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Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.

DUCKWORTH—In this city, on Dec. 27, 1897, Miss Sabron M. Duckworth, at her sister's residence, 751 Dundas street, aged 17 years 7 months and 7 days.

Funeral private, at 2 o'clock, Wednesday, 29th, to Dorchester.

RICHARDSON—On Dec. 27, at the family residence, London township, George Richardson, aged 86 years.

Funeral on Wednesday, at 1 o'clock. Service at church in St. Johns. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

BRADFORD—At the residence of his son, A. Bradford, 507 Dundas street, after a lingering illness, Thomas Bradford, age 82 years. His end was peace.

Funeral private, Thursday; service at 2:30 p.m.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

AUDITORIUM—Tonight and tomorrow night, And Wednesday afternoon matinee.

Positively last visit of Lumiere's Marvelous CINEMATOGRAPH.

All new views, Queen's Jubilee Procession; also high class varied programme by the Gilbert-Gordon Company. Tickets, 25c; reserved seats, 35c. 13c

SKATING—CENTRAL RINK—AFTERNOON and evening. String band on Wednesday night and New Year's. 14u

THE PRINCESS—BAND TONIGHT—Music every afternoon this week b

XMAS CANTATA—"THE KING OF Love," by C. H. Gabriel, given in Colborne street church, on Wednesday evening, the 29th, at 8 o'clock, by the Sunday school, under the leadership of Mr. H. R. McDonald. Admission 10c. b

CATHOLIC CLUB—SPECIAL HOLIDAY entertainment, Wednesday, Dec. 29 8 p.m. "Mock Trial from Pickwick Papers." Musical and literary programme also. Every body welcome. Admission 15c. 13c

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue Special attention given to teaching the waltz and two step. Lessons any hour.

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—NEW terms for beginners will commence following dates: Ladies, Tuesday evening, Jan. 4; ladies and children, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 8; gentlemen, Monday evening, Jan. 10. Circulars mailed on application. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

10,500 TONS—NEW STEAMER CASTILIAN will soon be in commission for the Allan Line. Mongolian sails Saturday, Jan. 1. F. B. CLARKE, agent, Richmond street, next door to Advertiser office.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS cost 1 Cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words.

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL housework, to sleep at home. Apply with references at 436 Ontario street. 14u

WANTED—GOOD GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Apply at 417 Dufferin avenue. 14u

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED dining-room girl. Apply at once, City Hotel. 14k

GOOD GENERAL SERVANTS WANTED at the Osborne Intelligence Agency, 56 Dundas street. Phone 386.

HEADQUARTERS FOR RELIABLE help. We have them: Man and wife as cook and coachman, housekeepers, nurses, dining-room girls, kitchen girls, to suit all. We want hotel cooks for out of city. DWYER'S Employment Agency, 501 Richmond street. Phone, 1,121.

Male Help Wanted.

WRITERS WANTED TO DO COPYING at home. Law College, Lima, Ohio. 13c

Wanted.

WANTED—PARLOR WITH TWO bedrooms, central situation; for family of five (three children). State terms wanted and location, including board. P. O. box 316. b

WANTED—BAKER'S DELIVERY wagon and single set harness, in good order. State lowest price and whereabouts. Box G, this office. 12k tywt

WANTED—TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE horse power boiler; must be in good order. 821 Dundas street. 13u

WANTED—THREE HUNDRED GOOD second-hand overcoats. Highest price paid. A. P. SAINSBURY, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Agents Wanted.

WANTED—INDUSTRIOUS MEN OF character. The Linscott Company, Toronto. 11h

WANTED—ACTIVE YOUNG MAN to canvass in the city—Renting and selling incandescent lights; good references required. Apply per letter in own handwriting, giving references, previous employment, age and experience, to "Lights," care Advertiser office. 14u

WANTED—A FEW ACTIVE AND EXPERIENCED men to act as agents in the city of London. For particulars apply to The Excelsior Life Insurance Company, Limited, Toronto, or to W. H. Ferguson & Co., London. 14c ywt

TWO MEN OF GOOD ADDRESS TO sell Acetyline Gas Generator; best and safest made. Apply evenings, 651 Queen's avenue. b

AGENTS—BOOK BUSINESS IS BETTER than for years past; also have better and faster selling books. Agents clearing from $10 to $40 weekly. A few leaders are: Queen Victoria; Life of Mr. Gladstone; My Mother's Bible Stories; Progressive Speaker; Klondike Gold Fields; Woman; Glimpses of the Unseen; Breakfast, Dinner and Supper. Books on time. Outfits free to canvassers. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 11h

WANTED—CANVASSERS—QUEEN Victoria, Her Life and Reign, has captured the British empire. Extraordinary testimonials from the great men; send for copy free. Marquis of Lorne says: "The best popular life of the Queen I have seen." Her Majesty sends a kind letter of appreciation. Selling by thousands; gives enthusiastic satisfaction. Canvassers making from $15 to $40 weekly. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 11h

"Graduated

from the Western Ontario Shorthand and Business Academy" is a passport to success. We can put clever people through in the shortest possible time. Mr. Hess, of Zurich, who completed a course

in Ten Weeks

has been placed as stenographer with the Imperial Oil Company, this city. We have placed every graduate during 1897 in a situation. For terms apply

W. C. COO, Official Court Stenographer
76 Dundas Street, London.

Articles For Sale.

SAUSAGE—SAUSAGE—SAUSAGE—Four pounds for 25 cents; two pounds for 14 cents; other meats as cheap. G. PARK, Market Lane. 14i

"TRIUMPH MEDICAL BATTERY" takes the lead. Price only $1. Equal to batteries for which $5 and $10 is asked. F. B. CLARKE, 418 Richmond street. 14tf

FRESH OYSTERS—EVERY DAY—wholesale and retail. Any orders received by mail given prompt attention. CATALANO & SANSONE, 306 Dundas street.

NEW YEAR CARDS AND CALENDARS UP-TO-DATE—CHEAP, CHEAP. R. V. S. SAUNDERS, 650 Dundas street, East London.

MINING STOCK—Ruby Reef will be withdrawn from sale in a few days. At the present price it is the best thing in the market. Send your orders at once. J. F. SANGSTER, 402 Richmond street.

FOR SALE—SKATES AND SKATE parts; bicycle enameling and general repairing at lowest prices. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 374 Richmond street.

THE LOCKED WIRE FENCE CO., LTD., of Ingersoll, whose head office is at 309 Bathurst street, city, have been instructed by the waterworks commissioners to place one of their famous fences round the pond at Byron. ywt

GAS CHANDELIERS AND BRACKETS and globes. SMITH BROS., 265 Dundas street. y

THE DOLLAR ELECTRIC MOTOR—THE greatest novelty of the age. Just the thing for the boys. F. B. CLARKE, 418 Richmond street, sells them. 14tf

STEWART'S STOVES, RANGES, STEEL ovens are perfect workers. We give estimates on iron roofs. Iron eavestroughs, hot air furnaces. JAS. THOMPSON, 424 Richmond street. ywt

SWEET CIDER FOR MINCE-MEAT FOR sale. Apply L. V. LUDWIG, 94 King street. Phone 631. 92 bc wty

STOVES—ALL KINDS—BASEBURNERS, with and without oven, and a large assortment of wood stoves at lowest prices. GEO. PARISH, 367 Talbot street, south of King. ywt

ENGINE FOR SALE—A BARGAIN—Thirty horse power; can be run at 90 revolutions; is in capital order; can be had at a very low figure. Address Engine, care "Advertiser" Office. 56tf&83tf

CUSTOMS PAPERS OF ALL KINDS always on hand at Advertiser Job Department. You can have them in large or small quantities.

TIMBERS, TRUSS RODS AND PLATES. PATTERSON & JOLLY. 72tf

STOVES AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE for sale cheap at KEENE'S Furniture Store, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

Real Estate.

GOOD COTTAGE FOR SALE ON Queen's avenue, west of Adelaide street, $1,400. Land alone is worth the purchase money. For particulars apply J. W. WINNETT, barrister, 429 Talbot street, London. ywt

FOR SALE—TEN FINE BUILDING LOTS five fronting on Grey street and five fronting on Simcoe street, immediately east of the London and Petrolea Barrel Works, East London. Price and particulars given by GEO. PRITCHARD, 9 Market Lane. yt

Business Chances.

A SMALL STOCK OF GROCERIES FOR sale; cheap rent in a good locality. Apply this office. b

FOR SALE OR RENT—GOOD ESTABLISHED shoemaking business, house shop, fruit garden, occupied by the late Hugh McCallum, Dutton. Apply MRS. MCCALLUM, Dutton. 4bu

Lost and Found.

LOST ON FRIDAY, BETWEEN FRASER House, London, and Evelyn, a black valise, containing clothing, etc. Finder rewarded on leaving at Fraser House. 13u

LOST—A PARCEL CONTAINING FOUR fur caps, between Advertiser Office and Perry street. Finder will be rewarded by returning to this office. 12o

Insurance.

A. N. UDY, INSURANCE AGENT Office over C. P. R. ticket office. Telephone, 735. ywt

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE, Phœnix Insurance Company, New York Life Insurance Company (this company is indorsed by 82 separate and distinct governments throughout the civilized world), Canada Accident Assurance Company, American Surety Company, Employers' Liability corporation: the assets of the foregoing Companies exceed $251,000,000. Funds to loan at 5½ and 5 per cent. For all kinds of insurance loans, valuations, real estate, apply to EDWARD TOWE, Over Bank of Commerce, 412 Richmond street, London. Phone office 690. wty

Hotel Cards.

GRIGG HOUSE, LONDON, ONT.—Refurnished and renovated throughout. Large and light sample rooms for commercial men. Rates $1 50 and $2 per day. M. O'MEARA, proprietor.

O'NEIL HOUSE—CORNER TALBOT AND York street; new and convenient; stables. WM. COLLINS, proprietor.

CITY HOTEL, LONDON—BEST $1 DAY house in Canada; good stables in connection. J. MCMARTIN, proprietor.

THE ST. LAWRENCE HOTEL, MONTREAL—Centrally located and first-class in every respect. H. HOGAN, Proprietor.

"THE RICHMOND"—CORNER KING and Richmond streets. JAMES FALLAHE, new proprietor. A call solicited.

TECUMSEH HOUSE—LONDON, ONT. Largest and best hotel in Western Ontario. No charge for baggage or sample rooms Rates $2 and $2 50 per day. C. W. DAVIS proprietor.

Dental Cards.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST, successor to the late Dr Davis. Specialty, preservation of natural teeth. 176 Dundas street. Phone 975.

DR. W. S. WESTLAND, DENTIST—Honor graduate Toronto University, post-graduate in crown and bridge work Chicago. Electric cataphoresis for painless filling. Edge Block, Richmond street. Phone 960.

DR. HARRY E. SILK, DENTIST—Honor graduate of Toronto University. 185½ Dundas street, over Gurd's gun store.

ELLIOTT HOLMES, L.D.S., ROOM 3, Duffield Block, Dundas and Clarence streets. Phone 807.

DR. L. H. DAWSON, DENTIST, CORNER Dundas and Lyle streets, East London.

DR. JEFFREY N. WOOD—DENTIST—Higgins' Block, over 212 Dundas street.

L. MCDONALD, DENTIST, Office, 183½ Dundas street, London Telephone 702.

DR. J. H. SWANN—DENTIST—OFFICE 207½ Dundas street. Telephone 1,151.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY, DENTISTS—216 Dundas street, next Edy Bros., over Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone 822.

Address 752 York street for Yeomans' Weather Strips.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—THE UPPER FLAT IN THE Canadian Savings and Loan Company's building. Apply M. H. ROWLAND, manager. 1tf eod

TO LET—186 ST. JAMES STREET—NICE 2-story brick; 4 bedrooms, bath, grate; very convenient; choice location. Apply 410 Princess avenue. 3tf

Situations Wanted.

EXPERIENCED COOKS, DINING-ROOM girls, general servants, housekeepers, ladies' companions, salesladies, etc., are waiting situations. London Employment Bureau, 372 Richmond.

Meeting No. 3 Ward.

To His Worship, the Mayor of the City of London—

We the undersigned request you to call a public meeting in ward No. 3, in Hamilton road school, on Wednesday evening, 29th inst., at the hour of 8 o'clock.

Wm. H. Winnett,
Robt. A. Carrothers,
S. Stevely,
Wm. Heaman,
and others.

To Wm. H. Winnett and others, Gentlemen—In compliance with the above request I hereby appoint the evening of Wednesday, 9th inst., at 8 o'clock, at the Hamilton road school in No. 3 ward, for the holding of a public meeting for the discussion of municipal questions as requested.

JOHN W. LITTLE, Mayor.
Mayor's office. 13c

NOTICE!

A public meeting of the electors will be held in Collin's Hall in West London, this Tuesday, the 28th inst., at 8 p.m., for the discussion of municipal matters.

JOHN W. LITTLE, Mayor.
Mayor's office, Dec. 28, 1897. b

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of London:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

Ald. Edw. Parnell
As Mayor
For the Year 1898.
6g tyw

THE CITIZENS' CANDIDATE
—FOR—
MAYOR.

Ladies and Gentlemen—Kindly use your vote and influence for my election as mayor for 1898.

John D. Wilson
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Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited for
William Jones
—AS—
WATER COMMISSIONER FOR 1898.
b

VOTE FOR
J. C. JUDD
—AS—
Water Commissioner FOR 1898.
14c ywt

Electors Ward No. 1.

Ladies and Gentlemen—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of

F. G. Rumball,
AS ALDERMAN FOR 1898.
13n

Electors No. 1 Ward

Ladies and Gentlemen.—I respectfully solicit your vote and influence as alderman for 1898.

GEORGE H. BELTON.
14c ywt

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for
P. McPhillips,
AS ALDERMAN FOR
NO. 1 WARD FOR 1898.
14c ywv

Ward No. 2.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence solicited for. . . .

H. M. DOUGLASS
FOR RE-ELECTION
AS ALDERMAN FOR 1898.
14kyxwt

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN
—OF—
WARD NO. 2.
WM. J. SAUNBY
Respectfully solicits your vote and influence to secure his election as
ALDERMAN FOR 1898.
14c ywt

Electors Ward No. 2.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

JAMES H. FERGUSON
as school trustee for 1898.
14i

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of
E. N. HUNT
AS ALDERMAN FOR NO. 4 WARD, FOR 1898.
14c vwt

Your Vote is Solicited for CHAS. D. JOHNSTON
As School Trustee No. 4 Ward.
My record: Economy, reduction of expenses in high school; introduced verticle writing in public schools; less home work for children; have placed the best teaching staff in the city in Princess avenue and St. George's schools.
14c ywt

ELECTORS OF NO. 4 WARD:
Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for
Neil Cooper
For re-election as
ALDERMAN FOR 1898.
14c ywt

Electors Ward No. 6.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of
WM. GERRY,
As Alderman for 1898.
14c ywt

Ward No. 6.
Your vote and influence is solicited for
A. Greenlees,
AS ALDERMAN.
14c ywt

Ward No 6
Your vote and influence is solicited for
Fred H. Heath
AS SCHOOL TRUSTEE.
14cywt

WARD NO. 6.
Your vote and influence is solicited for
JAS. O. WELDON
As School Trustee.
14c vwt

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

James Rankin, of Stisted township, died from a wound in the leg caused by a shot from his nephew's gun.

