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FIAT MATTER
AGAIN ARGUEDStay of Proceedings Was
Asked by Plaintiffs
in the Suit.JUDGMENT
WAS RESERVEDCase Was Up Before Mr. Justice
Latchford at Toronto on
Monday.

Mr. Justice Latchford faced half-a-dozen lawyers at Toronto on Monday on an interim motion to continue the stay of proceedings in the matter of the Beardmore suit against the city of Toronto to prevent the carrying out of the contract with the hydro-electric power commission, until the Attorney-General's fiat to add the commission as a party defendant is obtained.

"That," said the judge, "would mean forever." The action of Smith vs. the city of London, being similar to that of Beardmore vs. Toronto, was combined with it in this motion. His lordship reserved his decision.

Corporation Counsel J. S. Fullerton, K.C., represented the city of Toronto, and A. H. P. Lefroy, K.C., and E. A. DuVernet, K.C., the city of London. The plaintiffs were respectively represented by E. F. B. Johnston, K.C., and J. M. McEvoy, LL.B.

Mr. Fullerton maintained that the motion should be dismissed as frivolous and vexatious.

Mr. Lefroy urged that no action to set aside a contract could now be maintained unless all the parties to the contract be made parties to the action; and that if sincere in their defence they ought to add the hydro-electric commission as a party.

Mr. McEvoy contended that to succeed in his action he must add the commission as a party, and leave so to do, abandon all allegation of fraud or misrepresentation, so as to get on without the fiat of the Attorney-General.

Mr. Johnston's Argument.

Mr. Johnston maintained that when the crown enters into a contract with a subject, it abandons its prerogative of immunity, and takes a position in an action as between subject and subject. He intimated his purpose to take the matter to the highest court in England. He claimed that the Government had no right to pass an act authorizing the emanation from the crown—if it were such of a power to the commission as a private individual, and rendering immune such a commission; and that it had no right to give the commission power to do what the council of the city of Toronto had the right to do for itself, nor had it a right to engage in electrical business any more than in the boot and shoe business on behalf of a municipality. As to prerogative, Mr. Johnston argued that the only prerogatives held now by the crown were that of declaring war and that of pardon; no one had ever heard of a prerogative being created by statute of Parliament. The prerogative of the crown was delegated to the Governor-General, and the latter, in turn, to the city of Toronto or the Legislature of Ontario or the Attorney-General thereof. He claimed that the Government could not prevent the issue being tried, though they might regulate the manner of its being brought about.

Two Ways.

Mr. Johnston said that he could not compel the hydro-electric commission to be a party defendant. But there were two ways in which the crown could come in. The commission might come in of its own accord; or, if it did not his client would attack the action of the Attorney-General as ultra vires of the Legislature, thus compelling the Attorney-General to come in and defend his action; in this way the crown would come in if, as was contended, the commission was an emanation from the crown. He urged that the case ought not to be choked off in its infancy, but allowed to reach some measure of maturity and have the opportunity of being fully argued on both sides, even before the highest court in the realm.

Mr. McEvoy's Argument.

Mr. McEvoy said what he argued for was a declaratory judgment that the council of London had no authority to sign the contract which they did sign. That was what he wanted at the trial, and his motion at the present time was for Mr. Justice Latchford to say that the matter was so preposterous that the case should not go to trial at all, but should be struck off.

His lordship said he supposed the principal objection to not adding a third party was the absence of finality. If, however, that third party, of his own accord, declined to come in, how should he complain?

Mr. DuVernet cited authorities to show that there was no difference between a contract and a tort with regard to proceeding without a fiat. He claimed that if the act is ultra vires the plaintiffs could make the commission a party and so proceed. Otherwise it would be unreasonable to deal with the matters affecting parties who were not present.

GRAND TRUNK WILL ABANDON
TELEGRAPH FOR OPERATINGTelephone Is To Be Installed as Quickly as Possible—Number of
Operators Will Not, However, Be Reduced—Phone Is
Much Quicker Than the Telegraph.

Superintendent Nixon, of the Grand Trunk, announced to The Advertiser this afternoon that as soon as is practicable, the Grand Trunk will do away with the present system of operating their trains by telegraph and will install what is known as the telephone system.

Mr. Nixon states that this will not in any way reduce the number of operators required, but will give the railway a much quicker and fully as efficient a system of operating.

The change will probably be made within the next month or two.

A Year's Trial.

"A year's trial of the telephone as a means of dispatching trains," said Mr. Nixon, "has proved its practicability; railway men recognize that the day of the ticker is past as far as they are concerned, and they are preparing to hasten the change all over the continent of America."

In December, 1907, the first installation of the telephone was made on the New York Central road, over a small stretch between New York and Fond du Lac, today, the new system extends over 4,900 miles; and by the end of another year, it will cover fifteen thousand miles of track in the United States and Canada.

The Great Advantage.

The great advantage of the telephone over the telegraph in railway work lies in the speed of transmission which allows for the transaction of a much greater volume of business. The cost of installation is great, about seven times as much as the installation of a telegraphic connection, from the fact that two copper wires must be used instead of one iron wire; the cost of maintenance is greater and the cost of operation is about the same; but the increased facility of operation,

especially over the congested portions of the railway are held to justify the change. While the telephone is supplanting the telegraph, the same operators are used, so that there is no change in this respect. The telephone has also the advantage that the operator may speak to any trainman direct and not necessarily through a second operator, a third party. It is claimed to be just as safe, if not safer than the telegraph.

The First to Try It.

The New York Central Railway was the first company to seek an improvement on dispatching by telegraph and during the year 1907 made a series of experiments with an independent telephone circuit before finally making a permanent installation. The tests were closely watched by the other railway companies of the continent, and immediately after the system was adopted in an experimental way.

At present it is in operation over 4,000 miles in the United States and Canada; over 6,700 other miles of road the construction of telephone equipment is authorized and in large part under way; while for 2,300 miles more it is under consideration for the coming year.

On the C. P. R.

When asked regarding the use of the telephone system, the C. P. R. officials informed The Advertiser that while the system has been adopted on their lines east of Montreal, it is not talked of for the western division yet.

"The first installation of the telephone system on our line," said one official this afternoon, "was made in June last, when a line was used between Farmham and Montreal. It has worked most satisfactorily, and we are now busy constructing a system between Montreal and Ottawa."

The Charge Made Against Boudreau
Is Disproved, Declares Judge CasselsMarine Department Agent Did
Not Receive a \$3,000
Bribe.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—An extraordinary charge against a Government official was disproved this morning, and J. B. A. Boudreau, assistant accountant of the marine and fisheries department, was declared by Judge Cassels not to have committed the offense charged by A. B. Van Felson, former manager of the Quebec branch of the People's Bank of Halifax. This charge was that he, on behalf of James Holliday, paid Boudreau \$3,000, to get \$30,000 which the marine department owed Holliday.

Van Felson swore that he cashed the checks for \$1,000 each, signed by

Holliday, and paid the money to Boudreau. He swore this was before June 10, 1905, and Laurence, accountant of the People's Bank, swore he saw Boudreau in the bank on that date. The attendance book showed Boudreau in the bank before June 5, 1905, and left the employment of the bank on that date. The attendance book showed Boudreau to have been in Ottawa throughout May and June, 1905.

Today the records of the Quebec banks were examined for the \$3,000 transaction. Three checks of \$1,000 each were found to have been cashed, but two on June 16, and one on June 19, 1905, after the time Van Felson and Boudreau swore the transaction occurred. Holliday got his \$30,000 on June 16. Therefore Judge Cassels declared Mr. Boudreau could not have committed the offense charged him.

Yard Engine Struck Grocery Wagon

Roy Moore, a young man who drives Ryan & Russell's grocery rig, and a companion named Chas. Howard, of Askin street, South London, who was riding with him, had a remarkable escape from being seriously injured at the Richmond street crossing of the C. P. R. yesterday afternoon.

The young men were driving across

and did not notice a yard engine approaching until it was too late. The driver, Moore, whipped up the horse, but the engine struck the rear end of the wagon, throwing it around to one side and pitching the boys out.

Fortunately, beyond a few bruises, they sustained no serious injury. The wagon was not badly damaged.

Knocked Down as Stepped From Car

About 8 o'clock last night a middle-aged lady was knocked down at the corner of Dundas and Richmond street by a butcher sleigh belonging to Mr. George Jackson, 87 Wellington street. She was carried into McCallum's drug store, where it was soon found that she was a little shaken up and a good deal of accumulated dust and dirt, no damage was done. She was able to continue on her way, having refused to give her name. The horse was coming along fairly rapidly and struck the lady a glancing blow just as she stepped from the side of a car. Though the horse was under control, and was stopped immediately by the driver, it was more good luck than good management that prevented the accident taking on a more serious aspect.

A Lawn Cutting Case in Court

A peculiar case was heard in court this morning as a result of the close watch the police are keeping for those who cut across boulevards. On Monday afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock an officer was watching on Wellington street, near the library, when a lady walked across the boulevard. The officer, in accordance with orders he had received, took her name. A number of high school pupils who were on their way home gathered and jeered the officer. One of them the officer alleged in court this morning called

him a "son of a gun," and shook his fist at him.

The officer had him summoned, and the boy went with him to the police station, where he wanted to lay a counter charge against the policeman. In the box this morning Magistrate Love asked the boy if he did not think he was wrong in calling the officer such a name. The boy admitted that he was rather excited, and said he would not have done it had he been cooler. The case was finally settled by the officer withdrawing the charge.

DEATH AT ST. THOMAS
OF WELL-KNOWN LADYWife of Venerable Archdeacon Hill
Succumbs to Short Illness.

Mrs. Hill, wife of Venerable Archdeacon Hill, of Trinity Church, St. Thomas, died at her home there last night after a short illness with pneumonia. Mrs. Hill was widely known

throughout the country on account of the keen interest she always took in church work. The news of her death will be a sad shock to her many friends, as she had only been ill a few days. Mrs. Hill was well known in this city also.

The funeral will be held tomorrow in St. Thomas, and Bishop Williams and a number of local pastors will attend.

XMAS SHOPPING
GOES MERRILYPurchasers Flocked to the
City in Large Num-
bers Today.BUSINESS IS
EXCELLENTSome Merchants Say It Is Very
Much Better Than That
of Year Ago.

The merchants are happy! The volume of Christmas business is much ahead of last year, and with three more days to run, they are all confident that the Christmas trade will be much better than last year, and will compare favorably with any year in the past ten years.

This morning the rear guard of Christmas shoppers was out. They were largely out-of-town buyers. A large number of farmers came in to sell their produce, and also to buy their Christmas goods.

All the stores were filled with them, and as they had plenty of money, they bought a fine class of goods, and plenty of trade.

Many Visitors.

Shoppers from the smaller towns round about London were also conspicuous. Every train brought in a large contingent, and the visitors were crowded in all the stores.

That there were more visitors from the smaller towns than usual was the opinion of many merchants who were spoken to, and they bought a good class of goods.

No trade feels the stress of hard times, sooner than the jewellers, as people generally cut down their purchases of that line of goods as soon as hard times strike the community.

