

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

MARRIED.

SIMS-APPLETON.—At Lucan, on Dec. 25, 1900, by the Rev. J. C. Smith, B.A., John Sims to Lizzie Appleton, both of Stephen township, county of Huron.

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MEETINGS.

MASONIC INSTALLATION—THE OFFICERS of the eight Masonic Lodges of the city are requested to attend at the East End Hall tonight (St. John's Day) at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of installation and investment. M. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, Grand Master, will officiate as installing officer, assisted by St. Andrew's Church, Thursday evening Collection.

EAST LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 25, C. O. C. F.—Special meeting, Friday, Dec. 28. Initiation of candidates. Visitors welcome. S. Baker, Recorder.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY RELIEF
Committee will be at Mr. Alexander Tytler's office, Carling Block, Richmond street, from 2 to 4 o'clock p.m., on Friday, 28th inst., to issue tickets for New Year's cheer.

THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE election of officers of the London Horticultural Society will be held in the lecture room of the Y. M. C. A. building, Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1901, at 7:30 p.m. Only members whose subscriptions have been paid for 1901 will be entitled to vote. R. W. Kinnear, secretary.

MACCABEES—LONDON TENT IT WILL meet this (Thursday) evening, at 8 o'clock, Knights of Pythias Hall, Dundas street.

OWING TO THE HALL BEING OTHERWISE in use, the regular meeting of the Real Estate Owners' Association will be held in Dufferin Hall on Thursday evening, 27th inst. Every member should attend. W. H. Ferguson, secretary.

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WANTED—A GOOD COOK, apply at Britannia House.

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LOST—WEDNESDAY—SMALL PARCEL containing three ties. Reward on returning to this office.

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LOST—MONDAY—SQUARE VALISE containing paper flowers. Reward at 456 Richmond street.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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METHUEN'S LOSS!

Boers Captured the Christmas Luxuries Destined for the Commander's Camp.

Zeerust, Transvaal, Dec. 27.—The Boers captured two wagons containing Christmas luxuries destined for the camp of Lord Methuen.

London, Dec. 27.—The following dispatch has been received from Lord Kitchener: "Pretoria, Dec. 26.—Knox with Barker, Pilcher and White, is engaged with Dewet's forces, holding a position in the neighborhood of Leuw-kop."

TALKING ABOUT
A SURRENDER!

Dewet, Steyn and Haarbreeck Said to Have Conferred as to Terms.

Boer Attack on Burghersdorp Repulsed After Heavy Fighting—Col. Grenfell and Kruitzienger's Command in Touch—Enemy Abandoned Maxim and Carts.

Bloemfontein, Orange River Colony, Dec. 26.—There are renewed but unconfirmed rumors here that Gen. Dewet, President Steyn and Gen. Haasbroeck have had a conference and decided to offer to surrender, provided the colonial rebels shall not be punished and the leaders, including themselves, are not deported.

BOERS REPULSED.
London, Dec. 27.—A small party of Boers attacked Burghersdorp on Dec. 24. They were repulsed after heavy fighting. The Boers are active, and skirmishes in several places have been reported.

ABANDON THEIR GUNS.
Burghersdorp, Cape Colony, Wednesday, Dec. 26.—Col. Grenfell continues in touch with Kruitzienger's command of men, who are carrying off the British prisoners. Kruitzienger has abandoned his Maxims and carts.

An attempt of the 9th Lancers to turn Kruitzienger's flank at Plasterheul, Dec. 24, resulted in eight casualties among the Lancers, including Lord Frederick Blackwood, who was wounded.

ANXIETY RENEWED.
London, Dec. 27.—2 a.m.—The paucity and obscurity of the dispatches from South Africa give rise to renewed anxiety. Apparently the disturbance in Cape Colony extends farther south than it did last December, and Lord Kitchener does not appear to have had much success as yet in driving back the invaders. The war office had received no news last evening of the reported capture of Yeomanry near Bristown.

BAD MISTAKE.
A Burghersdorp dispatch has a mysterious reference to "an unfortunate mistake of the enemy for Brabant's Horse, which resulted in the sounding of 'cease fire,' and enabled the Boers to occupy all the commanding positions, the British retiring from a difficult predicament."

Gen. Clements' success against the Boers in the Magaliesberg region is also doubtful, the last dispatch reporting that "it was considered advisable not to force the Boers from their positions."

MAINLY OPTIMISTIC.
The British press continue in the main optimistic, but the condition of affairs brings home the enormous difficulties that will face Lord Kitchener in patrolling and policing such immense tracts of country, even when the Boers shall be finally subdued. The Daily Mail, which makes a strong appeal to the government to face the facts and send Lord Kitchener more troops, says there is a real risk in being lulled to sleep by "censored messages."

OFFER FROM KITCHENER.
Lord Kitchener, according to a dispatch from Johannesburg, has issued a proclamation, dated Pretoria, Dec. 26.

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AT ST. THOMAS.
St. Thomas, Dec. 26.—The reception to the returned heroes today was an unqualified success, and the great crowds that lined the streets evinced the greatest enthusiasm. The procession, which formed in front of the city hall, was nearly half a mile in length and included the mayor and aldermen in carriages, the returned heroes in carriages, school board and relations of the men in carriages, the brass and bugle bands of the 25th Regiment, the army and navy veterans, the veterans of 1866-70, the 25th Regiment, the I. O. O. F., Canton Victoria, No. 5 the public school pupils, fire department and citizens in carriages. Cheering throngs lined the route of the procession. At the Grand Opera House, where the formal reception took place, Mayor Patrick Meehan occupied the chair, and stirring patriotic addresses were delivered by Alderman Chas. T. W. Crothers, B.A.; W. B. Doherty, L.L.B.; Rev. Canon Hill, Rev. Mr. Philip, His Honor Judge Hughes and His Honor Judge Ermatinger. The men were then presented with \$31.90 each, this being their share of the home-coming fund \$25 in gold, the gift of the council, and a gold medal as a souvenir.

In the evening a grand banquet was

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held in the Grand Central Hotel, where a bounteous feast was spread, to which some 200 prominent citizens did ample justice. Fine speeches and good fellowship were the order of the evening.

PTE. SCOTT HONORED.
Forest, Ont., Dec. 27.—Pte. R. S. Scott, son of Mr. Alex. Scott, of this town, returned yesterday afternoon, and was accorded a magnificent reception.

The streets were gaily decorated, and the whole town turned out to meet the returned soldier at the depot. A big procession escorted him to the skating rink, where he was presented with an address of welcome and a handsome gold watch, suitably engraved. Pte. Scott responded in an eloquent speech. The proceedings closed with the National Anthem, and Pte. Scott was escorted home by the 25th Regiment Band and No. 2 Company.

CORP. WILSON WELCOMED.
Tilsonburg, Ont., Dec. 26.—Tilsonburg and the surrounding district were around turned out en masse today to welcome Corp. R. H. Wilson, the brave young hero who went out to South Africa as a member of B Company with the first contingent.

When the train pulled in at noon the young soldier was faced by the greatest crowds that ever assembled in the town. He was at once seized by enthusiastic friends and carried to a carriage, which was drawn by a band of old school friends and admirers. A procession was formed, headed by the band, and composed of mounted men, companies of the Oxford and Norfolk Rifles, and the various organizations of the town in carriages, and citizens on foot. After a street parade, the crowd assembled on the market square, where a beautifully engrossed address of welcome was read by A. E. Raynes, the town clerk. A modest and manly reply was made by the young soldier, which was royally cheered. In the evening a public meeting was held in the open house, which was packed to its fullest capacity. A handsomely inscribed gold watch and chain were presented by the mayor on behalf of the citizens, for which the young man expressed his thanks in well-chosen words. Spirited speeches and appropriate music were features of the gathering.

PTE. PULLEN.
Oakville, Ont., Dec. 26.—Oakville donned holiday attire and gave its hero, Pte. Earnest Pullen, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, a royal welcome on his return from South Africa this afternoon. A half-holiday had been proclaimed by Mayor Shaw, and when Pte. Pullen alighted from the train he was greeted with hearty cheers from the hundreds of assembled spectators, who thronged the platform. After the greetings were over he was escorted to a carriage. An immense procession, which was formed up, and marched to the town hall, where the proceedings included an address of welcome by Mayor Shaw and the presentation of a handsome solid gold watch and chain, suitably inscribed to Pte. Pullen.

FOR THE WINDSOR SOLDIERS.
Windsor, Ont., Dec. 27.—The Windsor city council have made a grant of \$200 toward the patriotic fund in aid of the Windsor soldiers who fought in South Africa. R. F. Sutherland, M.P., spoke on behalf of the committee for the matter in hand. He said it was proposed to raise \$600 for the boys. Several prominent ladies in the city have secured \$200. Another \$200 is to be raised by subscriptions, and the balance was asked for the war was received a gold watch each costing \$30, and the equivalent will be given the parents of Barre and White, who died on the field.

DANGEROUSLY ILL.
Ottawa, Dec. 27.—A cable received at the militia department is as follows: "Cape Town, Dec. 21.—62, Corp. Callaghan, First Canadian Mounted Rifles, dangerously ill at Pretoria. (Signed) Milner."

