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TENTH YEAR.

THE MAYOR AND MAYORES

RECEIVE NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS FROM MANY CITIES.

Some of Toronto's leading people that the City Hall to pay their respects to the Mayor and Mayors of the various cities.

A public New Year's reception by the Mayor and Mayors is a rare event (it is indeed doubtful if there ever was one before) that took place yesterday, when His Worship and Mrs. Clarke were "at home" in the City Hall to all who wished to call, with regard to the usual interest. It proved a most pleasant innovation in civic affairs, and was a success—bringing the Chief Magistrate into contact with many who had never known him—that it is hoped the example set by Mayor Clarke will be followed by his successors.

The reception hours were from 3 to 5, and it was 5.30 before the Mayor and Mrs. Clarke exchanged the season's compliments with the last caller. They received in the Mayor's long reception room, the handsome furnishings of which were not only further embellished by rare flowers spread about in profusion, a pyramid of oranges on a table in the center of the room being most admired.

After the usual compliments and shaking hands with the Mayor and Mrs. Clarke the callers were ushered through the City Solicitor's office and the Council Chamber into one of the committee rooms, where they were seated at long tables, with flowers were everywhere, and many remarked that they did not think the old City Hall could look so bright and festive.

His Worship had a pleasant word for all. He was a black book of call with his favorite yellow roses in a basket, with his smiling and youthful view was attracted in black because of the recent death of his father, but his words were full of cheer and his words were full of cheer.

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MR. GLADSTONE'S DENIAL

A Paris Institution that has been a lot of Good Works.

The World has talked with a number of merchants, principally jewellers, in the city who have complained of the abuse of the pawn shops. The statute governing them does not, they say, give the protection to the needy and to the merchants and public generally that it is intended to extend. The remedy, they point out, is in the establishment of a government institution similar to the Monte-Piase, Paris. This institution is an immense concern, occupying almost a whole business block in that city, divided into departments perfectly regulated and managed by the government. It is a pawn shop, but it is not a pawn shop in the ordinary sense of the word. It is a pawn shop in the sense that it takes money for the use of its borrowers, but it is not a pawn shop in the sense that it takes money for the use of its borrowers.

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THE YOUNG MEN'S RECEPTION

A Gala Afternoon at Association Hall—In the presence of the Mayor and many guests.

The reception given to the young men of the city by the Y.M.C.A. at Association Hall yesterday was a decided success. There were over a thousand callers, and they enjoyed themselves thoroughly. The Mayor and Mrs. Clarke were present, and they were most cordially welcomed.

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JANUARY'S FIRST FIRES

A SIX-STORY DRUG WAREHOUSE AT ST. LOUIS BURNED.

Heavy Explosions of Chemicals—Loss \$100,000—Fires Among the Guests of an Adjoining Hotel—Fatal Conflagration in the Monday City.

St. Louis, Jan. 1.—The mammoth six-story brick building of the Richardson Drug Company at the north-west corner of Fourth-street and Clark-avenue burned this morning. The loss is about \$700,000, on stock and \$100,000 on building. There was considerable excitement during the fire, and the building stood one block south of the Southern Hotel and there was almost a panic among the guests of that hotel until it was found that there was no danger of a spread of the flames. The insurance on the building is about \$1,000,000, mostly placed by H. M. Blossom's agency in this city.

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THE DECLINE OF THE CALL

The days of the New Year's call may be said to be over—this is the custom in vogue at some future date. They will no doubt come again, just as old styles and social usages find their way back to the fashionable and the drawing-room. The absence of New Year's callers was probably apparent yesterday. They were few and far between. Here is an example of their decadence:

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Washington, Jan. 1.—Senator Blair of New Hampshire is out for war. He believes we ought to have Canada, peacefully or by force.

"Bob Acres" Blair draws a fearful picture of the dangers to be apprehended when Canada has 100,000,000 population.

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