The United States government wants to send troops through Canadian territory to guard the Klondike supplies.

The Conservative leaders in Montreal have decided to start a new French morning paper to replace the deceased Minerve.

It is reported at Washington that great distress exists in Cuba, and the American department of state is taking steps to distribute relief as it is subscribed in the United States.

The convicts at St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary have again broken out in open riot and insubordination on account of the refusal of the authorities to give them Christmas delicacies.

Edward J. Ratcliffe, the actor who was found guilty in New York of assault in the third degree for striking his wife, was today (Tuesday) sentenced to six months in the penitentiary.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good."

One of the great kitchens is that of the Hotel Cecil, London, where 89 cooks are employed.

A Query Answered.

Anxious questioners ask: "Is there no sure cure for corns?" We are glad to be able to tell these sufferers that Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor will relieve them in a day, and extract corns without pain. 25 cents each.

Russia's Latest Move.

The Port of Kin-Chau Occupied by the Czar's Forces.

Two More Large Russian Cruisers Ordered to Chinese Waters.

The Firing on a Greek Gunboat by the Turks Was a Mistake.

Failure of British Engineers and Employers to Come to Terms.

Lord Salisbury Declines the United States Proposal in Re the Sealing Question.

RANDOM SHOT.

Constantinople, Dec. 28.—The Turkish government, replying to the representatives of Greece, has explained that the firing upon the Greek gunboat at Actium by the Turks at Prevesa on Saturday last, as the vessel was leaving the Gulf of Ambracia, was due to a misunderstanding.

STRAY MUSIC.

London, Dec. 28.—The composer Reinhold Becker, recently discovered in the library of the Society of Music Lovers in Vienna a piece of music in Beethoven's writing. It proved to be a setting of Goethe's Earl Koenig, which was composed by Beethoven in 1810. The melody is beautiful. The music has just been published in Leipsic.

CANADA AND THE VATICAN.

London, Dec. 28.—In an editorial dealing with the pope's encyclical on the Manitoba schools, the Times says that if the Canadian hierarchy, clergy and laity can be induced to adopt the papal decision in the spirit in which it was given, they will certainly be taking the best course to promote the real interests of the church.

BIG BLAZE.

London, Dec. 28.—Fire broke out in the drygoods store of Messrs. Jermyn & Perry, High street, King's Lynn (Lynn Regis), Norfolk. The local fire engine collapsed, and the flames spread rapidly, soon destroying a number of the adjoining business houses. The total damage is estimated at $500,000. Thirteen business houses were destroyed. Assistance had to be summoned from Marsh and Peterborough. For two hours the fire, fanned by a breeze, had its own way, and two acres were aflame. A fireman was badly injured. The latest estimate of the loss places it at $750,000.

THE GERMANS IN AFRICA.

Berlin, Dec. 28.—The governor of the Cameroons, the German colony on the west coast of Africa, has cabled to the home government, saying there is no truth in the story received in London by mail on Dec. 7, that a German expedition, consisting of six white officers and 200 natives, recently met with a severe reverse at the hands of the Moboulies. On the contrary, the German expedition has completely defeated the tribe, and captured its capital with slight loss.

COMPROMISE REJECTED.

London, Dec. 28.—The ballot taken by the striking engineers as the outcome of the recent conference between the representatives of the employers and the men, has resulted in a rejection of the proposed compromise by a hundred to one; while the trades unions' proposal of 51 hours weekly, instead of 48, has been rejected by a majority almost as large. The ballot, therefore, is practically tantamount to a vote of no confidence in the leaders of the men. It is understood that the conference will not be resumed, and that the lock-out will now commence, though it is reported that several firms intend to open their shops to men willing to work on the employers' terms.

CABLE NOTES.

Lieut.-Col. Wilkinson has been appointed to succeed Col. Leach in the command of the Royal Engineers in Canada.

The Duke of Newcastle, who has been severely ill, has so far recovered that, according to the Daily Mail, he hoped to be able to leave his room in a few days.

The Earl of Crewe, while hunting with the Cheshire hounds, was thrown from his horse, sustaining a fracture of the collarbone and serious injuries about the head.

Despite the suspension of tariff negotiations between the United States and Germany, which has created great uneasiness there, the Berlin correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says it is not believed in Berlin that a tariff war will result.

Another Grab.

The Russians Occupy the Port of Kin-Chau.

Sir Charles Dilke Considers the Situation Is Threatening.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—The Russians have occupied Kin Chau, north of Port Arthur.

Odessa, Dec. 28.—It is reported that two first-class cruisers, with a large number of extra marines, have been ordered to join the Russian squadron in Chinese waters.

London, Dec. 28.—The Daily Chronicle asserts that the negotiations with Germany, on behalf of the Chinese government, are no longer being conducted by Li Hung Chang, but by Chang Yin Huan, who represented the Chinese empire at the diamond jubilee of the Queen.

London, Dec. 28.—The German warships Deutschland and Gefion, under the command of Prince Henry of Prussia, have arrived at Gibraltar, on their way to China. Prince Henry paid a visit to Sir Robert Biddulph, governor of Gibraltar, with whom he dined.

Vienna, Dec. 28.—The News Wiener

New Perfumes.

DELIGHTFULLY FRAGRANT AND LASTING.

Red Roses,
Violette Reine,
Mignonette,
Queen Empress,
Marechal Neil Rose,
Victorian Bouquet.

Cairncross & Lawrence,
CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS,
216 Dundas St., London, Ont.
Branch—Corner Richmond and Piccadilly.

Journal publishes an interview with Sir Charles Dilke, who is considered a high authority on foreign affairs. He says that the situation in Eastern Asia is very threatening and that he knows for certain that Japan is making warlike preparations with great activity. That country seems to project an attack upon China or Corea. Sir Charles declares that he has no faith in Japan's pacific professions. He reminded the interviewer that England occupied Port Hamilton in 1885 and 1887, and said that Great Britain greatly needed a naval station in Northern China.

Berlin, Dec. 28.—An inspired Chinese organ, published here, says that the Chinese emperor, in order to avoid the reproach of having lost territory, will lease Kiao Chau to Germany in perpetuity at a low rate with all the rights of sovereignty that England exercises in Hong Kong.

New York, Dec. 28.—According to a Washington correspondent, Senator Morgan, of Alabama, of the committee on foreign relations, said that it would be impossible for the United States to remain complacent should European nations undertake the dismemberment of China. Senator Morgan said: "If partition involves the abrogation of trtaties, this country would be left to make terms again with each European nation separately in accordance with territory to which its sovereignty extends. The German occupation of a part of China and the prospective occupation of other parts by various European nations, is an effect to complete a cordon of offense to American commerce from Vladivostock to Marseilles or to Liverpool. That cordon is being stretched to contract the trade 600,000,000 of people who have direct trade and intercourse with the Pacific Ocean. There is a great deal in the Chinese problem that vitally interests Americans, and which seems to demand immediate consideration from the state department and from Congress."

BLAZE IN DETROIT.

The Free Press Printing Company's Quarters Invaded.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28.—Fire broke out at midnight in the Heineman building, occupied by the Detroit Free Press Printing Company. Before the flames could be subdued the Heineman building was gutted and the stock of the Free Press Printing Company was heavily damaged. Wm. C. Jupp, wholesale paper dealer, and Charles L. Roch & Company, wholesale stationers, occupied the Hineman building. The total loss was $75,000.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 27.	At	From
Grecian	Glasgow	New York
Dunmore Head	Dublin	St. John
Lake Winnipeg	Moville	St. John
Etruria	New York	Liverpool
Damara	Halifax	London
La Gascogne	Havre	New York
Ems	Gibraltar	New York
Isis	Halifax	Cardiff
Dec. 28.	**At**	**From**
Obdam	New York	Rotterdam
Roumania	St Johns, Nfld.	Liverpool
Georgia	New York	Liverpool
Bremerhaven	Antwerp	New York
H. H. Meier	Bremen	New York

Severe Headache Cured.

Dear Sirs,—Being troubled with a severe headache I was advised by a friend to try Laxa-Liver Pills. I only used half a bottle, and have not since suffered from the complaint. They seem to be a perfect cure. Mrs. JOHN TOMLINSON, Hamilton, Ont.

One great name emerges from the Dreyfus muddle. Major Paty de Clam, it seems, was prosecuting official at the court-martial.

Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup the pain can be allayed, and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing, and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc., etc.

For the Holidays. . .
New and Stylish
Suitings
and Trousers
ORDER EARLY
SLATER BROS.
TAILORS,
399 Richmond Street,
South of Dundas Street.

Lively in the East End.

Ald. Parnell's Mastery of the Municipal Situation.

Some Warm Passages Between the Speakers.

Records and Promises for the Electors.

Mayor Little's First Speech in the Campaign.

His Reason for Supporting the Purchase of the Wonderland Property—The Hospital Bylaw Discussed—Dr. Wilson's Density.

One of the liveliest meetings in the municipal campaign of London for years was held at the east end hall last night. Questions of moment to the citizens were ably and exhaustively discussed. There was some fun, too. One east end citizen, who never fails to be nominated as an aldermanic candidate, and always amuses the audience, was on hand as usual.

The hall was well filled with ratepayers, and for about four hours the majority listened to the speakers.

At 8:10 p.m. ex-Ald. Jesse Welford was moved to the chair, and after calling upon the candidates to come to the platform, opened the meeting. He bespoke a fair hearing for the speakers.

The first speaker was Ald. Bennet. One of the audience moved that the mayoralty candidates be limited to fifteen minutes and the others to seven minutes. "Let them have their fling," said a voice, and this seemed to be the opinion of the majority, for the motion was lost.

ALD. BENNET.

The chairman of the finance committee then came forward to "give an account of his stewardship," as the chairman had expressed it. Ald. Bennet said he was not a candidate for municipal honors. He referred to his record during the past year in the council, and claimed credit for the excellent sale of the city debentures, recently effected. He said he was opposed to turning over $1,000 to the joint stock hospital company. He was willing to take his full share of the responsibility of appointing a tax collector. The action had been justified by the results. It was time for a change, and the committee had selected an expert accountant, who had not sought the position, but who had been sought by it.

ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES.

Ald. Nutkins was then called upon. This was the sixth time he had come before the electors to give an account of his stewardship. He had carefully considered all matters that had come before the council. He made an allusion to a charge made against him by Mr. Keenleyside about having a new sidewalk put in front of his house. He denied it. He cited in detail the outlay there had been in the ward during the year—911 cords of gravel, $1,164; 15 stone crossings, $151 03; 1¾ miles of plank sidewalks, $1,752 54, of which there were 5,344 feet south of Dundas street and 3,855 feet north. The total amount laid out on streets and general improvements was $6,880, well and carefully expended. (Applause.)

Ald. Dreaney began by bewailing the fact that he had been on the finance committee. Ald. Nutkins had been on the board of works, the fair board, the Port Stanley Railway board——

Ald. Nutkins, rising—You are wrong.

Ald. Dreaney—I am not wrong. I have it in black and white.

Ald. Nutkins—No, you haven't.

Ald. Dreaney, continuing, said that as for himself he would have been left in the cold if there were no No. 3 committee. He proceeded to attack the new fire alarm boxes. He was sorry an American system had been purchased, as he understood just as good a box, manufactured in Montreal, could be got for less money. The fire department, he said, was in an efficient state. One accident had occurred which had cost the city about $1,000. He couldn't see that the new sewer system would be a success. No man of common sense would say that a four and a half foot sewer will empty out of an outlet three feet in diameter. He really thought the money had been thrown away. Of the hospital question he said the citizens should not throw away a building worth $37,000. (Hear, hear.) If any money was to be put in increased accommodation that was the place to put it. He wished to deny a statement that had been currently reported. It had been said that he (Dreaney) was not able to qualify. "Don't listen to what they say," he said, "I can qualify." He concluded with another lament that he had been "hived" on No. 3 committee, and compared his position to that of a small boy playing craps. It was a case of "come."

Ald. Nutkins then rose to refute the charge made against him, and produced the council minutes, which he read to show that he was not on the Port Stanley Railway board. "Nutkins isn't there," he said, as he finished reading the minutes, "and wasn't there all year." (Applause.)

Ex-Alderman James Fitzgerald was warmly greeted. He had served the city in the council for four years, and had been on the finance committee. Of the fire alarm boxes which the city had purchased, the Gamewell box, he said, was the best that could be obtained. The day had gone by when the city should play at any penny-wise system, and held that a fire station should be established in the north part of the city, and that the present number of firemen be increased.

Mr. John Wilkie was the next aldermanic candidate. He said Queen's Park was not now a park at all. There were no band concerts given there, and a charge had been allowed to be made when the jubilee demonstration was held there. The park should be free excepting at the time of the Western Fair. The one question to be considered about the hospital matter was whether or not the city needed more hospital accommodation. He blamed the hospital trust, jubilee committee and the doctors of the city for not meeting and deciding something about a site.

Dr. English—Forty two of the medical men have expressed themselves in accord as to the site (the present site).

Mr. Wilkie—That's so, doctor. Of street railway matters, he said a mistake had been made in not having had a belt line built along Egerton street and Quebec street, from the Hamilton road line to Oxford street.

Mr. A. Keenleyside also desires to be an alderman. He scored Ald. Nutkins and the board of works, because of a poor walk on Inkerman avenue, in front of his property. He advocated a new committee of the council being appointed to look after the manufacturing interests of the city.

Ald. Nutkins, in reply, said Mr. Keenleyside's taxes were $48 75 a year, of which $8 88 went to street improvements, but in two years sidewalks costing $241 83 had been laid in front of his property. (Laughter.) Ald. Nutkins had received a card from Mr. Keenleyside, which he would read. He called it a bribe. The card, after speaking of two short walks he wanted put down, read: "I intend to build two brick veneers. If you want a chance to figure on them—" (Prolonged laughter interrupted the reader, and he laid the card down.)

Mr. Thomas Sargent, who had been loudly called for earlier by some of his warmest admirers, was next on the list. He opened fire on the hospital scheme. It was a "gouge game." In ten years London would be bankrupt. What he wanted was to see a council that would not want any money. "If money can't be handled nobody can't get any of it," was one of his clinchers. "They all want to have a pull at something," he said, of the candidates, "One side as well as the other, and you are fools to help them ruin your own interests." (Laughter.) Mr. Sargent criticised the sewer system and the street railway deal. He bemoaned the roguery the falsity and the blackguardism with which the ratepayers had to contend.

Several cries of "Time," and "Sit down," offset by cries of "Go on, Tommy," lasted a short time, and he finally did sit down.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Mr. Geo. Burdick, the retiring school trustee, made a brief valedictory, which was well received.

Mr. C. H. Armitage followed. He had been a school teacher, he said, and had acted on school boards. He believed the number of pupils in a room, allowed by law, should be increased from 50 to 60. He was duly impressed with the importance of the school board.

Mr. E. W. Boyle was well received. He said he would support the strictest economy without lowering the standard of the schools. Fees should be charged the pupils in the higher forms of the Collegiate Institute.

