning state that about ten buildings were destroyed. The following is a list of the losers: W. E. Gilmour, general dealer; Miss Robbins, proprietress; Daily News, J. F. Robinson; Frank Bird, jeweler; Johnson & Fraser, butchers; E. Langville, watchmakers, and W. Farrell, small candy store. It is understood that Gilmour was the only one carrying any insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss to buildings will exceed \$4,000. This is exclusive of stock, which is valuable.

A Fatal Attack.

A fatal attack of croup is a frequent occurrence among children. Every household should be guarded by keeping Hagar’s Pectoral Balsam at hand. It breaks up colds, coughs, croup, asthma and bronchitis in a remarkable manner.

Trafford’s prices for furniture beat everything. I don’t see how he does it. A fine rocker for \$1; sideboard, \$6.50; bed-room set, \$10. See them. At 95 and 97 King street.

Be sure to get there. Auction sale of pictures and Christmas goods. No reserve. R. LEWIS, 182 Dundas street.

THE CITY WATERWORKS.

The Chairman Submits His Annual Report to the Board.

The Government to be Asked Its Intentions Regarding the Debtors’ Record.

A special meeting of the water commissioners was held this morning for the purpose of adopting the chairman’s and engineer’s annual reports. There were present Wm. Jones (chairman), Mayor Essery, Commissioner Cowan and Engineer Moore. The chairman’s annual report dealt with the revenue of the system, which for the past year has been \$71,308.45, or an increase of \$3,561.59 over the previous year. This will be greatly augmented during the coming year, as a large number of services laid this year have not yet been realized on. The expenses of the department were \$20,842.17, leaving a net revenue of \$50,466.28. Three hundred and twenty-seven new services have been put in during the year, making a total of 6,871. A new brick coal-house, workshop and storehouse were built at Springbank. The earth excavated from the foundation of the new pumping station was used to fill in above the dam and as a result the leakage is considerably less than formerly and although the summer season was very dry the river power was above that of last year. The water in the river level was kept as near a uniform height as possible. The water supply from the springs had been sufficient during the year. During the dry summer season the machinery was not sufficient to pump the supply of water used in the city, and the board were again compelled to request the Grand Trunk Railway to pump the water used by them from the river with their own machinery. The board employed additional inspectors and used every precaution to prevent the water being wasted. Street mains had been extended. The council granted the request of the board for further debentures to carry on the immediate increase to the steam pumping machinery. A resolution was passed giving the board power to proceed with the work. Twenty-three tenders were received in Canada and the United States, and the board visited several places where machinery in operation could be seen. On the report of the engineers the tender of Messrs. Wm. Yates and Geo. F. Blake Manufacturing Company was accepted for pumping engine similar to the engine built by the Geo. F. Blake Company for the city of Newton. The contract price was \$18,023. The engine is provided with an attachment so that it can be worked either by steam or hydraulic power. The pumping engine is now completed and the report of the Lashinger test will be made in a few days. The new boilers were built by E. Leonard & Sons for \$2,385 and the work is satisfactory. The other contracts were awarded as follows: Mason and brick work to Messrs. Wm. Yates and Geo. F. Blake Company, at \$8,750; carpenter and roofing to John Pardon, at \$2,320; painting and glazing to H. & C. Colerick, at \$107; steam fitting to Smith Bros., at \$520. In conclusion the chairman expressed appreciation of the able co-operation of his co-commissioners, and also of the satisfactory and diligent manner in which the employees of the department have performed their duties.

The report was adopted. Mayor Essery brought up the question of debentures, and moved that the Ontario Government be asked what was going to be done about the matter.

Commissioner Cowan seconded the motion, although he thought the Government were doing all in their power.

The mayor said the debenture issue had been made a political question, and stated that John Campbell had made statements in Toronto which were deliberate falsehoods.

Tragedy in India.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.—Col. Money, of the Ninth Bengal Lancers, has been shot dead by a member of his own regiment.

Sir Chas. dies Tupper III.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Sir Chas. Tupper has been ailing since his recent attack of influenza. On Tuesday he was seized with a chill and is now unable to leave the house. Owing to his health he will not accompany the body of Sir John Thompson to Canada on the steamer Blenheim. Senator Sanford alone will sail with the remains.

Channel Passengers Scared.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The steamer Munster, conveying the mails and a full complement of passengers from Holyhead to Kingston, came to collision with the Channel at an early hour this morning with an unknown steamer. The stranger struck the Munster on the port side, carrying away her port wheel, and vanished in the darkness. The shock disarranged the wires on board the Munster, extinguishing her electric lights. The Munster, completely disabled, drifted about in a perilous position for several hours. Some time after daylight she was sighted by a vessel which towed her to Holyhead. Several of the passengers and crew were hurt by flying splinters, but none of them were seriously injured.

On report of the late czar, the Union Jack was hung at half mast from the Round Tower at Windsor Castle. It was the first time since the death of the Prince Consort, 33 years ago, that the British flag had been displayed as an emblem of mourning above a royal residence.

This is the official mourning dress prescribed at the English court for the late Emperor of Russia: For a fortnight ladies will wear black dresses, white gloves, black or white shoes, feathers, and fans, pearls, diamonds or plain gold or silver ornaments; then for another fortnight black dresses, with colored ribbons, flowers, feathers and ornaments, or gray or white dresses with black ribbons, etc. The gentlemen will wear black court dresses, with black swords and buckles through the whole period. The court went out of mourning on Dec. 6.

Recent returns show that 1,550,000 acres of land are planted with cork trees in Spain. It is just 100 years ago since a cork factory was started in Gerona, and the manufacture of cork is now one of the chief industries of the country. Over 1,400,000 corks for bottles, representing a value of \$2,700,000, are produced annually, and about 12,000 men are engaged in cork work. It is difficult to calculate the income derived from cork, as statistics in Spain are very faulty, and no account is kept of the cork used in the country itself. It is estimated, however, that during the present year \$5,360,000 was paid for the cork exported.

