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## TOOK FIGURES FOR THE TRUTH SOLVENCY ONLY WAS SOUGHT

**Campbell-Bannerman's First Speech Outlines Government Course, But Avoids Home Rule—Importation of Coolies to South Africa is Cancelled—He's For People.**

London, Dec. 21.—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's first speech since he accepted the premiership was delivered at Albert Hall to-night before a mass meeting. The premier was supported on the platform by 15 members of his cabinet. Next to the premier, John Burns was the hero of the evening, being acclaimed by continuous applause and musical honors until his picture was representative of labor in the British cabinet was palpably embarrassed.

The premier avoided the question of home rule for Ireland. He said that the fiscal question was the prime issue in the campaign against a government whose minister "made a midnight sitting on a rainy December evening."

A feature of Sir Henry's speech was his announcement that the government had decided to stop the importation of coolies into South Africa until such time as the question for or against such importation could be decided by a South African parliament, elected by equal votes. This was greeted with tremendous enthusiasm.

**Foreign Relations.**  
Speaking of foreign relations, Sir Henry first expressed his kindly feeling toward Russia in the present trial which that country was passing.

In the case of Germany, he said, he saw no reason whatsoever for the unfeeling denunciations of friendship which recently had passed between the two countries. Regarding the United States, France and Japan the premier accepted the existing conditions and approved everything which tended towards peace.

Mr. Henry upheld this announcement with another which elicited applause. He said that the growth of armaments was a great danger, that force was not the only remedy and that economy must be adopted. The government would be animated by a desire to remain on the best terms with all nations and to cooperate in the common work of civilization. He rejoiced that the principle of arbitration had made great strides.

**Being Colonies Closer.**  
"It is a duty," he said, "to make public provision of our affection for the colonies and closer to ourselves. The relations between the colonies and the mother country have never been settled on a basis of party politics, but they have been settled on a basis of domestic and progressive instincts and institutions of these great countries."

He said that the government was determined to make a test of its policy for the colonies and to make a complete system of government by the people "for the good of the greatest number."

He equally general terms he gave notice that most of the domestic acts of the late government would be reversed by the incoming Liberal government, and he made a powerful bid for the popular vote.

## ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE

**Former Columbian in Plot to Kill President Reyes.**  
Washington, Dec. 21.—The state department has received information by cable that an attempt was made in Bogota yesterday to dispose of President Reyes, as an incident to a plot to overthrow the government.

## COLONIAL DEFENCE

**Australian Correspondence With Rome Office Made Public.**  
London, Dec. 21.—Colonial defence is again being discussed here on the publication of the correspondence between the Australian government and the colonial office. Premier Deakin of Australia informed the imperial government of his desire to submit to parliament a scheme for the defence of the ports of the commonwealth.

## BARGE IS BURNED

**Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 21.—The barge Baker, bound from New York for Philadelphia in tow, was burned to the water's edge of her today. It is presumed the crew was taken off by the tug Sea King, which was towing the barge.**

## East's Suit Cases

**East & Co. report the biggest Christmas trade they have ever had in leather suit cases, ranging from \$1.25 to \$25. Hundreds of them go for gifts every Christmas, and the fitted suit cases are \$5.00 upwards and especially desirable for gentlemen. Almost nobody buys leather goods of any sort without seeing first what East & Co. have to offer.**

## TO-DAY IN TORONTO

**City nominations for mayor, city hall, 10 a.m.; for aldermen, Ward 1, Duggan's Hall; Ward 2, Prospect Hall; Ward 3, Levee Hall; Ward 4, Broadway Hall; Ward 5, West M.C. Hall; Ward 6, Mackenzie Hall; 7:30 p.m., Normal school kindergarten closing.**  
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**Levee Association, Williams' Cofe.**  
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## BARRED OUT

**State Supt. of Insurance Hendricks Relates the Mode of Examination into the Affairs of the Big Companies.**

Consequently There Were Lots of Things He Didn't Know, Until Inquiry Began His Search for Prevention.

New York, Dec. 21.—Francis Hendricks, state superintendent of insurance, testifying today before the legislative committee of insurance investigation, said that the examination of insurance companies by his department are made to ascertain only the solvency of the companies, and that no investigation is made into the extravagance of the management of a company, or into the salaries paid to officers, so long as the company is able to pay its obligations.

No investigation is made into the commissions paid to agents, the system of loaning on the premiums or the advancing of loans to agents or directors. The employment of kinship as officers in high positions is not inquired into by the Equitable, but the department, Mr. Hendricks said, and he declared, personally he knew little or nothing about the various examinations made, as they were entrusted to Isaac Vanderpool, the chief examiner of the department.

While Mr. Hendricks' memory failed him as to any legislation which he suggested as a remedy to any defects in the laws governing insurance companies, he stated that no such legislation had ever presented had ever been proposed in either house of the legislature.

He said that his department spent last year about \$17,000, and received in fees and payments \$287,726, which was paid into the state treasury. To make examinations would require ten more examiners and an additional appropriation of from \$100,000 to \$200,000. He thought, however, he could get the appropriation if he asked for it.