WOULD-BE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Commissioner Judd referred to his record in the council and the board of water commissioners. In 1894 he had been chairman of No. 1 committee, and the rate of taxation of the city was then 18¾ mills. It had not been so low since. In 1896 he was chairman of the board of water commissioners, and that year the management had been so careful that the year's expenditure was $6,073 less than the estimates. He referred to his opposition to the purchase of the Wonderland property, and stated his views as to the metering of the waterworks system. He favored the gradual introduction of meters.

Mr. Wm. Jones also asked election as water commissioner. The question of chief interest was that of meters. Meters were the right thing for factories and other public places. The most of the meters now in use were put in during the speaker's regime. However, he would never advocate charging $4 or $5 for a meter to measure an amount of water that would cost no more.

Mr. John M. Parsons then spoke. Some amusing repartee arose out of a question which the speaker proposed to Mr. Judd as to the quantity of water that would pass through a 3-16 inch nozzle for a certain time. Mr. Judd could not answer that question, he said, unless Mr. Parsons would tell him how long the water was to run. (Laughter.) Mr. Parsons thought he had made the question perfectly plain, and repeated it, stating as the length of time the number of hours during the summer that lawn service might be used. Mr. Judd, said Mr. Parsons, had made the estimate, and this, Mr. Judd believed, was about correct. (More laughter.)

Mr. Parsons said the quantity of water would be 259,200 gallons in six months. This illustrated how much water could be used by those who chose, under the present system. There was a great need of meters. In 1896 there were 173 meters on the system, and but few had been added since. It was a very low percentage. In conclusion, Mr. Parsons said he was not going to canvass anyone for a vote, but believed rather in stating publicly what he would do if elected.

THE MAYORALTY CANDIDATES

were the next on the list. Dr. Wilson was the first speaker. He repeated the speech he had delivered at the city hall earlier in the day, and added that he had been charged with extravagance when on the school board, and wished to deny it. He condemned the ward system, and said he would not give his time to political caucuses.

Ald. Parnell, who was well received, said he was most hopeful of his election. He had always received strong support in No. 5 ward, and in this campaign had met with the most cordial co-operation. (Applause.) His opponent had shown himself changeable in his opinions, and evidently knew little of certain matters of moment. To illustrate how little Dr. Wilson knew about water meters, the speaker referred to the doctor's speech in West London recently, when he favored their introduction immediately. At the nomination, Dr. Wilson had held an opinion the very reverse. Then he wouldn't indorse the scheme, but would give it his fullest consideration. (Laughter.) And, too, he had claimed the city debentures should not be increased, yet he advocated carrying the sewage below Byron. The sewer committee had some time ago obtained estimates of the cost of this scheme of Dr. Wilson's, and it was found it was placed at $75,000 over and above the present cost of the sewerage. How would Dr. Wilson manage this without increasing the debenture debt of the city? In answer to certain statements made concerning the new sewers, the speaker said the storm water would be emptied into the river, and that the sewer capacity after it leaves King street was not 3 feet, but 6 feet. Speaking of his personal qualifications, he asserted that it had been said he had not the necessary social influence—there was not blue blood in his veins to fit him for the mayor's chair: but he believed that though a workingman, the fact that he was such was no discredit to him. (Applause.) He was convinced that his hearers were all satisfied with the record of the council. The work done by that board had been to make the city a prosperous and pleasant place to live in. As to the hospital question, the speaker believed the city should retain the present site, but if elected he would act in that matter entirely in corformity with the views of the electors.

When the applause subsided Dr. Wilson asked the privilege of speaking again. "I'm not going to be saddled with this hospital question," he said, petulantly. He had heard of certain stories which he wished to deny. He dared anyone to say that he had ever said anything against No. 3 ward. He had as many patients there as in any of the other wards of the city. It seemed that Ald. Parnell, on the hospital question, was like a jumping-jack, as one time he favored a new hospital and another time the old one.

Ald. Parnell protested that such was not true.

Dr. Wilson thought Ald. Parnell was misinformed about the speaker's statements at the West London meeting. He must have got his information from The Advertiser. The speaker had said he thought the city water was being wasted, and advised the adoption of the meters if it would bring relief. He denied, in tones that betokened his horror of such a thing, that he had ever insinuated that Ald. Parnell or anyone else was unfit for the mayor's chair because he had not blue blood in his veins. He came from the ranks himself.

MAYOR LITTLE.

By this time it was after 11 o'clock, but Mayor Little was called for by many voices, and he responded, though suffering from a severe cold. He explained at the outset that Dr. English, who had been present earlier in the evening, prepared to give certain information about the hospital bylaw, had been called away to attend a patient, and had requested the speaker to say a few words for him. He also wanted to reply to one or two remarks that had been made. First, he was going to speak of last year's council, and of councils of former years, and felt he could speak more freely of them now, as he was not a candidate for re-election to next year's council.

Much had been said of politics in the council. But if all the stories of the kind were discounted 50 or 75 per cent, people would be nearer the truth. He remembered very few instances where anything against the interest of the city in general had been decided by a party vote. True that in some matters of little importance, politics had figured. It was but to be expected that men who think alike would vote alike on matters of little importance. If a Liberal wanted anything, and the Liberals could give it to him, he would, if as good a man as a Conservative, who was asking for the appointment, very likely get it. If a Conservative wanted a favor, and the Conservaties could give it to him, he would, if as good a man as a Liberal who was in competition with him, be granted it. There may have been one or two appointments which had been made on political grounds, but if there were, they were matters of minor importance. Of this he was positive, however, that in the past three years no question of moment had been settled by a political vote against the interest of the city. One charge that had been made was that the contract for the laying of the sidewalks last year had not been let to the lowest tenderer, but if those who made the charge would take the trouble to look the matter up, they would find the change had been made on a mixed vote. Ald. Dreaney was one of the number who had voted for it. The ratepayers should give credit to their representatives, and not grumble at them when they do a good thing. While in office he had been treated with the greatest kindness by those who had helped to put him there, and by those who had opposed his election, so he was not speaking from any personal reason. He knew, however, of Liberal aldermen, who had been threatened because they voted as they thought proper, and of Conservative aldermen, who had been threatened, because they did what they thought right. They have a lot to contend with, and sacrificed much to be of service to the city. There was no pay, either, and no way of paying themselves on the quiet, as some were so fond of hinting. He would have known it if there was, and he did not believe it was so. When pointing at the aldermen people should bear in mind that everything that was done in the council was done in the presence of three reporters, who put down in cold type what they heard. What church, what ministerial association, would stand it better than the aldermen?

In answer to Mr. Wilkie's statements about Queen's Park, the mayor said the fair board was not at fault if anything had taken place there that out not, as the board had control of the park during the fair only. He believed the council did right in purchasing the Gamewell fire alarm boxes, because of their reputation.

The mayor made an important announcement relative to the purchase of the land at Wonderland, to which Mr. Judd had referred. The mayor was ready to defend that purchase, he said, By an act passd in the Ontario Legislature, to enable the city to issue debentures for the sewerage system, the city was required to purchase certain land for a sewage farm. This was done. Then all the land on the south side of the river, between the cove and Byron not the property of the city, was (including Woodland cemetery), Wonderland, and about seven acres more. "Now, gentlemen," he said, "I put it to any prudent business man among you, was it not well to get control of that property? If it were my own personal matter, and I could not get it for $3,000, I would pay double $3,000 to get control of it. It is dangerously near our springs. They might be interfered with. Th purchase was as prudent a thing as was ever done by the council, and if anybody has any fault to find with the price, I will take it off the city's hands tomorrow." (Applause.) It was not surprising that Dr. Wilson, said the speaker, taking up another question, had said there was one bylaw about the hospital and another before the house at Toronto, as Dr. Wilson was not experienced in these matters. If he had been, he would know that there were no bylaws before the Ontario Legislature, as they had nothing to do with bylaws. After the citizens voted that they were willing to issue debentures to the amount of $70,000 for increased hospital accommodation, they had no power to issue them until a special act was passed to permit it. The application for the act had to be in at a certain time. Mr. Meredith (and the speaker did not mention his name, because he, the speaker, wished to shirk any responsibility) drew it as wide as possible, because nothing had then been decided by council as to what would be done. It was made to cover either an entirely new building on new grounds, a new building on the old grounds, or the improving of the present hospital. Before a bill of this kind is passed, the Legislature must be furnished with evidence that the people have voted upon it. Dr. Wilson was right when he said the council appeared to take a stand at one time differing from the stand taken previously. This was so because when the time came that the bylaw had to be presented to the council, the jubilee plans could not be got at. "Is that not so?" he asked Dr. Wilson.

Dr. Wilson—No. But there was—the city engineer——

He seemed about to make some qualifying statement, but changed his intention.

The mayor did not wish to doubt the word of Dr. Wilson, and he ought to know. However, there could be no question that the council had been given to understand at that time that the plans could not be got at. Noticing Ald. Winnett in the audience, the speaker said he (Ald. Winnett) would know, as he had moved at that meeting of the council a resolution that the consideration of the bylaw be postponed, because the plans could not be got at. He put the question about the plans to Ald. Winnett direct.

Ald. Winnett either misunderstood or wished to evade it.

The mayor asked the question again if the plans were so they cou'd not be got at.

"I think they were," answered Ald. Winnett.

"There was some muddle about it," continued the mayor, and the council decided to ask you if you would spend $70,000 in improving and adding wards to the present hospital. That is the qustion, and the only question. If the bylaw passes there will be legislation; if it does not pass, there will be no legislation." He proceeded to explain the plans of the hospital trustees. They were indorsed by 42 medical men of the city, and in a matter of this kind he would go to the medical men for advice. Referring again to the council, he said the members of it had done their duty. If he had a vote in No. 5 ward he would cast it for the three men who were in the council this year if they were seeking re-election. Ald. Parnell, as chairman of No. 2 committee, has devoted time and attention to the city's work in a way that has been a revelation to me," he said. "The excellence of the new sewer system was due largely to the care Ald. Parnell devoted to the work. He has been at the city's work day and night, and the citizens ought not to forget the service he has done.

A Voice—How about the disposal of the sewage?

The Mayor—If Dr. Wilson will read the act he will find what is necessary to do.

It was near midnight and many were about to leave. Dr. Wilson claimed their attention a moment. He again tried to give the impression that there was some grave discrepancy between the hospital bylaw and the bill. He completely ignored the explanation given by the mayor. There was a great disturbance as a number of the audience arose to leave the hall, but when the mayor started to reply his voice rose above the clamor and order was restored. "I can never hope to make this clear to the intelligence of Dr. Wilson," he said warmly, "but I can make it clear to every workingman with a head on him here. As I said before, that bill was made as wide as possible, because at the date it had to be in the council had not decided what it would do. The council arrived at its decision and the bylaw was framed. The bill must be made in conformity to that bylaw." (Cheers.)

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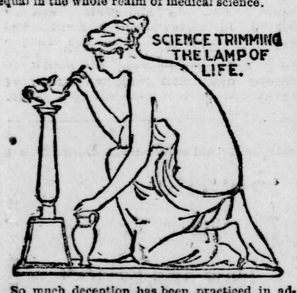
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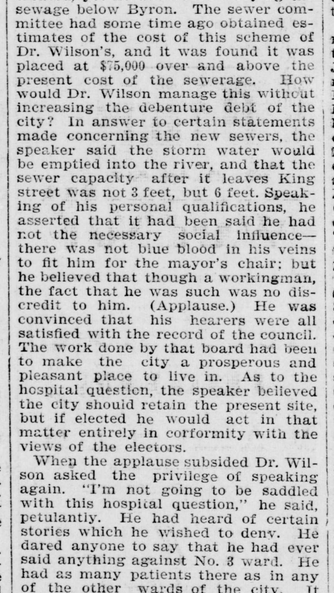
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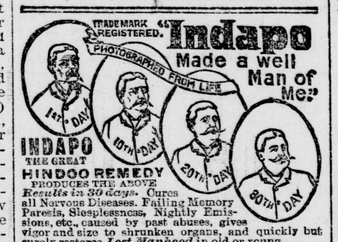
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DINNER—Squash and goose bone soup. Breaded mutton chops. tomato sauce. Lima beans. Beets. Pudding a la Grande Belle. Coffee.

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Squash and Goose Bone Soup—At this time of the year use winter squash, cut into pieces two or three inches square, put into saucepan, cook slowly until tender. Press through a colander and return to kettle; add one pint milk. Rub together three tablespoonfuls flour and three of butter; add this to the stock of bones left over from Christmas; stir until creamy; add pepper and salt and tablespoon onion juice. Serve.

Pudding a la Grande Belle—This pudding is economical and dainty if nicely made. Brush small molds with butter; fill with crumbed bread and dried English currants; beat three eggs without separating, add one pint milk and four tablespoonfuls sugar. Pour carefully over the bread and let stand five minutes. Place molds in baking pan of boiling water and bake it over 30 minutes, or steam half an hour. Serve with liquid pudding sauce.

A ST. THOMAS CASE.

The Entire Population Talking of the Dodd's Kidney Pills Cures.

St. Thomas, Dec. 27.—The great wave has reached St. Thomas. The cures wrought by Dodd's Kidney Pills are numbered by hundreds here, and the entire population, almost, is talking of them.

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The Column of Casualties.

Chatham Lad Loses His Life While Skating.

Suicide at Ottawa — Sudden Death at St. Thomas—Overcome by Gas.

ASPHYXIATED.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 28.—Four young people named Lave were overcome by coal gas. They were restored to consciousness, but two of them are still prostrated.

DIPHTHERIA.

Almonte, Dec. 28.—The local board of health has an epidemic of diphtheria before it. Several cases are reported in town and vicinity and a few deaths. P. McGregor, a mute, has three children stricken down with it.

DROWNED.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 28.—A sad drowning accident occurred on the River Thames here yesterday. Harry, the 11-year-old son of W. Peck, proprietor of the Rankin House, broke through the ice while skating.

SUDDEN DEATH IN ST. THOMAS.

St. Thomas, Dec. 28.—Mrs. George Searls, wife of George Searls, grocer, Catharine street, this city, dropped dead yesterday afternoon in her home while she was talking and laughing with a lady caller. Death was caused by heart disease. Mrs. Searls was about 55 years of age, and, besides her husband, leaves two adopted children.

DIED IN HIS RIG.

Hamilton, Dec. 28.—A very sudden death occurred yesterday morning in Saltfleet at Glen Farm, the residence of Mr. David Ward. Not feeling well, Mr. James Ward, aged 36, son of Mr. David Ward, drove into Stoney Creek and consulted Dr. Leeming Carr. Dr. Carr gave him medicine and he started for home. He had hardly reached the farm when he fell forward in the rig and expired.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Toronto Junction, Ont., Dec. 28.—A sad incident occurred at the municipal nomination here yesterday. As Councilor John Linton was signing the nomination of councilor for ward 2, he suddenly fell to the floor in a paroxysm of heart disease and died almost immediately. Mr. Linton was clerk of the division court.

TWO MEN DASHED TO PIECES.

Wilkesbarre, Dec. 28.—John Agnew and Thomas Kennedy met a horrible death in the Alden shaft. They had been sent down to cut the ice which prevented the carriage from running. Starting at the top, contrary to custom, they cut away the ice until the car had descended 200 feet, when it stuck. The men could not signal the engineer and the rope continued to coil on top of the bonnet of the car until its weight forced the carriage beyond the ice formation. The car descended swiftly until the rope broke, then it fell 450 feet. The men were dashed to pieces.