The City Election.

Your Name Must Be Seen to by Friday Evening Next

Or You Cannot Vote in the Approaching Dominion Contest.

The voters’ lists for the Dominion election, as made up by the revising officer, are now on view at the Liberal rooms, Oddfellows’ Hall. Any person entitled to vote, whose name is not on these lists, may still have his name added by giving proper notice; but the notice must be given by FRIDAY EVENING NEXT.

Full information can be obtained from the secretary any time, afternoon and evening.

All persons who have recently come of age, or who have moved into either of wards 1, 2, 3 and 4, from the country, or from wards 5 and 6, or London West, must sign an application to get on the lists, or be disfranchised.

See to it at once.

Let every one have the lists examined and be sure.

Because you voted at last election is no guarantee that your name is on the list now. See for yourself and be doubly sure.

NINE-YEAR-OLD DRUNKARD.

Involuntarily Drinking Hard Cider and Was Found in a Lumber Yard.

BUFFALO, Dec. 20.—Eddie O’Neill, 9 years old, was found lying in a lumber yard on Seneca street, near Maurice street, yesterday afternoon, heavily drunk. Door-man Tibbets, of police headquarters, found him and took him to police station No. 9.

The boy was so drunk that he couldn’t tell his name. But when he had slept off some of his jug he gave his name and said he lives on Peabody street, near Seneca. He said that three or four older boys induced him to drink some hard cider.

WE EAT TOO MUCH.

Our Food Contains Too Much Fat, Starch and Sugar.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The nutritive value and cost of foods is discussed at length in a bulletin of the Agriculture Department, based on investigations made by the bureau of animal industry. The results of these studies, says the bulletin, confirm the general impression of hygienists that our diet is overloaded and that we eat too much. Owing to the large consumption in this country of sugar and the use of large quantities of fat meats, the food which we actually eat has relatively too little protein, and too much fat, starch and sugar. It is found that the protein of ordinary meats, fish and milk is readily and completely digested, that of vegetable foods is much less completely digested than of animal foods. One-fourth or one-third of potatoes, whole wheat and rye flour may escape digestion, and thus be useless for nourishment, and one-sixth of the protein of wheat flour, cornmeal, peas and beans may be assumed to be undigested when cooked and eaten in the usual way. “Of the meat extracts in the market,” continues the report, “some contain very little and others practically no material which builds tissue or yields energy. Animal foods gratify the palate in many ways which the vegetable foods do not, and what is perhaps of greater weight in regulating the actual usage of communities by whose demand the prices are regulated, they satisfy a real need by supplying protein and fats, which vegetable foods lack.”

Dr. Seigrist’s Angostura Bitters, the world-renowned South American appetizer and invigorator, cures dyspepsia, diarrhoea, fever and ague.

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Largest stock of maple, basswood, elm, cherry, walnut, sycamore, chestnut, ash, oak, etc., in Western Ontario. Inspection solicited. Prices on application.

Office and Yard—York Street, just west of a peach-house house.

Miss Maria Parloa

is admitted to be a leading American authority on cooking; she

Says “Use

a good stock for the foundation of soups, sauces and many other things, and the best stock is

Liebig Company’s

Extract of Beef.”

100 of Miss Parloa’s recipes sent gratis by Dauchy & Co., 21 Park Place, New York.

CYPHLENE BLOOD PURIFIER

Have you Sore Throat, Pimples, Copper-Colored Spots, Aches, Old Sores, Ulcers in Mouth, Hair-Fallings, White Cough, Headache, etc.? If so, write to Temple’s Dispensary, 111, for proofs of cure. Capital \$500,000. Patients cured nine years ago today stand well. 100 Cyphele bottles free.

Give

your Children ADAMS’ Tutti Frutti all they want and they will grow up, enjoying robust health.

See that no imitation is palmed off on you.

Friday Bargain Day

A great array of Xmas offerings. Where, oh where, will you see the assortment we are offering? All sorts of Knick-Knacks, Toys and Holiday Goods. You will save both time and money by first looking through our many departments. All invited.