Did it Dig.  
Mr. Hendricks said that in making the examination of the Equitable, he did not have the attention called to the existence of a memorandum in the files kept by the cashier, and he was asked:

"What examination was made under your instructions to verify the cash returns of the cashier as to cash on hand?"  
Mr. Vanderpool made it, I did not give any instructions.

"You are in the position of a superintendent who look upon your subordinates, but in looking over your reports, you are the cashier, and you are to be sure to take your attention to the very large amount expended by the Equitable for the stock and by the New York Life for expenses?"  
"I thought they were large. I do not know what they had hid away from me."

Mr. Hendricks did not examine the Provident Savings Society during the time that you have been superintendent why not?"  
"I can't tell. I supposed it had been until I looked at that list."

"No, I never examined it."  
At the request of Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hendricks first detailed the practical duties of his office. He said the necessity of an examination of a company is determined by the company's report. In the ten years from Jan. 1, 1900, there have been 46 examinations of life insurance companies. In this time the Equitable has been examined four times, Mutual Reserve five times, Metropolitan once, Washington Life three, Home Life two, Bankers' Life three, Life Association of America three.

**BIBLE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**COLLEGE PRINCIPALS CONFERENCE HELD LAST NIGHT IN VICTORIA**  
Reports were presented, and the principal of Victoria College, St. Catharines, being in the chair. Reports were presented, and the principal of Victoria College, St. Catharines, being in the chair. Reports were presented, and the principal of Victoria College, St. Catharines, being in the chair.

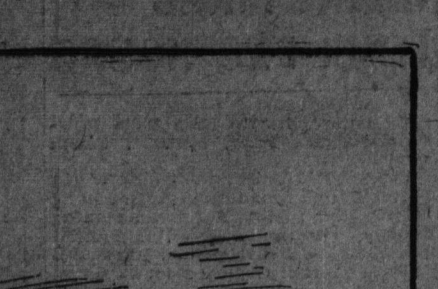
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**Smoke Taylor's 'Maple Leaf' Cigar.**



THE COURTY: You've got the right eye by the ear this time, farmer Fisher.

## EPIDEMIC OF SMALLPOX MENACES THE PROVINCE

**Dr. Sheard Appears in Role of Alarmist—Predicts Serious Situation—An Advocate Home-to-Home Vaccination, Especially in City.**

"An epidemic of smallpox is going to sweep the province," said Dr. Sheard, medical health officer, in a speech before the Toronto Chamber of Commerce to-night.

"I don't care," he said, "if the medical health officer may be, he will have to meet the situation. We are going to have a large number of cases, and the situation will become serious."

"It is a question whether we should have everybody vaccinated," he said. "This was the emphatic declaration made by Dr. Sheard at the final meeting of the local board of health yesterday afternoon. The doctor, continuing, referred to the serious outbreak of smallpox that occurred some years ago in certain parts of the United States, when it being found that the disease could not be stamped out, resort was had to a system of house to house vaccination."

"That is certainly the only thing that will meet the case, in my judgment at all," was the doctor's emphatic assertion.

Dr. Sheard when asked afterwards if it would be enforced at once, replied: "It will come to that, not to Toronto alone, but to the whole province." He said also that it was going to be expected that the city was to continue carrying smallpox so well as had been the case up to date.

"I really expect quite a smart outbreak here," Dr. Sheard said. "The cold weather will have the probable effect of increasing the spread of the disease, and there will be a great tendency for people to be closely housed and brought into more intimate contact while traveling about with doors and windows closed, which will make for greater dissemination of contagion."

He believed that he believed should be done at once, the medical health officer said that the local boards of health should urge upon the government that a policy of compulsory vaccination be carried out all over Ontario.

Dr. Sheard replying to Dr. Noble's suggestion that anti-vaccinationists claimed illness soon after vaccination, he only knew of four cases of "sore arm." As to the efficacy of the vaccine, he stated that the last 54 cases of smallpox treated, only two patients had been previously vaccinated. In both instances early in life. A noble proposed memorializing the government, but the matter stands for the present.

**East's Umbrellas.**  
If you are at all particular what you give for Christmas, try one of East's umbrellas. They are made of the finest material, and are made to last and give good satisfaction. East & Co. are large manufacturers and sell the finest umbrellas, at \$1.50 to \$25, according to the quality.

**Art-Stalls This Day.**  
C. J. Townsend & Co. will sell to-day at 1:30 p.m., a number of good English and Canadian water color drawings, also at the same time a large quantity of various Chinese, Indian and Japanese vases, bowls, plaques, a quantity of cut glass tumblers, dishes, salad bowls, etc.

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buys a sack of OTTO COKE at your grocer's. Will last a whole day. 135

## TROUSERS ON STRIKE MOSCOW EXPECTS A CLASH

**Mass Meeting of 12,000 People Surrounded by Troops and a Conflict is Probable.**

**Government Sends Train Out From Warsaw Under Guard**  
—Car and Suitcase.

Moscow, Dec. 21.—(Night)—Twelve thousand persons are holding a meeting in the Aquarium. The building is surrounded by military and police, whose object is to prevent the exit of persons supposed to be armed unless the arms are delivered up. A conflict is expected.