WAS 107 YEARS OLD.
Montrose, Pa., Dec. 27.—Michael Maloney, a farmer, is dead at his home, at the age of 107 years.

The French Conservative papers are making a strong protest against Mr. Clarke Wallace being appointed leader of the party.

Further Demonstrations.
AT ST. THOMAS.

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Write for illustrated book on Consumption. Sent to you free. S. C. Wells & Co., Toronto.

SWINDLED UNCLE SAM

Over \$5,000,000 Spent in Guns Now Known To Be Useless—The Coast Defense Fraud.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Strenuous efforts are being made by certain interested parties to prevent an exposure of one tremendous item of extravagance which has accumulated from year to year in the work of fortifying the coasts of the United States. It is not generally known, but there are corporate influences which have been exerted upon congress year after year for the express purpose of inducing that body to provide money for the building and installation of a large number of rifled mortars for coast defenses.

There are now in position, or under construction, 372 of these mortars, and the total number contemplated under the general coast defense scheme is no less than 500. These mortars cost an average of \$12,000 each, so that the cost of the mortars themselves will aggregate fully \$5,000,000. To place these guns in position, providing them with the necessary carriages, and the usual heavy emplacements costs more than as much again.

It is estimated that the total expenditure on account of 12-inch mortars when the present coast defense scheme is completed will be not far from \$15,000,000.

It is an open secret in both the navy and war departments that the average battleship would think nothing at all of sailing right up against a whole battery of mortars, whereas it would hesitate to encounter a single 12-inch rifle. The mortar battery fires its shell up in the air at a distance of several miles, and it is not an extravagant statement to say that there is not one chance in a thousand of the shells striking a battleship moving even at the lowest rate of speed.

It is declared by those on the side that these mortars are the laughing-stock of both the army and navy, but no one cares to undertake the simple test suggested, for the reason that the influence behind the construction of the mortars are so powerful that an officer suggesting such an experiment would get the worst of it sooner or later.

The simple facts of the case are that over \$5,000,000 has been spent in the construction of a type of gun, which, as everyone knows, could hit an ordinary ship moving in the water only by the merest accident, and even then the shell would have no initial velocity whatever.

A DEATH TRAP.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—The coroner's jury has been investigating the circumstances attending the death of Frederick Richardson, the G. T. R. engineer whose skull was cleft almost in two by a bridge truss while he was looking out of his cab near Little York, two weeks ago. The jury returned a verdict that the trestle of the bridge is too close to the track, and is a menace to the lives of employees of the road. The engine on which Richardson was when killed was one of the new Mogul type, and only 18 inches of space intervened between the side of the engine and the trestle.

INDECENT POSTERS.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—In the Dominion Methodist Church, the Rev. Mr. Bland referred in scathing terms to alleged indecent theatrical posters which recently ornamented the billboards, and said they were a violation of every sense of propriety and decency, and were an open insult to every decent, self-respecting woman who walked along the streets. "I understand," said Mr. Bland, "that it is the duty of the chief of police to regulate these theatrical pictures, and I can only say that in my opinion he has been too tolerant."

CHRISTMAS DINNERS FOR THE POOR.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—The Salvation Army fed 6,000 persons on Christmas Day, and the Pacific Garden Mission served dinner to 1,000 male and female outcasts. At Kansas City—Five thousand poor people were guests at the Salvation Army dinner.

At St. Louis, Mo. — The St. Louis Post-Dispatch provided 15,000 dinners for the poor.

At Cleveland — Hanna talked about Christianity and goodwill and said "God bless you" to 1,500 poor guests of the Salvation Army, who ate a ton and a half of turkey, a ton of chicken and 120 pounds of pork, with trimmings.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS CAUSE A STRIKE.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—A strike among clerks of the registry division of the general postoffice menaced for a time the prompt delivery of thousands of Christmas gifts. Extra hours of work were the grievance of a score of operatives, who during the holidays have been compelled to labor 14 hours a day. The trouble was quickly adjusted by the postoffice authorities, who suspended the leader of the strikers. The rank and file of the protesting clerks then returned to their labors. Supt. Marr, of the registry division, said: "The mails were flooded this year and there was no other way than to make the clerks work. We are handling 18 per cent more work this year than in 1899."

A SEA VOYAGE FULL OF TERROR

Steamer Nebraska's Trip From Mobile to New York.

Many Times in the Continuous Storm the Passengers Gave Up All Hope.

New York, Dec. 27.—It was more than a merry Christmas for the passengers on the belated Allan State Liner State of Nebraska. Nineteen days out from the Clyde, eight days overdue, the Nebraska crept into port with smashed lifeboats, demolished lighthouses, and broken and twisted rails.

It was the first clear day the voyagers had seen since Dec. 7, when the Nebraska steamed out of Mobile, Ireland, in the face of a gale that swept her decks.

On board the liner when she left Glasgow, on Dec. 6, were 10 saloon, 30 second cabin and 70 steerage passengers. Officers and passengers declared the wreckage on deck gave out a faint idea of the horrors of the voyage.

Three times the machinery broke down and the vessel had to have to. Gales and head seas swept the ship from the moment she left Mobile. Midnight of Dec. 11, the feed pipes of the engines gave out, and the Nebraska was hove to for three hours, headed into the seas washing over her.

It was at this time that a wave smashed the two lighthouses containing the side lights. The vessel was rolling and lifting to the seas or plunging into them. The steerage passengers were all in terror and the cabin voyagers clung to their berths. The feed pipes were repaired and improvised side-lights placed.

The engines could not force her forward at more than three knots an hour. Sometimes she moved less than two knots. Two of the lifeboats on the port side forward were smashed to splinters Dec. 15. The vessel logged but 50 miles for that 24 hours, and for six days she made less than 90 miles.

The engines had to be stopped Dec. 15 to cool some over-heated journals, and the next day the main steam pipes gave so much trouble that another stop had to be made.

The only one of the crew injured in the long voyage was William Thompson, a fireman, who was hurled against the deck rails and had two ribs fractured.

Capt. David Ingram, of Vancouver, who has circled the globe twice, said that three times the voyagers felt that all hope was gone. Not a meal could be served in the saloon during the voyage.

IN NEWFOUNDLAND

A Volunteer Force of 600 Men Being Organized—Relations With France.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 27.—The governor, Sir Henry McAllister, is arranging for the formation of a colonial volunteer force to consist of 600 companies of rifles, totaling 600 men. It is proposed to establish the force after the beginning of the new year. The government, it is understood, is ready to provide the necessary funds. The funds will be exclusive of the naval reserves, the members of which have already been enrolled from among the fishermen around the coast. The volunteers will be recruited from the larger towns. The movement is very popular.

The colonial cabinet has decided to await action by the imperial government before determining upon a policy with respect to the renewal of the French shore modus vivendi when it expires next Monday. The initiative will lie with Joseph Chamberlain, imperial secretary of state for the colonies, who must either make another treaty with France or call upon the colonies to renew the modus vivendi. Should the latter course be adopted by Mr. Chamberlain, the colony's opportunity will come, for by refusing to renew Mr. Chamberlain will force him to make an impossible position or be able to dictate ample concessions.

\$375 FOR A KISS.

Leon, Iowa, Dec. 27.—The supreme court of Iowa has affirmed a verdict of \$375, rendered against R. W. Boeger, who ferociously hugged and kissed Mae Brenner.

LITTLE GIRL DRANK A GLASS OF WHISKY.

New York, Dec. 27.—Marie Horn, aged 2½ years, drank a full glass of whisky, in imitation of her father, and is now likely to die in the hospital.

A \$250,000 CONTRACT.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—Messrs. Malone & Popoure, who have the contract for the Montreal harbor improvement works, have, it is understood, received the contract for wharf-building and dredging at Sorel. The amount involved is understood to be about \$250,000.

VILLE MARIE BANK DIVIDEND.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—The liquidator of the Ville Marie Bank, announces that a second dividend of 10 per cent will be paid on February 1, and that a third dividend may be paid later on. Already \$300,000 of the bank's note circulation have been paid off, although it was supposed amount to only \$250,000, and the tidals are still coming in.

HAVE HAD THEIR DAY.

Local Treatments for Catarrh Related to the Ren.

The surest and safest treatment for any form of Catarrh is an internal remedy, which acts specifically upon the blood and mucous membranes. Such a remedy is the new preparation sold everywhere by druggists as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, a medicine in Pleasant tablet form.

These tablets contain in highly concentrated form, well known germ-antiseptics like sanguinaria, guaiacal, Red Gum and similar curative elements, and no one who suffers from any form of catarrh, and has experienced the inefficiency and inconvenience of powders, sprays and inhalers will ever go back to such antiquated remedies after once trying so pleasant a treatment as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and one which gives so much relief in so short a time.

Druggists sell Stuart's Catarrh Tablets at 50 cents for full sized package, and their daily use will effectually cure this troublesome and dangerous disease.

The danger from catarrh is that it is a short road to consumption, to chronic stomach catarrh, and to catarrh of liver and kidneys.