This year the jewellers are more than pleased with the volume and quality of trade.

Better Than a Year Ago.

It is much better than a year ago, and compares quite favorably with the best of years.

"Our trade has been excellent," said one jeweler. "It is much better than we expected, and we have been kept very busy attending to customers. As a rule, the class of goods purchased is better than last year, and consequently we are feeling quite jubilant."

Oil trades are of the same opinion. "This is a confidence everywhere," said one oil merchant. "We are doing a much better trade than for some time past."

"Up to last night our trade was quite a bit ahead of last year at the same time," said one of the big dry-goods merchants. "With three more days, practically, we expect to show a 25 per cent increase over the same week in 1907. People are buying with more confidence, and as a rule a better article. We are satisfied."

Fifty Per Cent More.

"Business is much better than last year," said another. "We are doing 50 per cent more business today than at the same day last year. We are well satisfied."

"Trade good; much better than we hoped for," said another.

"Business increased remarkably this week," said another. "With two full days and a part of another before Christmas Eve, we will be all to the good."

Juveniles Are Out.

The army of shoppers was increased this morning by several tribes of juveniles just out from school. Not that they purchased so much, but they caused some excitement, and kept the clerks on the jump answering questions.

This Christmas-time will be a joyful one for most people concerned. Shop early. The earlier the better.

—Mr. F. W. McNaughton, formerly of this city, and later of St. Paul, Minn., left Friday for Philadelphia, where he will act as chief instructor in a ladies' large technical school.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COLD.
FORECASTS.
Toronto, Dec. 22.—8 a.m.

Today.—Northerly to easterly winds; fine and cold.

Wednesday.—Continued cold, with some local snow.

TEMPERATURES.

	Today.	Yesterday.
London	11	9
Calgary	12	16
Winnipeg	14	0
Fort Arthur	12	2
Perry Sound	4	16
Toronto	16	26
Ottawa	4	10
Montreal	4	18
Quebec	6	4
Pather Point	2	12
Battleford	2	10
Vancouver	33	42
Kamloops	18	32
Edmonton	12	30
Battleford	2	10
Moosejaw	7	21
Qu'Appelle	6	28
St. John's	12	34
Halifax	20	22
Minus (—) means below zero.		

A cold wave which has moved quickly from the northward is now centred in the Ottawa valley, accompanied by zero temperature, and a storm is developing in the Southern States.

In the Western Provinces the weather is fine and moderately cold.

ENGINEER KELLY IS COMING
TO LONDON ON WEDNESDAYGrand Trunk Railway Official Will Then Take Up the Matter
of Track Elevation With City Engineer Graydon
—Looks Like the First Move.

Engineer H. G. Kelly, of the Grand Trunk, will be in the city Wednesday morning to take up the question of track elevation with City Engineer Graydon.

It is some time now since Third Vice-President Fitzhugh notified Mayor Stevely that he would reopen the negotiations, and promised that Mr. Kelly would visit the city at his earliest possible convenience.

However, the latter was engaged with the railway commission at Toronto, and it was impossible for him to come to London.

The city was informed this morning that Mr. Kelly would be here on Wednesday, and as a result track elevation is once more a live question in the city.

A letter from Mr. Fitzhugh was also received. He explained that when the company expressed themselves as will-

ing to open negotiations for the elevation of the tracks, they did so with full intention of keeping their word.

Still Anxious.

He denied absolutely that they had any desire to withdraw, but were still anxious to take the question up.

He regretted exceedingly that the company had not been treated better on a former occasion when negotiations were under way, but hoped for generous treatment in the future.

Of course, little can be done this year, except gather all the necessary information for opening negotiations after the new year.

Then the whole question will be opened up in earnest.

The opinion is rife that if there is a deadlock between the company and the city the whole matter will go to the railway commission and will be settled for all time.

Students Want Man in Legislature

Toronto, Dec. 22.—It is stated that the University of Toronto students are making an attempt to secure representation in the Provincial Legislature, and have secured the co-operation of many prominent graduates in the undertaking.

The plan is to model the proposed university legislative representation on the same lines as those governing the elections to the British House of Commons from the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. The candidates

would be duly nominated in accordance with the statute, and the faculty and all graduates and undergraduates of the age of 21 years would be accorded the franchise. It is suggested to have one university member.

The desirability of having the operation of Queen's, Laval, McGill, Western and the Manitoba University in a subsequent movement to obtain federal representation for the leading Canadian universities has also been mooted.

Two Killed in a Temagami Mine

Cobalt, Dec. 22.—Through the accidental explosion of a portion of a stick of dynamite, which had remained in a drill after the original discharge without its fuse being snipped, two men were killed outright in the Temagami Gold Refs Mine, and a third so terribly injured that he cannot recover. The other miners were at the bottom of the shaft, 75 feet below the surface, at the time, but escaped with their lives.

The explosion occurred several days ago, but information has just reached here. The accident is the most serious that has thus far occurred in Cobalt mining operations.

The remains of Doherty and Roux have been sent to North Bay. The men were almost literally blown to pieces. The explosion shattered large sections of rock, which were hurled with terrific force upon the miners working in the shaft. One flying fragment struck Brennan on the forehead, inflicting terrible injuries.

Chickens that had evidently been relieved of their clothing in a hurry were offered at prices that would not be considered by the buyer a few months ago.

Small birds, weighing but a few pounds, with badly incrimated pelts, sold for \$1 a pair, householders being glad to get them for the money.

The farmers were not at all of a condescending frame of mind, either, for they allowed all purchasers to come to them.

Ducks, Too.

Ducks, red and rusty, also brought prices that were highly satisfactory to the farmer. Grocers and buyers were on the job, and each stage that entered was quickly surrounded.

Farmers, who were unaware of the rise, sold their poultry before they left the vehicles, sometimes for 14 cents per pound. Needless to say, they were exceedingly angry about it when they learned the prevailing prices.

Other Lines.

Not much goods of other lines were brought in, the market being almost entirely poultry. It is said that practically all poultry from the surrounding districts has already been sold, and (Continued on Page Three.)

Pittsburg Aldermen Under Arrest

Pittsburg, Dec. 22.—Following the arrest of seven of the most prominent members of the Pittsburg city council, charged with bribery and other crimes in connection with establishing a city depository, came the apprehension late last night of W. W. Ramsay, president, and A. A. Vilasack, cashier of the German National Bank, on the same charges.

They immediately gave bail and were released.

Charles F. Fagan, vice-president of the bank, in a statement issued early today, announced that the directors immediately on hearing of the charges against the officers mentioned, had ordered their discharge from the institution. The bank, the statement added, was in no way affected.

Venezuela Ends Quarrel With Dutch

Willenstad, Curacao, Dec. 22.—The new Venezuelan administration has revoked the decree prohibiting the transshipment at Willenstad of goods destined for Venezuelan points. This measure has been the principal difficulty in the strained relations of Holland and Venezuela, and the revocation

is regarded by well-informed persons here as meaning practically the end of the dispute between the two governments.

The deduction from latest news received here from Caracas—the enforced resignation of the Castro cabinet—is that the reign of President Castro in Venezuela is over.

Schools of London Close for Holidays

The schools officially close this afternoon.

Many of them have closed already for the Christmas holidays.

Some of the "kiddies," in fact, a young army of them, considered that Friday was the limit of school attendance, and quietly but most effectively absented themselves from school. Yesterday and today the attendance has not been up to the normal.

This morning there was a merry troop of the youngsters, in the majority of cases of the younger classes, downtown looking in the shop windows, and imbibing the Christmas spirit by anticipating what Santa Claus was going to bring them.

There were exercises in many of the schools, and a fine programme was given by teachers and scholars.

The schools will reopen on Monday, Jan. 4.

No Christmas Tree for This Little Lad

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Quait, of Evelyn, will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in the death of their little 5-year-old son John, which occurred at Victoria Hospital this morning after an illness extending over many weeks.

Some time ago the little fellow was taken ill, and was brought to Victoria Hospital and operated on. He seemingly recovered, and only a few days ago was well enough to be taken home.

Soon after, however, complications developed, and another operation was deemed necessary this morning. Deceased was a very bright little boy, and was a general favorite with all who knew him.

While in the hospital deceased became very popular with all the nurses, and they had asked him to come back and be present at the Christmas tree celebration to be held on Thursday evening. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

TURKEY PRICES
TOOK FLIGHTMany Birds Sold for as
High as 19 Cents
a Pound.OTHER POULTRY
WAS ALSO HIGHFarmers Are Reaping a Harvest
From the Christmas Trade
in London.

Turkeys provided the greatest surprise on the market this morning, when they executed an Orville Wright stunt by soaring in price above the heads of many Londoners.

When the market opened, turkeys were offered at 15 cents a pound for gobblers, and 17 cents for hen turkeys.

These prices did not last long, however, for the demand was brisk, and the farmers soon boosted the figure to 18 cents. This was followed by 19 cents, and by noon those who had any birds left were thinking seriously of asking for more money.

Only Turkeys Soared.

Other classes of poultry did not take such a pronounced rise, and many citizens are thinking of passing up the turkey for this time.

Butchers' meats also remained steady, the ordinary classes of beef bringing the prices quoted Saturday, while first-class Christmas beef brought as high as \$8.

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ALLEGED THAT THE
DEAL WAS IRREGULAR

Row in Council Over the Sewer for the
Battle Creek Corn Flake Company.

The only little flurry of the council last night occurred over the construction of a sewer for the Battle Creek Corn Flake Company.

At the last meeting of the board of works, it was decided to construct the sewer, the city to pay half the cost out of the committee's appropriation.

The work was commenced and practically finished before the council knew a thing of it, and when it came up last evening in the council there was trouble.

Ald. Beattie challenged the right of the committee to do that sort of work. Any expenditure of money must be ratified by the council, and in this case the board of works had ignored the council. As the work was done, the council would have to abide by it, but it was not proper.

Ald. Stevenson declared that the proceedings were very irregular, and the committee should be brought to task for it.

Ald. Saunders explained that the difficulty arose out of a misunderstanding, and not from any desire to ignore the council. It was done now, and would not be repeated.

The clause was then passed.

FIRE AT CLINTON

Planing Mills Totally Destroyed Early
This Morning.

Clinton, Dec. 22.—About 4 o'clock this morning the Clinton planing mills, owned by S. S. Cooper, was totally destroyed by fire, which originated in the engine room. When noticed, the fire was beyond control. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

NEWMAN RESIGNS.

New York, Dec. 22.—W. H. Newman today resigned as president of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, his resignation to take effect on Feb. 1, 1909. It was accepted by the directors. It is expected that he will continue to be a member of the board of directors.

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To every boy and girl in London who will bring four of the following orders to

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I hereby state that I have not taken THE LONDON ADVERTISER regularly for the past 30 days, and in consideration of The Advertiser furnishing a pair of Hockey Skates free to

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I order The London Advertiser and agree to pay for the same at the rate of 10 cents per week for at least twelve (12) weeks.

Signed.....

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Bring in each order as soon as you get it, and it will be placed to your credit.

A Bone-Handled (2 blades) Knife for one order.