The troops are confined to their barracks and every possible military preparation for eventualities has been made.

**AT ST. PETERSBURG.**  
St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—The streets are filled with troops, especially those in the industrial sections. The railroad stations are in possession of the military.

Wholesale arrests of the leaders of the workers were made last night. It is reported that the police included in the list of those arrested were the second workers' council who were promptly taken to the place of the second council, who were arrested Saturday night. A third council, however, promptly took the place of the second.

St. Petersburg and with the province generally there is no communication this morning.

The Lithuanian insurrection was extended into Vitebsk. At Kokenhusen the chief of police and his assistants were tried by a revolutionary tribunal and acquitted.

**A 12-Hour Battle.**  
It turns out that Tuhum in Courland surrendered after a seven day fight which lasted 12 hours. The insurgents had fortified the town by throwing up intrenchments before which they dug pits. They also had in position the machine guns recently captured from the Russians, which were taken by storm, both sides losing heavily.

The latest information from Khar'kov says that 10,000 revolutionaries are under arms and that troops are being concentrated to recapture the city.

The strikes here at noon started today. In the centre of the city the shops were closed. The main interest in the strike of railroad men started at the Warsaw station, where the government was to make a test of its power by moving a train for Berlin. The depot was packed with troops.

Shortly after noon there was a wild hurra accompanied by the roar of escaping steam and a few minutes later the railroad men left the yards. The authorities, however, were prepared and a "locomotive" manned by soldiers backed into the station, and was coupled to the waiting train, which was then started with persons standing on the platform.

After being searched carefully the train left the station under strong guard.

In the manufacturing districts beyond the Warsaw and Narva gates the strikers were being dispersed by the police on both sides of the Neva, the workers generally obeyed the summons to attend promptly at the depot, and thousands of them emerged to the streets.

Police Cossacks, soldiers of the guard regiments and other patrols were everywhere, and far as reported no collision occurred.

**Clear Refugee Straggle.**  
London, Dec. 21.—The correspondent of The Daily Telegraph at St. Petersburg says that a majority of those present at the council held at Sarakos-Selo voted for the granting of a system of universal suffrage. The emperor, however, after listening to all the arguments deliberately and decisively refused to side by the action of the majority and declared against universal suffrage.

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**BIRTHS.**  
McMahon—At 243 Brunswick-avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. P. McMahon, a son.

**DEATHS.**  
MUMFORD—At her residence, 61 Cedar-street, Toronto, on Thursday, Dec. 21, 1905, Lizzie Burns, beloved wife of John Mumford, aged 62 years, sister of the late Mr. Alexander Burns, L.D., and John Burns of Nerlich & Co., in her 55th year. Funeral from above address on Saturday, the 23rd inst., at 8 o'clock. Interment in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

**MAHON—John Mahon, aged 75, at his son's residence, 245 Christie-street. Funeral notice later.**

**TALBOT—At Toronto, on Thursday, the 21st December, 1905, Eliza J., widow of the late P. G. Taylor, and mother of Mrs. J. W. Scates, 54 Wellington-place, Toronto.**

Service private, at above address, at 4 p.m. Friday, the 22nd. Interment at Ingham, N.Y., on Saturday, the 23rd.

The F. W. Mathews Co. Undertakers.

## "Maltese Cross" Rubbers.

Representative Committee, Which Includes Two of Late License Commissioners, Declares Proposal "Unnecessary, Uncalled for and Inadvisable."

The citizens' committee against license reduction was organized yesterday afternoon at the Temple Building. A. R. Boswell, K.C., was elected permanent chairman; Noel Marshall, secretary, and W. J. Hambly, treasurer.

It was decided that the following address should be issued to the citizens: On the day of the municipal election you are being asked for an expression of opinion, for the guidance of the incoming city council, as to whether the number of hotel licenses ought to be reduced from 126 to 120, and the number of shop licenses from 10 to 8.

As citizens not in any way connected with that interested in the liquor trade, and having no personal concern in the proposed measure except as we, common with the rest of the people, are interested financially and otherwise in the welfare and industrial progress of our city, we feel that it is our duty to urge upon our fellow-citizens not to vote in favor of the proposed reduction of any rate until they shall have carefully and dispassionately considered whether the measure be necessary, and whether any good would be secured by it.

In the consideration of such a measure, arguments based upon prejudice and sentimental appeals are out of place and serve no purpose except to bewilder the issue and confuse the voters.

**The Three Questions.**  
There are only three questions presented to the discussion of the proposed measure:

1. How Toronto more hotel accommodations than its citizens and the traveling public have? 2. Is the proposed reduction necessary by the prevalence and increase of drunkenness, and if so, is it reasonable to the indiscriminate use of intoxicants? 3. Would the proposed reduction be in the interests of the true temperance, and calculated to uplift the moral tone of our people?