CHAPMAN'S

- 1st—20 only Dress Lengths, 6 yards each, worth \$1 50, on Friday for 90c each.
- 2nd—10 only Dress Patterns, tweed effects, worth \$4 50, for \$3.
- 3rd—20 only Dress Lengths, German novelty dress goods, worth \$4 50, for \$3.
- 4th—14 only Dress Lengths, Honeycomb dress goods, 6 yards in each, worth \$4 25, for \$3.
- 5th—4 pieces Cloth Dress Goods, worth 12½c yard, for 5c.
- 6th—4 pieces Heavy Union Serge, worth 35c, on Friday 20c.
- 7th—5 pieces Canvas Serge, regular price 35c, for 25c.
- 8th—5 pieces 42-inch Union Cashmere, worth 25c, for 15c.
- 9th—1 piece Navy Blue Flannel Serge, 40 inches wide, worth 50c, for 30c.
- 10th—5 pieces Heavy All-wool Diagonal Dress Goods, worth 50c, for 39c.
- 11th—7 pieces Heavy Bengaline Dress Goods, worth 75c, for 50c.
- 12th—1 piece Black Silk Merveilleux, worth \$1, on Friday for 72c.
- 13th—1 piece Black Grosgrain Silk, worth \$1 50, a great bargain today \$1 00.
- 14th—1 piece Black Surah Silk, good value at 75c, Friday for 50c.
- 15th—Ladies’ All-wool Cashmere Hose, spliced, worth 35c, for 26c.
- 16th—Boys’ Heavy All-wool Hose, ribbed, worth 35c, Bargain Day 26c.
- 17th—Ladies’ All-wool Hose, a snap, for Bargain Day 12½c pair.
- 18th—Fancy Embroidered Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 12½c, Friday for 9c.
- 19th—Fancy Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 15c, for 11c.
- 20th—Japanese Silk Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, large size, worth 30c, for 21c.
- 21st—Initialed Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 25c, on Friday for 19c.
- 22nd—Fancy Embroidered Swiss Handkerchiefs, worth 15c, Bargain Day for 11c.
- 23rd—Colored Kid Gloves, worth \$1 25, a great snap today 78c pair.
- 24th—Colored Josephine Kid Gloves, worth \$1 25, Friday for 89c a pair.
- 25th—Colored Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 8c, for 7c 25c.
- 26th—Colored and Black Kid Gloves, laced, worth 75c, today for 50c.
- 27th—White Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 20c, Friday for 15c.
- 28th—Colored All-silk Ribbons, all shades, worth 5c yard, on Friday for 3c.
- 29th—The Featherbone Corset, worth \$1, all sizes, on Friday for 75c.
- 30th—Fine Shetland Wool Ribbed Vests, worth 75c, Friday for 50c.
- 31st—Ladies’ Very Fine Shetland Wool Vests, plain, worth \$1 35, for \$1 10. Drawers to match at the same price on Friday.
- 32nd—Albums, leather bound, worth \$2, for \$1 25; worth \$3, for \$1 75.
- 33rd—Bargains in Fancy Work Boxes, Dressing Cases, Handkerchief and Glove Satchets, Manicure Sets, Fancy Trays, etc., on Friday.
- 34th—Fine German Florida Water, worth 12½c bottle, for 10c.
- 35th—Fine Leather Purses, worth 25c, Friday for 15c.
- 36th—Large Dolls, worth 25c, Friday for 17c.
- 37th—Toys, any article on 25c table for 20c; on the 35c table for 25c, and on the 45c table for 35c.
- 38th—Lamps—Large Stand Lamps with shades, worth \$2 50, for \$1 50; worth \$3, for \$2; worth \$4, for \$2 50; worth \$4 50, for \$3.
- 39th—Children’s White Wool Boas, worth 25c, for 18c.
- 40th—Very Large Bath Towels, worth 30c, for 24c.
- 41st—1½ White Quilts with fringe, regular price \$2, Bargain Day, \$1 50.
- 42nd—Honeycomb Crotchet Toilet Quilts, for single beds, worth \$1 25, for 75c.
- 43rd—Silk Embroidered Table Covers, large size, worth \$1 75, for \$1 39.
- 44th—3 pieces Eiderdown Flannel, worth 40c, for 25c.
- 45th—1 piece Cream Damask Table Linen, worth 70c, for 57c.
- 46th—20 pairs White All-wool Blankets, worth \$3 25, for \$2 50.
- 47th—10 pieces Ceylon Flannel, worth 15c, for 12½c.
- 48th—Eiderdown Comforters, worth \$6, for \$4 50.
- 49th—Full size Chenille Table Covers, good value for \$4, Friday for \$2 90.
- 50th—Gray Flannel Sheet, 36 inches wide, worth 30c, for 19c.
- 51st—Unbleached Canton Flannel, worth 6½c, a snap Friday for 5c.
- 52nd—Navy Blue Twill Flannel, worth 20c, for 15c.
- 53rd—Feather Ticking, best quality, worth 25c, on Friday 18c.
- 54th—5 pieces Oxford Shirting, worth 15c for 10c.
- 55th—5 pieces Scotch Plaid Flannel, all wool, worth 38c, for 25c.
- 56th—42-inch Circular Pillow Cotton, worth 18c, on Friday for 15c.
- 57th—Gents’ Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, worth 50c, for 30c.
- 58th—Gents’ Cuff Buttons, worth 50c, for 35c.
- 59th—Gents’ Large Size Silk Mufflers, in cream, worth 65c, for 50c.
- 60th—Gents’ Fine Wool Gloves, all sizes, worth 25c, for 20c.
- 61st—All-linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, worth 25c, for 18c.
- 62nd—Gents’ Umbrellas, fine quality, worth \$2, for \$1 50.
- 63rd—Any Gents’ 50c Tie for 40c on Friday.
- 64th—Men’s Braces, heavy and strong, worth 25c, on Friday for 19c.
- 65th—Men’s Lined Kid Gloves, worth 85c, for 65c.
- 66th—Gents’ Silk Handkerchiefs, with initial, worth 75c, for 50c. A snap.
- 67th—All Trimmed Millinery at half price on Friday.
- 68th—Colored Felt Bonnets, worth \$1 25, for 50c.
- 69th—Fancy Birds and Wings, worth 75c, for 25c.
- 70th—Colored Felt Flop Hats, worth 75c, for 50c.
- 71st—Walking Hats, worth \$1, for 50c.
- 72nd—Colored and Black Beaver Hats, worth \$1 50, for \$1.
- 73rd—Shaped Felt Hats, worth \$1, for 25c.
- 74th—Ladies’ Jackets, beaver trimmed, worth \$13 50, on Friday \$9.
- 75th—Ladies’ Jackets, sable trimmed, reverses and collar, worth \$15, for \$8 95.
- 76th—Ladies’ Jackets, beaver trimmed, Eton front, worth \$12, for \$8 75.
- 77th—Ladies’ Jackets, nap goods, double-breasted, worth \$8, for \$6 50.
- 78th—Ladies’ Serge Jackets, Eton fronts, worth \$9, for \$6 50.
- 79th—Ladies’ Jackets, brown beaver, full sleeves, worth \$10, for \$8 45.
- 80th—Ladies’ Greenland Seal Capes, worth \$30, for \$23 50.
- 81st—Ladies’ Greenland Seal Capes, full skirt, worth \$25, for \$19.
- 82nd—Ladies’ Columbia Seal Capes, only three left, worth \$19, for \$14 50.
- 83rd—Worsteds Capes for elderly ladies, worth \$12 50, for \$9 50.
- 84th—Black Fur Capes, worth \$12, for \$8 35.
- 85th—Ladies’ Natural Opossum Capes, worth \$10, for \$7 25.
- 86th—Ladies’ Gray Lamb Capes, worth \$30, for \$23.
- 87th—Ladies’ Black Astrachan Capes, worth \$28, for \$23 50.
- 88th—Ladies’ Shoulder Shawls, in black and colors, worth \$2, for \$1 50.
- 89th—Special lot Ladies’ Jackets, worth \$7 50, on Friday for \$5.
- 90th—Special lot Ladies’ Coats, worth \$4 to \$6, for \$2 95.
- 91st—Men’s Frieze Ulsters, worth \$7 50, on Friday for \$6.
- 92nd—Men’s Frieze Ulsters, worth \$9 50, Bargain Day \$7 50.
- 93rd—Men’s Frieze Ulsters, worth \$12, for \$8 50.
- 94th—Men’s Melton Ulsters, worth \$10, on Friday for \$6 50.
- 95th—Men’s Scotch Tweed Overcoats, worth \$10, for \$5.
- 96th—Men’s Melton and Beaver Overcoats, worth \$12, for \$8 50.
- 97th—Youths’ Tweed Overcoats, worth \$4 50, for \$3.
- 98th—Boys’ Tweed Cape Overcoats, worth \$4, for \$2 75.
- 99th—Men’s Fur Overcoats, worth \$16, for \$9 50.
- 100th—Men’s Frieze and Tweed Pea Jackets, worth \$5, for \$3 75.