A Pearl-Handled (2 blades) Knife for two orders.

A Gunmetal Watch for three orders.

A Waterson Fountain Pen for one order. Better ones for two or three orders.

Hockey Stick for one order.

A long list of prizes to select from. See the

Circulation Mgr., London Advertiser

Eddy's Gas Lighters

The match that is indispensable to all users of gas. Put up in boxes of three to a package. Ask your grocer for them. Manufactured by

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DONALD McLEAN, AGENT 426 RICHMOND ST., LONDON

ROUTINE AT THE CITY COUNCIL

Some Minor Matters Dealt With By Aldermen Last Night.

There was little routine business at the council meeting last evening, and outside the debate on two appointments, there was little doing.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mayor Stevely by Ald. Armstrong and Ald. Booth for the manner in which he had conducted the business of the year.

Ald. Beattie called the attention of the council to the fact that fifth and refuse was being dumped on the lands of the city, contrary to the bylaw recently enacted, and he moved that the police commissioners be instructed that the nuisance be abated. The motion carried.

Alleged Complaints.
Ald. Booth informed the council that there had been many complaints that Parks Commissioner Pearce was cutting down trees in the city without the consent of the property-owners. This he did not consider proper.

Ald. Gerry, chairman of the board of works, also declared that he had received many complaints. In future Mr. Pearce was not to cut down any trees without the consent of the owner of the property.

Ald. Greenlee reported that in the case of the hose wagon to be constructed for the fire department by the Canadian Fire Engine Company, it was impossible to get a bond from a guarantee company, and the committee had decided to accept the personal bond of Mr. Robert Angus and Mr. D. J. Gillies in lieu of it. This was satisfactory to the council.

Other Matters.
Mr. T. H. Luscombe on behalf of Mr. Maurice Baldwin, asked for compensation for injuries to a horse, No. 2. The London Canine Association applied for the free use of the city hall for Friday, Jan. 8, to hold a dog show. Granted.

Several local improvement bylaws were passed.
Those present were Mayor Stevely, Ald. Beattie, Stevenson, Ferguson, Parsons, Greenlee, Armstrong, Moorehead, Booth, Saunders, Rose, Stewart and Gerry and City Clerk Baker.

The death has occurred at his residence, 13 Albert Terrace, Edinburgh, of Mr. Wm. Blach, for the last 23 years a member of the editorial staff of the Scotsman. He was a native of Aberdeenshire.

California, Mexico, Florida.
Special round-trip tourist rates in effect to principal winter resorts. For full information as to rates, routes, etc., apply to any Grand Trunk ticket agent.

Baggage delivered to any part of the city. Hueston's Livery.

LIEUT. SCOTT IS ASSISTANT CHIEF

City Council Made the Appointment on Recommendation of No. 3 Committee.

Lieut. Scott was given the appointment as assistant chief of the fire department at the council meeting last evening. There was considerable discussion on the subject.
When Ald. Greenlee read his report, he pointed out that the recommendation of Lieut. Scott was brought before the council merely out of courtesy, as according to the bylaw, the appointment could be made only on the recommendation of the chief of the department, and ratified by No. 3 committee. He moved that the clause recommending the appointment be carried.

Ald. Beattie pointed out that the council had nothing at all to do with it according to the bylaw, and there was no need to bring it before them at all.

Ald. Beattie's Opinion.
"We have nothing at all to do with that appointment," said Ald. Beattie. "According to the bylaw just read, the appointment is entirely in the hands of No. 3 committee and the chief. Let them take the responsibility."

Ald. Greenlee did not think it any use sending it back. The committee had done everything it could, and had some to the conclusion that Lieut. Scott was the man for the place.
Ald. Ferguson thought that Capt. Case had not been given a square deal. He was not requested to take the examination after his application had gone in. No action was taken in regard to it, and he considered it unfair that Capt. Case should be given as good a chance as any of the rest.

Ald. Armstrong gave a long explanation of his interview with Capt. Case, stating that he had asked Case if there was any feeling between him and Chief Aitken, and he answered that there had been.

My contention is that the committee was wrong in bringing this matter before us at all," said Ald. Beattie. "We have no power to make the appointment and they are asking us to do something irregular. I would suggest that the council adjourn and give No. 3 time to bring in a report informing us just what they have done. That is all that is needed."

The council then adjourned for five minutes, and No. 3 committee fixed up its report in accordance with Ald. Beattie's suggestion, and it carried when the council resumed without difficulty.

A BAD DAY FOR THORNTON HAINS

Dramatic Recital of Annis' Murder by His Widow.

MENACED HER WITH A GUN

Tried to Get to Dying Husband But Was Prevented by Prisoner, She Declares.

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 21.—The trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains reached a climax of dramatic intensity today, when Mrs. Helen E. Annis, widow of Wm. E. Annis, in a deliberate recital, lasting nearly three hours, pictured the killing of her husband, as he sat at the tiller of his boat, by Capt. Peter C. Hains, jun.

Mrs. Annis nearly fainted a few minutes before her examination was concluded. She swayed in her chair, but quickly recovered after drinking a glass of water and smelling a vial of salts.

It was a hard day for the defence, and counsel for Hains was exhausted from the arduous cross-examination which was directed relentlessly toward the state's witnesses in an effort to shake their testimony. Thornton Hains lost much of the easy nonchalance that has characterized his manner in previous sessions. Led from the court by two deputy sheriffs, the prisoner appeared dejected and careworn.

Garbed in a black cloth suit, and wearing a wide flaring hat that cast a shadow over the upper part of her face, Mrs. Annis made an impressive figure on the witness stand, as she told in quiet tones her story of Aug. 15 at the Bayside Yacht Club. Several new points of evidence added dramatic interest to the trial, and the lawyers for the state declared tonight, make for certain conviction of the defendant.

Threatened by Hains.
When Annis' boat came alongside the boat, the widow testified, Thornton Hains beckoned to his brother, and led the way down the runway. The shooting followed within a few moments.

Lawyer McIntyre sought to discredit the "beckoning episode," which the state asserts proves that the author induced the army captain to the crime, and kept Mrs. Annis on this point under cross-examination for almost half an hour.

Hains' counsel developed that Mrs. Annis had not told District Attorney Darrin that the defendant had beckoned to his brother until last week. "I ran down the runway and Thornton Hains pointed his revolver at me. I turned to go back and he pressed the weapon against my back, saying: 'You get out of here or you will get the same.' I ran up the runway and, looking back, saw my husband fall into the water."

So said Mrs. Annis in relating her story, and this new evidence the lawyers for Hains struggled vainly to discredit.

The day was filled with unexpected incidents. While Mrs. Annis was testifying Justice Crane cautioned District Attorney Darrin to pay attention, whereupon Mr. Darrin declared the court was unjust to him in making it appear that he was asleep on the case. Another important witness today was Charles H. Roberts, a Bayside Yacht Club member, and an eye-witness of the shooting. Roberts' testimony was important, because he related that Thornton Hains after the shooting expressed to him his sorrow for the act. "I tried hard to prevent this," the witness said Hains said.

SILVER IN NOVA SCOTIA

Prospectors Hired by a Lady Make a Rich Strike.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22.—A party of prospectors in the employ of Miss Beattie Dunbrack, formerly housekeeper at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, have struck what is claimed to be a rich vein of silver at Musquodoboit, Halifax County, and she has taken up over 250 acres, and will work them. Miss Dunbrack is a native of Musquodoboit, but has been in New York for years.

JOE MARTIN FOR ENGLAND

Closes Out Canadian Interests and Will Settle in Old Country.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Joseph Martin, K. C., leaves Vancouver Feb. 1. He has closed some large real estate interests and is giving up his law practice. He will argue Canadian cases before the Privy Council, and may seek admission to the English bar, and is sure to take a hand in old country politics.

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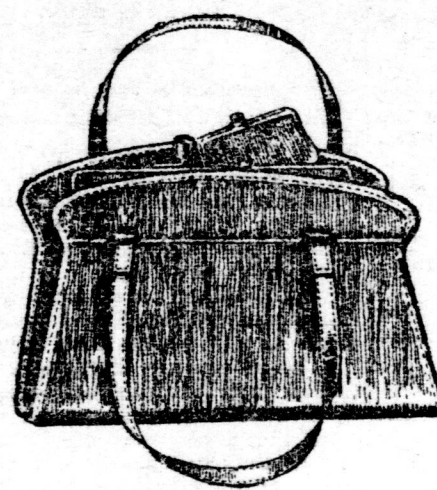
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Ebonized Blotters, each **25¢ and 35¢**

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LONDON, TUESDAY, DEC. 22.

THE REVIVAL.

All accounts agree that Canada is rapidly recovering from the effects of the financial panic of last fall, which were far less marked in this country than in the United States. The revival is due in some measure to the steady returns from the farming industry of the west, the harvest of which this year yielded 102,000,000 bushels of wheat, nearly one-half of which has been graded and inspected at Winnipeg. The cash proceeds from so large a product, at good prices, helped to make the citizen of Western Canada a customer more desirable than ever. In addition to the profits from the wheat crop there are the proceeds of another good yield of coarser grain, besides a record output of fat stock, which has also brought better prices than usual. The Winnipeg Free Press thus describes the effects of the improvement in the business situation as seen in that city:

"Insurance, loan and mortgage companies making Winnipeg their headquarters report 1908 to be a record year in so far as cash collections are concerned. Banks during the closing months of the year find the savings depositors' wicket the busiest one on the banking floor. Unusually heavy deposits constitute a true index of prevailing prosperity, which is reflected equally well in the heavy traffic to and from that part of Canada of which Winnipeg is the traffic centre. Heavy though the bulk haulage is, that of smaller parcels shows the most striking increase, being greater by 25 per cent than the corresponding period of last year. In December the increase promises to be still more marked."

Such evidence of trade revival is by no means confined to Western Canada. The weekly trade reports show decided and continued improvement throughout the country. The coming year should see a complete recovery in all branches of trade and commerce in every section of the Dominion.

CANADIAN SPIRITS, BEER AND TOBACCO.

The important point brought out in the recently issued report of the department of inland revenue is that Canada's production of alcoholic beverages continues to grow. The report further shows that while the per capita consumption of spirits, both of home and foreign production, is still decreasing, the Canadian people are drinking more ale and beer than ever. In spite of this, however, the last fiscal year's output of Canadian distilleries was a record one, amounting to 6,849,763 proof gallons. This increased production, in spite of a diminishing home consumption, is due to the steady advance in the foreign demand for Canadian-made spirits. In 1907-08 the total amount exported was 130,251 proof gallons. Each year since then has seen a big increase, until 1907-08 the total reached 412,859 gallons. Last year there were consumed by Canadian distilleries 7,679,776 pounds of malt, 72,997,290 pounds of Indian corn, 14,921,209 pounds of rye, 3,117,070 pounds of wheat, 955,993 pounds of oats, and 17,212,800 pounds of molasses. Of course, large quantities of spirits are used in the preparation of medicines, though wood alcohol is taking the place of grain alcohol in the industrial arts. The greater part of the alcohol made from molasses is used for beverage purposes.