Most cases of deafness are cured from stoppage of the Eustachian tube as a result of catarrh.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY

Messages Received Simultaneously by Prof. Slaby's System—Emperor William Interested.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—Prof. Slaby lectured here Saturday on his discoveries in wireless telegraphy. Emperor William and a number of military and naval officers, savants and engineers attended. Prof. Slaby announced that he and Count Curo by minutely studying the properties of the electric waves from the transmitter had discovered means for removing a great defect in the system, mainly the impossibility of telegraphing simultaneously from several stations to a common one by a single wire. He contended that Marconi's method utilizes the very part of the transmitting wire which is the least fitted for the purpose, the other, or the free end of the same wire, producing the greatest effect.

Prof. Slaby exhibited his instruments, by which, by the use of an electric spiral coil which he calls a multiplicatory, he extraordinarily increases the effectiveness of the system. Demonstrations were made with two stations, respectively fourteen and four kilometers distant, which were connected with the lecture hall. Messages were received from these stations simultaneously and ten times quicker than by the present system.

GOING TO A DANCE

Two Young Men Instantly Killed—A Mother Died on Hearing the News.

Cryan, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Wayne Crowell, aged 24, and Charles Conan, aged 21, left here for Blakeslee, where they were to attend a Christmas dance. In crossing the Wabash Railroad tracks near that place they were struck by a passenger train and both instantly killed.

When Mrs. Conan, mother of one of the boys, was notified of the accident, the shock caused her death.

Gist of the News.

Since 1898, 25,000 people have died of plague in Mysore, India.

Frank McDonald, druggist, of Minnedosa, and a waiter of Dr. Roche, M.P., died suddenly Tuesday.

Bryan expects to get out his newspaper in Lincoln, The Commoner, about the middle of January.

Receiver Clark, of the Order of Cosen Friends, Indianapolis, says there is no money to pay anybody.

Rev. David Hutchinson, of Brantford, has been asked to accept a call to the First Baptist Church in Moncton, N. B.

Governor Scofield, of Wisconsin, has sent a Christmas pardon to Mrs. Josephine Cheney, of Kewaunee, who poisoned her husband.

The independent glass combine, recently organized in Huntington, West Va., will on Jan. 1 advance the price of all window glass 15 per cent.

A. H. Pierce, the richest cattle man in Texas, died on Wednesday at Pierce Station. His wife was a millionaire, with widespread interests in Texas.

The Canada Atlantic Railway is being sued for \$5,000 by the widow of Joseph Paquette, whose son was killed in the wreck of the steamer. The boy was her only support.

Miss Wilson, the matron of the Brockville General Hospital, has received a check for \$1,000 from a grateful American, who was a patient at the institution last summer.

Mrs. Donohue, 28 years old, and Edward Fox, 35 years old, were badly burned on Tuesday at their home in Buffalo, while the stove was being blacked with a liquid polish.

Chief Government Inspector John W. Murray, of Toronto, who has been suffering ill for some time past, is, his many friends will be glad to learn, on the road to recovery.

No new developments have come to light in connection with the mystery surrounding the drowning of Patrick Kennedy, Saturday night last, in the River Thames at Chatham.

The club house of the Century Club, Ogdensburg, N. Y., was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday evening. Loss \$15,000. The club men had to run for their lives. James W. Wells was badly burned.

Sadie McKendry, a 15-year-old girl, told the Toronto police an extraordinary story of outrage Wednesday afternoon. Her assailant was a man at present unknown, who gagged her and forced her into a cab.

The secretary of the Cattle Breeders' Association received at Toronto on Wednesday an order for two car loads of dairy cattle to be selected and sent to British Columbia for the improvement of the herds out there.

The Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company has let contracts amounting to over \$2,500,000 for equipping the road. Some 2,030 new cars have been ordered, mostly pressed steel, and 45 Baldwin locomotives.

Bob Owens, a guide in the north woods, was found dead in his camp near Minnetonka, N. Y., on Tuesday by a hunter. The guide had accidentally shot himself while cleaning his gun. It is believed that the guide had been dead at least a month.

Dr. W. George Beers died at Montreal Wednesday night of heart failure. Dr. Beers was the captain of the lacrosse team which went to England in 1876, and played before Queen Victoria, and also wrote several works on the Canadian national game.

Justice Rose has granted an order for the winding-up of the Canadian Camera and Optical Company. The company was incorporated in August, 1899, with an authorized capital of \$150,000, and paid up of \$22,575. On Nov. 24 the debts exceeded the subscribed and paid-up capital by \$22,000.

The report from Washington that Britain, France and Germany had agreed to take joint stock in the Pan-American Panama Canal and proceed to complete it without consulting the United States, thus ignoring the Nicaragua Canal project, is regarded in United States administration circles as only a bluff of the Panama people.

Sneeze and Blow.

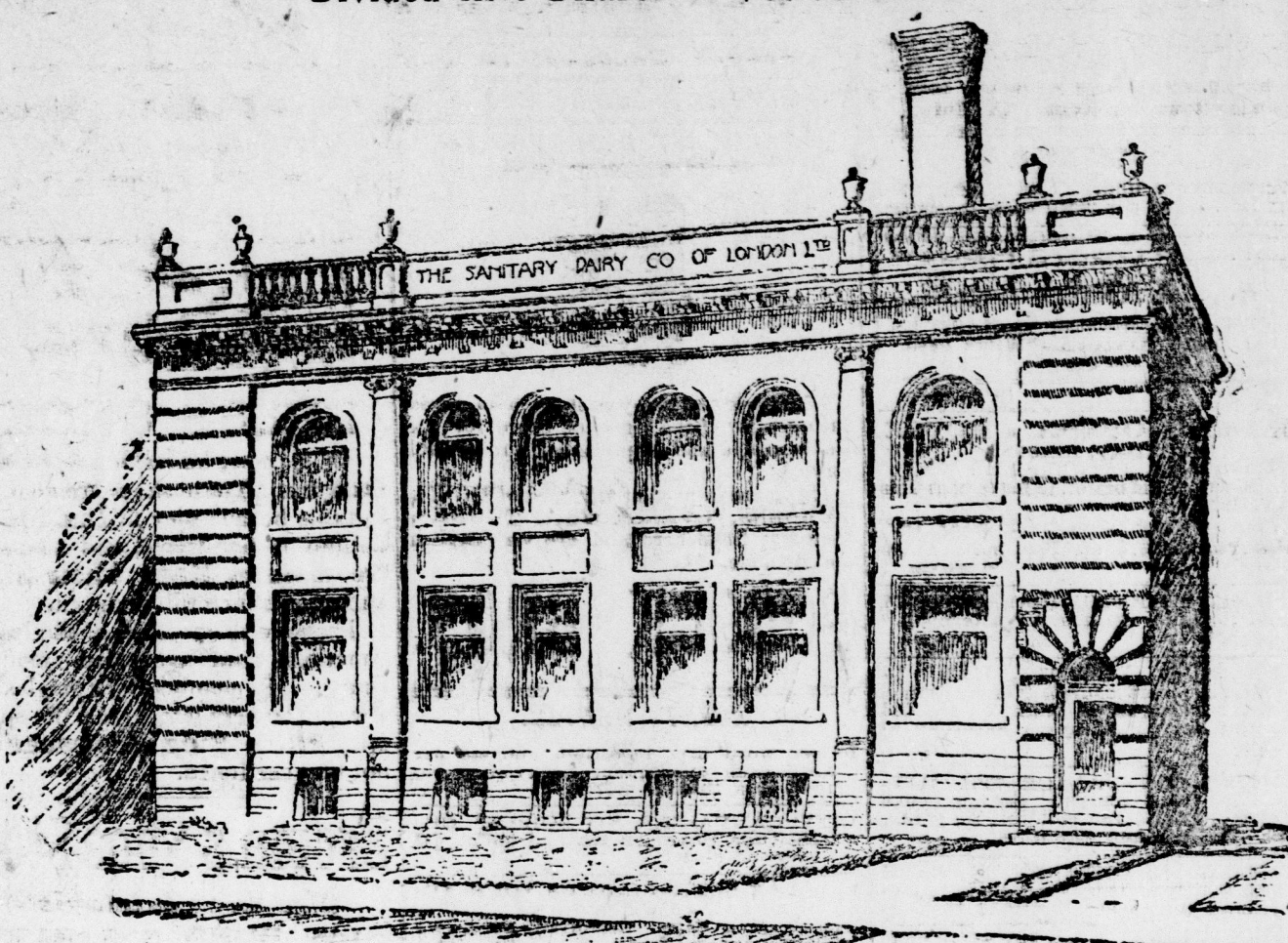
That is what you must do when you have catarrh in the head. The way to cure this disease is to purify the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine soothes and heals the inflamed surfaces, rebuilds the delicate tissues and permanently cures catarrh by expelling from the blood the scrofulous taint upon which it depends. Be sure to get Hood's.

The non-irritating cathartic—Hood's Pills.