N. B.—Store open until 10 o’clock each night this week.

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And indigestion, try a bottle, and before you have taken half a dozen doses, you will involuntarily think, and no doubt exclaim,

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Phenomenal Cricket

Four-Day Match, All-England vs. All-Australia.

The Englishmen Win With a Score of 762 to 752.

Pay of Professional Football Players in England—Why the New Trotting Sulky Has Small Wheels.

CRICKET

762 to 752! SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 20.—What is pronounced to be the most remarkable cricket ever played in any part of the world was concluded here today. Stoddart's All-England eleven played against All-Australia.

In the first inning All-Australia scored 588, of which Gregory made 201 runs. The delighted crowd present subscribed a purse of 100 guineas on the spot, and it was presented to the phenomenal cricketer by the Governor, Sir Robert W. Duff.

All-England in the first inning scored 325 runs. They followed their inning, and in their second scored 437, making the total 762 runs.

The Australians in their second inning were put out for 166 runs, making their total 752. The Englishmen thus won the match, which lasted four days, by a score of 762 to 752.

FOOTBALL

SALARIES IN ENGLAND. Some of the well-known clubs keep the salary list a secret, so far as is known the distinction of paying the highest retaining fee belongs to Everton Football Club, which in one case of a professional leaving the Blackburn Rovers to join their club agreed to pay him £250 down and £5 a week. The Sunderland Club is not far behind, and to secure a Scotsman, a player of repute, gave him his own terms, which were £150 down, £150 a year, and a situation of £70 a year in a ship building yard. These two clubs, at present the leading clubs of the Association Football League, have the reputation of paying the highest retaining fees, and also securing the biggest gates. Most, if not all, of the league clubs find it requisite to pay substantial sums to secure professional players, of which their respective teams for league matches entirely consist. There are 450 registered professionals in connection with the league clubs, whose wages range from £2 10s to £5 a week.—[Tid-Bits.

THE TROTTER SULKY'S SMALL WHEEL. When the first pneumatic sulky, with its 28-inch wheels, began to lower the trotting records thousands of horseman and mechanics at once began to reason that there was such advantage in the pneumatic tire as to make the little wheels win, what could be done if the same tire were placed on a large wheel. For obvious reasons we shall never know how many experiments were tried, but enough of them have come to light to prove that the 28-inch wheels, which are universally used today, were not accepted blindly. The question has been repeatedly asked, "Are the large wheels better than small ones, and, if so, how do you account for the present revolution in trotting gigs?" The answer is that large wheels are certainly better than small ones in theory, and within certain limits they are better in practice. A pneumatic tire is comparatively heavy and has required a flanged metal tire under it which will weigh fully as much per running foot as would a standard steel tire for the same vehicle. And, besides, the smaller a pneumatic tire is the more practical it is to make and maintain. The pneumatic tire is an advantage. From the small wheel is a disadvantage. From the advantages of the one we subtract the disadvantages of the other, and find that we have a balance in favor of that combination, viz., 28-inch wheels and 13-inch tires.

AUTOMATIC

TO RACE FOR THE AMERICA'S CUP.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The America's cup committee held another meeting today. The Royal Yacht Club's letter was taken up and an answer sent to it practically according to the terms contained in it, and it is probable a race will ensue.

The Swiss Council of State has granted a concession to build a railway up the Jungfrau mountain.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

Business Dispatched by the Executive Committee.

Action in regard to the Amherstburg Matter—Other Items of Interest.

A regular meeting of the executive committee of the Synod of Huron was held yesterday afternoon and evening in Bishop Crony's Hall. The Bishop of Huron took the chair at 2:30 p.m. Present also: Dean Innes, Archdeacon Marsh, Archdeacon Davis, Canon Hill, Canon Richardson, Canon Smith, Canon Young, Rev. A. Brown, W. T. Wright, J. H. Thomas, W. Newton, B. Deacon, H. C. Thomas, G. B. Lowe, J. Downie, F. M. Baldwin, G. B. Sage, D. Williams, J. H. Moorhouse, J. C. Farthing, Messrs. V. Crony, R. Bayly, Judge Ermatinger, W. Gray, Col. Gilkinson, M. Wilson, A. H. Dymond, G. M. Harrison, H. Macklin, C. Jenkins, T. H. Luscombe, J. Ransford, J. Fear, W. J. Imbach, A. C. Clarke, J. W. Courtwright, James Ward.

