

HYDRO OFFER WOULD STICK THE CITY,

For Increase of Water Consumption, Far More Than Cataract Offer Would.

Manager Hawkins Criticises a Criticism.

General Manager W. C. Hawkins, of the Cataract Power Company, was interviewed by the Times to-day with reference to the company's offer to do the pumping of city water, and the Herald's criticism of yesterday of that offer. That part of the offer dealt with in the criticism was the following:

We will undertake the pumping of the requisite amount of water for the city's use for a six years term, putting the requisite pumps and electrical equipment into a building to be placed at our disposal at the waterworks plant and operating the same for the above stated period for a monthly payment which shall be calculated to be the same cost per million gallons pumped as the cost is determined for the water pumped during the year 1906. At the end of the said period we would turn over to the city the whole of the equipment as its property.

In 1906 the quantity of water pumped was 2,250,657,670 gallons and the cost \$22,849.18, or at the average cost of \$10.11 per million gallons. Estimating the annual increase of consumption at 19 per cent, the Herald figures the cost to the city, for pumping, would be \$212,487 in six years, and it adds:

The average annual price to be paid during the six-year period would thus be \$35,497, as compared with \$22,849, the cost of pumping in 1906. In the six years the city would pay the company \$73,946 more than the cost of pumping by steam at the 1906 figures.

"As the city grows," said Mr. Hawkins, "and it will have to pay for that water, whether it is pumped by steam, by electric pumps supplied by the Cataract Company, or by power supplied by the Hydro-Electric Commission. The question for the people who have to pay the increased cost is to consider it. By which system will the increase be the most favorable to the city—the smallest. The Herald entirely overlooks the fact that the increase would have to be met if the Hydro scheme were in force. The fact is that the increase under the Hydro scheme would be much greater than under the Cataract proposition, and I will show you why. The Hydro proposition is based on maximum consumption. That has been clearly and definitely declared by the Commission. That means that the city must pay for the power, whether it uses it or not. The pumps will run until the reservoirs are full. Then they must stop. When they stop there will be no consumption of power, but the city will be required to pay just the same as if the power was being used. If it takes a given amount of power to

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Saved by Baby.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 31.—The cries of an infant saved the lives of eight persons here early to-day, but not before the baby's father and brother had been asphyxiated by coal gas. The dead are Nicholas Contravo, aged 36 years, and his son, Joseph, aged 4 years. Contravo, his wife and two children slept in one room, and six boarders occupied other parts of the house. The escaping coal gas awakened the baby, whose cries aroused one of the boarders. He broke down the door of the room occupied by the Contravos and found the father and son dead. He then rescued the mother and baby, and roused the other boarders, who had also been overcome.

NOT MANY HERE.

City Has Had Far More Seeking for Lodgings.

A Toronto despatch states that the Toronto police cells are overcrowded every night with boarders and prisoners, and that they have not had so many for years. The local police get about five or six boarders every night, and the average of prisoners is somewhat less than that. Some years ago there were nights when 35 lodgers were accommodated, besides a large number of prisoners. Work in Hamilton is always at the ebb at this time of the year, but few have been thrown out of houses and home. The custom of charging a man with vagrancy if he has been in for lodgings two or three nights in succession has probably helped to keep the unemployed out of this city. The jail is not overcrowded, but there are a few prisoners for Central Prison who have not been shipped down to Toronto yet, as the Central is full, and the jails there have to supply shakedown in the corridors for some of the prisoners.

FELL FROM LADDER.

Windsor Alderman's Face Cut and Back Hurt.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 13.—Alderman Euclid Jacques, chairman of the council committee on public works, went to the barn before daylight on Thursday with a lantern and fell from the ladder which leads to the loft. His face was cut and his back and shoulders were badly bruised, but Dr. Casgrain says that there is no indication of internal injuries and that the alderman should be all right again within a few days.



QUEEN WILHELMINA OF HOLLAND.

WILLIAM VISITS HOLLAND'S QUEEN

Kaiser Meets With Warm Welcome and Kisses Wilhelmina's Hand.

Amsterdam, Dec. 13.—Emperor William of Germany arrived here to-day on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern from his recent visit to England, and was greeted by members of the royal family of the Netherlands. Prince Henry boarded the Hohenzollern and escorted the Emperor to a pavilion on shore, where

Queen Wilhelmina awaited him. The greetings were most cordial and the Emperor kissed the Queen's hand. Their Majesties then drove through the crowded streets to the palace, where they suddenly appeared on the balcony, and were given an ovation by the assembled throng.

ENDS HIS LIFE.

VICTIM OF CONSUMPTION FIRES A BULLET INTO HIS HEAD.

Disposes of His Property—Unable to Longer Withstand the Ravages of Disease Which Had Enforced Long Idleness.

Morris-town, N. J., Dec. 13.—In the presence of his mother and young daughter, Ulysses Van Winkle, 45 years old, discouraged by the ravages of tuberculosis, shot himself in the head at his home, No. 10 Cleveland street, to-night. He died a few moments afterward. Van Winkle, owing to failing health, resigned a lucrative position five years ago and has done little since then. For the past few days he has been complaining of unusual ill health and had told several neighbors he intended to kill himself. To-day he purchased a revolver. On his return he told his wife of his intentions and she attempted to dissuade him. He sent his daughter Mabel after his mother, Mrs. Jacob Van Winkle, who lives nearby. On her arrival he told her he was feeling so badly that he was going to end his life. She argued with him, but in vain. He told her about the disposition of a large apartment house and other real estate he owned. "I'm feeling so badly, I can't stand it more," he said, "I have only a moment more to live." Then, sitting in a Morris chair, he fired a bullet into his head before mother, wife or daughter could interfere. Van Winkle was a Mason and had an ample income from his property.

FOR ORPHANS.

\$50,000 to be Spent by Owners of Wrecked Mines.

Pittsburg, Dec. 13.—The Fairmont Coal Company, at whose mines the fearful disaster of last week occurred, involving the loss of between 300 and 400 lives, has decided to erect an orphan asylum at Monongah, W. Va., to take care of the 1,000 orphans which were made fatherless by the disaster. Certain officials of the coal company were in Pittsburg in the afternoon conferring with those familiar with hospital maintenance, and it is understood that \$50,000 will be spent by the coal company in erecting a suitable orphan asylum building and after it is finished the children will be taken care of and educated.

Boys' Overcoat Specials.

Oak Hall announces for to-morrow a lot of boys' overcoats and refusers, marked down to insure a clearance of certain lines before Christmas. Some \$5 coats for \$3.95, and some \$6.50 coats for \$5.

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Begg & Shannon Announce a Big Three-day Sale.

A vitally interesting announcement is made by Begg & Shannon, the men's outfitters, in this issue to the men of Hamilton, who contemplate buying a suit or overcoat. They are not superstitious and announce it as a "\$13-day," believing that the people will appreciate their efforts to give them matchless values. Other potent considerations prompted them to make these extraordinary offers. Opening in the mornings they will sell regular \$25.00 and \$35.00 suits for \$14.99, and at this money they are a bargain. Their handsome overcoats, worth all the way up to \$22.50, will go for \$13. This sale starts to-night, and will last three days only, during which time the wise shopper will make his selection.

Begg & Shannon show the product of the best manufacturers in the world, and their cash purchasing power gives them an unrivaled position in buying in the matter of quality and getting the selection. Read Begg & Shannon's advertisement on page 9, and call and inspect their great money saving values.

SANTA CLAUS VISITED THEM.

The children of St. Mary's Orphanage were treated to a delightful surprise last evening, when Santa Claus paid them a visit, and presented each of the 125 boys and girls with a pretty card and an orange. The sisters in charge of the institution appreciate highly this thoughtful act of kindness towards the children under their care.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables.

TRADERS BANK OF CANADA

The Man In Overalls

The wise woman shops before 9 a. m. Procrastination loses many a good Christmas bargain.

What are the prospects for a turkey dinner this year?

That Dundurn teddy bear might be handed over to the Board of Works. The Board is down and out, and any donations at this time would be gratefully received by Chairman Sweeney, who thinks he is more sinned against than sinning.

In the meantime do your shopping.

The Times Christmas number will be out on Wednesday next. Have you sent in your ad. yet?

The question is, will we buy the electric pumps or secure them for nothing.

The Court House Committee, I am told, will end the year even. Chairman Farrar resolutely opposed the building of a new Court House, in this year of financial stringency.

If there is a seventh son of a seventh son who can tell Mayor Stewart that his re-election will be by acclamation he can have a half-toned tombstone for 25 per cent, off with the usual discount for cash.

I am looking for a few free, untaged citizens as adermanic candidates.

Don't forget that next year's grocers' picnic will be held at the Falls, and that free milk and cold tea will be the main refreshers.

I notice that my old and well-tried friend, Mr. Chas. Peebles, has been elected Chairman of Ward 3. How many jobs does he intend to absorb?

Poor Mr. Barker voted for a measure that he declared no sensible man would have voted for. I used to wonder what was wrong. But it's all clear now.

I observe that the late alderman—Mr. Sam. Howard—no, he is not dead—is quite active in Ward 6. He may take another whirl at the Council.

Chairman Baird, of the Sewers Committee, is quite cute. He says he is something like the doctors. The results of his work are underground.

Does the Board of Trade intend to re-endorse its adermanic representatives or pull them in out of sight?

What's the matter with placing Gardner Duncan back in Dundurn Castle? He's a decent man, and will trouble nobody.

The Christmas archnay being put up by R. McKay & Co. in front of their premises will be quite an attractive looking affair when finished, I am told. It's these little things that brighten up the city in holiday times.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

License Holders Executive Discussed Illicit Selling Yesterday.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hamilton License Holders' Association was held at the Royal Hotel yesterday afternoon, and the question of taking action to suppress illicit liquor selling was discussed. No action was taken, as it was considered that the matter should be dealt with at a meeting of the association. It was announced that a number of matters of interest to those in the trade only were considered. The coming adermanic election was one of these.

YUKON MORALS.

Clerical Deputation Sees Premier and Oliver.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—(Special)—Bishop Hamilton, of Ottawa; Canon Tucker, of Toronto; Rev. Dr. Chown, Toronto; Dr. Cameron, Ottawa; Dr. A. S. Grant, Toronto, and Rev. Dr. Shearer, of the Moral and Social Reform Department of the Presbyterian Church, waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Oliver this forenoon in reference to moral and social reform in the Yukon. A delegation waited on the Government some time ago in connection with the matter. It is an outcome of certain charges preferred by Rev. Dr. Pringle, and to investigate which the Government proposed a court of enquiry. Col. White, representing the Mounted Police, was present.

WANT WORK.

Government Asked to Provide Labor for Toronto Poor.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 13.—(Special)—Rev. Dr. Shearer, Dr. Chown and Mr. Thompson, of the Associated Charities in Toronto, waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Dr. Pugsley to-day and asked that Government works now under contract in Toronto should be proceeded with at once, so as to give work to the unemployed in Toronto.

A Smoker's Christmas Box.

Some very choice cigars in small boxes are sold at peace's cigar store. He has them for 50c, 60c, 70c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3. Select a box of good cigars at 107 King street east.

As Early as Possible, Please.

Kindly favor us with your order as early as possible. Extra help, extra delivery wagons have been provided. We promise you prompt delivery. It's impossible to tell you of the many nice things we have to offer. Come and see. Another shipment of English Stilton cheese, also Quebec cream cheese, Long Point ducks, pigeons. Bain & Adams, 89-91 King street east.

DROVE OVER BROW OF THE MOUNTAIN.

GIRL ATE MATCHES.

Five-Year-Old Nearly Dies From Sulphur Poisoning.

Dunkirk, Dec. 13.—Frances Ponatowski, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ponatowski, of St. Hedwig avenue, ate a quantity of match heads last evening, and was barely rescued from death by the prompt action of Dr. Jurek, who removed the poison from the child's stomach. Only a little time elapsed before the child's condition became known to the mother and the doctor was called, but the little one was already in a critical state when medical aid was secured.

NOT DEAD DRUNK.

Bartender Finds Apparently Dazed Man a Corpse.

Buffalo, Dec. 13.—After entering a saloon at 170 East Eagle street and trying to get warm at a gas stove, a man whose identity is as yet unknown, expired about 6 o'clock last night.

Seated in the room at the time were several persons. The bartender undertook to arouse the man, who appeared to have fallen asleep. Getting no response from a vigorous shaking, Dr. Danbach was called.

Dr. John D. Howland, deputy medical examiner, was the next one summoned. He said death was due to heart failure. The body was removed to the morgue. The man was a stranger in the district. He was fairly well dressed, but was evidently a laboring man.

THEY REJOICED.

Beamsville Pleased With Result of Raffle Case.

Beamsville, Dec. 13.—(Special)—The telephone wires were hot all afternoon between St. Catharines, Clinton township and Beamsville yesterday afternoon with inquiries as to the results of the celebrated raffle case before the court in the county town. When word finally came in about 5 o'clock that Gilmore and Lebrach were free, and Heckador and Grobb off on suspended sentence, there was much rejoicing and good feeling.

ACQUITTED.

Engineer Morris of This City Found Not Guilty.

Barrie, Ont., Dec. 13.—As a result of a collision in the Allamakee yards on September 29th, in which a fireman, named Blackburn, was killed, his engineer, Henry Morris, of Hamilton, was charged at the County Court here yesterday with manslaughter. Crown Attorney Cotter conducted the prosecution, and T. C. Robinson, K. C., defended Morris. The trial lasted all day and resulted in a verdict of acquittal.

Morris lives at 57 Locomotive street, and is well and favorably known, and his many friends will be very glad to hear of the decision.

REV. MR. CASWELL HERE.

Rev. W. B. Caswell, a former popular pastor of Charlton Avenue Methodist Church, gave an address there last evening. There was a large gathering of the congregation and Mr. Caswell's talk on "The Top Storey" was greatly appreciated. Mr. Caswell has received a call to one of the large churches in Toronto.

CRIMINAL CASES HEARD AT THE GENERAL SESSIONS.

Trial of Tobin and Marshall, and of John Campbell On This Morning.

The first batch of the criminal cases came before Judge Snider this morning, when James Tobin and Walter Marshall were charged with stealing iron castings from the G. T. R. Mr. M. J. O'Reilly appeared for the prisoners.

P. C. Smith told of seeing Tobin and Marshall coming up Ferguson avenue on June 11. Smith said that the men had some iron castings in their hands. He followed the pair to Cohen's junk shop, at the corner of Ferguson avenue and Rebecca street, where one of them went into the shop, and sold some of the castings. When the other man came up, Smith walked up and asked them where they got the stuff. Tobin said they had found it on Stuart street. Smith then arrested the pair, on a charge of vagrancy. After they had been locked up they were heard to say, "Well, we're in hard luck; we may get six months for this."

Constable Steward corroborated the evidence of P. C. Smith. John Thomas Rogers, foreman of the local car shops of the G. T. R., identified some

Alex. Aiken Lost Life During Night.

Caught Between Body and Wheel of Buggy.

Suffocated Before Regaining Consciousness

Mysterious and tragic was the untimely end of Alexander Aiken, a respected farmer of the mountain top, who was found dead at the side of his buggy this morning, while the horse which had drawn him to the spot was grazing close by.

Percy Near, a young farmer, was driving east on the mountain road immediately above the reservoir in the east end, when he was surprised to see a broken buggy with a man jammed between the front wheel and the body of the buggy, and held in a standing posture. Not getting any answer when he spoke to the man, he got out of his rig and climbed over the edge of the hill to the spot where the man was, and was horrified to find him dead, and jammed hard between the wheel and the buggy. He notified Mr. Calder, resident superintendent of the reservoir, and Mr. Calder in turn notified the police, and Coroner Anderson and County Constable George Nichol were despatched to the scene of the tragedy. The doctor, after a speedy examination, found no marks except some slight bruises on one of the wrists, and had no hesitation in saying that the deceased had been suffocated from the pressure of the wheel upon him.

The supposition as to the cause of the unfortunate man's death is that he was driving home late last night after selling some of his stock on the market, and that, as it was dark, he made a miscalculation, and drove over the brow of the mountain. The horse was released by the sudden jolt breaking its harness, and the dead man was carried down the mountain almost half way to the G. T. R. track and stunned by the fall. With a sudden jerk the buggy was whirled around and throwing him out, caught him between the wheel and the body and revolved him three or four times before suffocation before regaining from the effects of being stunned. The body was cold and rigid and the man had been dead all night, in the opinion of the coroner.

Coroner Anderson stated emphatically this morning that there were no outward signs of liquor on him. After consulting the Crown Attorney the coroner decided to hold an inquest and Constable Nichol, was put to work to summon a jury which will meet this afternoon in Crown Court, undertaking in return to which the body was removed after the coroner and the constable had viewed it at the scene of the accident.

The deceased leaves besides a widow, on son and three daughters, the son lives in the city, and is agent for W. Gray & Sons, farm implements, King street west, and the daughters are Mrs. R. Felker, wife, Mrs. J. Stewart, Vinemount; Mrs. W. Smith, Hamon P. O. Other relatives of the deceased are Mrs. George Case, a niece; Mr. Samuel Aiken, father of Constable Aiken, of this city; a brother, Mr. Aiken, Mayor of Dresden. The late Mrs. Kintz-Perry was also a niece. The dead man was about 65 years of age and was a road overseer of the township in which he lived. His home was about two miles south of the reservoir and a mile or so from Long's Hotel. He had recently been working on the beach, for the Beach Commission.

The reason for the inquest is not that there is any suspicion of foul play, but it is very likely that the township will be blamed for not protecting the road at the point where Aiken fell and met his death. The place in question has been a home of contention for some time and a number of the Councilors have fought hard to have it fixed up, and a fence put there. Some time ago Mr. A. Gerrard went over at the same spot while driving but escaped serious injury in some unaccountable manner.

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Marshall said they had found the casting on Stuart street, and that they had no G. T. R. castings on them at the time of arrest. Crown Attorney Washington began to cross-examine Marshall as to his previous record, but the prisoner maintained that he had never been convicted of any charge. Mr. O'Reilly objected, and Judge Snider said that he thought the Crown should not ask a man questions of that nature unless there was a conviction against him. The court was suspended for a few minutes while the Crown endeavored to find out if there was anything against Marshall. Mr. Washington returned shortly after, and said that he was in error, and that Marshall had not been convicted on any charge.

The Grand Jury brought in its presentment this afternoon. A rather unusual incident occurred this morning when Howard Campbell's name was called to answer the charge of breaking into the residence of John Sint.

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NORTHERNDERS HAD HOT TIME OVER MOTION OF CENSURE.

One Member Defied Chairman to Attempt to Eject Him From the Meeting.

The North End Improvement Society had a sizzling hot session last night, things becoming so warm at one time that the chairman threatened to eject one of the members, who told him rather chestily that he was not big enough to attempt it. The trouble resulted from an effort to give a vote of censure adopted, condemning Mayor Stewart and the aldermen who voted against the decision to strike off the \$2 rate on baths and the neglect of the committee that was to have interviewed prospective aldermanic candidates to call on Ald. Jutten.

Those who wanted the Mayor and his colleagues censured argued that at the previous meeting, they had commended the aldermen who had voted for the cutting off of the rate and it was only fair to censure those who had voted against it. It was intimated that some of Ald. Jutten's friends were opposing it. Those who wanted the vote of censure passed contended that they should not discriminate against Ald. Jutten when they had already censured one of their candidates, Ald. A. J. Wright, over his vote on the Bailey switch.

When a vote was taken it was 8-4 in favor of the motion to censure. There was somewhat of an uproar when the result was announced. There were about a score of members present and some of them challenged the vote on the ground that there was not a fair representation of the hundred odd members of the society present. Another vote was taken and the result was 8-4 against the vote of censure. After the hottest kind of an argument it was agreed to let the matter drop.

The last echo of the row over the baths had not sounded before the members were plunged into a gingers debate over the report of the special committee appointed to interview prospective aldermanic candidates. The committee reported that it had secured only one new man, J. A. Williamson. It had waited upon Ald. A. J. Wright and Ald. M. J. Kennedy, who both accepted the

endorsement of the society. It was explained that Ald. Thomas Jutten, who was on the society's slate last year had not yet been waited upon. It developed later that one of the Conservative members of the committee, who did not approve of the way Ald. Jutten voted on certain matters during the year, had refused to wait upon him.

George Potter, one of the members, severely criticized the committee for not waiting upon Ald. Jutten. He thought it was an insult to Mr. Jutten and he flayed the men who were sent out to pick up candidates.

President Fred. Porter had left the meeting previous to this and the Vice-President, G. W. Long, was in the chair. "Sit down," commanded Mr. Long. "I won't sit down for you," was Mr. Potter's reply. "Sit down or I will put you out," thundered the chairman. "I won't sit down, and you can't put me out. It would take a bigger man than you," Mr. Potter is reported to have retorted.

Oil was finally poured on the troubled waters. An effort made to get the old committee discharged and a new one appointed was defeated, on the understanding that two of the members would wait upon Ald. Jutten.

J. A. Williamson was present and the son was satisfied, after hearing him, which had desecrated the support of the north enders and citizens at large. Ald. Kennedy and Wright also spoke. George Hill was present. He said he had not made up his mind yet as to whether he would be in the field or not. William Durraney, J. Young, Fred. Porter and C. R. Reed announced that they would not face the barrier this year.

Ald. Wright was commended for complying with the request that the city's attention be called to rubbish on Ferguson avenue.

It was reported that the cinder path, which had been completed, was being destroyed by teams and it was thought some action should be taken to prevent this.

The society will have a public meeting in the Ferguson Avenue Baptist Church on Thursday evening next, at which the present aldermen and prospective candidates will be heard.

HIS LORDSHIP'S ROMANCE

When once the old lord had recovered from the first effect of seeing her, he could never rest out of her sight. He from the first effect of seeing her, he atone for his indifference and neglect. He lavished jewels and money upon her; and when he made his curious visit, so some people thought a just one, he secretly hoped that his beautiful niece would be Lady Lynne.

What SCIENTISTS Say Against Local Option:--

Professor A. B. MacCallum, Lecturer in Physiology to the University of Toronto: "The results of careful experiments show that alcohol, taken in diluted form in small doses is oxidized within the body and so supplies energy like the common articles of food; and that it is incorrect to designate it as a poison."

YORK LOAN.

PHILLIPS' CONVENIENT WAY OF ENTERING ACCOUNTS. Referee Considers Claims of Advance Shareholders Amounting to \$102,000.—Cashier Tells How Loans Were Paid Off.

TO DEVELOP RAILWAYS.

Big English Company Said to be Forming. Montreal, Dec. 12.—Mr. Rodolphe Forget is responsible for the statement that a big English concern is prepared to spend \$10,000,000 in developing Canada's electrical railways.

INDIAN WILL NOT BE HANGED.

Member of Fiddler Tribe to Escape Gallops for Strangling Squaw. Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 12.—Joseph Fiddler will not hang. Such is the decision of the Dominion Government.

WILD DOGS SHOT.

Part of East Zorra Has Been Devastated by Them. Woodstock, Dec. 12.—Part of East Zorra, the district surrounding Gospie, has for some months been troubled by a fierce pack of dogs, which worried sheep and lambs, and even young cattle.

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Xmas Sale of Neckwear and Belts

Dainty Collars in Fancy Box, 50c, 75c, 98c. Latest novelties in Neckwear, dainty Chiffon and Lace Collars, trimmed with gold, medallions, buckles, beads, etc., with or without jabot, regular 75c, \$1, \$1.50, on sale Saturday 50c, 75c, 98c, put up in artistic boxes.

Xmas Sale of Handkerchiefs

Embroidered Handkerchiefs 10c, 15c, 19c each, Nicely Boxed. Dainty Swiss Handkerchiefs, beautifully embroidered in scolloped edge and hemstitched, regular 15, 25, 35c, special for Saturday 10c, 15c, 10c each.

