

MIGHTY ARMY OF FARMERS AT THE CAPITAL MAKE SENSATIONAL DEMANDS ON GOVERNMENT

Want Agricultural and Horticultural Products and Implements On Free List.
REDUCTION IN BRITISH DUTIES

Declare Themselves Ready to Accept Direct Taxation to Make Up Loss in Revenue.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The Canadian House of Commons suffered an unusual scene this morning. The army of invading farmers took possession of the chamber. On the floor every member's seat was occupied by a farmer delegate and the galleries were crowded by them to the point of suffocation. The members of Parliament stood in a group about the entrance of the chamber and, on the outskirts of the delegation.

Applause for Premier.
There was a hearty hand clapping welcome given to Sir Wilfrid Laurier when he entered at 10 o'clock, followed by the other members of the Government. Sir Wilfrid took the clerk's seat at the head of the table, his own seat being occupied by D. W. Warner, a farmer from Alberta, who came to Canada from the United States a few years ago. Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. Charles Murphy, Hon. Wm. Patterson, Hon. Sydney Fisher, accepted chairs in a circle about the Prime Minister, and with them set D. W. McQuinn, president and Roushey Mackenzie, secretary of the council of agriculture. Hon. George P. Graham, Hon. Frank Oliver, Senator Watson and Hon. William Hartly found seats for themselves on the steps of the throne, where the pages sit when parliament is in session.
Mr. R. L. Borden found a seat other than his own on the Opposition side, and Hon. George Foster was in a chair which he brought in himself. The only member who was in his own seat was W. Northrup, Conservative representative of the county of Hastings, and he showed his interest in the proceedings by going sound asleep during the first speech.

The Resolutions.
The first resolution presented was a demand that the Government take over the terminal elevators at Port Arthur and Port Arthur through which the entire volume of export wheat from the Canadian West passes. The resolution was read by D. W. McQuinn, president of the association, and supported by addresses from Peter Wright, of Manitoba; P. W. Green, secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association; and W. G. Tremblay, an Alberta farmer; D. B. Wood, Hamilton, president of the Dominion Millers' Association; and J. E. Dolan, of the Ontario Millers' Association; Hedley Shaw, of the Toronto Board of Trade.

The addresses were delivered with great earnestness and listened to with close attention. The attitude of both speakers and auditors was impressive.

Cheers for Reciprocity.
The tariff proposals were then brought on. There were long and loud cheers for the demand that reciprocity be entered into with the United States; free trade with England; and direct taxation to make up for loss of revenue through tariff duties.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Eight hundred strong, the farmers of Canada today stormed the legislative centre of the nation, demanding that the Government what they consider their rights in the way of tariff, and other treatment. The invading forces mobilized at the Grand Opera House, and marched to Parliament Hill, where they swarmed into the Commons chamber and filled the galleries. Members of parliament and cabinet ministers not in their seats when the delegation arrived, with evident interest, looked on wherever they could find room to sit. From one of the galleries a number of prominent members of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association looked on with evident interest. Great enthusiasm prevailed among the delegates as they waited for proceedings to open. There was little formality about it. The leaders introducing themselves when it came to the reading of the resolutions and memorials. The reading occupied a space of about three hours, and it was after 1 o'clock before the Premier began his address in reply.

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STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.
Montreal, Dec. 16.—The Allan line steamer Hungarian, from Portland, for Glasgow, arrived at Glasgow last night. The Allan line steamer Tumbler, from Liverpool for Halifax and St. John, N.B., with 26 first-class, 54 second-class, and 181 steerage passengers.

J. A. STEVENSON DEAD.
Montreal, Dec. 16.—The death took place today of J. A. Stevenson, a well-known Montreal businessman, after a week's illness with pneumonia. Mr. Stevenson was a prominent horseman and clubman, being a member of the Montreal Hunt, Mount Royal, St. James, Forest and Stream and other clubs. He was 60 years of age. The late J. A. Stevenson, well-known as the secretary of the Montreal Exhibition in years gone by, was a brother.

WHAT THE FARMERS WANT

- (1) Reciprocal free trade between the United States and Canada in all horticultural, agricultural and animal products, spraying materials, fertilizers, fuel, illuminating and lubricating oil, cement, fish and lumber.
- (2) Reciprocal free trade between the two countries in all agricultural implements, machinery, vehicles and parts thereof.
- (3) For an immediate lowering of the duties on all British imports to one-half the rates charged in the general tariff, whatever these may be; that any trade advantages given the United States in reciprocal trade relations be extended to Great Britain.
- (4) For such further reduction of the remaining differential tariff as will insure the establishment of complete free trade between the Dominion and the mother country within ten years.
- (5) That the farmers of this country are willing to face direct taxation, in such a form as may be advisable, to make up the revenues lost under new tariff relations.

Hudson Bay Railway—That the railway and all terminal facilities be constructed, owned and operated in perpetuity by the Dominion Government, under an independent commission.

Co-operation—That cheap and effective machinery should be provided by legislation this session for the incorporation of co-operative societies.

Banking—That the new bank act be so worded as to permit it to be amended at any time and in any particular, instead of every ten years, as at present.

Terminal elevators—That the terminal elevators of Port Arthur and Port Arthur be operated as a public utility under an independent commission.

Chilled meat—That the Government should inaugurate and operate a meat-curing and chilling process, erect the necessary works and operate a modern and up-to-date method of export of meat.

LONDON WOMAN'S HUSBAND SHOT

Death of Policeman Herrick, of Detroit, May Have Been Accidental.

LEFT A PECULIAR NOTE

Detroit Coroners Are at Variance Regarding How the Officer's End Was Brought About.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Detroit, Dec. 16.—Considerable mystery surrounds the death of Leo L. Herrick, of the Detroit police force, who died at his home yesterday as a result of being shot through the chest. In an inside pocket of his coat was found a note, which read: "Dear Ones—I know what will happen when I get home. I was playing poker, but if I told you, you would not believe me. I tried hard, but I could not do it—Lee."
This note reads coroners Rothacker to believe that Herrick shot himself intentionally.

May Be Accidental.
Coroner Burgess, however, who is working on the case, also thinks that Herrick shot himself accidentally. His investigations show that Herrick was very well thought of on the force and that he was to have been promoted shortly. When Herrick went home he sat down in the same room with his wife. Previously he had had a shave, and remarked that he thought he would clean his revolver before he went to bed, as it would then be all ready for him when he went on duty again at midnight. A moment later he was shot. Coroner Burgess says the note was an old one and had evidently been in Herrick's pocket for some time.

Wife a London Woman.
Herrick's wife, it is said, formerly was Miss Anna Hall, of London. Had Herrick not died until after Christmas his wife would have benefited to the extent of \$3,000 from the fund for the widows of patrolmen. As it is she is left practically penniless with three little children.

STRENUOUS TIMES FOR LADY CLERKS

Christmas Week Means a Tremendous Amount of Work For All.

Thousands of women thronged the city stores today in an effort to get at least a part of their Christmas shopping completed. The counters of the downtown stores were surrounded by crowds of ladies eagerly searching for suitable articles to purchase for friends.
"I'll be dead if I have to go through another week of this," said one shop girl. "Nine out of ten of these people haven't the faintest notion what they want to buy. If I had a thousand hands I couldn't wait on them all fast enough to suit them. People haven't any idea what the Christmas rush means from the clerk's standpoint. Just imagine getting down here at 8 o'clock in the morning and handing stuff out at this rate until late at night. Sometimes we get something to eat, and sometimes we don't. At best we only get a hurried lunch. I won't be sorry when it is all over."

However, merchants are well satisfied with the volume of business. Trade in all lines is very brisk, and the splendid weather is bringing the shoppers out in crowds. Immense quantities of goods are changing hands and the big stocks which the stores laid in for the holiday are rapidly getting thinned out.

Meds. Banquet.
An annual banquet of the Western Medical School will be held tonight in the Tecumseh House. Hon. Adam Beck, Mr. J. P. Downey, ex-M. P. P. now of Orillia, and Mayor Beattie will be among the speakers.

UNITED STATES ARMY PRIVATE DEAD ON TRACK AT RODNEY

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Rodney, Dec. 16.—The dead body of a man, supposed to be John McDer-mid, of Rhode Island, was found between the M. C. R. tracks about a mile east of this place, at 7:30 this morning. The identity of the man was traced by papers found in his pockets. The documents also indicate that he had been serving in the United States army in the Philippines. As he wore neither hat nor shoes when found, it is supposed that he had fallen or stepped from a platform while passing from one car to another. The body was still warm when found by the section foreman, and from that it is supposed that he was travelling on one of the through trains this morning. The face and arms were badly bruised. The body was brought here, and the coroner notified. The authorities are endeavoring to locate his friends or relatives.

WINNIPEG STREET CAR SYSTEM TIED UP BY A BIG STRIKE

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—Winnipeg street car system was tied up at 6 o'clock this morning. After a session lasting from midnight, the employees decided to strike, the company refusing to reinstate prominent union officers who, it is said, had been disciplined for drinking in a bar.

P. C. GREEN RAN HIS MAN DOWN

Young Lady Claimed to Have Been Insulted by Italian Who Is a Stranger.

LIVELY CHASE IN NORTH

Man Said He Did Not Say Anything Out of the Way to the Lady—Fine Imposed.

P. C. John Green, by some fast sprinting last night, succeeded in arresting Gravinini Bologno, a young Italian, who insulted a young lady at the corner of Waterloo and Pall Mall streets, shortly after 11 o'clock. In court this morning Bologno was fined \$5 and costs, and given a severe warning.

According to P. C. Green's story, he was walking down Pall Mall street, and when near the corner saw Bologno standing on the opposite side. A young lady was coming north, and when she was passing Bologno, he made some remark to her. She immediately turned upon him, and gave him a heavy slap in the face, and started to run away. The officer ran down the street and saw the woman stopped. Bologno in the meantime saw the officer and darted away.

The Chase.
The policeman told the girl to stay until he came back, and took after Bologno, and after a chase of a block or so, arrested him. He asked him what he meant by insulting the girl, and Bologno said she was his sister. The next morning he said he wasn't, and then he said he "couldn't talk English."

When P. C. Green got back with his man the girl had disappeared, and he could not find her address, so he took Bologno to the station.
This morning, by means of an interpreter, Magistrate Love learned that Bologno had only been here a short time, and that he was a friend of the P. C. B. to visit some of his friends, who work among the navies.

Fine Imposed.
"I am glad indeed to find that you are not a London man," said the court, "and I am glad to hear that you are a friend of the P. C. B. They are peaceable and law-abiding."

Bologno said he had not said anything out of the way to the girl, as he did not know enough English.
"You mean to tell me then, that this officer is deliberately getting up here time telling this story to get you into trouble. I don't believe a word of his story, and I do believe his. You can't do that sort of thing in London, and I will fine you \$5 and all costs, or 21 days."

Hughes Remanded.
Albert Hughes, who is in jail on a charge of vagrancy, came up before Magistrate Love this morning, and was again remanded. The fund for him was increased to \$11 today, when a friend handed in \$1 to P. M. Love.

THE WEATHER

Tomorrow—Moderating.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Dec. 16—5 a.m. Today—Fine and very cold. Saturday—Fine and cold, followed by light snowfalls.

TEMPERATURES.
Stations. Max. Min. Weather.
Calgary 46 28 Clear
Winnipeg 12 8 Fair
Port Arthur 8 -8 Cloudy
Perry Sound 14 -6 Clear
Toronto 30 -4 Clear
Ottawa 30 -2 Fair
Montreal 26 -2 Clear
Quebec 16 -8 Clear
Father Point 12 2 Cloudy
Minus (-) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.
The pronounced cold wave which was sweeping over Ontario yesterday has now reached the Maritime Provinces, and temperatures well below zero have been recorded from the lake region eastward.

Moderate temperatures prevail in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, while in Alberta they are unusually mild.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.
A pronounced cold wave from the north swept over Ontario and Quebec yesterday, and temperatures fell rapidly. Light snowfalls occurred from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, and rain fell on the Southern British Columbia coast, while in the Western Provinces the weather was fair.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 3-31; Victoria, 40-46; Vancouver, 37-46; Kamloops, 24-40; Edmonton, 16-30; Battleford, 12-24; Regina, 29-46; Moose Jaw, 1-19; Qu'Appelle, 8-24; Winnipeg, 4-12; Port Arthur, 10 below-8; Parry Sound, zero-14; Toronto, -20-31; Ottawa, zero-21; Montreal, zero-28; Quebec, 2 below-16; St. John, 16-34; Halifax, 10-38.

TODAY'S PROBS.
The East—Northerly gales, very cold, with snow.
Lake Superior—Fine and cold.

FATHER BEAT HIS SON TO DEATH

A Shocking Tragedy Reported From Town of Goderich, Ontario.

MAN MAY BE INSANE

Spent Some Time in an Asylum Years Ago—Has Been Placed Under Arrest.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Goderich, Ont., Dec. 16.—George Vanstone, a resident of Goderich, cruelly beat his young son, six years old, to death last night, about ten o'clock.

The little boy had just started to go to school, and was making figures on a slate, when his father asked him to make from one to twenty. He said he could not do it, and his father said he had done it before.

Getting into a fit of rage at what he considered disobedience, the father grabbed the broomstick and unmercifully beat the child over the head and body until he was dead. The child is very much bruised.

When Vanstone was arrested and taken to jail last night, he was asked why he was arrested, and remarked: "I only beat him because he would not make the figures, one to twenty."

Mind Is Affected.
Vanstone was confined to jail about a year ago for lunacy, and, while a lot of sound mind, was considered harmless. He worked as a laborer in McEwan's coal yards. His wife and another son, 12 years of age, were present, but could not restrain him. His wife ran out into the street, and could see nobody. She finally ran to Dr. Hunter's, and when she returned with assistance Vanstone was walking around with the child in his arms endeavoring to revive him.

Crown Attorney Seager has called a jury to hold an inquest at 12 o'clock today at the residence where the murder was committed.

The Inquest.
The jury empaneled on the inquest met at the residence of T. J. Tait, 1241 street, viewed the body, and adjourned till 4 o'clock to take the evidence of Mrs. Vanstone, who is in a critical condition. Four fat, chubby, little children clustered around the bereaved mother. Mr. McEwan, the man Vanstone worked for, and another man, passed the house at the time of the murder, but were afraid to interfere. The body of the child is as black as ink, and the skull crushed. It is said he had been beaten constantly from 8 o'clock till 11 o'clock, the distracted mother could get assistance.

MANY TRACTION LINES FOR LONDON DISTRICT

Companies Appear to Regard This as a Rich and Promising Field.

North Midland, London and North Western, London and Lake Erie, London and York, London and Stratford, London and Guelph, London and Hamilton, London and Windsor.

Imperial Railway Company.
Six charters for radial roads, with London as the centre or objective point, have been secured, or are being applied for. The list shows that in the eyes of traction men London is bound to be an important city in the near future.

Route of the North Midland and the London and North Western are very well known to the residents of this city. The Traction Company, or the London and Lake Erie, have, in addition to their line to the Port, a charter for another line from Brantford to this city.

The People's Railway, from Berlin and Guelph to Stratford and London, made a proposition to the city council some time ago. Nothing came of the conference, however.

Mackenzie & Mann have had a charter for a railway, electrical or steam, from Toronto to Windsor. Nothing has been done with it as yet, but there is every indication that in the near future the line will be constructed. Work will be commenced, it is understood, in the spring.

Latest in the Field.
The latest in the field is that of the Imperial Railway Company, who have an application in the House at the present moment for a railway. It will be a loop road, from Hamilton to Guelph to Stratford to London, and thence to Hamilton.

The company is capitalized at \$6,000,000, and it is understood that they will float the company at an early date. From what has been learned it is well backed, and that it will be built soon.

"We are applying for a charter for a road," said Mr. George M. Reid, one of the provisional directors. "It will be a loop line, and will run from Hamilton to London and return. The particulars are being worked out at the present time."

Some of these roads cover practically the same ground, and it will be a race to get on the ground first. The company that sells its bonds and starts construction the earliest will have the best opportunity of getting the patronage, and it will result in several of the companies allowing their charters to lapse.

ASQUITH'S MAJ. IS NOW 113

Unionists and Coalition Each Made a Gain Yesterday.

POLLING ALMOST ENDED

Only Twenty-Nine Seats Now Remain To Be Heard From.

GAINS ON THURSDAY.

Liberals 1

Unionists 1

GAINS TO DATE.

Coalition 27

Unionists 26

STANDING OF PARTIES.

Liberals 260

Nationalists 65

Independent-Nationalists 10

Labour 42

Total 377

Unionists 264

Government Majority 113

RECAPITULATION.

Seats in House 670

Seats Held From 641

Seats To Be Polling 29

London, Dec. 16.—One gain each for the Liberals and the Unionists is the result of yesterday's elections. The results of which were announced today. The respective totals are now:

Coalitionists, 377; Unionists, 264.

The composite Government majority is formed as follows: Liberal-Nationalists 260, Irish-Nationalists 65, Independent-Nationalists 10, Labor members 42.

The Laborites are the only party thus far to show an increase in representation in the new Parliament. Already they have secured two seats in addition to those held in the previous House of Commons.

Junior Lord Defeated.
Only 29 seats remain to be filled. The coalitionists now have a majority of 113 as against a total majority in the last Parliament of 124. The two constituencies which changed color yesterday are the Leek division of Staffordshire, where R. Pearce won back for the Liberals the seat lost last January, and the High Peak division of Derbyshire, which S. Hill-Wood brought back to the Unionist ranks. O. Partington, who was defeated in High Peak, is junior lord of the treasury, and the second member of the Government to be unseated in the present elections.

William O'Brien, leader of the Independent Nationalists, secured a success in the south division of Cork County, where the Independent Nationalist candidate, Walsh, turned out E. Barry, who had represented that constituency in the interest of John Redmond for the last time. The Orangemen of Ulster County, who recently started a fund for the purpose of buying arms to fight a home rule government, are now widely circulating the manual of drill for irregular forces.

A BANNER YEAR FOR POSTOFFICE

Christmas Rush This Year Is the Greatest Ever Known.

BRITISH MAIL IS HEAVY

Last Mail Due to Arrive in Britain Before Christmas Closed This Morning.

This will be a banner year for London postoffice in point of Christmas business. At present the postoffice officials are unable to give a reliable estimate of just how much Christmas traffic there will be, but they state that in any case it will be much higher than the showing made by last year's figures. The old country postal service is unusually taxed this year. The last mail to arrive in England before Christmas, closed at the local postoffice at 10 o'clock this morning, and will be forwarded from New York by the Mauretania. The last parcel post for the United Kingdom closed yesterday at 4 p.m.

The Last Mail.
The last mail to arrive from the old land will come on the Lusitania, which will arrive in New York Dec. 22 or 23, the mail being delivered here on Dec. 24. This is the one season of the year when the heaviest mail is made for home, and they never forget to remember their friends at home, or to await with longing and eager expectation the remembrances which they know are forthcoming for them in turn.

Extra Assistants.
A greater number of extra Christmas assistants will be required to handle the local Christmas mail this year than in previous years. The general prosperity of the country at large is not without its effect on the postal revenue, and the amount of traffic.

With more ready money in hand, the people are patronizing the mail order plan much more than in other years, and postal orders, registered letters and Christmas gifts of every description are crowding the mails as never before.

The Great Rush.
The latter half of next week will show the Christmas rush at its height, and when Sunday, Dec. 25, arrives, the tired clerks will breathe more freely than they have done for weeks past.

FINED FOR SHOOTING MOOSE OUT OF SEASON

Goderich, Dec. 16.—A farmer named Wm. Cunningham was fined this morning by Provincial Constable Greer, of Toronto, \$50 and costs for shooting a moose out of season while acting as fire warden and game warden for the Provincial Government.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS179 Dundas St. **THOMSON'S** Next Boomer's**400 Ladies' Fancy Christmas Collars at About Half-Price**

We secured a complete set of travellers' samples Fancy Collars, ranging from 25c to \$4.00 each.

25c Collar for.....**15c**
 50c Collar for.....**29c**
 75c Collar for.....**40c**
 \$1.00 Collar for.....**69c**
 \$2.00 Collar for.....**\$1.25**
 \$3.00 Collar for.....**\$1.75**
 All Collars over 15c put up in a nice Christmas box. Get in early for full choice.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, at.....**15c**
 Ladies' and Gents' extra fine Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched.....**25c**

Lissue Handkerchiefs.

The latest in Handkerchiefs, pure linen, very sheer colored hairline and checks. Special at.....**20c**

A splendid showing of Fancy Aprons, very dainty styles in white and colors. 25c to.....**\$1.50**

KIMONOS—A Kimono makes a nice Christmas gift. We are selling our \$1.35 and \$1.50 Kimonos at **\$1.25** this week. Good patterns, saten trimming.

SUITS, COATS, DRESSES AND CORSETS MADE TO ORDER

We wish to remind our customers and friends that we are selling agents for "The Robinson Corset and Costume Company." If you have difficulty in fitting your girls with Underskirts, try one of our Made-to-Measure Skirts—it will pay. We invite you to call and inspect our samples of work. Several Sample Suits, Coats, Skirts, on sale at reduced prices.

J. M. THOMSON

179 DUNDAS STREET.

NEXT TO BOOMER'S.

PRESIDENT TAFT CLAPS ON THE LID

Blocks Progress of Report On Country's Defenses.

FEARS A WAR SCARE

But Hopes That Nation Will Soon Be in Condition to Repel Invasion.

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Taft today directed Secretary of War Dickinson to withhold from Congress entirely his report on the national defense made in answer to a resolution passed by the House of Representatives. The House yesterday declined to receive the report in confidence. Hence it will not be sent at all.