Unless these questions can be answered in the affirmative, we submit that the proposal to reduce the number of licenses ought not to be endorsed.

**Brief Accommodation.**  
It cannot be disputed that there are times when, instead of being excessive, the hotel accommodations of Toronto are entirely inadequate, and with our rapidly increasing population more rather than less accommodation will be needed in the future. The first question must therefore be answered in the negative.

That Toronto is a drunken city and that the proposed reduction of licenses is prevalent, cannot be truthfully said. Indeed, the contrary is so evidently the case that visitors have frequently expressed gratified surprise at the comparative absence of these evils. An under current of protest against the visit of American clergymen last June, and published in The Evening News, may give some idea of this.

"I do not see any drunkenness here on Sunday or for that matter any day," was the testimony of the Rev. E. J. Continued on Page 2.

**GROCERS' DEPUTATION**  
**COMPLAIN TO GOVERNMENT**  
Ottawa, Dec. 21.—A deputation of wholesale grocers, chiefly from Montreal, visited the minister of finance to complain of the increase in bonded warehouse charges. It is claimed present rates are excessive, and that the government's policy of customs, will bear the deputation.

**MONTREAL WILL INVESTIGATE**  
**INTO YORK COUNTY LOAN**  
Montreal, Dec. 21.—(Special).—There was a meeting of 200 citizens this afternoon, in the Grand Hotel, to consider the York County Loan matter.

After a long discussion, a committee was appointed to investigate the Montreal end of the difficulty.

**A PRESENTATION.**  
The playing of A. Miles, proprietor of the mill on Dundas-street, as a Xmas acknowledgment of favors received during the year, last evening presented Mr. and Mrs. Miles with an illuminated address and a "comforter" from the citizens.

The recipients entertained royally during the evening.

**Vanderbilt is Commode.**  
New York, Dec. 21.—Cornelius Vanderbilt to-night was elected commodore of the New York Yacht Club, to succeed Frederick G. Bouthin, who retired after three consecutive years of service.

**Sense, Settlement, Et Al.**  
Sense, Settlement, Et Al. is a new sentiment in the Santa Claus idea. You get made a pretty present of fur to any one in the family when Christmas furs are past the fur will still be handy.

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**Xmas Presents, Gadder, 431 Spadina**  
**MAY BE COLDER.**  
Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 21—8 p.m.—The storm which came from the southwest is now dispersing over the great lakes and will not be very heavy in the maritime provinces. Colder weather is setting in over the western portion of the continent, but is unlikely to become pronounced in Ontario until another storm has moved up from the southwest.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 32-40; Vancouver, 32-40; Kamloops, 28-36; Kelowna, 28-36; Winnipeg, 14-22; Fort Arthur, 30-36; Toronto, 10-18; Ottawa, 22-28; Quebec, 14-20; St. John, 12-22; Halifax, 28-32.

**Probabilities.**  
**Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay.**  
Westerly and northerly winds; heavy continuing clouds with light local snowfalls.

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**STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.**

Dec. 21 At From  
Hamilton... New York... Genoa  
London... Liverpool... Genoa  
Canada... Cape Breton... Liverpool  
Toronto... Liverpool... New York  
Halifax... Liverpool... New York  
St. John... Liverpool... New York  
Philadelphia... London... Boston  
New York... New York... New York  
La Campbell... New York... New York  
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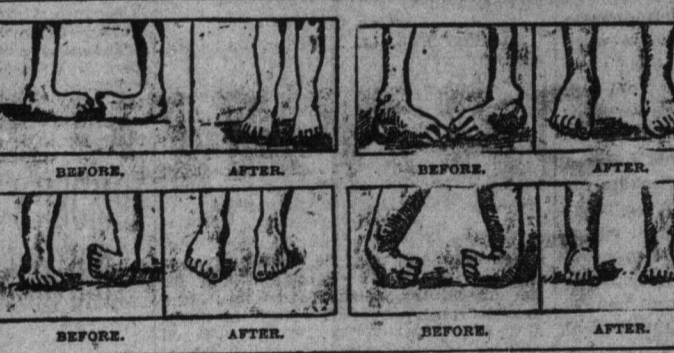
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In-Patients	891	11,262	4,848
Out-Patients	498	6,056	3,872
Cured			
	498	6,056	3,872

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### HARBORD COMMENCEMENT.

tend in large numbers, only the senior classes and ex-pupils being at all well represented. The valedictorian, Miss Margaret Fairbairn, referred, amongst other things, to the long-deferred hope regarding the extension of the school playground to the north. Speaking grounds for expecting that before another year the boys would be playing football north and south, instead of east and west. R. Hunt spoke on behalf of the Harbord Old Boys' Association in preference, had not been encouraged to attend in large numbers, only the senior classes and ex-pupils being at all well represented.

### CHARITY BALL.

The annual charity ball to be given in aid of the Toronto Jewish Benevolent Societies will take place at the 'Tropic' building on Wednesday evening next.