Ontario still leads as a distilling province, having seven of the twelve distilleries which contribute to the Dominion revenue. Quebec has four and British Columbia one. The production of Ontario distilleries in 1907-08 amounted to 5,511,626 gallons, while the Quebec establishments turned out 1,215,073 gallons, and that in British Columbia 122,062 gallons.

Of course, the growth in the production of ale and beer can only be determined by the department by the increase in the production of malt. Last year there were manufactured 94,577,320 pounds of malt, as compared with 68,503,328 pounds. Since 1869 Canada's consumption of beer has increased from 2,290 gallons per head to 5.512 gallons per head of the population. In the same period the consumption of spirits has fallen from 1 1/4 gallons per head to nine-tenths of a gallon. There is also noted a decrease in the consumption of wines, from 0.115 of a gallon per head in 1869 to 0.096 of a gallon, or less than a pint, per head, in 1907-08. It is gratifying to know that the increase in the consumption of ale and beer is balanced by a lessening demand for spirits. Better still would be a decrease in the demand for all intoxicating liquors.

The revenue of the Dominion from alcoholic beverages, in addition to provincial and municipal levies on the traffic, amounted last year to \$2 1/2

per head of the population, of which spirits contributed \$1 86, beer 25 1/2 cents and wine 5 1/2 cents.

According to the same report, the consumption of tobacco in Canada is increasing. In 1869 the consumption per head was 1 1/4 pounds; last year it was 2 9/10 pounds, on which excise duties and fees to the amount of \$5-656,880 were collected, the product being 32,088,445 pounds. Last year Canada exported 141,465 pounds of tobacco, but only 29,400 of the 290,132,255 cigars made in Canada were sent out of the country. In the same year 384,809,344 cigarettes were manufactured in the Dominion. The customs and excise receipts for the year on tobacco amounted to close on \$1 13 per head of the population.

THE REFERENDUM FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

There is a growing opinion in Great Britain, voiced by some of the leading Liberal Journals, that the adoption of the referendum is the only practicable method of adjusting the relations of the House of Lords and the House of Commons. The abolition of the House of Lords is not possible within a measurable period of time, and the peers would fight to the bitter end against any proposal to destroy their equality with the lower chamber. The referendum would save their face and surmount the constitutional difficulty which has now paralyzed the energies of the Government and the House of Commons. It would be used only in case of an insuperable divergence between the two chambers. Opportunities for conference between the two Houses would be developed, and there would be a mutual desire to avoid the appeal to the people which might override either body. If on appeal a measure were vetoed, the responsibility of the Government would be discharged. It would have laid its proposal before the people, and no one could complain that it had ignored its supposed mandate. If the measure were accepted it would be cleared from the area of political controversy.

In a general election the elector has to vote on twenty different issues, all heaped together. By means of the referendum he could judge each issue on its merits. The present British Government will, during the next session, bring forward some plan of dealing with the situation, and if it proposes the referendum, it is difficult to see how the Lords can object.

The patronage system will defeat the best intentions of a cabinet minister.

Is there anything in the approaching municipal election for Grits or Tories to get excited over?

Mr. Carnegie says the iron ores of the United States will be exhausted in 40 years. It is plain that he doesn't include Canada's great deposits in his calculation.

Something is on the cards regarding the Intercolonial. Direct operation of a railroad by a government is not apt to be profitable, either from a party or a national standpoint.

Letters on the Sunday car question signed "For Home and the Nation," "Citizen" and "Workman" are omitted because the writers have not sent in their names. It is strange that readers need to be reminded so often of this established newspaper rule.

The two-chamber system in Canada has given rise to no serious friction. Even if the two Houses were different in political complexion for a long period, the Senate would not risk a deadlock. Its members do not represent hereditary privilege or class interests as do the majority of the British peers, and though nominally irresponsible, they are in touch with public opinion and have a wholesome regard for it—while the lords have not. The Senate, however, does not fulfill the functions of a revising chamber, as it might. This is not the fault of the members, but of the system. There is room for reform in this respect.

FRIENDLY ADVICE.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]
"If I ever marry," said the bachelor who was beginning to be old, "I shall be careful to pick out a lady whom I can treat as my equal."
"Oh, say, old chap," answered the married man, "I wouldn't do that if I were you. I can tell you from experience that a woman who would submit to such treatment wouldn't be worth having around the house."

POSTAL SHOPPING.

[Boston Transcript.]
At the postoffice: "How much are the new two-cent stamps?"

NEVER SO POPULAR.

[Toronto Globe.]
The Orange Sentinel says that it "has incurred the displeasure of the official section of both political parties." We hasten to correct such a misapprehension. We can assure our contemporary that it was never so popular in the Liberal ranks as it is at this moment. We may be accused of many things, but an accusation of ingratitude hurts.

SLAUGHTER OF MEN.

[Ottawa Journal.]
The labor bureau at Washington has put out a bulletin to the effect that between 30,000 and 35,000 were killed in industrial work in the United States last year. It is quite certain that if a similar proportion of working horses or mules were killed, something would be done to stop the waste.

REBUKED BY A FRIEND.

[Kingston Standard, Conservative.]
If (the Conservative party) looks

backward—and looks backward with an eye single to seeing what should be seen—it will see that in the campaign just ended it made what we believe are now generally admitted to be mistakes—the mistakes, for instance, of retaining with its fold men who were little more than the men in the Liberal ranks at whom the Conservative party pointed the finger of scorn; the mistake, for instance, of not repudiating as un-Conservative and unpatriotic the appeal to racial and religious prejudices which were put out and paraded in the guise of Conservative doctrines, when, in fact, they were wholly un-Conservative.

THE HARDENED KIND.

[Exchange.]
A few evenings ago a husband and wife were sitting in their home after dinner, and the old man was puffing at his meerschaum and reading a newspaper, while mother was working on a piece of embroidery.
"What do you think of this?" remarked father, glancing from the newspaper to his wife. "Here is an article that says that 200 of the old Roman prisoners that have been unearthed they have found a lot of petrified prisoners."
"Oh," responded mother. "I suppose they must have been some of the hardened criminals I have heard about."

THE LAWYER'S CHARGE.

[Exchange.]
Late one afternoon a newly-made doctor dashed into the room of his legal friend, and exclaimed: "Dear back, old man! Congratulations! Got a patient at last. On my way to see him now."
Whereupon the legal light-to-be slapped his friend on the back, saying: "Delighted, old chap!" Then, after a slight pause he added, with a sly grin: "I say, let me give you with my best just as you left the front door last night would give you to understand that I don't like you—won't have you—coming here."
"It did," said the young man, who was "after" the daughter, as a look of mingled pain and admiration came over his face; "but I thought I would come and ask you—"

FULLY QUALIFIED.

[Exchange.]
"Well, sir," said the old gentleman, indignantly, "what are you doing round here again? I thought that delicate hint I gave you with my best just as you left the front door last night would give you to understand that I don't like you—won't have you—coming here."
"It did," said the young man, who was "after" the daughter, as a look of mingled pain and admiration came over his face; "but I thought I would come and ask you—"

HOW HE CAME TO MARRY.

[Exchange.]
Several men were talking about how they came to marry.
"I married my wife," said one, "because she was the only woman I had ever met."
"How was that?" chorused the others.
"She was the only woman I met who would have me."

"WATERLOO BEECHES."

[The Lancet.]
Louden was the hero of the delightful story of the Waterloo Beeches, which, as Lady Priestley does not mention it, will, to quote the immortal Mr. Barlow, "now proceed to narrate." One day when Wellington was sitting in the House of Lords he received a note from London to the following effect:
"My Lord Duke,—It would gratify me extremely if you would permit me to visit Strathfieldsaye at any convenient time to your grace and to inspect the 'Waterloo Beeches.'"
"Your grace's faithful servant,"
"J. C. LOUDEN."

The "Waterloo Beeches," we may add, were those planted just after the battle of Waterloo, and were, as we have read the letter twice over, and misread the signature as J. C. Loudon. He then replied as follows:
"My Dear Bishop of London,—It will always give me great pleasure to see you at Strathfieldsaye. Pray come there whenever it suits your convenience, whether I am at home or not. My secretary will receive orders to show you as many pairs of breeches of mine as you wish; but why you should wish to see those that I wore at the battle of Waterloo is quite beyond the comprehension of yours, very truly,
"WELLINGTON."

When "My Dear Bishop of London" (J. B. Blomfield) received the epistle he was not unnaturally somewhat astonished. He showed it to the bishops of Canterbury and York, and the other bishops, who were as much exercised by it as if it had been an education bill. The Bishop of London said that he had not written to the duke for two years. However, explanations eventually came about and the mystery was cleared up.

A NEW KIND OF GRANDFATHER.

[Lippincott's Magazine.]
Josiah Quincy, the prominent Boston politician, was walking near the city hall when he heard an Irish laborer accost another thus:
"That's Josiah Quincy."
"An' who's Josiah Quincy?" the other asked.
"I never see such ignorance," rejoined the other. "He's the granddaddy of the statue you see in the yard."

WASTED ENERGY.

[Harper's Monthly.]
A Baltimore man had decided that he must administer a stern lecture to his 6-year-old son. The boy had been naughty, but did not seem to appreciate the fact; and it was with some reluctance, therefore, that the parent undertook a scolding.

He spoke judiciously, but severely; he recounted the lad's misdeeds, and duly explained the wisdom and whereof of his solemn rebuke, his wife the while sitting by, duly impressed.

Finally, when the father ceased, for breath and incidentally to hear the pit's acknowledgment of error, the lad, his face beaming with admiration, turned to his mother and said:
"Ma, isn't pa interesting?"

FORMER LONDON

LADY WEDDED

Miss Nellie Wilson Butler Married to Mr. Ray Clarke Murphy.

The marriage of Miss Nellie Wilson Butler, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Butler, formerly of this city, and Mr. Ray Clarke Murphy, barrister, of Lacombe, Alta., was quietly solemnized at the Presbyterian Church, Ponoka, Alta., on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 5 o'clock.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Archibald. The fair bride, who was given away by her father, was very daintily in her traveling costume of navy blue voile, a satin trimmed, over tulle, with long coat and hat to match.

Both bride and groom were unattended. Mrs. R. W. McKinnell presided at the organ, playing softly during the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy received many beautiful gifts.

Mrs. Murphy was well known in musical circles at London, where she will be greatly missed.

Her friends were at the depot to give the bridal couple a send-off when they left at 6:10 for Lacombe, where they will reside.

BOND ACCEPTED FOR CARLING ST.

City Council Last Night Came to Decision on the Matter.

The question of a bond for the Carling street pavement was finally settled last evening, when the council decided to accept the bond of a guarantee company for five years, and the personal bond of the Ontario Asphalt Block Company and Blight & Fielder for the remaining five years.