President Taft would deprecate a war scare or hasty action at this time in any one direction. In his message to Congress he has called attention to some of the needs of the army, and he is hopeful that favorable action may be taken. The President is anxious that more officers for the army should be provided by law, and that these officers should co-operate with the militia of the various states and thus keep in reserve at all times an effective fighting force which could be called into the field at a moment's notice.

Wants New Volunteer Act.

President Taft has urged the passage of a bill now pending in Congress repealing the old volunteer act and making provision for the organization of volunteer forces in time of war. This bill was framed by Senator Root when secretary of war, and was passed by the House, but defeated in the Senate by a threatened filibuster, led by Senator Bacon, of Georgia. The President says that the passage of the bill would not entail a dollar's expense upon the Government until war actually comes. But when war does come, the methods of organizing the volunteer force set out in the bill are in accordance with the best modern military judgment.

The President has laid great stress upon the necessity of providing additional officers to co-operate with the militia of the states and in this connection points out that at best it requires six months to train an infantry force, and from a year and a half to two years to train cavalry and field artillery.

Believes in Confidence.

The President took the ground today that all the facts as to the army and the fortifications along the coasts of the United States upon which Congress could base any proposed action, were contained in the regular annual reports of the secretary of war, the chief of staff and other subordinate officers of the war department. These reports already are in the hands of Congress.

President Taft agrees with some of the Congress leaders that these conclusions and opinions should be held in strict confidence. As the House cannot receive reports in confidence, the President decided it was best to withhold the original report in its entirety. He directed Secretary Dickinson to prepare a letter to the House giving the reasons for withholding the special report and inviting attention to the regular annual reports which will be found to contain all of the actual information that helped to make up the reply to the McLachlan resolution.

Supplies Are Lacking.
 Major-General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, was again before the House military committee today to explain his views as to the military unpreparedness of the country. He

said that it was impossible to obtain a large stock of war supplies on short notice. He believed the time to act was now, and that the Government should be enabled at once to purchase all the supplies necessary so that any emergency might be met promptly and effectively.

General Wood favored the national council of defence plan, as outlined in the administration measure yesterday by Representative Hobson, of Alabama and contended for legislation providing a permanent policy, such as was worked out successfully in European governments. He said the United States should not be behind any other government in preparing for war.

No Hospital Equipment.

General Wood has issued a circular, prepared by Colonel Weaver, chief of the militia division, calling the attention of the United States National Guard to the totally inadequate provisions in their various organizations for the care of the sick and wounded, in case the militia is called into active service. The circular states that recent investigation by the militia division demonstrates that with rare exceptions, no ambulance companies or field hospitals have been provided for in the organized militia. In case of mobilization, therefore, in military divisions, there would be almost a complete deficiency of the sanitary units which normally should be provided therefor.

Attention is called to the fact that under the new regulations the medical personnel of the militia is assigned to field service will bear the new designation of "sanitary troops."

EXECUTIVE OF THE SYNOD OF HURON

Quarterly Meeting of the Committee Held Yesterday.

At the quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Synod of Huron, held in Crown Hall yesterday, reports from the Huron College jubilee committee, the financial committee, and from Archdeacon Young, were presented, and showed that affairs are in a most flourishing condition, and that the last quarter was one of the best in the history of the college. Ven. Archdeacon Richardson, Dr. Sage and Rev. W. T. Hill, and Messrs. H. Macklin and R. M. McElhannon, were appointed the committee of the Huron College jubilee. Mr. R. Bayly presented the case of the income of St. Paul's rectory since the death of Canon Dunn and it was decided to give this money to the churchwardens.

It was reported that Rev. Mr. Duthie, of Hespeler, was ill, and he was granted a year's furlough.

The sum of \$250 was given to Bishop Williams to meet contingencies.

At the conclusion of the meeting, a meeting of the committee on missions was held, and plans for an aggressive year's work were laid.

A memorial from Oxford Deanery in regard to church extension was referred to the diocesan commissioner. The clergy present were: Bishop Williams, Dean Davis, Archdeacons Hill, Richardson and Mackenzie; Rev. J. W. G. Andrew, Berlin; Canon Hick, Simcoe; Dr. Sage, London; Rev. T. G. A. Wright, Sarnia; Canon Hague, London; Rev. C. Miles, Aylmer; Rev. T. G. Wallace, Woodstock; Rev. T. A. Wright, Brantford; Rev. L. D. Diehl, Paisley; Canon Davis, Sarnia; Rev. Arthur Carlisle, Windsor; Rev. James Ward, Waterford; Rev. W. T. Hill, London; Rev. J. Hodgins, Stratford; Rev. R. S. W. Howard, Chatham; Rev. W. S. Brownlee, St. Thomas.

The laymen were: Judge Holt, Goderich; Charles Jenkins, Petrolia; Judge Ermatinger, St. Thomas; John Richardson, Clinton; C. C. Hodgins, Lucan; A. H. Backus, Aylmer; E. Paul, London; Henry Macklin, London; Judge Robb, Simcoe; G. Graham, Inwood; R. M. McElhannon, London; W. E. Risping, Grant; S. Metcalfe, Blyth; Chris Hodgins, Lucan, and J. K. H. Pope, London.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM, LIMITED

WEATHER PROBS: COLD.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM, LIMITED**Get An Early Start Saturday Morning**

The importance and advantage of shopping in the forenoon has been strongly demonstrated every day this week. Every morning shoppers receive the full benefit of our complete store service, and enjoy the conveniences and accommodations of this modern equipped and beautifully furnished and appointed building. Saturday will be one of the biggest days for out-of-town shoppers, and we are prepared to render the best, quickest and most accurate service in the history of this store, with a largely increased staff of salespeople and every modern equipment. Yet in the face of all, at this season, we ask you: Is it not timely, the advice to do as much shopping as possible in the forenoon?

CARRY SMALL PARCELS—We again repeat this request, and ask our customers as far as convenient to carry small parcels, particularly on Saturday.

GREAT CLEARING OF TRIMMED MILLINERY

Nothing to be reserved now in this section, and together with another big assortment of Trimmed Hats at half price, many fresh trimmed hats right from our workrooms are being offered at great reductions in price. It is our intention to clear every winter hat and to clear them quickly, too, and all will be found priced accordingly. If you are at all interested, we would ask you to look over the beautiful trimmed hats we are offering at from, each **\$2.50** to **\$6.50**.

AND THE WINGS—If you need a fresh wing for your winter hat, visit this sale table and see the great, large beauties which are being offered, the price of many of which we will not say, but all are sorted into two lots, and the values we will leave for you to judge and pick. The prices are, pair **19c** and **39c**.

Millinery—Second Floor.

Ladies' Plain Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs

If you are in doubt as to what some of your friends would appreciate, the ever-popular and most useful gift—a dozen or half-dozen good quality Linen Handkerchiefs—are always acceptable. (Nicely boxed.)

1/4 or 1/2 inch hem.....**10c** each or **\$1.10** dozen
 1/2 inch hem.....**12 1/2c** each or **\$1.35** dozen
 3/4 or 1 inch hem.....**15c** each or **\$1.65** dozen
 1 inch hem.....**18c** each or **\$2.00** dozen
 1 1/4 or 1 1/2 inch hem.....**20c** each or **\$2.25** dozen
 1 1/2 inch hem.....**25c** each or **\$2.75** dozen
 1 3/4 inch hem.....**40c** each or **\$4.50** dozen

Centre Aisle—Main Floor.

Pretty Belts to Freshen Up Your Outfit for Christmas

An endless variety of charming effects are shown in our Christmas display of Belts. The newest paisley and floral designs, with beautiful buckles to match, in which assortment you'll find color combinations to blend and smarten the appearance of every sombre winter suit, and when neatly boxed suggest a useful Christmas gift. Prices.....**65c** to **\$1.85**

Centre Aisle—Main Floor.

Great Saturday List For Men

With a progressive clothing store, each day and each week must provide for its own. It would not do to sit down and think how and where we are going to get for tomorrow, something to beat the offerings of today. With us the quality standard, if possible, must be higher at the same price, or the price lower for equal quality, each week marking new records that would seem impossible ever again to equal. In Men's Overcoats, Underwear and Winter Caps, startling values have been given, but these three great items for tomorrow are better than anything we have yet offered, and we think beyond anything you have or ever expect to see. But, remember, these are on sale at 8 o'clock Saturday morning, and early buyers will get them.

Startling Sale of Men's High-Class \$18 to \$24 Overcoats at \$13.75

No need to wait longer; may as well have your new Overcoat for Christmas, as not one of these will be here after, as we have decided to clear up our stock of Men's Overcoats before, and this stroke at the prices tomorrow will have a telling effect. Smart Winter Overcoats, in the new Chesterfield, Military and Motor styles. Coats for every occasion and for men in every walk in life—such good and fashionable materials as diagonals, Scotch and English tweeds, meltons and vicunas, in blacks, browns and light and dark greys; single or double breasted styles, stationary or convertible collars, all sizes; \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.00 and \$24.00 Overcoats to go Saturday all at one price.....**\$13.75**

Also Men's \$12.00 and \$14.00 Overcoats for \$8.25**Boys' Overcoats, 8 to 15 Years, Clearing at Each \$5.00**

We have had a wonderful season in Overcoats, far beyond our greatest hopes or expectations. Our Coats are right, that's why; right in style, right in quality, and right in price; but like every other line of merchandise, when broken stocks are cut, they are cut to go, and not held until the season is over. Come early tomorrow for your new Overcoat.

Boys' \$1.25 Jersey Sweaters 89c

These are for ages 4 to 14 years, all-wool Sweaters which have given the best of satisfaction, in plain navy, grey, garnet and cardinal, also in two colors: navy and cardinal, grey and cardinal, and grey and white. Beautiful quality and perfect goods, warm and very elastic, fine knitted goods. Worth \$1.25 each, to clear at.....**89c**

Richmond Street Entrance.

IN THE RESTAURANT

Special Afternoon Teas 15c, two for 25c. —Fourth Floor.—

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED**IN THE RESTAURANT**

Oysters served in every style. —Fourth Floor.—

BILL'S LOST BUFFALO

Old-Time Hunt Attended by Indian Warriors.

Oklahoma, Dec. 15.—Col. William F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," who is visiting with Major Gordon Lillie, "Pawnee Bill," on the latter's buffalo ranch near this city, shot and killed the last buffalo of his historic career during an early morning hunt today. The Lillie ranch contains five hun-

dred acres, and at the present time 150 buffalo, the herd being recently augmented by a shipment from the Austin Corbin ranch in New Hampshire.

For some time an unruly old buffalo bull has been maltreating the other animals, and Major Lillie determined to kill him for a barbecue feast to be given in honor of Col. Cody and his party of friends from the east. "Buffalo Bill" was given the distinction of hunting down and shooting the bull. He was accompanied by all the members of the

party, together with numerous Pawnee and Osage Indians, and executed the death sentence with one shot. The dead bull was immediately skinned, cut up and barbecued by the assembled Indians, who, later in the day, held an old-time council and aroused the old spirit of the warriors and they were with difficulty restrained from attacking the herd. A number of the Pawnee warriors were scouts with "Buffalo Bill" in the north fifty years ago. The day was set apart also for the dedication of

Blue Hawk Peak, Major Lillie's ranch home. It is on the exact spot where a former Pawnee chief's lookout stood, commanding a view of the country in all directions. It is a ranch house, Indian council house, dugout and bungalow combined, with all modern equipments, seventy-five feet in diameter, and fifty feet to apex. A parade was given, headed by Chief White Eagle, of the Pawnees. One hundred guests were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Lillie, including five noted artists of western scenes.

A TERRIBLE DEATH.
 Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Eugene Desloges, a workman in the E. B. Eddy paper mills, met a terrible death this morning, when he was drawn into one of the big machines and pushed through the huge rollers. Desloges was flat tened out and killed instantly. He was about 30 feet from other employees, and no cause for the accident can be discovered.

Refreshments in the Restaurant to the Sweet Strains of Music

CORTESE ORCHESTRA.

From 3:30 to 5 Saturday:

The following programme will be rendered Saturday afternoon in the restaurant, where you may rest and refresh yourself when you have finished your shopping. Lunches and afternoon teas served continuously.

PROGRAMME.

1. March, "The Echo".....Taylor
2. Selection, "Amina".....La Farge
3. Waltz, from "The Dollar Princess".....Leo Fall
4. Song, "Magnolia Serenade".....Missus
5. Novelette, "Every Little Movement".....Hoschiora (Madame Sherry).
6. A Suite, "Dawn, Sleepy Baby, For Thee".....Vannah
7. Airs from "The Arcadians".....Monckton
8. Pot Pourri, "The Merry Widow".....Lehar
9. Intermezzo, from the Cavalliera Rusticana, Mascagni
10. March, "On the Field of Glory".....Brooks

Fourth Floor.

TAKE WEST SIDE ELEVATORS.

Saturday Special--Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose

EMBROIDERED IN COLORS.

These are extra quality Fine Black Cashmere, prettily embroidered in colored silks, spliced heel and toe, extra good value. A splendid gift. One, two or three pairs nicely boxed, only, pair.....**50c**

Main Floor.

200 Men's Fur Band Caps, 75c and \$1.00 Caps for 39c Each

These are the finest lot of Caps we have ever offered at this price; a new lot cleared this week from the maker, silk-lined and well-finished in every detail, with warm drop inside fur bands. Warm Cloth Caps for winter wear, not made of ordinary cap materials, but from manufacturers' ends of overcoats, in grey, navy and brown heaver and mixed tweeds; sizes 6 3/4 to 7 3/4. Two hundred for quick sale Saturday at 8 o'clock. Regular 75c and \$1.00 Caps, your choice, each.....**39c**

See Richmond Street Window.

100 Pieces Men's and Boys' Underwear, Worth Up to \$1.25 Saturday 33c Garment

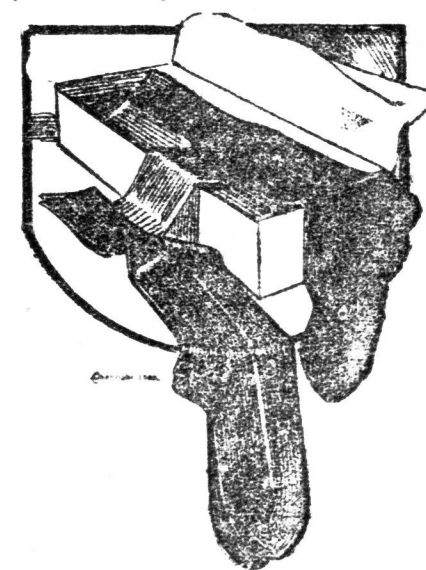
The odds and ends of all sizes in All-Wool Ribbed and Fleece-Lined Underwear. We want all the big men Saturday, as there are plenty of large sizes. The greatest snap ever offered in this department to those who are early enough for the first picking. One hundred garments, each.....**33c**

40 Dozen Men's Socks, 3 Pairs in a Box, for \$1.25

Here is a splendid gift suggestion for men, a most acceptable gift. Plain or Ribbed Fine Cashmere Socks, nicely put up, three pairs in a box, making a popular-priced gift. Box.....**\$1.00**

Also 30 doz. Pen-Angle, ever last heel and toe, in fancy colors; a very pleasing gift, 3 pairs in a box, for.....**\$1.25**

Richmond Street Entrance.



Condensed Advertisements.

No Advertisement Accepted Less Than Fifteen Words.

Amusements—Ten cents per line each insertion, or two cents per word if set solid.

Meetings—With no admission is charged, one cent per word each insertion.

Articles For Sale, To Let, Help Wanted, Situations Wanted, Board and Lodging, Lost and Found, Rooms to Let and all similar condensed advertisements—First insertion, one cent a word; each subsequent insertion, one-half cent per word. No advertisement less than fifteen words.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS.
SELLARS—At 52 Wellington street, on Dec. 14, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. Sellars, a son.

MARRIAGES.
HEATHFIELD—HOOPER—At the home of the bride's parents, 78 Wellington street, on Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1910, by the Rev. George McKenzie, Matthew Thomas Heathfield to Laura E. Hooper, both of this city.

DEATHS.
BROCK—In this city, on Dec. 14, 1910, Isaac Brock, beloved husband of Elizabeth Brock, aged 64 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 423 Hill street, at 3:30 a.m., to St. Mary's Church, Requiem high mass at 9 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at St. Peter's Cemetery.

FRASER—On Thursday, Dec. 15, 1910, Robert M. Fraser, formerly of Westminster Township, in his 73rd year.

Funeral from his late residence, 518 William street, on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 p.m.

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Funeral private, Monday, Dec. 19, kindly omit flowers.

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Funeral notice later.

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AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES.

GRAND TONIGHT
Gertrude Elliott
(Mrs. Forbes-Robertson)
And Her Enticing English Company.
LEIBLER & CO. Managers.

The Dawn of a Tomorrow
One year in New York, another in London.
PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

TOMORROW—MAT. AND NIGHT
Victor Moore
In His Merriest Musical Success Hit of the Year.
All-Star Cast.

THE HAPPIEST NIGHT OF HIS LIFE.
PRICES—Mat.—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.
SEATS SELLING.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

WEEK DEC. 19
MATINEE SATURDAY.
"The Big Sensational Event"
350 Nights in Greater New York City.
THE INTERNATIONAL AMUSEMENT COMPANY PRESENTS

KLEEN

THE WORLD'S FAMOUS
HYPNOTIST
MASTER OF THE HUMAN MIND,
ASSISTED BY
LILLIAN LYNBROOK
NATURAL BORN CLAIRVOYANT,
Demonstrating
Thought Transference
KLEEN HANGS A MAN ON THE OPEN STAGE (EVERY NIGHT).

A MOST MARVELLOUS EXHIBITION.

50—OTHER HYPNOTIC ACTS—50.
Constant Laugh, Roar, Scream, Yell.
Creates More Laughter than 50 Comedians.
GENERAL ADMISSION—25c, 50c, 75c.
Reserved Seats \$1.00, at Box Office.

WESTMINSTER RINK—CADET BAND

tonight and Saturday afternoon and night. Grand ice. Open afternoons, b

SKATING AT THE NORTH END RINK

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TONY CORSE'S ORCHESTRA—ORIGINAL

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150 People in Costume.
SEE THE ORIENT.
Admission 50c. Afternoon 25c.
Course Tickets, \$1.25.

8 Days, Dec. 27 to Jan. 4

DANCING—LEARN NOW. STRICTLY

private. Beginners' classes: Gentlemen, Tuesday, ladies, Thursday; advanced class, Wednesday evening; children, Saturday afternoons. Competent teachers. Circulars. Phone Dayton & McCormick.

TROPICS

Variety of cruises for long or short periods in all directions, at excursion rates.

DE LA HOOKE'S

General Steamship Agency,
422 Park Avenue, London Loan Block

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES.

Complimentary Banquet

WILL BE HELD
IN THE
TECUMSEH
HOUSE

Tuesday Evening

Next, the 20th Inst.,
To celebrate the introduction of Niagara
power and the completion of the artesian
well schemes in the city of London.

Speeches will be made by
P. W. ELLIS, ESQ., OF TORONTO;
MAYOR GEARY, OF TORONTO;
MAYOR HOLLIWELL, OF OTTAWA;
HON. ADAM BECK,
And others.

Admission tickets may be obtained
from the city clerk's office or the water
commissioners' office on payment of \$5.
Dinner, 125 Queen's avenue.

MUSIC FURNISHED FOR PARTIES.
bells, banquets, Phone 1285, Tony Villa's
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418 Richmond street, next Bank of Commerce, devotes his whole attention to travel by water everywhere. Winter tours to Bermuda, Nassau, Bahamas, South and Central America, Jamaica, and around the world.

HYMAN HALL, OPEN EVERY EVENING.
J. Ross speaks on "Election." All the latest daily papers. Everybody welcome.

PRIVATE DANCING—THE ONLY
exclusive private academy in London. Private classes taught at public class rates. Rapid system. Lessons any hour. Phone 2481. R. B. Millard, 245 Princess avenue.

MEETINGS.

AUDITORIUM, SUNDAY, 4 P.M.—DR. J. J. ROSS speaks on "Election." Special music by London Ladies' Quartette, Association Orchestra, Joe Corse, leader. All men invited.

KILWINNING LODGE, NO. 64, A. F. and M. M. Masonic Temple, this Friday evening, 7:30. Visitors welcome. G. G. Steele, W. M.; R. W. Glover, secretary.

MALE HELP WANTED.

BOY TO PACK SOAP. THE LONDON Soap Company.

WANTED AT ONCE—MAN, ABOUT 25 years of age; one accustomed to packing and shipping; to make him generally useful. Johnston Bros., 252 Ottawa avenue.

WANTED—FIRST-CLASS BOOKKEEPER in coal office; state experience and salary expected. Apply Advertiser Job Department. Box 19, Advertiser.

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN, ABOUT 17; stenographer, must be good at figures. Jose Gaste Cigar Company.

WANTED—FIRST-CLASS BOOKKEEPER—State age and experience, salary expected. Apply the George Taylor Hardware Company, New Liskeard.

CANVASSERS WANTED—WEEKLY salary paid. Alfred Tyler, 353 Clarence street.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

WANTED—EXPERIENCED OPERA- tors, steady work; high wages. Operators make \$6 to \$10 per week. Sainsbury & Co., 101 King street.

GENERAL SERVANT—FAMILY OF two. Apply 408 Oxford street.

WANTED—COMPETENT MAID; FAM- ily of two; highest wages. Apply 508 Wellington street.

COOK—GOOD WAGES. APPLY 515 Queen's avenue.