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TRUSTEES TO ASSIST THEM.

Will Encourage Plan to Teach Foreigners English Language.

Board Appoints Nurse to Inspect Public School Pupils.

Two New Manual Training Centres to be Opened.

The Board of Education warmed up enthusiastically last night to the scheme of assisting in opening a school for teaching foreigners the English language. There seemed to be some difference of opinion as to just what course should be pursued in encouraging the scheme, but the trustees were unanimous in feeling that something should be done.

Action was hastened by the appearance of a deputation from the Israelitish Benevolent Society in connection with the matter. The spokesman of the party urged that the board do something to open a night school. While appearing solely on behalf of the Hebrews of the city, they did not object to a school for all nationalities. If these foreigners were able to speak the English language, he said, they would make much better citizens. There were about a hundred Hebrews in city, mostly refugees from Russia, some of whom had been here two or three years, who would attend the classes. They would not object to paying a small fee.

The board had already decided to offer to those interested in the opening of the school such furniture as is at its disposal for that purpose. Mr. Adam Zimmerman, the member for West Hamilton, persuaded the Government to permit the use of the old customs house for school purposes. Most of the trustees last night thought it was a duty they should not shirk, although some of them protested against the board being put to any expense. It was thought that teachers of the school should be secured from the public schools, and all figures, that would be covered by the fees. The matter was left in the hands of the Internal Management Committee.

This clause in the Internal Management Committee's report carried without comment, although it was expected there was going to be a lively debate over it:

"That a professional nurse be appointed to inspect the Public School pupils, for a term of six months from Jan. 1, 1908, at a salary of \$250 for the six months, and that Emma J. Deymon be appointed to the position; that Dr. Roberts and Dr. Carr be a committee to draw up rules governing the work, and that a special inspection be made of all new pupils entering the Public Schools." Chairman Howell made a report on the visit of the deputation to Woodstock and Rochester to gather information regarding manual training. The board approved of the Internal Management Committee's recommendation that two new centres be opened at the Caroline and Wentworth street schools. There was some doubt about the latter school being a suitable place, but the matter was left with the Internal Management Committee, which will also have power to engage teachers.

The matter of arranging details in connection with the carrying into effect and operation of the Savings Bank system, to be introduced into the school's was left in the hands of a special committee.

The Building Committee, which is dealing with the matter of gas burners in the Domestic Science classes, to prevent a re-occurrence of a similar accident to that which happened in the King Edward recently, will arrange for improvements to the burners that will protect against danger.

Secretary Foster read the following communications:

Application from W. D. Platt to have the Mountain Avenue School opened.

Miss Mabel Strong, domestic science teacher, for an increase of salary to \$600 a year. She receives \$500 now.

Thomas Godsell, caretaker of Queen Victoria Avenue School, for an increase from \$550 to \$575.

Misses J. Caroline Smith, E. Victoria Johnson, Katharine E. McKown, Margaret Reyburn, for positions on the teaching staff.

J. Percy Gage, for a position as manual training teacher.

Miss W. C. Jamieson, leave of absence for a year.

Eleven applications for the position of sewing teacher were received.

GUELPH SHOWS.

Big Time Among the Farmers and Their Women Folks.

Guelph, Dec. 12.—The combined experience of the best known men in the horse and cattle industry and of the leaders in women's institute work was given to-day for the guidance of all in attendance at the Winter Fair and its allied meetings, and all connected with these undertakings are convinced that all records have been broken in attendance, interest and general results. With some, and particularly the exhibitors, the judging at the Winter Fair has been the chief attraction, while others look upon the Ontario Agricultural College as the key to the door of success on the farm. Hon. Adam Beck, of London, in a vigorous speech, made a plea for farmers to take more interest in the breeding of good horses, and incidentally touched upon the question of cheap power for the rural districts and the operation of farm machinery. The Women's Institute continued and closed the discussion on allegiance to high ideals in the home. One woman here thought it was children's day at the Fair by the number of little ones who watched the parade of prize live stock. John Brown & Sons, of Galt, the winners of the grand championship, were the recipients of many words of praise upon their record of success. Never before, according to best judges, and they were there from all parts of the world, was there a better representation of high class beef cattle.

CASITORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
Chas. H. Fletcher

The Toronto City Engineer estimates that underground railways in Toronto would cost \$1,500,000 a mile.



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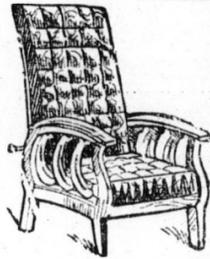
The Frank E. Walker Co. and its customers enjoy a friendly relationship that makes trading here a pleasure. We make each customer feel he is our friend—that this is his store, and that we appreciate his trade. Our handshake has the grip of sincerity and earnestness. We'll give you liberal treatment and help you in every possible way. This is the only credit store in Hamilton guaranteeing that when sick or out of employment no payments will be required of you.

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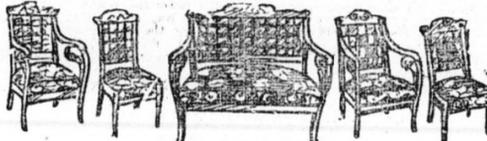
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10 only Morris Chairs, in solid polished oak finish, large, heavy frames, reversible velour cushion, brass rod and brass adjustments. Regular \$16.50, for \$12.25.

58 different styles to choose from, and a number of each on sale, from \$4.05 to \$23.75.

ALL HOLIDAY GOODS PURCHASED NOW WILL BE HELD FOR CHRISTMAS DELIVERY.

\$27.75 Latest Five-Piece Parlor Suit, \$37.50



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This Parlor Suite—which is the latest production of Walker's artistic taste and handiwork—consists of five very beautiful pieces—a Settee, a large, comfortable Patent Rocker, one handsome Easy Arm Chair and two neat Open Chairs. The frames are excellent mahogany birch, constructed in the best possible manner. The covering may be had in velour or verona, and with guarantee on every feature of the suite it is a most wonderful value at Walker's **\$37.50**

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HYDRO OFFER WOULD STICK CITY.

(Continued from page 1.)

pump the reservoir full the city will get the most of it under the Hydro scheme. It is an indisputable fact that the proportion of increase will be much larger in the maximum than in the average; therefore the city will be 'soaked' to a very much greater extent on account of the increased consumption of water by having its pumping done by the Hydro, than if the Cataract does it.

"Under the Cataract offer, the city will get its pumping done for six years at a saving of 30 per cent. of what it will cost if done by Hydro-Electric power, and will save the whole of the capital expense. Now, what will the capital expense be under the Hydro scheme? I

am prepared to say that \$50,000, the amount estimated, will not buy and install the pumps and complete the system with transformers, lightning arresters, switches, connections, etc. It may buy the pumps. The Cataract Company will buy and install the pumps, provide the transformers, lightning arresters, switches, connections, and everything complete, entirely free of cost to the city, and will present the whole outfit to the city at the end of the six years.

"Then look a little further. The city, at the present condition of the money market, will pay \$55,800 or more for the \$50,000 required to buy the pumps. By the time they are installed and equipped ready to deliver water the outfit will be anywhere from \$75,000 to \$100,000. Under the Cataract offer the city is saved this entire outfit and will get as good an electric pumping plant as it can buy for the figures I have given above.

"Then if the waterworks department will introduce a good system of metering the consumption of water can be materially reduced, and that should be done, no matter what power is used."

Mr. Hawkins was asked this question: It has been estimated that your offer is equal to \$35 a horse-power a year. How is that figure arrived at? "It is reached by computing interest, repairs, depreciation, cost of power and everything else. On the same process the Hydro-Electric proposition will figure out at \$45."

Mr. Hawkins repeated the statement

he made on Tuesday, that the city would save \$69,000 in six years by accepting the Cataract offer. He figures it as follows:

Hydro proposition—
1,000 horse-power at \$17.50 for six years \$105,000
Interest 15,000
Sinking fund 15,000
Maintenance 4,500
Capital cost 50,000
Total \$189,500
Cataract Power Company's charge for power \$120,000
Saving to city \$ 69,500

DEAD ON THE TRACK.

Body of Henry Tennant, of Lagark Township, Found.

Carleton Place, Dec. 12.—The remains of a man named Henry Tennant, about 50 years of age, of Lagark township, were found on the C. P. R. track near the freight shed this morning. It seems he rushed this morning some time last night, and from bottles found in his pockets it is supposed he was under the influence of liquor and wandered on to the track. His remains were taken to Leslie's undertaking establishment, awaiting the action of the coroner.

WAS ACQUITTED.

JUDGE EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT THE JURY'S VERDICT.

Man on Trial at "Soo" for Slaying Companion Told a New Story of How Tragedy Occurred.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 12.—Thos. McFarlane, who has been on trial for the murder of William Dixon by shooting at Iron Bridge, was to-night acquitted, and left the court a free man. When the jury returned with their verdict at 9 o'clock the judge expressed great surprise at their finding, declaring that he could not conceive how it was possible for any jury to arrive at such a verdict on the evidence which had been presented. Throughout the day McFarlane showed the deepest dejection, and while his counsel was addressing the court sat with his head concealed below the rail of the dock. When the verdict was rendered a fervent "Thank God!" burst from his lips.

This morning the prisoner took the stand in his own defence, and told an entirely new story. He said that on the day in question he was at the cabin, which he occupied with Dixon,

and was engaged in feeding the dog when Dixon arrived in an intoxicated condition. He did not pay any attention to him until Dixon took down the gun from the wall and shot the dog. He, the prisoner, at once grappled with Dixon, and in the struggle the weapon was discharged, killing the latter.

McFarlane went on to relate how, under the stress of excitement, he attempted to commit suicide, but the gun missed fire. He then left the house, and passed the night at a lumber camp, returning in the morning. He knelt down by the body of the dead man and made a vow that he would give himself up and tell the whole truth, but instead when arrested that night he broke his vow and told conflicting stories.

The judge's charge was strongly against the prisoner.

As soon as the verdict had been rendered, McFarlane left the court.

BABY BADLY BURNED.

Galt Woman Had Left Children Alone for a Brief While.

Galt, Ont., Dec. 12.—The two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Simmons, Pollock avenue, was terribly burned this morning. The child's mother had gone to the butcher shop near by, leaving the children alone, and on returning, after a very brief absence, found

the baby with its clothing in flames. By means of a blanket they were immediately extinguished, but the child was frightfully burned about the upper portion of the body. It is thought that the children were playing about the fire with paper.

LENIENCY FOR STEPHENS.

The Wabash Engineer's Case Considered by Grand Jury.

St. Thomas, Dec. 12.—The grand jury at the Sessions to-day recommended leniency in the case of Murray Stephens, former Wabash engineer, sentenced to half a year in jail two months ago for disregarding signals, which resulted in the fatal collision at the C. P. R.—Wabash diamond crossing. The jury think the ends of justice would be sufficiently met if Stephens were soon released, and now that the attention of the railway authorities and employees had been drawn to the subject by the punishment of this man fewer accidents may be anticipated from the carelessness of railway employees. The jury also recommends that prisoners in the county jail be given employment at breaking stones for roads.

A new navy league, to be called the Imperial Maritime League, is in process of projection in London. It threatens to deprive the older organization of much of its authority.

THE HAMILTON TIMES

FRIDAY, DEC. 13, 1907.

ADVISES ROBBERY.

The Herald professes to know that Adam Beck did not speak in ignorance of the facts when he said in Brantford that the Government would be responsible for the difference between the estimated and the actual cost of the Hydro-Electric power to the municipalities—that the Government had gone behind the Act in taking this position, but got cold feet when the leader of the Opposition, Mr. MacKay, showed the injustice of the new stand taken by it. Lots of people imagined at the time that Mr. Beck had made the slip because he did not know what the Act said on the subject. Be that as it may, the Government receded from what looked like an untenable position. A retreat which annoys the Herald, and it makes an appeal to Whitney to brace up, and pass a law compelling the people who cannot enjoy the blessings of hydro-electric power to help pay for the power for those who can. The beauty of the arrangement would be that other portions of the Province would be paying to make the western belt more attractive for manufacturers than it is now, and as a consequence injuring the interests of the places thus compelled to contribute—to pay for their own undoing. The bait held out that those districts not within the Niagara power zone will get some other power some other time is not apt to mislead any one. People do not pay taxes on such assumptions. Anyway the circumstances would be entirely different. While they might have to "make good" large sums in connection with the Hydro power, it is possible that we would have to pay nothing to help them out. The only just way is for each to stand on its own bottom, and pay the shot whatever it may be.

Because Mr. MacKay declared that it would be manifestly unfair to tax municipalities and power users who are not within the electric zone for the benefit of those who are, the Herald charges him with "utilizing sectional prejudices in a most unfair manner in an attempt to stir up hostility to the Government for the sake of gaining a little party advantage." To compel a manufacturer to contribute money to help make a rival manufacturer a still more effective and dangerous rival would be what Mr. MacKay said it would be—monstrous. Sectional prejudice is not needed to stir up people in such circumstances. Self interest and the fact that an injustice is being attempted upon them are sufficient to range all those who are outside the zone to protest against such a proposition. Mr. MacKay deserves the thanks of the whole people, even those who would have benefited by the injustice, for raising his voice in protest against such an imposition.

GET-RICH-QUICK SCHEME.

Selling municipal debentures at 89 1/2 is a get-rich-quick scheme—but not for the unfortunate municipality that has to do the selling. To the city that must raise money in that way it means that during the whole term that the debentures run the corporation must pay to the money lenders interest at the rate of 16.07 per cent. Let us imagine that John Jones is a grocer with a nice, profitable business, but with his money so invested that he cannot just at the moment place his hands upon \$800 with which to improve his property. Note that the price he will have to pay for the work is exactly what the city of Hamilton will receive for each \$1,000 debenture under the last sale. John Jones is no wiser than the City Council of Hamilton and decides to pay the same price for the loan he must make. He agrees to repay at the end of one year, with interest at 4 per cent. After twelve months he must hand over \$1,040. The lender receives \$111 for one year's interest on \$896. That figures out at just 16.07 per cent. That is what Hamilton is paying on its last loan.

If John Jones, prosperous grocer, is wise, what will he do? He will postpone the improvement he had contemplated until "money comes down." It was not by paying usury at that rate that he became prosperous John Jones. An expert in finance has told the Hamilton City Council that it will, in all probability, be harder to sell debentures next year than it is now. What is Hamilton's wise course in the premises? Just what would be the wise course for John Jones.

Our ratepayers are to be asked to vote on a by-law at the next January elections to authorize an issue of debentures amounting to \$275,000. The city fathers cannot even say that the works it is proposed to spend the money on can be completed for that amount. They may require 25 or 30 per cent. more. Is the city prepared to pay 16 per cent. interest on \$275,000 to \$330,000 for the next 20 years for the privilege of owning a power distributing plant and of paying a higher price for the power to be used than it can buy it for from an existing concern? That is what the ratepayers have to face: uncertainty as to the amount they will ultimately be called upon to spend; certainty that it will be but the beginning of a greater burden in the future and certainty that the enormous rate of interest must be paid.

The citizens who believe in good civic government should see that the Tory plot to capture the Council for the politicians comes to naught. The city wants men who will transact its business for its own benefit, and not for the benefit of a political party.

VERY UNDIGNIFIED.

Mayor Stewart gave out the statement yesterday that Chief Engineer Sothman, of the Hydro-Electric Commission, had stated to him that "the Cataract Power Company was figuring on a cheaper grade of pumps than the city had in view," in connection with the Beach pumping plant. The statement puts Mr. Sothman in a decidedly undignified position. It is quite a common thing in the City Hall, when contracts are to be let for supplies, to see and hear selling agents and travellers belittling the wares of their rivals, but when it comes to the chief engineer of a project such as the Hydro-Electric scheme descending to the tricks of rival agents it has a bad look. It makes the project he represents look cheap, and almost fakey. Mr. Sothman has no means of knowing what grade of pumps the Cataract Company is figuring on. Mr. W. C. Hawkins, general manager of the Cataract Company, does not himself know. Mr. Sothman's course is not becoming to the dignity of the Hydro-Electric Commission, if Mayor Stewart understood him rightly.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Shop early. Right after breakfast is the best time.

This weather is good for Christmas trade and the Board of Works overdraft.

The Hydro-Electric Commission will have to muzzle its chief engineer.

Under the Cataract offer the city gets a modern pumping plant as a gift.

The electors will be wise to pay no attention to municipal slates or tickets.

The Times Christmas number next Wednesday. Have you sent in your ad yet?

How would you like to get that Dundurn bear in your stocking on Christmas morning?

The Tory ward organizations are completed. All they are waiting for now is the boodie.

It is good business to vote against any proposition which calls for the borrowing of money at 16 per cent. interest.

The report that the Japs have got Mr. Lemieux "on a string" is not likely true. They want Canada as a customer.

What's the use of trying to boom Hamilton if our aldermen are going to help other towns to cut under us in power matters.

Foster should bring Fowler with him to-morrow. Then what's the matter with Gamey? Is he not respectable enough for Mr. Foster?

Of course, if the Toronto experts' report on the street railway is not what the employers of the experts want, other experts will be engaged.

As long as the city is in the power of a political ring it will be in a hole. Decent Tories suffer just as much as do Grits when the city's business is distributed to political ends.

Some people are surprised to think that the Cataract Power Co. should want to make anything out of the pump it offers to the city. They supposed the company was just playing Santa Claus.

To be quite fair, however, it is necessary to say that if steam pumping were continued the cost would increase to the extent of the cost of the additional coal that would have to be consumed. This total increased cost might amount to about \$25,000 in the six years—not more.

—Hamilton Herald.

If steam pumping were continued for another six years, would it not be necessary to spend \$50,000 or more for new steam pumps?

Raphael Tuck & Sons, Limited, art publishers to British royalty, make a specialty of all sorts of works of art for the Christmas and holiday trade, and it may be safe to say that their productions are among the finest, if not the finest, in the world. Everything they touch give evidence of the handwork of the artist. The pictorial games for children, their children's books, the Christmas calendars and cards and even the Tuck's post cards are all things of beauty and good to look upon.

The St. Catharines Standard has published a special souvenir number, regarding which it would be difficult to speak too highly. It consists of fifty-four pages of royal octavo, exclusive of the covers, and is well printed on heavy toned paper. It is descriptive of St. Catharines, Thorold, Merriton, Port Dalhousie, and their industries. One special feature of interest to Hamiltonians are a description and illustration of the Cataract Power Co's works, with lifelike portraits of Hon. J. M. Gibson and Manager Hawkins.

In another column reference is made to the check Canadian newspapers have received in connection with their subscribers residing on the other side of the line. There is not a newspaper in Canada but has lost largely by the increase of postage on newspapers—some of them have lost hundreds of dollars. That is only one side of the question. The thousands of Canadians living in the United States kept alive the love for and interest in their native land by subscribing for the daily or weekly paper from the home town. Now the increase of the postage has caused a great number of them to cut even this connection that bound them to the old home. Mr. Lemieux's action may be of service to Canada in some way, but we confess we have not seen the benefit.

Greater Business Than Ever

This Christmas will outstrip the sales of previous years by a large per cent. The public are taking advantage of our profit-sharing scheme, every dollar's worth of Christmas goods having been marked at a lower percentage of profit than any previous season. Our staff will be nearly doubled for Saturday, but we would advise purchasing in the morning.

Great Bargains from the Silk Section

300 Waist Lengths in Silk, each done up in a neat gift box, these we have decided to clear out Saturday at about half their ordinary value.

- \$5 Waist Lengths \$2.45
\$3.75 Waist Lengths \$2.63
Fancy Silk Blouse Lengths, 5 yds. Tartan Silk Dress Lengths, Louisiana, will not cut, regular price \$3.75, Saturday \$2.45
\$1.50 Crepe de Chine \$1 Black Peau de Soie 75c
Fancy Stripe Colored Crepe de Chine, 44 inches wide, value for \$1.50, Saturday \$1
\$4 Children's Silk Dresses \$2.95
Children's China Silk Dresses, made Mother Hubbard style, with accordion pleated skirt, and French cut, trimmed with silk braid and nicely shirred, colors red, sky and cream, size 1 to 6 years, worth \$4, for \$2.95

Thousands of Yards of Dress Goods Will be Offered Saturday at a Big Reduction.

- \$1 Eolienne 69c
40 inch Silk and Wool Eolienne, in pale blue, cream, pink, and turquoise, regular \$1, for 69c
\$1.35 Crepe de Chine 99c
44 inch Crepe de Chine, champagne, navy, cream, regular \$1.35, for 99c
65c Albatros 50c
44 inch Albatros in brown, navy, fawn, pale blue, cream and black, regular 65c, for 50c
\$1 Crepe Duchesse 69c
44 inch Crepe Duchesse in navy, green, cream, champagne, black, regular \$1, for 69c
Cashmere 50c
44 inch all wool French Cashmere in a full range of colors, at 50 and 55c, for 50c
\$1.25 Tweeds 69c
44 to 54 inch Tweed Dress Goods in light and dark colorings, worth up to \$1.25, for 69c

Blouse Lengths of Dress Goods

300 Fancy Waist Lengths, specially boxed for Christmas business. These will be on sale Saturday at from \$1.50 to \$5.00

Christmas Goods from Our Gents' Section

In no department of the house can we save you as much money on your purchase as we can in our Furnishing Department.

- Handkerchief Boxes Each 29c
Pretty Gift Boxes, containing 3 White Lawn Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, special Saturday 29c
50c Armlets 25c
Gents' Fancy Armlets, done up in a glass covered gift box, regularly 50c, for 25c
Gents' Ties 29c
Gents' Hook-on Ties, the 50c kind, each done up in a gift box Saturday 29c
45c Suspenders 35c
Men's Suspenders, each pair done up in a pretty box, regularly 45c, for 35c
\$2 Umbrellas \$1.50
Gents' Umbrellas, silk and wool cover, steel rod, pretty handle, \$2.00, for \$1.50
Mocha Gloves \$1.25
A full range of sizes in Gents' Mocha Gloves, lined, special Saturday \$1.25

TAKE YOUR SMALL PARCELS

Although we have made arrangements to double our delivery staff, it will be late, late work for the drivers, unless you take your small parcels.

Book and Calendar Dept.

This season we have purchased at least four times the usual stock of Books and Calendars, and consequently not only bought them cheaper, but have also marked at a smaller ratio of profit. This department you will find at the end of the store, on the ground floor.

Great Values in Lace Curtains

- \$2 Curtains Saturday \$1.25
10 pairs only extra strong quality Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 50 inches wide, in two patterns only, worth regular \$2, Saturday \$1.25
\$3 Lace Curtains for \$2.25
8 pairs very fine Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 54 inches wide, strong, double thread, good effective design, overlook edge, Saturday only \$2.25
\$2.50 Lace Curtains for \$1.98
9 pairs only good, fine Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 52 inches wide, plain centre, with heavy floral border, regularly sold at \$2.25 pair, they go on sale Saturday for \$1.98
\$3.50 Lace Curtains for \$2.25
12 pairs Strong Cable Net Curtains, plain centres, with heavy massive border, overlook edge, sold regularly at \$3.50 pair, Saturday sale price \$2.25
\$2.25 Lace Curtains for \$1.48
7 pairs very special lot of Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 50 inches wide, good, effective design, worth regular \$2.25, Saturday \$1.48
\$4 Lace Curtains \$3.50
5 pairs Brussels Net Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 50 inches wide, Battenburg edge and insertion, regularly sold at \$4.00, Saturday \$3.50
Odd Lot of Curtains
About 30 pairs in all White Lace Curtains, worth up to \$1.00 a pair, in three lots for Saturday's selling. \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.25
Opera Shawls \$1.25 to \$2.25
Opera Shawls, made of pure silk, fancy design, edged with silk fringe, in colors black, cream, pale blue, and pink, prices \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.25
Special Show of Golf Jackets
Golf Jackets, made of fine knitted worsted, fancy designs, with high or roll collar, in black, white, navy or cardinal, prices \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00
\$4.75 Swiss Curtains \$3.75
6 pairs superior quality Swiss Net Curtains, good quality of net; will wash and launder well, good value for \$4.75, sale price \$3.75
\$5 Silk Shirt Waists \$3.50
Ladies' Taffeta Silk Shirt Waists, made of best quality silk, in navy, or brown, regular price \$5.00, on sale Saturday \$3.50
Ice Wool Scarfs and Fascinators
Ladies' Ice Wool and Mohair Scarfs and Fascinators, in black or white, prices \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00

From 8.15 to 9.15 Books 25c for 10c

1,000 Cloth Bound Books, Henty, Alger's, for boys' books, and all well known authors for the grown ups, regular 25c, Saturday morning 10c; only 2 books to a customer.