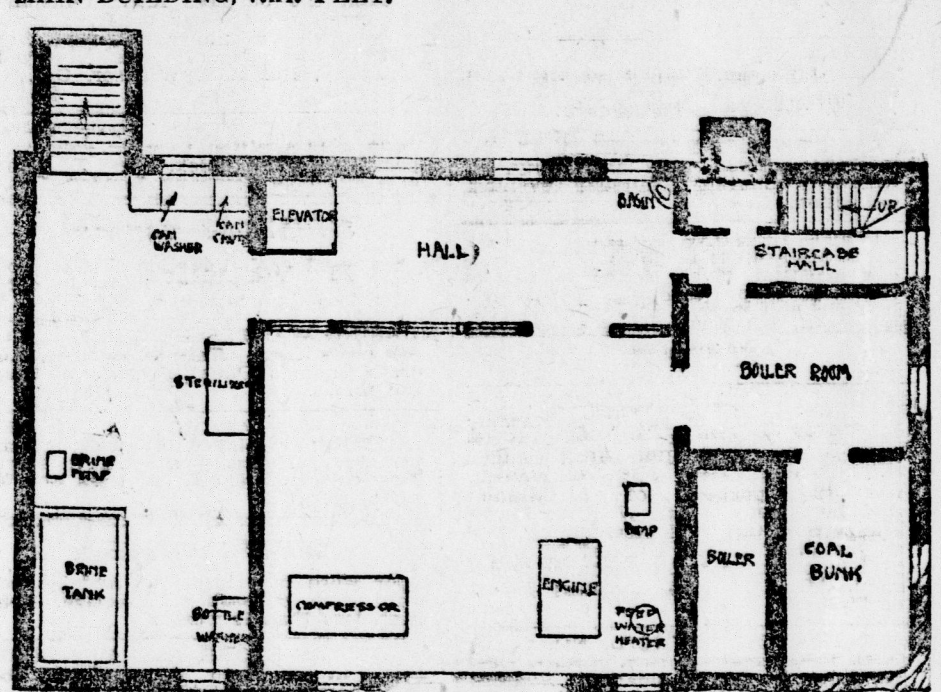
THE SANITARY DAIRY COMPANY OF LONDON, (LIMITED).

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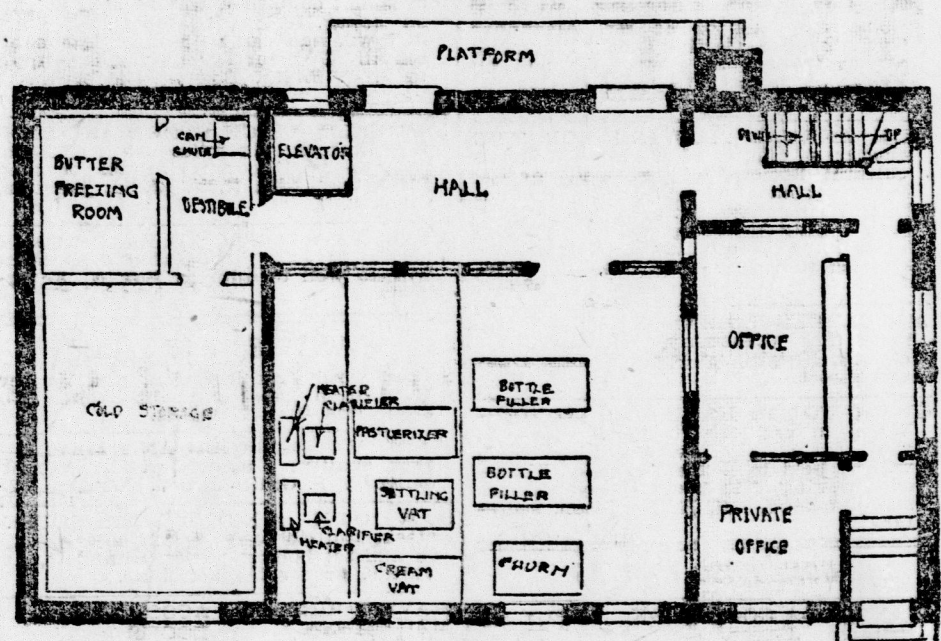
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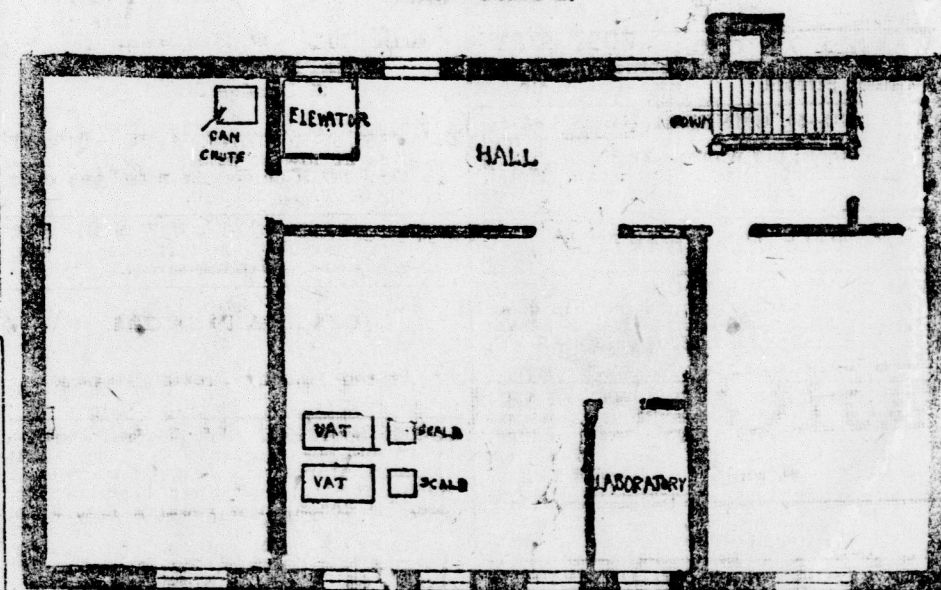
MAIN BUILDING, 70x40 FEET.



BASEMENT.



MAIN FLOOR.



TOP FLOOR.

The above buildings will be of Milton red pressed brick and Credit Valley stone, with plate glass windows. Sanitary principles will be strictly adhered to, and the internal construction will be of steel, with expanded metal and granolithic floors. The various machines, constructed on the most modern and scientific principles, will be placed as here indicated.

On the extreme rear of the lot will be built stables to accommodate 35 horses, the ground floor being used for the wagons, and the upstairs for the horses. None of the chattels bought from the milkmen, whose routes have been purchased, will be used by the company. Suitable wagons for delivering bottled milk will be purchased, and all harness, cans and utensils will be entirely new.

The object of the Sanitary Dairy Company, of London, Limited, is to enable the citizens of London to have their milk supplied under thoroughly sanitary conditions. It is firmly believed that the company will not only do a profitable business for its shareholders, but in addition perform a distinct service to the city by placing its milk supply on a sanitary basis.

The milk supply of London is perhaps not behind that of any other city, and yet the conditions surrounding its production, collection, storage and distribution are such as could not possibly be approved by any person taking the trouble to investigate for themselves the existing conditions and surroundings of the industry. The milk is at present delivered from cans exposed to the dust and dirt of the streets and alleys, and to contagion, if there be any. There is no article of food which enters so largely into the diets of invalids, and children particularly, as milk, and therefore a special reason why it should be produced and delivered under the best and most sanitary conditions possible. It is a well-known fact that no article of food is more affected by exposure and susceptible to injury from its surroundings than milk, and yet no article of food is more exposed than the milk supply of London, handled as it is at the present time.

The company will purchase their milk only from producers, whose cows are well watered, fed and cared for, and whose stables and surroundings will be thoroughly inspected by a competent veterinary surgeon. At the central building, on Wellington street, the milk will be received, inspected and tested as to quality and purity. It will then be filtered, purified, pasteurized, cooled, and at once bottled and sealed, and put into cold storage until placed on the wagons for delivery. The company strongly recommends the use of none but pasteurized milk, but will supply to any who desire it, milk properly filtered, purified and cooled. Milk so handled will keep sweet for days longer than ordinary milk.

There are at present about 125 milk dealers in London, delivering on an average between 8,000 and 9,000 quarts per day, whereas less than one-quarter that number could accomplish delivery under a proper system. The company have secured about one-half of the routes of the entire milk output of London, and will commence delivery the 15th of April, 1901, and will then be enabled to do a profitable business from the start.

This undertaking will necessitate a large outlay of capital in our city for extensive sanitary buildings, with cold storage plant and all facilities for washing, sterilizing and filling bottles expeditiously carried on, under most rigid rules as to cleanliness. The premises will be open at all times to inspection of the health department of the city and to the public. The company has been formed for the purpose of taking over all the property and assets of the milk supply business of the promoters, including buildings, machinery, plant, bottles, real estate, stables, horses, cans, harness, books of account and agreements for the purchase of milk routes in the city of London, to the extent of not less than 4,000 quarts daily delivery, and such agreements for the supply of milk from farmers and producers as are in the possession of the promoters for the sum of \$80,000, of the fully paid-up capital stock of the company.

A very careful and exhaustive estimate made by the promoters, assisted by Mr. Amacker, of Philadelphia, widely known as an expert in this direction, indicates that the net profits for the first full year of operation, after providing for every anticipated expenditure, may be expected to reach \$13,000, equal to about 16 per cent on the amount of stock proposed to be issued, which will be capable of steady

increase as the company's field of operation enlarges. Although the shares would naturally command a high premium, yet, in order to make the company as largely as possible co-operative, the shares have been placed at \$10 each, and the first \$30,000 will be offered to the public at par in amounts from \$10 to \$500. The second \$15,000 will be sold at a premium of 10 per cent; the third \$15,000 at a premium of 20 per cent, and the balance of \$20,000 at a premium of 50 per cent.