WANTED—HOUSEMAID, IMMEDIATE- ly. Mrs. Beattie, Elmhurst, Wortley road.

GIRL WANTED TO PACK TEA. ALFRED Tyler, 353 Clarence street.

YOUNG GIRL FOR LIGHT HOUSE- work, at once; family of two; good wages. 259 Piccadilly street.

COMPETENT GIRL FOR GENERAL housework; no washing; small family; good wages. 764 Waterloo street.

EXPERIENCED BINDERY GIRLS wanted. Apply Advertiser Job Department.

WANTED.

SETTING HENS WANTED. APPLY 11 Victor street, South London.

WASHING AND PLAIN IRONING. 1023 Laura street. Send postcard.

LOGS WANTED—ELM, BASSWOOD and M. maple; highest prices paid. London and Petrolia Barrel Company.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

PARTNERSHIP FOR SALE IN ESTAB- lished manufacturing business, manufacturing patented labor and material saving machines, also Canadian patent; no opposition; price \$2,800. The Arkton Machine Company, 41 Duchess, Toronto.

TEACHERS WANTED.

TEACHER WANTED FOR S. S. NO. 11, Camden, to begin service after New Year's, applying salary, to Mrs. Law, Croton, Ont.

NORMAL TEACHER WANTED FOR S. S. No. 13, London Township, for the year 1911. Apply, stating experience and salary, to H. McGuffin, Fanshawe.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—ONE HUNDRED BOYS AND girls, aged from 8 to 14 years; you can earn after school hours from \$5 to \$10 before Christmas. Apply Rooms 19 and 21, upstairs, London Loan building, corner Park Avenue and Dundas.

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—ONE ROSEWOOD PIANO, one small cook stove, more chairs, tables and other articles of household furniture. 201 Dundas street, city. 61c

FOR SALE—TWO NEW MILCH COWS, Holsteins, George Jackson, 57 Wellington street.

FOR IMMEDIATE SALE—HORSE, about 13½ hands high; weight, 1,100 pounds; color, bay; good single roadster. For particulars phone 244. 61c

Pocahontas Smokeless Lump Coal

\$6.00 Per Ton
GREEN & CO.
455 YORK STREET. PHONE 1381.

TWO DOZEN YOUNG HENS FOR sale, some laying. Apply 699 Colborne street.

FOR SALE—UPRIGHT WORMWHEEL piano, nearly new, first-class condition. Apply 20 Ridout street south. 62c

BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS POSTALS for sale at 5c dozen. Red Star News Company, 10 Market Lane.

BUY YOUR PIANO

NOW AT
Nordheimers'
5 Special Snaps

\$75 \$115
\$150 \$225
\$275

Easy terms of payment.
Store open evenings from now until Christmas.

LEATHER WORK OUR SPECIALTY in upholstery. Charles M. Quick, 725 Richmond street.

STOVES AT HUNT & SONS, FEATHER and Mattress Renovators, 553 Richmond street. Phone 997.

HAMS, MILD CURD, 1c A POUND; Cooking Butter, 2c a pound; Pork Chops, 15c a pound; Pork Shoulders, 13c a pound; Pork Dripping, 2 pounds for 25c.

MURPHY'S PROVISION STORE

245 DUNDAS STREET.

CHRISTMAS CAKES—EMPRESS, choicest quality, per pound, 4c. Royal Quality, very delicious flavor, 35c; Duchess, a rich cake, 20c; Countess, a fine cake, 20c. Phone city groceries. R. Nuttall, cake manufacturer.

Piano Snaps

A beautiful Rosewood Piano, 71-3 octaves, Guaranteed 5 years every way only

\$100
PAYABLE \$3 00 PER MONTH.

A handsome Ebony Finished Piano, 71-3 octaves, in fine condition and only

\$150
PAYABLE \$4 00 PER MONTH.

A specially fine French Burl Piano, with modern improvements, guaranteed fully,

\$200
PAYABLE \$5 00 PER MONTH.

A beautiful Mahogany Empire Style Piano, only 5 months in use; good as new Regular price \$250, now only

\$250
PAYABLE \$6 00 PER MONTH.

Heintzman & Co.

242 DUNDAS ST., LONDON.

YOUR BICYCLE CLEANED AND stored for the winter, \$1. Gurd's, 135 Dundas.

GOOD COVERED DELIVERY SLEIGH, some good and cheap for delivery purposes, both open and covered, good line new and second-hand bargains; complete stock up-to-date cutlery. Smith's, Maple street.

Leach's Quality Cakes

Have you tried our English Plum Pudding and Christmas Cake, at 25c per lb? If you have, we will have you for a customer this year. If not, get a sample from one of our 40 stores we supply. C. J. LEACH, 402 Princess avenue, vzx

GOOD HARD CHESTNUT STOVE, 65c, \$3.50 per ton, guaranteed right. Dominion Coal Company, Phone 1383.

ON HAND—SALE OF UNPAID COR- sets—Canadian Lady Corset Company, 355 Clarence street. Agents wanted.

CHRISTMAS TREES, 15c UPWARDS. Branches for decorating, 15c and 25c a bundle. All kinds of shrubs, fruit and vines, evergreens, from 10c up. Baker's Nursery. Telephone 2222.

THE JOSEPH F. CRUMMEY LEATHER Upholstering Company, 212 Dundas street. Phones 3105 and 2933.

SKATES HOLLOW-GROUND AND PUT on boots, 15 and 25 cents. Percy Hodgins, 715 Richmond street.

WE ARE OFFERING THIS WEEK five pianos at \$50, \$55, \$75, \$100 and \$150, and six organs at \$10, \$15 and \$25, payable \$1 to \$3 per month. Each instrument guaranteed five years. Heintzman & Co., 242 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—GOOD WORK HORSE, 7 years old, cheap. Apply Standard Chemical Company, Bathurst and Burwell, city.

A FEW HEAVY CLOTH QUILTS TO sell. Box 17, Advertiser.

SOME GOOD SECOND-HAND TOP delivery wagons for sale. Abbott's Carriage Works.

IF YOU WANT HELP, SITUATIONS, want to buy or sell real estate, etc., insert an advertisement in the Hamilton Herald, the recognized want medium of the city. Rate, 1c a word, or three consecutive insertions for 2c a word, cash with order. Subscription: Daily, 25c a month, \$2 yearly; Saturday edition, 50c yearly. Sample copy sent on application.

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

WARDING STATIONERY IN ALL THE latest styles. See our samples. The Advertiser Job Department.

FISH OF ALL KINDS SUPPLIED fresh daily. F. S. Orr, Phone 1296.

ALL KINDS OF SECOND-HAND wagons for sale. Gould & Mohan, Wellington street.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—PEARL SUNBURST, EITHER on King street or belt line car, or on Waterloo, near Central avenue. Reward on return to 101 King street. 61c

DOG LOST—RED COCKER SPANIEL, with collar. Return to 717 Waterloo street, or phone 1234. b

LOST—PERSIAN LAMB GAUNTLET, Wednesday evening. Reward at this office.

STRAYED FROM LOBO VILLAGE, shod Monday, Jan 3rd, one 4-year-old gelding and one yearling bay gelding. Please send any information to A. D. McKellar, Lobo. 63c

LOST IN JUNE LAST—LADY'S MINK stolee, liberal reward. Mrs. George Robinson, corner St. James and Richmond streets. 62c

HOUSES, ROOMS, TO LET.

TO LET—NEWLY-FURNISHED FRONT rooms, with board, bath, gas, phone. 520 Queen's avenue. 63c

TO LET OUT ON SHARES—TWELVE acres, 20 to 25 years. 63c

BRICK HOUSE, FURNISHED, NINE rooms, modern conveniences; cheap to right party. 474 Ridout. 62c

TO LET—SECOND FLOOR IN THE Martin Apartments, 433 Waterloo street. 61f

FRAME COTTAGE TO LET—THREE bedrooms, 711 William street; rent moderate. Apply 506 Piccadilly street. 61f

TO LET—WELL-FURNISHED ROOMS, with board, house, with phone, hot water, bath and phone. Apply 130 Albert street. 60n

FOUR ROOMS, HEATED BY FUR- nace; telephone; north end; to adults. Box 12, Advertiser. 61f

HOUSE TO LET, NO. 390 PALL MALL street, eight rooms, modern. Apply on premises. 58g

ROOMS TO LET, 192 CENTRAL AVE. N.E., suitable for light housekeeping; gas, water and other conveniences. 251f

OFFICE SPACE TO LET, DE LA Loan Block. 251f

WARM, WELL-FURNISHED ROOM with or without board, in private family. Address Box 64, Advertiser office. 541f

TO LET—TWO ROOM APARTMENT, heated, 443 Park avenue. 251f

STORE TO LET, 438 PARK AVE. NUB. 251f

STORAGE FOR FURNITURE, PIANOS and pictures—Separate rooms, clean and dry. Rates reasonable. John J. Biggs, 97 Carling. 251f

FOREST CITY MOVING VAN—LARG- est in city. W. P. Wright, 312 Piccadilly. Phone 1444.

ALEX. HENDERSON'S MOVING VANS Largest in city. Good storage. 25c. Cheap sale. Phone 1724.

ON MOVING DAY REMEMBER "DAY the Mover." H. F. Day, Ideal Moving Van, office 78 King. Phone 2887.

OSTEOPATHY.

DR. MARIE H. HARKINS, GRADUATE American School Osteopathy, Kirkville, Mo. 114 Masonic Temple. Phone 1560.

DR. H. V. CATON HAS REMOVED TO 570 Richmond street. Phone 1573.

MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

MR. R. DRYSDALE, SCOTCH VIOLIN- ist, will give private lessons. (Can be seen at the Conservatory of Music, 361 Dundas, city. Phone 2730. 62n-vtz)

JACK PATTERSON, CHARACTER comedian, Canada's Harry Lauder. Booking strong. Companies supplied.

MR. CHARLES E. WHEELER HAS resumed teaching. Studio, 429 Waterloo street. Telephone.

ARCHITECTS.

WILLIAM G. MURRAY, ARCHITECT, 111 (first floor) Masonic Temple. Phone.

REMOVAL—GEORGE CRADDOCK, architect, 461 Talbot street.

H. C. McBRIDE, ARCHITECT—SIXTH floor, Bank of Toronto Chambers.

PATENTS.

F. J. EDMUNDS, REGISTERED AT- torney and Solicitor of Patents, London, Canada.

MISCELLANEOUS.

JAMES McILLAN, CHARTERED AC- countant city and district. 235 Princess avenue.

PERSONAL.

HOME FOR WOMEN BEFORE AND during confinement; adoption provided; confidential. 25 Forward avenue, west.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

CAPABLE OLD COUNTRY DOMES- tics, arriving weekly in summer, fortnightly in winter. Apply The Grange, Drummond street, Montreal, or 14 Grenville street, Toronto. 60un

INSURANCE.

G. M. GUNN & SON—GEORGE C. Gunn, 121 Bathurst street, general insurance. Fourteen fire companies. Next Free Press.

P. M. MILLMAN

Archibald MacPherson Insurance Agency. Phone 745, 1600.

E. J. MacRobert Insurance Agency. Phone 449, 1600.

PERKINS & SON, LONDON'S LEAD- ing ivory, formerly Dry Bros., Dundag street, next The Advertiser. Phone 1277.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

OBJECTION TO PROPOSED UNION

Remit Meets Opposition in the Montreal Presbytery.

MOTION OF DISAPPROVAL

After Discussion Extending Through Two Sessions Taking of a Vote Was Deferred.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—The burning question of union with the Methodist and Congregational churches throughout Canada was a matter which engaged the attention of a special meeting of the Presbytery of Montreal, held yesterday in Knox Church, over which the Rev. Dr. Bowman (St. Therese) presided. There was an unusually large attendance of both ministers and elders, some of whom were obliged to leave at nightfall, and in deference to whom the vote was deferred to the general meeting of the Presbytery in January next.

The discussion arose out of the consideration of the remit sent down by the General Assembly to presbyteries, in regard to the proposed union. Dr. Scott to the proposed union were based chiefly on the alteration in church polity; the doctrinal basis, he admitted, he was satisfied with. He felt convinced that the Presbyterian Church could do better work as a separate organization than by merging with a combined church in which it would lose some of its strongest characteristics. This motion found a seconder in Mr. Jas. Rodger, who suggested that malcontents would break away from all the churches which it was proposed to unite and so cause more disunion than existed before.

The basis of union sent down by the General Assembly found an advocate in the Rev. Prof. Scrimger, who moved for approval, only qualified by the suggestion that no action should be taken towards putting the proposal into effect until it had been submitted to all sessions and congregations for an expression of opinion.

All Day Discussion. The discussion lasted throughout the day, but the trend of opinion seemed to favor union, though at the same time most of the speakers declared their intention of voting against it for the moment, contending that the General Assembly had acted ill-advisedly in associating the question with what is known as the Barrier Act, which meant, said various speakers, that the Presbytery would bind itself to that basis of union, which thereafter could not be rescinded or modified save with the consent of the union church. The advocates of union argued chiefly in regard to waste of effort, through over-lapping, whilst other places were left without any spiritual ministrations. The opponents of the remit in several cases expressed their belief in the principle of union, but opposed it at this stage on account of the method in which it was sent down.

Amongst such opponents was the Rev. W. T. Morrison, Norwood, who held that the court was not properly qualified to take the vote. He always looked on union with favor, but thought it would be time to go forward when they did so in the proper manner, and if the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church did not keep in order, a check must be applied, and that check he wanted this Presbytery to apply.

Mr. Walter Paul was of opinion that if they acted as the representatives of the people they ought to have the people behind them in this matter, but he believed that the vast majority who did not want union. He felt that this agitation for union was actually doing harm and that when disposed of the church would be more progressive. If the question came up again and people were ready for it, he would vote for it, but it was a mistake to force union on the church. He strongly advocated voting against the amendment of Dr. Scrimger.

Rev. Mr. Dickie supported union, and suggested that the onus of proof should be placed on the "schism" party.

The term "schism" was objected to by Dr. Scott, who pointed out that disunion did not exist in our eyes. The Rev. Mr. Scott retorted that there was disunion at least in the Christian Church and that organic union would lead to spiritual union. A difficulty with the proposal of disunion was that men entering the ministry would not subscribe to the Confession of Faith except with reservations.

Approval of the principle and on the basis of union was suggested by Rev. W. R. Cruikshank, but to be dissociated with the Barrier Act.

Whilst favoring union, the Rev. Dr. Morrison, Ormstown, was of opinion that the General Assembly had acted unwisely in the manner of submitting the question, but he had no doubt that if the opinion against union was strong, action and decision would be taken by the General Assembly.

Rev. Dr. Mowat stated that he had hitherto always voted in favor of union, but felt it would be a mistake to force it through in this way without the support of their congregations.

At the close of the discussion, Principal Scrimger remarked that what impressed him most throughout was that there was practically no objection to the principle of union or the basis submitted to the three churches, but that the only objection was the Barrier Act, which he said was throwing dust in our eyes. The Rev. Dr. Scott took exception to this aspersion, and asked that it be withdrawn. Thereupon Dr. Scrimger explained that he meant to imply that it was only a small point that had been labored by opponents which was not worth consideration, but he did not intend to cast any reflection on any speaker.

The discussion was concluded at the close of the afternoon session, with the understanding that a vote would be taken at a fixed hour in January.

LAW'S LONG ARM

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Detective Wallace has been looking over a year for Mike Muttio, alias "Fole," wanted at Bracebridge on a charge of forgery. This morning two Polish men walked into the leading office, one, Juan Kurszag, leaving the other, whose name was given as Mike Derb, and whom Kurszag charged with stealing \$32 from him in the town of Preston, by the arm. Detective Wallace at once recognized in Derb the man he had been looking for for a year. Derb, in the police court this morning pleaded guilty, and was sent to jail for 60 days. He will probably go to bracebridge when he finishes his term.

PASTOR DURHAM STILL DRAW CROWDS

Lively Scene at the Pentecostal Meeting in Higgins Block Last Night.

DOWN ON SANTA CLAUS

Mr. Durham Objects to the Worship of the Popular Old Fellow—Some Strange "Tongues."

Probably the most remarkable demonstration of its kind ever witnessed in London was made at the Pentecostal meeting last night in the Higgins Block. All through the meeting there was a peculiarly earnest fervor; even the outsider could not fail to notice a psychic thrill or exultation, a portent, as it were, of things about to happen. To those who look for signs in the works of God, sufficient signs were certainly given at the meeting, but to those who have always believed God to speak with a still, small voice, the strange antics and noises of the Pentecostals last night will not appeal with any especial religious significance.

Broke Out in Tongues.

Even while Pastor Durham was speaking, women moved uneasily, whispered the names of the Deity, and swayed convulsively in their seats, as if the strained consciousness of the assembly was impatient to manifest its strange, and eerie power. Realizing that the moment was opportune, the pastor concluded his remarks briefly, and, without even kneeling down, several women broke out at once in "tongues." All the women were seated on one side of the room, and with scarcely a moment of warning, apparently the whole group of women and girls, and several men scattered throughout the hall, joined in one long pandemonium of strange sounds, and chants. Some of the "tongues" sounded like mere gibberish, but others were seemingly real languages, whether ancient or modern, no one present could tell, but made up apparently of well-differentiated words and syllables.

A Regular Babel.

A close observer would probably tell you that half a dozen languages were spoken last night, by anywhere from ten to fifteen people, the majority of them all speaking at once. Others broke into the most unearthly chants, varying from a softly-sung Indian slumber song, to a wild Ossian lamentation, or a Gaelic dirge for the dead. Once a devoted devotee, with weird terror, what sounded very much like the blood-chilling death song of the American savage bent on revenge. Others resorted to speaking in "tongues," or a Gaelic dirge for the dead. Once a devoted devotee, with weird terror, what sounded very much like the blood-chilling death song of the American savage bent on revenge. Others resorted to speaking in "tongues," or a Gaelic dirge for the dead. Once a devoted devotee, with weird terror, what sounded very much like the blood-chilling death song of the American savage bent on revenge.

Outsiders Were Few.

Last night was a particularly opportune time for manifestations, the curious element of outsiders being almost entirely absent. Outside of the Pentecostals themselves, the only others present were half a dozen serious investigators and representatives of the press. Those who came with the express purpose of getting to the bottom of the strange doings, confessed themselves unable to define or explain matters, but suggested everything from multiple personality to cosmic consciousness as possible explanations. Some think that telepathy and psychic force are the mediums through which the spirit works. One observer drew attention to the fact that all language has one common origin in root sounds, which varies with the differences in the organs of the voice in different races. Perhaps the psychic force manifested, changes for the time being the action of the auxiliary organs of sound, so as to produce different languages.

Some Cross-Examination.

"How am I to know," asked one investigator, "that this is not hypnotism? I have seen demonstrated."

"You that," replied Mr. Durham, "Pastor Durham possesses a very magnetic personality, and is evidently very nearly worshipped by his followers, who hang upon his words. One of the leaders of the local movement admitted that he (himself) had been a hypnotist in his day, but claimed he does not possess hypnotic power at present. He, with another man at the close of the meeting, carried on an animated conversation, partly in tongues, partly in English, the other man at the same time waving his arms wildly, leaping from the floor, throwing up his feet in good imitation of an Highland fling, and shaking the entire floor with his wild, quivering and jerking. Then the two men embraced and kissed one another affectionately. Two young girls quivered and shook through the meeting, as though overcome by overwhelming emotion.

Referring to Christmas last night, Pastor Durham said:

"Down on Santa Claus."

"Pentecostal people do not believe in Santa Claus. There is no idol of wood or stone in heaven and earth that is worshiped more devoutly than the Santa Claus of Christendom. Children know more about Santa Claus than they do about Jesus Christ."

In his opening prayer, Mr. Durham turned over to the direction of the Lord, the meetings, the newspapers, the devil, and everything else connected with them.

The Doctrine.

The Pentecostal doctrine was briefly stated thus: The gift of God (the first person of the Trinity), is his only son Jesus Christ, and eternal life through Him; the gift of Christ is the Holy Ghost; the gift of the Holy Ghost includes "the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, faith, powers of healing and prophecy, divers tongues, interpretation of tongues, and the discernment of spirits."

"If you Pentecostal people here are sufficiently earnest and keep advancing and onward, you will have a surprising congregation here before long, but you won't get any free advertising."

"Salvation," broke in someone with a loud voice.

"You may preach what you like," said Pastor Durham, "so long as you don't accomplish anything."

Against the Clubs.

"The world reject Christ and turns to the club, the lodge, the dance hall, the theatre, the gambling den, and the racetrack. The world is largely on the way to hell, because men have not met with Jesus Christ and his gospel. We seek our own damnation and provide for our sons' damnation in hell. Men who themselves are in danger of hell, will even ridicule the works of God."

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Boys' \$7.50 Military Collar Overcoats \$5.40

Just 43 of these Swagger Military Collar and Convertible Collar Coats for boys, in sizes 28 to 33. Handsome brown, grey and olive tweed effects, in new stripe designs. Perfect fitting, and with lots of real smart style. Odd sizes of lines selling regularly at \$6.50 to \$8.50. Your choice tomorrow at .. \$5.40.

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Extra fine pure linen, plain, in our regular 35c quality, at half dozen .. \$1.25

Fancy Colored Silk Handkerchiefs, newest pattern. Worth 50c and 65c, for .. 25c and 39c

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

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Fownes' Famous Fur-lined Gloves, in suede and mocha, at .. \$2 to \$2.50

Fownes' English Cape and Dogskin, unlined and silk lined .. \$1 to \$1.50

Boys' Gloves, wool-lined, in kid and suede; some with fur wrist .. 75c to \$1

Boys' "Broncho" Fringed Gauntlet Gloves, lined; tan and buck shades .. 75c to \$1

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JOHN NUTKINS RE-ELECTED

Ex-Alderman Again Chosen Head of St. George's Society.