The meeting was opened with prayer, led by Canon Hill, after which the minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

The finance committee presented their report in reference to accounts passed and the Synod printing. Report adopted.

In the matter of Amherstburg, the advisory committee was continued, and it was stated that the services there are in the hands of Rev. Canon Young.

The missions committee reported having received reports from all rural districts showing a slight advance in the amount of the assessments. The report recommended:

1. That the grant to Bismarck be continued. Carried.

2. That the grant to Sarnia Indians be reduced one-half, inasmuch as the congregation had been assessed for the balance. Adopted.

3. That the grant to the assistant minister at Hanover be continued for one year. Carried.

4. That the grant to Trinity Church, Chatham, lapse in accordance with a request from the vestry thereof. Carried.

5. That the grant for services at Irwin be continued for one year.

6. That the Indian missions at Muncey and Walpole Island be placed under the provisions of the canon. Carried.

7. That the Indian interpreters and teachers be paid as heretofore. Carried.

8. That the Lion's Head be placed under the canon. Carried.

9. That the grant for services of Point Edward be continued. Carried.

10. That matters relating to separate service at Port Stanley be left in the hands of the bishop. Carried.

11. That the bishop be asked to send a commission to visit the churches at St. Vincent and Culloden and to report. Carried.

12. That the church at Dublin be attached to Hensall. Carried.

13. That no change be made in regard to services at Milverton. Carried.

14. That a committee be appointed to consider the whole question of Indian missions and report. Carried.

15. That the bishop be asked to appoint a commission to visit the parish of Gorrie in regard to services at Lakelet. Carried.

The committee appointed to consider the application of the widow of the late Rev. W. B. Raily reported that she is properly on the list of the widows and orphans.

A deputation from St. James' Church, Biddeford, appeared before the committee in regard to reorganization. The bishop was requested to send a commissioner and report.

The land and investment committee reported payments satisfactory and investments safely made.

A deputation from Trinity Church, Chatham, presented a request in regard to repayment to bondsmen which they proposed to make as a moral obligation. After considerable discussion the motion was lost by a close vote.

A petition from Dresden regarding the sale of an acre of land at Dawn Mills was granted.

A petition from Wallaceburg for permission to sell the old church, and also to mortgage the parsonage and apply the proceeds towards the erection of a new church, was granted.

EVENING SESSION. At the evening session the committee to whom was referred the question of the parish boundaries at Woodstock, reported that the committee had no power to act without the request of the congregations concerned.

The committee on the report of the synod committee on the growth of the church, reported that they had prepared a synopsis of the same, which would be printed in the minutes.

The committee on the proposed amendment to the consolidated trust funds recommended that payments of rectory moneys, etc., be made on the first days of January, April, July and October, instead of as now. Adopted and directed to appear in the coming circular of synod.

The proposed assessment laid upon Warrington congregation, as recommended at last meeting, was reduced by \$100.

With regard to the services at fourth line, Warwick, it was left for the bishop to arrange.

The bishop referred to the matter of services at Beachville. It was requested that the bishop send a commissioner to visit and report.

Resolutions passed by the deanery of Huron were submitted regarding information concerning diocesan affairs, and the bishop was requested to appoint a committee to prepare a pamphlet and report. The bishop appointed Revs. Williams, Farthing and Thomas, Messrs. Ransford and Macklin.

The rector and wardens of Christ Church, London, asked permission to raise \$1,400 on the security of a mortgage upon the rectory. Granted on usual conditions.

The vestry of St. John's Church, Stratford, asked that the church property at Katesville be sold and the proceeds given towards payment of debts incurred in improvements. Granted on condition that the grave yard be fenced and the fence kept in repair.

Parson Berwell vestry asked for the secured interest on the rectory to apply towards improvements. Granted so far as relates to improvements on the parsonage.

A request was presented that the bishop be asked to send a commissioner to Alvinston and parts adjacent in a view to reorganization.

In the matter of insurance of the Oneida Indian Church the secretary was directed to pay the premium on the sum.

Several applications for special grants the committee could not entertain.

The vestry of Aymer asked that interest on their parsonage fund held in trust be paid to them. Granted.

Rev. J. H. Moorhouse returned a check from the mission fund stating that no further help was required. The committee expressed their appreciation of Rev. Mr. Moorhouse's action.

A special grant of \$40 was made in full for services at Vesta, and after other matters were disposed of the committee adjourned at 11 p.m.

AT THE CRYSTAL HALL.

The Great Annual Christmas Sale.

A Walk Through London's Model Fancy Goods House.

If the many thousands who have frequented Dundas street during the last four weeks were asked to give their verdict on the individual merits of the many stores catering for the holiday trade, doubtless the vast majority would pronounce the handsome stores with their glittering display of Messrs. W. J. REID & CO., 197 and 199 Dundas street, deserving of the first distinction.

Their show glass windows are always a marvel of display, but this year this enterprising firm have put forth Herculean efforts to outvie all previous attempts and have outtrived all former window exhibitions. The passer-by stands in amazement as he gazes in wonder on the neatly-arranged goods on view.

A group of the choicest articles are to be found fine glass salad bowls, punch bowls, liquor sets, bronzes, statuary, silver-plated ware, onyx top piano lamps, with rich silk shades, chaste banquet lamps in the same order, and some very rich designs in onyx-top tables.

The fine show cases lining the walls of each side of their capacious stores are fastening to the beholder, being replete with all the products from the hands of the world's most famous artists in fact, of the world.