KILLED IN A RUNAWAY.

Carberry, Man., Dec. 28.—Mabel Fear, the 10-year-old daughter of Joseph Fear, was killed in a runaway. Her brother, who was driving, reined the runaway horse into the snow to stop him, when the horse kicked Mabel in the head killing her almost instantly.

Followed Her Friend.

Miss Annie V. Wells Committed Suicide in Washington.

Separated From Her Husband, Mrs. French Drank Carbolic Acid.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Miss Annie Virginia Wells, aged 33, and a very beautiful society woman, and intimate friend of Miss Leila Herbert, committed suicide by shooting herself. Miss Wells had met Miss Herbert a number of times and was very much attached to her. She herself had been confined to the house for four months by illness, and this, combined with the shock caused by the death of her friend, brought on melancholia, which resulted in suicide.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28.—Mrs. French, who committed suicide Sunday evening, was married about a year ago. She did not agree well with her husband, and as a result they separated some months ago. On her return, to the city about three weeks ago she took up her residence with Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stocks, at Billing's Bridge. On Christmas evening, a Mr. White and Mr. Tiplady, the latter just recently from England, called at the house. During the evening, while singing a song at the piano entitled "Bury Me Beside the One I Love," Mrs. French suddenly broke into tears and broke down. Shortly after midnight, and when those of the household had retired, Mrs. Stocks was alarmed at heavy breathing in Mrs. French's room. On going in she immediately noticed something was wrong with the young woman, and exclaimed, "My God, Maggie, what's the matter?" Mrs. French gasped in reply, "You will soon know." Mrs. French lived but a short time. An eight-ounce bottle of carbolic acid was found in her pocket. There was only about an ounce left, and it is thought she drank the other seven.

TROLLEY CAR HELD UP.

Highwaymen Shoot the Conductor and Rob His Dead Body.

Norristown, Penn., Dec. 28.—A trolley car on the Schuylkill Valley Traction Company was held up by four highwaymen at Swedeland, near here, last night. Conductor Charles Galloway, of Norristown, refused to give up his money, and was shot dead. Three shots were fired at Motorman Mathias, but none took effect. After rifling the body of the dead conductor of the money and a gold watch and chain, the robbers escaped.

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THE TRIGGER.

SHOOTING AT PETROLIA.

A Petrolia correspondent writes: A number of Petrolia sports with a few London and Ingersoll friends enjoyed the annual live pigeon shoot Christmas day on Messrs. Johnson Bros. farm, adjoining Petrolia, and a very exciting contest took place. Mr. E. Marshall, sen., who has held the championship for the past year, intimated to some of the party that his nerves were not very steady, and this was confirmed by the following score:

F. Stenlake	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0	9
A. Veal	0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1	7
P. F. Rundle (Ingersoll)	1 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 1	7
J. J. Dwyer (London)	0 1 1 1 0 0 1 1 0 1	6
F. Reilly	1 0 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 1	6
T. Kelly	1 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1	5
E. Marshall, sen.	0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0	3

Mr. Stenlake was so confident of making a full score that in his excitement he forgot to load his gun in the last round, and to his great surprise the bird struck for home, wishing him a merry Christmas.

ATHLETICS.

DOWNED BY HIS LITTLE BOY.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Robert Fitzsimmons, champion pugilist, had just finished taking a bath and was in his bare feet. His 4-year-old boy suddenly threw open the bathroom door. Fitz's right foot was caught under the door and severely jammed. He yelled in pain. He boy continued to push, and the pugilist gave his foot a jerk to release himself, and in doing so sprained his ankle.

A DRAW.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Tom Tracey, of Australia, and Joe Walcott, of Boston, fought six rounds to a draw at catch-weights at the Windsor circus last night.

CHALLENGE.

New York, Dec. 28.—Kid McCoy, conqueror of Creedon, has issued a challenge to Fitzsimmons to fight for the world's championship and $10,000 a side.

DOWNED.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Young Griffo and Billy Star met in the loft of a stable on Golden Gate avenue Sunday night, and young Mitchell stopped the fight in time to prevent Starr from being knocked out. Afterward Starr challenged Peter Jackson to fight. The colored man laughed at him. Starr is still ignorant of the fact that he was fighting young Griffo. He had told Mitchell that he could whip any man in town, and Griffo was out up against him.

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London Mayoralty Contest.

We had thought that the supporters of Dr. Wilson in the London mayoralty contest would be fair enough to conduct the present campaign on public grounds. But it has apparently been differently decreed by the caucus, for we find the chief mouthpiece of that gentleman dragging Ald. Parnell's private affairs into the contest. In this is exhibited little sense, as necessarily, however the friends of Ald. Parnell may regret to institute a comparison, they are forced to a review of Dr. Wilson's private business. They are moved to ask if a man who has proved a failure in starting fancy private hospitals is a safe business man to place at the head of the affairs of a progressive city like London, at the present stage of its history?

The introduction of Ald. Parnell's private affairs into the campaign is thus a boomerang which hits Dr. Wilson hard. We are certain that this miserable attempt to injure Ald. Parnell by slanderous innuendo will be resented at the polls by all right-thinking citizens, who must see in it the desperate tactics of beaten men.

A Special Pleader Set Right.

Secretary J. W. Foster, of the United States, in his dispatch to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, writes as an aggrieved party, as one whose feeling of regret is very profound that the Government of Canada have not undertaken to put an end to the great wrongs that are being done to his countrymen through the inhuman conduct of our people in the destruction of the seals in Bering Sea.

Mr. Foster's statements are not borne out by the testimony of the experts who say that pelagic sealing has not really diminished the herd, and although it may not be increasing, the killing did not point in the direction of extermination. He speaks about the great diminution of the seals, but that diminution has been brought about chiefly by the tremendous destruction on the Pribylof Islands since they passed from Russia into United States possession, and by the very large destruction of the herd that is carried on by United States sealers.

Mr. Foster is ready to undertake, if the Canadian Government will consent to prohibit pelagic sealing for twelve months, to enter into negotiations for the settlement of a number of other matters. But unless Canada is prepared to incur the risk of paying a large sum for compensation for the British Columbia sealers, he is not prepared to deal with any of the subjects which the Government of Canada have pressed upon the attention of the President of the United States and his ministers.

Now, let us for a moment consider what these other questions are. In the first place, there are the Atlantic fisheries, the fisheries of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the great lakes, and the fisheries upon the Pacific coast. The fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence are really within Canadian waters, and yet citizens of the United States are permitted to enjoy them in common with those of Canada. The use of these fisheries ought to be carefully regulated by the Canadian Parliament, but the people of the United States wholly regardless of the condition of these fisheries, have had recourse to the nets and explosives which very nearly put an end to the mackerel fisheries in the gulf, which are incomparably of greater value than the seal herd to which the United States have been calling the attention and the pity of the world during the past few years.

Now, if we consider the lake fisheries we will see that the conduct of our neighbors has even been less excusable than in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The Canadian Parliament have made regulations of the fisheries in the great lakes, and the Canadian Government have sought to enforce them for the preservation of the fish in the great lakes and in the rivers by which they are united. For many years the subject has been pressed upon the attention of the United States Government, and what have they done? The fisheries in Lake Erie alone are of many times greater value than the seal herd on the Pribylof Islands and the Pacific. What has the United States done towards the preservation of the fisheries in that lake? They have well nigh exterminated the whitefish, and the salmon trout, and other valuable fish found in these waters. The value of the fish caught in Lake Erie alone is out of all proportion greater than the value of the seals on the Pribylof Islands and in the Pacific. These are not to be compared with what they were ten years ago, and although these subjects have been brought to the attention of the American Government very frequently, nothing has been done for their preservation.

We have far greater grounds of complaint in respect to these fisheries than the Government of the United States have in respect to the preservation of the seals, and yet Mr. Foster, before he will consent to consider these matters which are invaluable to the two nations, insists that the Canadian people shall abandon the right which the Paris convention decided they possessed, and which no disinterested and well-informed portion of mankind could have ever supposed they did not, before these great interests will be considered.

When the people of Canada were engaged in a lawful occupation of pelagic sealing, the Government of the United States adopted towards them a most high-handed measure. It seized the vessels and committed those in charge to prison, and practically destroyed their property, and for several years refused them redress. We venture to say that if this were done by any other nation in Christendom it would have led to war. The United States have claimed the right of search on Canadian vessels on the high seas engaged in a lawful occupation—a right which is only conceded to beligerent states. Our readers will remember that Great Britain claimed the right of visitation of American vessels which were engaged in the slave trade, under express treaty stipulations, and this the United States would not permit, though it has claimed in respect to the seals the power which is only conceded to states in the time of war, and which it would not permit to be exercised in favor of human beings.

The letter of Mr. Foster is not a candid letter. It does not exactly represent the merits of the controversy. It wholly ignores the value of every interest other than that which is involved in a herd of seals on the Pribylof Islands and in the Pacific Ocean. It is well worth while that the Government of Canada should collect facts and figures in respect to the mackerel fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and the lake fisheries, and we are quite confident that the people of the United States will see not less than ourselves how very one-sided the proposition of Mr. Foster was, and how much more earnestly he is speaking for a fur company than for the people of the whole Republic.

Mayor Little's Offer.

Mayor Little is satisfied that the London water commissioners did a good stroke of business for the city when they purchased Wonderland, but he gives the citizens a chance to get rid of their bargain, if they choose. He is willing to buy the property as a private speculation, at the price paid by the city. Our view is, that, apart from the value of the property as affecting Springbank, it is an excellent idea for the city to control the beautifully shaded grove for civic purposes. With the steady growth of London, we are satisfied that in ten years from now Wonderland could not be purchased for double what has been paid for it.

Praise Then—Detraction Now.

Those who read the London Free Press now and observe with what persistency it assails Ald. Parnell, even dragging his private business into the campaign, should remember that our contemporary, in May last, had nothing but praise for the chairman of the board of works. Ald. Parnell was not a candidate for the mayoralty then, in opposition to Dr. Wilson, the nominee of the Conservative caucus. That is the only explanation for the present onslaught on Ald. Parnell. The citizens of London must by this time well understand these tactics.

IN WILLIE'S MIDST.

[Judge.]

Mother—Oh, doctor, what is the matter with him?

Physician (with his hand on Willie's stomach)—Nothing serious, I think, madam; merely the annual Christmas gathering.

IRONICAL IFS.

[Chicago News.]

If a man has no dust his name is usually mud.

If a man has horse sense he should know when to say neigh.

If a man would follow the advice he gives to others we would soon be perfect.

If canes were to go out of fashion, some young men would have no visible means of support.

HOW TO LIVE 100 YEARS.

We can all live to be 100 years old, Sir James Sawyer says, if we have perfect public and individual satisfaction. In an address at Birmingham, Sir James gave a few directions to would-be centenarians, though he declared it to be a perfect waste of breath to talk to people on the subject if virtue and sobriety were not the two great bases of their lives. Eight hours should be spent in sleep; the window should be open all night, and the quantity of coverings should be regulated by a thermometer. People should sleep on their right sides and avoid the bad habit of planning out their lives when in bed. The morning tub should be at the temperature of the body. Exercise should be taken before breakfast. The eating of fat should be cultivated, as it fed the little cells which destroyed disease germs; intoxicants destroyed these cells. Animals should be kept from the living rooms, as they were apt to carry disease germs. Three D's should be particularly watched—drinking-water, damp and drains. He advised early marriages, change of occupation and frequent short holidays, in addition to the cultivation of a peaceful temper. Alluding to the fact that the death-rate of England had decreased from 70 to 18 per 1,000 per year since the seventeenth century, Sir James asserted that while people under 35 years of age had a much better chance of living nowadays than formerly, people over that age had not such good prospects. The youthful weakling is kept from dying now, but after three and a half decades of life the influence of telephones, telegrams, trains, share lists and daily newspapers began to cut us down. We had a better chance in the old days, when our nerves lay still, when our brains were allowed to flag, and we lived peacefully in the country, developing our muscles and our digestive capacity. Still, Sir James would have no one retire from business, as those who retire "frequently become topers or mopers."

Precocious Juvenile—Mamma, it isn't good grammar to say "after I," is it? His Mother—No, Georgie. Precocious Juvenile—Well, the letter J comes after I. Which is wrong, the grammar or the alphabet?

NEWS LINKS.

A MAN was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude at Liverpool for polygamy. He was said to have married six women, and to have deserted them after getting possession of their property.

MAJOR TERNAN, who has just returned to London from Uganda, reports that during the recent fighting Dr. Macpherson discovered an antidote for the poison in which the native arrows were dipped. The antidote consists in injecting a solution of strychnine. Hitherto people wounded with these arrows have always died, but Dr. Macpherson succeeded in bringing the wounded men around in about two hours.

THE English astronomers who are going out to India to witness the solar eclipse will apply the cinematograph process to the sun's corona. The coming eclipse is occasioning great alarm in China, and an imperial decree states that it is regarded as a warning from heaven that the reigning prince has been "wanting in wisdom and morality." The emperor is said to be filled with great fear.

SIR JOHN LUBBOCK has gone to the ant again, and if he keeps up his visits and others imitate him, that interesting insect will become useless for Sunday school purposes. Sir John succeeded in getting fifty ants helplessly drunk, and then placed them outside an ant-hill. The sober ants came out, picked up their friends, and put them to bed to sleep off the effects of Sir John's liquor; the strangers, however, they sternly rolled over into the ditch.

A YORKSHIRE man and a Leicester man were arguing as to the superior fertility of their respective counties. The Leicestershire man declared that he could turn a horse into a newly-mowed field in his county, and the next morning the grass would have grown above his hoofs. "Pooh—that's nothing!" cried the Yorkshire man. "You may turn a horse into a field in Yorkshire and not be able to find him the next morning!"

GREAT BRITAIN has just shuffled about a large number of her colonial governors. Sir Harry Blake, for nine years captain-general and governor of Jamaica, is sent to Hong-Kong, and is succeeded by Sir Augustus Hemming, the colonial office permanent official, sent to govern British Guiana on account of his knowledge of the Venezuela difficulty. Sir Walter Sendall goes from Cyprus to Guiana; Sir W. Haynes Smith from the Bahamas to Cyprus, and Sir Gilbert Carter from Lagos, in West Africa, becomes the new governor of the Bahama Islands.

IT SEEMS that people are not the only things lost and found in huge London. According to the official report, the street-sweepers of the city, in a term of one year recently defined, have found about $22,000 in gold, silver or copper current money; checks to the amount of about $6,000; and nearly $10,000 worth of banknotes. One hundred thousand dollars' worth of securities does not reach the measure of stock findings. Besides this were swept up 68 ladies' watches, 6 men's watches, 212 rings, 134 jeweled pins, 618 bracelets, 95 opera-glasses, and 6 sets of—false teeth.