At the regular meeting of St. George's Society last night, Mr. John Nutkins was re-elected president of the organization for the coming year. The other officers are as follows: First vice-president, W. G. R. Bartram; second vice-president, R. P. Fearns; treasurer, C. P. Butler (re-elected); secretary, R. Cadwallader (re-elected); assistant secretary, James Wilkins; auditor, T. G. Jewell; standard-bearer, S. Roberts; finance committee, W. Richards, John Heaman, Thomas Cole; chaplains, Bishop Williams, Ven. Archdeacon Richardson, Rev. Dr. Sago

ERECT MEMORIAL TO KING EDWARD

St. George's Society Plans to Put a Clock at Main Corner.

At last night's meeting of St. George's Society, a proposal to erect a memorial in this city to King Edward was received with enthusiasm. President John Nutkins, who is leaving next week for England, was instructed while in London to call and

see makers of ornamental clocks and ascertain the cost of a big city clock, which it is proposed to erect at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets. The plan as outlined is to place four pedestals, one at each corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, above these would be a superstructure of ornamental steel work, and at the top would be placed a very large and handsome memorial clock, having four dials, so that it could be seen from each street. If the memorial is erected the city will be asked to keep the clock lighted during the night.

Mr. Richard Lloyd George, son of the chancellor of the exchequer, who is engaged on the Dover Harbor Works, has joined the Royal East Kent Yeomanry.

and Rev. T. B. Clarke, relief committees, William Skinner, Thomas Cole, S. Roberts, W. Bugler, W. Nutkins, C. Fyfe, A. Benbow, James Wilkins and R. Foxworthy; medical officers, Drs. Williams, Fingel, Belton and Drake.

As a south bound Northwestern passenger train pulled into Escanaba, Mich., Charles Moore, the engineer, fell dead at the throttle. Heart disease was the cause.

J. C. Wickes, of Brooklyn, rigged a cannon to shoot burglars. A burglar entering, fired the cannon, but escaped as it was loaded only with powder. George Bloohas, 18 years old, convicted of murder at Kalamazoo, Mich., and sentenced to life imprisonment, has begged the officers to hang him.

A FRAUD CHARGE.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—David B. Spencer pleaded not guilty in the police court this morning to the charge of fraudulent use of the mails, on which he was arrested last night. He also pleaded not guilty to a second charge of keeping a common betting house, at his address, 65 Sullivan street, laid against him upon the strength of certain literature found in his residence, which, it is alleged, show bets had been received through the mails, and placed on horse races. Spencer was committed for trial on the fraud charge, and remanded a week on the new charge.

It is proposed to widen Fulham road at London, at a cost of \$300,000.

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HEDGES FORCED OUT OF BASEBALL

Rumor Has It That St. Louis Magnate Is Being Pushed Off the Map.

McALEER BACKS DOWN

Washington Man Cannot Get Enough Money to Purchase Browns—Keller With Leafs.

[By Associated Press.] New York, Dec. 15.—Belief that Col. Robert Lee Hedges, of the St. Louis Browns, is to be forced out of American League baseball is gaining ground among those who are attending the big meetings here in capacities other than that of active participants in the executive sessions.

Rumors that things were being made a bit warmer for the St. Louis magnate started Wednesday afternoon, but the other club owners took pains to deny them and to put forward the explanation that Col. Hedges was the originator of the movement to place the club in different hands.

Today the American League committee, consisting of President Johnson, Frank Farrell and Charlie Comiskey, was authorized to visit the Mount City at its convenience for the purpose of conferring with a syndicate that has made a bid for the Browns.

Originally there were two syndicates after Hedges' holdings, Jimmy McAleer, formerly manager of the Browns and now the Nationals' boss, being at the head of one of them.

McAleer backs out of St. Louis purchase. Col. Hedges set the price so high that McAleer decided he could not afford it. The other collection of capitalists appears to be willing to meet Col. Hedges' figures, and if the league committee finds everything all right, the transfer is likely to take place before the winter is very much over.

Col. Hedges denies that any pressure has been brought to bear on him, explaining that he has been wanting to quit baseball for some time, as his health is not good and he wishes to be freed from the strain of handling a club. He says that he has been willing to let a price for his property and now that the money is in sight, he is glad enough to let go.

One story has it that Charlie Comiskey didn't like the idea of Col. Hedges trying to get F. Lee Jones to buy into the St. Louis club.

Fleider is still on the reserve list of the White Sox, and gossip has it that Comiskey thinks other magnates ought to let him alone. The old Roman naturally isn't confirmed in this story and he denies any hostility to Col. Hedges.

Tigers Deal With Browning Held. Incidentally, the chaotic condition of affairs on the St. Louis club has been a serious hindrance to Detroit. Manager Jennings had several trades that he wanted to talk about with the Browns' boss, but the impending change in ownership knocked everything out.

Col. Hedges doesn't care to talk trade until he sees what is to be the outcome of the negotiations, and under way. McIntyre, Lathers and some of the other younger members of the club were used on by Jennings as possible trading material in a deal with the Mount City outfit, Lathers being the Brownie who Detroit seeks. As a result of the trend of affairs Hedges hasn't been able to accomplish anything at all in the way of swaps, and he will return to Scranton tonight richer only in the pleasure of renewing old friendships.

Charlie Carr, who played with Detroit during the Harrow regime, has purchased a part interest in the Utica club and will manage that aggregation, playing first base regularly and doing the "clean-up" hitting.

Who Will Get Mount City Management? This disposes of the rumor that Carr had been expected to get together with Hedges and fix up a deal by which he would be placed in command of the unfortunate Browns.

Just who will get this St. Louis management eventually nobody seems to know, but Fred Lake, who is out of a job as a result of the change in ownership of the Doves, still is in the field. There was practically nothing doing today in the way of trading, but a few minor leaguers put across some deals. Willie Keeler has been taken under Joe Kelley's wing as a member of the Toronto club and will play regularly with the Maple Leafs next season.

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HERRMANN, EBBETS AND LYNCH IN ROW

The Brooklyn Man Who Drew Schedules For 20 Years Not On Committee.

TROUBLE OVER UMPIRES

Stand of the League President Is Finally Indorsed—Hitch in Boston Deal.

[Associated Press.] New York, Dec. 15.—The American League men were in session less than an hour this afternoon, the delegates discussing the big St. Louis deal exclusively. Mr. Hedges explained the situation more fully, and at 3 o'clock the meeting adjourned. Johnson, Comiskey and other club owners then made a bee line for a western limited. Mr. Hedges will start for St. Louis tomorrow.

The National League men, at the Hotel Breslin, had another long secret confab, and adjourned again until morning. The political wheel, operated by August Herrmann, the league's leader, took another turn, and when the figures were added it was found that C. H. Ebbets, of the Brooklyn club, had been left off the schedule committee. President Lynch had the power to appoint this committee to act with John A. Heiden, the league's secretary, and Barney Dreyfuss, of the Pittsburgh club.

Mr. Ebbets for nearly twenty years has been known as the league's schedule maker. He is an expert in arranging playing dates, and has been chairman of the committee for a long time. Last winter he made a long fight for a 16-game schedule, and also kept out for an extended season that carried the dates to Oct. 15. This did not please the American League men, and at the Pittsburgh conference last February, when the two league schedule makers got together, Ebbets and Lynch had a war of words. Ebbets opposed Lynch's re-election this year until he found that Herrmann held the whip hand, but he managed to have a see one ruled by Lynch for an infraction of the waiver rule submitted by the board of directors. Herrmann was blocked by Ebbets in his attempt to have Lynch elected for more than one year, and for that, it is said, the Cincinnati Reds squared Lynch's account by having Lynch keep Ebbets off the schedule committee.

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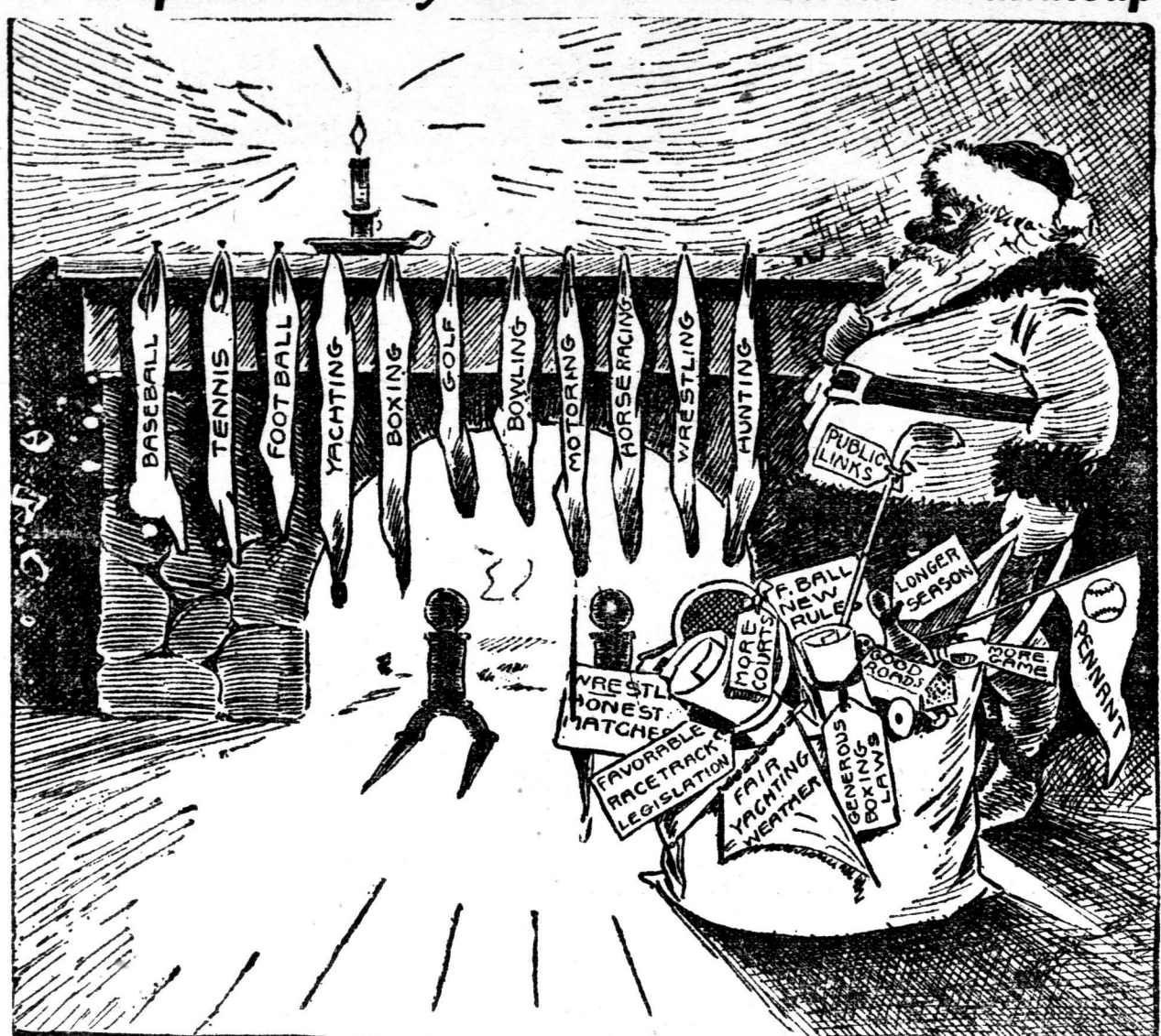
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A Popular Entry in the Christmas Handicap



The sale must be approved by all the clubs and it was rumored that H. H. Locke, of the Pittsburgh club, who tried to buy the Boston stock some weeks ago, but was turned down, had induced his employer, Barney Dreyfuss, to file a strenuous protest against the matter, but he admitted there was a hitch. The new prospective Boston owners went home today with the understanding that they will meet Harris in Boston tomorrow.

MAYOR BEATTIE OFFERS TROPHY TO THE CURLERS. His Worship Officially at Opening of New Rink and Surprises Members.

Mayor Beattie, who opened the new rink of the recently reorganized London Curling Club, at the transportation building at the fair grounds last night, pleasantly surprised the members when he announced that he had decided to offer a fine trophy for club competition. The executive committee will meet in a few days to arrange the rules, and play for the cup will commence shortly. Thirty-two men were on the ice throughout the evening last night, matches being in progress on three of the rinks. Skip Dr. Bentley won from Skip J. D. Evans, 10 to 8, and Dr. E. P. Smith went down before James McDonald, 10 to 7.

SCHEDULE MEETING CALLED BY CONVENORS. Intermediates Will Get Down to Business Saturday, Juniors on Monday—Game Next Week.

The London Junior hockey team had another workout at the Princess Rink last evening, and are rapidly getting into shape for the championship matches. The first games in both intermediate and junior series will be played immediately after Christmas, the schedule meetings having already been called. Convenor Vilning has called a meeting of representatives of the older set, and the schedule will be arranged Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in this city. Convenor J. R. Beaton, of Ingersoll, has issued notices that the juniors will get together at Woodstock on Monday evening. It is possible that the bid will be lifted off the local hockey season next week.

Woodstock Pleased. The Woodstock Sentinel-Review says: To be put in a five-club group gives Woodstock four games on the home rink with each club, which constitutes another reason for the present grouping being a particularly satisfactory one for the local team.

All the teams in the group, with the exception of London, which is known to be able to put a very strong team on the ice, will be new, although Ingersoll, St. Thomas and Paris claim to have very strong junior teams, which means that the interest in every game will be doubly keen. The traditional old-time rivalry between Ingersoll and Woodstock insures some great matches between these two opponents.

The fact that this year for once Woodstock is not grouped with Stratford is a relief to many Woodstock hockey followers. While Woodstock is in no way this year afraid of Stratford on the ice, and is confident of winning if the two teams meet, starting the season with that city is always a serious handicap. Stratford's early ice and practice always constitutes a serious handicap to the Woodstock hopes. A game in Stratford always necessitates an over-night trip.

HIGH MEN ON NATIONAL. Vilning leads in the five-pin contest on the National alleys so far this week, with a score of 32. Ben Stoney, who has figured in two handicap matches with Joe West during the past few days, is high in the ten-pin series, with 636.

ATHLETICS SCORE MORE RUNS THAN CUBAN PASTIMERS. Havana, Dec. 15.—The Philadelphia Americans defeated the Havana baseball nine today by a score of 6 to 4.

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BARBER CH BOUGHT

Montreal Club Purchases Star From Boston Americans.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Montreal Club today purchased Pitcher Barberich from the Boston American League Club. The player was recently drafted from the Providence team.

Charles Carr, former manager of the Indianapolis club, today signed a contract to manage the Utica club of the New York State League. Carr will play first base.

William Hepburn Russell, the New York lawyer, said this afternoon that the deal for the purchase of the Boston National League club would go through either today or tomorrow. Mr. Russell said:

"While a new manager has not been appointed Fred Tenney will probably get the job, and if his legs are strong enough he will play first base."

BLESSING THE BEASTS. A quaint ceremony is still obtaining in some parts of Normandy—the "benediction des bestiaux." The oxen, asses and the draught horses are assembled in front of a church. There may also be a bullock or two and perhaps some cows. The procession of peasants, clad in their very best, issues from the church to the sound of a chant that is droned by the priest.

A well-known London doctor says that there are people who suffer from diphtheria in a chronic form for months and years, and yet because they have none of the common symptoms may be quite unaware that they are ill.

MISS STOKES IS SOLD TO NEW YORKER FOR \$20,000. Sensational Two-Year-Old Brings Big Money at Chicago Sale—Lon McDonald, the Trainer.

[Associated Press.] Chicago, Dec. 15.—Ed Willis, superintendent of the Patchen Wilkes stock farm, Lexington, Ky., who is in attendance at the December sale at the Chicago Horse Sale Company, announced today the sale of the sensational filly, Miss Stokes, 2-year-old record 2:09 1/2, and holder of the world's record of 2:09 1/2 for yearling trotters, for the sum of \$20,000.

The sale was effected through Lon McDonald, and, while official information is lacking, it is presumed that the purchaser is David M. Luke, a wealthy merchant of New York city, for whom McDonald has been campaigning the filly Emily Ellen, 2-year-old, who was the largest money-winner among the 3-year-old trotters of the season.

Beatin had the most deliberate slow ball that ever wearied its way toward a plate. Cy Young, Mathewson, Ed. Walsh, Mordant Brown, Adrie Joss, or any of the artists would gladly separate from \$5,000 for a loaf like Beatin's. The batter never knew when Beatin would up, whether the ball would come like Johnny Moisant or a telegraph messenger.

On the afternoon when Stovey starred, Beatin was in grand shape and had the Athletics 3 to 1 in the eighth. In the ninth, with two gone, three Athletics pranced about on the bases with Stovey up. A grand batter, a lightning runner, a splendid all-around player was Harry. A single meant a game; a two-base hit meant defeat.

Beatin had the nerve of a wrestling promoter. He shot the first one straight across. Beatin grinned as he wound up and whipped a hot one across on the inside. Stovey let it pass. "Strike two," the arbitrator announced.

Every one thought Beatin would waste the next one, but he had a noodle and he used it. With a motion exactly like that with which he delivered the first two strikes, he passed one of those teasers up to Stovey. The ball seemed to hang in the air like a soap bubble.

When Stovey thought the ball ought to be somewhere near him he swung with terrific force—missing it by feet—for the ball was nowhere near the plate. Then something funny happened. Just as the umpire started his "three strikes," Stovey drew back and swung again. This time he landed and the ball sailed over centre, two men coming home.

But the umpire said "nay," called Stovey out, and the game over. "Why doesn't that hit count?" Stovey demanded.

"Because, Harry," said the umpire, "there is no rule in this league permitting you two strikes at the same ball. You were out a second before you made that hit."

"I was standing in the dressing-room one day," says Lew Criger, "when Cy Young came in with a bottle of mineral water and began to loosen the cork."

"Be careful there, Cy," said Jimmy Collins, "that water's charged, isn't it?" "Charged nothin'," retorted Cy, as the cork flew out and the water splashed into Jimmy's face. "I never had anything charged in my life."

John Clarkson once made a play which will never be forgotten by those who saw it. He was pitching for Chicago against New York. With a score 1-0 in the ninth and one man out, the second man up tripled. Clarkson passed the next man and then began an apparent effort to catch him off first. I guess he threw to Anson 15 or 20 times, and all the time the crowd was yelling at him to pitch. All the time the runner on third was getting bolder, just as Clarkson and Kelly knew he would. Every time Clarkson threw to Anson he ran up the base line 15 or 20 feet. Finally John made his usual motion to throw—this was allowed then—and whirled like a flash, throwing to Burns at third, catching the runner off the base by a dozen feet. He then struck out the third man and the game was over.

Unless the Semi-ready label and the plain price mark is in the pocket of the coat, the garment is not a "Semi-ready."

Semi-ready Tailoring has attained such a prestige that many counterfeits are being made, and some unscrupulous dealers use the word "Semi-ready" as descriptive of cheap and unworthy imitations.

Semi-ready Tailoring
Joe Deane
182 Dundas Street

There is only one maker of Semi-ready Clothes in Canada

Rouillon

**Xmas Sale
of Sweater
Coats.**

London, Dec. 12, 1910. NATHANIEL MILLS, Managing Director.

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Made Clothing**GRAFTON & CO.**No Middleman's Profit. From Factory
to Wearer Direct.

LIMITED.

One More Week of This Great Christmas Sale

WHEN WE SAY VALUE, we don't mean high prices, for there's as great value proportionately in our \$8.50 Overcoats as those at \$25.00. Value to us means good woollens---just as good as the price will let us use. It means the best of tailoring and four of the strongest features to be found in any clothing, viz:--The Grafton Patented Coat Front Improver; the "Bartel" Patented Pocket, which prevents the pocket from sagging down and drawing the front of the coat out of shape. We also use the patented "Presto" Convertible Collar, which practically means two collars on a coat, and our tailors are all Union Garment Workers, and the Label will be found on every article. These tailors are the best that money can hire.

It means fit, comfort and satisfaction at the lowest prices--the maker's price -- which means no middleman's profits. Why not start looking into this matter today?

Here are a few special offerings for Saturday and the following week, which will make your investigation especially profitable.

Children's Fancy Overcoat Section

The neatest, warmest and best Fancy Overcoats in town for the little chaps, sizes 20 to 25. Military, Auto, and other styles, trimmed with buttons, fancy anchors, etc., tailored in neat styles that will make a manly boy of the little fellow.

Lot 1--Regular \$3.00; Christmas sale.....	\$1.99
Lot 2--Regular \$3.50; Christmas sale.....	\$2.49
Lot 3--Regular \$4.00; Christmas sale.....	\$2.99
Lot 4--Regular \$5.00; Christmas sale.....	\$3.49
Lot 5--Regular \$6.50; Christmas sale.....	\$3.99

Boys' 3 and 2-Piece Suit Section

500 Boys' Suits in all the newest styles, made up for our winter trade, single and double breasted styles, Norfolk and bloomer models. Every garment made with the same care and skill as the Men's Suits.

Three-Piece Suits

Lot 1--Regular \$3.00; Christmas sale.....	\$1.99
Lot 2--Regular \$3.50; Christmas sale.....	\$2.49
Lot 3--Regular \$4.50; Christmas sale.....	\$2.99
Lot 4--Regular \$5.00; Christmas sale.....	\$3.49
Lot 5--Regular \$6.50; Christmas sale.....	\$3.99

Two-Piece Suits

Lot 1--Regular \$2.00; Christmas sale.....	\$1.29
Lot 2--Regular \$2.50; Christmas sale.....	\$1.49
Lot 3--Regular \$3.50; Christmas sale.....	\$1.99
Lot 4--Regular \$4.50; Christmas sale.....	\$2.99



Men's Overcoats, \$9.98

Over one thousand Men's Overcoats, including in the lot long and medium lengths, plain black and grey meltons, chevots and beavers, fancy chevots, Scotch and Irish tweeds, single and double breasted models.