Here arranged so as to make the best effect, and with a view to show the beautiful works of art to the best advantage, are to be seen articles of vertu from such celebrated makers as the Royal Worcester, Crown Derby and Doulton; also the finest and bric-a-brac groups in Italian, Florentine, Dresden and Parisian statuary. An immense assortment of the celebrated Rudolstadt ware is also to be seen. These goods are almost equal in beauty of design and chasteness of shape to Royal Worcester, at much lower prices than the celebrated English and Bohemian wares at big discount to clear out before the end of the holidays; rich silver-plated ware in all kinds of table goods, as well as a multifarious assortment of nick-nacks for presents, in beautiful designs to suit the many different tastes of a critical public.

As in former big sales held annually by them, Messrs. Reid & Co. have arranged a thousand and one articles of china and other fancy wares on assortment tables. These tables are neatly arranged in different parts of their vast stores so as to divide the crowd, and contain lists to close out before the expiration of the holidays at half price and under. Those requiring an inexpensive Christmas present would do well to examine the bargain tables of Messrs. Reid & Co. before deciding.

They also show an elegant gilt bronzes banquet lamp, with handsome fringed shade, at \$2 98. Another very chaste design is a porcelain-based banquet lamp, complete, at \$3 99.

Their toy department is also arranged with a view to facilitate the serving of the thousands of customers who will crowd their show rooms before Christmas. Their stock of toys range from 5 cents to 50 cents, displayed on assortment tables. They also have an immense stock of dolls, divided into grades from 5 cents to 50 cents in the ordinary kind, and from 35 cents to \$2 in the richly dressed dolls—one each inclosed in a box, and everyone a fashion plate in itself.

The show rooms upstairs still hold their own for richness of display, and advantage to display their immense stock of tea, toilet and dinner sets, fish, game and dessert sets, from such noted manufacturers as Coalport, Minton, Doulton, Bridgwood, Willman and others; also a large exhibit of chaste designs and shapes in their own decoration—a branch of their business which has of late years grown to enormous proportions.

They also show on the same flat a large selection of brass hanging lamps and hall lamps. Those they advertise are wonders at \$1 98, \$2 98 and \$3 98.

In the cases lining the walls are displayed in glittering array English and French cut and engraved glassware in wine services, complete, and choice patterns in decanters, ports, sherries, claret and champagnes.

No matter which way you turn in this vast establishment the sight is bewildering and wonderful. Their staff has been doubled to enable upon. They will have a number of extra delivery wagons divided through the different districts of the city, so as to enable all parcels being delivered with the greatest dispatch.

As they expect a big rush on Saturday and Monday next they respectfully ask all their customers to come as early as possible and make their selections, and get the proper attention paid to their wants.

If selection, variety, beauty of display, price and quality are any recommendation, we bespeak for Messrs. W. J. Reid & Co. the most successful of the many very important annual Christmas sales ever advertised by the CRYSTAL HALL.

BELL BOUNCED. Result of the Toronto Aldermanic Boogie Inquiry.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—City Clerk Blevins today, by order of Mayor Kennedy, suspended Mr. W. A. Bell, for twenty years as an official at the city hall, on account of evidence at the boogie investigation yesterday, showing he had taken \$200 from F. J. Coleman and given to ex-Ald. Wm. Bell, then in the council, with a view to influencing the alderman's vote on the proposed change in the agreement with the street railway. The money was subsequently returned. The two Bells are not related.

Lavigne's Case. NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 20.—The case of Lavigne and others charged with killing Andy Bowen in a prize fight came up in the Criminal Court this afternoon, but was continued to Jan. 4.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Moloch's Worm Expeller is pleasant, sure and effective. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

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IN MEMORY OF SIR JOHN.

Westminster Abbey's Great Bell Will Toll on Saturday—Regium Services. LONDON, Dec. 20.—The great bell of Westminster Abbey will be tolled from 11 o'clock until noon Saturday in honor of the memory of Sir John Thompson.

QUEBEC, Dec. 20.—A requiem service in memory of Sir John Thompson was held at St. Patrick's Church this morning. Among those present were noticed Sir A. P. Caron, Lieut.-Gov. Chapleau, Mr. Bergeron (deputy speaker), of Ottawa, the local Ministers and a large number of members of Parliament. His Grace Mgr. Begin, officiated.

THOUGHTFUL LADY ABERDEEN. OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—Her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen showed a generous thoughtfulness by paying a flying visit to Ottawa yesterday to spend a few hours with Lady Thompson. She returned to Montreal in the evening.

Fireman Connolly Killed. OWEN SOUND, Dec. 20.—Charles Connolly, aged 35, a fireman on the D. S. S. Petrol, was run over by the C. P. R. yard engine here last night and instantly killed. His head was almost severed from the body, the face being completely cut off. He leaves a wife and large family. In his pocket was found \$40 in cash and a flask of whisky.

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Births, Marriages and Deaths

MARRIED.

ROBINSON-WOOLCOCK—On Dec. 19, by Rev. T. T. George, at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. Thos. Pinyon, Komoka, Wm. Robinson, to Miss Anna Woolcock, both of Komoka.

COOPER—SLOAN—In the Memorial Church, on Thursday morning, by the Rev. Canon Richardson, M.A., W. A. Cooper, of Ottawa, to Margaret A. T. Sloan.

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FAIR TO CLOUDY AND MILD.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—11 p.m.—A depression of some importance is developing over Dakota and moving eastward. It is giving decidedly milder weather in Manitoba and is being followed by higher pressure and colder weather. It is fair and mild from the lakes to the Atlantic.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Calgary, 18°—28°; Battleford, 18°—22°; Qu'Appelle, 26°—36°; Winnipeg, 20°—36°; Parry Sound, 30°—38°; Toronto, 28°—41°; Kingston, 34°—42°; Montreal, 32°—40°; Quebec, 22°—34°; Halifax, 20°—40°.