From 8.15 to 9.15—Jackets \$7.50 for \$2.99

Green Serge Cloth and Medium Grey Tweed Coats, seven-eighth length, loose back, double breasted, lined across shoulders, regular \$7.50, for \$2.99

From 8.15 to 9.15—Doilies 15c for 5c

50 dozen 9-inch Doilies, plain centres and Battenburg edge, usual price 15c, for 5c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Trinket Boxes 19c for 5c

12 dozen only Cane Trinket Boxes, suitable for ribbon trimming, value 19c, for 5c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Silk Handkerchiefs 25c for 15c

100 dozen Pure Silk White Initial Handkerchiefs, full range of initials, value 25c, sale price 15c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Doilies 50c and 75c for 25c

Handsome drawn work Tenerife Doilies, pure linen, regular 50 and 75c, for 25c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Handkerchiefs 15c

50 dozen in all, Embroidered Lawn Handkerchiefs, these are slightly damaged, but worth regular 20 to 50c, sale price 15c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Comb Sets \$2 for 99c

25 in all Comb Sets, in leatherette or leather cases: these sets contain, others 2 military brushes, value \$2.00, for 99c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Pillow Shams \$1 for 50c

36 only White Hemstitch Pillow Shams, with drawn work corners, regular \$1.00 value, for 50c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Kid Gloves \$2.25 for \$1.49

White or Grey 12-Button Kid Gloves, every pair guaranteed, regular \$2.25 value, for \$1.49

From 8.15 to 9.15—At-to Veils \$1 for 39c

50 dozen Auto Veils, all black chiffon, black and navy chiffon, and fancy dots, worth \$1, for 39c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Flannelette 12 1/2c and 15c for 5c

Just 2,000 yards in all, Manufacturers' Remnants of Canton Flannel, plain colors, regular 12 1/2c and 15c, on sale Saturday 5c. Only 10 yards to a customer.

From 8.15 to 9.15—Initial Handkerchiefs 15c for 5c

100 dozen Ladies' White Lawn Initial Handkerchiefs, value regular for 15c, sale price 5c

From 8.15 to 9.15—35c Boxed Handkerchiefs 19c

100 boxes only Men's White Lawn Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box, value 35c, sale price 19c. Only 1 box to a customer.

From 8.15 to 9.15—Stockings 50c for 19c

25 dozen Heavy All Wool Worsted English Stockings, size 9 1/2 only, and value for 50c, sale price 19c

From 8.15 to 9.15—Ladies' Vests 50c for 29c

30 dozen in all Ladies' Vests, good weight and value for 50c, Saturday morning \$29c

Great Coat Sale

We are bound to get quit of a lot of Coats Saturday, prices have been marked to less than the cost of material.

Children's Coats

Children's Coats in light and dark tweeds, plain navy and brown, nicely trimmed, with straps, and buttons, or capes, all this season's styles. \$11 Coats Saturday \$6.99 \$6.50 Coats Saturday \$4.99 \$5.00 Coats Saturday \$3.49

\$13.75 Coats for \$4.99

Brown Serge Cloth Jackets, seven-eighth length, loose back, new sleeves, trimmed with straps of self, double breasted, regular \$13.75, for \$4.99

\$10 Jackets for \$4.49

Ladies' Black Frieze Cloth Coats, seven-eighth length, loose back, lined to waist, velvet collar, collar and cuffs, trimmed with straps and buttons, regular \$10, for \$4.49

\$12.50 Jackets \$7.50

Ladies' Jackets in black and dark Tweeds, three-quarter length, loose back, trimmed with velvet braid and buttons, worth up to \$12.50 Saturday \$7.50

\$15 Jackets \$10

Ladies' 3/4 length Jackets in black, navy, brown and green, also dark tweed, loose and semi-fitting with stitched strap or braid and buttons, worth up to \$15, Saturday \$10

\$10 Jackets \$5

Tweed Jackets in light and dark colors, three-quarter length, loose and semi-fitting, trimmed with straps and velvet, value 15c, sale price Saturday \$5

Children's Dept.

\$4.50 and \$5 Coats \$2.99

12 only red and brown velvet Coats, with wide circular cape, sizes 1 to 8 yards, regular \$4.75 and \$5, Saturday \$2.99

\$2.25 Carriage Robes \$1.49

Baby Carriage Robes, made of curled Bearette, with muff attached, regular \$2.25, Saturday \$1.49

\$1.50 Bonnets 99c

White Bearette Bonnets, with tucked corded silk, frill and satin ribbon bow, regular \$1.50, Saturday \$99c

Our Great Basement Brim Full of Special Values for Saturday

Commencing at 8.30 a. m. and the active business will continue until 10 p. m. Quantities of appropriate articles for gifts, such as fine China, etc., and an immense display of Toys at reduced prices; also some splendid bargains in kitchen utensils will form the greatest programme you have ever experienced. Note well the special bargains offered for 2 1/2 hours in the morning, 8.30 to 11 o'clock.

8.30 to 11 O'clock Specials in CHINA DEPT.

Beautiful Fine China at 10 Per Cent. Discount

Hand Painted China in pond lily and fruit designs, very handsome, on sale at 10 per cent. discount off the regular prices.

\$1.50 China Plaques 98c
3 dozen large size China Plaques or Chop Dishes, floral decorated, very handsome, worth \$1.50 and \$1.75, on sale at 8.30 for 98c each
China Articles, Worth \$1 for 50c
Biscuit Jars, Flower Pots, Bread and Milk Sets, Cheese Dishes, Fancy Plates, Celery Trays, etc., your choice for 50c each at only \$10.00

8.30 to 11—Specials in Toys and Dolls

Dolls' Dishes, regular 10c, for 5c
Dolls' Trays, regular 40c, for 25c
Nine Pins, regular 25c, for 12 1/2c
Iron Hook and Ladder, 75c, for 50c
Hair Stuffed Dolls, 20c, for 10c
35c Dolls on sale for 25c
\$1.50 Dressed Dolls on sale for 99c
10c Rag Dolls on sale for 6c

Iron Toys
Hook and Ladders, each 25c
Iron Trains 15, 25, 50, 75c, and \$1.25
Pickles, per bottle 10 and 15c
2 quarts Cranberries 15c
Table Raisins, pound 20c
Shelled Almonds, per pound 40c
Extracts, bottle 5 and 10c
Baby Sleighs \$1.35, \$1.50 and \$2 only
Boys' Sleighs 50c for 39c
6 dozen Boys' Sleighs, with round steel shoeing hardwood runners, regularly 60c, on sale at 8.30 Saturday for 39c each
Good Toys Briefly Priced
Magic Lanterns 25c up to \$5.50
Steam Engines 40c, \$1.00, \$2.00
Triangolo Game \$3.00
Rocking Horses \$7.00, \$10.00, \$12.00

8.30 to 11 Specials in Seasonable Kitchen Utensils

Graniteware Department
25 dozen 1-quart Milk Pans, 10c, for 3c
25 dozen Skimmers, regularly 10c, for 3c
25 dozen White Granite Milk Pans, 15c, for 5c
25 dozen Pudding Pans, 3-qt., regularly 20c, for 7c
Sheet Iron Bread Pans, each 7c
Food Choppers, complete, \$1.50, for \$1.10
Large Double Roast Pans 50c for 39c
6 dozen Sheet Iron Double Roast Pans, of good material, two sizes, cheap at 30c, on sale Saturday morning, from 8.30 to 11, for 39c
Nickle Tea Kettles \$1.19
2 dozen only Copper, Nickel-plated Tea Kettles, pit bottom, No. 8 size, on sale between 8.30 and 11 o'clock for \$1.19

100 dozen Oranges go on sale at 8.30 sharp for only 5c dozen. an order for \$1 worth of other groceries.

Great Sale of Fresh Groceries on Saturday

- 12 lbs. of Redpath's Best Granulated Sugar 49c, or 7 lbs. for 29c, to customers leaving
Flour 65c 1/4-Sack
Cook's Pride Flour will be sold on Saturday at 65c per 1/4 cwt.
Lemon Peel 13c
100 pounds Fresh Lemon Peel will go on sale at 8.30 Saturday morning for only 13c per 13c pound
Large tin Baking Powder 10c
4 pounds White Icing Sugar 25c
4 pounds Japan Rice 25c
7 pounds Rolled Oats 25c
3 cans Peas 25c
7 pounds Standard Oatmeal 25c
6 pounds White Beans 25c
Pure Lard, per pound 15c
Ceylon Black Tea 40c for 25c
Another shipment and the last at the price will be placed on sale Saturday, value 40c, for 25c
Navel Oranges 25, 30 and 40c
Mexican Oranges 15, 25 and 35c
Mexican Lemons, dozen 20c
Dates, per package 5c
Prunes, per pound 10c
Table Figs, per package 10c
Plum Pudding, 50c, for 30c

THE T. H. PRATT CO. LIMITED
16 and 18 James Street North

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA

The Saturday matinee at the Savoy to-morrow should see the house packed to capacity for Prolle's Bijou Circus...

- Piano-Tannhauser March Wagner-Liszt Miss Gertrude Lorimer. Songs: (a) Love's a Piper Gay Violett M. Harley...

At Bennett's Theatre. Notwithstanding inclement weather and counter attractions, Bennett's has done a great business all week.

New Motion Pictures. One of the most sensational and emotion stirring films ever put on in this city entitled "The Need of Gold"...

Sousa Getting Better. New York, Dec. 13.—The condition of John Philip Sousa, the bandmaster, who returned to this city from Buffalo yesterday because of illness, was much improved last night.

Dr. Harris' Pupils. The attendance at Central Presbyterian Sunday school was very large last evening, the occasion being the recital of the advanced pupils of Dr. C. L. M. Harris.

JACKSON GETS NINE YEARS.

PROMISED TO SAY SOMETHING WHEN HE GOT OUT. And the Judge, Who Had Said Seven Years, Made It Nine at Hard Labor.

Woodstock, Dec. 13.—The trial of Arthur Jackson, a quodron, took place here yesterday, and lasted from 10 a. m. until 6.30 p. m.

The jury was out 20 minutes when a verdict of guilty was brought in. "Have you anything to say why I should not pass sentence?" asked Judge Finkle.

"As God sits upon His throne in heaven, as I firmly believe He does, I did not commit the crime I am accused of," was the prisoner's reply in dramatic tones.

"Then I sentence you seven years at hard labor in Kingston Penitentiary."

"May I now say a few words, Your Honor?" "You may not."

"You may not."

"You may not."

EQUALLY GUILTY.

Verdict in Beamsville Raffle Angers the Judge. St. Catharines, Dec. 13.—Because the jury found two men charged with raffling guilty and convicted two others, Judge Carman at the general sessions of the peace yesterday, grew indignant and allowed the latter to go on suspended sentence.

Reeve Thos. R. Gillmore, Jas. Librock, Aaron Grobb and Wm. Heckadon were the men and the charge was preferred against them by Rev. Mr. Brown, pastor of the Beamsville Baptist Church.

Grobb and Heckadon were found guilty and Gillmore and Librock were acquitted by jury.

The judge addressed the convicted men and said they were no more guilty than those acquitted.

"I have expected a verdict against all four, and was prepared to make them pay the costs of the whole matter, but as the two had been let go who really should have been found guilty, he would let the others go on suspended sentence."

15-Hour Privilege. Here are seven propositions, gentlemen, that should tempt you to loosen up: 150 men's \$12.50, \$13.50 and \$15 black and colored melton, beaver, vicuna \$10; 125 men's black and colored \$12.50, \$15 and \$16.50 worsted and tweed suits, 15 hours Saturday \$10; \$1.05 made easy, 200 pairs of \$5 American gentlemen shoes, all kinds of leather, 15 hours Saturday \$3.95; 93 men's, collar attached, turtle neck and coat sweaters, \$2.75, \$3 and \$3.25 lines, 15 hours Saturday \$1.95; one only to a customer; 100 only boys' \$1.25 and \$1.50 sweaters, 15 hours Saturday \$98; 20 per cent. off all men's and boys' underwear and \$3,000 stock to choose from; 300 pair brand \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2 soft and stiff front shirts, sizes 14 to 18, 15 hours Saturday \$5c. Every suit or overcoat pressed and altered gratis. A coat hanger with each. Sale commences at 8 a. m. until 11 p. m. The two T's, Trude & Tobey, 50 James street north.

Booming Business For Saturday

The fact is, we want more business. Christmas is not far away, and with big stocks all over the store are our reasons for such deep price cuts, and these great Saturday savings should bring you here early in the morning.

Women's High-Class Coats at Half Price

Santa Says, "The Prices Are Worth Noting." The Women's High Class Coats, New York manufacturer's samples, at half price, are going off rapidly. It is a Christmas buying event in handsome and stylish Coats that no one should miss.

Xmas Silk Sale

60c White Tamoline Silk 39c. This is a splendid Silk for dresses, waists and linings, bright finish, will give the best wear, 60c, sale price 39c.

Why Not Gloves for Gifts

Special Saturday sale of Perrin's Famous Kid Gloves, all new styles and colors, two dome wrist length, every pair guaranteed, in fancy gift boxes, special at...

Deep Price Cuts in Underwear and Hosiery

Women's Fleece Winter Vests, Women's extra fine and heavy in white, natural, black and cardinal, wool, lace trimmed, 85c, Saturday 50c.

Two Early Morning Flurries

House Dresses—Values up to \$3.50 for 98c. Lustré and Cashmere Blouses \$2.00 for 79c.

FINCH BROS., 29 and 31 King St. West

DEATH FOR MAN

Who Murdered a Chicago Kindergarten Instructor. Chicago, Dec. 13.—The crime for which Orchard Walton was to suffer death to-day was the murder of Mrs. Louise Grant, a kindergarten instructor, on the night of September 19, Mrs. Grant, intending to move, employed Walton to assist in packing her furniture.

HERE AND THERE.

Ottawa Free Press: The calamity howlers have had luck with the C. P. R. Their first bombshell that the company intended to close its Angus shops in Montreal was no sooner fired than it was denied.

PEEBLES THE JEWELER

Special Watch Values. A watch that keeps time \$1. A better watch for \$2. A good reliable watch \$3.

DERRY LODGE, O. Y. B.

Derry Lodge, No. 2, O. Y. B., held its annual meeting in the Orange Hall, James street north, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 10th, when the following officers were elected:

CALL ACCEPTED.

Rev. Walter Laidlaw Nichol, B. A., licentiate, has accepted the call from the congregations of Duff Church, Dunwich and Tait's Corners, Ekfrid, sustained by the Presbytery of London last Tuesday.

A SURE CURE.

To the Editor of the Times: Sir,—The writer found on the street a week ago a collie puppy with its head quite bare from a disease, which has been very bad around for some time.

MOTION DISMISSED.

At Toronto yesterday, Clarkson vs. Crawford, judgment was given on motion by defendants to set aside order under rule 162 for service out of the jurisdiction of process in an action for specific performance of an agreement to take stock in a projected company which has not been formed.

PEEBLES THE JEWELER AND RELIABLE WATCH REPAIRER

213 King east. GETTING ALONG WELL. Washington, Dec. 13.—Surgeon-General Rixey, one of the attendant physicians upon Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, after visiting the patient this morning, stated that she had passed a good night and was in excellent condition following the operation for appendicitis, performed yesterday.

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13th, 1907 Shop Early-Sharp At 8.30

We are counting much on to-morrow, and expect it will be by long odds the biggest business day so far this year—perhaps the biggest we have ever experienced. At any rate we are splendidly prepared to handle an enormous business.

At 8.30 Sharp. The following bargains will be on sale at 8.30 sharp. The prices in many instances are ridiculously low. Be here prompt. \$6.00 Coats for 98c. 6 only Misses' and Small Women's Winter Coats, in dark brown, reversible, material, three-quarter length, loose fitting back, coat collar and fly front, full sleeves, regular price of each coat is \$6.00.

Toy Bargains. Without exception the greatest Doll bargain we have ever offered; 500 Kid Body Dolls, 12 inches long, bisque heads and hands, fair or dark hair, regular 25c Dolls, at 8.30 sharp to-morrow morning...

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited. Grocery Specials. 200 only 1 pound boxes Table Figs, worth 15c each, at 8.30 sharp 10c. 500 pounds best quality Icing Sugar, regular 8c pound, at 8.30 sharp 5c lb. Not over 2 pounds to a customer.

WHO WAS IT INTERFERED?

Juggling Over Reports on Railway Looks Suspicious.

Will Ask Board to Order Bridge Over Garth Street.

Might Employ Many Men at Beach During Winter.

"There will be nothing done this year as far as I am concerned. It would look too much like a play to the grand stand at this stage," said Chairman Sweeney...

A Toronto expert has been going over the system preparing a report, which the fighting aldermen hope will meet more with their views than the one made by city officials.

Mr. Barrow was certainly serious in his intention, but evidently on the instruction of some one, who was disappointed at the tone of the reports, they were chloroformed.

When Mr. Hebble made his report he declared that the company had not only done what the Railway Board had ordered in the way of repairs to the tracks, but much more.

Mr. Hebble was shocked, it is in vain. He could not have made a better job of it. The board in fact, he admitted, was led, but the company was simply waiting for the arrival of the new special work to put it in.

The assistant engineer's opinion was a terrible shock to the anti-ataract aldermen. An effort was made to shake it, but in vain.

Mr. Hebble was thoughtful enough to stand by what he considered was the truth. Foreman Towers reported on the cars was not quite so favorable, but nevertheless it sounded too good from the company's standpoint to suit the fighting aldermen.

It was intimated shortly after that those two officials would make another report which would not be so favorable to the company. Those who were engineering the scheme, however, evidently thought this would not be a good move.

Instead, they decided to get another report from an outsider. This is taken as a reflection on the engineer's department, and showing a lack of confidence in it.

It will be interesting to see what view the Railway Board will take of it when the company calls on the city's assistant engineer to show that it has complied in every particular with the order regarding the tracks and Foreman Towers' report to show the improvements that have been made to the street cars.

City Engineer Barrow has completed the plans and specifications for the pumps and waterworks system to be installed on the sand strip by the Beach Commissioners. It is roughly estimated that \$10,000 will be spent on this work.

Mr. Barrow thinks it would be a good idea if arrangements could be made to have it gone on during the winter, as it would provide work for a large number of the unemployed.

The Board of Works aldermen yesterday afternoon inspected the Garth street crossing of the T. E. & R. and decided to hold a special meeting next week when application will be made to the Railway Board for an order to have an overhead bridge erected.

The crossing is considered one of the most dangerous in the city, on account of the heavy grade on both approaches. It is expected that the city will have to pay part of the cost.

Charles Mackinson was granted a permit this morning for two brick houses on Gibson avenue, between Barton and Princess streets, to cost \$1,900 each.

Although there was some talk of J. W. Lamoreaux retiring, he has announced that he will be a candidate again in Ward 5 for School Trustee.

The City Hall officials are being paid in advance today for the month, so that they will have plenty of time to purchase their Christmas boxes.

The various civic committees will finish up what remains of the year's business next week.

A GREAT CHRISTMAS STORE. Thousands Through the Right House Each Day Now.

If one is to judge by the crowds, the Right House must be the chief reliance of the great majority of people in Hamilton and vicinity.

THEY LOOK FINE.

Christmas Decorations and Gifts At Grafton's Clothing Store.

Grafton's clothing store, James street manager, has been specially decorated for the Christmas holidays and it presents a very pretty appearance.

A number of arches with floral and electrical effects, have been put up and on all sides can be seen the handwork of the artistic decorator, Mr. T. M. Berry, the local manager.

There has been a lot of praise for the fine appearance of the big store. In addition to the artistic decorations there is a fine display of articles of wearing apparel, suitable for Christmas gifts.

DIED IN CALGARY.

Mrs. Addison Wife of Ex-Ald. Addison Passes Away.

Mrs. Addison, wife of Mr. James Addison, formerly of this city, and for several years a member of the City Council, died yesterday at her home in Calgary.

Deceased was also a Hamilton lady, formerly Miss Mary Haddon. She is survived by her husband and a grown-up family.

There passed away at the Hamilton City Hospital on Tuesday last Mr. J. E. Smead. Deceased, who had been ill for some time, was a former resident of Galt.

He was well known as a bicyclist, having won a number of championships, among them being the championship of the county of Waterloo.

He was a member of the G. T. R. train at 10.30. The funeral will be held at 11 o'clock at the residence, 98 Aikman avenue, to Barton Street Methodist Church, where the services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Livingston.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. E. Hanlon, Albert, Charles, Lyonde and William Horning. The floral tributes were as follows: Mrs. M. Goodale, Mr. and Mrs. H. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. H. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. E. Paecock; Harsh, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and family; basket of roses, Mr. and Mrs. P. McQuillan; sickles, Mr. and Mrs. H. Halliday, Mr. and Mrs. J. Tydd; Maltese cross, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brayley; pillow, family; croissants, Mr. and Mrs. M. Goodale, Mr. and Mrs. L. Goodale; sprays, Mr. and Mrs. C. Poag, Mr. and Mrs. M. Carver, Mr. and Mrs. Lennie, Miss B. Brown, Miss I. Toye, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mrs. Snoddy and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ristow, Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. J. Penfold, Mr. and Mrs. L. Fell, Mr. and Mrs. Young and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. S. Hanlon, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Milne, Miss Maddock, Miss Edith Goodale.

The funeral of Andrew Gray Farquharson took place this afternoon from his late residence, 139 Erie avenue, and was very largely attended. Rev. D. R. Drummond conducted the last sad rites.

HELPLESS IN BOAT.

Two Men Stuck in the Ice, But Were Rescued.

Walkerville, Ont., Dec. 13.—Late last night people in Wolf's roadhouse, three miles above here, heard cries for help from the river. Two men were found helpless in a boat, which was sinking in the ice, after drifting down the river over half a mile.

Several attempts to reach it failing, the boat finally drifted near enough to shore to enable the rescuers to get a rope to the men, who were pulled nearly ashore. They were nearly exhausted from exposure. They were two Windsor men who were working for the Ferry Company on Peche Island. They started a cross to the mainland, but got stuck in the ice.

Get in Tune if You Want to Win.

You can tell the man who is in tune as he walks along the street undisturbed. He trends his way with assurance through the greatest crowds and tightest blockades.

Same in the commercial world, a business must keep in line with proportion as it is offered, so get in tune if you want to share in our tremendous sale of overcoats, suits and knitted goods.

East Hamilton Revival. East Hamilton Y. M. C. A. building was well filled again last night with interested people representing all classes in the community.

The Revival Committee held a meeting yesterday and decided that it would be wise to bring the present series of services to a close on Sunday next.

Paper Making in Japan. Paper making in Japan has been very active for the past year or so. New companies have been formed and old ones enlarged.

Billy Won't Vote for It. It is openly asserted that Mr. W. F. Macdonald will not vote for the Power By-Law. What new treason is this?

MUST GIVE 2-CENT RATE.

SUPREME COURT DECIDES AGAINST THE GRAND TRUNK.

Insurance Company Not Responsible for Fires Caused by Sparks From Engines—C. P. R. Not Responsible for Prairie Fires.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 13.—(Special).—The Supreme Court delivered several judgments to-day. The appeal of the Grand Trunk vs. Robertson was dismissed. The court was unanimous.