### CANADA FIFTY-SECOND.

Ottawa Only School Entered in Schools of Empire Match. (Canadian Associated Press Cable.) London, Dec. 21.—The Schools of the Empire shooting match in 1905 shows that the Charterhouse in England is at the top with a score of 477. Ottawa is the only Canadian school entered, and is 32nd out of 52, with a score of 348. Great Britain had 44 entries; Australia, nine; Cape Colony, 10; New Zealand, eight; Natal, 10.

### CANADIAN MINISTERS DINED.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The Paris Chamber of Commerce will tonight banquet Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, Canadian Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and Hon. Rudolphe Lemieux, solicitor-general for Canada. (Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

### Smallpox at Dundalk.

Dundalk, Dec. 21.—Exaggerated reports have been circulated regarding smallpox in Dundalk. We have sixteen cases of smallpox of a mild type here no cases for the past ten days. Business is going on as usual. There were thirty-three loads of straw delivered on Saturday, 16th. (Signed) J. D. Morgan, Reeve.

### Dr. McLennan Denies.

Halifax, Dec. 21.—Dr. McLennan, M. P., denies the report of his alleged charges, that the Dominion government is held up by the coal nabobs. He says he merely read questions placed on the order paper of the house of commons.

### At St. Luke's.

Rev. Dr. Lewis of New York City will preach at St. Luke's Church Sunday morning, and Rev. E. W. B. Beal in the evening.

Is Your Hair Sick? That's too bad! We had noticed it was looking pretty thin and faded of late, but naturally did not like to speak of it. By the way, Ayer's Hair Vigor is a regular hair grower, a perfect hair restorer. It keeps the scalp clean and healthy. Sold by 60 cents. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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Almonds, Filberts, Walnuts, Pecans, English Chestnuts, Kentish Cobs, Brazil, Shelled Walnuts, Shelled Almonds, Figs, Dates, Hard Dates, Tunis Dates, Layer Raisins, Pineapples, Malaga Grapes, Florida Oranges, Navel Oranges, Tangerine Oranges, Bananas, Grape Fruit, Snow Apples, Northern Spies, Russet Apples, McIntosh Red Apples, Greening Apples, Choice Table Pears.

FISH FOR THIS WEEK

Sea Salmon, Chicken Halibut, Bluefish, Haddock, Steak Cod, Salmon Trout, Whitefish, Herring, Sea Herring, Blueprint Oysters, Malpeque Oysters, Rockaway Oysters, Bulk and Can Oysters, Shell Clams.

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WEALTHY FARMER SUICIDES.

Had Recently Sold His Farm and Brooded Over Transactions.

Galt, Dec. 21—George Farnham, aged about 55 years, a farmer of good financial circumstances, committed suicide this morning by cutting his throat with a razor. The act was perpetrated in his own house in the presence of his wife and only daughter about 30 years of age. Deceased, who recently sold his

BRANTFORD MERCHANTS WORRY OVERHEAD SIGNS THE CAUSE

A letter from J. M. Douglas, president of the Brantford branch of the Retail Merchants' Association, to the secretary of the local branch states that 61 summonses have been issued there against that number of retail merchants for alleged violation of the by-law prohibiting shop-keepers from placing overhead signs.

New Roundhouse is Ready.

The ballasting for track in connection with the new roundhouse at New Toronto will be completed this evening, and the roundhouse will be in full trim to receive the forty locomotives which is its accommodation. The Grand Trunk will at once lay off about 40 Italians employed on the job.

The Curse of Drink.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 21—Frank Davis of this city, but recently from South Dakota, committed suicide last night by taking carbolic acid. He was 38 years of age and had been drinking heavily of late.

Quiet at Shanghai.

Washington, Dec. 21—The state department has a cablegram from Shanghai reporting that the situation there is normal; that 1500 sailors, marines and volunteers are guarding the streets; the victory has returned; and the mixed court probably will reopen Saturday.

Manitoba Legislature Called.

Winnipeg, Dec. 21—The legislature has been called to meet Jan. 11. Among the important measures to be brought down will be the government's proposals in regard to telephones, the adjustment of taxation on foreign corporations and the revised notaries' fees bill.

Canadian Convicted of Murder.

Waterbury, Conn., Dec. 21—Charles Edward Bassett last night was convicted of murder in the second degree in having killed an aged Waterbury recluse, as the result of an assault committed Feb. 27 last. A stay of sentence was granted until Friday. Bassett was born in Bedford, Canada, in 1858.

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KITTY'S SEIZURE LEGAL WAS AMERICAN WATERS

Law Lords Reverse Decision of Supreme Court and Restore Original Judgment.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable) London, Dec. 21.—The judicial committee of the privy council has reversed the decision of the supreme court and restored the original judgment of the lord judges of the privy council in the case of the ship Kitty D. in Lake Erie. The lord judges had held that the evidence clearly shows that the vessel was fishing within American waters and that the seizure by the British revenue cutter was illegal.

AMERICAN BOSSES ANGRY ODELL ROASTS ROOSEVELT

Charges President With Deliberate Attempt to Wreck Republican Party in New York.