Regular values, \$14 to \$16; Christmas sale,

\$9.98

Men's Suit Section

LOT 1.

200 Men's Suits, very desirable patterns, in medium and dark colored high-grade fancy English worsteds, mostly stripe effects, in finest all-wool winter weights, and neat designs in single-breasted styles, with shapely medium-length lapels and best quality linings; sizes 36 to 42.

Regular \$16.00; Christmas sale,

\$9.98

Men's Suit Section

LOT 2.

A stipulated number of New Winter Suits, made of finest English worsteds and Scotch tweeds, in single-breasted slightly dip-front coat, graded by the chief of our tailor shops at \$18 and \$20, will be included to give extra stimulus to the selling of the coming week. Christmas sale price,

\$11.98

GRAFTON'S The Home of Useful Christmas Gifts

Our spacious Gents' Furnishings Department is overflowing with the choicest of gifts for men and boys. Saturday and next week Grafton's will make your money go farther in your selection of suitable gifts of high-class Furnishings than any other store in Canada. Just a few of the many useful gifts we will place on our tables at Grafton's special prices:

Neckwear

300 dozen Men's Distinctive Neckwear in all the newest effects, each **50c**

Gloves

Dent's Silk-lined Gloves, regular \$1.50 values, **\$1.00**
at pair

Mocha Gloves, wool lined; Grafton's Special, **\$1.00**
pair

Men's Fine Shirts

40 dozen of Men's Fine Shirts, of the very choicest patterns, the materials being composed of fine English Zephyr Shirtings. In sizes 14 to 17; regular value, \$1.00 and \$1.25; Christmas sale price **59c**

Mufflers

We have an assortment to suit the most fastidious. Phoenix Knit Mufflers, the 50c kind for **35c**

Bradley Knit Mufflers for **50c**

Long Silk Motor Scarfs in a varied selection of colorings **50c to \$3.50**

Linen Handkerchiefs

This department is complete in every sense of the word. Two big specials for the coming week:

15c Hemstitched Linen, for each **10c**

25c Hemstitched Linen, each **20c**

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Manufacturers of High-Grade Union Made Clothing**Union Made Clothing**

THREE LARGE FACTORIES AND SEVEN LARGE STORES IN CANADA.
Factories and Warehouse--Dundas, Ont. Branches--London, Hamilton, Woodstock, Brantford, Peterboro, Owen Sound and Dundas, Ont.

Union Made Clothing

Five Dollars a Box

The Price Cut No Figure With Him.

"I want to say for the benefit of some poor dyspeptic that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will give comfort and a cure every time."



"One Five dollars a box would not stop me purchasing them should I ever suffer again as I did for a week before using them."

"The one 50-cent box I bought at my druggist's did the work, and my digestion is all right again."

"Many of my neighbors have also tried these tablets and found them to be just as represented, and Mr. Elliott also wants me to use his name in endorsing Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets."

(Signed) A. Elliott and Chas. P. Brazell.

Ast. Postmaster,
South Sudbury, Mass.

Mrs. James Barton, of Toronto, Canada, writes: "For eighteen months I suffered from what I supposed was bladder and kidney trouble, and took medicine from three different doctors, without any sign of cure. I felt so ill at last I was hardly able to do my work."

"I thought I would try a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and see if they would make me feel better, never really thinking I had dyspepsia, but after only three or four tablets had been taken all the trouble disappeared, and then I discovered I had had acid dyspepsia, while the doctors had been treating me for kidney and bladder trouble, and one of them treated me for rheumatism."

"My digestion is fine, my complexion clear and I am able to do my work, and low spirits are unknown to me."

"I am thankful for finding a cure so good and so pleasant to take as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I am surprised at the change they have made in me."

All druggists sell and recommend Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, because they contain only the simplest natural digestive, and taken after meals prevent acidity and cause prompt digestion and assimilation of food."

Physicians everywhere endorse them, because they are safe for the child as for the adult, they are invaluable for sour stomach, nervous dyspepsia, acidity, gas on stomach and bowels, and every form of stomach derangement."

C. P. R. CHANGES

Mr. Osborne May Take Charge of Affairs at Montreal.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—The latest gossip in local railway circles states that General Superintendent Osborne, of the C. P. R., would, commencing the new year, be transferred to Montreal, to assume charge of that important centre. General Superintendent S. S. Gault, of North Bay, will succeed Mr. Osborne here, and Chief Dispatcher Gault, of Smith's Falls, will go to North Bay.

CANADA'S COAL OUTPUT

A Decrease of Nearly Four Hundred Thousand Tons Last Year.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—That there is an aggregate decrease of 384,836 tons for the whole of Canada in the production of coal last year as compared with the previous is shown by an advance chapter of the annual report on Canadian mineral production, which has just been issued by the division of mineral resources and statistics.

This is the first year in fourteen in which a decrease has to be recorded in comparing with the previous year's output and the coal miners' strike at Sydney and Springhill, N. S., is blamed.

The total production was 10,501,475 tons, valued at \$24,781,236, as compared with a production of 10,886,311 tons, valued at \$25,194,573 in 1909. Even at that, however, the output was more than twice that of ten years ago and four times that of twenty years ago.

REV. J. H. FOWLER DEAD.

Windsor Mills, Dec. 15.—Rev. J. H. Fowler, M. A., died at the home of his son at Windsor Mills, aged 86 years. He was the oldest minister in the Methodist Church in the Province of Quebec. He was widely known throughout the conference. His wife died only four weeks ago.

THE REASON.

Young Bride—Did not expect Harry the first time he proposed.

Miss Rival—No, dear; you weren't there.

Her Face and Body Were
Littered Covered With
"BOILS."

Burdock Blood Bitters

Cured Them.

Mrs. John H. King, Johnston, N.B., writes: "Last summer I was very much troubled with boils, and my face and body were literally covered with them. A friend advised me to take Burdock Blood Bitters. I got three bottles, and before I had taken all the first one my boils began to go away. I had just taken a few doses out of the last one when they all disappeared. My husband has also used Burdock Blood Bitters with much benefit."

Boils in themselves are not a dangerous trouble, but still, at the same time, are very painful. They are caused entirely by bad blood, and to get rid of them it is necessary to put the blood in good condition, and for this purpose there is nothing to equal that old and tried remedy, Burdock Blood Bitters.

Manufactured only by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

THINKS MR. INKSTER HAS RIGHT IDEAS

Winnipeg Telegram Praises the Stand He Took On Church Union.

Commenting on the action taken by the London Presbytery in regard to church union, recently the Winnipeg Telegram of Monday says:

"Some presbyteries have already voted adversely to the proposal, and others will follow suit." The unfavorable verdicts have caused the faith of some to waver, but the vote of such a representative body as the Presbytery of London will help to balance the negative decision of Vancouver where Principal Mackay has whetted his narrow blade against all advocates of the three-spired church of the future. In London the verdict was 34 to 11 in favor of union. Of the opposers only three were laymen. This vote has encouraged Rev. John Inkster, of London, to repeat a statement that he made some time ago to the effect that if the project, which he heartily supports, fails to the ground, the sin will lie at the doors of the Presbyterian ministry. If union is ultimately brought about, he is confident that it will be due to the votes of the laity.

A Broad View.

"Mr. Inkster is probably right. Men in all professions, and especially in the ministry, are usually wedded to ancient practices and old-time ideas. It is probably a good thing that such is the case. In general it is better to broaden slowly down from precedent to precedent and to avoid the folly of extremes, but there are times when the finger of common sense points forward to a new order of things. And whether the Presbyteries of Canada are favorable or not, the demands of our time and our Dominion are for avoidance of waste in men and money and energy, and the combination of forces in the interests of common humanity. The frightful waste of effort, the overlapping in the mission fields of the Northwest, and the bigness of the tasks that confront Canadian Christianity surely ought to chase away all prejudices and illiberal sentiments from the minds of ministers and people."

"We have faith enough in the good sense and breadth of Ontario ministers to believe that they will follow the lead of the London divines, but even if the divines should fail, if the leaders should be afraid to undertake the magnificent experiment of union, we shall still look forward to the day when the rank and file of the laity will have their chance to do a great day's work for the church and for humanity by voting not for 'the good old cause,' but something better than that, the good new cause of liberalism, common sense and progress."

WHITES WHIP 60 GEORGIA NEGROES

Blacks Are Arming to Resist Lash of Nightriders of Pike Country.

Barnesville, Dec. 15.—Terror exists among the negroes in Miller district, Pike County, due to the whipping of negroes by masked nightriders which has been in progress for three weeks. At least 20 negroes have been whipped and the blacks have organized for defence.

When the nightriders went to the home of Ed. Atwater, a negro, early this morning they were confronted by a number of armed negroes. A battle ensued, in which Atwater was killed and also one of the nightriders, whose identity is concealed. Three negroes and two nightriders were wounded.

The situation is regarded as critical and J. D. Woodall, one of the largest planters in Georgia, has appealed to the governor for soldiers to keep the peace. Woodall employs many negroes, and he says the nightriders have paid particular attention to his tenants. The feeling against Woodall is bitter among the whites.

BUTLER WARNS

Sees United States in Same Class With Russia and India.

New York, Dec. 15.—Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, analyzing the census figures, sees a grave crisis approaching for this country.

"These figures," he says, "take us out of the class of Germany, Great Britain and France, and put us in the class of Russia, India and China, nations which we have always looked down on, but whose problems are now ours."

Who must face the problems now of a nation with huge population which is overcrowding the land available for tillage. The day has come by when an American can't every day what would support a world's family in France.

"To stop this is called conservation of natural resources, but that is only a part of it."

The chief thing is to stop extravagance and waste and begin to live with more intensive application. A man can no longer waste one farm and then go to another state and live on another. We must stop living on our capital, and with other adult people, live on our income.

"The pressure on our tillable land will force us eventually to look to foreign nations for the things we cannot supply ourselves. Do you realize that Iowa has gone back in the last ten years; that Ohio has stood still and that Illinois, in spite of Chicago's aid, only has gained 14 per cent?"

"The notion that we can live on our capital has got to stop. We have to remember that we have to live within our income. The country must somehow restore the cost of living to a normal plane; it must restore the national happiness and stability of our government."

PLAYING BUGBEAR OFFENDS HEARST

Friends Tell Grand Jury How They Gave Money to Boy Scouts.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Boy Scout investigation brought some distinguished witnesses before the grand jury today. Among them were William Kissam Vanderbilt, jun., Bradley Martin, jun., and Frank A. Munsey.

William Randolph Hearst is charging that collectors for the scouts used his name somewhat after the manner in which the traditional burglar uses the jimmy. By this method, Mr. Hearst

A WONDERFUL CLOTHING SALE



A Sale That Provides the Most Desirable Suits, Overcoats and Trousers for Men, Young Men and Boys. Reductions in Every Department and Every Reduction Genuine. Come.

We're facing Christmas holidays with Clothing (for Men, Young Men, Boys and Children) of such unusual qualities that we can say in all sincerity London never before saw such goods at such prices, leading clothing mart that it is—SUITS AND OVERCOATS—Blacks, blues and grays. For the quiet dressers, checks, stripes and subdued colors affected by the businessman; the richest and most advanced novelties that glorify the youth. Models in harmony with the fabrics. OVERCOATS, button through or fly front, convertible, military or with broad lapels, loose or close back, collars in goods, velvet or velour. SUITS—There's no parallel to Oak Hall's ready tailoring. Suits in the finest tweeds, worsteds and chevots and the staple blue and black serges, vicunas and cassimeres. All SOVEREIGN BRAND, with FIT AND SHAPE-RETAINING QUALITIES GUARANTEED.

Christmas Specials in Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats

What could be more suitable or more appreciated by your boy than one of these Elegant, Comfortable Collar Overcoats we are showing for Christmas? They are made from rough Canadian and Imported Scotch Tweeds in the new plain and fancy checks, stripes and mixtures.

A choice selection of these Coats for boys 10 to 16 years.

Regular Price.

\$6.00 to \$6.50, Christmas special	\$4.95
\$7.50, \$8.00 and \$8.50, Christmas special	\$6.75
\$9.00, \$10.00 and \$11.00, Christmas special	\$7.75

Our complete stock of Fancy

Reefers and Overcoats, in plain and fancy materials, brown, navy, gray, green, corduroy, all shades of the finest Chinchilla cloths.

Regular Price.

\$4, \$4.50, \$5, Xmas special	\$3.75
\$6, \$6.50, Xmas special	\$1.95
\$7.50, \$8, \$8.50, Xmas special	\$5.95

Many and pleasing are the different lines and styles in our Boys' and Children's Suit Department. Everything from the Fancy Russian Blouse for the little fellow of two years right up to the fancy two and three piece single and double breasted styles for the boy of 15 years, all with plain and bloomer pants, and priced for quick selling during the Christmas rush.

Men's Trousers

Reg. \$7.00, Christmas special	\$5.00
Reg. \$6.00, Christmas special	\$4.75
Reg. \$5.00, Christmas special	\$4.00
Reg. \$4.50, Christmas special	\$3.75
Reg. \$4.00, Christmas special	\$3.25
Reg. \$3.00, Christmas special	\$2.25
Reg. \$2 and \$2.50, Christmas special	\$1.35

Men's Black Cardigans

\$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75, for	98¢
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All sizes.

Extra Special in House Coats and Gowns

Gowns, regular \$10.00 and \$12.00, to clear at \$6.95

Coats, regular \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50 and \$7.00, for \$4.95

Walker's Union Trimmings Overalls and Jumpers. Regular \$1.25, Christmas special .95¢

Coat Sweaters

All colors and combinations. Regular \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50, to go at \$1.65



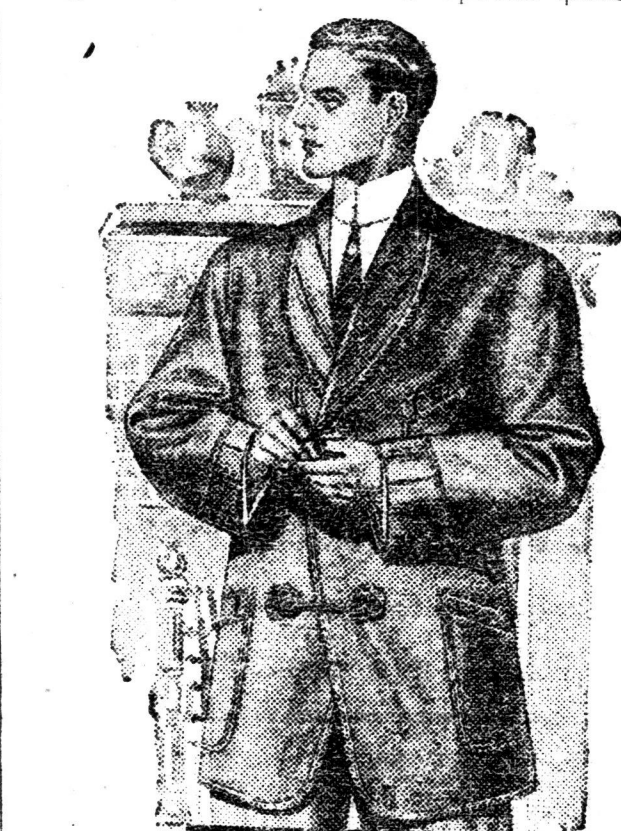
MEN'S SUITS

Reg. \$25, Xmas special	\$21.00
Reg. \$23, Xmas special	\$19.75
Reg. \$20, Xmas special	\$16.50
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Reg. \$16, Xmas special	\$13.50
Reg. \$15, Xmas special	\$12.75
Reg. \$12, Xmas special	\$9.75
Reg. \$10, Xmas special	\$7.75
Reg. \$8.50, Xmas special	\$6.25
Reg. \$7.50, Xmas special	\$5.95



MEN'S OVERCOATS

Regular \$27.00, Christmas special	\$22.00
Regular \$25.00, Christmas special	\$21.00
Regular \$23.00, Christmas special	\$19.75
Regular \$20.00, Christmas special	\$16.50
Regular \$18.00, Christmas special	\$14.75
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Regular \$7.50, Christmas special	\$5.95



Where Quality Counts

OAK HALL

Where Quality Counts

assets, sundry of his wealthy acquaintances—in New York especially—were piled loose from sums ranging all the way from \$500, the sum Mr. Martin today swore was extorted from him, to the \$1,000 each which Mr. Vanderbilt and Mr. Munsey today testified to having handed over to the promotion of "scoutage."

This, Mr. Hearst says, was wholly without his sanction. He became a patron of the movement merely to give it the weight of his name, not

to be used as a bugbear or a threat. When prominent persons—somehow, felt that they were being held up in next to road agent fashion, Mr. Hearst became indignant, and with a crew, starting the investigation, which covers both methods of procuring and of disposing of scout funds. The matter will linger in the grand jury room for some days, and rough sensations may spring from it.

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TORONTO PHONE RATES

Railway Board Orders City Rates for Newly Annexed Districts.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—The railway board this morning ordered the Bell Telephone Company to extend the city rate of \$30 and \$50 for house and business telephones to ward seven and the other recently annexed portions of the city. The company applied to the board yesterday for approval of rates of \$40 and \$60 for house and business telephones on the city exchange in those parts.

The order goes into effect January 1st.

Mr. MacFarland, for the company, moved for the abolition of the present rate of \$20 per annum paid by local subscribers of former West Toronto for a local exchange. This was granted, commissioner Darcy Scott dissenting.

The present city rates are unchanged.

TO PAY HIS OWN WAY

Controller Foster Not Coming Here at Toronto's Expense.

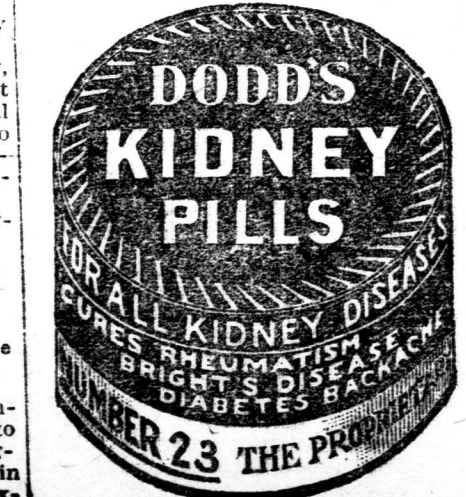
Toronto, Dec. 15.—The board of control, today authorized its members to attend the celebration of the inauguration of hydro-electric power in London, December 20, at the city's expense.

A NEW GENERATOR.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 15.—The Cataract Power Company has ordered another generator for its Decew Falls power plant. The new generator, which will be made by the Canadian Westinghouse Company, will cost \$200,000, and will be ready for use by next October. It will generate 8,500-horsepower and the company will then have 25,000-horsepower to sell. The company is also building another sub-station in the east end of the city.

TALK ON POLITICS.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 15.—Mr. Urban



Invest your spare cash in Huron and Erie Debentures and get 4 per cent. per annum interest instead of the 3 per cent. allowed on Savings Accounts. The security is guaranteed by Assets of over \$12,000,000. Huron and Erie Debentures are issued for terms of one year or longer, for terms of one year or longer. Write for literature booklet, which gives full particulars.

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J. Ledoux, late U. S. counsel-general of Prague, Bohemia, will speak before the Canadian Club Monday on "The Businessmen in Politics," with special reference to chambers of commerce, domestic and foreign. Mr. Ledoux is of French-Canadian origin, born in Maine, who has attained some prominence in the consular service of the

United States, through the promotion of trade relations.

A Guaranteed Remedy

For colds and la grippe. "Weeks Break-Up-a-Cold Tablets." No relief, no pay; 25c. Anderson & Nelles, authorized agents.

SMASHED LAST BUCKET SHOP

Sensational Raid Made By Uncle
Sam at Chicago.

COMPANY CALLED FRAUD

Secret Service Agents Swoop on Of-
fice During Noon Rush.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—United States secret service officials today raided the offices of the Capital Investment Company. The main office and four of its branches were visited and papers and records confiscated. Sidmon Meffie is said by the federal officers to be chief owner of the company. He is believed to be in Florida.

Charles F. De Woody, head of the secret service of the department of justice, had charge of the raiders, who swept into the Rookery building in the heart of the financial district, just at noon and created considerable excitement.

Among the prisoners taken was R. H. Meffie, a brother of Sidmon Meffie. Others were the following: Frank C. Williams, Michael Murphy, Charles W. Rickell, N. F. Evans, Frank Holzapfel, C. C. Caldwell, J. W. McCresney, Jas. Southard, L. W. Lewis, Otto Kronenberg, Wm. Talcott, Thos. A. Kent, W. B. Herbert, R. L. Green and W. J. Sanderson.

Thirty policemen and fifteen special agents of the department of justice made the raid. Telephone and telegraph instruments were torn out, blackboards and books were piled in heaps to be removed to the federal building. The concern occupied nearly a quarter of the floor and about fifty clerks and managers, hard at work when the raiders appeared, were arrested. Load after load of the prisoners were hauled away through the gathered crowds coming from the financial district at the noon hour, and they were divided between three police stations to facilitate their being "booked" on charges filed by the federal officials.

"This marks about the end of the so-called 'bucketshop' raids," said Mr. De Woody after the raid. "This was about the last large concern suspected. This company had branches in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Missouri and other states. The branches were by different names, but they received their quotations for the main office."