Terms of payment—Twenty-five per cent on the 15th of January, 1901; 25 per cent on the 15th of February, 1901; and the balance on call of the directors of the company subject to 20 days' written notice.

Among those already identified with the enterprise are W. M. Spencer, ex-Mayor, George Hodge, M.D., P. W. D. Brodrick, Banker, C. S. Moore, M.D., C. H. Ivey, of Hellmuth & Ivey, J. S. Wood, Detroit, C. Norman Spencer and others.

Shares may be subscribed for personally at the offices of Hellmuth & Ivey, corner Dundas and Richmond Streets, London, Ontario; or by letter to the same address, with power of attorney inclosed, up to the 10th of January, 1901, when the par list will be closed.

Bankers—Molson Bank.

Solicitors—Hellmuth & Ivey, London.

WHISKARDS

Three Busy Stores, 228, 230 and 232 Dundas St.

THE THREE BUSY STORES

Return thanks to all our friends and customers for the splendid Christmas trade you gave us, and we feel satisfied that you are pleased with the values we gave you.

New Year's Gifts Will Be in Order Now.

You will find us fully prepared with the same special values.

We wish to notify our customers that we have just received another lot of those 50c PLAID DRESS GOODS, which we are selling at 25c yard.

JUST IN, A NEW LOT TAFFETA SILK, IN STRIPES. mauve, green, pink and blue; very fine goods; regular 75c, our price 35c yard.

Roman Embroidery Pillow Shams.

Special line of twenty dozen new and beautiful patterns; regular 75c, our price 49c each.

Ladies' Fine Black Spanish Lace Scarfs Make a Very Nice New Year's Gift.

These goods are very special in quality and price, being worth \$1.25 and \$2.50 each, our price 25c and 50c each.

We are Showing Great Value in Millinery and Cutting Hats—Ready to Wear.

Fine Felt Hats, gray, navy, black and fawn, worth from \$1 to \$1.50, our price 50c each.

LADIES' WALKING HATS, IN BLACK ONLY, 39c and 75c each.

Ladies' Fine Felt Sailors, \$1 each, for 50c each.

GREAT VALUE IN FURS.

Just a few left. Call and see what we can do for you. Our price has been half; we will do better than that now. Don't want to carry any over. Come!

BLACK EBONY BRUSHES, special 50c, 75c, 85c each.

Silk Mufflers, 75c, \$1, \$1.25 each.

Gentlemen's Fine Hemstitched Silk Handkerchiefs, regular 50c, for 25c each.

Gentlemen's Fine Black Cashmere Hose, 15c, 25c, 35c, 45c, 50c pair.

LADIES' WOOL SHAWLS, in gray, cardinal, cream, white and black, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25 each.

HOT CHASE OVER THE HOOSIER STATE.

Woman Kidnaps Her Son—Ex-United States Senator's Family Have a Sensation.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—A sensational kidnapping involving the family of ex-United States Senator W. H. Miller, occurred yesterday afternoon, and led to a hot chase a few minutes later across the state to overtake the wife of Sam D. Miller, son of W. H. Miller, who was supposed to be trying to New York with her stolen son.

Samuel D. Miller and wife have lived in New York for several years, and last summer he came west to go into his father's office. His wife stayed in New York. Last Friday she came here to demand possession of her 7-year-old son, whom the father had brought west with him, and who was living with him at the grandfather's house, W. H. Miller, in North Delaware street. The husband and wife had a consultation at the wife's apartment in the Denison, and she agreed that if the boy was allowed to be sent to her daily with the nurse she would not attempt to kidnap him.

Yesterday afternoon the boy and nurse called on Mrs. Miller at the Denison. She sent the nurse out to get a check cashed, and while the governess was gone, ordered a carriage and made arrangements to leave. When the governess returned Mrs. Miller announced that they were going for a drive. They started in a closed carriage toward the depot. The German governess, suspecting foul play, jumped out of the carriage while it was going, ran to a telephone and notified the father and grandfather. Mrs. Miller immediately ordered the carriage driven to Brightwood, and when the two Millers arrived at the Union Station there was no trace of the woman and boy. Two hours later they received information which led them to believe that Mrs. Miller intended to take the Big Four accommodation at Brightwood and take the Knickerbocker train at Anderson or Muncie.

At 6:20 o'clock the two Millers started on the Knickerbocker to overtake Mrs. Miller before she got out of the state. Mrs. Miller was Miss Helen K. Archer, of Pottstown, Pa. Samuel

DEATH DEFIED BY A MICHIGAN MAN

Who Carries a Lead Bullet in His Heart—How the Intruder Got There.

Cadillac, Mich., Dec. 27.—Charles B. Nelson, of this city, is probably the only living man with a bullet in his heart. He submitted to an examination by X-ray in Chicago yesterday, and the fact was conclusively proven. Until the fluoroscope the ball in Nelson's heart could be plainly seen rising and falling with each pulsation of the vital organ. The bullet has been there since the night of July 1, 1896.

The mysterious circumstances surrounding the shooting of Nelson made it one of the sensational episodes in the history of Chicago. On the night of the shooting Mr. Nelson was in company with Miss Margaret Staples, in Washington Park. There was a moon, but at about 11 p.m. high clouds arose and partly obscured its light. According to the stories of Miss Staples and Nelson, the face of a negro suddenly was thrust out from behind a bush. His appearance was that of a lunatic. He waved his arms, rolled his eyes and uttered a few unintelligible words. Then he raised his arm and fired. Nelson fell back on the grass with a bullet in his heart. Miss Staples screamed and brought the police, but the negro had fled.

The physicians who attended Nelson at the hospital told their patient that he had no more than a 1 chance in 1,000 for his life. The bullet had passed through the breast and then through the pericardium of the heart, where it had lodged in the muscles. "It must lie there," said the surgeons. "To probe for the ball would mean a quicker, though perhaps no surer, death than is to be yours."

But Nelson, who had a fine physique, would not give up. He declared that he would take that "1 chance in 1,000" would live in spite of the doctors' prophecies, and perhaps be present at their funerals. For a week the patient fought for his life. At times he seemed to have no chance, but as often he rallied, and the admiring physicians encouraged him in his battle against odds. Finally they admitted that he might live "for awhile," but even when he was able to rise from his hospital cot they would not concede him a long lease of life. In spite of their assertions Nelson has lived nearly five years, and is in a fair way to complete the natural span of life's existence.

TWO SKATERS DROWNED.

Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 27.—John Kelly, aged 13, while skating on the Union Mills pond at Norwalk, broke through the ice and was drowned, and his brother, aged 10, in trying to save him, also perished. Other boys tried to rescue the drowning lads, but in vain.

SHOT HIS FACE OFF.
Vandalia, Mich., Dec. 27.—George Copley, a 14-year-old lad, residing in this village, went out Christmas morning to shoot muskrats with an old shotgun. At first shot, the gun hung fire, and the lad placed the gun on the ground in a position to reload. As he brought the weapon in range with his face it went off, shooting off part of his face and putting out one eye. He will probably live, but will be badly disfigured.

STEAMER FOUNDERED OFF CORK.

Twelve Persons Drowned Out of Seventeen on Board.

The Czar's Health Completely Restored—Clerical Swindle in Paris.

TWELVE DROWNED

Queenstown, Dec. 27.—The Japanese Government dredger Sente foundered last evening off Cork harbor, 12 persons out of 17 on board being drowned.

THE CZAR IS WELL.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The Russian minister of the interior, M. Sipiagin, who arrived here today from Livadia, where Emperor Nicholas is convalescing, asserts that the czar is now completely restored.

DEATHS FROM BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Kolcutta, Dec. 27.—Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the viceroy of India, in the course of a speech today, said that since the appearance of the bubonic plague in 1898, 25,000 deaths from the disease have occurred in the Mysore State.

REACHED A CASH BASIS.

London, Dec. 27.—The China question has virtually reached the money point. The amount of the indemnity to be paid will probably require many weeks of diplomatic consultation. Sir Robert Hart knows better than anybody else what can be paid by the Chinese Government without the complete surrender of her taxing and revenue resources to Europe, but bankers in all the capitals prefer to have a great loan underwritten by the powers themselves, and full financial control established by an international commission for the payments of interest and sinking fund service.

THE SULTAN'S ORDER.

Details are not obtainable of the placing of and order by the Sultan of Turkey with the Cramps for a warship, but it is understood that the item to that effect from Constantine is correct. From the character and size of the ship ordered it is believed that the contract will involve the payment by the Turkish Government to the Cramps of about \$2,500,000, which should afford an ample margin for the settlement of any proper claims against the Turkish Government.

IMPOSED ON PRIESTS.

Paris, Dec. 27.—The appeal court has confirmed the sentence of five years' imprisonment imposed on an ingenious swindler named Goffray, who posed in clerical clothes here in April last as the "Cardinal-Bishop of Washington," soliciting funds to convert the young Indians of New Mexico. Several times Goffray succeeded in celebrating mass, and his work was nearly arrested at the point of celebrating mass at Strasbourg. Finally he appeared at Montclair, in the Department of Dromes, where he lectured to the Trappist Monks on his adventures in the Rocky Mountains, where, he said, he had been scalped by the Indians while preaching the Gospel to them. The fraud was discovered by Goffray pretending that the Indians of the Rocky Mountains were being exterminated.