TODAY'S PROBABILITIES.
TORONTO, Dec. 21.—1 a.m.—Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the lower lakes region (covering the peninsula and as far east as Belleville) are: Fair to cloudy; continued decidedly mild, with fresh to high southeast, shifting to west, winds today; rain in many places by night; colder, northwest winds tomorrow.

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LONDON AND ENVIRONS.

Mr. Bartram denies having served any notice on Reeve Macdonald.

—C. B. Keenleyside returned yesterday from a month's trip in the West Indies.

—Mr. Walter Laidlaw, student at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, is home spending the holidays.

—Mr. Jesse Welford has been requested to run in No. 5 ward for aldermanic honors, but has declined.

—Fireman George Gray is slowly recovering from a serious illness. He was able to be out yesterday.

—The pupils of Miss Winnett's room at the Colborne street school enjoyed a Christmas tree and concert yesterday afternoon.

—The London West school examinations were held yesterday and Wednesday. An unusually large number of pupils tried for promotion.

—There were tons of poultry on the market yesterday. The square was crowded, and the mild springlike day brought out a large number of buyers. Turkeys sold at 7 cents a pound, geese at 6 cents, and chickens at 5 cents a pair.

—In London there are 1,084 women entitled to vote at the ensuing municipal elections. They are divided among the wards as follows: No. 1, 168; No. 2, 228; No. 3, 216; No. 4, 239; No. 5, 127; No. 6, 108.

—An expert from Montreal investigated and thoroughly tested Mr. E. Best's car and engine replacer in the city yesterday. The replacer was set and the switch was thrown open, and a train of five heavily-laden cars to be derailed, which were immediately replaced on the track.

—There has been for some time back a keen competition between the local grocers for the sugar trade, and the prices have become lower and lower, but the climax has been capped by the new cash grocery, 153 King Street, opposite the Market House, who now offer 28 pounds of granulated sugar for \$1.

—The Misses Welling, of London, England, are three delightful and original entertainers, and the London Bicycle Club has been fortunate in securing them for Christmas day, matinee and evening, at the Grand. With the popular Harold Jarvis added, the programme should be a rare one.

Latest Business Changes.
H. D. Lock, merchant tailor, Welland, is dead; J. W. Falconer, general store, Caledon, succeeded by D. Macfarlane; I. H. Allen, lumber, Suspension Bridge, assigned; Smith Bros., coopers, Stratford, dissolved; F. A. Smith continues; J. McK. Anderson, publisher, Warton, sold out to E. L. Elliott; K. D. Monkman, jeweler, Wyoming, sold out.

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Men's Fancy Plush Slippers.....80c pair
Men's Fancy Leather Slippers \$1.25 pair
Ladies' Japanese Slippers.....5c pair
Ladies' Evening Kid Slippers...\$1 pair
Ladies' Kid Button Boots...\$1.25 pair
Ladies' Fleece Wool In-soles, all sizes and colors.....25c pair
Ladies' Over Gaiters.....50c pair
Ladies' Leggings, high.....\$1 pair
Girls' Strong School Shoes.....75c pair
Boys' Waterproof Grain Boots \$1.25 pair
Boys' Cordovan Lace Boots.....\$1 pair

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Christmas Presents

Ladies' Purses from.....5c to \$6
Ladies' Card Cases from.....25c to \$3
Ladies' Manicure Sets from.....\$1 to \$3
Ladies' Card Case and Purse combined.....75c
Ladies' Seal Skin Purses.....\$1.50 to \$3
Ladies' Calfskin Purses.....75c to \$1.75
Ladies' Morocco Purses.....25c to \$1
Ladies' Music Rolls.....50c to \$2.25
Ladies' Music Cases.....\$1.25
Nurses' Chatelaines.....\$2.50 to \$5
Nurses' Chatelaines, fitted.....\$7.50 to \$8
Ladies' Satchels.....50c to \$3
Ladies' Chatelaine Satchels 50c to \$1.75
Ladies' Lunch Cases.....40c to 50c
Ink Bottles (for traveling).....25c
Writing Portfolios.....25c to \$1.2
(Finest assortment in Canada.)
Cigar and Tobacco Boxes \$1.50 and \$2.50

Leather Cigar Cases.....\$1 to \$3
Whisky Flasks.....50c to \$1
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Drinking Cups in Cases.....25c to 50c
Collar and Cuff Sets, combined \$1 to \$3

Travelers' Collar and Cuff Sets, \$1.25 to \$2
Travelers' Toilet Rolls.....\$1.50 to \$2
Gents' Wallets.....25c to \$6.50
Gents' Letter Cases.....25c to \$2
Gents' Purses.....15c to \$2.50
Gents' Large Leather Holders \$4 to \$5
Photo Holders (for the pocket).....50c to \$1.50
Traveling Rugs.....\$4 to \$5
Dressing Cases.....\$1 to \$7.50
Toilet Cases.....75c to \$2.50
Cuff Rolls.....50c to 75c
Military Brushes in cases.....\$4 to \$8

VALISES.

Tourist Bags.....\$2 to \$4.50
Gladstone Bags.....\$1.50 to \$18
Pacific Bags.....35c to \$1
Salisbury Valises.....\$2 to \$3.50
Derby Grips.....\$3 to \$5
Ladies' Satchels.....35c to \$4.50
Gents' Hat Boxes (English) \$4.50 to \$7.50
Real Alligator Valises.....\$7.50 to \$20
Dress Suit Cases.....\$3.50 to \$20

TRUNKS.