The specific letter named in the complaint is therein declared to have been mailed Dec. 8, 1910, to Alex. F. Robinson, Matteson, Ill.; other letters unnamed are spoken of.

At the offices at the time of the raid, employees said Sidmon Meffie no longer was connected with the company, but the federal officials denied this.

A BIG INCREASE FOR THE TEAMSTERS

Board of Works Recommends
City Employees Be Paid
50 Cents Per Hour.

NOW GOES TO COUNCIL

Effort Was Made to Have the Mat-
ter Go Over Till Next Year—
Meeting Last Night.

At the meeting of the board of works last night it was decided to pay the teamsters employed by the city 50 cents an hour. The present rate is 45 cents, the number of hours being nine a day. The men asked for 15 a day, but the committee did not see their way clear to give that increase.

Head Engineer Van Cleave furnished statistics to the committee, showing the practice in other cities. The price per hour ranged from 20 cents to 50 cents. Only three cities paid more than 45 cents an hour—Toronto, Hamilton and Ottawa.

"This is the wrong time to raise this question," said Ald. Pocock. "I doubt that we can bind next year's council. If the men would come to us in April we might be able to do more for them. It does not seem right to have so important a matter dealt with in the dying moments of the council. I move that it be left to next year's council. I think that perhaps the men are worth 48 or 50 cents an hour, but this is no time to deal with the question."

Motion Is Carried.
Ald. Tancock and Ald. Saunders thought that the committee should recommend that 50 cents an hour be paid the men. Ald. Saunders made a motion to that effect and it carried. E. W. M. Plock represented the teamsters.

Mr. J. Fitzsimons asked for a sewer on Elias street, but the petition was not sufficiently signed. The matter was referred to the engineer, and if he thinks it is necessary he will recommend to the board of health that they order the initiation of the sewer.

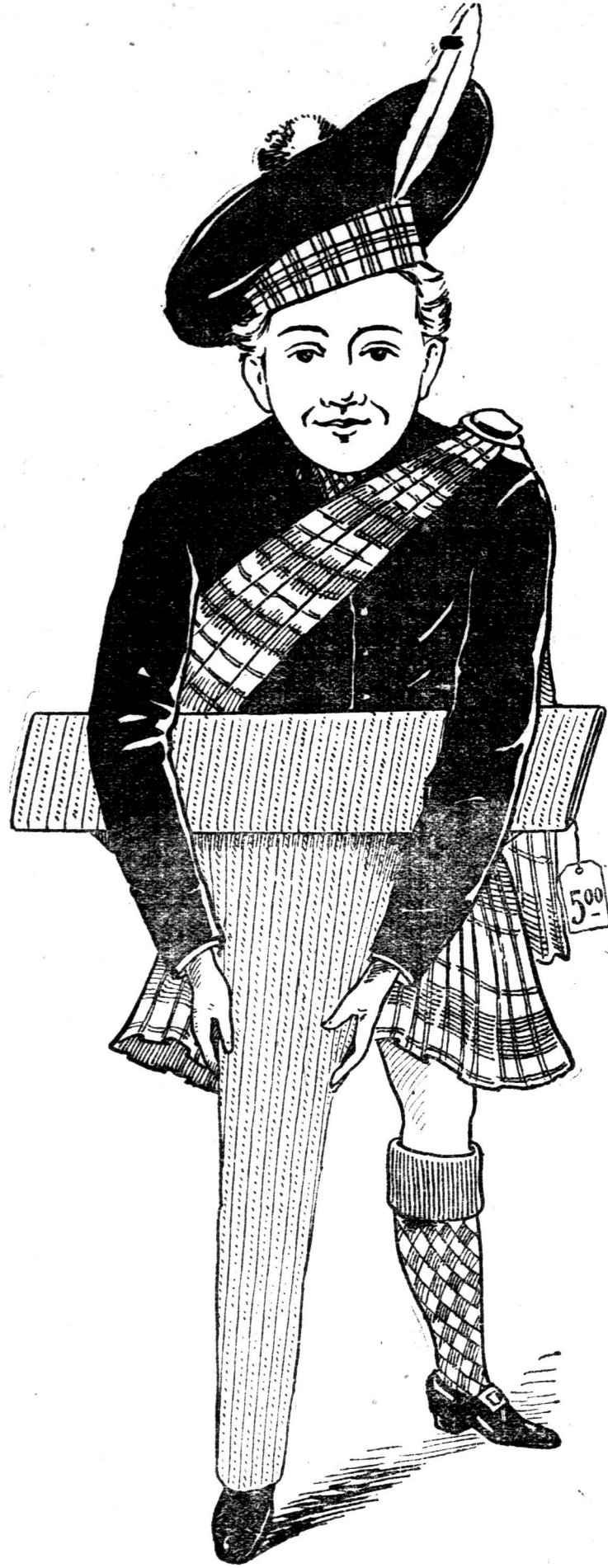
Head Engineer Van Cleave recommended that a permit be issued by the engineer's department before any excavation work be commenced on the streets, and that the police commissioners be asked to have their men notify the city of any infraction of the bylaw. In explanation, Mr. Van Cleave stated that it was impossible for the engineer's department to watch all the work being done on the streets, and if the police were instructed to summon all who did work without a permit, it would prevent all difficulty. On motion of Ald. Pocock the suggestions of the engineer were adopted.

Work Ceases.
Thomas Martin asked to be allowed to cease work on the Hamilton road sewer until spring, owing to the fact that the ground was frozen badly. He was granted permission on condition that he lay the necessary side drains along the 1,300 feet of sewer already constructed.

John C. Parkes, Simcoe, complained of an overcharge for putting in a side drain into his residence. The sum of \$7.30 was charged for the bill. Dr. Hutchinson, medical health officer, complained of the unsanitary condition of the police station. The matter was sent to next year's council.

Those present were: Ald. Tancock, chairman; Ald. Saunders, Ald. Pocock, Ald. Morgan, Head Engineer Van Cleave, Park Commissioner Pring and Secretary Baker.

Free 254 Yards of Trousers Saturday, December 17, Only



While it lasts, a Pair of Trousers, made of the very best material, given away with every suit of clothes or overcoat SATURDAY, DECEMBER THE 17TH. We have decided to give some substantial evidence of our appreciation for a year of splendid business by giving away free with every suit or overcoat sold on Saturday, the Seventeenth of December, a Pair of our best Trousers, while 254 yards hold out.

If we succeed in selling a great many clothes, we will clear a little on the transaction. If we don't we'll lose money. Whichever way it goes, the opportunity is yours, and one that won't come your way very often. We are the only people in London making a genuine offer of free trousers.

Mind you, this is not a pair of trousers made of poor cloth, but the very best you can get—regular five and six dollar goods. And the suit or overcoat with the extra pair of trousers cost you but Fifteen Dollars—made-to-order.

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Positively, we don't believe that we will ever be able to offer you again anything like this. The stock of cloth received from the mills for Christmas trade is extensive in its range, and is here in thousands of yards. Absolutely the best that the looms of Scotland can turn out. Never anything like it seen before in Canada.

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TELLS PEERESSES DRESSES TO WEAR

Gowns and Robes For Coronation
Ceremonies Must Be of
Approved Pattern.

London, Dec. 15.—To obviate all uncertainty among peeresses as to the gowns and robes they must wear at the coronation next June correct costume models now are displayed in the offices of the Earl Marshall, in Cleveland Row, St. James. This course of instruction has set aside the belief held by many peeresses that colored evening dresses with the robes attached to the shoulders could be worn. The costume approved is exactly the same as that which was in evidence at the coronation of the late King Edward. There is an underdress of white satin, chiffon or lace, while the bodice and train are of ruby velvet trimmed with ermine. The robe hangs from the shoulders, with a miniver cape bordered with the precise number of ermine points allotted to each rank.

Complain of Heavy Costume.
Those who imagine that all is happiness and joy for the wearer of this costume stand corrected by the evidence of those who know. At the coronation of the late King Edward many women complained exceedingly of the great warmth, especially on a midsummer day, of the two folds of velvet and the ermine cape. It had been anticipated that a modification in the style of costume would be allowed next June, but hopes to this end now have been shattered.

There is one feature of the peeresses' gowns which change will not affect. This has to do with the beautiful embroideries covering the attachees, which attracted so much atten-

tion at the last coronation. The embroidery as a rule took the form of armorial bearings, crests and mottoes worked in correct colors, and in many instances ornamented with jewels. This feature is expected next year. Thanks to Queen Mary's example, the Irish lace industry anticipates a great benefit from the coronation. It is announced that she has decided that all the lace used on her coronation robes is to be of Irish manufacture, while the magnificent veil which will fall from her crown will be of Irish needlepoint. As a result of this decision it is figured that Irish laces will have a place in the robes of the peeresses.

Peers Received Rewards.
In connection with the coming coronation, students of history have noted that the great nobles who acted in menial capacities at old time coronations did not go unrewarded. For instance, it is recorded that at the coronation of Queen Mary, in 1553, the Duke of Norfolk, as Earl Marshall, laid claim to the Queen's horse and palfrey, with all their costly "furniture," the Earl of Arundel, as chief butler, possessed himself of the Queen's best cuppe and all the wyne in pyppes and hogsheds and also all the pottes and cuppes in the wyne seller's remayne after dymer.

As chief officer of the larder, Lord Abergavenny claimed for his services all the "beefes, muttuns, veales, venison, kydd, etc., remayne after dymer" while the great chamberlain, the Earl of Oxford, put in his claim for the bed, bedclothes and nightgown used by the Queen the night preceding the coronation.

COUNTESSES PLANS RISE IN SOCIETY

Ladies in High Circles Disturbed
By News Lonyay Is To
Be Ambassador.

Vienna, Dec. 15.—There was a very serious commotion in the diplomatic world when it was announced that Count Elemer Lonyay was about to be nominated Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the French republic. It was not so much the Hungarian count who was objected to as his wife, a royal princess of Belgium. The count could be made to feel that a diplomat who had not ascended the steep ladder from an attaché to an ambassador, but had taken that high position with one leap—thanks to his marriage with the widowed crown princess of Austria-Hungary—could not rank with the old ambassadors, his seniors.

But those who raised the loudest cry at the unexpected news were the diplomatic ladies, who foresaw that Countess Lonyay would not be satisfied with the position of wife of the last nominated ambassador and would not walk with good grace behind the wives of the American, German, Italian, Russian, English, and Spanish ambassadors, as any other newly appointed ambassador would do.

WIFE LIKES RATS; MAN WANTS DIVORCE

These Are the Live Kinds and
They Won't Let Him
Sleep Night.

New York, Dec. 15.—Many a woman's fondness for canary birds, pet dogs, cats, or even goldfish, has driven a husband to seek peace and quiet elsewhere than in his home. But to Charles Everson, of Union Township, Union County, N. J., belongs the distinction of being, so far as the records show, the first man to be driven from home by a wife's fondness for rats.

The rats are not the kind that a woman takes out of her hair and lays on a dresser when she goes to bed, but real live, four-legged, sharp-toothed, long-haired, sleek looking rats that Mrs. Everson has for pets, according to her husband.

Everson is a man who will fight for his rights, and he has taken steps to have an injunction issued preventing his wife from keeping her pets. Mrs. Everson is 25 years old and good looking. She is as fond of rats as her husband is unfond of them.

NEW YORK AIR HARBOR.

The first step to create a great air port at New York has been announced. The plan will be to build a great artificial island in New York just as the great ships of the world enter its harbor, an aeroplane landing and launching stage has been designed in the very heart of the city. The work is being carried on by the United States Aeronautical Reserve, under the personal direction of John Barry Ryan.

The platform will be built above the roofs of the buildings on the east side of Fifth avenue, from Twelfth to Thirtieth streets. The drawings already prepared indicate a platform 250 feet in length and 75 feet in width. It will be surrounded by a heavy net to protect the aviators from falling off the platform should they fall to land safely in the center. Since aeroplanes now rise with a run of 20 feet, the stage should offer every opportunity for handling the alrships. The launching stage built upon the steamers of the Hamburg-American line were 35 feet in length, and when this was reduced by the government of the United States cruiser it will be recalled, it proved entirely adequate.

Countess Stephanie Lonyay wishes to be always called a royal highness of Belgium.

At her castle, Orovar, across the Hungarian frontier, the members of the household have to stand in a row in a room adjoining the banqueting hall and wait until her royal highness appears on the arm of Count Lonyay, whereupon they

courtesy low and follow the august couple to the dining room.

Whenever she travels she always sends telegrams to the station masters of big cities ordering them to open the court waiting room, but the order is rarely obeyed, because the Vienna court has decreed that she is to be always treated simply as Countess Lonyay.

When she insisted on marrying Count Lonyay and pleaded her cause with Emperor-King Francis Joseph, he took infinite pains to make her see that she would be dissatisfied with her social position.

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Everson stood it all until several of the more socially inclined of his wife's pets went out into the field and came back leading other rats of whom they knew nothing and with whom they had only a speaking acquaintance. So he decided to take steps to apply to the court for redress. He is to ask for an injunction restraining Mrs. Everson from maintaining a shelter for rodents. He admits the rats are fond of his wife, eat out of her hand, answer to their names, and show other evidences of intelligence, but he refuses to sleep in the same room with them or eat at the same table. If he ever thought of rat poison, he did not say so.

Dunstaffnage Castle, in the dim days of the Picts, stood for the seat of government, and harbored the famous Stone of Destiny now under the Coronation Chair in Westminster Abbey.

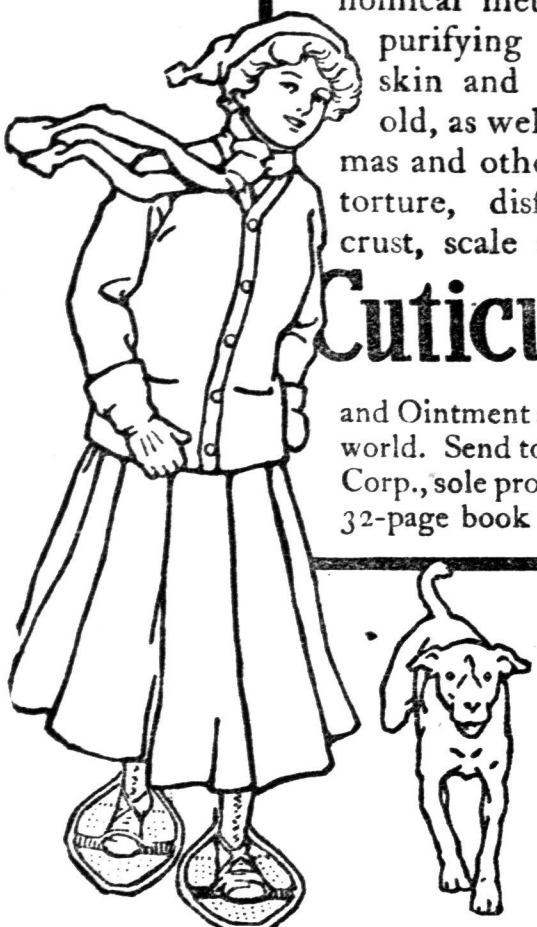
The total amount of old age pension orders paid in the United Kingdom in the year ended March 31, 1910, was \$42,326,135, of which England and Wales received \$25,933,185, Scotland \$12,724,325, and Ireland \$11,668,625.

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Christmas

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UNIONIST CHIEFS AT LOGGERHEADS

F. E. Smith Says Referendum
Only For This Election.

POLLING DRAWS TO END

Veto Bill Only Beginning of Liberal
Programme, Says Lloyd George.

London, Dec. 15.—The bulk of the results of today's polling has not been declared yet. Twenty constituencies will poll tomorrow, five on Saturday, and three on Monday, after which the House of Commons will be complete.

Chancellor Lloyd George, speaking at Eastham tonight, predicted that when the elections were completed, the Government, apart from the Irish vote, would have a bare majority of at least 60. He said this election would make a deeper impression on the history of the country than any election in modern times. The carrying of the veto bill would be only the beginning of the Liberal programme. The constitution would be reformed in such a way that the last vestige of inequality between the two parties would be removed.

There is increasing evidence of a serious divergence of views among the Unionist leaders over the referendum. F. E. Smith, the new member of the Walton division of Liverpool, and the rising hope of the Unionist party, in an address at Leeds on Thursday night, declared that Mr. Balfour's offer to submit a tariff reform to a referendum was an offer for this election and that election the Government Unionists did not obtain a majority he agreed with Austen Chamberlain in holding himself at liberty to make a further appeal to the country on the specific issue of tariff reform, and if they obtained a mandate from the country, to introduce then and there, without delay, a tariff reform budget.

SEES FEDERAL CAPITAL REMOVED TO WINNIPEG

Chairman of Farmers Conference
at Ottawa Makes a
Prophecy.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Dec. 15.—When the big conference of farmers, which thronged the body of the Grand Opera House this morning, reached the consideration of official business and the discussion of solutions to be handed before the Government, the delegates went into private discussion. The character of the preliminary proceedings was, however, indicative of the spirit of the cosmopolitan gathering. Replying to the civic address of the evening by Mayor Hopewell, Mr. D. W. McCuaig, chairman of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, who presided, served general notice on this township that the Canadian capital of the future would be located at Winnipeg.

A Farmers' Party.
Mr. T. F. Henderson, Wentworth, Ont., was called to the platform pending the deliberations of the executive. Although a Liberal, he declared the time had now come for the farmers of Canada to act in concert for their own interests and those of their country. They must secure parliamentary representatives, who, whether they called themselves "Grifts" or "Giles," would take an effective initiative towards the banishment of protection and the creation of more equitable tariff conditions.

Mr. W. H. Evans, Saskatchewan, said the mission of the delegation was to serve notice upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. R. L. Borden, that they meant business. They recognized the seriousness of their campaign, and something of the forces that were arranged against them. Ninety per cent of the newspapers were tied to the protection-fed manufacturers, and there was in his opinion too close an alliance between the selfish interests of the Manufacturers' Association and the Government. The Government advanced the interests of the manufacturers by creating certain of them senators and permitting them to become favored counsellors. "High protection," said Mr. Evans, "is a protection of tyrants of citizens in Canada. Under present conditions the Government, irrespective of party, became the head of all combines. The rich were favored at the expense of the poor. 'Diamonds on the free list' he exclaimed amid applause. "But we pay one-third of its value in tariff on a spade."

EMBRO.
Embro, Dec. 15.—Miss Hattie McGinnis, of Woodstock, was a week-end guest of her friend, Miss Louise Campbell.

Mrs. S. Wadland, of Harrington, spent over Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wadland. Under present conditions the Government, irrespective of party, became the head of all combines. The rich were favored at the expense of the poor. "Diamonds on the free list" he exclaimed amid applause. "But we pay one-third of its value in tariff on a spade."

Mr. Robert Kennedy spent over Sunday in Toronto. He has spent the past few weeks visiting Rev. and Mrs. Finley Matheson, at the manse, has returned to his home in Glen Sound.

Rev. Finley Matheson was in Tavistock Sunday conducting anniversary services in Knox Church. His pulpit here was occupied by the Rev. Mr. Stevenson, of Tavistock.

Dr. and Mrs. Green were in Galt on Saturday attending the funeral of his father, the late Mr. Green.

Miss Florence Williams, of Toronto, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Green.

Miss Bella McDonald has returned home after visiting in Woodstock.

A large number attended the concert in the town hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the Congregational Church choir. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, of Guelph, furnished the programme, which consisted of songs, readings, and instrumental music on the guitar and mandolin.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheson were at home to their congregation and friends for the first time since their arrival in Embro. The spacious rooms were fully decorated for the occasion with chrysanthemums and holly. Mrs. Colburn Ross received with Mr. and Mrs. Matheson in the drawing room, while Mrs. James Brand, Mrs. (Dr.) G. A. Sutherland, Miss Maggie D. Murray, Miss Effie Ross, Miss Armstrong, of Owen Sound (who was a guest at

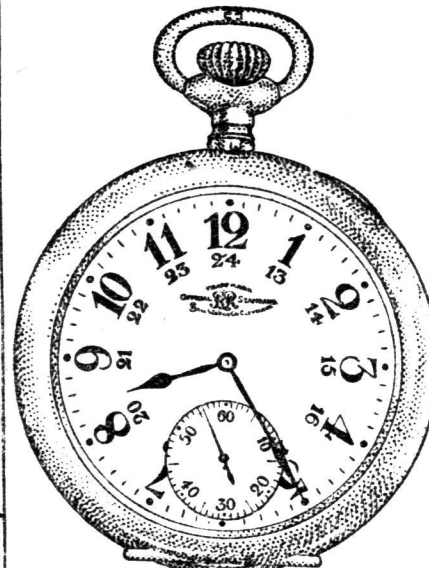


HOLIDAY SPECIALS

For Saturday Selling at C. H. Ward & Co.

WHEN it comes to selecting the Gift that will be most appreciated and will prove to be the most appropriate also, there is no line that offers a greater selection of just such Gifts than JEWELRY. Without doing so in a spirit of boastfulness, let us humbly impress upon you that our store contains ONE OF THE BEST SELECTED STOCKS OF JEWELRY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, DIAMONDS, etc., etc., in Western Ontario. Also at this time let us thank you one and all, for if you had not shown your appreciation of the good values we offer by liberally patronizing our store, we could not have attained this enviable position. We are offering for Saturday some Special Bargains in WATCHES, CLOCKS, CUT GLASS, ROYAL CROWN DERBY, RINGS, WALKING STICKS, UMBRELLAS, JEWEL CASES, BRACELETS and HAT PINS.