New York, Dec. 21.—Former Governor B. E. Odell, Jr., chairman of the Republican state committee, made a statement today in which he charged President Roosevelt and Governor Higgins with a deliberate attempt to wreck the Republican party in this state for their own personal ambitions. He declared that if disaster should befall the party, he would not be responsible.

KILLED BY BANDITS.

American Rancher's Mercilessly Shot Down by Robbers.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 21.—Details received today of the murder of a rancher, a son of Robert Rutherford Ford and M. S. Murray of Philadelphia, and the wounding of H. L. Finstead of Los Angeles, and another man, show that the four Americans were returning from El Paso to Rutherford's ranch when they were overtaken by a party of bandits who were bent on robbery and murder.

FORMER M. P. SENTENCED.

Guilt of Inciting Agents to Murder His Wife.

London, Dec. 21.—The trial of Hugh Watt, the former member of parliament, charged with inciting hired men to murder his divorced wife, Julia Watt, and Sir Reginald Beauchamp, ended today with a verdict of guilty. Watt was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

ESCAPE OUT OF.

Ninety Persons Get Out of Burning Building Through Skylight.

Boston, Dec. 21.—Fire in a four-story brick building today caused the death of one man, Panfilo Ramon. Ninety men and women had their escape cut off by means of a skylight which was closed by means of a fire escape.

ARM CRASHED BY ENGINE.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 21.—T. Donadio, an ash pit man at the Grand Trunk road, was injured today when his right arm was crushed by the engine of a passenger train.

U. S. WANTS TO BUY TAHITI.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The steamer Mariposa, which brought from Tahiti a report that the United States government is offering \$4,000,000 for the island.

REFUSE 8-HOUR DAY.

New York, Dec. 21.—The Periodical Publishers' Association yesterday declined to stand by the eight-hour day proposed by the International Typographical Union.

BOMBER EXPLODES.

Kingston, Dec. 21.—The bomber in J. Crothers' candy factory exploded this morning, blowing up the roof, but fortunately no one was injured.

KING REFINES REIGNITION.

Budapest, Dec. 21.—The emperor king has decided that in view of the existing political circumstances he cannot accept the resignation of the privy council, tendered yesterday.

CAMBRIDGE CELEBRATES.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 21.—The 25th anniversary of the founding of Cambridge was celebrated here today.

SEWER PIPE PLANT BURNED.

East Liverpool, Ohio, Dec. 21.—The plant of the American Sewer Pipe Co. was burned today, causing a loss estimated at \$100,000.



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**STRENGTH AND WEAKNESS MARKS TRADING AT N. Y.**

Fluctuations Follow the Rise and Fall on Call Rates—Mackay Again Higher.

**World Office, Thursday Evening, Dec. 21.**

The loss in reserve by the Bank of England in this week's statement was of 500,000,000 francs, which was due to the effect of the stock market. The loss was not due to any speculative activity, but to the fact that the market holding of the gold was considerably less than on the previous day. The market activity in trading was on a par with the previous day. A slightly stronger opening for the stock was followed by an advance of 1/2 of a point, which placed the market at a new high level. The chief feature in the security is simply giving indication of what has occurred in the market. The value of the stock is not that of the market, but of the fact that the market is accepting the value of the stock as a collateral basis for the market. The market is accepting the value of the stock as a collateral basis for the market. The market is accepting the value of the stock as a collateral basis for the market.

**Bank of England Statement.**

London, Dec. 21.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes:

Total reserve, decreased, £2,000,000.  
Gold, decreased, £2,000,000.  
Silver, increased, £2,000,000.  
Other securities, increased, £2,000,000.  
Government securities, decreased, £2,000,000.  
The proportion of the bank's reserve to the amount of the bank's liabilities is 100 per cent. The rate of discount of the bank remains unchanged at 4 1/2 per cent.

**On Wall Street.**

Market, Monday, Dec. 19, 1905.

The market opened with activity this morning and a good show of strength in the early part of the session. The market was higher at the close than at the opening. The market was higher at the close than at the opening. The market was higher at the close than at the opening. The market was higher at the close than at the opening.

**Money Markets.**

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 1/2 per cent. Money is 3 1/2 per cent. Short bills, 4 to 4 1/2 per cent. New York call money, highest 12 per cent. lowest, 9 per cent. Home call money at Toronto, 5 1/2 to 6 per cent.

**RAILROAD EARNINGS.**

Twin City, 2nd week Dec. \$1,100,000.  
St. Paul, 2nd week Dec. \$1,200,000.  
Chicago & North Western, 2nd week Dec. \$1,300,000.  
Illinois Central, 2nd week Dec. \$1,400,000.  
Rock Island, 2nd week Dec. \$1,500,000.  
Missouri Pacific, 2nd week Dec. \$1,600,000.  
Santa Fe, 2nd week Dec. \$1,700,000.  
Union Pacific, 2nd week Dec. \$1,800,000.  
Great Northern, 2nd week Dec. \$1,900,000.  
Northern Pacific, 2nd week Dec. \$2,000,000.