THE PINO CENSUS.

London, Dec. 27.—It is said that the proposition to have a census taken of the Philippines is off, and the reason given is that each census enumerator sent out would have to be accompanied by a battalion of infantry. If the United States Government should undertake to obtain the population of the islands now by the usual census methods, the task would occupy the attention of one hundred thousand troops, and then probably be far from accurate. The census takers would have to chase hostile Filipinos, and could not spare time to act as census enumerators.

CABLE NOTES

Jules Rivera, the famous musical conductor, is dead in London. Three hundred students have been arrested in St. Petersburg for propagating Socialist doctrine.

The president of Liberia, W. D. Coleman, resigned Dec. 11 owing to the death of his wife, Mrs. Coleman. G. W. Gibson, the secretary of state, was elected president by the legislature.

It is announced that Lord William Leslie de la Poer Beresford, who has been suffering from peritonitis, but whose condition on Christmas Day was somewhat improved, has had a rather serious relapse.

It is stated that nothing is known in Paris to justify the report, circulated in the United States, that Ignace Paderewski, the pianist, has been killed in a duel in France.

Evelyn B. Baldwin, the Arctic explorer, who is arranging in London for the Beagle-Ziegler expedition, purchased the Esquimaux—the largest and staunchest of the whaling fleet—fitted her with modern appliances, and named her the America. The rival bidder was the British Antarctic expedition, but the organizers desired to secure the Esquimaux as a substitute ship.

FIGHT AGAINST DIPLOMA LAWYERS

Philadelphia Examining Board Resigns—Judges Will Not Heed Their Requests.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 27.—Every member of the examining board of the Philadelphia Bar has resigned as a result of disagreement with the board of judges over the qualifications of applicants for admission to the bar. While judges and examiners are very reticent as to the points at issue, it is said the judges refuse to accede to these requests of the examiners: "That the standard of education be raised so as to prevent men who are ill equipped with the tests of the representative body of the bar itself."

The members of the board who resigned are former Supreme Court Judge Samuel G. Thompson, chairman; William B. Staake, Colonel Shelton Potter, Joseph E. Townsend, Chase, Carver, Charles Biddle, Joseph Miller, Edward P. Allison and Lucien H. Alexander, secretary.

One prominent lawyer said today: "Not long ago I entered the court

room and found it nearly filled with young men who were about to be admitted to the bar. They all came from the university and were duly admitted without the bar having the right to utter a word officially as to their qualifications.

"There is an esprit de corps in the bar of this city that makes this reputation established by precedent which might in time become dangerous. These young men should pass some kind of examination under a body representative of the bar before they are allowed to practice."

PAT CROWE

Is an Object of Interest in Connection With the Cudahy Abduction.

Omaha, Dec. 27.—It is now known that Pat Crowe was seen in South Omaha the twenty hours before the abduction of Eddie Cudahy. On Monday night, Dec. 17, a well-known citizen of South Omaha, conversed with him for nearly an hour. Just before they parted Crowe was questioned concerning his future plans, and laughingly replied: "Oh, I have something big on; you'll hear from me soon." At that time this was viewed as an idle boast. It is stated that until shortly before the Cudahy abduction Crowe was engaged in the dairy business with his brother-in-law at Albright, just below South Omaha. Mrs. Crowe has admitted to a reporter that her husband was in South Omaha on the Saturday previous to the abduction. Diligent search is now being made around Albright for a buggy answering the description of the vehicle used by the abductors.

ROW IN ST. PAUL'S IN OLD LONDON

Anti-Ritualist Crusader Interrupts Ordination Services—Congregation Cries "Shame!"

London, Dec. 27.—Much excitement was caused at the ordination of 25 priests at St. Paul's Cathedral Sunday morning by J. W. Kensit, the anti-ritualist crusader, who protested against two of the candidates for ordination. The bishop of London, who was officiating for Bishop Creighton, who is still in the city, refused to allow the candidates. Bishop Barry replied: "You have shown nothing against the personal character of the candidates, and I shall ordain them."

The bishop's answer was received with shouts of "shame" by some of the congregation, which included many sympathizers with Mr. Kensit. The latter tried to speak further, when four vergers advanced and were about to push him from the church. One of them took hold of his coat, when a number of the congregation shouted loudly "Hands off." The vergers stood hesitating as to what they should do. Mr. Kensit thereupon withdrew with a score of his followers. The congregation, who were standing excitedly watching the proceedings, quieted down after the withdrawal of Mr. Kensit and the service proceeded.

THE PROVINCIAL REVENUE.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—For the eleven months of 1900 to Nov. 30 the provincial revenue was \$3,700,000 and the expenditure \$3,600,000. The following are the principal items of receipts for the eleven months ended with Nov. 30: Salaries, \$1,198,327; interest, \$250,000; social deposit, \$16,167; crown lands, \$1,129,117; licenses, \$290,940; education, \$44,233; fisheries, \$53,800; succession duties, \$216,400; provincial secretary's department, \$70,000; provincial revenue, \$231,000.

It takes two to make an agreement—and a lawyer to get the best of it.

TOO NERVOUS TO SLEEP

Many Pale, Weak Men and Women Find Themselves Daily Growing Weaker and Fast Approaching Nervous Collapse and Prostration—Their Only Hope Is in the Use of

DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD.

In sleep and rest alone can nature repair the daily waste of the body and supply the energies needed for the duties of the day following. If the nerves are weak and exhausted, and you wake, longing for morning to come, you know that you will arise tired and worn out, and one day more to nervous collapse, nervous prostration or paralysis.

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CHAPTER XIII.

The next morning Tina came into the workroom, where monsieur and his foreman were discussing some question regarding the work. She was pale and heavy-eyed, a fact which attracted monsieur's attention at once.

"Monsieur," she said, in a questioning, somewhat anxious tone, "saying she thought it would pass away after a while, passed on to get her bobbins filled with thread."

As she came back monsieur stopped her again.

"Monsieur," she said, "must not work; she must go out into the air; she will be better then. She shall go and order some new thread, that I must have today."

"Saying," he left Madame Fouchard, and went into the hall with Tina.

As she stood there, putting on her jacket and receiving some directions from him, monsieur came forth from the work-room, as if to put some question to monsieur.

"Monsieur," she said, "the jacket is all awry," she said, and going to Tina, she gave the garment a pull, as if to set it right.

As she did so she flung up a cry of astonishment.

The jacket was fitted, but the lining was loose, and as monsieur turned the skirt, something very startling was revealed to Tina's two companions.

"Mon Dieu!" shrieked monsieur, throwing up her hands and staggering back against the wall, when monsieur's face became as white as his shirt-front.

"What is it?" Tina asked, turning toward them, only to find herself transfixed by the manufacturer's staring eyes and monsieur's frightened glances.

"Will monsieur remove her jacket?" monsieur asked in a constrained voice.

"Certainly," she replied, and quickly unbuttoning it, she slipped it off, wondering if there could be some hideous spider, or perhaps a mouse, among its folds to startle them so.

Monsieur took it from her, and, lifting the skirt, revealed to her astonished gaze the missing laces, all nicely laced upon the lining, between it and the outside.

Tina beheld the act, aghast. Her face became like chalk; her heart nearly ceased its beating; her chest heaved as if oppressed by some fearful load, and all at once it flashed upon her that some enemy had done this.

Instinctively she glanced at monsieur, but she only appeared to feel the greatest horror of the deed, mingled with joy at the recovery of the stolen property.

"Monsieur," what does this mean?" Monsieur La Fort asked, in a shaking voice.

"Monsieur, I do not know," Tina replied, lifting her white face to him, but meeting his eyes gravely but calmly.

"You do not know?" he repeated, his keen eyes searching her through and through.

"No, monsieur," and her glance, though troubled and anxious, was as innocent and unwavering as a little child's.

Instinctively he believed her, and turned to Madame Fouchard, who stood drinking in this scene, with an eager, evil look upon her disagreeable face.

"But this looks very badly, monsieur," he said, turning again to Tina, and showing her the laces.

The young girl bent forward and looked at them, and noted how nicely they had been laced into her garment—so smoothly, indeed, that she had not noticed or suspected anything of the kind, although she had worn her jacket nearly every day since their loss was recovered.

"Yes, monsieur, I certainly do," she answered, slowly and sadly; "but I can only reaffirm that I know nothing about it. I did not take your laces, and did not dream that they were here. I have no use, no wish for such things, and I fear that some enemy has done this to injure me."

Her eyes met his again in a pure, steadfast look, and he could not help believing her, while his last words set his thoughts running in another direction.

"Will you go into the office, monsieur?" she said, "I will talk with you further about this directly," he said, after a few moments of thoughtful silence, and standing back to allow her to pass.

She immediately complied, and monsieur was left alone with monsieur.

"Listen!" he whispered, bending a stern look upon her, as the door closed upon Tina. "Not one word of this to a living soul, if you value your place."

"Will monsieur cover the theft, and still keep the pretty impostor?" she sneered.

"No matter what I will do!" he thundered, frowning darkly, "you are to keep your mouth shut—you understand?"

"Very well; but monsieur will not forget that he has sent Mademoiselle Julie away in disgrace."