There was an appeal from the decision of the Railway Commission which decided that the Grand Trunk Railway under its charter was bound to give third class accommodation on its line between Montreal and Toronto at 2 cents or one penny a mile.

In the case of the Canadian Pacific Railway against the Ottawa Fire Insurance Company the appeal was dismissed with costs. This was for damages for timber burned down on the line of the railway passing through the State of Maine between St. John and Montreal.

This is a victory for the Ottawa Insurance Company and means that the Insurance Company is not responsible for standing timber burned from sparks from engines along the line. It is out of this case that certain constitutional questions were raised.

In the case of the Canadian Pacific vs. the King the appeal was upheld with costs. This case arose out of prairie fires started by sparks from the company's engines. The Crown claimed damages. The company held it was not bound by ordinances of the local government.

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB.

Physical Culture Society Holds Its Annual Meeting.

The St. Andrew's Physical Culture Club had its annual election of officers last night. Mr. Russell Thompson was re-elected President, and under his careful guidance the club will no doubt have as successful a year as the past three years.

The club will meet every Thursday evening at its home on Smith street. The most important item on the agenda is a member who is desiring to become secretary or any of the officers.

The basketball team, which has played a prominent part in indoor sport in the past, is practicing faithfully, and is ready to uphold the honors of the club. Arrangements for games will be made by interviewing the Y. M. C. A., or addressing a letter to 330 Emerald street north.

A POPULAR SURVEY.

All Houses Built in Beulah Have Been Disposed of.

The beauty and accessibility of Beulah Survey, the quality of the houses which Mr. W. D. Platt has erected there, and the great advantages which they possess have resulted in all of the eight dwelling erected this year being disposed of.

There are but 109 lots in the survey, and all are sure to have ready sale, as the section's popularity has been amply proven. All the lots are safeguarded by wholesome building restrictions; the streets are graded, have sewers, water, cement walks, natural gas, electric light and ornamental trees.

Saturday Sale of Holiday Goods.

Women's coats will go on sale at manufacturer's cost, \$125.00 coats for \$75.00, \$15 and \$17 coats at \$10, \$22 coats for \$15, and \$25 coats for \$17, all most stylish and up-to-date garments.

Men's coats will go on sale at manufacturer's cost, \$125.00 coats for \$75.00, \$15 and \$17 coats at \$10, \$22 coats for \$15, and \$25 coats for \$17, all most stylish and up-to-date garments.

HAYDEN'S "CREATION."

A full rehearsal of this beautiful work was held last night at the Conservatory of Music. The work is in excellent shape, even at present, with two rehearsals yet before the production.

There is not much danger of such a consummation; but one may say that in many cases the youngsters would find themselves well equipped for the battle of life. The heir apparent to the British throne, for instance, has the making of a fine sailor in him, and he will have the knowledge, too, in a year or so.

POVERTY AND CRIME.

The Emerald Y. M. U. held its weekly meeting last evening, which was fairly well attended. The business being transacted, Mr. Menary gave a reading, which was very much enjoyed.

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"Smoker's Sundries"

If the gentleman smokes, we can satisfy his desires in many sundries at very moderate prices.

Silver Cigar Cutters... \$1.25 Silver Match Boxes... \$1.25 Silver Pipe Cleaners... \$1.00 Silver Smokers Sets... \$6.50 Silver Cigar Jars... \$4.00 Silver Cigarette Cases... \$5.00 Ash Trays... \$2.00 Gold and Silver Mounted Pipes... \$2.50 to \$28.00

\$2.00 Solid Gold Cuff Links

In all Canada you will not find such value in Gold Cuff Links, plain or chased, Engraved free and in satin lined case. Special price \$2.00

Manicure and Toilet Sets—Silver

We are showing a tremendous variety of Silver Toilet and Manicure Sets, and they are marked ridiculously close from \$5.00 to \$85.00

Diamonds and Watches

At special prices

NORMAN ELLIS Manufacturing Jeweler 21-23 King Street East

MEDICAL MEN DINE.

Dr. Adam Wright, of Toronto, the Guest of Honor.

Hamilton Medical Association held its annual banquet last evening, in the Royal Hotel. The President, Dr. Olmsted, was in the chair and between 50 and 60 members were present.

Dr. Adam Wright, Professor of Obstetrics in Toronto University, was the guest of the evening. The toast list was: "The King," National Anthem, "Our Guests," Dr. Wright, Toronto; Dr. Jacques, Jarvis, Dr. Farmer, Ancaster.

"Medical Institutions"—Dr. James Edgar, for the City Hospital, and Dr. English, for the Asylum. "The Ladies"—Dr. McEduard.

During the evening the fine quartette of the Hamilton Association, consisting of Dr. MacLennan, who gave a violin solo, and Dr. Mullen, who sang a song. Dr. Wright's address was largely reminiscence, and was greatly enjoyed.

COULD A KING GET WORK IF HE LOST HIS JOB?

"Poor little thing!" says the average mother when she hears of an advent into the world of the future ruler of a kingdom; but if they only knew the kingdom is liable to be much happier in his childhood than the offspring of a multimillionaire.

The child of the rich man is usually surrounded with pomp and circumstance from the opening of his eyes, whereas the child of a king, save in Spain, when even a British-bred mother is powerless against custom, are brought up in a practical, businesslike, "simple life" kind of way that must be for the good of both ruler and ruled.

The simplicity of the upbringing of British royal babies is well known; but it is the news to us, folks, that little Hiroshige, who will one day be Emperor of Japan, is being reared in a most Spartan manner.

Despite the Oriental luxury of his grandfather's court, he wears a little sailor suit, just like that which would be put on a little middle-class English boy.

It was King Edward, who, as a school-boy, tried to get off to cricket when his tutor was instructing him in the British constitution by inquiring: "But how about my constitution, sir?"

One can sympathize with his desire for less work and more play, and also with his disappointment when his tutor insisted on obedience.

A short while ago a magazine inquired what would the children of royalty do if all the kingdoms and empires were suddenly to become republics. There is not much danger of such a consummation; but one may say that in many cases the youngsters would find themselves well equipped for the battle of life.

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A Call to your Shoe Sale At the Slater Shoe Store

Not often do we advertise CLEARING SALES, but when we do you can look for three strong points:

Quality, Style, Bargains

We have some High-class Shoes to offer you at this time at prices you don't often see such shoes offered. We bought them cheap, now we hand them to you at a saving. It will pay you to shoe the whole family. Note the prices:

Men's Gunmetal Blucher, Goodyear Welt, worth \$4, sale price... \$2.95 Men's Patent Colt, Goodyear welt, worth \$4, sale price... \$2.95 Men's Kid Blucher, Goodyear welt, worth \$4, sale price... \$2.95

Men's \$5 line, in gunmetal, patent colt, box calf, kid; all one price, \$3.45. See window for styles. We have not overlooked the ladies in this sale. About a dozen lines to choose from in calf, patent, colt and kid; all sizes, and all at one price and that a saving one; regular lines up to \$4 and \$5, on sale at... \$2.95

The Slater Shoe Store

26-28 King St. West

The only store in Hamilton where you can buy the noted Slater Shoe for men, for women, for boys.

Phone 1513 J. W. BRIDGETT.

Christmas Gifts

This store has always been noted for goods of HIGHEST QUALITY, and this year the stock is better than ever.

Perfumes Sachet Powders Toilet Waters

A full line of all the best imported odors in bulk and cases. A little of HUDNUT'S VIOLET WATER makes a dainty present.

Genuine Ebony

Large assortment of Brushes, MIRRORS, ETC. Every piece stamped "REAL EBONY." A few nice Toilet Sets in Morocco Cases.

Quality Chocolates

These are without doubt the finest American Chocolates made, bar none. We have just received a fresh stock for Christmas direct from Boston.

Mack's Drug Store

Corner King and James Streets

In Two Weeks Christmas

As far as your Christmas shopping is concerned, twelve short days. This year we are making even more worth your while to do your Christmas buying here.

Special values in Ladies' Fancy Slippers, just received for Christmas trade, 200 pairs Ladies' Fancy Slippers, in patent colt and vici kid, in plain and headed designs, at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

Men's Fancy Slippers

Just received for Christmas trade, 300 pairs Men's Fancy Slippers, in fine fancy kid, tan, chocolate and black, at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.

Now is the chance for the women folk to think of the men folk. Give him a Christmas gift he can't help liking, at a price that saves much of the regular cost.

Hockey Boots

We are making special cut rates in Men's, Boys' and Youths' Hockey Boots, \$2.50, reduced to \$1.50.

Boys' Tan or Black Hockey Boots, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, regular \$2.00, reduced to \$1.35.

Youths' Tan or Black Hockey Boots, sizes 11, 12, 13, regular \$1.50, reduced to \$1.10.

John F. Shea

25 King St. East

TRY E. K. PASS FOR JEWELRY.

We have Watches, Clocks, Silverware, Brooches, Links, The Pins, Bracelets, Lockets and Chains, and all kinds of Rings, signet, gem, engagement and wedding rings, marriage licenses. If in want of nice jewelry it would pay you to see our stock; our prices are right and the quality is first class.

New Subscribers for

50c

You can send Saturday's Times

to any address in Great Britain or Canada from now until Dec. 31st, 1908.

Only 50c

It will pay you to use the Want Column of the Times BUSINESS TELEPHONE 368.

Makes It a Party Question.

If the power by-laws to be submitted in Toronto, Hamilton, Bradford and London cannot be supported by the ratepayers on business grounds they ought not to be supported for mere party purposes.

The Toronto World showed the eleven hour party politics in an urgent call to all friends of the Whittier Government to rally to its aid, as though this were a crisis in the affairs of the party.

Plans to make Sunday closing a political issue in Cook county and in several Illinois districts, and to close Chicago up tight as far as theatres, street railways, restaurants and barber shops are concerned, if the Law and Order League

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TOO MANY WIVES.

Bigamist Found Guilty and Will be Sentenced on Monday.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Ewart S. Tressider, an Ottawa young man, this morning pleaded guilty in the Magistrate's Court to bigamy in having on December 2nd married Miss M. Sinclair, 17 years old, and a recent arrival from Scotland, while he already had a wife living whom he married in April of this year.

A FATAL FALL.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—William John Lukey, aged forty-two years, formerly of Smith's Falls, died here this morning as a result of a fractured skull, sustained by the fall of a derrick boom yesterday afternoon. He was employed in the construction of a pier for the White bridge across the Rideau River, which is one mile from the city.

Talk to a woman about herself and she will never regard you as a bore. Nell—Do you think you could love him if he were rich? Belle "I could try harder."

DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT.

DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT is a certain and guaranteed cure for every form of itching, swelling and protruding piles. See testimonials in the press and ask your neighbors about it. You can use it and get your money back if not satisfied, 6c. at all dealers or CHAMBERLAIN, BATES & CO., Toronto.

Open until 9.30 p. m.

As an accommodation to the thousands of Right House customers, old and new, this store will remain open until 9.30 p. m. Saturday night.



THE RIGHT HOUSE

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE."



Open until 9.30 p. m.

As an accommodation to the thousands of Right House customers, old and new, this store will remain open until 9.30 p. m. Saturday night.

\$8.50 Xmas blouses at \$4.88

Each will be put up in a dainty box free

BEAUTIFUL Gaique and Oriental Net Lace Blouses and exquisite Silk Blouses marked at nearly half price as a special Xmas inducement for to-morrow's lucky buyers. It is a splendid saving no woman will care to miss. This season's newest and daintiest styles for Xmas gift giving. You will want some for yourself, too, when you see them.



Save \$3.62 on each

There are several very pretty styles very effectively trimmed in various pretty ways. White, cream and ecru. They are wonderful bargains. On sale all day to-morrow. Real value \$8.50. Xmas sale price \$4.88 each.

Xmas Fascinators

Can be put up in a pretty gift box. They are useful gifts that most any woman will appreciate. Silk and Silk and Wool Fascinators in pretty new patterns, plain cream and dainty shades in combinations. The values are quite remarkable, customers tell us. \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$3.50 each.

Beautiful fancy gift goods: hints

THE what-to-give question receives many satisfactory answers in the Leather and Fancy Goods sections in east aisle. The first suggestion comes as you view the variety and attractiveness of the display. But look further, note the modest prices and the reliable qualities. It is a wonderland of practical gift suggestions for everyone. Come to-morrow.

LEATHER GOODS—
 Manicure Sets \$1.75, \$2.50, to \$6.75.
 Hand Purses 50, 75c, \$1, \$2.50.
 Handbags 75, 85c, \$1.15, \$3.50.
 Toilet Sets \$1.75, \$2, \$3, \$19.
 Scissors Sets 75c, \$2.75, \$3.50.
 Smokers' Sets 65c, \$1.35, \$2.25.
 Shaving Cases \$1.50, \$2 to \$3.
REAL EBONY GIFTS—
 Hat Brushes 45 to 75c each.
 Hat Brushes 50 to 85c each.
 Hand Mirrors \$1.65 to \$3.75.
 Nail Buffers 25, 35, 45c.
GENUINE IVORY ARTICLES—
 Ivory Button Hooks, 45c.
 Ivory Curling Tongs, 45c.
 Ivory Nail Files at 45c.
 Ivory Tooth Brushes at 45c.
 Ivory Tooth Brushes, 45c.
 Paris Fans for Xmas, 65 to 75c.
 Parisian Combs, 35c to \$3.50.

LEATHER GOODS—
 Travelling Cases, \$2, \$3, \$6.50.
 Dressing Cases, \$1.75, \$2, to \$9.
 Wallets, 90c, \$1, \$1.25, \$3.25.
 Card Cases, 75, 85c, \$1 to \$2.25.

EBONOID ARTICLES—
 Paper Knives at 15 to 25c each.
 Match Boxes, pretty styles, 20c.
 Ink Stands, neat and useful, 30c.
 Soap Boxes, very handy, 20c.
 Toilet Seals, very useful, 35c.
 Cigar Jars at each \$1.25.
 Cuticle Knives at 35c.
 Button Hooks at 20, 25 and 35c.
 Hand Mirrors, 25, 40 to 65c.

XMAS BELTS FOR GIFTS—
 Silk and Kid Belts in black, blue, brown, green and white; newest novelty styles from Paris and New York. Very dainty and handsome for Xmas gifts, 25c to \$2.25.

DRESSING BELTS—
 With fancy gift and other style buckles, \$1.85 to \$4.50. These are exquisite in style.
 Novelty Jewelry, 25c to \$6.50.

THOMAS C. WATKINS.

Xmas neckwear: a great sale

Put up free in a dainty gift box

A SPLENDID piece of good luck for Xmas gift buyers. A great special purchase has just arrived from Paris. On sale all day to-morrow at nearly half price. Select your Xmas gift pieces early. The season's daintiest and newest novelties are included.

Five exquisite styles in beautiful Stock and Turnover Collars in combination of lace and silk with colored silk embroidery work.

Real value here \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50, Xmas sale price 60c

Dainty Xmas combs

Fancy Combs for Christmas gifts. The very prettiest and most wanted kinds are here in exclusive, dainty styles, direct from Paris and New York. Elaborate and practical to simple, useful styles. Big display in east aisle. Back Combs and sets of three pieces, 35c to \$8.50.

Novelty Xmas jewelry

Paris Jewelry—novel little pieces as seen in the style shops of Paris. They come direct from Parisian manufacturing jewellers. Included are many pretty pieces in Canadian and American makes; Brooches, Stick Pins, Buckles, Beauty Pins, Jewel Hair Pins. 25c up to \$6.50.



Rich, reliable furs for Xmas

\$15.00 western sable stoles for \$9.95

LARGE size rich full-furred Western Sable Stoles, finished with natural tails. Regular \$15 values. Xmas sale price \$9.95. Muffs to match, in large flat style. Regular \$9 value for \$6.95.

\$75 fur lined coats \$59

Fine broadcloth shells, strapped and plated styles, in good, warm, stylish lengths. Hamster, muskrat or squirrel linings, with warm storm collars of natural lynx, mink or sable. A sumptuous Christmas gift. Regular \$75.00 value, to-morrow \$59.00.

Smart Astrakhan coats a splendid sale to-morrow

Military, Imperial and Reefer styles, satin linings; rich, bright finish and even curl. A splendid collection ready for you to-morrow at very low while savings for the commencement of need-time.

\$25.00, regular value \$30
 \$29.00, regular value \$35
 \$34.00, regular value \$40
 \$42.50, regular value \$50



Xmas gifts for the men folk

Here are things he will need and appreciate

HERE are many answers to the vexing question of what to give him. We tell of many useful practical gift things, that all men and boys like and appreciate. Our Men's Furnishing Department is full of sensible gift suggestions. Come to-morrow.

ENGLISH MADE DRESSING GOWNS—Warm, comfortable Dressing Gowns, in a large range of smart materials. Roll collars, silk cord edged, silk and wool grades, \$4.50, \$7.50, \$10.50, \$10.50, \$11.50 to \$15 each.

SMOKING AND HOUSE COATS—Smart New York tailored styles. Perfect fitting and all sizes, in a variety of nobby American materials. Nothing is more sensible or acceptable for a man; \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50, to \$12.50.

MUFFLERS AND ENGLISH SQUARES—Handsome imported English Silk Scarfs, in squares or made up; exclusive fancy designs, plain colors and black; 50c to \$3.00.

GLOVES: LINED AND UNLINED—
 LINED—Perria's celebrated make in Mocha and Reindeer. Fleece silk, wool and fur linings, \$1, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2 to \$4.75.
 UNLINED—Dent's and Perria's Dogskin and Cape well, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.

NECKWEAR: SMART XMAS STYLES—Smartest of new London and New York styles, in pleasing and becoming patterns and colorings. Put up free in fancy box at 50 and 75c. Wide variety (not boxed) at 25c.

SHIRTS MAKE NICE XMAS GIFTS—Neat new styles, \$1 to \$1.50.

Travelling Bags... \$3.25 to \$14
 Suit Cases, neat styles, \$3.25 to \$12
 Oriental Bags, for his den, \$9 to \$50
 Travelling Cases, \$7.50, \$12, \$15
 Suspenders, 25, 50, 75c to 1.00
 Half Hose 25, 50, 75c, \$1 to \$1.50
 Shaving Sets... \$1.15 to \$7.50
 Smokers' Sets... 65c to \$2.25
 Military Hair Brushes, 75c to \$2.25
 Hat Brushes... 50 to \$2.50
 Clothes Brushes... \$1.25 to \$2.50
 Cossy Cushions... \$1.00 to \$7.50

Embroiders, \$2, \$2.50, \$3 to \$8.50
 Bath Robes... \$3.50, \$5 to \$7.50
 Initial Hdkfs... 25, 35 to 50c
 Irish Linen Hdkfs... 18 to 50c
 Novelty Silk Hdkfs... 50 to 85c
 Novelty Exceeda Hdkfs... 10 to 15c
 Jap Silk Hdkfs... 50c to \$1.75
 Card Cases... 50c to \$2.25
 Wallets, Bill Folders... 90c to \$4.50
 Collar and Cuff Boxes, 75c to \$3.50
 Drinking Cups in case, 50c to \$1.25
 Travelling Rugs... \$3.75 to \$8.50

THOMAS C. WATKINS.

All winter coats now reduced

Over \$4,500.00 worth to select from

THE entire stock of this season's nobby, smart and most fashionable Winter Coats for women, misses and girls are now marked down to greatly reduced prices. Come to-morrow morning and share the wonderful bargains.

Smart tweed coats

Handsome new styles in smartly tailored Tweed Coats for winter wear, 3/4 and 5/8 lengths, in dark and medium shades and newest pattern effects. Sizes for women, misses and children. Our entire stock on sale at these splendid savings:

\$ 2.95, reduced from \$ 4.50
 \$ 3.85, reduced from \$ 6.00
 \$ 4.95, reduced from \$ 7.00
 \$ 7.50, reduced from \$10.00
 \$10.00, reduced from \$14.00
 \$11.95, reduced from \$16.00

Plain beaver coats

Handsome Black Coats and practical colors for women and misses, all the wanted shades, warm, fine quality and newest styles for smart winter wear. A very large assortment of beautiful black coats for selection.

\$ 5.35, reduced from \$ 8.00
 \$ 6.25, reduced from \$ 9.00
 \$ 6.95, reduced from \$11.50
 \$ 9.95, reduced from \$14.50
 \$14.50, reduced from \$20.00
 \$15.00, reduced from \$22.00



Kid gloves: a great Xmas sale

JUDGING by the demand, everybody in Hamilton seems to prefer Right House Kid Gloves. And well they may if quality and good value count for anything.

\$2.50 LONG KID GLOVES AT \$1.89
—An Xmas buying chance of great merit. Fine quality, soft, pliable kid, cut to fit perfectly; full elbow length. Black, grey and heaver shades; sizes 3 1/2 up to 6 1/2. Better select to-morrow.

\$3.25 LONG KID GLOVES AT \$2.79
—Real kid, and very superior elastic quality; 16 button length; brown and tan shades; perfect in fit and style.

LONG KID GLOVES AT \$2.25
—Black and tan; full elbow length; nice soft fine quality. Sizes 3 1/2 to 6 1/2. Very special value.

WRIST LENGTH KID GLOVES, \$1.00
—Black and several colors in nice dependable qualities. Compare with \$1.25 lines elsewhere.



Beautiful Xmas long scarfs

EXQUISITE New Scarfs for gift giving. An unmatched showing is ready for your selection. Spanish Silk Lace, Fancy French Chiffon, Hand Appliqued Brussels, Oriental Net and Guipure Lace Long Scarfs in an immense assortment of pretty and exclusive new styles and patterns. 25c to \$10 each. Those at 50c and up are daintily boxed free.

\$1.00 Oriental lace scarfs at 39c
—Nearest fashionable styles in Oriental Lace Long Scarfs for women's neckwear, a variety of dainty new designs for Christmas sale, price... 39c each

Christmas lace veils from Paris
—See the new Bordered Lace Veils, full range of the new shades, very pretty and attractive patterns; each one put up free in dainty gift box, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.65 to \$2.65 each.

\$1.50 Xmas silks at 98c yard

HANDSOME Dresden Silks in firm, rich, fine taffeta weaves; good wide widths and beautiful effective Dresden patterns for Xmas blouses, fancy work, etc. Can be put up in gift box if desired. A nice range of dainty to rich shadings. Value \$1.50. Xmas sale price 98c.

Xmas sale of dress goods \$1.00 Chiffon Panamas at 78c

All the wanted colors in the new winter tones, rich finish, Chiffon Weight Panamas for dresses, suits or skirts. Most any woman would appreciate a dress length for Christmas.

French chiffon broadcloths at \$1.50
—Full 54 inches wide, the season's most popular suiting material, rich bright satiny finish, pure wool weave, all the new winter shades are included in the showing.

\$7 fine, fluffy, warm down comforters \$4.19

BEAUTIFUL quality, light and luxuriant warm Alaska down Comforters. Good large double bed size—72 x 72 inches. Filled with superior fine down; covers of fine art saten in blues, greens, old rose and cardinal. Border and insertion effect of plain saten in contrasting shades; reversible.

Corner King East and Hughson Sts. **THOMAS C. WATKINS** Hamilton Ontario

Women's 50c underwear 33c

A BARGAIN snap that most women will be quick to appreciate. Wool and Cotton Vests, knitted to fit perfectly in nice, warm winter weights. Good wearing qualities and a saving of 17c on each garment. Come early for them.

Xmas stockings 39c

Special for to-morrow. Dainty Black Cashmere Stockings in a pretty gift box ready for presentation at only 39c the pair. Nice winter weights in pure wool English knitted cashmere.

Silk embroidered

Xmas cashmere stockings

Fine quality Black Cashmere English knitted and pretty silk embroidered at instep and ankle; neat small designs and spots in red, white and sky. Put up in artistic gift boxes ready to present. A very dainty and appropriate gift that is sure to be appreciated. 65, 75, 85c and \$1.10 the pair.