Ald. Booth objected strenuously to this course, and declared that if the pavement could not be guaranteed for ten years by a company there must be some reason for it, the pavement could not be what it was represented. He pointed out that the council had had trouble before with the contractors, Blight & Fielder, and he instanced the case of the King street pavement. The Barber Asphalt Company can get a guarantee, and there was no reason why the other company could not do it, if they had a good pavement. The contractors had put up a personal bond and \$800 guarantee in the King street pavement, and that was not sufficient to make them live up to their contract. If either of the companies became default after five years the city had absolutely no protection.

Ald. Beattie endorsed all that Ald. Booth had said, and declared that evidently the guarantee companies were afraid of the pavement.

Ald. Saunders declared that the pavement was one of the best he had ever seen laid, and there was no doubt it would last out the life of the guarantee. The Wellington street pavement was of the same material, and there was no doubt about its endurance.

On the vote to accept the personal guarantees only two aldermen, Booth and Beattie, opposed it.



The show this afternoon and evening at Bennett's should be a popular one. "Strongheart" is the feature film, and the balance of the entertainment consists of some of the very latest productions. The illustrated songs, "Mamie" and "Sailor Boy," with Miss Camille Stafford, assisted by a popular young tenor, are making a hit.

St. Catharines, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Annie G. Sanger, of the Dunny Mack Company, a local amateur theatrical troop, who had such a stirring time when they played Merriton on Thursday night, being handed lemons, eggs, etc., had an information for assault against a number of St. Catharines young men who were present at the production.

"The Cowboy Girl" Tonight.

The new melodramatic play, "The Cowboy Girl," tonight's attraction at the Grand, presents a consistent, pretty love story simply and effectively told; there is plenty of fun in the unfolding of the story, which is told to the accompaniment of dainty and catchy music.

"The Time, the Place, and the Girl."

"The Time, the Place and the Girl," which will be the Christmas attraction at the Grand, is a comedy-drama set to music, with its a ring possibilities enhanced by half a dozen unique but thoroughly consistent characterizations. "The Time, the Place and the Girl" keeps safely out of the conventional rut. It is distinguished by comedy rather than by sentiment, though a bit or two of "drama" are interpolated to heighten the comedy.

"Divorce."

No play of recent years has aroused so much discussion and enthusiasm among its auditors as Paul Benjager's great play, "Divorce," which Fred C. Whitney brings to the Grand on Dec. 29, for a return engagement. Mr. Whitney has not only spared no expense in staging the play and selecting the cast, but he has secured for the rendition of each one of the remarkably drawn characters in the drama, actors and actresses for whom the parts would seem to have been written.

AN APPEAL TO THE WOMEN

Mrs. Boomer Asks Them to Vote Against Sunday Cars.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:
Without attempting to add anything new to the discussions upon the question of whether we are to have, or to be saved from, the invasion of street car traffic upon the quiet hours of our usual peaceful Sabbath day, I would, with your kind permission, and because of the valuable information conveyed to us in your Saturday's issue, "The Tenants as well as freeholders are to be accorded the right to vote upon the Sunday car bylaw," venture to urge upon the 2,023 women voters of London their duty in regard to the responsibility this privilege entails. When the petition was first begun over a year ago, an enthusiastic worker who carried round a petition in favor of the innovation is recorded as saying that "he had not received one refusal from a woman to sign it." For the vindication of my sex I hope that this statement may be taken with a very large pinch of salt indeed. Surely it cannot be possible that the wives, daughters and sisters of our city should be so infected by the holiday craze, which is almost epidemic today all over the Dominion, that they would be willing to lend their influence to any proposition which would deprive a large number of our London breadwinners of their one day of rest after a week of toil. Rather let the ballot box tell us with uncertainty sound, when the women of the Forest City have declined to join their voices to those

Chapman's

Those Who Can Should Come Out in the Morning

They'll find more time and get better service. Notwithstanding the great selling of this month, the Christmas stocks are as tempting as ever, and is it any wonder that we say "Come in the morning" when we know it is the time to see what you want? So remember that thousands and thousands of beautiful gifts invite and await you. Are you coming tomorrow morning?

Open Tonight Until Ten o'Clock

The remaining evenings until Christmas this store will be open. This gives all the people an opportunity to make their purchases.

Fine Gloves for Particular Hands

It would be a fastidious woman who would not be delighted with Pewney's Kid Gloves. Their quality, faultless fit and fineness in every way make them the glove par excellence for Christmas giving. At \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50 Every pair in a pretty box.

Christmas Stockings for Women

Pure Silk Stockings, black, white and colors. A pair \$1 How glad any woman would be to receive half a dozen pairs. Paris Silk Stockings up to, a pair ..\$4

Handkerchiefs Are Going as Fast as We Can Sell Them

Saturday the counter was crowded all day. But such an enormous quantity of Handkerchiefs don't disappear in a day. So today again and all this week,

Handkerchiefs at the Lowest Prices to Be Found Anywhere

The China Departments are the mecca for gift seekers. Here is found an immense assortment of the choicest and most novel gifts that you will see anywhere.

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Men's Large Sizes Overcoats, 40, 42, 44 and 46.

Made of the very best Beaver and Meltons; extra good linings. Made to sell at \$15.00 and \$18.00. Special for Christmas Week . \$7.95

ONE Lot of Men's Black Beaver Overcoats,

velvet collars, good lengths—mostly all sizes. Made to sell at \$10. Special for Christmas Week . \$4.78

ONE Lot of Men's Extra Fine Black Worsted Suits,

Equal to any high-class tailor-made, all sizes. Regular price \$15.00, \$18.00 and \$20.00. Special for Christmas Week . \$9.20

ONE Lot of Men's Tweed Suits, sold everywhere at \$7.50, \$8.00 and \$9.00. Special for Christmas Week . \$3.95

Smoking Jackets

The balance of our stock. Regular price \$6.50, your choice for..... \$1.95

Fancy Braces

One pair in fancy box. Nice patterns to choose from. Worth 75c, for..... 40c

FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

you will find our store just the right place to buy them. Your dollar will do double the work. We have everything for man or boy at less than wholesale prices. Open Evenings . .

Bankrupt Stock Sales

100 Dundas Street, Opposite City Hall

CITY LIKELY TO FIGHT THE CLAIM

Blight & Fielder's Account for North End Sewer Sent Over to Next Year.

That little bill of Blight & Fielder for \$2,332 extra work on the north end sewer, was sent over to next year's council, more as a preparation for a lawsuit than anything else.

The reason for this action was that City Solicitor Meredith gave it as his opinion that the city was not liable, that the council has no right to guarantee what soil through which a sewer is to be laid. If the firm lost money on the contract, that was their business, not that of the council.

Blight & Fielder will make another effort, it is understood, to settle the claim with the city, and in the event

DIES ON A TRAIN

Manager of Big Montreal Concern Succumbs to Heart Trouble.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 22.—James T. Cuttle, manager of the Montreal Forwarding Company, a well known board of trade man, died suddenly yesterday on board a train while travelling between Montreal and California. He was going west for his health, being bothered with heart trouble. The high altitude of the route is supposed to have killed him. Mr. Cuttle left on Friday night for California to join her husband, who had been visiting a brother in Montana on route west. Mr. Cuttle was 46 years of age.

of not being successful, a suit will be entered.

The matter of opening Mill street was again referred, this time to next year's council.

THE LOST MILLIONAIRE

BY L. CAMPBELL DAVIDSON.

The panelled study held a little crowd of people presently. The faint, playful breath of its walls would remain forever to Maxwell Suter a reminder of that hour. The lawyer was there, fussy and important. The head servants grouped themselves respectfully by the door. Maxwell sat in his cousin's big arm-chair. Dr. Mayne took a seat by the window, interested and gratified. When all the rest were assembled and a silence had fallen on them, the other door of the room opened, and in came the widow, in her new, shiny, and white muslin collar and cuffs. She wore no widow's cap, and her handsome hair was uncovered, and though she was pale, her looks were still striking.

She bowed sorrowfully to the people awaiting her, and the gentlemen of the party rose and returned her bow gravely and compassionately. She sat down in the arm-chair placed for her, her pocket-handkerchief in her hand, and her eyes downcast. The two chiefly concerned had not met each other's looks. Maxwell glanced at her ready to greet her, but she never raised her eyes.

The lawyer, an elderly man with a shaggy grey head and side-whiskers, stood up, a paper in his hand, and cleared his throat. Twice he cleared it. To the strained nerves of those present it seemed as if the second rasping sound made them jump. He folded back the crackling paper, and still he paused.

"This will," he said, "is dated six years back. Just after Mr. Suter's marriage. There seems to be no later one."

There was a tense silence in the room as he began to read through all the legal formal technicalities, the "give and bequeath," the variation that the testator was of sound mind, and that this was his last will and testament.

As he went on, people moved slightly. It took them by surprise. The will had been made at the time of the millionaire's marriage. He had hoped for its natural results. His whole estate, real and personal, was willed to any son he might have. If there were more children than one, they were to inherit their share. Till his or their coming of age the income was to be enjoyed by their mother, his wife, Grace Suter. Should they die unmarried, the said Grace Suter was to have the property for life. But in the event of there being no children, the whole property, with the sole exception of a life income to Mrs. Suter, was left to "my only son, Maxwell Suter," without condition. It was a will that took everyone present by surprise.

CHAPTER III.

The Expected Heir.

The lawyer laid down the will on the table. He turned to Mrs. Suter, with some slight embarrassment. It was not an easy thing to confront the woman whose husband had left such palpable marks of his disappointment with her. There was only a list of legacies to follow—small sums annually to certain old clerks, a few pounds here

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and there to servants, or to charity. Two hundred a year to my only cousin, Maxwell Suter," should there be children to succeed.

The lawyer cleared his throat again, and now he glanced across at Mrs. Suter in her sombre weeds. To his surprise, she met his look with one where a smile struggled with her gravity. A sudden crimson drove the pallor from her face. She seemed about to speak, then checked herself. Suddenly she rose up from her chair, and before anyone could guess what was her intention, she had hurried from the room. She had beckoned to her French maid and the woman hurried after her.

A kind of awkwardness fell on those left behind. Then the spare lawyer, with his neat black suit and his gray side-whiskers, crossed the room stiffly, and held out his hand to Maxwell, sitting there silent and dumb. "I have to congratulate you, Mr. Suter," he said, a smile crackling his face into a hundred fine wrinkles. "It is a noble property."

Those around him were looking at Suter. He found a new respect in their eyes. Yesterday, Maxwell Suter, the poor relation, the paid secretary, to a rich man. Today, Maxwell Suter, the millionaire. Yes, there was a difference. No doubt there was! Yesterday a nobody; today a pleasant, good-natured fellow, ready for tennis or to treat with familiar friendship, to clap on the shoulder and call "old chap." Today a millionaire, a factor in the politics of Millington, its most respected citizen.

A world open before him he had only dreamed of till now—the world of power and pleasure and usefulness. Gilded visions danced before Max's dazzled eyes. He would do wonders for the old town where he was born. He would help the poor and the friendless, give to charities, create new urgently needed ones; be his town's benefactor. He could travel now, and he was his own master! He could inquire every culture taste that till now he had had to struggle. He was a prince in right of his own. The glory of the vision for an instant nearly blinded him. He heard the congratulatory words about him in a maze of bewildered confusion. Mechanically he took the hand the family lawyer held out to him, and wrung it hard.