Watch Specials for Saturday



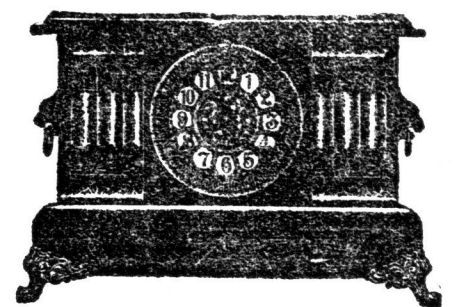
4 only Gent's 16 size open face Fortune, gold-filled case, American movement; regular \$12.00, for \$6.00

6 only Boys' Nickel Watches; regular \$1.50, for 90¢

Ladies' O size Hunting case, gold-filled, Waltham movement, for \$8.00

Ladies' O size, 14k solid gold case, with Waltham movement, for \$25.00

Ladies' O size, 14k solid gold case, with 17-jewel commercial Standard movement, for.....\$25.00



Special Bargains in Clocks Saturday

We are offering for Saturday 10 Solid Oak Mantel Clocks, that strike the gong on the hour and the bell at the half-hour, for \$3.00 each. This is the greatest bargain that has ever been offered in Mantel Clocks in our history.

We are also offering 10 Black Three-Pillar Mantel Clocks, for each\$4.00

Two Cuckoo Clocks; regular \$9.50, for each\$5.00

25 Alarm Clocks, regular \$1. for.....50¢

ROYAL CROWN DERBY

SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY.

CUPS AND SAUCERS—Regular \$3.00, for.....\$2.15

BREAKFAST PLATES—Regular \$2.75, for.....\$2.00

BREAD AND BUTTER PLATES—Regular \$1.75..\$1.25

RINGS!

Gents' Heavy Signet Ring.....\$5.00

Ladies' Gem Rings, 10k solid gold, in all sizes, each\$1.00

Baby Rings, 10k gold, beautifully set, for.....60¢

Birthday Rings, 10k gold, each.....\$1.50

5-Stone Pearl Rings, in 14k gold, at each.....\$3.65

We carry a special line of \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20 and \$25

Diamond Rings. We will also exchange diamonds purchased from us for full value at any time.

300 Hatpins, set with brilliants, ranging in price from 25¢ to\$3.00

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WORLD'S WHEAT CROP

Total European Harvest Almost Equal to That of Last Year.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Foreign crop conditions, as reported to the United States department of agriculture, were announced by the department today.

past month has made seasonable progress, the most noteworthy exceptions

being in some countries of Western and Central Europe, where the completion of autumn seeding has been retarded, and expected increases in areas sown are not likely to be realized.

Every official estimate of the 1911 wheat crop of Europe will now need revision. The final official estimate of the important crop of Russia exceeds expectations, and puts the 1910 yield of the empire at 773,000,000 bushels, or only 10,000,000 bushels less than the high record output of 1909. In view of these figures, it is obvious that the total European wheat crop almost, if not quite, equals the unprecedented abundance of the previous season.

MR. GEORGE BURY DEAD.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—Mr. Geo. Bury,

for many years one of Montreal's leading citizens, died today at the age of 69 years. He was formerly a prominent real estate dealer, but a few years ago became almost blind, and has since led a very retired life. He is survived by two daughters and two sons, one of the latter being Mr. George Bury, recently appointed manager of the C. P. R. western lines at Winnipeg.

One of the most handy things to keep in the kitchen soap-rack is a piece of rough hearthstone about one inch thick and three inches long. Stubbornly burnt saucepans will invariably yield to a little gentle rubbing with this, and it has the advantage of not wasting away when wet.

Count Jacques De Lesseps flung this remark back over his shoulder before he started aboard the steamer La Lorraine today. He is engaged to Miss MacKenzie, of Toronto, Ont., and their marriage will be celebrated the latter part of January in England.

Miss MacKenzie is now on the way to Paris, where the count will join her.

De Lesseps Says, as Married, He Must Drop the Game.

New York, Dec. 15.—"I'm through with the flying business. No more of that for me. It's all right for bachelors but when a man intends to get married, well—"

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FOR EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW

H.B. Joy Explains Attitude Now Taken By Manufacturers' Ass'n of United States.

PROTECTING WORKMEN

Explains at Detroit Advantages to All Concerned Under German Enforcement Insurance System.

Detroit, Dec. 15. — The recently adopted attitude of the National Association of Manufacturers on the question of employers' liability, was explained at length in the Board of Commerce rooms yesterday afternoon by Henry B. Joy, president of the Packard Motor Car Company, and Michigan's representative in the executive committee of the association. Mr. Joy explained the association's determination to support a progressive form of employers' liability, to embrace all employees in every trade, to a large number of local manufacturers.

The plans of the association were outlined at a conference held recently in Dayton, when the executive committee met with an advisory board of over a dozen leading manufacturers. The report, which was practically unanimous, has not yet been published, and Mr. Joy's address gave the first complete statement of its salient features, together with the results of a study of conditions in various European countries, on which it was based.

Mr. Joy's Address.

"I do not know of anything that is of more interest and more importance to the people of Michigan than the question of industrial insurance. It faces us today as a matter which has got to be met; and whether the state will meet those questions wisely or unwisely will settle the capacity of the people of Michigan in interstate commerce in the years to come.

"I think that there is no one in business as an employer but realizes the unfairness of the present method of industrial insurance known as 'employers' liability,' but accurate information on conditions has been lacking. At the annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers in New York last May our committee had proceeded sufficiently far to crystallize into some resolutions the following:

"The present employers' liability laws are unsatisfactory, wasteful of life and money, slow in operation and antagonistic to harmonious relations between employer and employee. An equitable, mutual, contributory, indemnity system, automatically providing indemnity for victims of industrial accidents, and which is not required to reduce waste, litigation and friction, and to meet other requirements of an enlightened industrial nation."

New Parts Obtained.

"We sent abroad F. C. Sweetman, and his delving into the English records, and Mr. Sweetman's into the German statutes, have produced an array of facts which totally changed the minds of the other members of the committee. We now feel that the only stand that the National Manufacturers' Association can take is one for accident insurance alone, leaving out of consideration all sickness, invalidity and old age pensions. By doing that and retaining some of the ideas of the English system and the German system, we can get here in Michigan, and in the other states a very practical, simple, basis, eliminating the litigation, delay and attendant suffering to a form of the application of compensation for injury which will produce an untold amount of good.

Must Start Gradually.

"It is the judgment of the committee that substantially similar conditions can be provided in the United States; and that if we try to go as far as they have in Germany in 25 years, in one year, we will totally fail, whereas, if we will take a start and undertake the accident situation of the present time, but on the right principle, in the course of time there will grow up the rest of the German system, or its main ideas.

"It is clear that any action on the part of the state to provide for indemnity or compensation as the result of injury received is equivalent to an increase in the rate of wages. It is going to cost the employer more. The employee is going to get more. That is going to be an additional cost upon the people. The cost of caring for an injured man is going to be spread over society at large, as it very properly should be.

Must Define Liability.

"The attitude taken by the Dayton conference, is that the creation of liability must at the same time provide a way for the liquidation of the liability, not only in justice to the employee, but also in justice to the employer. Unless it is compulsorily provided that the employer shall pay to some insurance company, or to some mutual insurance company, or better, to the state or to an insurance bureau fund supervised and controlled by the state, there is no justice to anybody in the proposition, because the same old and the same quarrels with regard to responsibility for the accident will still exist.

"In the German situation the utmost co-operation exists between employer and employee. The fund has been created, the money has been paid, according to the insurance rate provided, and if an employee is injured the employer is the man most interested in seeing that his man gets what is justly coming to him out of the fund, and he sees to it that he gets it, because he has been paying this insurance all the time for the benefit of his employees. The quarrelling and controversy is minimized and suffering is relieved.

Great Cost Is Justified.

"Germany is today spending a half million dollars a day in this proposition with the most magnificent results that you can possibly imagine so far as her efficiency as a world's manu-

THIS STORE WILL BE OPEN

Every evening of Christmas week for the convenience of those who cannot make their selections during the day. This will be a good chance, too, for the men working during the day to take advantage of our Big 20-Day Clothing Clearing Sale.



Seven large wholesale tailor shops, making for over three hundred of Canada's leaders in the Clothing trade from Halifax to Vancouver, is the source of our supply, and each keen to out-do the other in value, tailoring and discounts, some of them exclusively confined to this store for London. The great advantage in purchasing here is readily recognized in every garment in our whole store.

OVERCOATS AND SUITS MADE TO YOUR MEASURE.

"Like if he stepped off a fashion plate," was the comment of a customer's friend last Saturday when he saw the whole suit tried on, and this customer was handed his money back by a tailor two weeks ago when he said he could not fit him.

Public confidence is one of this store's most valuable assets. Note it well. We want that point to sink in deep. Through all the years of its business, the attitude of this firm towards the clothes-buying public has been confidence-inspiring. In every single instance, Dowlers' have striven to do the right thing, and the people have not been slow in bestowing their approval. Our ambition has been to make this store an ideal trading place for masculine London, and we feel we have succeeded.

176 and 178
Dundas Street
LONDON

Our Great Twenty-Day Overcoat and Suit-Clearing Sale

WITH OUR MAGNIFICENT SHOWING OF CHRISTMAS FURNISHINGS, makes this the most interesting 7,000 feet of floor space and stockroom in the city of London for the next seven days.

We are demonstrating by this extraordinary Clothing Sale not alone a saving to the wearer of \$3.50 to \$8.00 on every garment, but beyond the shadow of a doubt, the superiority of the cloth, the fit and style of our garments ahead of anything turned out or made in this city. This is a chance for every traveller in London, every professional man, every businessman, every mechanic or railroadman, men and young men in every town, village and district in Middlesex County, to get acquainted with DOWLER Hand-Tailored Overcoats and Suits. EVERY VESTIGE OF WINTER STOCK MUST GO; already over eight hundred dollars' worth of our Spring Goods have arrived.

EXTRAORDINARY SALE OF HIGHEST-GRADE HAND-TAILORED SUITS.

The handsomest tailoring ever turned out in London. \$22, \$24, \$26 and \$27 Suits all at one price, and all this season's make \$19.75

Here's a chance for the particular dresser to get acquainted with our best tailoring and save \$3 to \$7.

A Clean Sweep in Men's Suits

\$19, \$20, \$21 Hand-Tailored Suits, pure wool imported worsteds and Scotch tweed Suits, all at one price... \$14.60
\$12 BLACK AND BLUE SUITS, \$8.90.

Made with hand-built shoulders, close fitting collars, hair-cloth front in coat. You can't match these values in Canada.

260 Men's Suits to be sold at one price. Values up to \$14. Dowler reliable built-to-stay Suits. Special at..... \$8.60

\$8.00 SUITS FOR \$5.80.

About 75 Suits in this lot, but out they go; they're all new, right up-to-date \$5.80

\$10.00 SUITS FOR \$6.75.

You can save enough on this lot to roll you into one of our Stanfield's Suits of pure wool Underwear, and some more.

An Immense Range of Christmas Gifts

Every day's programme of values will be intensely interesting.

Exclusive and distinctly High-Class Neckwear, in a splendid profusion of selection 50c, 75c, 90c

Marked at the keenest prices.

100 dozen of Pure Silk 50c Neckwear (see them in our stairway show window), an immense range 25c

Handsomely Mounted Canes. Bathrobes. Housecoats. Lounging Robes. Gold Mounted Silk Umbrellas.

Sterling Silver Mounted Silk Umbrellas. Silk and Fur-Lined Gloves. England's best makes in Suede, Cape and Black. Mufflers.

Fur-Lined Caps. Sweater Coats. Fine Cardigans. Fancy Waistcoats. Overcoats for Men and Boys.

Suits for Men and Boys. Extra Trousers and Knickers. Irish Linen Handkerchiefs. Initial Handkerchiefs. Fancy Handkerchiefs. Collar Boxes.

Fine Fancy and Pleated Bosom Shirts. Fancy Braces. Combination Sets. Braces, Armlets and Garters.

Every article, every garment is new. We have no old stock, no culls of other seasons to offer you. All are bright, new, the best in every line from the world's best makers.

20 dozen best web 25c Braces, special 15c

Hose! Hose!

Don't Go Around With Cold Feet.

20 dozen Men's Scotch Knit Heather Mixture Wool Socks. Special, 2 pairs for 25c

Penman's best 25c Heavy Rib Socks. Special 18c

Men's Grey and White Pure Wool Socks, best 20c quality. Special 12 1/2c

Dowler Special "Next to Hand-Knit" Pure Wool Socks. Special 35c

Dowler Special 25c Black Cashmere Socks 18c

Dowler Special Pure Wool Cashmere Socks, 50c quality. Special, 3 pairs for \$1.00

BOYS' HOSE.

Boys' Hose, three big special lines at 19c, 25c and 50c

GLOVES! GLOVES!

Men's Mocha Gloves, very special lines at 75c, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.75 and \$2.50

Dent's Gloves, the world's best. See our special wool-lined Gloves \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Fur-Lined Gloves at all prices.

LION BRAND COLLARS.

Lion Brand Collars, the latest shapes and best-fitting collars. Made in 1/4 and 1/2 sizes.

NEGLIGEE SHIRTS.

Over 300 dozen Shirts to select from. Three big specials, 38c, 67c and 95c

Warm Time in Underwear Selling

80 dozen brown Springneedle Knit Fleece Shirts and drawers, best 60c quality; all sizes, 32 to 42. Special 42c

97 dozen Men's Heavy Rib \$1.00 Shirts and Drawers, all sizes. A big value surprise. Special 65c

Dowler Special Non-Irritable Wool Underwear. Two very special lines... 95c and \$1.00

Stanfield's Guaranteed Pure Wool Unshrinkable Shirts and Drawers. The best Underwear in the world; all sizes; red, blue and black label. Special prices.

DOWLER WORK GOODS DEPT.

REGULAR SAVINGS BANK FOR THE WORKINGMEN.

English Tweed Work Shirts 95c

Dowler special heavy twill fleece, extra large roomy Work Shirts 95c

Rock Island, double front and double back Work Shirts. 48c

Dowler Special Fleece-Lined Top Shirts, made specially for our two stores, at 65c and 95c

Men's Cardigan Jackets, all shapes and sizes. The best values in Canada at 75c, 95c, \$1.20, \$1.40, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75 and \$4.50

Tooke's Railway Signal Shirts, with two collars. Made to sell at \$1.25. Special at 89c

Men's Grey and Blue Flannel Shirts. A splendid range.

100 dozen Men's and Boys' Caps. All shapes and sizes. Men's Fur Band Caps. 25c

Men's Black 75c Fur Band Caps 48c

See our specials at 75c and 95c Sweaters and Sweater Coats —Best selected stock in Western Ontario.

Men's Work and Driving Mitts—The best selected stock in Western Ontario. Horse hide, mule skin, sheep skin, pig skin and buckskin. 25c, 35c, 45c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$3.50. Best values we have ever sold.

Boys' Bloomers, all sizes. Special 58c

DOWLERS'

The Underwear Stores of Western Ontario

One hundred dozen Imperial Crown Brand Unknotted Fleece Shirts and Drawers; sizes 32 to 44. Sold everywhere at 75c. Special 49c

Penman's Finest Plush Fleece Shirts and Drawers; genuine \$1.00 value; satin finish. Special 75c

Penman's Pure Wool Heavy Rib \$1.25 Shirts and Drawers; sizes 34 to 44. Special 90c

Men's Fleece-Lined Shirts and Drawers—Two special lines at 48c and 35c

Men's Work Mitts, wool lined, with wool cuff. Special at 35c

Men's Overalls and Smocks —A very special line, best American denim with elastic braces. All the extra pockets. Smocks with ring buttons. All sizes. Very special 95c

Leather Label Overalls. All sizes in again.

Men's Best \$1.00 Mole Pants 65c

Teamster's Coats with storm collar; three special lines, \$1.20, \$1.69 and \$2.25

Leather Coats, Sheep Skin Lined Coats; all kinds of winter coats.

Boys' Knee Pants—Special 38c

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The Greatest Overcoat Values

Ever placed before the buying public of London and St. Thomas and districts. Any \$22, \$24, \$25, \$28 or \$30 Overcoat in our stores will be placed on our Special Twenty-Day Sale, for \$18.90

Any \$17, \$18, \$19 or \$20 Overcoat in our store for the next twenty days, special at \$14.80

Any \$13, \$14 or \$15 Overcoat in our store in about twenty different lines and shapes. Special \$11.80

One hundred Black Beaver, Black Cheviot, Fancy College and Auto Overcoats. Sizes 33 to 46. Pure wool cloths, fine fittings. Every coat in this lot is worth \$10 to \$11. Special \$7.48

\$7.50 Black Overcoats, sizes 34 to 42 only. Special Twenty-Day Sale \$3.80

Men's and Young Men's College and Auto Overcoats, made with the new Dowler Two-in-One Collar. Special Twenty-Day Sale at \$9.80

Fur Coats

Fur-Lined Coats

Fur-Collar Coats

10 only, \$75 and \$85 rated. Other Coats, all sizes, first quality, special. Special Twenty-Day Sale, \$53.00 and \$57.00

8 only, Fur-Lined Coats, with German collar. Special at \$14.80

Galloway Coats, Dog Coats, Broncho Coats, at very special prices.

Boys! Boys!

A Big Clean-Up Sale of Boys' Suits and Overcoats.

Boys' Double-Breasted Tweed Suits, sizes 26 to 33. Special \$1.98

Boys' Double-Breasted Suits, all sizes to 33. Special \$1.98

Boys' Bloomer Suits, three big specials, \$2.98, \$3.90, and \$4.80

Boys' Fancy Overcoats —Three special lines, at half-price, \$1.89, \$2.60, and \$3.95

Boys' Overalls, with Two-in-One Collar, at special prices.

Great Trouser Sale

250 pairs Worsted and Tweed Trousers. Every special purchase made by Mr. J. Dowler in Toronto last week. Every pair was made to sell at \$3.50 and \$4.00. All sizes in the lot. Special \$2.48

Here Is Another Trouser Snap

300 pairs Men's Strong Tweed Trousers. The wholesale price for this line was \$1.50. We made a clean sweep of 200 pairs, and we will hand them out in our Twenty-Day Sale for 95c

Not so many pairs in this line, but the value there. 200 pairs Men's All-Weather, Fancy Weave, Blue Serge, \$3.00 Trousers, assorted sizes. Special at \$1.98

100 pairs Men's Trousers up to size 50. Several patterns in these stout men's sizes.

1,200 pairs Men's Trousers to select from.

Goes to Milwaukee.

When the elder Erbauerhof heard from his son that he had been killed in the war, he was living in a boarding house with his wife. He was rapidly spending the small sum of money he brought with him, but hoped to get employment through a distant relative who was located in America, and soon found the young couple. He persuaded the boy to return home and satisfy the military requirements. By exerting his influence he managed to have the time when the young man should enter the army postponed several months, but the latest date he could have set was Jan. 1. So the father, son and new wife, who must soon be separated from her husband, temporarily at least, are not delaying on the return journey.

"I suppose it is the best plan, going back," said the young man, while at the Erbauerhof today. "I would just as soon remain in this country with my wife permanently, but father says that there would be trouble if he should leave home property. Probably I could not get it. He is a wealthy man, and does not want any trouble about me inheriting his estate, and that is the argument he put to me. But my wife and I will see each other frequently, and she will take apartments near where I am stationed, so it will not be so bad after all."

This afternoon they took train to New York.

Elk H. Schreiner, of Lancaster, Pa., has kept a record of the number of rabbits he has killed in the last 54 years. From 1856 to 1880 his yearly average was 210. Rabbits were very plentiful in those days, he says, and a good day's sport for a man was 20 or more. But in 1880, while in the past ten years it has been but 50. In 54 years he killed 8,450 rabbits.

LEAVES HIS BRIDE TO SERVE KAISER

Settles in America But Is Persuaded to Return to Germany.

Buffalo, Dec. 15.—On his way back to Germany to serve his time as a soldier, as every German must, Jacob Erbauerhof, Jun., accompanied by his bride of three months, and his father, Jacob Erbauerhof, passed through Buffalo today for New York, where they will at once sail for the Fatherland, that the young man may make his peace with the Kaiser's military regulations before it is too late. In the contest between love and duty, duty has won the first advantage, although it has not by any means defeated love. Young Erbauerhof's story is a romantic one.

His father is a wealthy retired brewer, living in Berlin. The young man, who is only 22 years old, had just finished his schooling and was due to put in the period of army service required of every German citizen, when he fell in love with the young woman who is now his wife. Their engagement was opposed by the parents of both, who advised the young people to wait until after Erbauerhof had finished his army service. But the young folks eloped and immediately after their marriage came to America.

And we are sure that the good work which the administration has done, and which cannot be denied, will ultimately silence criticism even in the quarters in which it is now heard.

It is contrary to reason to suppose that achievements of such utility will remain without the universality of recognition which they deserve.

Agitators and demagogues may now succeed in deceiving a part of the people all the time and all the people part of the time, but they will never succeed in deceiving all the people all the time.

What is more, we think the day is not far distant—so gross have been the frauds wherewith these designing and self-seeking individuals have sought to impose on the ignorant and simple-minded—when such false prophets will not be able to deceive any of the people any of the time.

The people—and we mean all of the

republic, and though some time may be required to pacify the disaffected, the question that it will be accomplished at no very distant date.

With the new year, then, the commercial community will leave behind it the various influences which have of late trammelled business, and the country may look forward to an era of renewed prosperity and useful activity along all lines.