WIFE'S GHOST SAVES LIFE.

APPARITION APPEARS TO NEW JERSEY FARMER.

Detains Him All Night—Finds on Returning Home That an Enemy Had Been Lying in Wait for Him.

New York, Dec. 13.—That a whispered warning in the dark by the ghost of his dead wife saved him to-day from death by assassination is the belief of Charles Henry Durand, a farmer living in the hills near Caldwell, N. J. His strange story is being used as a clew by the authorities, Durand says that late Monday night he was driving home from Paterson his horse stopped in the road and began to tremble. In vain he urged the animal to proceed. It would not budge.

Suddenly the air grew oppressive and a faint light like distant bead lightning appeared. Then gradually amid the dim fishes a white figure assumed a vague form beside the wagon. Durand himself commenced to quake. He tried to get out of the harness, and after two hours' work brought the animal out of its chill and slowly proceeded homeward. Though badly scared he did not put much faith in the warning that had been whispered to him in such an un-

BOOMING BUSINESS SATURDAY.

Finch Bros. are out for a big Saturday business, and are advertising some big price cuts and money savings on almost everything for Christmas buying. One of the sales is in women's high class jackets, manufacturers' samples, selling Saturday at half price, and two early morning sales in women's house dresses and cashmere blouses. Read their advertisement of the many sales and shop at the popular store Saturday. It is a particularly popular shopping place Saturday evening.

To cure a cold in one night—use Vapo-Cresoles.

It has been used extensively during more than twenty-four years. All drugs

LOST HANDS TO SAVE LIFE.

WORKMEN ON BLACKWELL'S ISLAND BRIDGE PROVE HEROES.

Used Wrist to Stop Plate—Fall Would Have Killed Comrades Beneath—Great Iron Plate's Descent is Halted in Time.

New York, Dec. 13.—To save the lives of three fellow workmen, two ironworkers on the Blackwell's Island Bridge suffered each the loss of a hand yesterday. A heavy steel plate was slipping out of position and would have fallen on three men on a platform fifteen feet below had not its progress been checked by grinding through the wrists of the two men who had been assigned to the work of setting the plate.

It was high in the air on the Ravenswood tower of the new bridge that the accident happened. The men charged with fitting the heavy plate into position were John J. McGlynn, of 1200 Van Alst avenue, Long Island City, and O. Jude, of 132 East Sixteenth street, Manhattan. Above and around them were a score of ironworkers clinging to the lofty structure.

The plate on which McGlynn and Jude were working was almost in place, when something gave way and it began to slide off the supporting beams. Realizing that its fall meant death to the men below, both men thrust a hand into a crevice below the sliding plate to check its progress, at the same time shouting a warning to those below. The sharp edge of the plate caught McGlynn's left wrist and Jude's right wrist, crushing them but the barrier of flesh and bone served to prevent further sliding of the plate. While men hurriedly rigged a tackle to haul the plate back into position Mc-

FIFTEEN BONES Broken by Crusher But He is Around Again.

THE BEST SKATER In Competition at Armory Rink Last Night.

May Break the Silence.

Glenn and Jude were held to their positions by their crushed wrists. Ropes were tied around them to prevent their falling when the plate was removed, but neither of them fainted. They were lowered to the ground and attended by Dr. Hurley, who arrived with an ambulance from St. John's Hospital.

Jude's hand was almost completely severed, and Dr. Hurley removed it before taking him to the hospital. McGlynn's wrist was not cut through, but amputation was necessary.

Miss Elizabeth Wall was considered the best skater in the ladies' competition at the Armory roller rink last evening, by three expert judges, Messrs. Tom Wright, C. Webber and G. Evans. In presenting Miss Wall with her prize, a gold brooch, Mr. Wright made a capital stump speech. There were nearly fifty ladies competed and it took three before the number was chosen. To-night the gentlemen's competition will take place and a large entry will compete. The Armory management has added an extra session for school children, from 4 o'clock to 5.30. Ten cents admission.

If Premier Whitney speaks in favor of the power-by-law next week Adam Beck can say, "Now let thy servant depart in peace." It will be the first time the great man has broken silence on this subject since he proclaimed that "Niagara power should be as free as air."

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER. LARGEST EVER.

Royal Arch Masons Hold Election and Banquet.

Yesterday's Mail for Britain Made a New Record.

St. John's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, held its annual election last evening, the result being as follows: Ex. Comp. W. E. McGivern, First Principal.

Ex. Comp. George Britton, Second Principal.
Comp. Paul E. Lumsden, Third Principal.
R. Ex. Comp. W. J. McAllister, Scribe.

Comp. T. H. Hayhurst, Scribe X.
Comp. J. R. Moodie, Treasurer.
Comp. F. H. Nairn, Principal Sojourner.
Comp. W. Tocher, Janitor.
M. Ex. Comp. W. G. Reid, Auditor.
R. Ex. Comp. W. Birrell, Auditor.
R. Ex. Comp. W. F. Miller, Trustee.
R. Ex. Comp. W. M. Logan paid his official visit. After the business meeting the annual banquet was held in the banquet hall, where the usual loyal toasts were given, to which suitable responses were made, interspersed with songs and music.

NEW PROFESSORS.

Appointed Yesterday by the Board of the University of Toronto.
Toronto, Dec. 13.—The following appointments were made yesterday at the meeting of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto: Assistant professor of philosophy, Dr. A. H. Abbott; professor of physical chemistry, Dr. W. Lash Miller; professor of Greek and Roman history, Professor W. S. Miller; assistant professor of Latin, Dr. G. W. Johnston; associate professor of astrophysics, Dr. C. A. Chant; associate professor of botany, Dr. J. H. Faull.

Yesterday's Mail for Britain Made a New Record.

The mail dispatched yesterday from the Hamilton Postoffice for Great Britain via Empress of Britain, from Halifax, carried 1,372 parcels. The weight of letters was 85 per cent. greater than by mail the same date last year, and the weight of newspapers 50 per cent. higher. The letters and newspaper mail was the collection of one day, as a mail was dispatched the previous day, and taken altogether, yesterday's mail was the largest British one that ever left the Hamilton office.

Christmas for Distant Friends

What is better than a beautifully colored picture of dear old HAMILTON? Size 11 inches by 20 inches; price 50c each. Tube for mailing 5c extra. Framed \$2 each.

A. C. Turnbull
Bookseller & Stationer
17 King Street East

GREAT SPORTING WORLD

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE OFF.

Chaucer Elliott Abandons the Plans Shown Here.

Long Shots in Front at New Orleans—Another Kelley Will Manage Toronto B. C.—Hockey Schedules in the Neighborhood.

Mr. Chaucer Elliott, the football coach and all-around sporting man, who was here last Saturday trying to promote an International Baseball League, has abandoned the project. In Toronto yesterday Mr. Elliott told a Times man that he had visited London, St. Thomas and Brantford, and finds that at least two of these places are not ready for international ball, or anything bigger than local leagues. He thinks well of the proposition for London and Hamilton to join hands in an Eastern League team.

agree to play on the old River road rink. Since it is only 36 feet wide, none of the clubs would agree. Accordingly two schedules were drawn, one with Niagara Falls included and one without. The Oakdale were given until Christmas Day to notify the association that the new rink will be used. Otherwise the group will consist of only four teams. The delegates present were: Welland, Harry Moore; Port Colborne, C. E. Kidd; Simcoe, W. Lorne Monroe; Dunnville, W. A. Fry; Guy L. Ramsay; Niagara Falls, Wm. J. Dawson. The following official referees were appointed: Simcoe, A. H. Coombs, W. L. Monroe; Port Colborne, C. E. Kidd, Harry (Time); Dunnville, Guy L. Ramsay, W. A. Fry; Welland, Harry Moore, C. W. Hagar; Niagara Falls, Byron J. Coulson, William J. Dawson. The four-club schedule adopted was as follows: Friday, Jan. 10—Welland at Dunnville, Port Colborne at Simcoe. Tuesday, Jan. 14—Simcoe at Welland, Dunnville at Port Colborne. Friday, Jan. 17—Simcoe at Dunnville, Port Colborne at Welland. Friday, Jan. 24—Port Colborne at Dunnville, Welland at Simcoe. Tuesday, Jan. 28—Dunnville at Welland, Simcoe at Port Colborne. Friday, Jan. 31—Welland at Port Colborne, Dunnville at Simcoe. The five-club schedule was as follows: Jan. 7—Simcoe at Port Colborne, Welland at Dunnville. Jan. 10—Niagara Falls at Simcoe, Port Colborne at Welland. Jan. 14—Dunnville at Port Colborne, Welland at Niagara Falls. Jan. 17—Niagara Falls at Dunnville, Port Colborne at Simcoe. Jan. 21—Simcoe at Dunnville, Niagara Falls at Welland. Jan. 24—Welland at Port Colborne, Dunnville at Simcoe. Jan. 28—Simcoe at Welland, Port Colborne at Niagara Falls. Jan. 31—Port Colborne at Dunnville, Welland at Simcoe. Feb. 3—Simcoe at Niagara Falls, Dunnville at Welland. Feb. 7—Niagara Falls at Port Colborne, Dunnville at Simcoe. Feb. 10—Dunnville at Niagara Falls. HOCKEY ALL AROUND US. Woodstock, Dec. 13.—The following is the schedule of intermediate O. H. A. group 3: Dec. 30—Woodstock at Tillsonburg. Dec. 30—Ingersoll at London. Jan. 3—Ingersoll at Woodstock. Jan. 3—Brantford at Paris. Jan. 3—Tillsonburg at London. Jan. 7—London at Ingersoll. Jan. 7—Paris at Tillsonburg. Jan. 8—Woodstock at Brantford. Jan. 10—Woodstock at London. Jan. 10—Brantford at Tillsonburg. Jan. 10—Paris at Ingersoll. Jan. 14—Tillsonburg at Ingersoll. Jan. 14—Paris at Woodstock. Jan. 15—London at Brantford.

CHASING THE PUCK.

Jack Marks, now playing at Brantford, is slated for left wing on Pittsford's professional hockey team. It is likely that he will be landed in the course of a day or two. London, Dec. 12.—(C. A. P.)—In the ice hockey game the Oxford Canadians scored 5 and Prince's Club 4. London Advertiser: Everybody is talking hockey locally, and small wonder. Nine teams, including an intermediate O. H. A. bunch, is an unheard of thing in London. The roller skating field is interfering somewhat with hockey in many Ontario towns. In several places the rinks will not be flooded until the 1st of January owing to the leases of the rinks, which do not expire until that time. A Montreal story declares that Montreal, Victoria, Shamrock, and Quebec were all in a deal to desert the Wanderers and Ottawas, and organize a new league on amateur lines, with the Argonauts of Toronto included. It fell through because the Vics suddenly came to a decision not to whipsaw their old associates.

LONGSHOT TRACK.

New Orleans Fair Grounds a Place of Upsets.

New Orleans, Dec. 13.—An unusual number of longshots figured in the money at the Fair Grounds yesterday. Beginning with Bitterman at 100 to 1, which finished third in the first race, nearly every event had two long-prize horses. The fifth race was won by Miss Ferris at 25 to 1, and the sixth was won by Sponge Cake at 30 to 1, with Javaneese at 15 to 1 second. DURNELL BARRED. New York, Dec. 13.—At a meeting yesterday of the stewards of the Jockey Club, presided over by August Belmont, chairman, a motion was adopted and the Secretary of the club was instructed to write all associations racing under the jurisdiction of the Jockey Club, requesting them to refuse all entries of C. E. Durnell and of any horse in which he may own an interest. The report of S. S. Howland, steward representing the Jockey Club at the autumn meeting of the Washington Jockey Club at Bennings, on the case of the horse St. Joseph and Trainer J. Marco, was accepted and approved. The stewards also took action on a report made by Henry J. Morris, et al. at the autumn meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club, and indefinitely

MIKE KELLY FOR TORONTO.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Although President McCaffery, of the Toronto Club, would not confirm the deal, it is practically certain that Mike Kelly will handle that team in the Eastern League the coming season. Kelly hadn't signed when he left for his home in Minneapolis at 6:30 o'clock to-night, but everything is fixed up between manager and manager. Mr. McCaffery left for home to-night. Out of all the talk of trades, only two deals were pulled off. The Detroit club, figured in both of them, selling a young first-sacker, Arthur Brown, secured from Newark a year ago, to the St. Louis Club. The other deal brings catcher Art Thomas to the New York Highlanders to Detroit.

TO INVESTIGATE.

C. A. A. U. Will Look Into Payne's Charges To-morrow.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—President Stark, of the C. A. A. U., stated that the Payne charge against the Irish Canadian in connection with a trip to Ottawa would be dealt with at the meeting of the C. A. A. U. Board, which has been called for Saturday evening, to ratify the arrangements made with Col. Hanbury-Williams in connection with the Olympic games. The charges will be thoroughly gone into and the C. A. A. U. will be asked to produce their expense vouchers. Tom Flanagan states that he will be there "with both feet" to answer Mr. Payne, and not only would he produce his statement of expenses involved, but he would bring along all the prizes received as an answer to the charge that the runners had bartered their prizes for a money consideration.

ANOTHER C. A. A. U. WARNING.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—Secretary Crow, of the C. A. A. U., has issued a warning to athletes holding C. A. A. U. cards on the matter of competing in unsanctioned events. He says: "Athletes registered with the C. A. A. U. are warned against competing in walking races or other contests in sports under our control which have not been sanctioned by the C. A. A. U. There has been a couple of unsanctioned walking races pulled off lately, in which C. A. A. U. men competed, and another one is scheduled for to-night. Registered athletes should refrain from competing, for if they do they endanger their amateur standing."

GOOD BOY HARTLEY.

Peterboro Review: David Hartley wishes to correct a wrong impression that appears to have got abroad in connection with his refusal to accept the civic grant of \$100. Mr. Hartley is deeply grateful to those who arranged the welcome in his honor and to the members of the City Council for the grant of \$100. He realizes that all these things have been done through the kindest motives, and his only reason for refusing the grant is that there was objection to it by some of the ratepayers. He feels that it would not be right for him to accept the money under the circumstances.

O. H. A. GROUP 4.

Meeting at Welland Arranged Two Schedules.

Welland, Dec. 13.—Delegates from the clubs in group 4, intermediate series, O. H. A., met in Welland last night, and, with Conventor Hugh A. Ross in the chair, drafted the schedule for the district. The association decided that Niagara Falls Oakdale were to be admitted on the new Olympic rink. The delegate from Niagara Falls claimed that this rink was to be devoted exclusively to roller skating and asked the clubs to

Some Snap Shots at Sport and Sportsmen

Joe Gans, the great colored fighter, is drawing large crowds at the Star Theatre in Toronto this week. Last night a number of Hamilton ring followers, who saw him put Ernie to sleep at Fort Erie, a few years ago, went down to Toronto to see him in action with his sparring partner, Gans has not changed much in appearance since that eventful night. He is a little stouter now.

An offer was made to Gans to come here next week for an exhibition under the auspices of the Globe Athletic Club, but the dusky boxer was forced to decline it. He said he has to appear in a civil court in Baltimore next week in connection with a suit for damages arising out of an automobile accident. Gans is receiving \$1,000 for giving three round exhibitions at the Star this week.

Fitzsimmons, the ex-champion boxer of the world, will appear here week after next. He will do a monologue turn at the Savoy. They say "Froekled Fred" can talk almost as well as he can box.

Walter Willoughby, the Buffalo mat artist, will be kept mighty busy the present winter if he attends to all the wrestlers who are anxious to get a crack at him. Yesterday he matched himself for a straight bout with Fred Beel, concededly the hardest wrestling proposition in this country to-day with the possible exception of Frank Gotch. The Police Gazette recently extolled Willoughby to the extent of a full page, speaking of him as the middleweight champion of the world. There are some who dispute this, and Al Christensen, the Big Swede, is one of these.

or a stiff right on the jaw, but it's an awfully hard task to bring the public to after handing it a knockout. Keep on the straight and narrow path. You may think sometimes that it is the longest way, but you will find out every time that it's the quickest way after all."

Toronto Star: Hamilton and London might do well as a composite team in the Eastern League. Hamilton could supply the money and London the players.

A correspondent gives pointed dope on the Burns-Palmer match. He says the fight between Palmer and Mike Williams in Johannesburg, South Africa, some two years ago, in which the latter made pulp of the former, also the fight between Mike Williams and Squires in Australia, in which Williams was knocked out in the first round, and it follows that, as Palmer went to South Africa and was beaten by Williams, Williams went to Australia and was beaten by Squires, Squires comes to America and was winged by Burns, Palmer stands no chance of beating Burns.

The C. A. P. cablegram yesterday would indicate that Tommy Burns was quoted in other despatches as saying some things that were mere inventions, including the allegation that he would return soon to fight one J. Johnson. According to the flash from London Burns has refused to fight Sam McVeagh in Paris, on the ground that he never fights with a colored man, and by parity of reasoning he will likely omit Mr. Johnson from his visiting list, regardless of the noise of the loquacious manager, Fitzpatrick, and other boosters of the black American.—Toronto World.

There will be a big time at the Hamilton Gun Club's grounds to-morrow, when the annual match for a supper between the president's and vice-president's teams will take place. After the match a supper and good time will be had at Dynes' Hotel.

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A HORSELESS RUNAWAY.

The expected has happened. The speed craze has done its perfect work. The industry that boasted its superiority over the runaway horse has furnished one of the most conspicuous examples of a runaway in modern times. Urged on by the newspaper clamor and by a horde of racing parasites, American automobile manufacturers have been piling up speed and power, ossa on Pelion, without a thought of the future or a pause to contemplate the artificial nature of the demand they are creating. All have seemed possessed with a mad desire to get into the big car business and reap the fabulous profits which they assumed all the makers of high speed cars were enjoying. Lengthen the wheel base, multiply the cylinders, increase the bore and crowd on the power, was the cry! Up and down the land the big cars were wildly rushing, all the newspapers were full of the exploits of the society folk, the racing

champions and the successful manufacturers of these wonderfully popular road locomotives. It was the coming business. Makers could not begin to supply the demand, we were told, and were invariably referred to in the public prints as millionaires. Thus, like a prairie fire, the speed contagion spread, causing a stampede of the speculative and the incompetent who are easily influenced by newspaper suggestion and popular clamor, into this sadly over-exploited ranch of manufacture. For now the fickle character of the high speed craze is apparent. The market is over stocked with high speed cars! Many factories equipped for their manufacture remain idle or are working on short time, and the makers of this class who are likely to a large extent of their entire product next year can be counted on the fingers of one hand. This means an enormous loss to the industry in factory equipment as well as in manufactured cars of unsalable makes, not to mention the failures which must surely ensue. Edited in part in the last issue of The Horseless Age.

THE PULFORD WILL.

Mrs. Hardy Sustained in Her Contentions. Toronto, Dec. 13. Mr. Justice Riddell handed out judgment this morning in the case of Hardy vs. Sheriff, which was brought for the purpose of deciding the meaning of certain clauses in the will of the late John Pulford.

His Lordship prefers his judgment by saying with reference to the will that: "It is not long, but one of the provisions has given rise to a controversy involving, as I am informed, a million dollars or more for Pulford." "At the time the will was made the testator had two daughters, one the plaintiff, Mrs. Hardy, nearly, if not quite, 24 years of age, and the other Mrs. Sheriff, about 19. Mrs. Hardy's husband is a son of the late Premier Hardy. A son of the defendant, Mr. Pulford, was born on May 6th, 1902, three months after the date of the will.

"An amount of \$12,000 per annum was to be paid to each daughter till she reached the age of 25 years." "It is clause 18 which has given rise to the difficulty. This clause directs that as each child attains the age of 25 years his or her income from the estate is to be during the ten year period provided for 'his or her proportionate part of 90 per cent. of the income of my estate after all charges are paid—it being my intention that my children are to share equally in such income, but until each child attains the age of 25 years what would have been his or her share is to accumulate and form part of my general estate."

"The plaintiff's claim is that the difference between the annuities directed to be paid to each while under the age of 25 years and the full one-third share of the surplus income of the estate which would have been payable to each had they been all of the full age of 25 years as the date of the testator's death do not accumulate for the benefit of such children respectively, but fall into the general estate, to be accumulated and invested, and that the full proportionate share is payable to those children who have attained the age of 25 years. It is contended, on the other hand, that the true interpretation is that the difference between the amounts paid to each while under 25 and the full one-third of the surplus should accumulate for the individual benefit of each. "I think that the plaintiff is right in her contention. If I had given effect to the contention of defendant Sheriff, the question would arise as to the right of this defendant to receive the amount of \$12,000 to which the plaintiff is no longer entitled, and also one-third of the 90 per cent. This consideration, I think, supports the conclusion at which I have arrived." "The costs come out of the estate, but they are limited to the amount which would have been payable had the matter been brought up in Single Court instead of in the Non-jury Assizes. Toronto's percentage last month from the street railway was \$22,558

ENGINEER ACQUITTED.

H. Morris Held Not Responsible for Death of Fireman Blackburn. Barrie, Dec. 12.—On September 29 on the steep grade entering Allandale yards from the south occurred a rear-end collision between two freight trains in which Robert Blackburn, an English fireman, was killed. The coroner's jury placed the blame on Engineer H. Morris and Conductor Farrell, of Hamilton, but at the preliminary investigation Farrell was discharged and Morris was committed on the charge of manslaughter. The trial came on to-day at the County Court before Judge Ardagh, Mr. T. C. Robinson conducting the defence and Crown Attorney Cotter prosecuting.

Morris' record as an engineer was spoken of in the highest terms by the officials, and it was shown that he had done everything he could to avoid the collision, and when he saw that it was inevitable he warned Blackburn to jump before doing so himself. After being out only a few minutes the jury returned a verdict of acquittal.

PAY FOR DEAD CHILDREN.

Hochelaga School Commissioners Settle Suit for Damages. Montreal, Dec. 12.—At a meeting of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners this morning it was decided to pay the parents of the children who lost their lives in the Hochelaga School fire last winter the sum of \$300 for each child. This means an outlay of \$4,800, exclusive of the expense of

FEEDING THE CHILDREN.

Point Discussed by the Women's Institute. Guelph, Dec. 12.—The convention of the Women's Institute was concluded this afternoon, when Mrs. G. A. Putnam, of Toronto, presided. This morning's session was taken up by discussions on the proper feeding of children. Miss C. A. Aikens, of Detroit, and Miss M. U. Watson, of the Macdonald Institute, Guelph, read papers on the subject. Miss Aikens advocated the use of common-sense food for children, mother's milk and lots of fresh air. She advocated the use of common-sense clothing, not made too tight. No soothing syrups should be given to babies, and she emphasized the danger of allowing too many people to kiss babies. There was also danger in placing dirty fingers in babies' mouths and feeding hard-tack after the baby was weaned, such as meat, cabbage and other foods.

RAILWAYMEN PROTEST.

Sentences for Dereliction of Duty Considered Too Severe. Medicine Hat, Dec. 12.—At a joint meeting here of the Order of Railway Conductors, the Brotherhood of Trainmen, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, resolutions were passed, to be forwarded to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. Geo. P. Graham and Mr. R. L. Borden, protesting against the clause of the railway act, R. S., 1906, under which power is given the judiciary of Canada to sentence men operating trains for offences to fine and imprisonment when such offences may simply be a lapse of memory or an error of judgment honestly made.

PASSAQUAY ACQUITTED.

Provincial Police Officers Warned Against Illegal Acts. Niagara Falls, Dec. 12.—At the County Assizes at Welland this week William Passaquay, alias Robert Passquay, a member of the gang of alleged bank burglars, was acquitted by Judge Wells on the charge of carrying explosives. For this offence his pal, Harding, is serving an eighteen months' term. The feature of the trial was the severe criticism of Judge Wells on the methods of the Provincial police in endeavoring to make an arrest without a warrant, and when the officers were not wearing uniforms or anything to show they were policemen.