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Fancy Opera Capes in green, blue, scarlet, regular $20, for.. 16 00
Ladies' Black Cloth Capes, fur lined, silver fox trimming, 36 in. long, regular $38, now 29 00
Ladies' Black Persian Lamb Jackets, $125, now 85 00
Ladies' Gray Lamb Jackets, regular $60, now 45 00
Ladies' Black Astrachan Coats, 36 in., regular $30, now 25 00
Ladies' Black Astrachan Coats, 36 in., regular $19, now 16 00
Stone Martin Ruffs, with tails, regular $17, now 13 00
Gray Lamb Capes, 30 and 32 in., regular $35, now 25 50
Men's Melton Overcoats, fur lined, Persian Lamb trimmings, regular $65, now 50 00
Men's Fur Caps in ample profusion.
Beaver Collars, silk lined, regular $15, now 11 00
Pure Mink Collars, $10, now 8 50
Best Sable Shoulder Collarettes, regular $35, now 29 00
Best Sable Shoulder Collarettes, regular $30, now 26 00
Electric Seal Capes, richly trimmed, regular $35, now 25 50

Silks - Silks.

Special line of Pure Silk Surah, worth 50c, for .....$ 25
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Fancy Shot Silks, worth 75c, for. 45
Black Surah Silk, regular 75c, for 50
Black Peau De Soie, for dresses, regular $1, for 75
Black Peau De Soie Dress Silk, regular $1 50, for 1 00
Black Satin Duchesse Dress Silk, regular $1 50, for 1 00

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2 Pieces 64-inch Bleached Table Damask, fine satin finish and pure linen, worth 50c, for .....$ 35
2 pieces, 66-inch, fine, and worth 65c, for 45
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1 piece 72-inch Double Damask, worth $1, for 70
10 dozen only, Hemmed Table Napkins, worth $1 65, for 1 25
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Black Kid Gloves, odd sizes, regular 75c; special price ....$ 25
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Colored and Black Gloves, all sizes, regular $1 25; special .. 1 00
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Down Quilts, covered with sateen and satin, regular $8, for..... 6 50
Down Quilts, sateen covered, regular $16, for..... 13 50
Down Quilts, satin covered, regular $20, for 17 00
Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long, regular $1 25, for 1 00
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Pure Ingrain Carpets, regular 70c, for 50
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38 pairs Men's extra heavy Tweed Pants, all colors, all sizes; regular $1 75; sale price.. 1 25
28 Men's Suits, in Light and Dark colors (odd sizes), strongly made and trimmed; regular $4 and $5; sale price 2 65
39 Men's Suits, in All-Wool Tweeds, light and dark colors, plain and fancy (a snap), regular $8 45 and $9; sale price 5 90
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28 Men's Heavy Storm Ulsters, dark colors, sizes 38 to 40; get one for 3 75
14 dozen Heavy Men's Undershirts, only; regular 40c and 50c; sale price 25
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Commercial.

Local Market.

[Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Co.]

London, Tuesday, Dec. 28.

Wheat, white fall, per bu....83c to 84c
Wheat, read, fall, per bu.....83c to 84c
Wheat, spring, per bu .....83c to 84c
Wheat, spring, per bu....81½c to 82¾c
Oats, per bu .....23¾c to 25c
Peas, per bu .....43c to 48c
Corn, per bu.....34c to 36c
Barley, per bu.....29c to 31c
Rye, per bu.....33½c to 36½c
Buckwheat, per bu.....60c to 60c

The deliveries of grain were moderately good today, and consisted principally of wheat and oats, with a few lots of peas, barley and beans. Prices of wheat were much the same, $1 38 to $1 40 being the range. Oats were a little firmer, selling at 70c to 74c per 100 pounds; 73c was paid by the millers, as a rule. Beans were 50c when of good quality. One small lot sold at 55c to a private buyer. Barley brought 64c per 100 lbs. No other kind of grain offered.

Eggs were steady at 20c by the basket for new laid, 15c for packed, 22c to 25c for new laid by the dozen.

Butter—Sales were made at from 15c to 16c per lb rolls in basket lots, 14c to 15c for crock and large rolls.

The demand for chickens, ducks, and turkeys was not quite so good, 8c to 8½c was the retail price of turkeys.

Beef and lamb were quiet.

Dressed hogs brought $5 50 to $6, according to quality and quantity; demand good.

Very few vegetables offered. Potatoes sold at 90c by the bag.

Hay sold at $6 to $7 by the ton, the supply was good.

The following list gives prices at which the bulk of transactions occurred:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs...	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs.....	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs.....	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat, new.....	1 35	to	1 40
Oats, per 100 lbs.....	70	to	74
Peas, per 100 lbs.....	72	to	80
Corn, per 100 lbs	60	to	65
Barley, per 100 lbs.....	60	to	60
Rye, per 100 lbs.....	60	to	65
Beans, per bu.....	40	to	50
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs.....	70	to	75
PROVISIONS.			
Honey, comb.....	9	to	11
Honey, extracted.....	7	to	10
Cheese, per lb., wholesale.....	7	to	10
Eggs, single dozen.....	22	to	22
Eggs, fresh, basket, per doz.....	20	to	20
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz..	13	to	14
Butter, per lb., retail.....	16	to	18
Butter, per 1 lb. rolls, baskets..	15	to	16
Butter, per lb., large rolls or crocks.....	14	to	15
Butter, per lb., tubs or firkins..	10	to	14
Lard, per lb.....	7½	to	10
Chickens, per pair.....	40	to	50
Ducks, per pair.....	60	to	70
Turkeys, per lb.....	8	to	9
Geese, per lb.....	6	to	8
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb.....	3½	to	5½
Mutton, quarters, per lb.....	5	to	6
Veal, quarters, per lb.....		to	6
Lamb, quarter.....	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs.....	5 00	to	6 00
Hides, No. 1 per lb.....	7	to	7
Hides, No. 2, per lb.....	6	to	7
Hides, No. 3, per lb.....	5	to	5
Calfskins, green.....	6	to	7
Calfskins, dry, each.....	4	to	0
Sheepskins, each.....	60	to	65
Lambskins, each.....	55	to	55
Pelts.....	55	to	55
Wool, per lb.....	20	to	22
Wool, unwashed, per lb.....	10	to	11
Tallow, rendered, per lb.....	2	to	0
Tallow, rough, per lb.....	1	to	1
HAY AND SEED.			
Hay, per ton.....	6 00	to	6 50
Straw, per load.....	2 00	to	2 50
Timothy seed, per bushel.....	00 0	to	0 00
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.			
Pears, per bushel.....	25	to	60
Quinces, per basket.....	25	to	35
Apples, per bag.....	75	to	1 25
Apples, per bbl.....	2 25	to	2 75
Grapes, per lb.....	1½	to	2
Melons, musk, per dozen.....	20	to	75
Citrons, per dozen.....	15	to	50
Celery, per doz. bunches.....	25	to	30
Cauliflowers, per doz.....	25	to	75
Carrots, per bushel.....	12½	to	20
Potatoes, per bag.....	75	to	85
Pumpkins, per dozen.....	40	to	75
Parsnips, bu.....	30	to	50
Tomatoes, per bushel.....	50	to	60
Turnips, per bag.....	25	to	25
Cabbage, per doz.....	25	to	40
Onions, per doz. bunches.....	20	to	20
Onions, per bushel.....	60	to	70
Radishes, per doz. bunches.....	12½	to	1 15
LIVE STOCK.			
Young pigs, per pair.....	3 00	to	6 00
Cows each.....	20 00	to	38 00
Beef, per pound.....	2½	to	3½
Hogs per 100 lbs.....	5 50	to	580
Sows, per 100 lbs.....	3 00	to	3 50
Chickens, per pair.....	30	to	40
Hens, per pair.....	30	to	35
Ducks, per pair.....	35	to	40

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The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, Dec. 28.—Oil opened and closed at 21 ½0.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Petroleum—Pennsylvania crude, no market; nominally at 85c.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—No. 2 Dec., 98½c; Jan., 94½c; May, 94c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 27c; Jan., 27½c; May, 29½c. Oats—No. 2 Dec., 22½c; May, 23½c. Mess pork—Dec., $7 70; Jan., $8 72½; May, $8 92½. Lard—Dec., $4 45; Jan., $4 55; May, $4 72½. Short ribs—Dec., $4 40; Jan., $4 40; May, $4 55. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, fairly steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 89c to 90c; No. 3 spring wheat, 83c to 91c; No. 2 red, 98½c; No. 2 corn, 27½c to 27¼c; No. 2 yellow corn, 27½c to 27½c; No. 2 oats, 23½c to 23½c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 24½c to 25c; No. 3 white, 24c to 25c; No. 2 rye, 47c; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 26c to 40c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 17½ to $1 21½; prime timothy seed, $2 70; mess pork, $7 70 to $7 75; lard, $4 55 to $4 57½; short rib sides, $4 35 to $4 70; dry salted shoulders, 4½c to 4½c; short clear sides, $4 70 to $4 80; sugar, unchanged; eggs, firm; fresh, 21c.

Receipts—			
Flour.....	16,000	Wheat.....	237,000
Corn.....	224,000	Oats.....	354,000
Rye.....	13,000	Barley.....	42,000
Shipments—			
Flour.....	14,000	Wheat.....	8,000
Corn.....	77,000	Oats.....	384,000
Rye.....	4,000	Barley.....	10,000

Live Stock Market

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—There were about 250 head of butchers' cattle, 10 calves and 70 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the east end abattoir today. Trade was very dull, as the butchers will not be wanting much beef for another week. A bunch of extra cattle were held at 4½c per lb, but none of them were sold during the early part of the day. Pretty good cattle sold at from 3½c to nearly 4c per pound. Common dry cows sold at from 2c to 2½c. All the calves excepting one were of small size, and sold at from $2 50 to $5 each. One of the calves was sold at $12. Sheep sold at from 3½c to 3¾c per lb. Lambs sold at from 4¼c to 4¾c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,232; fairly active and generally steady; yards cleared; native steers, $4 40 to $5 20; stags and oxen, $2 75 to $4 50; bulls, $3 to $3 50; dry cows, $2 to $3 55; cables quote American steers at 10½c to 11¼c; refrigerator beef, 8c to 8½c; exports today, 654 beeves. Calves—Receipts, 586; active and steady; all sold; veals, $5 to $8 50; grassers, $3 to $3 50; westerns, $3 to $4 65. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 8,651; active; sheep steady; lambs, ¼c higher; sheep, $3 50 to $4 70; lambs, $6 to $6 75. Hogs—Receipts, 12,556; steady, at $3 80 to $4.

Dairy Markets.

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—Cheese, 8c to 9c. Butter—Townships, 16c to 18c western, 13c to 15c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Butter—Market firm; creamery, 15c to 21c; dairy, 12c to 18c. Cheese quiet at 8c to 8½c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Butter firm at the decline; western creamery, 15c to 22c; do, factoroy, 12c to 17c; Elgins, 22c; imitation creamery, 13½c to 18c; state dairy, 13c to 20c; do creamery, 15c to 21c. Cheese dull; large white, Sept., 8¼c; small do, 9c to 9¼c; large colored, Sept., 8½c; small do, 9c to 9¼c; large late made, 7⅝c to 7¾c; small do, 8¼c to 8½c; light skims, 6c to 6½c; part skims, 4½c to 5½c; full skims, 3c to 4c.

AMONG THE MASONS.

Installation of the Officers—Elect of City Lodges.

The annual installation of officers-elect of seven out of the eight city Masonic lodges, took place in the blue room, Masonic Temple, last night. It was the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, and, as usual, there was a large attendance. W. Bro. Alex. Findlay, of St. John's Lodge, No. 20, presided at the opening, but later in the evening he vacated the chair to the district deputy grand master of No. 3 district, R. W. Bro. W. C. Harris, of Delaware, whom he fraternally welcomed. A board of installed masters was then formed, comprising R. W. Bros. Hungerford, Dewar, Munson, Brodrick and Harris; V. W. Bros. Hammond (Delaware), Clarke, Overell, Ellis, Dawson, Flock and Kingston; W. Bros. Skinner, Morris, W. Hayman, H. Hayman, Fitzgerald, Essery, Hobbs, Galpin, Morgan, Moore, Francis, McWhinney, Parker, Findlay, J. A. Smith, Campbell, Douglass, O'Brien, Hodgins, and Element. W. Bro. A. A. Campbell officiated as director of ceremonies and introduced the following masters-elect to the board: Bros. John Jones, 20; Charles Buskard, 42; John Paul, 64; W. A. Bleuthner, 195; J. D. Balfour, M.D., 208a; J. E. Weber, 378, and Stephen Grant, 380.

The above brethren were instructed in the secret work of the installation ceremonies, and placed in worshipful master's chairs. The other officers were then installed and invested with the insignia of office. The names of the majority of these officers have already been published by The Advertiser.

Following are the newly-appointed officers of Tuscan Lodge, No. 195: Bro. E. Manigault, S. D.; Bro. John Weld, J. D.; Bro. H. A. Kingsmill, M.D., I. G.; Bro. Arthur Brown, organist; Bro. Geo. Sayers, D. of C.; Bro. John M. Dillon, S. S.; Bro. H. C. McBride, J. S.; R. W. Bro. P. W. D. Brodrick and W. Bros. J. Higginbottom and E. Paull, representatives to board of finance.

Appended are the newly-appointed officers of Union Lodge, No. 380: Bro. John Lawson, S. D.; Bro. C. S. Tamlin, J. D.; Bro. Thomas Chrystler, I. G.; W. Bro. Harry Stratfold, organist; Bro. M. J. Maitland, D. of C.; Bro. D. W. Freeland, S. S.; Bro. W. S. Davidson, J. S. The D. D. G. M., R. Wor. Bro. Harris, assisted by R. Wor. Bros. Munson and Brodrick. Very Wor. Bro. Hammond (Delaware), Wor. Bros. D. W. Blackwell, Campbell, Morris, Luscombe, Galpin, E. B. Smith, McWhinney, and others, conducted the installation for the most part, at the close of which a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the D. D. G. M., to which he responded suitably.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, held their installation in their hall, corner of Dundas and Elizabeth streets, R. W. Bro. O. J. Bridle officiating. The officers installed were: W. M., Bro. Sergt. F. E. Davis; I. P. M., Bro. A. T. Cooper; S. W., Bro. Charles Blanchard; J. W., Bro. Corp. Watson; secretary, Bro. C. Simpson; treasurer, W. Bro. O. J. Bridle; D. of C., Bro. J. D. Metherall; chaplain, Bro. Whittaker; S.D., Bro. H.J. Childs; J. D., Bro. Malone; S. S., Bro. Sergt. Price; J. S., Bro. E. W. Boyle; I. G., Bro. E. Brown; tyler, W. Bro. Joseph Simmons.

After the ceremonies a pleasant hour was spent round the festive board, when the usual toasts were proposed and responded to.

RIGHT AT YOUR DOOR

People Are Being Cured by Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

No need for you to look for evidence of the efficacy of these pills, in some far-away place. Your friends and neighbors have used them, have been cured by them. Read what they say.

Mrs. A. Johnston, 343 Hill street, London, Ont., tells the following story of the rescue of her mother, Mrs. M. Colby, from the grasp of heart and nerve trouble:

"My mother, Mrs. Colby, who is now 54 years of age, and lives at 416 Horton street, has been afflicted with heart trouble for years, smothering at night so that she could not lie down, and often had to struggle for breath. She could not walk any distance on account of lack of breath; and she has also been terribly nervous for a long time.

"She suffered greatly from enlargement of the liver; and these complications reduced her health and strength very much and caused severe suffering.