"I will take care of that; but you are to keep your mouth shut until you decide what steps I shall take."

"Monsieur shall be obeyed," madame returned, sullenly, a dark look of anger and mortification sweeping over her swarthy features as she went back to her work.

Monsieur, more troubled than he cared to admit, even to himself, returned to his office.

He barely glanced at her, then went and stood by a window overlooking the court, her jacket with the stolen laces still in his hands.

He remained there, and was silent so long that the suspected girl became terribly nervous.

From time to time she glanced in a troubled way at him, as if she would read his thoughts, and, at last, he wheeled suddenly round on her.

She neither appeared startled nor changed color; her eyes sought his questioning, and there was not the slightest shrinking in her manner as she held out her hand toward him.

"Shall I remove the laces for monsieur?" she asked; then, with a slight start, she added: "But, perhaps, it is necessary that they should remain where they are for the present—until monsieur has taken some action in the matter."

"Remove them," he said briefly, and, reaching for the jacket, he began to pull out the threads with which the laces had been laced upon the lining, laying them out straight upon the desk before her as she did so.

The laces, she carefully folded and laid in a pile, and, as the last one was removed, her eyes suddenly lighted.

She gathered the threads in her hand and looking up at monsieur, who had been watching her closely, said:

"Will monsieur kindly examine these? Here is a green, a red, and a blue thread. I have no thread in these colors; it is as if someone had added whatever had come first or convenient in their haste to sew the laces into the jacket."

Monsieur took the threads and examined them.

They were coarse, and the color was well defined—red, blue and green. Again she looked closely into that fair face before him.

Her look and her manner were so unconscious, she was so free from embarrassment, that he could not believe her guilty.

"Tina, you did not do it!" he half questioned, half asserted, as he bent to look into her eyes.

"No, monsieur," she answered, quietly, yet a little proudly, as if she half-resented his familiarity with her name.

He was convinced that she did not, and a deep sigh of relief bespoke the anxiety he had experienced on her account.

"Give me the laces. I will put them away, and I will keep these threads for the present."

He put the laces carefully in their respective places, then, after walking thoughtfully up and down the room once or twice, came up and stood before Mademoiselle Florentine again.

"I am going out for a few moments; monsieur will please remain where she is until I return," he said.

He went at once to Madame Fouchard's room in the pension, and on her dressing-table he saw her work-basket. It contained a red, a green and a blue spool of thread. He counted the threads which Tina had taken from her jacket with that upon the spools. It was identical.

"Aha!" he exclaimed, "we have the spider, caught in her own web."

In the pin-cushion, stuck there as if by haste, among a collection of laces, there were three needles, a bit of colored thread in each—one red, one blue, one green.

He took both basket and cushion into his possession, and returned to the salesroom.

As he was passing a case of drawers here, and in which some of his choicest laces were kept, he noticed a shred of something shut into one of them.

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THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

Story That the Jeffries-Ruhlin Fight Is Off Denied.

ROEBER AND PONS MATCHED—Stanley Cup Games Arranged—Racing Results.

FISTIC.

CANNOT FIGHT IN CINCINNATI.

New York, Dec. 26.—Wm. A. Brady this evening announced that the fight between J. J. Jeffries and Gus Ruhlin, scheduled to take place in Cincinnati on Feb. 5, will not be permitted by the authorities of that city. Brady says he had received word to that effect from the officials of the club which was to manage the affair. This being the case, the bout arranged for Kid McCoy and Tommy Ryan, scheduled for Feb. 15 in Cincinnati, being declared off for the present. It is said that Terry McGovern will now make arrangements to go to England to fight Ben Jordan.

BRADY SAYS IT'S NOT TRUE.

New York, Dec. 26.—Relative to the story printed here today, that Wm. A. Brady had announced that the Jeffries-Ruhlin fight in Cincinnati had been called off, Mr. Brady said tonight that it was absolutely untrue. He says he never said anything that would lead to such a conclusion, and that the fight would come off as previously arranged.

FIGHT WILL TAKE PLACE.

Cincinnati, Dec. 26.—The city officials, as well as the officers and members of the Cincinnati Athletic Club, say there is no truth in reports about the fight between James J. Jeffries and Gus Ruhlin, scheduled for Feb. 15 in Cincinnati, being declared off. Mayor Julius Fleischman states for publication that he had given his word that he would issue the permit for the fight, and that he would do so. President W. M. Hobart of the board of directors of the Saengerfest A. C., stated tonight that there was no doubt that the fight would take place here in February, and he cannot understand why Wm. A. Brady has been misled or misquoted in New York.

TRIGGER.

ANNUAL PIGEON SHOOT.

The annual Christmas pigeon shoot was held at the McIntyre farm on Tuesday, Dec. 26. The following scores were made:

Graydon 2 0 1 0 1 1 2 5-5
Crow 2 1 2 1 0 1 0 1-7
H. T. Whitaker 2 0 2 0 1 0 1 0-3
Brecon 2 0 2 0 2 2 1 1-6
H. T. Whitaker 2 1 0 1 1 0 2 6-6
E. J. White 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-1

YACHTING.

ROYAL VISITORS FOR BIG RACE.

London, Dec. 26.—The New York Yacht Club, says the Daily Express, will invite Emperor William and the Prince of Wales to visit the club races, and President McKinley will also send notes expressing the pleasure their visits would give. Sir Thomas Lipton, who has been invited to the club by the Daily Express, said he thought it within the range of possibility that the Prince of Wales would accept such an invitation.

HOCKEY.

THE STANLEY CUP.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 26.—The secretary of the Victoria Hockey Club has wired to the Montreal Canadiens and the Shamrocks proposing that the games for the Stanley cup should be played on Wednesday, Dec. 27, Friday, Dec. 28, and Saturday, Dec. 29, if three games are necessary. As soon as a reply is received the Victoria will send a challenge for the cup to the victors.

TRYING TO ARRANGE A GAME.

Messrs. T. J. McWatters and J. Radigan, of the Watford hockey club, were in the city yesterday, trying to arrange for a hockey match with one of the city league teams.

WRESTLING.

ROEBER AND PONS MATCHED.

New York, Dec. 26.—Ernest Roeber, champion wrestler of America, and Paul Pons, the French champion, who have been matched to wrestle for the Daily Express, will meet in their contest on the night of Wednesday, Feb. 6, at Madison Square Garden. This was agreed upon today, after the referee had received the receipts, the winner to take 60 per cent and the loser 40.

THE TURF.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 26.—Weather fair; track fast. Miss Hanover was run up 230 feet over the entered selling price, and bought in at a low price.

First race, 1 mile, selling—Jesse Jarboe 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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Pickering, Ont., Dec. 27.—Thos. Andrew, a young farmer, who lives south of Pickering, got his arm caught and badly crushed while working at some machinery attached to a windmill. He had to have his arm amputated near the shoulder.

CANNOT BE BEAT.—Mr. D. Steinbach, Zurich, writes:—"I have used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in my family for a number of years, and I can safely say that it cannot be beat for the cure of croup, fresh cuts and sprains. My little boy has had attacks of croup several times, and one dose of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil was sufficient for a perfect cure. I take great pleasure in recommending it as a family medicine, and I would not be without a bottle in my house."

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METEOROLOGICAL

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 26, 8 p.m.—Fairly cold weather now prevails throughout the greater portion of the Dominion. A disturbance is seemingly developing in the Southwest States, and this may affect Ontario weather before the advent of another cold wave, which is now spreading into the Territories and Manitoba. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 41-48; Kamloops, 32-42; Calgary, 24-30; Qu'Appelle, 10-38; Winnipeg, 8-20; Port Arthur, 4 below-24; Parry Sound, 2-14; Toronto, 15-24; Ottawa, 10-12; Montreal, 12-28; Quebec, 6-28; Halifax, 32-38.

Local temperature—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Wednesday, Dec. 26, were 24 and 18 degrees.
Today (Thursday) the sun rose at 7:50 a.m. and sets at 4:47 p.m. The moon rose at 11:02 a.m. and sets at 11:33 p.m.

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Lansing, Mich., Dec. 27.—New outbreaks of smallpox were reported to the state board of health from Grand Rapids, where there are three cases, and from Sault Ste. Marie, L'Anse-au-Loup, Houghton county.

A permanent state fair will soon be established in Chihuahua, Mexico, for the special purpose of developing agriculture and cattle raising.

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A LOCAL BUDGET.

—Superintendent F. W. Egan, of the G. T. R., is in the city.

—Mr. George G. Terry, of the Bell Telephone Company, is home for the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hardey left this morning on a trip to Chicago and western points.

—Miss Mills has secured the principalship of school section No. 8, North Dorchester.

—Hon. Colin H. Campbell, Q.C., attorney-general of Manitoba, spent Tuesday in this city.

—Miss Jean Weatherston, of Wilton Grove, spent Christmas with her aunt, Mrs. McEachern, in this city.

—Miss Jessie Goldner, formerly of London, now of Toronto, is in the city renewing old friendships.

—Mr. C. J. Walker, manager of Bradstreet's, has returned after spending Christmas in Toronto.

—Dr. John Bryce McMurrich, of Bothwell, has been named an associate coroner for the county of Kent.