JOHN BOOTH'S WAY OUT.

No Work, and With Wife and Child, Killed Himself. Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Dependent because he could not find work, John Booth, a young Englishman, who had been in Canada only a few months, committed suicide at noon to-day by taking cyanide of potassium. He leaves a wife and one child. For the last two weeks Booth tramped the streets of the capital looking for work, and the fruitless search, with a wife and child depending on him, drove him to suicide.

A man's piano may need tuning, but when he is examined for life insurance he is satisfied if his organs are all right. In employment requiring quickness and dexterity the hands of women are far more valuable than men.

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SPORTING NEWS

(Continued from page 8.)

SUSPENDED THE LICENSES OF JOCKEYS DIGGINS AND ENGLANDER. SADDLE AND SULKY.

John J. Ryan is negotiating for the chase of Jack Atkin from Barney Schreiber.

Jockey McDaniel drew three days' suspension for rough riding on Sally Preston on Wednesday.

"Boots" Durnell claimed the good three-year-old Jacomo for \$1,400 out of a selling race at Los Angeles on Wednesday. Jacomo was owned by Ed. Trotter and was a good winner on the Canadian circuit last summer.

At Oakland Tuesday the filly College Widow won a race and was disqualified for fouling but was placed second instead of last. On all tracks of this country, except those racing under the rules of the Pacific Jockey Club, a horse disqualified for fouling is placed last. This is also the case in England, in continental Europe and in Australia, and it has been a rule of racing ever since racing rules have existed.

INTER-CITY GAME.

Hamilton and Toronto Bowlers to Meet To-morrow.

At the Brunswick alleys here to-morrow there will be a match between Hamilton and Toronto bowlers, eight men a side. The teams will be picked from the following:

Toronto—Stean, MacMillan, Martman, Wallace, Boyd, Coulter, Watson, Selby, Archambault and Jenkins.

PETERS-MITCHELL WON.

The Westinghouse Bowling Club held a two-man tournament last evening at the Brunswick alleys. It was won by Peters and Mitchell. The scores were:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes names like Feltz, Thomson, Peters, Mitchell, Reid, McKelvey, Brant, Friesorn, Mellon, Poresek.

THE FATS WON.

Last night a team of "fats" from the International Harvester Works played a team of "lean" and won by 113 pins. The scores were:

Leans—Cook, 442; Adams, 443; Gleason, 400; Manger, 303; Johnson, 401. Total, 1,283.

DUNDAS.

Foresters' Annual—Funeral of Late Stanley Laing.

Dundas, Dec. 13.—The annual meeting of Court Pride of the Valley, I. O. F., was held on Wednesday evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Chief Ranger, Frank H. Mundell; S. C. Ranger, John Blake; Treasurer, Abram Greenwood; Secretary, Spencer Briggs; Senior Woodward, W. J. Dendle; Junior Woodward, Jas. E. Mahoney; Senior Beadle, Reg. A. Cornell; Junior Beadle, Wm. Housden; Trustees, F. A. Lathaw, H. W. Ralph, John Walker; Medical Officer, Dr. J. W. Smith; Auditors, Wm. Male, Willot Hall, Edward Norton.

Installation will take place on Jan. 8. The funeral of Stanley Laing, who died very suddenly last Monday, took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of his sadly bereaved parents. Interment was in Grove Cemetery. The burial ceremonies were conducted by Rev. E. H. Gray. The pallbearers were William Watter, Allan and Gordon Laing, of Dundas, John Laing, of Anaster, and Alex. Noble, of Norval. Deceased was a highly esteemed young man of the town, and his sudden demise while yet in his teens has brought deep grief to his parents and sorrow to a wide circle of friends and schoolmates.

Jacob Markle is one of the oldest of the Markle clan now living hereabouts, and is one of the town's octogenarians. He is getting up near the ninetieth milestone, and during the past summer passed through a serious illness. Yesterday, passing along the street, he entered a grocery of A. S. Cain, and took a seat. He was observed to sink and sway as if about to swoon, but was quickly taken care of and removed to his home, where the services of Dr. Smith were secured, and the aged sufferer soon put into a comfortable condition. At last accounts he was doing as well as a man of his age could be expected.

Edward Pirie, of Parry Sound, has been visiting friends in town. Miss Winnie McGregor, of Waterdown, was a recent visitor with Mrs. Stock. Miss Pirie is visiting in Toronto. Municipal matters in the Valley Town are dull. Owing to the town's growth it will have another representative (a deputy reeve), in next year's County Council, and another member—now eight in all—in the Town Council.

MONSTER VESSEL.

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 13.—With the opening of navigation in 1908 the Northern Navigation Co. will put into commission a new monster passenger vessel, of the same type and dimensions as the Huronic and the equal of the Huronic as to convenience and equipments. The new boat also will make the Duluth trip once a week. The Huronic, built in 1901, is 328 feet long, 45 feet beam, with a carrying capacity of 2,211 tons.

CROSSING CASE.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 13.—The Dominion Railway Commission has decided the dispute between the W. E. & L. S. and Essex Terminal Railways over the crossing, south of Windsor, by consolidating the crossings of the Essex Terminal, W. E. & L. S. and C. P. R., and throwing the burden of the cost for the change on the Essex Terminal.

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SEE SAMPLES IN OUR WINDOW TO-NIGHT

ABOUT DOPING RACE HORSES.

Difficult to Tell When They've Been Fixed—Some Horses, Says the Trainer, Just Naturally Act Wild—One Horse on Whom the Drug Acted Very Slowly Was Old Rough Rider.

Experienced turfmen seem to be of the opinion that the Washington Jockey club took a chance when it ruled off Joe Marrone and his horse St. Joseph on the charge that St. Joseph had been doped for a race. Marrone has entered suit for \$50,000 against the Washington Jockey Club in a district of Columbia court, says a Washington paper.

"It will be up to the Benningts turf authorities to prove in court that Marrone's horse had the hop in him," remarked a veteran of the game, "and that job sure will bother them some. The turf authorities' end of it will all rest upon the assertion of the track veterinarian, a man in the employ of the jockey club, that St. Joseph had been staked to the burry up soup. The court is liable to regard that sort of testimony as more or less prejudicial, in view of the fact that Marrone demanded that he be permitted to call in two outside veterinarians to examine the horse, saying that he would abide by their decision. This privilege wasn't allowed Marrone. The verdict against him stood on the say of the track veterinarian.

As a matter of fact, I think St. Joseph wasn't hopped on the day of the rule off. St. Joseph is a crazy horse, that's all. He's always been that.

Colin is a Loafer.

"As a rule the horses that get the hop just before going to the post are naturally sluggish animals that won't extend themselves in races unless they're artificially worked up to it. Such horses may have the breeding, the brain, the conformation, the stamina to do any old thing in the way of racing, but they're loafers, shirkers, and their inherent disposition is to soldier on the job. Why, do you know that the greatest horse of our modern racing time, no less a baby than Keene's unbeaten Colin, is a born loafer? That's what he is—a lazy, loutish, hummy loafer of the worst description. He hasn't been extended yet, although he won his thirteen straight races this year from the best horses of his age in training. The answer is that Colin is so enormously superior to anything else of his age wearing hoofs that he can loaf and loaf and still win a-breeze. Probably Colin always will be a loafer, but of course he'll never be stiffened up with any hop, because the juice will never be necessary in his case, and because, of course, for the most important reason, Keene's trainer would just about as lief chop off one of his hands as to hop any kind of a horse.

"But sluggish, soldiering horses of the middling kind get the pick me up stuff simply because they won't do anything without it. They're like hoboes that refuse to tackle the wood pile pointed out to them before they get something to eat by way of a handout or a sit down.

Acts in Varied Ways. "As a rule the dope takes effect immediately in them, so that when it has been administered to them in the paddock at saddling time they're up in the air and nutty by the time they get out on to the track. But the horse hop is as various in its effect upon horses as whiskey or any other stimulant is in its effect upon men.

"Take old Rough Rider, for example—you must remember that one—a huge, gaunt, rough hewn Knight of Ellerslie horse, Rough Rider, even from his three-year-old days, wouldn't lift a hoof if he didn't have his regular mess of velocity specific. They began giving it

to him when he was that old and that settled it. Once a hopper, always a hopper, is the rule for horses, as it is, speaking generally, for men.

"Now the hap from the very beginning had a curious way of working in the carcass of that horse. It acted in him about as slowly as poison acts on the system of a musty elephant that's being put to death.

"Rough Rider was due to start in a mile and three-quarter race the first time he got the juice. They gave him a dose big enough to blow up Hell Gate, saddled him, and they stood by waiting for Rough Rider's lamps to begin to blaze. Nixy blaze. Rough Rider just stood and blinked and sort of hitched around, trying to find something to lean against.

Seemed to be in Wrong.

"Well, they figured that maybe they'd got the wrong hop or something. It seemed impossible that any critter standing or sitting could have a chile can come mess inside of him and not chirk up and ramp and rear around. But nary a ramp for old Rough Rider. Just stood there in the paddock in his ruminative, bovine way, sniffing idly at the folks around him, and looking like he wished they'd please go 'way and let him sleep. Observing all of which Rough Rider's folks didn't know whether to bet on him or not. But they decided to take a chance, and went into the ring and took the 40 to 1 that was on tap against the bum.

"Rough Rider, with all that hop in him, just slouched to the post, and it took the spurs of his boy to keep him up with the parade to the webbing. He was so tired. When the horses got away there were some blamed smart ones in the field, too—Rough Rider as usual, was a horrible last. Last and dropping behind with every jump. At the end of the first three-quarters he was about 75 yards behind the last horse.

Then It Happened.

"But at the mile something sure done him loose in Rough Rider. The bomb in him exploded all of a sudden. From a dull, dead clomp like a flash he took on the action of a Hindu. He laid his ears back like a cat in a gale of wind, gave his tail about two swishes, and darted forward like a steam-fed devil. The gap that he had to make up to catch the last horse was something enormous. But he seemed to do it in 10 jumps. If he wasn't going twice as fast as any of the others I never saw a weanling. He caught the last horse at the top of the stretch, but even then he had 40 lengths to cover before he could swing alongside the leader. But he did that as easy as you'd bust an inflated paper bag, grabbed the leader at the sixteenth pole, and with that little bit of distance to go lumbered down to the wire a winner by 10 lengths, all the rest of 'em looking as if they were moored to the back of a prairie schooner.

"That's the way the hop took and did with old Rough Rider. They had a pretty good fool with that one as long as he lasted. The Los Angeles people got him a couple of years ago, though, and ruled him away from tracks for being a hop fiend."

EXCELSIOR LODGE.

Visit of D. D. G. M.—Presentation to E. Drinkwater.

Charles H. Mann, D. D. G. M., of the I. O. O. F., paid his official visit to Excelsior lodge last evening. He was accompanied by Ald. Thomas Allen, P. G. Frank Hoel, P. G. Oliver Beatty, P. G. Hugh Craig and P. G. S. O. Luke, Grand Marshall. The hall was as full as it would hold. The second degree work was put on in splendid style and the team came in for much praise. After this work, on behalf of the team and Excelsior Lodge, Mr. Mann presented a beautiful gold locket, inscribed on one side and bearing the emblem of the order on the other, to P. G. Edward Drinkwater, captain of the team. An able address was given by the D. D. G. M. and members of the deputation that accompanied him. At the supper which followed an excellent programme was given. Among those who contributed was P. G. Stevenson, of Dominion Lodge, London, who was on his way home from the Holy Land, and who gave a most interesting talk on his travels.

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DRINKS CARBOLIC ACID.

Mae Sullivan Swallows Fatal Dose in Depot Waiting Room.

Corry, Pa., Dec. 13.—Mae Sullivan, aged 22, committed suicide yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock in the ladies' waiting room at the Erie depot, by taking three ounces of carbolic acid, which she purchased at a local drug store in the afternoon. She came to Corry three weeks ago with her sister, Mrs. Guy Harper, of Batavia, N. Y., where she had been living for some time. She was about the city in the morning, and went direct to the depot in the afternoon from her home.

Before taking the acid she wrote this note: "Nellie.—Please lay me just the way I am. You have all been good to me. I am tired out. I am trusting God will be merciful."—Mae.

She was found by people who were waiting for outgoing trains and died a few minutes after taking the dose. She was fashionably dressed and was a very fine looking girl. Batavia, Dec. 13.—Mae Sullivan, who committed suicide at Corry, Pa., yesterday, lived here until three weeks ago. She was employed at a confectionery store, and left her position because of illness. For some time before leaving here her employers noticed that she was despondent, probably in account of illness.

The one time when a girl will always believe a fellow is when he tells her she is beautiful.

Didna Ken He Could Fecht.

Shortly after coming to this country and when pastor of a church in Pennsylvania mining town, the following incident occurred: I had been out visiting and was on my way home, when I came on a crowd of men and boys, who were evidently having fine sport. I soon learned the cause of their merriment. It was a "hauf fou" Scotsman, and a "well corked" Englishman, who, in real pugilistic style were doing Bann-ekburn over again. I appealed to the spectators to stop what seemed to me a disgraceful and uncalled for exhibition of fist tactics—and for my advice got laughed at. Then I rushed through the ring, grabbed the Scotsman by the collar, forcing him to assume a reclining position on the side of a railway embankment, telling him as I did so that he was a disgrace to Bruce and Wallace, and that I had a mind to thrash him myself. He looked up at me for a moment in evident surprise, and then said, "Go, then, say ye can preach like th' devil, but I didn't ken ye could fecht; ye man ye some free o' Tamme Stancraig's th' prize fechter over on th' ither river. But gie's yer haun' onyway. I'll gie in that 'Ain clean hate this time, an' 'Ain awed' gied it's by a Scotsman." It is needless to say that this episode ended the battle, and there were men in that crowd who believed for many a day that the preacher really could "fecht."—Stancraigs.

The one time when a girl will always believe a fellow is when he tells her she is beautiful.

L. O. L. 19.

Sir John A. Macdonald L. O. L. No. 19 held its annual meeting in the Orange Hall, James street north, last evening, when the following officers were elected: W. H. Nichol, W. M. W. J. Haycock, D. M. Jas. Atkinson, Chaplain. S. V. Bechill, Recording Secretary. Thos. Nichol, Financial Secretary. W. Deverell, Treasurer. Thos. Wilson, D. of C. Jas. E. Letten, Lecturer. D. Hamilton, First Com. W. H. Todd, Wm. Clark, Jas. Robinson, L. Hutchesin, Committee. Robt. Smith, Inside Tyler. S. Taggerty, Outside Tyler. Dr. Lafferty, Physician. M. Williamson and Wm. Hoey, Auditors.

Proverbs Up to Date.

He who waits for dead men's shoes is liable to get corns. Better to have loved and lost than to have been the other fellow. Tacks are stubborn things. It takes two to make a quarrel and three to make a divorce. He who is born with a golden spoon in his mouth often lives to hock the family plate. The proof of the pudding is in the morning. He kills two birds with one stone who marries a widow with a family. We are the users of alimony.—The Bohemian.

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MANY ITALIANS WERE ROBBED,

But Dr. Smith, Toronto, Was No Party to it.

Interesting Case at the December Sessions Yesterday.

John Nevills Acquitted in Copper Wire Case.

The first case taken up yesterday afternoon at the General Sessions was that of Orazio vs. Smith. The judge granted a non-suit and, as several other Italians were going to go on with similar cases if this one was successful, they were all dropped. Mr. W. J. O'Neil, of W. L. Ross' office, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. George Lynch-Staunton acted for the defendant, Dr. Smith, of Toronto.

The action was brought to recover \$200 given to Garabaldi, an agent in the office of Dr. Smith, Italian Consular Agent in Toronto. The plaintiff went to the office for the purpose of being examined, as is provided by the military laws of Italy, as when 20 years of age each Italian must appear to be examined to see if he is fit for service. The plaintiff claimed he went to see Dr. Smith, but that he was out, and that Garabaldi was there and told him a new law had been passed in Italy, to the effect that a young man could get out of service by paying \$200. The plaintiff said he went back in a week and paid the \$200. Garabaldi has since "skidded" and the defendant claims Garabaldi was not his agent, as claimed, but only shared the office with him, and occasionally, when he was out, answered enquiries for him.

The defendant practises medicine in Toronto and takes measurements of applicants and their statements. It was entirely a case of whether Garabaldi had authority from Dr. Smith. There is no law, it was stated, in Italy about freedom from service upon payment of \$200. Mr. George Lynch-Staunton, who appeared for Dr. Smith, said that he could not see where a case had been made against his client. Mr. W. J. O'Neil, for Orazio, said that he considered Dr. Smith was liable under the Banker and Agent Act.

Judge Snider said he did not see any use in sending the case to the jury, as he was of the opinion that Garabaldi was the guilty man, and that Dr. Smith could not be held responsible. He non-suited the plaintiff.

Bail Estreated.

The name of Joseph Meyers was called three times yesterday, but he did not answer. He is a man charged with having stolen two race tickets from the pocket of Harry Daniels at a recent race meet held here. Meyers put up \$200 bail at the time of his arrest, and has not been seen or heard of since. His bail was estreated and he is now a fugitive from justice. It is thought Meyers is in the States, and that he has been arrested on the same kind of a charge there.

Nevills Acquitted.

It was 8 o'clock last evening before the jury in the case of John Nevills, charged with stealing copper wire from Woodman Bros., brought in a verdict of not guilty. The case went to the jury at 6.30. Mr. George S. Kerr, who was counsel for the prisoner, put in an excellent defence. The important witness for the Crown was Harry Weinstein, who was convicted of complicity and sentenced to spend a year in Central. He said that on the 19th and the 20th of November, the two days that the stuff was stolen, Nevills was there on both occasions, and helped to load the wagon. Weinstein was a trifle vindictive toward Nevills, when Mr. Kerr started to cross-examine him. Nothing could shake him of the story that Nevills was there.

Arthur Dunsmore, the star witness for the defence, said that on the occasion when he took his wagon out, he did not see Nevills around, and Greig, the other party, could not identify Nevills as being one of the party.

Constables Barrett and Brannan said they could not positively identify Nevills as being one of the party, as they were some distance away from them when the cart was being loaded. They thought, however, that he answered the description of one of the men who was in the crowd.

Nevills swore that on the afternoon of the 19th he went to the party to Dunsmore looking for a job, and that when he got there he found there was no work to be had. He said he dropped into the Melbourne Hotel in Dundas, and got a drink from the bartender, a man named Foster. On the morning of the 20th, he swore he went on to the party, where his uncle resided, and stayed there for two weeks.

Judge Snider said in his address to the jury that it must consider the fact that the evidence of a convicted man could not be taken seriously by the jury unless there was sufficient corroboration. In this particular case the evidence was not corroborative and the only evidence that the jury need consider was that of the policemen, Barrett and Brannan. If the jury could see its way clear to convict the prisoner on their evidence it would be all right.

On the return of the jury his Honor warned Nevills that it was up to him to believe in future, and keep away from gangs that would likely lead him into trouble. His Honor mentioned the fact that some of the evidence was strongly against him, and that would count against him should he ever appear in court.

Nevills mumbled a hurried "Thank you, sir," and made a quick exit.

The jury in the case of England vs. C. P. R. returned a verdict for the defendant, and Judge Snider dismissed the action.

The Train De Luxe of Canada.

The "International Limited," the premier train of Canada, is endorsed by everybody who has ever had the experience of riding on it. It leaves Montreal at 9.00 a. m. every day in the year, arriving Toronto at 4.30 p. m., Hamilton 5.30 p. m., London 7.48 p. m., Detroit 10 p. m., and Chicago 7.42 a. m. following morning. It is a solid vestibule train—modern equipment throughout—with Pullman sleeping cars through to Chicago; also Cafe Parlor and Library car service. Have the experience on your next trip west.

Wineg—Oldbach is a thorough pessimist. "Nonsense! Why, the man has never even been married!"

POSTAL RATES.

The Increase Detrimental to Canadian Newspapers.

Whatever benefit Postmaster-General Lemieux's arrangement with the U. S. postal authorities regarding postage on newspapers and magazines entering into our country from the United States accrues to Canadian interests, it cannot be said to help the publishers of newspapers in this country. The reverse is the fact. For this increased postage arrangement has dealt a heavy blow to the sale of Dominion newspapers to people living in the United States. As a sample of how the arrangement works, the following extract is taken from a letter received from a Chicago subscriber:

"I am in receipt of your favor of the 5th inst., relative to the increased postage rate on the daily papers. This has reference to my late father's subscription, but as I don't feel disposed to remit money to fatten the P. O. department, will simply have to let it lapse. Of course, it will prove a loss as I have not missed many issues during the past 37 (thirty-seven) years."

The Times regrets as deeply as does this subscriber to the Times of over thirty-seven years the fact that he can no longer see his way to subscribe to the Times. But the new regulations require that every copy of the Times crossing into the States must have a one-cent stamp attached to it, and on occasions two stamps. This makes a big difference, from the former rate, when newspapers were charged in bulk by weight. The Times regrets the loss of a subscriber who has been so long a reader of its columns. That he has taken it so long is a testimony to his good sense and to the value of the Times as a newspaper.

SAVIOUR'S LIFE.

Fine Illustrated Lecture Given In Association Hall.

Commissioner and Mrs. Coombes conducted a lecture last night in Association Hall, under the auspices of the local branch of the Salvation Army. The lecture was entitled "From Bethlehem to Calvary" and moving pictures accompanied each phase. Music was supplied by the Territorial Headquarters Instrumental and Vocal Quartette.

The following scenes were described and thrown on the sheet: the infant Jesus lying in the manger; the shepherds being visited by the angels; Joseph arriving at Bethlehem and seeking lodgings; the nativity; the adoration by the wise men who were depicted laying their presents at the feet of the Saviour; the infant Jesus asleep; Jesus and the women of Samaria; raising of Jairus' daughter and Christ stilling the tempest; Mary Magdalene's triumphant entry into Jerusalem; last supper whereat Jesus dips his hand into the dish; the betrayal; the actions of Peter, Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane; Christ buffeted; Peter weeping bitterly after the denial; Christ before Pilate; the scourging; Love Hemo; Christ bearing the cross and Simon compelled to carry it; the ascent to Calvary; the crucifixion; Christ on the cross; the agony and descent from the cross; the burial of Christ; the resurrection; Mary and the women at the tomb; Christ appears to the disciples on the way to Emmaus; the ascension.

The lecture was most interesting and instructive, and a good crowd attended, the hall being almost filled. After each set of pictures the quartette and several soloists, and instrumentalists rendered selections. A number of illustrated songs were also interspersed throughout the lecture. Those who took part in addition to the quartette were as follows: Commissioner Coombes, Major H. Morris, Captain E. Pugnare, Captain Marshall, Lieut.-Col. Pugnare.

By request a return engagement will be given. The proceeds go to the local fund.

A Big Day Saturday.

The T. H. Pratt Co. will offer between the hours of 8.15 and 9.15 the following goods much under ordinary selling price. 9 inch battenburg doilies, 15c for 12; 12 inch battenburg doilies, 25c for 10; Tanager doilies, 15 and 16 inches, 30 and 75c; 25c; cane trinket boxes, 15c; 5c; cloth bound novels, by well-known authors, 25c; for 10c; 3 gent's handkerchiefs, done up in a neat gift box, 15c; 3 ladies' hemstitched handkerchiefs, done up in a gift box, 15c. Special offers, of silks and dress goods done up in a gift box at special prices. Auto veils, black, white and colors, 75c; for 35c; handsome chiffon scarfs, Dresden ends, \$2 and \$2.50; for \$1; 24 envelopes, 24 sheets of note paper, done up in a holly covered box, 15c; \$10 and \$13.50 black and plain cloth jackets, for \$4.49; 5 dozen men's black silk mufflers, colored lining, each done up in a separate box, price 50c; English varnished stockings, heavy rib 45c, 9 1/2 only, value for 50c, sale price 15c.