"She was in miserable health, and almost too weak to move when she commenced taking MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS, together with LAXA-LIVER PILLS, some time last November. She got them at W. T. Strong's drug store. The combined action of these pills have done her an almost incredible amount of good, giving her healthy action of the heart, so that the suffocating, smothering feeling does not now affect her.

"As a rule she sleeps well, her nerves are strong, the shortness of breath is gone, and I can truly say that the action of these pills has been simply wonderful. The enlargement of the liver has disappeared to a great extent, and I believe that, with the continued use of the Laxa-Liver Pills, it will not trouble her any more. I cannot recommend them too highly, as I feel grateful for their remarkable effects in my mother's case.'

Week of Prayer.

Union Services in the City Churches.

Programme Issued by the Ministerial Association.

Following is the programme for the week of prayer issued by the London Ministerial Association, beginning with Jan. 3, 1898:

CENTER LONDON.

Monday, Jan. 3—St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; Rev. G. B. Sage and Rev. Dr. Daniel. Topics, Confession and Thanksgiving.

Tuesday, Jan. 4 — First Methodist Church; Rev. Dr. Wilbur, F. Crofts and Rev. J. W. Pedley. Topics, The Sabbath and the Church Universal.

Wednesday, Jan. 5—Each pastor left free to attend his own prayer meeting. Topics, Nations and Their Rulers.

Thursday, Jan. 6—Talbot Street Baptist Church; Rev. W. J. Clark and Rev. E. B. Lanceley. Topics, Families, Schools and Temperance.

Friday, Jan. 7—Bishop Cronyn Hall; Rev. Robert Johnston and Rev. George Jackson. Topic, Foreign Missions.

SOUTH LONDON.

Monday, Jan. 3—Baptist; Ven. Archdeacon Davis and Rev. Eli Middleton. Topics, the same as in the above, each night, and in all the districts.

Tuesday, Jan. 4—Presbyterian; Rev. A. L. Russell and Rev. W. M. Walker.

Wednesday, Jan. 5—Each pastor left free to attend his own prayer-meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 6—Askin Street Methodist; Rev. J. G. Stuart and Rev. J. W. Pedley.

Friday, Jan. 7—St. James' Church; Rev. Richard Hobbs and Rev. Ira Smith.

EAST LONDON.

Monday, Jan. 3—Adelaide Street Baptist; Rev. George Gilmour and Rev. George Fowler.

Tuesday, Jan. 4—Christian Church; Rev. T. S. Johnston and Rev. W. J. Ford.

Wednesday, Jan. 5—Each minister free to attend his own prayer meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 6—Dundas Center Methodist Church; Rev. Canon Richardson and Rev. W. Moffatt.

Friday, Jan. 7—Memorial Church; Rev. W. M. Walker and Rev. J. E. Sawyer.

SOUTHEAST LONDON.

Monday, Jan. 3—Hamilton Road Methodist; Rev. T. Wilson and Rev. J. H. Moorehouse.

Tuesday, Jan. 4—Christ Church; Rev. A. Stewart and Rev. J. G. Fallis.

Wednesday, Jan. 5—Each minister free to attend his own prayer meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 6—Wellington Street Methodist; Rev. W. H. Claris and Rev. T. S. Johnston.

Friday, Jan. 7—Chalmers Presbyterian Church; Rev. Geo. Fowler and Rev. A. E. Lloyd.

WEST LONDON.

Tuesday, Jan. 4—Methodist Church; Rev. G. B. Sage and Rev. Ira Smith.

Friday, Jan. 7—St. George's Church; Rev. J. G. Stuart and Rev. A. G. Harris.

A collection to be taken at all the meetings on Tuesday and Friday nights to defray expenses. The pastor of the church in which the meetings are held will preside.

GOOD REASONS FOR JOY.

The Wrought Iron Range Company have received the following two letters, which will be of interest to intending purchasers:

St. Mary's, Ont., Dec. 17.

Wrought Iron Range Company, Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Gentlemen,—We purchased of your salesman five years ago one of your Home Comfort Ranges, and are pleased to say it gives us entire satisfaction. It is a splendid heater, lovely baker and saves half the fuel of any stove or range we ever used. I would not take $100 for it if I could not get another. Respectfully,

FRANK WILSON.

Mr. Neil Stewart, of Denfield, Ont., says the same thing after using his Home Comfort for five years. What recent purchasers say: Wrought Iron Range Company (Limited), Toronto: Gentlemen, — We each purchased of your salesman, Mr. G. L. Smith, a "Home Comfort" range, and are pleased to say it gives entire satisfaction. It is a great heater and fine baker, and I am convinced it does not use half the wood my former stove did. Isaac Taylor, Granton, Ont.; George Patrick, Ilderton; James Hord, Ilderton. 14u yv

The cycle racer who wipes out all previous records might also be called an eraser.

Rev. Charles Fish, Methodist Minister Dunn Ave., Toronto, Cured of Eczema.

About ten years ago I felt the beginnings of what is commonly known as Eczema. The disease commenced in my ears and spread entirely over both sides of my head and also developed on my hands. During those ten year I was a great sufferer. Specialists on skin diseases treated me. As I write this I am commencing on the fifth box of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and, judging from the rapid improvement effected, I am certain that before the box is used I shall be completely cured. Charles Fish, Methodist Minister, 192 Dunn avenue, Toronto.

Dr. Daniel Freeman, who was the first man to locate under the United States "homestead act," is still living on the plot of ground he claimed in Gage county, Neb., at that time.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membranes of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain, or soreness of the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

Lord Edward Pelham Clinton, master of the Queen's household, has purchased George Eliot's former house at the Hights, Witley.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

Those "Triumph" Medical Batteries are selling rapidly. No wonder; the price does it. Only one dollar each. They are, in effect, equal to the batteries for which $5 and $10 are asked. F. B. Clarke, 418 Richmond street, has them for sale. 14n

Ask your grocer for

Windsor Salt

For Table and Dairy. Purest and Best

FRIENDS OF HOME RULE

Thanked by Hon. Edward Blake for Their Contributions to the Canadian Irish Parliamentary Fund.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

May I, as treasurer of the Canadian Irish Parliamentary Fund for 1898, ask space to acknowledge in summary form, the receipts so far in response to my appeal. They are as follows:

Toronto	$4,764 75
Collingwood and Toronto	500 00
Ottawa	600 00
St. Catharines	400 00
Montreal	200 00
An Irish-Canadian Protestant	200 00
Hamilton	114 00
St. John, N. B.	110 00
Kingston	100 00
Peterboro	50 00
Paris (per Hamilton)	30 00
Colgan	25 00
Total	$7,093 75

The returns from many of these places are, as yet, incomplete, and, from several other districts where subscriptions are promised, no returns have as yet come in. The fullest details of the subscriptions already received have been forwarded for pulication to the Catholic Register, Toronto, and to the Freeman's Journal, Dublin; and I have remitted £1,444 3s 5d sterling to the treasurers of the parliamentary fund, being the net result of the collections to date.

I am obliged to leave Canada for Ireland today, but during my absence my son, Mr. E. F. Blake, Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto, will act for me in the receipt, acknowledgment and transmission of subscriptions.

May I add the expression of my grateful thanks to the Canadian friends of Irish home rule, who are exhibiting in so marked a manner their devotion to the cause. I am sure they will feel in some degree encouraged and rewarded for their steadfastness by the latest utterances of prominent Irish Nationalist leaders, pointing to concerted action on the capital questions for the approaching session. If so much can be achieved next year, we may take fresh hope for the future of the cause. I have, etc.,

EDWARD BLAKE.

Toronto, Dec. 27, 1897.

IN THE FIELD.

Supplementary List of Municipal Nominations.

Delaware—Reeve, James Bradt and John McEwen; councilors, No. 1 ward, Robert Stevens, Edward Elvidge; No. 2 ward, John Ackland, Jacob Eichenberger; No. 3 ward, E. Howlett, John Monteith; No. 4 ward, Donald May, Wm. Vickery.

West McGillivray—The old members of the McGillivray council were elected by acclamation: John D. Drummond, reeve; Thos. Prest, first deputy reeve; Robert Hutchinson, second deputy reeve; Vivian Grieve, Marshall Miller, councilors.

Dorchester Station—Reeve, George Neely (acc.); councilors, ward 1, Thos. McFarlane and Edward Parker; ward 2, George Chittick (acc.); ward 3, Chas. Beattie (acc.); ward 4, H. Rath and Mr. Swartout.

A Distinguished Resting Place.

Children have large ideas. As the common saying is, they cry for the moon. And what they want they confide to their elders to procure for them.

A departing friend once asked a little girl what she should bring her from Europe.

"Shall you go through Switzerland?" asked the child, whose imagination had been stirred by hearing how exhausted travelers, lost in the snows, are rescued by dogs and their keepers.

"Yes," answered the lady, expecting to be asked for some carved toy.

"Then bring me two monks and a St. Bernard dog," was the prompt and disconcerting reply.

Quite as startling a request, and seemingly as impossible to grant, was made by a little boy who lives in a New York up-town flat. The restrictions of flat life had proved too much for his beloved Angora rabbit, which departed this life amid showers of tears from its inconsolable master.

Offers of another rabbit, a dog, and even a monkey, failed to comfort the wailing small boy, until a sudden thought checked his sobs.

"If Bunny could be buried right beside Gen. Grant, 'twould make me feel better," he confided to his father, with full faith that the matter would be easily arranged.

Naturally the father was staggered for a moment, but the sight of the quivering, tear-stained face was too much for him, and he weakly consented to assist in burying the dead rabbit as near the illustrious soldier as possible.

On the noon of a certain day, at the hour when fewest people are to be found on Riverside drive, a dignified gentleman and a sober little boy, the one endeavoring to conceal a fire-shovel, the other displaying conspicuously a wooden box, might have been seen making their way toward the tomb of General Grant. Not very far from the tomb, with all honor and all possible haste, was the rabbit interred, and there it rests today, distinguished beyond all creatures of its kind.—Youth's Companion.

Dulwich, now a populous district of London, still has a toll gate across one of its main streets at which tolls are collected regularly.

"There is only one thing I ever do for policy's sake." "What's that?" "Pay my premium."

A DINNER PILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia.

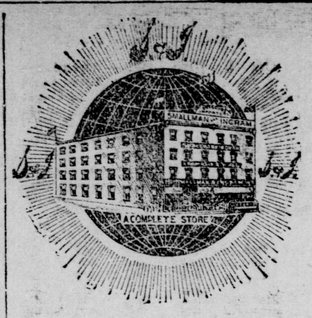
RIGHT HON. JOHN MORLEY is to be one of Mr. Gladstone's literary executors, with a view to undertaking his biography.

A Code of Signals.

Nature has a code of signals—a listless step and tired, weary feelings are in the code. They show that the system is run down and dragged out. Nature's medicine for this is Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills—they benefit the entire system, brace the nerves, and brighten the brain, curing nervousness, sleeplessness, weakness and palpitation of the heart, etc.

The "Bicyclist's Best Friend" is a familiar name for Trask's Magnetic Ointment, always ready for emergencies. While a specific for Piles, it also instantly relieves and cures cuts, bruises, salt rheum, eczema and all affections of the skin. It never fails. 25 cents. 27

Phone 644 for Yeoman's Weather Strips.



WEATHER PROBS: Generally fair.

Furs Down In Price.

Though winter has just begun we have a little plan on hand which necessitates a quick clearance of our stock of furs. To help us we have lowered the prices, and quote the following to show what good furs can be bought at. Other furs are also selling at reduced prices.

One only, Astrachan Caperine, regular price was $11 00, going at..... $8.50
A larger size, regular price was $13 00, going at..... $10.50
One only, Sable Caperine, regular price was $37 50, going at..... $30.00
One only, Mink Caperine, regular price was $38 00, going at..... $29.00
Electric Seal Caperine, regular $12 00 article, for..... $9.50
Larger size, was sold at $17 50, now for..... $13.50
One only, Black Thibet Lamb Caperine, lovely garment, regular price was $30 00, now.... $24.50
Electric Seal Caperine, with chinchilla collar and black Thibet trimming, very new, was $32 00, now..... $24.00

Specials --For-- This Week.

"Protector" Lip and Tube Dress Bindings.

Ask to see them. They are the skirt protectors that protect. They will be demonstrated at our store during this week by the lady representative of the manufacturers. They are waterproof and durable beyond any other in the market. Come in and have them explained.

See Jackets in Big Window

AT REDUCED PRICES.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM,

149 and 151 Dundas Street.

WESTERN ONTARIO

Dr. Sanderson, of Windsor, was called to his home in Sparta on Friday, owing to his sister being ill with diphtheria.

Last week Lewis Wigle shipped 20 car loads of tobacco in three days to Quebec via M. C. R., amounting in value to $6,000.

The mills of the Tillson Company, Tilsonburg, are now all illuminated by incandescent light, generated from their own dynamo.

A. Davidson, of Bullock's Corners, near Dundas, went to Windsor Monday morning to be married by Rev. J. C. Tolmie, to Miss Wilson.

Miss Cameron, the retiring teacher at West Lorne, left for her home in Wallacetown, and will be much missed as a teacher. Her place has been filled by Miss Ruthven, of Dutton.

Walter Webster died at his father's home in Florence on Friday evening. Until illness compelled him to resign his position he was assistant bookkeeper for the Karn Organ Company, of Woodstock.

A fire at Fingal on Sunday did considerable damage to the residence of Mr. Thomas Casey. Miss Nellie Casey was ill in the house and had to be carried to Mr. George Edcomb's home in her sick condition.

A fire occurred Saturday in the residence of Mrs. Gooding, on Water street, Aylmer. The fire was caused by the stove being too close to the wall and over-heating the stove. Loss about $200, covered by insurance.

Ridgetown merchants without exception report a very heavy holiday trade during last week. Drygoods, grocers, fancy goods men and book stores all participated in the rush. The universal comment is "Best in years."

Mr. Eliphalet Barnum died at his residence, Sparta, on Tuesday, Dec. 21, aged 67 years. He was born in South Yarmouth, on the farm adjoining where he lived and died. He leaves a widow and one son, Harold, barrister, of St. Thomas.

Perhaps the largest hog ever killed in Canada is in I. H. Tyson's butcher stall, King street, Berlin. Its weight dressed is 1,000 pounds. This monster, only 18 months old, is of the improved Yorkshire breed, and was raised by J. A. Aitchison, of Pilkerton, Wellington county.

Wildcats have attacked persons in various parts of Monroe county, Ky., within the last few weeks.

Winter Fruits

are scarce. Fruit is not only delicious to the taste but necessary to the health. The salt extracted from the juices of pure fruits is the basis of

Abbey's Effervescent Salt.

Its use promotes health.

60 cents a large bottle. Trial size 25 cents. Of all druggists.

KLONDIKE

START FROM VANCOUVER BECAUSE . . .

1. VANCOUVER is the best outfitting point on the coast, goods being considerably cheaper than in the United States.
2. VANCOUVER is the nearest port of departure to the Yukon district.
3. VANCOUVER is the terminus of the C. P. railway, whose steamers will start from VANCOUVER this spring.
4. All northbound steamers call at VANCOUVER.
5. Direct steamers to Yukon ports have now commenced to run from VANCOUVER.
6. VANCOUVER is the only Canadian port where passengers transfer direct from train to steamer.
7. KLONDIKE is in CANADA. OUTFIT IN VANCOUVER, AND SAVE 30 PER CENT CUSTOMS DUTY.