Zinc Covered Trunks.....\$1.75 to \$4.50
Steel Covered Trunks \$4.50 to \$12.50
Canvas Covered Trunks \$3.50 to \$5.50
Leather Covered Trunks \$4.50 to \$8.50
Stateroom Trunks.....\$3.50 to \$8.50
Dolls' Trunks, with trays 75c to \$1.50
Telescope Cases.....75c to \$3.50
Shawl Straps.....15c to \$1
Trunk Straps.....50c to \$1
Skate Straps.....10c pair
Razor Straps.....25c to 75c

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Beautiful Doll or Ball

With Each Pair of

Shoes, Trunk or Valise

JOHNSTON'S

198 Dundas St.

Saturday and Monday —AT—

Mara's Emergency Sale

—WILL BE THE—

Banner Bargain Days

OF THE YEAR.

There are only three days more before "the great holiday" will be ushered in. This house has scored a wonderful record for Christmas bargains—their thoroughly genuine character capturing people far and near, as our modern methods of doing business please everybody. Have you made your Christmas selections? If not it will pay you to look through our stores.

LADIES' Glove Department:

Fine Cashmere Gloves, on these Bargain Days, 15c per pair.
Colored Cashmere Gloves, extra quality, 20c per pair.
Mousquetaire Kid Gloves, in colors, 73c per pair.
Long Cream Silk Gloves, for evening wear, 40c per pair.
Special line of Kid Gloves, in tan, brown and black, 50c per pair.
The "Josephine" Glove, in black and colors, only 99c per pair.

DRESS GOODS

DEPARTMENT:
5 pieces, Parous Coating Serge, in black, navy, browns, myrtle and dark garnet, 44 inches wide, worth \$1, on these special days only 65c per yard.
A big range Estamine Serges, in black and navy, 44 inches wide, on Bargain Days at 30c, 37½c, 40c, and 45c per yard.
Cheviot Serges, in grays and browns, 44 inches wide, worth 75c, for 45c per yard.
8 pieces Shot Effect Dress Goods, 44 inches wide and assorted shades, on Bargain Days 25c yard.

Silks & Draping Materials

23 pieces Japanese Silks, beautiful shades for Christmas work, worth 75c, on Bargain Days 39c per yard.
Shanghai Draping Cloth, on Bargain Days only, 19c per yard.
1 piece Black Mervellieux Silk, worth \$1.25, on Bargain Days for 92c per yard.
Fine French Sateens, in art shades, on Bargain Days 10c per yard.

Ladies' Sundries:

Ladies' Ribbed Vests, only 23c.
Ladies' Heavy Shirts for 62c.
Mara's "Special" Corsets, 25c.
Fine Black Woolen Mitts, 25c per pair.
Ladies' Astrachan Gauntlets, in gray and black, only 95c.
A fine assortment of Honeycomb Shawls, in all shades, only 25c.

Children's Department:

Children's Woolen Mitts, extra value, 15c per pair.
Baby Carriage Rugs, worth \$1, for 50c.
Children's White Lamb Boas, full 36 inches long, only 23c.
Children's White Lamb Caps, worth \$2, for \$1.40.
Children's White Lamb Muffs, worth \$1.75, for 85c.

Toys and Fancy Goods:

A big range of Dolls from 10c to \$1.
Autograph Albums, worth 25, for 10c.
Collar and Cuff Boxes, only 35c.
Manicure Sets, 25c, 35c and 50c.
Child's Trunks, worth \$1, for 49c.

Table Covers, Napkins and Spreads.

Bleached Table Covers, full 2 yard square, worth \$1.25, for 90c.
60 inch Table Linen, holiday price only 25c yard.
Turkey Red Tabling, 25c per yard.
Linen Table Covers, with borders only 49c.
A fine range of Chenille Table Covers, at 59c, 95c and \$1.40.
Five-Eight Table Napkins, on Bargain Days only 50c per dozen.
Three-Quarter Table Napkins, at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per dozen.
Eleven Quarter Honeycomb Bed Spreads, only 99c.
The Elephant Brand of Marseilles Bed Spreads, worth \$2.25, now going at \$1.50.

BOOT AND SHOE DEPARTMENT:

Ladies' Spats, Christmas price 35c.
Misses' Fine School Boots, only 65c per pair.
Ladies' Rubbers, only 25c per pair.
Boys' Heavy School Boots, on Bargain Days for 65c per pair.
Men's Fancy Plush Slippers, worth \$2, for 99c.
Ladies' Fancy Slippers with plush vamps, worth \$2, for 75c.
Men's Fine Laced Boots and Gaiters, on these Bargain Days only 89c.
See our German and French Felt Slippers.

Gents' Furnishings:

Men's and Boys' Braces, worth 25c to 40c, all going at 2 pairs for 25c.
Fine Cashmere Neck Scarfs, worth 25c, now 2 for 25c.
Gentlemen's Initial Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, worth 50c, for 35c.
Fleece Lined Kid Gloves, worth \$1.25, for 75c.
Silk Ties, both four-in-hand and knots, in evening and dark shades, regular 50c goods, for 25c.
All-Wool Socks, only 10c per pair.
Home-Made Mitts for 20c.
Gentlemen's English Collars, on these Bargain Days only, 4 for 25c.
White Linen Laundered Shirts, only 69c.

LADIES' Furs and Mantles

One only, Gray Persian Lamb Jacket, worth \$100, on Bargain Days \$50.
2 only, Gray Persian Lamb Cape, ripple collar and Cavalry cut, 30 inches long, worth \$65, for \$38.50.
1 only, Sable Cape, plain collar and Cavalry cut, 24 inches long, worth \$90, for \$47.50.
Opera Cloaks, merle lined, worth \$14, for \$7.50.
Ladies' Black Muffs, only \$1.25.
Ladies' Irish Frieze Jackets, worth \$7.50, for \$4.50.
Ladies' Cheviot Serge Jackets, worth \$8.50, for \$5.
Children's Reefer Jackets, worth \$3, for \$1.50.
An endless variety of Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, from 10c up.

SEE OUR WINDOWS.

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