WISE GEES.

Last evening, about 7 o'clock the fire department was called to 21 Hunter street east, where a stable, belonging to a butcher named S. Fauman, had caught fire in a mysterious manner. There was a large number of geese in the stable, and they walked calmly out, and when the fire was over went as calmly back and viewed the remains. The loss is small.

SAW THE POPE.

Rome, Dec. 13.—The Pope to-day received Archbishop Riordan, of San Francisco, in private audience in his library, and the whole situation in the United States in general and in the diocese of San Francisco in particular was discussed at length.

CAMPBELL IN BAD STRAITS

And Kept Money Belonging to St. Philip's Church.

Was Going to Scotland to Re-join His Family.

Airing of Family Scrap Set For Monday Next.

Last evening Constable Gibbs arrested Charles Campbell, formerly of 614 Barton street east, on a warrant charging him with having embezzled \$28 belonging to St. Philip's Church, of which institution he was people's warden.

In the Police Court this morning he elected to have a summary trial, and pleaded guilty to the charge. Acting Crown Attorney Martin asked for a remand until Monday, as it is suspected that he also stole a gold watch, and the police want leisure to look over his trunk. When arrested the prisoner had only 32 cents in money in his pocket, but he had a ticket for Scotland.

Rev. H. J. Lenke, rector of the church, said that the offence had been committed about the 12th of this month, and that it was Campbell's first offence. He had made full restitution, and on behalf of the church he wished to withdraw the charge as far as it was in his power. The prisoner had a wife and child in Scotland, he said, and was in bad straits. The Magistrate granted the remand, and Campbell will be sentenced on Monday if he does not have to face another charge.

Mary Higginson, 370 Houghton street north, was charged by Eliza Mount with assault. The affair was a family scrap, and not of a serious nature. As it was close to 10 o'clock, and the Magistrate and Clerk were due at the Sessions as witnesses for the Crown in the perjury cases, the case was remanded till Monday at the request of A. M. Lewis, for the defendant.

William Barrett, West avenue north, was fined \$2 for being drunk, and Fred Grover, Mary street, was allowed to go at sunrise.

RAILWAY DEAL.

C. P. R. to Reach Atlantic By New England Ports.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—The report which is current here and in Boston that the C. P. R. had practically completed a deal which will give it control of the Boston & Maine is the railway sensation of the hour. Despatches received here from Boston to-day state that there is great excitement in financial and business circles in the Bay State capital over the reports current there that 100,000 odd shares recently acquired by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway, giving it control over the Boston & Maine, have been sold by the New Haven road to the Canadian Pacific.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, when asked to-day what truth there is in the reports connecting the C. P. R. with the transaction, would make no announcement on the subject. He would neither confirm nor deny the statements that had been made, nor would he discuss the matter at the present stage.

TO BURN VILLAGES.

French Troops to Go After Rebellious Tribesmen.

Oudja, Algeria, Dec. 13.—As the negotiations for the submission of the rebellious Beni Nassen tribesmen are not coming to a head as rapidly as had been expected, the French troops under the command of General Liautier have received orders to begin a forward concentric movement toward the mountain retreats of the tribesmen, with the object of forcing the native leaders to yield. All villages submitting to the French will not be harmed, but those resisting will be razed and burned.

WALKED FROM NORTH BAY.

Harry Ellis Gets Feet Frozen in Long Journey.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—Harry Ellis, a man of thirty-one and an Englishman, who has been in Canada for the past three years, is at present in the St. Anthony ward of St. Michael's Hospital with his feet badly frozen. The result of a two hundred mile walk from North Bay. He says that he reached North Bay absolutely destitute, and there was nothing for him to do, as he could not get work there, but to walk to his destination—Toronto. Every night, as he had to sleep out in the open where he could, his feet froze and grew intensely painful. Towards the latter part of his journey his feet were so swollen that he had to cut his boots, and he was only able to make a few miles a day.

Arrived in Toronto, he neglected to go to a hospital for some time, and when yesterday he came to St. Michael's his feet were in a dreadful condition, and it is possible that he will be obliged to have them amputated.

"I made good money in Montreal and Ontario before I went west; that's where I made my mistake. I came down to North Bay to look for my brother, who I had heard from on a Port Arthur boat, and I got stranded there," said Ellis.

Infantry School at Goderich.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Military orders issued to-day announce the establishment of a provisional school of instruction for infantry officers at Goderich, to commence January 7th, and to continue six weeks.

Tug Sailor Drops Dead.

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 12.—The tug Ottawa, which arrived to-day from Lake Superior, brought the body of Second Engineer Seagel, who dropped dead last night. His home is in Sarnia, and he shipped from that port.

Primate of Scotland Dead.

Edinburgh, Dec. 12.—The Right Rev. George Howard Wilkinson, Bishop of St. Andrews and Primate of the Scottish Episcopal Church, had just finished a speech before representatives attendant upon the council of the Church to-day when he fell back dead.

Saturday Dec. 14th, 1907

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Women's Coats at \$10

Tans, navys, blacks, greens, extra length, in newest colors, in tight and loose fitting models, prettily braided and strapped, worth \$15, Christmas gift price, each \$10.00

Women's Coats at \$15

An immense range of sizes in tans, blacks, greens, browns and blacks, both loose and fitted styles, velvet and silk trimmed and richly braided, extra long lengths, good \$20 garments, Christmas gift price, each \$15.00

Mantles worth \$10, Christmas gift price, each \$7.50

Children's Coats on Sale

All warmly lined and splendidly made, reals, greens, navys and a great variety of tweeds, all popular styles, and priced less than wholesale, at \$2.95, \$3.75, \$4.00 to \$6.00



Blankets for Xmas Gifts

No more practical Xmas gifts in the whole list than a good pair of warm White Wool Blankets. You can save a full dollar a pair here on Saturday.

Pure Wool White Blankets, not woollen or white wool, but "pure wool" every thread, 66 x 86 size, lofty finish; worth full \$6; on sale here Saturday for per pair \$5.00

Same size, heavier weight; worth \$6.95, for \$6.75

Bed Comforters \$1.95, Worth \$2.50

Full 22x72 size, filled with pure cotton batting, thoroughly sewed and fastened, covered with fast colored chintz, worth every cent of \$2.50, sale Saturday for \$1.95

Grand Handkerchief Values

Ladies' Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with neatly worked initials, very fine quality, at each 15 and 25c
Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, 10 and 12 1/2c
Extra Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, both Swiss and Irish, at 25, 50 and 75c
Slightly imperfect Handkerchiefs, in the most beautiful designs of Swiss embroidery
20 to 50c values for 15c
25c values for 12 1/2c
20c values for 10c



Beautiful Snow White Linens for Xmas

Dress Goods for Gifts

Santa Claus buys Dress Goods in wondrous quantities and a large share of them are bought in the "Shea Store" because values are best possible—Silks, too.
Rich Black Broadcloths, 54 and 56 inches wide in the most perfect quality and finish at \$1.35, \$2 and \$2.50
Beautiful fine Chiffon Panama, 50 inches wide in most elegant quality and finish, per yard, \$1.25
Splendid quality of Chiffon Venetian Cloth, the best value in Canada in every wanted color, for per yard, \$1
Special Bargains in Dress Goods, worth 75c, for 55c
Beautiful Biases Lengths, in Taffeta and Louise Silks at a special Xmas price, per yard, 75c

Cashmere and Ringwood Gloves

Women's snude finished Cashmere Gloves in grey, black, brown and beaver, per pair 35c and 50c
Ringwood Gloves for Women, Misses and Children, in every wanted color, 10 to 50c
Long Ringwood Gloves and Mitts, each 40c

Beautiful Snow White Linens for Xmas

Elegant Table Cloths, bordered all round in newest designs, every thread flax, special Xmas price, each \$3.75
Table Napkins to match for per dozen \$3.75
Beautiful pure white 22 inch square Beached Table Damask, satin finish, 22 inches wide, worth \$1.25, Xmas gift price, per yard 95c
Rich double Damask Tablecloth, silver bleached, 2 yards wide, special value per yard \$1.25
72 inch pure Linen, satin finish Table Damask, wide border designs, good \$1 value, for per yard \$1.15
Table Napkins, very special at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$3

Women's Kid Gloves for Gifts

The best fitting and best wearing gloves at the price, that come into Canada, black and every wanted color and sizes (will be exchanged after the holiday for proper size), each pair put up in neat gift boxes, and most reasonably priced at each \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Umbrellas for Gifts

A most worthy showing of nobly High-class Umbrellas for both men and women, all most reasonably priced.
Women's Umbrellas, steel rod and gloria top, at each \$1.50 and \$2.00
Women's Umbrellas, with gloria tops, pearl and gilt \$2.50 to \$4
Men's Umbrellas, steel rod, close rolling frame, gold mounted and boxwood handles, \$3.00 to \$4.50
Men's Umbrellas, with horn, burnt ivory, gun metal and gilt handles, very special at, each \$5.00 to \$6.00

A Most Complete Neckwear Showing



Beautiful high class Neckwear, the very newest ideas and New York notions in Silk Net and Chiffon creations, and the most varied assortment, at less than other stores charge.
Ladies' Long Oreenberg Scarfs at 60 and 75c
Ladies' White Silk Scarfs \$1.00
Ladies' Long Lace and Crpe de Chine Scarfs, very new and neat, at \$1.50 and \$1.75

Ladies' Fancy Stock Collars

A most varied showing of Fancy Silk, Chiffon and Lace Effects, most artistically made and priced less than regularly at 20, 25, 35, 50, 60, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

A Bargain in Opera Bags

Made of fancy silks in pretty plain and Dresden shades, with fancy clasp, on sale, \$1.25, for 75c; \$1.50, for \$1.00; \$2.00, for \$1.50

JAPANESE IMMIGRATION.

MR. MONK RAISES THE QUESTION IN THE HOUSE.

Correspondence Wanted—Sir Wilfrid says Wait Until Mr. Lemieux Finishes—Mr. Lancaster's Bill to Regulate Speed of Trains at Crossings Passed.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The question of Japanese immigration was raised for the first time in the House this afternoon, on a motion by Mr. Monk for all correspondence between the Dominion and Imperial Governments relative to the Anglo-Japanese treaty.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the House was entitled to the fullest information on the subject, and the Government had no objection to the motion, but he pointed out that it would not be advisable to bring down the papers until Mr. Lemieux had concluded his mission.

Replying to Mr. Foster, the Prime Minister explained that Mr. Lemieux had no diplomatic status in Tokio, and that representations to the Japanese authorities had been made through His Majesty's Ambassador.

Mr. Lancaster's bill respecting unprotected railway crossings, which was rejected by the Senate last session, was read a third time, with the unanimous consent of the House, being the first bill to go through this session.

Mr. Etheridge moved the first reading of his bill amending the railway act, in brief it proposes that the present system of expropriating lands for railway purposes shall give way to a plan under which experts appointed by a Judge shall have power to personally inspect and fix the indemnity for lands proposed to be expropriated.

Mr. Fielding, answering Mr. Foster, said the travelling expenses paid since March 31 to date of the following Ministers were: Sir Wilfrid Laurier, \$63.75; Sir Frederick Borden, \$720.65; Hon. W. S. Fielding, \$1,142.73; Hon. L. P. Brodeur, \$507.69; Hon. S. D. Fisher, \$940.14.

Hon. Frank Oliver, replying to Mr. McCarthy (Calgary), said a bill was now in preparation to give effect to the resolution of December 1, 1906, to set aside grants of lands for residents of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta who took part in the South African war.

To Hon. Mr. Foster Hon. Mr. Fielding replied that \$280,000 of the \$300,000 loan, August 17 last, had been discounted outside of the Bank of Montreal, London.

Hon. Mr. Fielding, answering Mr. Foster, said that the French treaty would, as a matter of course, apply to those countries which were recognized as favored-nation countries.

Hon. William Templeman, in reply to Mr. Monk, said the question as to the intention of the Government to introduce amendments to the inland revenue act, so far as tobacco was concerned, was under consideration.

Sir Frederick Borden, in reply to Lieut.-Col. Worthington, said 36,000 Sutherland rifle sights had been ordered by the Militia Department. No payments had been made on them. They were to be adjusted to the Lee-Enfield rifles.

The question as to whether they were to be used with the Ross rifle was under consideration.

Mr. Lancaster spoke to the motion for the second reading of his bill to amend the railway act. This measure, which in one shape or other had been before the House several years, has as its principle limiting the speed of trains on unprotected crossings in settled districts unless the Railway Commission allows a modification. It passed at the last session, but was rejected by the Senate.

Hon. Geo. P. Graham said the question of level crossings and their danger was one that would not down. He was not one of that class that cried out against railway and other corporations simply because they were corporations, but the paramount interest of the moment was the protection of life. There were many railway crossings that were dangerous, and he was in hearty sympathy with the movement to gradually check this danger in thickly-settled portions of the country.

He concurred in the bill, which was then read a second and third time, thus being the first bill to go from the House to the Senate this session.

Mr. Wright, Renfrew, moved that in the interests of good legislation the rules of the House of Commons be amended so that, except on extraordinary occasions, to be decided by the Government, the hour of adjournment for the evening sittings be not later than 10.30.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the rule which it was desired to amend was one to which reasonable exceptions might be taken, but it had the advantage that it had been the rule in England for many generations, although he believed there was a tacit understanding that the British House should not sit after a certain hour.

Mr. Borden—Twelve o'clock rule. Sir Wilfrid Laurier—Yes, but I think it is honored more in the breach than in the observance.

Mr. Borden agreed that the reform proposed was very desirable, and suggested that Mr. Wright might bring forward his motion again.

Mr. Foster favored a time limit being imposed on speeches, expressing the view that, unless on special occasions, half an hour or three-quarters was long enough for any member to say his say.

Mr. Monk thought day sittings should be tried.

Mr. Taylor said that after twenty-five years' experience he had come to the conclusion that a change was needed. He suggested that the House should meet at 10 in the morning, sit till 1, resume at 2, and finish at 5, committees to sit in the evening.

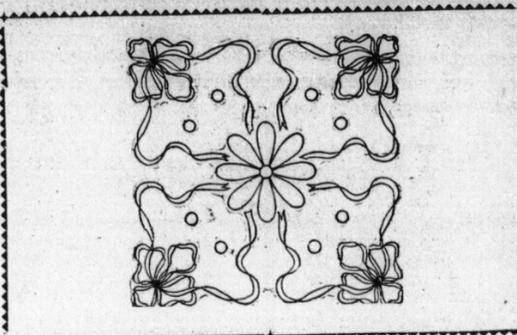
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ODD JOB MAN'S TALE PATHETIC; DERELICTS OF HUMANITY ADRIFT.

(By Frank J. Brown.)

There are thousands of "odd job" men in Chicago. Spring and fall they will beat your carpet for you, and do any other work in connection with house-cleaning or moving. In the winter they are out early in the morning to sweep your sidewalk. In the summer they are ready to trim your lawn or look after your garden. Many of these men establish a "clientele" of ten or a dozen families and do all the odd jobs for them, earning a livelihood thereby.

They usually rent a room in the vicinity of their "clients" and stay there, year in, year out. The majority, however, have no such steady trade and go from one end of the city to another in search for work. They frequently stay at lodging houses of the five and ten cent variety. A few go above that rate and have a permanent room at one of these lodging places for a dollar or a dollar and a quarter a week.

Men Shoved Aside in Race.

These men are the odds and ends of our industrial system. They have become unfit for hard and regular work by old age or by disease brought on by exposure, and by work under conditions detrimental to health. There are among them old section hands, ex-look men, street laborers, and men whose work generally exposed them to all kinds of weather and hardships.

Among them also are some factory hands who have been displaced to make room for younger men. Some of these are who have been crippled by machinery or hurt internally by the poisonous substances that entered into their work and which they were compelled to handle day to day many years of their life. Most of these odd job men have no family connections; at least no immediate family connections. They may have here and there a distant relative, but generally prefer to keep at a convenient distance from them.

Some—and the number of these is in the great minority—have families, wives, or children; but have severed all relations with them. The reason for the break is generally to be found in the addition of the drink habit on the part of the man. Sometimes, however, the man has been unwillingly forced out of his home because of his small earnings or the heartlessness of his children or wife.

Prefer Anything to Dunning.

But whatever the causes may have been which landed them in the ranks of odd job men, the results are alike in one riveless case. They present a pitiful sight. Their struggle for existence is as desperate as their love for freedom from the drink habit and their pathy with the movement to gradually check this danger in thickly-settled portions of the country. He concurred in the bill, which was then read a second and third time, thus being the first bill to go from the House to the Senate this session.

Mr. Wright, Renfrew, moved that in the interests of good legislation the rules of the House of Commons be amended so that, except on extraordinary occasions, to be decided by the Government, the hour of adjournment for the evening sittings be not later than 10.30.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the rule which it was desired to amend was one to which reasonable exceptions might be taken, but it had the advantage that it had been the rule in England for many generations, although he believed there was a tacit understanding that the British House should not sit after a certain hour.

Mr. Borden—Twelve o'clock rule. Sir Wilfrid Laurier—Yes, but I think it is honored more in the breach than in the observance.

Mr. Borden agreed that the reform proposed was very desirable, and suggested that Mr. Wright might bring forward his motion again.

Mr. Foster favored a time limit being imposed on speeches, expressing the view that, unless on special occasions, half an hour or three-quarters was long enough for any member to say his say.

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Lost Love With His Money.

When addressed in German the man brightened up. He evidently seldom got a chance to use his native tongue in the lodging house, and spoke not only willingly, but with pleasure. In his case it was reversed in business that brought him to this life. He lost both his drug stores through the machinations of some of his cousins, who took advantage of him in every way possible. He was 45 years old at that time and had worked up to the ownership of the two drug stores after ten years of hard work in this country.

With the unfortunate turn in his affairs, he gave up plans to marry and began to work again to save money. He did not, however, succeed this time, and after struggling for fifteen years he went for the last time to the States.

But still her father can expect little from or aid from her. Occasionally the old man makes a few cents by picking up a little wood and selling it. Generally, however, he lives, nobody knows how or on what. It seems that his body, hardened by age, by years of suffering and privations, has become numb to all feeling of hunger and cold, and the least bit of food is sufficient to keep him up.

Finds Old Friends in Yards.

When spoken to the man lifted his face, with a four or five weeks' crop of beard on it, and began telling about the stockyards and the time he worked there. This seemed to be the sweetest time of his life, and he could have recollection for hours, if listened to. He talked, too, about his family, but here the thoughts seemed to have become mixed up in his mind, and he spoke as one in a fever would speak incoherently and disconnectedly.

Occasionally the old man takes a stroll through the stockyards. A few of the men recognize him at the dinner hour and greet him. Then, in spite of the numbness which has taken possession of nearly all his senses, he bows to them proudly and attempts to straighten up his shoulder, feeling, it were, that he still counts for something, and that his life is still worth living.

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The latest article he took up was steel pens, on which he said he could make a little over 75 per cent, if they would only sell. The trouble with that business, he complained, is the difficulty of selling. The fountain pen was his chief competitor. Beside, even those who used steel pens never thought of buying a boxful or even a dozen at a time.

This man was an Australian by birth and bookkeeper by trade. He worked at his trade, both in Australia and in the United States. When asked concerning the source of his misfortunes, he said, reflectively:

"Once you begin to go on the downward path there is nothing in the world that will stop you nowadays. I had no home here, no farm, or even friends or relations on a farm or in any other independent position in life. The result is that when I found myself thrown out of the beaten track to which I was accustomed I was soon on the road to the lodging house."

This man was decidedly English in his speech and bearing. There was even a touch of puritanism about his gray, but clear and stoic eyes.

A tragedy nearer home was found in an old Irishman who worked for a generation in the stockyards. This man now stays at the house of a friend, eking out an existence sometimes by finding some little work to do for a neighbor, but generally by picking up crusts of bread in garbage boxes. He once had a wife and children. But as he is nearly 85 years old his wife has long since died.

Children Busy Buying Bots.

Of his children, his only son left home for the west, and he had not been heard from for over twenty years. His daughters have been married, but have all they can do in the managing of their own children, and occasionally supplying their husbands with money on which to get drunk.

One of his daughters has been deserted by her husband, and this one perhaps is better off than her sisters.

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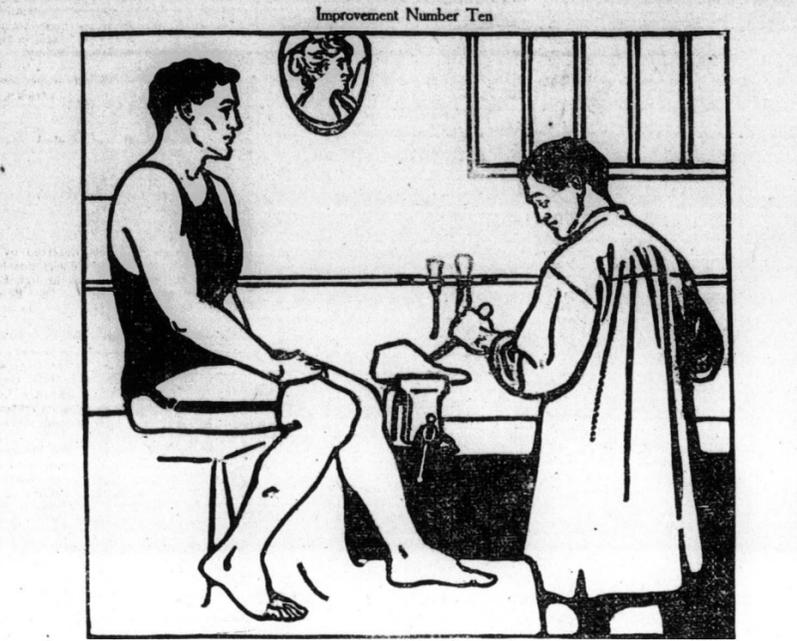
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Many of them seem to have a love for Chicago air and atmosphere.

"Ask a Russian or Polish nobleman why he likes to live in Paris," one of them who had travelled widely, was well read, and spoke with a slight accent, said, "It is the same as ask us why we like Chicago. Chicago is Chicago. It is to us what Paris is to those Russian noblemen—it is an earthly paradise." Chicago Tribune.

Messrs. Wm. and S. Drake, were at Sheldon a couple of days last week attending the funeral of their grandmother at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilson spent Sunday at Mr. S. A. Miller's at Jerseyville.

Mrs. Wm. H. Spahr spent a couple of days this week at Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Kemp, of Brantford and Miss E. M. Sager were guests at Elias Vansickle's on Sunday.

To Mr. and Mrs. Seth Vansickle a daughter, on Saturday, Dec. 7th.

Miss E. Lockman, of Hamilton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. H. Spahr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Vansickle, of Mrs. Wm. Drake spent Sunday at Mr. T. E. Wilson's at North Road.

The children are being practiced for the Christmas entertainment, which is to be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 24.

Mrs. T. Teeple and children are visiting at Mr. Peter Vansickle's.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Barlowe and children, of Lynden, spent Sunday at Mrs. J. Kelly's.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Misenere were at Hamilton on Thursday evening attending the supper given by Warden Vansickle at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. K. Vansickle, of Brantford, spent Sunday at Wm. H. Spahr's.

When they get cold and tired from the reeky air of the municipal lodging house, sit about for an hour, and occasionally when they have no money with which to pay for their night's lodging, they will stay there over night and submit to the examination at the hands of the attendant, which to them is a torture.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE

Table with columns for destination, time, and fare. Includes routes to Toronto, Buffalo, and other cities.

Table for CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, listing routes and schedules between Toronto, Hamilton, and other stations.

Table for TORONTO, HAMILTON & BUFFALO RAILWAY, listing arrival and departure times for various routes.

Table for HAMILTON RADIAL ELECTRIC RAILROAD—TIME TABLE, listing departure and arrival times for radial routes.