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Metropolitan Bank	100	100
Sovereign Bank	100	100
Home Life	100	100
Home Loan	100	100
Home Savings	100	100
Home Trust	100	100
Home Investment	100	100
Home Assurance	100	100
Home Protection	100	100
Home Security	100	100
Home Safety	100	100
Home Health	100	100
Home Wealth	100	100
Home Prosperity	100	100
Home Success	100	100
Home Fortune	100	100
Home Power	100	100
Home Glory	100	100
Home Honor	100	100
Home Respect	100	100
Home Esteem	100	100
Home Reputation	100	100
Home Credit	100	100
Home Influence	100	100
Home Authority	100	100
Home Power	100	100
Home Glory	100	100
Home Honor	100	100
Home Respect	100	100
Home Esteem	100	100
Home Reputation	100	100
Home Credit	100	100
Home Influence	100	100
Home Authority	100	100

**United States.**

The Investment Exchange Company, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, publishes the following quotations for United States securities:

Marconi Wireless	100	100
Marconi Five	100	100
Marconi Ten	100	100
Marconi Twenty	100	100
Marconi Fifty	100	100
Marconi Hundred	100	100
Marconi Two Hundred	100	100
Marconi Three Hundred	100	100
Marconi Four Hundred	100	100
Marconi Five Hundred	100	100
Marconi Six Hundred	100	100
Marconi Seven Hundred	100	100
Marconi Eight Hundred	100	100
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Marconi Four Thousand	100	100
Marconi Five Thousand	100	100
Marconi Six Thousand	100	100
Marconi Seven Thousand	100	100
Marconi Eight Thousand	100	100
Marconi Nine Thousand	100	100
Marconi Ten Thousand	100	100

**Montreal Stocks.**

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Closing quotations for Montreal stocks:

Bank of Montreal	100	100
Bank of Commerce	100	100
Bank of New South Wales	100	100
Bank of Nova Scotia	100	100
Bank of St. Lawrence	100	100
Bank of the Province	100	100
Bank of the City	100	100
Bank of the Island	100	100
Bank of the Peninsula	100	100
Bank of the Gulf	100	100
Bank of the Bay	100	100
Bank of the Strait	100	100
Bank of the Sound	100	100
Bank of the Firth	100	100
Bank of the Loch	100	100
Bank of the Tarn	100	100
Bank of the Mere	100	100
Bank of the Lough	100	100
Bank of the Loch	100	100
Bank of the Tarn	100	100
Bank of the Mere	100	100
Bank of the Lough	100	100

**London Stocks.**

London, Dec. 21.—Closing quotations for London stocks:

Consols	100	100
4 1/2 per cent	100	100
3 1/2 per cent	100	100
2 1/2 per cent	100	100
1 1/2 per cent	100	100
1/2 per cent	100	100
0 per cent	100	100
Bank of England	100	100
Bank of Scotland	100	100
Bank of Ireland	100	100
Bank of Wales	100	100
Bank of Liverpool	100	100
Bank of Manchester	100	100
Bank of Birmingham	100	100
Bank of Glasgow	100	100
Bank of Edinburgh	100	100
Bank of London	100	100
Bank of Bristol	100	100
Bank of Exeter	100	100
Bank of Plymouth	100	100
Bank of Southampton	100	100
Bank of London	100	100
Bank of Bristol	100	100
Bank of Exeter	100	100
Bank of Plymouth	100	100
Bank of Southampton	100	100

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**INCREASE IN STOCKS AND DECREASED CABLES**

Are a Weakening Influence on Chicago Wheat Options—Small Argentine Shipments Predicted.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The market for wheat options was weaker today than yesterday. The market was weaker today than yesterday. The market was weaker today than yesterday. The market was weaker today than yesterday.

**Wheat.**

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**Argentine Shipments.**

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Persian Lamb Gaunlets, made from choice skins, fur lined, best quality calf palms, sizes 6-12 to 8-12... \$12, \$13.50, \$15, \$16.50 and \$18
Curly, Detachable Astrachan Collars, former satin lining \$6; wedged shaped caps to match... \$4
Military and Wedge Shaped Persian Lamb Caps, best satin lining, finished with awl bands, sizes 6-8 to 7-8... \$8, \$9, \$10 and \$12
Detachable Neutra Beaver Collars, former satin lining \$3; wedge shape caps to match... \$5
Fine Canadian and Labrador Detachable Otter Collars, made from very choice skins, \$30 and \$35; wedge shaped caps to match... \$20, \$25, \$30 and \$35
Canadian Coon Skin, detachable Collars, former satin lining... \$5
Detachable, Russian Muskrat Collars, satin lining... \$7
Otter Tail Wedge Shaped Cap... \$14
Fine Alaska Seal Skin, wedge shaped caps... \$20
Seal Drivers... \$22.50 and \$25
German Wedge Shaped Mink Caps... \$35

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SHOULD SEND IN PASS BOOKS AND LOG. TOWARD EXPENSES

Shareholders' Committee Issue a Statement—Will Assist Work of Liquidators. There is harmony between the liquidator and government investigator of the York Loan affairs, such as reflects the yuletide season. "It will be a public enquiry and we shall welcome The World there," remarked W. H. Cross, the investigator appointed by the government, when he was spoken to last night.