It was at that moment that the French maid, a woman with black hair beautifully arranged, and a quick, flashing eye, came back into the room. She crossed the thick carpet noiselessly, and held out a little note to the lawyer. He took it, surprised from his conventional stiffness, and broke it open. It held but a few lines. Mrs. Suter desired to see him presently in her own boudoir, when the others had gone in to lunch. He bowed his head in answer to the waiting Frenchwoman, and she nodded in return, and slid back to the door she had come in at.

Then luncheon was announced. The whole trooped across the broad hall to the dining-room, led by Maxwell, now the master of the house. A new self-possession was on him, a novel air of dignity. One does not come into a great fortune suddenly without accepting its responsibility.

The long table, lengthened with many leaves for the occasion, was covered with dishes, and there was a smell of hot food. There had been preparation for more than needed it. Maxwell took the head of the table. No one noticed that the lawyer had not come in with the rest. He had slipped away upstairs to the boudoir, with its lovely decorations of blue satin and gold. The ceiling held a fresco of cupids. The furniture was complete gilt and carving. Richard Suter had let her have her own way in it. He expected to find a weeping, protesting widow. The amount left her in the event of her childlessness was so small. But instead she confronted him rosy and smiling. Her maid was not in the room. She was alone.

"Sit down," she said pleasantly, as he came in and stood before her. "I have something I must say to you, and it ought to be said at once."

The funeral guests had eaten and drunk as much as they wanted. Maxwell stood up now to see them go. Cabs and private carriages were scoring the drive with wheel-marks and hoof-marks. There was nothing to stay for now. He went to the door with the last departing friend. A few of the old clerks whose names were mentioned in the will for legacies had bowed themselves respectfully out. Now, as Maxwell turned from the door held open by the footmen in their new mourning, he saw the lawyer descending the broad flight of stairs. He stopped, and looked up in surprise. "Braybrooke! You haven't had any lunch! Where have you been? Come back and take a glass of Burgundy. You needn't go yet."

The old lawyer wore an air of extreme gravity. Indeed, it was anxious, one would have said.

"No, no; no wine, thank you. Mr. Suter, I've an astonishing thing to tell you. Can I speak to you alone?"

"Certainly. Of course," Maxwell led

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Apple juice has a very marked effect on the kidneys, increasing their power to throw off the waste products of the body, called urea, and thus prevent rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia and similar troubles that come from poisoned blood.

Similarly, other fruits stimulate the action of the liver and bowels—others of the skin. Combined, they keep the blood pure—the body clean and healthy.

To get this effect, however, one must eat a great deal of fruit, or better, eat a little fruit and take "Fruit-a-lives."

"Fruit-a-lives" are tablets in which the juices of ripe fruits, with their medicinal value intensified, are combined with valuable tonics. They act directly on bowels, kidneys and skin and put them in perfect condition—thus insuring the thorough elimination of all waste matter and poisons from the body. Trial box 25c. Regular size 50c—boxes for \$2.50. Fruit-a-lives, Limited, Ottawa.

the way back to the deserted dining-room. Crave to say that would make chairs and table. The decanters stood all about. He went to the table and laid his hand on one of them. "Come, take your glass!" But the lawyer shook his head.

"No, thank you, Mr. Suter. I'm afraid I've got to say to you will be a great shock. Had your cousin's widow made any communication to you?" He looked anxiously into the other's face. Max shook his head indifferently. "No, I haven't seen her since—since the day till this."

The lawyer drew his breath in. "She sent for me just now to tell me something. Something that I am afraid affects you vitally. I dare say, poor soul, she did not think it necessary to communicate it till now."

He paused, and Max looked at him a little wondering. What could Grace Suter have to say that would make a man look so concerned? He shook his head silently. The lawyer coughed uneasily.

"She—it was an enormous surprise, even to me, Mr. Suter. To you it will be worse—I'm afraid, much worse. Mrs. Suter informed me upstairs just now that an event is impending likely to gravely affect your succession to the property."

"To affect my succeeding? But how could that possibly be? My cousin's will was plain enough, I should fancy. Still he did not understand."

The lawyer slightly frowned. "You don't take me, I see. The property, you know, was left you only in the event of there being no child to inherit."

"Of course? Well? There was the pause of a second. Then Suter's face changed—changed from puzzlement to comprehension. He cried out suddenly, in a voice of consternation: "You don't mean—no, impossible!"

Mr. Braybrooke pursed his thin lips. "I should have certainly thought a half-hour ago. But, being so, so certain as the unlooked-for. Mrs. Suter has just sent for me and informed me of a matter of the greatest importance. It seems that the conditions of the will are to be fulfilled."

"A child! None such!"

It was natural, the older man thought, that the chagrined heir should protest. It was hard—certainly it was hard for a man who had for years looked on himself as the inheritor of this great property—who had heard his expectations confirmed by the lawyer—ago—it was hard for him to find his hopes crushed. There was every sympathy to be extended to the young man who faced him, his face pale, his eyes startled. But there was no escape from facts. He nodded, a trifle dryly.

"It is common sense, Mr. Suter. Mrs. Suter assures me it is the case. It is a trifle pathetic, that if the late Mr. Suter had lived a few months longer the passionate desire of his life would have been fulfilled. He was nobly anxious for an heir of his name to succeed him. You know that, I am sure. That is why he made the will I read a while ago."

"A child!" Still the disinherited heir fought against the belief—fought wildly and hopelessly. "But there was never a word of it! Why did none of us know? Nobody has heard!"

"I am led to believe that the expectation is too recent to have been yet made public," Mrs. Suter tells me that she reproaches herself, though wrongly, of course—wrongly, poor woman, in regard to her husband's death. She had written him a little note to inform him of the fact she knew would cause him to rejoice. She laid it on his desk to catch his eye when he returned from his drive. A short time afterward she went to him, expecting to have him share her joy. She found him dead, poor woman! And she broods over the fear that the shock of her news, however joyful, caused his heart attack. But you were with him, Mr. Suter, when he came back. You were with him in his study, I think. Did he read the note in your presence? If so, and he did not show signs of dangerous emotion, it would prove to the poor wife that she was wrong in her fear—quite wrong."

He looked inquiringly at Suter. The young man's face was still very white. "He did not open any letter while I was with him. There was none on the table that I remember. I feel sure of that."

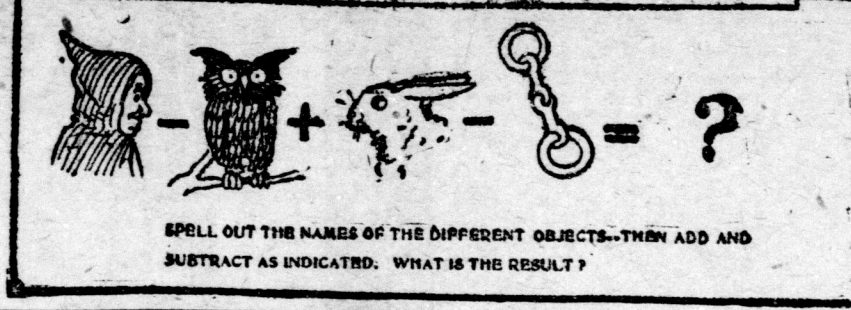
"Ah! With regard to that, Mrs. Suter tells me that when she rushed to her husband's side in her alarm, one of his table drawers stood open, and she saw inside of it a crumpled sheet of paper that she thinks was that very note. The drawers were all closed and locked immediately—you will remember that I saw to that. I have the keys in my pocket at this moment. I was just about to hand them over to you. Shall we go and see if we can find the document?"

(To Be Continued.)

SAM LOYD'S PUZZLES.

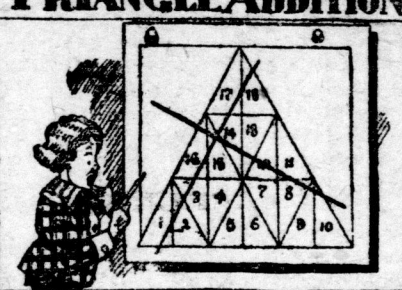
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ZOOLOGICAL ARITHMETIC



SPELL OUT THE NAMES OF THE DIFFERENT OBJECTS—THEN ADD AND SUBTRACT AS INDICATED. WHAT IS THE RESULT?

SOLUTION TO TRIANGLE ADDITION



(Published on Monday.)

The accompanying diagram shows how a straight line may score 108 points through Johnnie's triangles and beat his total of 86.

PRESENTATION TO MR. J. E. ROBERTS

Organist and Choir Leader of Christian Church Remembered Royally.

Mr. John E. Roberts, who for the last twelve years has been organist and choir leader of the Christian Workers' Church on King street, was most agreeably surprised by the members of the choir last night, when they unexpectedly gathered at his home, 421 Dufferin avenue, and presented him with a very handsome mahogany music cabinet. The presentation was made by Miss L. Brown, and the following address was read by Mr. Ed. Lancel:

The Address.

To John E. Roberts, organist and choir leader of the Christian Workers' Church, King street:

Dear Friend and Fellow-Laborer in the Cause of the Master,—Realizing as we do that through your consistent, faithful service, this choir has been brought to its present state of proficiency, and the members to closer ties of love, and a consciousness that we are working to advance the interests of this church in song and praise, thereby adding to our church services an element of attractiveness and spiritual uplifting, which conduces to the prosperity and extension of our zone. And now with feelings of respect and esteem, we, the members of the choir, ask you to accept this small token of our appreciation of your unselfish labor of love in training and leading us in a way which enables us to be of some use in the cause of One to whom we owe all our best and noblest energies. We trust that you may be long spared to continue the work in which you have succeeded so well, and that "The Giver of every good and perfect gift" may prosper you in all your efforts here, and at last say, "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of the Lord."

Signed by the members of the choir.

Mr. Roberts was completely taken by surprise, but in response to a call for speech he briefly assured the members of the choir how much he appreciated their kindness to him. The remainder of the evening was passed most pleasantly in a social manner.

POSTOFFICE HANDLING A RECORD MAIL

The English Outgoing and Incoming Are Especially Large.

Christmas mail of all kinds is pouring into the postoffice in big loads, and the postoffice officials are having a busy time. The stamping machine is especially useful at this time of the year, as it enables hundreds of letters to be stamped in the time that it formerly took to do a few dozen. Letters go through the machine at the rate of several thousand an hour.

The English incoming mail this year is one of the heaviest ever handled at the local office, and the officials state that the outgoing mail will surpass all records. The London postoffice is a distributing point for this whole district, and ranks fifth in the list of Canadian postoffices in the amount of mail handled.

The primitive operations employed in China and Japan are in marked contrast with the cleanly machine method of preparing tea in Ceylon. The pure and cleanliness of "Salada" is absolute. Its delicious flavor will please you.