The unrest that has of late prevailed in some sections of the population, while due, in part, to specific causes, which resolve themselves into a subversive propaganda conducted by the opposition without interference from the government, at any rate for a considerable period of time, and unrestrained by an adequate sense of responsibility, may also to a certain extent be a reflex of the general malady prevailing in the masses in many countries and which cannot be satisfactorily explained. One thing, however, characterizes such moods, viz., that they are apt to disappear as suddenly and as unaccountably as they appeared.

It is to be hoped that the most sagacious observers in this city are just now very optimistic. They look for a great revival of business and investment in 1911 and they are laying their plan accordingly.

There has never been really any serious lull in the movement of business in this city due exclusively to the recent disturbances. Confidence has been unimpaired and much new money has been going into various classes of securities, banking, industrial and mining.

The administration of General Diaz, while not infallible nor impeccable, has been honestly inspired by a desire to promote the country's welfare and undeniably it has realized a wonder-

BUSINESS IN MEXICO HAS GOOD OUTLOOK

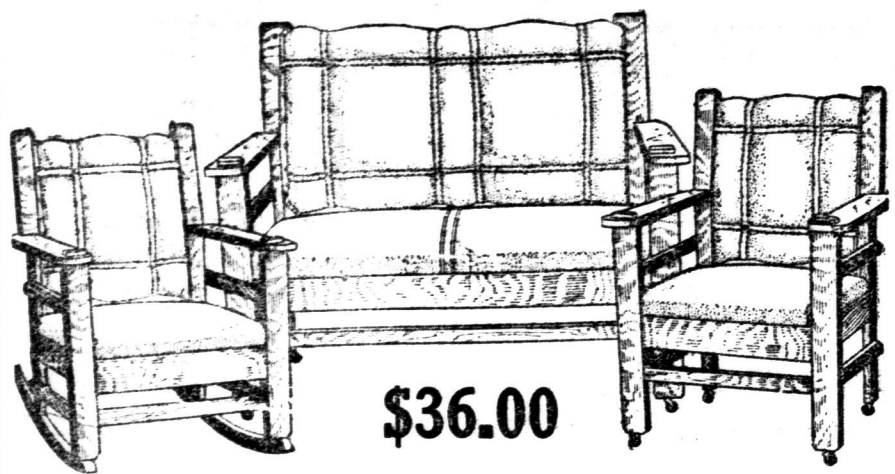
In Spite of Fetes and Troubles the Future Looks Bright.

City of Mexico, Dec. 15.—The festivities of the centennial month, while helping business in some ways, and certainly putting money into circulation, were a setback in others. They produced a certain distraction of mind, unfavorable to serious pursuits and sustained effort.

Since then, disturbances have occurred in different parts of the country, disturbances traceable to an ill-considered political propaganda, and which, though they have been greatly exaggerated and misrepresented, have undoubtedly tended to check for the moment the expansion of business enterprise.

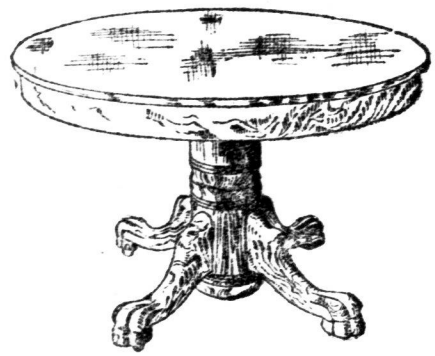
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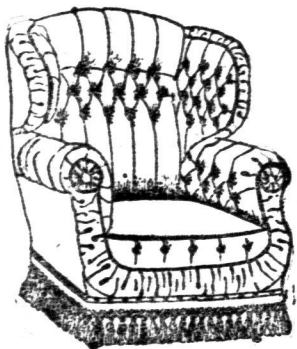
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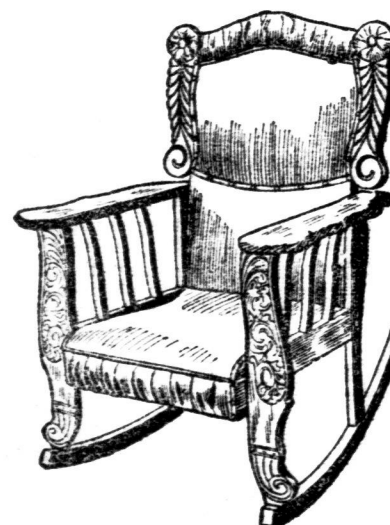


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BERLIN TIED UP BY LACK OF POWER

Hydro Energy Off Yesterday and Serious Inconvenience Resulted.

Berlin, Ont., Dec. 15.—Berlin was without Niagara power again today, great inconvenience resulting. The operation of the street cars was very irregular, as the company was obliged

to bring its own plant into play, and as it had been out of commission there was considerable delay in starting, and frequent interruptions afterwards. Merchants and manufacturers were also serious sufferers.

LOCAL OPTION LOSSES. Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 15.—Chilliwack and Prince Rupert have voted down the local option bylaw which was submitted to the electorate of British Columbia for the first time. At Prince Rupert it was defeated by 372 to 169, the smallness of the vote

being due to the fact that the old Dominion voters' list was utilized. The vote actually represents only a small proportion of the citizens. At Chilliwack it went down before a vote of 122 to 107.

GENERAL SYNOD MEETS HERE IN SEPTEMBER

Announcement Is Made That London Has Won Out Against Vancouver.

The next meeting of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada will be held in London in September, 1911.

The Canadian Churchman, the official organ of the church, in making the announcement, has the following to say:

"The Canadian Churchman is authorized by the primate to state that the committee to which the decision of the place of the next meeting of the General Synod was referred, has chosen London, Ont. The extra cost involved in meeting in Vancouver, B. C., was found to be so great that the committee did not feel justified in recommending the latter place."

Last General Synod. The last General Synod meeting was held in Ottawa in 1908. At this session, the selection of a place for the next gathering was left with a committee, whose choice would be approved by the Primate for Canada. Archbishop Matheson. At the next meeting of the General Synod was relegated, has chosen London, Ont. The extra cost involved in meeting in Vancouver, B. C., was found to be so great that the committee did not feel justified in recommending the latter place."

The session this year will be held in September in London.



"The Thief."

Henri Bernstein's great play, "The Thief," was the attraction at the Grand Opera House last night. There was not a large audience, but those who were present enjoyed the play greatly. It has been seen before in London, and always pleases. It is a strong play well written, and full of clever lines. Miss Blanche Shirley, who enacted the role of "The Thief," was excellent. Miss Isabel Sherman, in a minor role, made a great hit. She was brilliant, and in every scene made the very best of her opportunities.

Hallett Thompson, in the principal male role, showed ability, and made a favorable impression.

Gertrude Elliott Tonight. With very few exceptions, the cast supporting Gertrude Elliott (Mrs. Forbes-Robertson, who appears to-night at the Grand, in Frances Hodgson Burnett's "The Dawn of a Tomorrow," this season's made up of Englishmen. Those who are American birth lay claim to experience on the English boards, or residence in London. This is as it should be. As Mrs. Burnett's remarkable play sets its scenes in the slums of London, it is



GERTRUDE ELLIOTT. A Very Popular Actress, Who Appears at the Grand Tonight for the First Time in London.

consequently quite fitting that Miss Elliott's company, including such names as Scott Gatti, Fuller Melish, Charles Garry, Arthur Garry, Sam Pearce, Philip Leslie and Creighton Hale, all of them well-known in England, though all but Melish and Garry are new to this country. These two, however, have made enviable reputations here in character work.

Big Musical Hit. In the way of musical comedy, the Grand is to have on Saturday next, matinee and evening, the first local performance of "The Happiest Night of His Life," a new piece by Junie McCree and Sydney Rosenfeld, with music by Albert Von Tilzer, in which Victor Moore is the star. Mr. Moore, who is a breezy comedian and past master in the use of up-to-date slang, has the part of a jovial race-track follower, and in the company are John T. Kelly, Phil Ryley, Jack Henderson, Annette Whitford, Emma Littlefield, Mae Phelps, Leila Rose and others, with a large "beauty chorus."

A Splendid Attraction. Mr. J. Edward Fulton, one of the most widely known theatrical men in America, was in the city yesterday arranging for the appearance here of Klean, the famous hypnotist, and his company at the Grand. Mr. Fulton has just returned from a tour of Australia, where he has been unusually successful. He reports the Antipodes as developing very rapidly, and declares that trade conditions are excellent. The company headed by Klean is one of the strongest that has ever appeared in London in this particular line of business, and will be certain to please Londoners. In New York the company played for 250 nights, a remarkable record. There will be a sensational demonstration of thought transference and other psychic phenomena that will mystify as well as interest.

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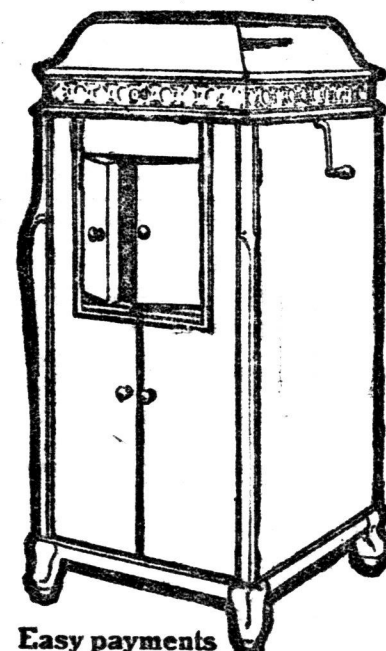
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HATTIE LE BLANC HOLDS RECEPTION

Freed Girl Banquets in Luxury and is Showered With Money.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 15.—Wearing a huge bunch of violets in her waist, at a table loaded down with cut glass and silver, with attentive waiters behind her chair ready to do her bidding, Hattie LeBlanc enjoyed her first supper outside of the East Cambridge jail for more than a year past, at a fashionable apartment hotel here last night. She sat at Attorney Johnson's table in the general dining room, while every side of her were evidences of wealth and luxury such as her eyes had never before seen.

After the supper the guests of the house insisted on meeting Hattie and she held an impromptu reception. Subscription was started within a few moments had reached goodly proportions. To this purse will be added various checks which have come to Hattie's attorney for the girl's use.

WILLIE HOPPE WEDS

Famous Billiard-Player in Romantic Elopement.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 15.—Willie Hoppe, the billiard expert, was married this afternoon at the cathedral to Miss Alice Walsh, only daughter of Thomas Walsh, a wealthy clothing manufacturer of New York. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. C. Gavan, chancellor of the archdiocese of Baltimore.

The marriage, it is said, was the culmination of an elopement, and was opposed by the father of the bride. The couple came to this city from New York today, accompanied by a friend of Miss Walsh and by Hoppe's manager, B. L. Mank. These, with a Baltimore friend, were the only witnesses to the ceremony.

The first meeting of Hoppe and Miss Walsh is said to have taken place three years ago at Atlantic City, when the young woman's life was saved by the man she today wedded.

ALPHABET FOUND ON RIB

Relio of 1000 A. D. Found in Sweden by Excavators.

Buffalo, Dec. 15.—At Lund, in West Sweden, well known for its university and ancient cathedral, where in heathen times there was a far-famed temple, there has just been found a complete Runic alphabet engraved on the rib of a stag. Besides the alphabet, there is the name of the owner or the engraver. The rib is 6 1/2 inches long, and was found by some workmen who were digging the foundations for a new building facing the principal square in the town. Dr. Karlin, of the Historical Museum in Lund, believes the alphabet dates from the year 1000, possibly even earlier, and he pronounces the discovery to be one of the most remarkable ever made in Scandinavia.

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Strict Orders Against Expectorating in Cars Have Been Issued.

Manager King stated to The Advertiser that the London Street Railway already has issued strict orders against expectorating in their cars.

The Hygienic Nine of this city wrote the city council some time ago asking that such a law be enforced. "We have had this in operation for a long time," said Manager King. "We have had signs up warning the passengers against it, and we have taken every precaution to prevent it. We have been doing

COLLEGE OF CERAMICS

Ontario Government Will Be Asked to Help Establish One.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—The Canadian Clay Products Association met here this morning in annual convention, with delegates present from all parts of Canada. A committee appointed to consider the proposed establishment of a college of ceramics in this province reported recommending that the Dominion technical commission be asked to establish such a school. It is likely the Ontario Government will be asked to assist in this matter. The as-

A COMPARISON.

New York, Dec. 15.—A new comparison of the population of "Greater London" and "Greater New York" has just been made by a Columbia University statistician. The census of 1901 gave "Greater London" a population of 7,451,000. The territory embraced in this population computation it is said, covers about the same area as if nine of New York City's suburban counties located in New Jersey, Connecticut and New York state were added to the metropolis. The Columbia statistician figures that with these points added to New York City proper, the population would be 6,994,959.

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CHINESE SOLDIER SAVES AMERICANS

The Colonel and Men Protect Missionaries From Mob's Attack.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 15.—American missionaries in Tienchow probably were saved from a massacre during the riots several weeks ago in the northeastern part of Kuangtung Province, China, by the prompt protective measures adopted by Col. Lui, the commander of the small Chinese military force stationed there, according to details of the disturbance made public at the state department Thursday. No Americans were killed, but considerable missionary property at Sam Kwong was destroyed.

The American consul-general at Canton, in reporting the situation, says Col. Lui took a small guard to the American Presbyterian Mission, and by removing the ferry boats, cut off the advance of the rioters across the river, thereby undoubtedly saving the mission and the missionaries. All the Chinese schools in Tienchow were destroyed by the mob.

Oct. 31 the riots were renewed and the scene transferred to Sam Kwong. The property destroyed there included the American Presbyterian school and chapel, a Baptist chapel and the house of a Miss Johnston, an independent missionary. No Americans were in the town the day of the outbreak.

SMUGGLING CHINESE.
 San Francisco, Dec. 15.—Immigration officials within the last month have turned their attention to Mexico from where they declare large numbers of Chinese recently have been smuggled. The revenue cutters Bar and Batchen are patrolling the north coast of Mexico, in the vicinity of Ensenada, where Chinese laborers are known to have been brought to Carmel-by-the-Sea, a California point.

A schedule of prices has been fixed by the purchasers of the Oriental laborers, a head of adult being worth \$2,500.

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 Cresca, 2-lb. basket, 60c each
 Cresca, glass jars, 40c each
 Cresca Stuffed Dates and Figs in Glass, 55c each
 Locum Figs, 2 1/2-lb. boxes, 35c each
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 Golden Dates, 3 lbs. for 25c

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

I. B. S. Monday Night.

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Weekly Whist.

The weekly whist tournament of the South London Liberal Club will be held this evening. An interesting time is looked for and all are invited to attend. Card prizes will be offered.

King Street Blaze.

The firemen had a run to 321 King street last night, when an overheated furnace set fire to the floor. The blaze was extinguished by the chemical. The damage was about \$15.

The Lucky Numbers.

In the drawing for the brass bed and kitchen cabinet, given free by the William Trafford Furniture Company, the lucky numbers were 820 for the former and 123 for the latter. Parties holding these tickets are asked to call at the new store on Dundas street.

Heathfield-Hopcor.

Miss Laura E. Hooper was united in marriage on Wednesday to Mr. Matthew Thomas Heathfield, of this city. The wedding was celebrated by the Rev. George McKenzie, at the residence of the bride's parents, 78 Wellington street.

Good Ice Skating.

There is something in a guessing contest which challenges the mettle of the average mortal. Daily crowds are to be seen sizing up the copper percolating coffee machine in the window of the Purdom Hardware Co. Ltd.

124 Dundas street. Then the people go inside and record their guesses.

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EAST LONDON NEWS

McCLARY'S MUST SOON HAVE A NEW FACTORY

Col. Gartshore Explains That the Down Town Shops Are Becoming Congested.

One of the most largely attended meetings of the East End Progressive Association was held in Society Hall last evening, and although there were several important business matters to be taken up, the meeting was largely devoted to the discussion of fixed assessments. Both sides of the question were pretty thoroughly thrashed out, with the assistance of Ald. Richter and Col. Gartshore, manager of the McClary Manufacturing Company, both gentlemen addressing the meeting.

It is refreshing to get to a part of the city that is making an effort to boost London," said Col. Gartshore, at the opening of his address, and in continuing he stated that he often wondered why there was such a lack of optimism in the city. He then compared the people in the west with those in the east, stating that the westeners were great people to boost their own city.

A Larger Plant.

In regard to fixed assessments, he explained how it was necessary for a big manufacturing concern to look ahead, and in order to compete with other firms they must be up-to-date, not only in their buildings, but in their produce. The down-town McClary buildings were becoming congested, and it would soon be necessary to build a larger plant. He stated that since the foundry was built six years ago, the assessment in that section east of Adelaide street and south of Hamilton road, had been increased a quarter of a million dollars, thus demonstrating how valuable a manufacturing industry is to the city.

The conclusion of his address, Col. Gartshore, with a note of thanks by the members of the association, and Mr. Christian, treasurer of the Progressives, stated that they would do everything in their power to vote for fixed assessments.

Ald. Richter.

Ald. Richter, in his address, stated that what the people of London most lacked was the manufacturing element, and if they would only give them a little support it would be easy to bring the manufacturers to London. He stated that in Berlin, Woodstock, and other near-by municipalities the people who had any money at all were putting it into manufacturing enterprises, and they were getting all the manufacturers.

In regard to fixed assessment, he stated that the McClary people are not unreasonable in their request, but he

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thought that the principle of fixed assessment in general was wrong, and he wished the Government would pass a bill prohibiting it in all localities. He stated that he thought it would be better if the city were enabled to adopt a system whereby land could be assessed at its fair and reasonable value and according to the purpose it was used for; buildings could be assessed at 50 per cent of their real value and dwellings at two-thirds. This would make the manufacturers feel that they were not at the mercy of the people. It is the uncertainty and insecurity of the present system that causes the manufacturers to ask for exemptions.

Blames the Council.

"If the council had done its duty," he continued, "it ought to have criticised the requests for fixed assessments, and shown the people what was fair and reasonable. If the city turns down fixed assessment I feel that the council is to blame."

In concluding, Ald. Richter stated that a great many of those who have been against him during his term in the council have been circulating re-

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 Jelly Spoons.....85c to \$2.50
 Also a complete stock of Knives, Forks, Spoons, etc.

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 We have a large assortment of Smoker Sets and Stands, Gillette Razors, Shaving Sets, Strops, Brushes, Brass Inkwells, Ash Trays, Pipe Racks, Pocket Knives, Umbrella Stands, Brass Coal Hods, Wringers, Washing Machines, Food Choppers, etc. We have many other lines. Come to our store and let us show you our assortment.

FREE! FREE!
 Copper Percolating Coffee Machine now on exhibition in our west window. To the person guessing nearest to the number of coffee beans contained in this percolator, we will present same free of charge. Contest closes Dec. 23. Send your guess in early.

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ports that he has been responsible for the increase in assessment but he wished it understood that the council has nothing whatever to do with fixing the assessment.

Many questions in regard to fixed assessment figures of all the firms who held the regular monthly meeting in which Ald. Richter replied, and gave the assessment figures of all the firms who are making requests.

Rev. James Rollins, who leaves on Tuesday next for Peterboro, where he has accepted a call, was the guest of honor last night at a farewell supper held at the home of Rev. J. G. Stuart, South London. Only the Presbyterian pastors of the city and district were present, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. During the evening, Rev. Dr. Ross, of St. Andrew's, on behalf of the pastors, read an address to Mr. and Mrs. Rollins, expressing regret at their departure and extending to them every good wish for their future welfare. Mr. Rollins replied in a neat speech, and assured those present that it was with genuine regret that he leaves London. He spoke of the very cordial relations that have always existed between himself and the London pastors, and thanked them all for the many kindnesses shown, both to himself and Mrs. Rollins.

CHESLEY AVE. MOTHERS.
 The Chesley Avenue Mothers' Club held their regular monthly meeting in the Chesley Avenue school yesterday afternoon. After the business part of the meeting was over, a splendid programme was given, the feature of which was some Christmas stories told by Miss Laidlaw. The stories included "Santa Claus' Trip on Christmas Eve," "Mother's Christmas Cake," "The Toyman's Shop," and "Why the Elfines Ring." The large number of members present voted them extremely delightful. An appropriate Christmas solo was excellently rendered by Mrs. Buttsworth, vice-president of the club. Continued on Page Eleven.

COOK COMING BACK

North Pole Fakir Intends to Explain It All.

New York, Dec. 16.—Dr. Frederick Cook, the Brooklyn traveler, has sent word to his friends here that he will reappear next week, following his self-imposed exile of one year. Dr. Cook is expected to arrive in New York on next Wednesday. The doctor has confessed that he did not know whether he reached the north pole or not, and in tomorrow's issue of the *Magazine* he tells of the mental and physical stress he labored under on his journey northward.

"WOMEN FIRST" SIGNS STIR BOSTON PASTOR

Elevated Railroad's Request "Insults Whole Male Travelling Public."

Stockdale, pastor of the Union Congregational Church, in a sermon recently criticised the illuminated signs at different stations on the Boston elevated railroad, which read: "Women first, please." In part, he said: "To the rude, thoughtless and selfish, I suppose they are a rebuke; to the hurried and time-pressed travelers, I suppose they are reminders; to

all who read them they are suggestions; possibly they may hint that Boston men are not respectful to the ladies, or that Boston women are unreasonable in their demands upon men travelling at rush hours, or it may be that they suggest that the Boston elevated is lacking in facilities for handling the vast crowds that must use their lines morning and evening daily.

"The signs are unbecoming and inefficient, because they put the Boston women in a false light, making them seem weak, timid, and unreasonably fussy. They are bad psychology because they stir up resentment and antipathy, instead of inspiring hearty and intelligent co-operation in the solving of crowded traffic conditions. They do not touch the real problem, which is the boarding of cars in motion.