—Miss Kate A. McGregor is re-engaged as principal of Shore's school, school section No. 11, Westminster.

—Mr. Paul Kompass, of the A. K. Melbourne Company, Hamilton, spent the holiday at his home in South London.

—Mr. Wm. B. Scarsiff, of St. John, N. B., formerly of this city, is visiting his mother, Mrs. H. R. Scarsiff, here.

—Mrs. J. B. Campbell and daughter Anna Belle, of Rodney, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. McEachern.

—Miss Lavina H. Taylor, one of Hamilton's popular violinists, is in the city, the guest of her cousin, Miss Emma L. Walsh.

—Dr. John A. Meldrum, of Be. nont, has been appointed an associate coroner, to fill the place of the late Dr. James B. Campbell.

—Mr. A. J. Taylor, of Wardsville, and daughter Mildred, spent Saturday with Mr. Taylor's sister, Mrs. McEachern, 299 Richmond street.

—The Bible classes of St. Paul's Cathedral presented Rev. Canon Dunn, on Christmas day, with a dress suit case, also an ebony toilet set.

—Mr. L. A. Weaver, of Winnipeg, Man., has returned home to this city, in answer to a telegram informing him that his mother was seriously ill.

—The excellent ice provided at the Princess, Jubilee and Westminster Rinks continues to attract large crowds to these favorite resorts.

—Sergeant Slater, of No. 2 Company, 28th Regiment, Stratford, and Sergeant Ballard, one of the first contingent, left here yesterday for Stratford.

—Dr. A. H. Logan, an old London boy, now of Bellefontaine, Ohio, is spending Christmas with his father, Mr. Edward C. Logan, of Adelaide street north.

—Mr. John Leys is recovering rapidly from the effects of his recent accident, and expects to be able to leave St. Joseph's Hospital toward the end of the week.

—Miss Anna Sutherland, of Coe's Academy, has gone to Brantford, to assist in the office of Mr. Geo. H. Leys, secretary of the Western Dairymen's Association.

—Galt Reformer: The Rev. Mr. Charlesworth, London, filled the Baptist pulpit ably, yes, brilliantly. The congregations were large, and the services helpful and powerful. The singing was of a superior order.

—Hamilton Times: Captain A. E. Carpenter passed through the city yesterday morning on his way home from South Africa, to his home in London, where he arrived in time to take Christmas dinner with his wife and family. He sent word by his father, Mr. A. B. Carpenter, who met him at the station, that he had taken the advice given him by the Times, when he was going away, and had come back with a whole skin. Captain Carpenter will come to Hamilton to spend New Year's Day with his parents, and all his old friends will be glad to see him.

WILL BE BANQUETED.
Pte. A. E. Cole, who has just returned from South Africa, will be banqueted by the Oregon Club this evening.

BROKE THROUGH THE ICE.
Arthur Hewitt, an 11-year-old boy, who lives on York street, fell through the ice while skating on the river Tuesday, and had a narrow escape from drowning. Another boy, Richard Warren, pulled him out.

ANNUAL INSTALLATION.
The officers-elect of the eight Masonic lodges of the city are reminded that the annual installation will be conducted by Grand Master Hungerford at the East End Hall this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. The Sherwood Hall could not be secured for the evening named, hence the change to the East End Hall.

RECEPTION TO PTE. MACBETH.
A big crowd was at the Strathroy station Christmas to meet the Sarnia train. Pte. George Macbeth was the hero of the occasion. On his appearance he was literally mobbed. The crowd took possession of him, and in an instant he was hoisted shoulder

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DOUBLE-TRACKING.

The M. C. R. is making every preparation to handle a big Pan-American Exposition business to Buffalo next summer. The work of laying the double track between Durand and Townsend, between Durand and West Lorne and between Essex and Comber has begun. When this track is laid the C. S. R. division of the M. C. R. will have 177 miles of double track, leaving only 60 miles of single track.

"EAST LYNNE."

A large audience greeted the presentation at the London Opera House last night of "East Lynne." Marks Bros. Company continue to hold popular favor, and the attendance for the balance of the week will doubtless be as satisfactory as it has hitherto been. The specialties between the acts are one of the most popular features of the show. Mr. Clifford B. Smith, a recent addition to the company, sings several ballads in a pleasing and finished manner. The play for tonight is "A Wife's Peril."

PRESENTATION.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. H. Cornell, in Westminster township, on Dec. 22, when the pupils of the north end gathered with their parents and teachers to spend a few hours socially. The evening's entertainment consisted of games, indulged in by both young and old, and a programme of recitations and songs given by the pupils. Just before refreshments were served Miss Olive McGregor, on behalf of the pupils of the north end, presented their teacher, Miss H. Burch, with a beautiful handkerchief and jewel box.

DAY—CHADWICK.

Hamilton Spectator of Wednesday: A quiet and pretty wedding took place yesterday morning at 11:30 at the residence of J. A. and Mrs. Chadwick, 30 Euclid avenue, their eldest daughter, Annie S., become the bride of Rowland P. E. Day, of London. Rev. Mr. Unsworth performed the ceremony. The bride and groom were accompanied by Miss Grace Chadwick assisted the bride, and J. W. Tremlett acted as groomsmen. The numerous beautiful presents received testify to the high esteem in which they are held. The happy couple left for their new home in London at 3:45, with a host of good wishes for happiness and prosperity.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL.

A special meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was held last evening to discuss municipal matters, particularly with regard to the majority. A motion was introduced to endorse Ald. Douglass for mayor provided he will sign the trades and labor platform. An amendment to defer action till Saturday next was also submitted. The amendment was lost, and the motion carried by a vote of 6 to 3. Ald. Douglass will be waited upon by a deputation from the council this morning.

So far as we can learn, there is a strong opinion among the rank and file of those connected with labor that it would be best policy at this time not to interfere, allowing all to vote individually, according to choice.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Among the many joyous and happy family gatherings usual at Christmas, that at Mr. and Mrs. Harwood's residence on Dundas street, was no exception at any rate, in point of numbers assembled from near by and far off points, there being present Mr. H. A. Pendell and Miss Rendell, from Weymouth, and Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Cameron, from London and Godrich since October last; Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Cameron, and family, from Toronto; the Misses Rougie and brothers; Mr. Geo. Harwood, from Pittsburgh, recently returned from a business tour in Europe; Mr. F. B. Harwood and mother, from Buffalo; Master Hicks, from Chicago; Mr. Mrs. and Miss Rendell, York street, city, together with Misses Florence and Nellie Harwood, from Michigan, grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Harwood.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE.

A large congregation was attracted to St. Paul's Cathedral last night by the Christmas carol service given by the choir of the cathedral. The service was a novel one to the majority of the congregation, though the practice of holding similar service is quite an old one in England. The service opened with a hymn and prayer, followed by the singing of nine carols, interspersed with short Scripture lessons read by Bishop Baldwin, Very Rev. Dean Innes, Rev. Canon Dunn and Rev. W. M. Seaborn. "The Holy City" was rendered as a solo by Master Jack Carson, in a pleasing manner. The magnificent prayer book service, Mr. George B. Simpson, organist and choirmaster, is deserving of congratulation for the manner in which the choristers were trained.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The following letter from his Lordship Bishop McEvay was received by Mr. George C. Gibbons, Q.C., yesterday:

"London, Dec. 24, 1900.
"My Dear Mr. Gibbons.—Your kind letter containing check for \$400 for Donegan memorial window has been received. I can assure you that we are very grateful to you and the other generous benefactors, and appreciate in a special manner the goodwill which prompted so beautiful and so appropriate a memorial. If the world would put into practice such noble deeds, cruel war should soon be a thing of the past. As this is a time for 'peace to men and goodwill,' I, in all sincerity, wish you and all the good friends who took part, every joy and happiness. I am, my dear Mr. Gibbons, yours very sincerely,

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- 2—\$3 50—Your choice of 18 Ladies' Beaver Jackets, in black and tawn, lined throughout with twilled silk, handsomely stitched and applied, a beautifully fitting Jacket, regular price \$12 and \$13; Friday, \$8 50.
- 3—\$10 00—Your choice of 15 Ladies' Beaver Jackets, in black and tawn, handsomely and richly braided, lined throughout with silk twill, storm and roll collars, tight-fitting Jackets; this a great bargain; regular price \$16; Friday for \$10.
- 4—\$2 85—Ladies' Plain and Figured Lustre Skirts, lined throughout, velvet binding, double pleated back, a handsome skirt, regular price \$3 75; Friday \$2 85.
- 5—5c—A table of Chenille and Silk Dress and Mantle Ornaments, odds and ends, regular price 35c and 40c each. Friday 5c each.

Suiting, Half Price

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50—16 pairs Nottingham Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long and 60 inches wide, regular price \$2 50; Friday \$1 50 per pair.

51—A few pairs of Elegant Tapestry Curtains, full length and good width, always sold at \$5 50, on Friday, while they last, \$3 65.

52—3 pieces Heavy Black Suiting—No. 1, 56 inches wide, regular 65c, at 30c yard; No. 2, 54 inches wide, regular 50c, at 35c yard; No. 3, 42 inches wide, regular 35c, at 25c yard.

53—10 pieces Plain Foulard Silk, all different shades, regular price 60c; Friday, 47c yard.

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