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Chocolates, plain pound..... 25c	Walnut Kisses, pound..... 20c
Chocolates, with nuts, pound, 25c	Cocoanut Kisses, pound..... 20c
Chocolates, with fruit, 2 lbs. 60c	Scotch Kisses, pound..... 25c
Chocolate peppermints, box..... 15c	Cream Caramels, pound..... 20c
Chocolates and Creams, pound, 25c	Mixed Taffies, pound..... 10c
Chocolate Drops, pound..... 20c	Mixed Creams, pound..... 15c

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Banana Frappe..... 10c	And other fashionable flavors.

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Oh, Mama!

—don't forget to lay in a stock of CASCARETS with your Xmas purchases. It is the world's best candy medicine for little folks and big folks during Xmas week. CASCARETS will keep the tots well and happy—don't overlook the grownups. They are all bound to overeat and stuff—so be ready with a Cascaret at bed time.

Buy a 10c box CASCARETS—week's treatment—and have it handy to use every night, Xmas week.

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Winter wheat is put into the ground in the fall, but does not ripen until the following July. It matures slowly, is soft and very starchy.

Spring wheat is sown in April or May, and ripens in August. It's a flinty, translucent wheat, rich in gluten and contains nearly twice as much nutriment as winter wheat.

Royal Household is fine, light and pure—milled by the most improved methods—in a mill as clean as your own kitchen.

Ask your grocer for Ogilvie's Royal Household—just enough to try. You won't mind the slight advance in cost when you see the results in your bread and pastry.

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Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Limited, Montreal.

RICH MAN'S SON HUNGRY IN PARIS

Young Winans' Father Is Said
to Own Half of Baltimore.

BROTHER-IN-LAW IS A RAJAH

His Wife, a Spanish Dancer, Has
Pawned All Her Jewels
for Food.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The only son of the richest man in Maryland, a nephew of the richest American in England, and the brother-in-law of a French prince and of an Indian Maharajah, is stranded in Paris—literally penniless, homeless and hungry.

He is Thomas G. Winans, a graduate of Cambridge University, and son of Thomas Ross Winans, who is said here to own half of Baltimore. One of his uncles is Walter Winans, the famous horseman, who lives in London. Another uncle is Leslie Winans, of Baltimore, The Princess de Bearn, who died last year, was his sister, and the maharajah of Karpurthala, who rules the Punjab state in India, is young Winans, of Baltimore, The Princess married two sisters, Spanish dancing girls from Andalusia. The young wives are twins, and now twenty years old.

Effecting a Reconciliation.

The sister who became the quasi-regal Rances of Karpurthala was attended during her recent visit to Paris by a retinue of fourteen servants, while young Winans' wife was sharing his extreme poverty. Some months ago Winans patched up a temporary reconciliation with his father, and secured a small allowance, but his heavy debts have finally swamped him. For some time he stayed off his creditors by borrowing money on his expectations of inheritance, paying as much as 60 per cent. The money lenders who pursued him feverishly at first have now lost their confidence, and are cutting in their loans.

Cosmopolitan adventurers who hung upon the young American while he was still able to borrow money have now all deserted him, and he is left alone with his little Spanish wife and two babies in a state of destitution. The former dancing girl, once a rival to La Belle Otero, has pawned all her jewelry which was given her by the young Baltimorean and others in the days of her prosperity.

Winans informs his friends that his father is not opposed to the wife he has chosen, having given him full forgiveness months ago. The father's anger is due to his son's alleged extravagance and social connections.

Father Granted Allowance.

Shortly after the marriage of "Tommy" Winans to the Spanish dancer last year it was announced from Baltimore that he had been disinherited by his father, Ross Winans, who owns much valuable real estate in that city. Gen. C. C. Latrobe, counsel of the rich old father, said: "Mr. Thomas Winans' father authorized me to say that he married without his father's consent, and is now living in Paris on an allowance granted him by his father."

When "Tommy's" sister, the Princess de Bearn, et de Chalais, died early last year that left the young man sole heir to the millions of his father, estimated at anything between five and fifteen. The marriage, of course, barred him from his fortune.

For a time, however, later in the year, it seemed as though he was going to regain his standing with old Mr. Winans. A little Winans, named after the elder, appeared upon the scene in August, and was accompanied by the aged millionaire, who came with joy was appeared million-aire at becoming a grandfather that he forgave his son, it was said, and declared that he would take care of the whole family. All was given, it was said then, and the Spanish dancer was welcomed as a daughter. It was even said that Ross Winans intended to present her with a valuable plot of ground outside of Paris.

"Tommy" must have offended again in some manner to have lost the good will of his father, especially after the second child came along and made a grandfather twice.

AN AMERICAN POMPEII

One Is Being Brought to Light in
Wilds of Arizona.

Washington, Dec. 21.—An American Pompeii is gradually being brought to light according to the annual report of Charles B. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

Under a special congressional appropriation the work of excavating a prehistoric buried city at Casa Grande, near Florence, Arizona, has been conducted by Dr. J. Lawrence Foster. Already a number of structures have been discovered but the largest one excavated during the year was a building 200 feet long, with eleven rooms, the massive walls inclosing a plaza. On the central room there is a seat called by the Pima Indians "The Seat of Montezuma."

The ruins at Casa Grande were found to be very much more extensive than was anticipated and it is stated that their permanent preservation is of great archaeological importance.

A very successful auction sale was held by Mr. John Lalonde, auctioneer, on Mr. George Jackson's farm, Westminster, on Thursday, Dec. 17, when 66 head of choice dairy cows were disposed of. Good prices were realized, new milch cows bringing from \$48 to \$74, the total amount of sale being \$1,800 50.

Statistics compiled by the New York Health Board showed that the death rate had increased among women since they had entered into competition with men in the industrial field.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Water Question.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

The water commissioners took an auto trip to see the Stanley springs which constitute only a small portion of those on the north branch. They came back and reported "200,000 gallons up there." But from the statement of Mr. R. Rolston to the press, they never went near his, which are only a little distance from George White's, and fully equal to, nor did they, from all other accounts, go near the Stoddart, Cockburn, Guest and others, which combined give a flow of about 1,200,000, exclusive of the Cronyn-White punch, and more if small springs along their course were added, the probability being that they travelled down the wrong side of the river.

They then examined the west branch—reported the "Hobbs springs 150,000," the Blizard, 50,000 in dry weather," but "thought by digging the gravel and trenching, additional water might be got." Next, on to Kilworth, where they measured in a small creek that runs down the hill adjacent to barnyards, which should never be turned into the city mains. No doubt it was represented to them as a spring and gives about 200,000 gallons, which, a few patches of wet ground is the full extent of all there is to the Kilworth supply on which to spend \$125,000. Of that sum, \$20,000 is for land, and \$65,000 for a 16-inch main. Hobbs' Springbank, a size that is very far from being needed at all for the 200,000 gallons of real spring water when the creek is cut off.

This Kilworth tail-end with the \$45,000 for land in the other direction is sufficient in itself to condemn and defeat the whole scheme.

How much better would it be to take sufficient of that \$125,000 added to the \$38,000 estimated for a 12-inch pipe to Cronyn-White's, and instead lay an 18 or 20-inch main that far, ready when its supply of 1,378,000, after lapse of years, should the city's growth require it, to receive the additional 1,200,000 from the big springs north, commencing by a 6-inch pipe at Stoddart's, gradually enlarging as those down along were added, until all combined (Cronyn-White's included) made a flow of over 2,500,000 by gravitation to the reservoir north of the city. Let nobody say there is not a substitute scheme, for there is also the Titus.

The water commissioners are doing their best as far as they know how, and giving both their time and work without any remuneration. I would suggest a committee of competent citizens be appointed, having among them some who really understand the value of land and damage by taking of springs and pipes sunk underground along the comparatively valueless banks of the river, with others versed in iron pipes, etc., and no contracts to be closed until ratified by them. Land, if it is bought at fair price, will be taken by expropriation. By such means, whichever scheme is adopted, many thousands would be saved, and no doubt the commissioners would be highly pleased in the taking of a load of responsibility off their hands, which, as they state, "has given them many a weary hour."

H. TAYLOR.

Chaworth, South London, Dec. 13.

An Assistant Chief.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

In your valuable paper of the 17th Dec I see that at last No. 3 committee has recommended an assistant chief. Now I sincerely hope that our city council will get down to business, and appoint the chief's nominee. If he is to be chief of our excellent fire department, then he must be upheld in the stand he has taken. No doubt he has his reasons, and I am sure good reasons, for the action taken by him, and now that No. 3 has taken a commonsense view of the matter it is to be hoped that the rest of the aldermen will do the same, and will finish the year with record of good work, which has not been surpassed for a good four years, but which seemed likely to be marred by putting in a man as assistant who has by every known means tried to force himself in the hands of chief and the committee, an act in itself which should bar him from the position. A man that cannot go and do the little examination asked for by the committee (and that seems the only plausible reason) is not capable of being assistant chief of our fire department, and it seems pitiable the way some of the aldermen try to make excuses for him. He is not the oldest man in years of service, in the department, and himself took the position as captain over the heads of older and better men.

COMMON SENSE.

Dec. 18, 1908.

High Insurance Rates.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

I think it is time for the citizens of the city council to take action in regard to our insurance. I think the time is an opportune one as the underwriters think they can bleed the citizens just as they will. I have thought it out or tried to think what amount of money must be paid for insurance in this city. It comes to me that there is more money paid for insurance in one year than it would cost us for at least five years' fire. When you consider the large salaries the presidents receive, and also the directors, you can easily see where our money goes. For one should like to put money in it and I don't know but what it would be the greatest money-maker I know of. I could be managed by three commissioners of good, honest men, and I think in less than ten years from now we would have money enough at the present rate of insurance to make our insurance one-quarter of what it is today.

W. WEST, South London.

The Sunday Car Question.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

I noticed several letters in your paper from clergymen of different cities where they have Sunday cars, and I do not understand why they claim there is no bad results from their use, for I know from personal experience of hundreds of people using Sundays for picnics, more than on a day set for them to keep holy. For instance, in Toronto they take their lunches and have the choice of different parks, where they go and lounge around all

day. Now, if those cars did not run, the biggest part of those people would go to church. Again another writes that it is a fine opportunity for a man who has worked six days to take his wife and family out in some park or country for an outing. He also sympathizes with the unfortunate animal that is used to drive out with, but he will hitch up a man all week, and then want him to work on Sunday, to satisfy a few pleasure-seekers. This poor being has to deprive himself and family of home comfort and church, and it is not voluntary with him, for if he will not work on Sunday he is not needed the rest of the week. As for getting fresh air, we have fine parks, and even our streets, with such boulevards, afford us lots of pure air, more so than if the cars were allowed to run all week. We are smothered with dust or deafened by the grinding of car wheels, that would mar the peace and quietness of the Sabbath, which God has given for a day of rest, and to keep holy. A railway employee would give a good deal to have the privilege of being home on Sundays, but he has to work.

Hail to the Sabbath Day.

The day discussed is given.

When men to God their homage pay,

And earth draws near to heaven.

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THE TALK OF THAMESFORD

Two Approaching Weddings — The Local Option Campaign.

Thamesford, Dec. 19.—Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Scenie Day to Mr. Percival Morley, of Chatham, on Dec. 30.