W. GODFREY,
President, Board of Trade,
Vancouver, B. C.

Bylaw No. ===

FOR TAKING THE VOTES OF the electors upon the question of the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the corporation to the extent of $70,000, to raise money for the purpose of altering and improving the London General Hospital buildings, upon the site of the London General Hospital, so as to provide further accommodation for the said Hospital.

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made by the Board of Hospital Trustees of the City of London to the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London, that certain alterations should be made to the London General Hospital, and that additional buildings should also be erected on the site of the London General Hospital for the accommodation of the said Hospital.

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient that a bylaw be prepared for submission to the electors of the City of London at the next ensuing municipal elections, to ascertain their opinion with regard to the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the corporation to a sum not exceeding $70,000 for the purposes aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient that the said question should be submitted to a vote of the electors of the City of London, who would, under the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892," be entitled to vote upon this bylaw if it were a bylaw, requiring the assent of the electors of the municipality under the provisions of section 293 of the said act, beforethe final passing thereof:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London as follows:

1. That a vote of the electors of the City of London who would, under the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892," be qualified to vote on this bylaw if it were a bylaw requiring the assent of the electors of the municipality, under the provisions of section 293 of the said act, before the final passing thereof, be taken at the same time, by the same officials and at the same places as the votes for the election of aldermen of the said City of London at the next ensuing municipal elections are taken.

2. That the question upon which the vote shall be taken shall be "For or against the issue of debentures of the Corporation of the City of London, to the extent of $70,000, to raise money for altering and improving the London General Hospital buildings and erecting additional buildings on the site of the London General Hospital."

3. That the votes taken upon the said question shall be taken by ballot, and the clerk shall sum up the votes and declare the results of the election at the same time as the results of the election of the mayor of the said city is declared.

PASSED in open council, this day of December, A.D., 1897.

Clerk. Mayor.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of a proposed bylaw which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the council in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained thereto, after one month from the first publication in the London Advertiser (the first publication being on the 8th day of December, 1897), and that at the hour, day and place fixed for taking the vote of the electors at the municipal elections the polls will be held.

Dated this 7th day of December, 1897.

C. A. KINGSTON,
City Clerk.

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Late Afternoon Markets.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	238	234
Ontario	100½	99½
Toronto	293	2:9
Merchants	181	176
Commerce	135½	135
Imperial	190	189
Dominion	250	249½
Standard	176	172
Hamilton	174	169
British America	129½	129
Western Assurance	170	169½
Consumers' Gas	..	211
Montreal Gas	188	187½
Dominion Telegraph	133	130½
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref	54	52½
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	81¼	81½
Commercial Cable Company	178½	178½
Com. Coupon Bonds	105	104½
Commercial Registered Bonds	105	104½
Postal Telegraph Company	..	..
Bell Telephone Company	..	173½
Richelieu & Ontario	109	107½
Montreal Street Railway	237	235½
Toronto Street Railway	86½	86
Dominion Savings and Invest	78	74
Farmers' Loan and Savings	..	..
Farmers' L. and S. 20 per cent.	..	..
Huron and Erie L. and S.	..	163
Huron and Erie 20 per cent.	..	151
London and Canada, L. & A.	80	..
London Loan	..	102
London and Ontario	90	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture	..	120

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	81½	81½
Duluth, common	4	3
Duluth, preferred	6½	6
Commercial Cable, xd	178½	178
Commercial Cable Coupon Bonds	106	101
Commercial Registered Bonds	106	104
Montreal Telegraph	185	179½
Richelieu and Ontario	110	108
Montreal Street Railway	240	236½
Montreal Street Railway, new	235½	234½
Toronto Railway, xd	87	86½
Montreal Gas Company	188½	188½
Bell Telephone	177½	174
Royal Electric, xd	142	141
Bank of Montreal	240	235½
Ontario Bank	101	99
Molsons Bank	210	203
Bank of Toronto	235	228
Merchants Bank	180	176½
Merchants Bank of Halifax	..	180
Quebec Bank	..	120
Union Bank	..	101
Bank of Commerce	135	134½
Northwest Land, pref	55	50
Montreal Cotton Company, xd	140	137½
Canada Colored Cotton	75	58
Dominion Cotton	96	94½

SALES—Canadian Pacific, 25 at 81½; 100 at 81¾ 50 at 81½; Mont. Tel., 19 a. 179½; Mont. St. Ry., 300 at 236½, 100 at 236½; Toronto Ry. 10 at 87, 100 at 86½, 175 at 86¼c.

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Wheat is easier at 83c, middle freights, for red winter, and 82c, north and west; Manitoba wheat rather easier at $1 02 to $1 03 for No. 1 hard, grinding in transit, and 97½c to 98c, Sarnia and Midland. Flour continues dull and rather easy at $3 80 to $3 85 for cars of straight roller west. Millfeed quiet at $10 to $11 for shorts and $7 50 to $8 for bran west. Barley and buckwheat and rye unchanged. Corn steady at 26c to 27c for new Canada yellow west; American old yellow, 34½c—worth rather more than this price. Oats firm and in good demand at 24c to 24½c for white west. Peas firmer at 45c to 45½c west. Baled hay dull at $8 to $8 75 for cars on the track here. Baled straw quiet at $5 here. Poultry dull; large stocks were carried over from Christmas; turkeys almost unsaleable at 8c; geese, 6c to 6½c. Fresh-laid eggs were scarce and wanted, and were firm at 17c to 18c; held fresh and cold storage dull at 14c; limed in better demand at 13c to 13½c. Butter—Large rolls easier at 14c.

Montreal Produce Market.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Grain in store: Grade No. 2 oats, 27c; peas, 50c; rye, 51c; buckwheat, 36c; barley, 33c; red winter wheat, 89c; white do, 88c. Flour—Strong bakers', $4 50 to $5; spring wheat, patents, $5 40; winter do, $4 75 to $5; straight roller, $4 40. Feed bran, Ontario, $10 50; shorts, $11 50, bulk; Manitoba bran, $11; shorts, $12 50, bagged. Provisions: Canada pork, per bbl, $15 to $16; ham, 11c to 13c; bacon, 10c to 12c; lard, pure, 7c to 7½c; compound, 5c to 5¼c. Produce: Turkeys easier; receipts liberal, 9c to 9½c; chickens, 6c to 7c; ducks, 8c to 8½c; geese, 5c to 7c. Eggs, fair demand; new-laid, 22c; choice candled, 18c to 19c; Montreal limed, 14c to 15c; western, 10c to 12c. Beans, nothing doing. Honey, white clover, 12½c; dark clover, comb, 10c to 10½c; dark, 7c to 8c.

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American Markets

BUFFALO, Dec. 28.—Flour—Firm; spring wheat, No. 1 hard, $1 01¾; No. 1 northern, 99¾c; winter wheat, No. 2 red, 96c; No. 1 white, 96c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 33c; No. 3 yellow, 32½c; No. 4 yellow, 31½c; No. 3 corn, 31½. Oats—No. 2 white, 28½c; No. 3 white, 27½c; No. 4 white, 26½c.

DETROIT, Dec. 28.—Wheat, No. 1 white, cash, 93c; No. 2 red, cash and Dec., 93c; May, 94¼c.

TOLEDO, Dec. 28.—Wheat—Cash, 95¼c; May, 94¾c. Corn—Cash and Dec., 28½c; May, 30⅜c. Oats—Cash, 25c; May, 24½c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—Wheat—Cash, 87½c; May, 93c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Flour—Receipts, 21,073; sales, 2,700; dull and easy. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Receipts, 149,850; sales, 400,000; opened steady on cables, but eased off under liquidation; Jan., 99¼c to 98⅝c; Feb., 99⅜c to 99⅞c; May, 94⅝c to 95 5-16c; July, 88¼c to 88⅝c; Dec., $1 01¼ to $1 01⅞. Rye—Dull; No. 2 western, 50¼c, c.i.f., Buffalo. Corn—Receipts, 42,900; sales, 20,000; options opened steady, with wheat, but also declined on unloading; May, 35c to 35 1-16c. Oats—Receipts, 127,200; options neglected; track, white, 29½c to 33½. Butter—Receipts, 8,111; steady and unchanged. Cheese—Receipts, 3,331 packages; quiet and unchanged. Sugar—Raw and refined, strong and unchanged. Hops quiet, but firm and unchanged.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28. — Opening—Wheat—Dec., 97½c to 98c; May, 94¼c to 94¼c. Corn, Dec., 27¼c; Jan., 27⅝c; May, 30½c; July, 31¼c. Oats, May, 23⅞c. Pork, Jan., $8 75; May, $8 92½. Lard, Jan., $4 55; May, $4 72½. Ribs, May, $4 55; Oct., $4 52½.

Chicago Exchange.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler Broker, Masonic Temple. 'Phone 1,378.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec	98	100½	97½	99½
May	94½	94½	93½	94½
July	84⅝	84⅝	83⅝	84⅝
Corn—Dec.	27½	27⅝	27	27⅛
May	30½	30½	29⅞	30½
July	31½	31½	30⅝	31½
Oats—Dec	22½	22⅝	22½	22⅝
May	23⅞	24	23⅝	24
Pork—Dec	7 70	..	..	..
Jan	8 75	8 77	8 70	8 70
May	8 92	8 95	8 87	8 87
Lard—Dec	4 45	..	..	..
Jan	4 55	4 57	4 52	4 52
May	4 72	4 72	4 67	4 67
Ribs—Dec	4 36	..	..	..
Jan	4 40	4 40	4 35	4 35
May	4 55	4 55	4 50	4 50

Puts, 93½; calls, 4½

English Markets.

Liverpool, Dec. 28, 12:30 p.m.

Wheat—Spot steady; demand poor; holders offer moderately; No. 1 California, 8s 4d to, 8s 4½d; No. 1 red northern spring, 7s 10 to 7s 10½d; No. 2 red western winter, no stock.

Corn—Spot steady; demand moderate; American mixed, 3s 2½d; Dec., 3s 2½d; Jan. and Feb., 2s 2½d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 9d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 60s 7d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 48s 9d.

Bacon—Long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs., 28s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs. 29s 6d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs. 29s.

Lard—Prime western, steady 24s.

Butter—Finest United States 92s; good, 60s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, 42s 6d.

Tallow—Fine, American, city, 18s 6d.

Turpentine—Spirits, 24s.

Rosin, common—4s 1½d.

Petroleum—Refined, 5½d.

Linseed oil—15s 6d

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And Japan's Gunboat Fleet in Corean Waters.

The Union Jack Unfurled at Port Hamilton.

Trouble in Japan's Cabinet—Redmond, the Parnellite, Bound for New York.

RECEIVED BY THE QUEEN.

Osborne, Isle of Wight, Dec. 28.—Queen Victoria received the Venezuelan minister in audience today.

A BIG FLEET.

London, Dec. 28.—The Globe this afternoon says a private telegram reached London yesterday evening announcing that over 30 British warships have arrived at Fort Hamilton.

DISTINGUISHED VOYAGERS.

Liverpool, Dec. 28.—The White Star Line steamer Teutonic, which sails for New York tomorrow, will take among her passengers Mr. Rupert Guinness, the well-known oarsman, and Mr. John Redmond, the Parnellite leader.

BRITISH FLEET AT PORT HAMILTON.

London, Dec. 28.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says the British fleet has anchored at Port Hamilton. The dispatch further says that a report is current at Che-Foo to the effect that the Japanese fleet has also arrived at Port Hamilton.

CABINET CRISIS IN JAPAN.

Yokohama, Dec. 28.—Owing to its failure to reconstruct under the premiership of the Marquis Saigo, the balance of the cabinet has resigned. The newspapers demand the formation of a very strong ministry, capable of coping with the situation in the east.

WHAT IS CHINA'S OFFENSE?

In an interview with the New York World, Wu Ting Fang, Chinese minister to the United States, explains the eastern situation.

"What has China done," he asked, by way of preface, "that she should be divided up and parceled out among the powers? What is her offense against the nations or against civilization? Germany is incensed, we are told, because two of her subjects have been murdered. If this be true, my government will make all the reparation in its power. It has never refused to do that, and, never having refused, there is no reason for German ships of war to seize Chinese territory. They talk of dismembering China. Why do they not partition Turkey? Everybody knows she was long the scourge of Europe, and time and again has made bloody conquests, some of which she still holds. On the other hand, the Chinese have kept well within their own territory, and have never disturbed the peace of Europe.

"As for Russia, I have no notion that she intends to take any of our territory without our cordial consent. Russia may get concessions, but I do not think that means that we shall be divided up and handed round like cake."

MISS RAMSAY-GIBSON-MAITLAND, the only daughter and heiress of the late Sir James Ramsay-Gibson-Maitland, succeeds to estates in Midlothian worth about £20,000 a year, to an estate in Stirlingshire worth about £6,000 a year, and to an estate in Linlithgowshire worth a few hundreds a year. One of Miss Maitland's estates in Midlothian, moreover, is potentially of enormous value, as it is just outside Edinburgh, and being rapidly built upon. Miss Maitland is in her early twenties.

A Detroit court has decided that a baseball which is knocked into property adjacent to the grounds cannot be confiscated.

Wanted—A Mayor With Some Backbone

We cannot allow Dr. Wilson to promote his mayoralty campaign by misrepresentation of The Advertiser.

Dr. Wilson is a wiggler.

With him, it seems to be any port in a storm—any expedient to gain votes.

First, he is selected by the Conservative convention as its candidate; then, to obtain Liberal votes, he protests he is against the introduction of party politics!

But the other day he denounced the General Hospital as "a hot-bed of germs," and expressed his decided opposition to using it in providing hospital accommodation. In the jubilee committee, indeed, he advocated the erection, as the one thing needful, of another entirely new hospital in the northern part of the city. That, of course, means the desertion of the present city hospital and site, and an expenditure of $140,000 or $150,000.

Now Dr. Wilson finds that idea unpopular in some quarters, and he says his views are no longer decided. He is willing to say anything or do anything—only he wishes to be mayor!

In London West, he was for the immediate introduction of a water meter system for the city, which would cost $100,000. By nomination day he found that idea to be unpopular, and he receded to the position that "he really did not know much about the meter system, but he would consider it"!

When Dr. Wilson discussed the sewage question in London West, all the reporters heard him disapprove of the purchase of the river front, and denounce the treatment of the sewage on the farms near the Coves. He said he considered this would not meet with favor, owing to its close proximity to the railway. "He hoped," says the Free Press report, "that the farm idea would be strongly opposed," and he went on to argue that though the asylum sewage works were a success, that was no guarantee that the new sewerage scheme was a wise one. Was not that line of argument opposition to the sewerage project? In 48 hours, having met some supporter of the sewerage system, and having been told that he would lose votes by his opposition to it, Dr. Wilson objected to The Advertiser reporting that he opposed the sewerage scheme! He requested us to say so. Why, then, he was asked, did you criticise the scheme? "I was only opposed to the putting of the sewage on a farm this side of the waterworks." "Then," he was further asked, "where would you put it?" "I would have it carried down the river with pipes to a farm below Byron." The Advertiser made the correction to suit Dr. Wilson; but stated that his proposal would be an expensive addition to the present scheme, as it would require, according to the engineers, some $60,000 or more to carry the sewage in pipes to a farm below Byron. This put Dr. Wilson into a worse dilemma than ever, and his friends so told him. The result is that, in less than a month, we find Dr. Wilson endeavoring to place responsibility for the tangle in which he has enmeshed himself upon The Advertiser, which but allowed him to weave the net in which he is entrapped. He says now that he is not opposed to the sewerage scheme. Taking him by his record, who knows what Dr. Wilson will be saying before polling day, or what position he would take up if elected as mayor.