Table for HAMILTON & DUNDAS RAILWAY, listing weekly service times between Hamilton and Dundas.

Table for HAMILTON, GRIMSEY & BEAMSVILLE ELECTRIC RAILWAY, listing weekly service times between Hamilton, Grimsby, and Beamsville.

Advertisement for THOMAS LEES FOR Christmas Rings, Locketts, Brooches, Watches, Chains &c.

Advertisement for FLOUR and CHRISTMAS COOKING, including product details and contact information.

BAPTIST SETTLEMENT advertisement.

JERSEYVILLE advertisement.

Advertisement for Always Return to Chicago.

Advertisement for RENFORTH.

Advertisement for CREOSOLENE ANTISEPTIC TABLETS.

Advertisement for BLANCHFORD & SON, General Directors.

ONTARIO BANK.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED TO A MEETING YESTERDAY.

Net Loss Over Two Millions—Proceedings Against Old Board of Directors Delayed—Shareholders to Pay Part of Double Liability.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—In a statement handed out to the shareholders of the Ontario Bank at the annual meeting yesterday, the net loss of the defunct institution was shown to be \$2,157,546.18, and it is evident that the shareholders will be called upon for at least a portion of their double liability. It was the first time since the sensational failure of over a year ago that the shareholders have had the opportunity of knowing just how their unfortunate investment stands. Even yet the winding up of the bank has not been altogether completed, and the financial statement as given out is partly based on estimates. The loss incurred in trading in securities other than the bank's own shares is placed at \$1,784,403.53, while the loss in trading in the bank's own affairs amounts to \$230,091.78. These, of course, are in the majority of cases due to the bad speculations of Charles McGill, the former manager.

With respect to liabilities, the balance due other banks amount to \$1,510,620.95. On the other hand, the value of stocks and bonds at present held is estimated at \$310,501.81, and the real estate at \$292,961.04. Satisfaction was expressed at the meeting by the shareholders at the smallness of the liquidation expenses since last fall, which came to only \$31,588.

The legal action which has been commenced against the former Board of Directors was discussed at the meeting. Mr. Cephas Goode moved a resolution to the effect that the present board be empowered to go ahead with the litigation, and Hon. Richard Harcourt, one of the former board, pleaded successfully for a delay. In view of the plea of Mr. Harcourt, who was supported by some other shareholders, it was decided that another meeting should be called shortly when the question would be thrashed out.

How It Affects the Shareholders. Anywhere from 30 to 50 per cent. of their double liability is what the shareholders of the Ontario Bank will probably be called upon to pay as a result of the liquidation of the institution.

The net loss, as shown in the statement, is \$2,157,546.18. Deducting from this \$1,500,000 capital which is entirely wiped out, the loss remaining to be made up is \$657,546.18.

The curator, Mr. W. E. Stavert, estimates that the deficit may be reduced under liquidation proceedings by from 25 to 40 per cent.

Of the capital of the bank, the bank itself holds 2,000 shares of stock, on which no double liability can be realized. Taking the statement as it at present stands, the shareholders will be called upon for just a fraction over 50 per cent. of their double liability to make up the deficit.

If, however, the liquidation proceedings succeed in reducing the net deficit by 40 per cent., or \$263,008, then there would remain \$394,538 of a net deficit to be paid out of the double liability, or slightly over 30 per cent.

This, of course, is on the assumption that nothing will be recovered from the former directors of the bank, against whom suit has been begun. The shareholders at yesterday's meeting did not deal with a proposal to vote money for the prosecution of these suits, but will do so at an adjourned meeting.

MILITARY NIGHT.

Large Crowd and Good Time at the Alexandra.

The audience at the Alexandra rink was large and appreciative last evening, when the military competition was going on. Everyone seemed to have his or her favorite, and the applause was continuous. The balcony was well filled and the skating floor had a large crowd. The judges, Mr. Jack Moulton, Mr. George Tuckett and Mr. James Ross, had a hard time picking the winners from the large number of brawny Highlanders who entered the competition. The first competition was open to all the soldiers, and after considerable time the choice of the judges narrowed down to Pte. George for the first prize, Bugler Peters for the second and Drummer Gillespie for the third. In the competition for the sergeants of the regiment, Sergt. Peters carried off the honors. Pte. Humphrey won the prize for the best dressed Highland man on electricity. The full 91st Band was in attendance and supplied pleasing numbers, under the direction of Bandmaster Harry Stares.

ESSAY CONTEST

By Young Men of Knox Union Was a Success.

Knox Church Young Men's Union held its weekly meeting last night and there was a good turnout of the members. The programme took the form of an essay contest, and proved to be very interesting. The contestants read their essays to the meeting, after which the papers were handed to the judges, who will hand in their decision at the next meeting. The subjects were as follows: "Patriotism," by J. Shimon; "Canada's Rulers, Past and Present," H. Moore; "America's Greatest Statesman," A. McPhail; "The Financial Question," A. Groves; "Municipal Ownership," J. H. Flett; "Is a Republic Preferable to a Monarchy," C. J. Bath. The essays were all well prepared and will do a lot of good in developing talent along this line. Mr. C. E. Kelly was also called upon for a speech, and his remarks were much appreciated. Next Thursday night will be a social and Mr. Schomler will give a talk on electricity. S. McKenzie was the critic of the evening and his remarks were well given.

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The Daily Fashion Hint.



Coats are growing longer. The one sketched is a popular length, in the new shade of prune cloth, bound with flat black silk braid. Hat of white felt, with plumes of shaded prune.

POINTS OF INTEREST IN NEW YORK CAN BE SHOWN IN A DAY.

(New York Herald.) How to show New York in a day is a problem which has confronted many a resident of the city when his country cousins have appeared unexpectedly "for a visit," but in reality to see the metropolis.

After many years' experience one man has solved the riddle and now when his third cousin from "back home" or his wife's sister's brother-in-law's daughters come to town he transforms himself into the manager of a personally conducted tour and in that way wins not only a profusion of thanks, but fervid invitations to spend all of next summer at his guests' homes in the country.

Resolving himself into a guide of Central Park, the city contains more than 3,500 acres of park land, and after breakfast takes his party down town on the "L" as far as Central Park station, where in a very few minutes the incoming flood of Jersey commuters, the Singer building, Trinity Church, its cemetery with the graves of Charlotte Ten Eyck, Alexander Hamilton and scores of other famous personages; the McAdoo Terminal building, Washington Market, ocean liners and various spectacles of less importance can be seen.

Going south in Washington street, the Syrian quarters and its bazaars and the narrow streets of the "Little Italy" for the first prize, Bugler Peters for the second and Drummer Gillespie for the third. In the competition for the sergeants of the regiment, Sergt. Peters carried off the honors. Pte. Humphrey won the prize for the best dressed Highland man on electricity. The full 91st Band was in attendance and supplied pleasing numbers, under the direction of Bandmaster Harry Stares.

After viewing the best collection of fishes in the United States the guide leads the way to a boat landing a few paces away and the party spends an hour crossing to Bedloe's Island, climbing the tower of the Statue of Liberty, the Liberty Statue and returning to Manhattan, leaving the boat about a rod from the place where the immigrants now arrive from Ellis Island and where Commodore Vanderbilt had the terminal of the Staten Island ferry line that laid the basis of the family fortune.

Proceeding north in Whitehall street and passing State street, the Fifth avenue of Colonial days, the party sees on the left the new Custom House on the site of old Fort Amsterdam, and directly in front of Bowling Green Park, where two hundred years before the nearby Standard Oil building was erected the hardy burghers of New Amsterdam were accustomed to knock down the ten pins and in adjacent taverns set up the snappings.

Where now stands a statue of the one-legged Peter there stood in Revolutionary days the leading center of King George III, which as every school book says, was turned into bullets and sent hurtling after the fleeing redcoats. The fence which surrounds this little park is one of the few things of British origin that are left in the city, and the iron posts show traces on the top how the gilded crowns were cruelly cut off after the British forces had evacuated the city.

Turning east a block to Broad street the guide points out the remodeled Fraunces' Tavern, where General Washington bade a tearful farewell to his officers. Going another block in the same direction the party reaches downtown Delmonico's, where is visible one of the three only really ancient works of art in the city, the others being the Roman urn in Grace Church yard and the Obelisk in Central Park. The marble pillars and pediment at the Delmonico's door came from a ruined city in Greece and are believed to be about two thousand years old.

the Tombs, at Franklin, and the Criminal Courts building, where starts a never ending procession of unfortunates at Sing Sing. One block to the eastward is the Park, with its trees transplanted from the heart of Naques, and five Points, once noted as the darkest spot in the city and now the home of an institution that has led thousands of boys and girls from the dreary to useful lives. A block to the eastward, in Roosevelt street, is the Greek colony.

Passing through narrow, hilly Park street, at the northeast corner of the square and skirting St. Patrick's, the first Catholic cathedral in the city, the party reaches the leading thoroughfare of Chinatown, with its restaurants, bazaars, joss houses and silent orientals. After luncheon in one of the Chinese restaurants the sightseers proceed to the nearby Bowery, passing the spot in Pell street where Charlotte Temple, the central figure in Mrs. Rowson's pathetic revolutionary "True Tales," ended her life after she had been deserted by her British lover, and in the vicinity of the old Delancey farm, the homestead of which stood at Delancey and Christie streets, now in the heart of the most densely populated square mile in the world.

To show his guests how the tenement folk are crowded together in the double-deckers the guide leads them up four or five flights of stairs in one of the buildings, and by judicious questions about the whereabouts of certain imaginary persons obtains glances into the apartments of the inhabitants and receives replies, perhaps, in a dozen different languages from the residents of the same floor. "Country cousins" will never forget their visit to the tenements, especially if they come from the far West or Southwest, where neighbors are twenty miles or more apart.

In the Pushcart Markets. Strolling westward, now, through Grand street, after viewing the celebrated pushcart markets in the gutters of Hester street, the party reaches Mulberry street, the centre of the old Bayard farm, where in pre-Revolutionary days duellists met to settle their quarrels and where was planted the first fortification at the outbreak of the war against Great Britain.

To the volunteer guide leads the way westward to Broadway old New York is left behind, for even until 1840, when A. T. Stewart built his marble store at Broadway and Chambers street, that part of the city was considered so backward that the guide, mentioning the building was nicknamed "Stewart's Folly." Proceeding north in Broadway the party sees in the Grace churchyard the first earthen vessel which is the second of ancient days that is on view in the open air of the city.

Here Broadway takes a turn to the westward, because Hendrik Brevoort, who had a tavern at the corner, refused to permit the authorities to cut down a tree under whose shade he was wont to sit and smoke his pipe. A few feet west of the same spot is the site of the twenty acre farm of Robert Randall, an owner of privateers, whose son founded Sailors' Snug Harbor by willing the property to its uses. All the property still is owned and leased to the holders of present tenancy by the institution, the growth has grown from about \$25,000 in 1810 to more than \$20,000,000.

To go to Washington Square. To see what is probably the most noteworthy public work of art in the city it will be necessary to return to Waverly place and turn west to Washington square, the site of Stanford White's Washington Arch. On the north side of the square is the Mayor's residence, on the south the Judson Memorial Church, with its cross of fire, and on the east a bachelor apartment house, and the site of another, both made famous in a score of novels that deal with the Bohemian artistic colony that once centered around the celebrated French and Italian restaurants which flourished in that vicinity several decades ago.

Fifth avenue has its origin in the northern part of the square, and as the party atop one of the rapidly disappearing horse propelled coaches, goes up the famous thoroughfare it passes hundreds of landmarks of the modern city, the home of wealthy and fashionable the home of great hotels and clubs, the Faragut, Lincoln and Sherman statues, and after passing along the eastern side of Central Park reaches the entrance to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Only a walk through this great institution can be made in the day's journey, and the guide leads westward through the park, past the Obelisk and other less artistic and less aged works of art until the Museum of Natural History is reached. There may be time to see the mastodons on the upper floor and some of the other fine collections in the enormous building, but twilight will be approaching, and if the guide is desirous of taking his friends to the theatre district after dinner he will hasten to Riverside Drive to show what by many persons is regarded as the most picturesque part of the city.

Journey to Grant's Tomb. Along this thoroughfare, lined on the one side by residences and apartment houses and bounded on the other by a view of the Hudson and the Palisades beyond, the party sees the sailors' monument, and further north, near the beginning of what will be the greatest driveway in the world, the marble tribune to the memory of a great soldier, Grant's tomb.

And as a fitting close to a day of sight-seeing the party proceeds several steps away from this great domed edifice and finds a little mound of earth and a marble slab for which, so that it might remain, the great city once showed it had a heart and caused the plans for the great thoroughfare to be altered. Bending down, as the sun sinks behind the hills of New Jersey, the members of the party read the simple legend, "To an amiable child."

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SMITHVILLE Rev. Dr. Smith, of St. Catharines, occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church here on Sunday last, and preached good sermons to fair congregations.

THE LADIES NOW. They Have Now a Canadian Club of Their Own. Montreal, Dec. 12.—An important step in Montreal club life was inaugurated this afternoon when the newly organized Women's Canadian Club gave its first luncheon.

JAPANESE WERE SLOW. Might Have Taken Port Arthur by Assault. St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—General Kurapatkin testified to-day at the trial by court-martial of Lieut-General Stoesel and other army officers charged with needlessly surrendering Port Arthur to the Japanese, that the Japanese could have taken Port Arthur by assault in the early days of the war.

SAD AFFAIR AT COBALT. Two Children of Mr. F. Hewitt Burned in Bed. Cobalt, Dec. 12.—Last night about 10:30 while Mr. and Mrs. F. Hewitt were absent from their home the house took fire and their two little children, May and Evelyn, aged respectively three and five years, were asleep in each other's arms in bed. The house was a board very rapidly. Willing hands worked heroically in great danger, but one of the children was dead before being carried to Wm. Johnson's house near by, and the other died very shortly after reaching the house.

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Swallowed Carbolic Acid—Dead. Paterson, Dec. 12.—The death occurred this morning as a result of taking carbolic acid by mistake of Miss Maud Durham, daughter of the late E. J. Durham. The sad occurrence is deeply deplored, as the young lady was of a bright and cheerful disposition and had many friends.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST Homestead Regulations

ANY even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person, the sole head of a family, or male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Application for homestead entry must be made in person at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency. Entry may be made by the applicant, or by a proxy, or by a family member, or by an agent on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intestate homesteader.

An application for entry or cancellation must be made personally at any Sub-agency's office by the applicant, or by a proxy, or by an agent on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intestate homesteader.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of not more than 25 years at an annual rental of \$1 per acre. Not more than 2,500 acres shall be leased to one individual or company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the merchantable coal mined.

QUARTZ.—A percentage of eight per cent, or over, having discovered minerals in place, may locate a claim 1,500 x 1,500 feet. The fee for recording a claim is \$10 per acre. At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof.

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CHRISTMAS ADVERTISING.

Advertisers are notified that the Times Christmas number will be issued next Wednesday, the 18th. Advertisements should be handed in as early as possible.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Mr. Henry Bignell will leave this evening for England. The Veterans of '66 will meet in the City Hall at 8 o'clock this evening. Jimmy, hang up yer stockin' an' Santa Claus'll come down de chimney, an'—

What a large variety of ties, gloves, mufflers, etc., at Waugh's this Christmas, post office opposite. T. M. Williamson is being urged by his friends to offer himself as an alderman candidate for next year.

Rev. Dr. Wallace, of Toronto, will preach in St. Paul's Church this evening at pre-communion service, at 8 o'clock. Pete: "Aw, go way, we ain't got no chimney—nuthin' but a stove pipe."

Miss Helen Morrison, of this city, assisted at the tea table at a large at-home given by Mrs. W. A. C. Baldwin yesterday afternoon in Toronto. Mr. G. W. Johnston, B. A., Ph. D., of Toronto University, will lecture this evening in the Museum, Public Library, on "Ancient Roman Art."

To relieve the Christmas rush of business and for the convenience of Treble's patrons, their two stores will be open evenings until after Christmas. Commercial Travellers' Association certificates for Toronto Association, 1908, to be had from Fred Johnson, secretary, room 505 Bank of Hamilton.

Miss Bessie Robinson, of Claude, who has been spending a week at St. Andrew's Church manse, 96 Smith avenue, returns to her home this evening.

Dr. G. W. Johnston, who was yesterday appointed assistant professor of Latin at Toronto University, was for several years principal of Central School here.

Mr. G. G. Henderson, of this city, was yesterday elected one of the presidents of the Western Ontario Poultry Association, at the annual meeting in Guelph.

Miss Adelaide Palmer, of this city, was one of the bridesmaids at the marriage of Mr. B. S. Pickett, of Urbana, Ill., and Miss Bertha Gay, at Norwood on Wednesday.

The annual banquet of the Hoos-Hoos will take place at the Waldorf Hotel to-night. Quite a number of lumber dealers from Toronto and other points are in the city for the affair.

Major Wm. Hendrie, of this city, has been asked to speak at the annual meeting of the Woodstock branch of the Ontario Fish and Game Protective Association in January.

Mr. H. R. Tharner, general agent for the International Harvester Company, has been re-elected one of the directors of the Western Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association.

Ewald Grundmann, who drives Geo. Tuckett's automobile, disappeared a few days ago, and nothing has been heard of him since. The police do not know what to make of it, but it is not thought that any harm has come to him.

An interesting programme was presented at the meeting of the Men's Club of St. Mark's Church last night. The feature was a negro sketch, given by Messrs. Allison, Kowings, Jewell, Stanton and Williams. Major Labatt, President, occupied the chair.

Service preparatory to Sunday morning's Communion will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church this evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Lyde, of Central Church, will preach, and a number of new communicants will be received into church fellowship.

Judge Snider asked him if he was ready to go on, and Campbell said that he was not ready, and wanted the court to adjourn his case until 1 o'clock this afternoon. Judge Snider would not consent to this. Campbell said that he expected Louis Heyd, of Toronto, to defend him, but the crown attorney said that he had received word from Mr. Heyd that he was not defending Campbell. Mr. H. E. Lazier kindly stepped into the breach and consented to take the case. Several of the lawyers present refused to have anything to do with it.

Mr. Sintzel told of going to the Savoy on the 12th of November with his wife, and on their return finding the bureau drawers ransacked, and a gold watch, chain and other pieces of jewelry had been stolen.

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THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS—Fair and cold to-day. Saturday, strong breezes or gales, mostly east and northeast; snow or rain.

The following is issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries:

Table with columns: Location, Temperature, Wind, Weather. Locations include Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, and Port Arthur.

WEATHER NOTES. Pressure is high over the lake region and the Middle States, and low over the northwestern and southern portions of the continent.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Forecast: Eastern States and Northern New York: Fair to-night. Saturday, increasing cloudiness, and warmer, probably snow in south and west portions; light variable winds, becoming east.

Western New York: Cloudy to-night. Saturday, snow.

LATE SPORTING NEWS

Messrs. J. R. Jamison and George Bellard, the sub-committee of the Hamilton Rugby Football Club, have not yet completed arrangements for the annual banquet to the teams on Dec. 20th.

Gravenhurst, Ont., Dec. 12.—Representatives of the O. H. A. Junior Group No. 9 met at Gravenhurst yesterday afternoon, with E. Jamieson as convener, and drafted the schedule for the coming season. Huntsville will not enter the O. H. A. this year, but will play in the Northern League. They sent two representatives to the convention at Gravenhurst, however.

New York, Dec. 13.—Urban McDonald, while sprinting to gain an extra lap at the 6-day race at Madison Square Garden, early to-day, was so severely injured that he and his team mate, Lawson, was forced to retire from the contest.

The score at 10 o'clock, the end of the 10th hour, was: Fogler-Morgan and Rutt, 849, 1,698 miles, 8 laps. Genget, Dupre, Krofs, Vanderstippf, Logan, Burdgett, Galvin, Wiley and Downing, Downey, 1,698 miles, 7 laps. Vandini, Breton, 1,698 miles, 10 laps.

At the hospital it was found that McDonald was severely hurt, and that he will suffer no permanent injuries. After treatment his condition was much improved.

CHAINED HIM UP.

Englishman Claims Damages for Brutal Treatment.

Montreal, Dec. 13.—John Kay, a young Englishman, who has been in Canada about twelve months, has brought action in the Superior Court for \$10,000 against McTear, Chandler & McNeil, railway contractors, alleging unlawful arrest and cruelty. Kay alleges that he was employed for to work for the firm in Northern Ontario at \$35 a month and board, but on getting to work was informed that he would get \$17.5 a day, and must provide for himself. He was glad to be discharged, and went to a neighboring camp. Eight days afterwards Kay claims he was seized by agents of his former employers and chained in a boarding house at Englehart for three days and four nights, during which he suffered greatly from the brutal treatment. He was then removed to a log shanty, where he was further imprisoned for eight days, half starved, and nearly driven insane by the flies. Kay was then taken to North Bay, and without an opportunity of defence being given him, was sentenced to jail for a month on a charge of desertion, but was detained only twelve days, when he was told to get on and back to Montreal as best he could.

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Saturday is the busy day of the London firemen. In ten years London had 3,393 Saturday fires, against 3,002 on Monday, the day they were least frequent.

The methods of high finance are, sometimes pretty low.

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Never have we had such a range of Boys' Coats and Reefers to choose from as we have on our tables now, and in order to make sure of certain lines being cleared out before Christmas many lines are now marked at quicker selling prices. Pretty little Red Coats and Light Silver Grey Coats, with fancy trimmings, brass buttons, linings to match, etc. For larger boys, plain grey and fancy mixtures in Tweeds and Friezes. Single and double-breasted styles, form-fitting and loose box back models. Prices, \$3.95, \$4.50, \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.50.

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DEATHS

JACOBS—At the City Hospital, on Wednesday, Dec. 11th, 1907, George Washington Jacobs, formerly of Ancaster, aged 28 years. Funeral from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. Nestor Tansley, 231 Main street east, on Saturday, at 2 p. m., to St. John's Church cemetery. Acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

McMANNUS—At her late residence, 281 Herkimer street, on Tuesday, 10th Dec., 1907, Jane, wife of Robert McMannus, aged 49 years. Funeral Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Interment at Hamilton cemetery.

Markets and Finance.

Table with columns: Location, Received by, Asked, Bid. Locations include Buffalo, Clear Lake, Foster, Green-Mechan, Kory Lake, Nipissing, Nova Scotia, Peterson Lake, Silver Leaf, Silver Queen, University, and Watts.

COBALT STOCK BOUGHT AND SOLD

Table with columns: Received by, Sellers, Buyers, Commerce, Dominion, Hamilton, Imperial, Sovereign, Traders, Toronto Railway, University, and eMacSullivan Swallows Fatal Dose in The Cigarette.

Ever try how many cigarettes would be required from which to fill a good-sized pipe with tobacco? One and a half will do. Are you surprised? Try it. Herein is the worst of cigarette smoking. A man or boy who might think one pipe a pretty good allowance for a while, will smoke four pipefuls of tobacco in the shape of half a dozen cigarettes in half an hour without realizing that he is doing anything out of the way. Formerly cigarettes were supposed to be more or less poisonous in themselves. If they were, the poison, has, we understand, been done away with by better methods of manufacture. The worst of the cigarette now, apart from the too-tomping ease and rapidity of consumption, is probably the habit which offers to the cigarette smoker of inhaling the smoke into the lungs. That this is largely done, and that far more tobacco is used in a cigarette than the devotees of the habit realize, constitute a danger and evil of grave public dimensions. Those who move to check this evil, whether by private influence or public warning or political protest, are doing a good work.—Ottawa Journal.

The fellow who sows his wild oats may yet turn them to good account as a patent breakfast food.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM. Traffic earnings from Dec. 1 to 7: 1907: \$810,017 1906: 778,412 Increase: \$31,605 It Has Wings. "Yes, money talks; but it's favorite remark is, good-by."—Indianaapolis Star.

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