Miss Hannah McKay, of the Eighth line, is to be married on Dec. 23 to a promising young farmer of Moss-side, where Miss McKay was formerly a teacher.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held yesterday at the home of Mrs. James McMurray, and the members and visitors spent a very pleasant hour. Mrs. McDonald gave an instructive account of the annual convention that was held at Guelph last week, and brought to the society here many helpful suggestions which, no doubt, will be accepted. Mrs. McMurray gave a talk on "Christmas," and various ideas were exchanged on gifts, etc. After a dainty lunch all went away feeling well repaid for facing an old-fashioned blizzard.

Mr. Henry Irwin, K. C., of Toronto, is to give two addresses on temperance on Sunday in view of the vote to be taken on local option at the New Year.

The funeral of Ernest M. Judge took place yesterday from his father's residence to the Methodist Cemetery. Rev. J. A. Agnew conducted the services, and spoke very feelingly of the deceased, who died in his twenty-third year, having suffered a number of years with patience. He leaves to mourn his loss his parents, two sisters and three brothers, who all reside, excepting John, whose home is in Minnesota. The pallbearers were six of his schoolmates, Percy Bartlett, Arnold Bain, James Young, James McLeellan, Fred Storey and Herbert Welbe.

The concert in aid of the public library held on Friday last week was a success, upwards of \$40 being taken in at the door. They have been asked to repeat it and intend giving it at Kintore on Monday evening, and at Putnam at a later date.

GOOD ASSORTMENT FOR CHRISTMAS SEASON

Well-Known Grocery Firm Stocked
With Good Things to Eat.

At this season of the year housekeepers are looking for the best in the grocery line. Those who are particular, and want a good assortment to choose from will do well to visit either of the stores of T. A. Rowat & Co. At both the Dundas street and South London stores they are stocked with large and choice assortments of the very best things for eating, the kind that when you see them they make you hungry.

T. A. Rowat & Co. have an enviable reputation throughout the entire city for fair dealing, and the quality of the goods they handle. Their facilities for giving excellent service are of the best, and special attention is always given to telephone orders. It would be hard to enumerate the many good things they have on sale that will tend to make this Christmas season the merriest of them all, but mention must be made of their fruits and biscuits.

The fruits are all of special selection and include the well-known "Tunis dates," the choicest grapes, strawberries, figs, raisins, currants, oranges, etc. Their biscuits are both imported and Canadian, and housekeepers have over one hundred kinds to make a selection from. Then one must not overlook the English Christmas crackings and Santa Claus stockings that always prove so popular with patrons of the T. A. Rowat stores.

THIS MAN HAD CHRISTMAS DINNER

P. C. Noonan Did Good Work in the
South End Yesterday Morning.

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning P. C. Noonan was at the corner of Maitland and Nelson street and saw a man acting in a suspicious manner. Noonan went after him, but the man dropped a bag he was carrying over his shoulders and took to his heels. The policeman is somewhat of a runner, but this man burned up the pavement, and after scrambling over several fences was soon lost.

The officer examined the bag and found it contained ducks and some chickens.

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Toronto, Dec. 22.—George Ward, a fireman, had a miraculous escape from being ground to pieces beneath the wheels of a train in the York Grand Trunk yards. He was struck by a corner of a box car and thrown to the ground within a few inches of the moving wheels, and while he escaped death, he received two broken ribs and a badly gashed head.

Ward had jumped down to fix a lantern, when several freight cars being shunted up a siding struck him in the back, knocking him down unconscious.

J. Keir Hardie, chairman of the Labor party in the House of Commons, comes to America on the invitation of the Forum to speak in Carnegie Hall, New York, on Jan. 12th. His subject will be "A Revolution in British Politics and Its Lessons for America."

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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Arrive from the east—8:40 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 11:12 a.m., 11:23 a.m., 10:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
Arrive from the west—12:09 a.m., 3:35 a.m., 11:28 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.
Depart for the east—12:14 a.m., 3:40 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:38 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 6:53 p.m. (Eastern Flyer).

The trains leaving at 7:30 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. stop at all stations.
Depart for the west—3:50 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 11:18 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 8:18 p.m.
The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.
Arrive—10:25 a.m., 4 p.m., 6:50 p.m. (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m.
Depart—8:25 a.m., 11:27 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 8:10 p.m. (International Limited).

STRATFORD BRANCH.
Arrive—3:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:33 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:25 p.m.
Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:26 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE.
Arrive—10:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m.
Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.
Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday.

PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.
Depart—5:40 a.m., 7:10 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 3:40 p.m.
Arrive—8:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:50 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 9:20 p.m.
* To and from Walkerville without change. Trains not "starred" to Port Stanley.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
Arrive—From the east—11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., 10:52 p.m. From the west—4:30 a.m., 8:35 a.m., 5:20 p.m.
Depart—For the east—4:40 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 5:28 p.m. For the west—11:38 a.m., 8:10 p.m., 11:10 p.m.

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City and District

—Mr. J. M. Breen, of the Normandy meat market, purchased from Mr. G. W. Flanagan, jun., on Saturday, a 2-year-old heifer, weighing 800 pounds, dressed.

—The Sons of Scotland Male Chorus have secured the Imperial Scots Concert Company, of Glasgow, to assist at their annual Burns concert to be held in the Opera House on Jan. 18. The Imperial Scots are one of the best combinations of Scottish singers that have appeared in America for some years, and should be largely patronized by lovers of Scottish song.

May Be a Candidate.

Mr. E. R. Dennis is mentioned as a possible candidate for the council. He will run on a non-political slate if he takes the field.

A Christmas Tree.

The Home for Incurables will hold their Christmas tree on Monday evening next, and not on Christmas night.

Thirtieth Anniversary.

A most enjoyable evening was spent on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Corrin, Bathurst street, when they celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding. Their children and intimate friends were present.

The Windsor Tunnel.

Work on the Windsor tunnel is progressing favorably. The concrete work is now nearing completion, and with the opening of the new year a larger force of men will be taken on to rush the job through. The big twin tubes will be ready for traffic next summer.

McFadden Miles.

A very pretty little wedding was solemnized at the parsonage of Rev. W. H. A. Claris, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, when Miss Lena Miles was united in marriage to Mr. Garfield McFadden. Mr. and Mrs. McFadden will reside at 196 Clarence street.

Guild Entertainment.

An interesting meeting was held last evening under the auspices of the First Congregational Guild in the schoolroom of the church. With the exception of a much-appreciated solo by Miss Lou Dixon, the whole programme was contributed by gentlemen, whose efforts provided an enjoyable entertainment. Those taking part were Messrs. Rigby, Totten,

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FOREST CITY BRIGADE

HELD ITS FIRST DRILL

Members of First Aid Society Met Last Night.

The members of Forest City Brigade, No. 1, of St. John's Ambulance Association, met last evening and held the first drill. Letters have been received from the mayor, Chief Williams, Col. Garthshore, of the Military Manufacturing Company, and Mr. T. H. Smallman.

Messrs. Stevely, Garthshore and Smallman had been elected vice-presidents of the brigade, but owing to the fact that his time is already occupied, Mr. Smallman declined.

The letter from Chief of Police Williams to the secretary of the brigade follows:

"Dear Sir—I see no reason why such a badge should not be worn by the St. John Ambulance Association. I am sure such a corps will be of great assistance to the police department and hope that some at least of the force will become members. Faithfully yours,"

(Signed) W. T. T. WILLIAMS.

The badge referred to would admit the members of the brigade within the firelines in case of accident such as the last night's meeting of the council and was referred to No. 3 committee.

The members were also granted the use of the city hall on Jan. 11, when a concert will be held to obtain funds for the brigade expenses.

A PRESENTATION TO MRS. J. J. BAKER

Harding Hall Students Held Pleasing Event Yesterday.

Previous to breaking up for the Christmas holidays yesterday afternoon, the young ladies of Harding Hall held a most enjoyable entertainment and art exhibit.

The art exhibit was held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and altogether 72 pictures, the work of young ladies during the term, were shown.

Following this the young ladies took advantage of the occasion to show their appreciation of the services of Mrs. J. J. Baker, and presented her with a very handsome clock.

The presentation was made by Miss Juanita Westman, and an address was read by Miss Bessie Mountjoy. A literary and musical programme followed and included piano solos by Misses Bessie Mountjoy, Edna Smith and Helen Miller; songs by Misses Govenlock and Allie Wilkey; readings by Misses Pearl Lewis and Gwenivere Weekes.

A question paper on the lives of Michael Angelo, John Milton and Handel was in charge of Mrs. Baker, the answers being given by Misses Eula Huffmann, Jean Jones, Juanita Westman, Irene MacLeod and Bertha Mountjoy. Miss Lillian Phelps, teacher of drawing, gave an interesting paper on "The Value of Art as a Study."

The afternoon was brought to a close by the serving of a dainty supper.

Whether warts spread by contact has been much discussed. A Glasgow physician mentions that a maid with many warts on hands and arms was employed in a certain family, and warts soon appeared on the hands of the three children. The youngster, a boy of 5, with a habit of biting the fingers, developed two warts on the lip and one in the mouth.

Annual Christmas Tree.

The annual Christmas tree and concert in connection with the Sunday school of St. John's Church, London Township, was held in St. John's Town Hall, last evening, before a large audience. Ven. Archdeacon Richardson

DIAMONDS

Never in our history have we had a better assortment of Manufactory Diamond Jewelry, such as rings, pins, etc., than at the present time, and if you are contemplating purchasing a Diamond mounted in any style it would pay you to give us a call before purchasing elsewhere.

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"Ten years ago this change was effected; and in the interval matters have gone from bad to worse, till now the situation is extremely aggravated. Our churches, or rather many of the ministers, are crying out now that the cars are running people away from worship, and transforming our Sabbath into very much of a holiday with large numbers of our people. The relationship of cause and effect is largely seen in the present circumstances. Had our pulpit been united and earnest in opposing Sunday street cars, it would not have been possible for any company or political combination to have withstood its mighty influence, and the Sabbath would not have been degraded or the people estranged from the church—at least, to so great an extent."

PETER BROWN RYCE, Convener Glasgow Sabbath Observance Committee.

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As to Sunday rest in Scotland, I am sorry to confess that the picture is far from encouraging or to the credit of the Scottish people. The situation can only be viewed with regret and alarm, because of the general tendency of thought and conduct in opposition to the Christian use of the Lord's Day, which is manifested in the insatiable pursuit of recreations and amusements on that day. And this is unjustifiable, as the Saturday half-holiday is nearly universally observed.

There are many different ways in which the sanctity of the Lord's Day has been encroached upon; such as Sunday trading in shops, Sunday trains and excursions, Sunday steamers, Sunday motoring, Sunday electric street cars, Sunday cycling, Sunday golfing, etc.; but no development has done more to diminish religious respect for the Sabbath than the running of street cars on that day. Unfortunately people are only too ready to get used to almost anything, no matter how wrong. Custom and habit familiarize them with it, and familiarity breeds contempt. People forget to be shocked at violations of God's Holy Day, because they are common, every-day affairs. There is, therefore, all the greater need for the fidelity and watchful care of

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