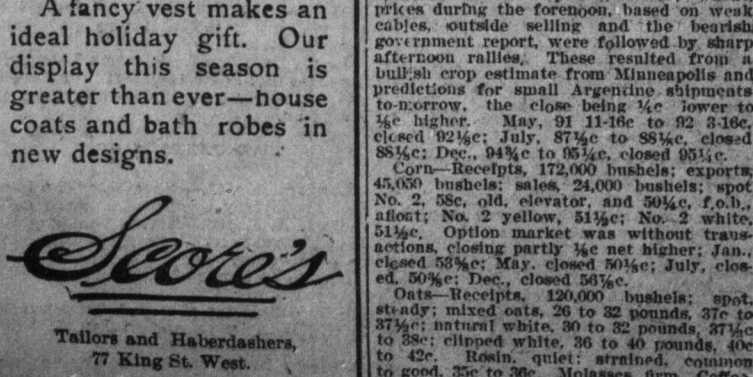
FIRST WARD CONSERVATIVES. Smoke and Listen to Some Campaign Arguments.

Between the songs at the No. 1 Ward smoking concert at Dingman's Hall last night several well-known men chatted over municipal matters to the large and enthusiastic gathering. Controller Shaw, who met with a good reception, stated what had been done by the city in this district, the schemes accomplished, including the erection of the new bench fire station and the construction of the new school on Broadview-avenue. He also referred to the fact that the city was constructing the long-talked-of sewerage scheme to meet the drainage system. Having spoken of the promised high school, the controller claimed that the city had not neglected the interests of the city, but had endeavored to meet the wishes of the people of the district.

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YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS HAD THIS FIRE; CONFESSED

Boy Who Turned in False Alarm of Fire Gives Himself Up to Police.

Toronto, Junction, Dec. 21.—Canada Lodge No. 598, Manchester Unity, independent Order of Foresters, met last night at Thompson Hall, and elected the following officers: G. H. Cummings, grand master; Davidson, now grandmaster; S. Smythe, vice-grand; W. G. Veal, recording secretary; J. Blain, treasurer; C. Frost, J. E. Weatherill, G. T. Wilkinson, auditors; G. Frost, J. Hounsell, J. E. Weatherill, trustees; W. Moon, inner guard; J. Blain, G. H. Cummings, H. Veal, delegates to district meeting. The lodge has had a very successful year, having added fifty members. The lodge has now a total membership of 130. The annual Sunday School convention of St. John's Church will be held in the church on Wednesday evening next. The feature will be an illustrated address by Canon Dixon, entitled "Bells Across the Snow." The infant class will hold an entertainment on the Thursday evening following. A pole for the transmitting of messages by the De Forest Wireless Telegraph Company has been erected on the Houttree estate on the Weston road. The firemen were called out to-night at 7 o'clock to put out a blaze at the electric light station near the Weston road. An electric wire set fire to the roof. The blaze was extinguished without much loss.

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TOOK FIGURES FOR TRUTH.

Continued From Page 1. Three, Security Mutual Life five and the Provident Savings Life Association ones. He had never taken any steps to verify estimates of returns given out by companies, nor had he ever made any comparison of the various companies in this respect. Asked as to the agency commission, Mr. Hughes said he had never considered by the department, he replied that the department did not undertake to make any comparison of the various companies in this respect. He said: "No amount of examination will make men honest. You take the Equitable for instance, unless we had had help from the inside we never could have found anything. We had gone thru and examined their books and found no irregularities."

Law is Detective.

When the attitude of the department toward assessment companies was taken up with Mr. Hendricks, he said there was no test of solvency or insolvency of an assessment company under the law. He said that under a law passed last winter an assessment company whose assets were less than the amount of its income can be prevented by the department from doing business. Witness Douglas came in and had an appraisal made of the property that was security for the loan and he discovered that the loan had been made in this report he did not refer to the Union Pacific stocks. He said: "They were authorized under the law to invest in stocks, and when I examined them they had quite a portfolio."

Metropolitan Escaped.

The Metropolitan Life has not been examined since 1903, and times said



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Gentlemen's Umbrellas--nice for presentation--2.50 to 10.00
Ladies' Umbrellas--special gift lines--2.50 to 8.00
Handkerchiefs--Imported Solid Silks--special Christmas novelties--1.00
Pure Irish Linen--Initial and Hand Embroidered Handkerchiefs--35c or 5 for 1.00
Fine French Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs--50c to 1.00
Novelties in Peau de Crepe Handkerchiefs--1.50
Fur-lined Gloves--Fine Imported Squirrel-lined Mocha Gloves--3-75
Genuine Reindeer Gloves--Squirrel-lined--a "handsome" gift--5.00
Seamless Wool-lined--in Mocha and Cape Leather Gloves--1.50--2.00 and 2.50

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