London wants a man of stability of disposition as mayor; of tact, not to take up untenable positions; of courage, to stay by a position once he has assumed it; of frankness, to acknowledge that he is wrong when he has been so proved.

Topics of Today.

Parry Sound has passed a bylaw to repeal the local option law.

The merits of Canadian apples are becoming well known. In a speech before the French Chamber recently, M. D'Estournelles, a member of that body, drew attention to the quality of Canadian apples and to the market France afforded for them.

As a further guarantee of good faith and of their intention to fulfill their contract for the establishment of the fast Atlantic service, Messrs. Petersen, Tate & Co. have deposited another $10,000, bringing their total deposit up to $100,000 in Canadian money.

A TEN ACRE SITE.

That Is the Land Upon Which the Wilson-Winnett Hospital Would Be Built.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

If Ald. Winnett is and always has been in favor of retaining the city hospital on the present site, will he explain how the jubilee hospital plans of which he, Dr. Wilson, and Mr. Brodrick are the leading spirits, call for a new hospital on a ten-acre site, whereas the present site contains only five acres? Yours truly,

H. J. HUSSEY, No. 3 Ward.
London, Dec. 27.

THE CITY ELECTIONS.

Candidates Who Have Withdrawn From the Contest.

The following candidates have withdrawn from the municipal contest: P. W. D. Brodrick and R. K. Cowan, who were nominated for water commissioners; P. W. D. Brodrick, from the hospital trustee contest, and A. Keenleyside and Thomas Sargent from the aldermanic field in No. 5 ward.

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LATEST WEATHER FORECAST.

Toronto, Dec. 28—11a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next 24 hours: Moderate winds; mostly fair and cold weather, with light local snow falls today.

LOCAL MENTION.

ATTRACTIONS TONIGHT.
Auditorium—Gilbert-Gordon Co.
Princess Rink—Skating.
Jubilee Rink—Skating.
Central Avenue Rink—Skating.

Around the City

—A telegram received this morning states that Conductor Snider is much better and resting quietly.

—Mrs. A. L. Haight, of Hamilton, formerly of this city, is visiting her friends at No. 821 Queen's avenue.

—The residence of R. L. Bloom, Port Stanley, was destroyed by fire on Christmas Day, with the contents. No insurance.

—The engagement is announced of Mr. Hal B. McGiverin, now of Ottawa, to Miss Maud Mackintosh, daughter of Lieut.-Gov. Mackintosh, formerly of this city.

—It is as well for taxpayers to remember that a new hospital on the old site will cost $40,000 (the value of the present buildings and grounds) less than a new hospital on a new site.

—The Catholic Club will give a special holiday entertainment in their rooms on Wednesday evening. A musical and literary programme will be given, also a mock trial, from "Pickwick Papers."

—Miss Grace McMurchy, Glencoe, Ont., Mr. Godfrey McNab, St. Paul, Minn., and Mr. Duncan McMillan, Glasgow, are spending their Christmas holidays with their aunt, Mrs. Ash, Bathurst street.

—Mr. Nicholson, the superintendent of the Colborne Street Methodist Sabbath school, invites the attention of his friends to the advertisement of the cantata on Wednesday evening, and hopes to see them present on the occasion.

—Mr. P. Weatherly, of the militia department, Ottawa, was in the city today in quest of information regarding the sewer from the military barracks, as complaints have reached the military authorities about dumping the school sewage into the creek.

—The Londoners already named in The Advertiser as participants in the great ball to be given by Lord and Lady Aberdeen at Toronto tonight left today. They represent "Hunting." Present-day hunting dress will be worn as nearly as possible. Ladies will be in white satin skirts, pink coats, big black hats, feathers, etc. Gentlemen in pink coats, black satin breeches and silk stockings.

—At the police court this morning, Thomas Murray, who was released on Saturday night after spending two months in jail, was sentenced to twenty days' hard labor in default of a $2 fine for being drunk. Thomas McDowell, another drunk, was discharged. Joseph Davis was up for keeping a vicious dog, which bit Robert Garside, aged 12. The bite was so severe that two stitches were necessary. Davies was allowed to go on promising to destroy the dog. Frank Harding was charged with renting his horse and rig without a license. He proved that the person who had his horse was merely exercising it, and Mr. Harding was discharged.

—In the high court of justice yesterday, in the case of McGuigan, McGuigan vs. Corcoran, judgment was given on appeal heard at the London weekly court. An appeal by the defendants by original action from the report of the master at Stratford in a proceeding for the administration of the estate of Wm. McGuigan, deceased. Held, that the sum of $300 referred to in the 40th paragraph of the report is an increment of money set apart by the testator for his wife's benefit, and is payable to her executors. In this respect report to be varied. In all other respects appeal to be dismissed. Order made confirming report as varied, and directing payment out of court accordingly. The question of costs to be spoken to later. G. G. McPherson (Stratford) for appellants; J. J. Coughlin (Stratford) for plaintiff.

HOLIDAYING IN LONDON.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Cameron and family, of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Hicks and children, of Chicago, and Mr. S. H. Harwood, of Pittsburg, Pa., are spending the holidays with Mr. Jabez Harwood, 354 Dundas street. Miss Harwood has given her entire staff a holiday until Jan. 4. Previous to closing she was the recipient of a gold pen and holder from the young ladies, "not for its intrinsic value, but merely as a slight token of good-will."

COST OF THE HOSPITAL.

The following is the city auditor's reply to Dr. Moorhouse's inquiry as to what additional annual tax would be incurred on every $1,000 assessment in the event of the adoption of the hospital bylaw for the issue of $70,000 debentures.

"W. H. Moorhouse, Esq., M.D., city:

Dear Sir,—The cost of the hospital debenture would depend to some extent upon the period for which the debentures will have to run. Under the general act they would be limited to twenty years, and the cost would be one-third of a mill on the dollar, or 33 cents on an assessment of $1,000. If under a special act, they would probably run for 30 years, and would require only one-fourth of a mill on the dollar, or 25 cents on a similar assessment. I am, yours truly,

"GEORGE F. JEWELL.
"London, Dec. 24, 1897."

"NO MEAN CITY."

On Sunday evening, in his pulpit at West London Methodist Church, Rev. A. G. Harris preached on Christian Citizenship—Acts, xxvii., 39—"Citizens of no mean city." The speaker stated he did not believe in the pulpit dealing with secular affairs in general, but there were times when it was the duty of the Christian minister to speak on secular subjects. He was proud that his congregation now belonged to London, a city with the highest class of educational and religious teachers, the best health record of any city in the Dominion, surrounded by the finest farming district on the continent, and many other privileges, combining to make it one of the most desirable commercial and residential places in the world. London's leading citizens in every profession are Christian people, and so London West should not have voted for amalgamation simply for a selfish purpose in regard to increasing the value of their property, etc., but should receive spiritual good by coming into closer contact with their neighbors over the river who are of such a high moral standard. Then, on the other hand, the city should not want to take in London West simply to add to its acreage or population. They should be acquainted with the fact that on the western bank of the River Thames there is just as fine a body of people as there is anywhere to be found. The work that is going on in the churches and schools is such as will have an influence for good wherever the seed that is being sown may happen to find root. This influence should be especially felt through the parties that are elected to help in the city government. The people should elect men to such positions who are true Christians, irrespective of party politics in any form. It is all right, said he, for people to have their opinions in Dominion or Provincial affairs, but in what way could nursing those questions in municipal government assist us in our efforts to economize in our homes? Let us work together for our mutual good, and the Lord will bless the union.


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Christmastide Wedding.

Interesting Society Event at Memorial Church.

One of London's Attractive Young Ladies Married to a Popular Barrister, of St. John, N. B.

Out on the clear air and bright sunshine rang the joyous notes of wedding bells today. The marriage of Miss Pearl, daughter of Mr. W. F. Edge, of this city, to Mr. Sherwood Skinner, a prominent barrister of St. John, N. B., and son of Judge Skinner, of the same place, was one in which London society was much interested, and Memorial Church, where the ceremony was performed this afternoon, was visited by a large number of people. The church was luxuriously decorated with palms, azaleas, and other christmas trimming, with here and there some dark cedar brightened by the crimson holly berry. A floral piece in the design of a horseshoe hung suspended from the cedar arch, which formed the entrance to the church.

The groomsman was Mr. Stewart Fairweather, of St. John, N. B. The bridesmaids were Miss Skinner, sister of the groom, and Miss Edith Hyman, while the maid of honor was Miss Richardson, little Perle Patterson and Reginald Lewis making two charming pages. Messrs. A. O. Graydon, Wm. Gunn, Walter Smith, Frank Reid, Mr. Smith and Mr. Skinner (brother of the groom) acted as ushers.

The bridal party entered the church at 2 o'clock and proceeded to the chancel to the delightful strains of Lohengrin's "Bridal Chorus." The bride was supported on the arm of her father, preceded by the ushers, the bridesmaids and the maid of honor, and followed by the two little pages.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Canon Richardson. The bride was attired in a gown of white satin, trimmed with honiton lace, and was a picture of loveliness. The bridesmaids wore very pretty gowns of green and white. After the ceremony the guests went to the residence of the bride's father, 531 Dufferin avenue, and an elegant dejeuner was provided.

International Ball Teams.

Arrangements for the Next Season Well Under Way.

Personnel of the Teams Composing the League—London Likely to Have an A1 Aggregation.

THE COMING SEASON.

Manager A. D. Holman expects this coming season to have the "star" team of the International League. Daily he is in receipt of letters from ambitious young players eager to come to London, and give as a reason that London has the reputation of a "hot ball town." Many of these letters will be preserved as relics of orthography, chirography and composition. London's management has not yet decided upon just who will be placed on the team, but only gentlemen, sure hitters, and clean ball players will be given a trial. Last year London's team was noted for the modesty of the players, though there were exceptions.

The salary limit has been placed by agreement at $700, but old ball players assert, and are willing to wager that contracts and agreements made with and by players in all the clubs, will be patched up sufficiently to allow of more being paid, while to all appearance the agreement regarding the actual salary is being kept.

Several of the clubs have claimed many of the old players, and in some instances one man is claimed by two or three clubs. The personnel of the teams, as far as known, is as follows:

London—Lou Johnston, Chas. Crowe, "Willie" Kershaw, J. H. Busse (the big first baseman, formerly of Guelph, with a brilliant record of three-baggers and home runs), P. Ward, "Joe, Joe" Keenan, S. C. Secrist, M. Boch and O'Connor.

Bay City—"Willie" McKiveitt, Bert Elton, Vandyke, Pitcher Wolver, D. B. Edmunds, Billy Motts, Robb "the twirler," and Mike Mansfield.

Saginaw—Bay Brown, W. Gleason, A. Rutherford, B. Elton, A. C. Snyder, Wm. Gleason, John Morrissey, A. Haggerman, L. C. Snyder and J. Katoll.

Hamilton—McDonald, Dean, Phillips, Conwell, Law, Hoffner, McCann, McInnis, McDermid and McAndrews.

Port Huron—A. Haggerman, F. Quinn, J. Ganzell, H. Meek, J. Miller, John Katoll, E. Piebolt, John Morrissey, A. J. Knapp, Chas. Hampill, B. Elton and L. Snyder.

Diseases often lurk in the blood before they openly manifest themselves. Therefore keep the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

EARNINGS INCREASE.

Good Showing for the Great Canadian Railroads.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Both the big roads showed increases in earnings last week, but not as large as was expected. The C. P. R. gain was only $36,000, while the G. T. R. showed a gain of $21,508. The returns are: C. P. R., receipts for the week ending Dec. 21, 1897, were $444,000; 1896, $408,000; increase, $36,000. Grand Trunk Railway earnings, Dec. 13 to 21, $469,957; 1896, $448,449; increase $31,508.

DONALD IN AN ENGLISH CHURCH

Two "Wild Hielandmen," recruits of a famous kilted corps, were visiting an English church for the first time. They had not long been seated when the organist began to play a lively voluntary. This was something quite novel in their church experience, and they listened in open-mouthed astonishment. One of them was shortly roused from his blissful reverie by a gentle tap on the shoulder. Turning round he saw a handsome lady, the owner of the pew, who smiled graciously upon him and wished, of course, to be allowed to pass to her seat. He did not, however, take in the situation, but at once whispered audibly to her, "Na, na, mem, tak' ma mate here; he will be a better dancer than me."

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HONORE'S FATE.

CHAPTER XXV.

Lady Lawrence and Honore spent the autumn of that year in Italy. The old lady's health was fading slowly, and so they went. It was no pain to either to leave England. Each took her truest friend, and the absence involved no sad and bitter parting.

Since Honore had told her life's one secret to this warm, motherly friend, the two had been, if possible, drawn more closely together. To the old lady's comforting voice there had come a tone of cheering hopefulness, too; and this hopefulness, ever since, had moved her on this subject.

"I have no fear," she said. "You did wrong ever to credit as his such absurd words, Honore. I heard Theodora Trent tell you, but I never thought you could believe them, because I could not do so myself. But I think that will all be made clear in good time. You are true and steadfast and there is time."

Such words as these she would say whenever—as only at rare intervals—they would talk of Royden; and such words as she had been saying on that last day, when the sun glanced brightly on the waters of the Adriatic, and the fair southern morning seemed to bring health and vigor with it.

"Honor, I could have left you in his care without one fear or doubt; but it is not to be. Still, darling, wait and hope. If you can never give your love elsewhere, I know that you will never wed elsewhere. Be brave and true, my dear, in either life. Remember the power I leave with you. Remember the great responsibility you hold, and, above all, remember Who alone can help and guide you."

This was the last time Lady Lawrence mentioned her wealth, or Royden's name; and Honore never forgot the words.

Before nightfall on that day Honore was alone.

Both Mr. Stafford and Lady Lawrence's chaplain were in attendance upon her when she died, and they, with the courier and the servants, took every responsibility and trouble from Honore; yet that knowledge did not prevent Lawrence Haughton hurring over to Italy the very hour in which the news of Lady Lawrence's death was received in England. For the first few minutes Honore's surprise at seeing him was a pleasant surprise, for she was in a strange country, in grief, and this was a face from her old home; but after that his presence only added every hour more and more heavily to her grief.

His old unwearying pursuit of her had been as nothing compared with this new, eager courtship, which harassed and distressed, and, even in all her heartfelt grief, angered her at last beyond words. His old pleas were more persistently urged, and his old efforts were redoubled. She was his old love, the only one for whom his hard and selfish heart had ever yearned. She was even more beautiful now than she had been in those old days, and she was marvelously rich—"the richest girl in England," as he assured himself with unctuous reiteration—and so to win her—to win her, while other men tried so hard in vain—he could count no effort—poor Honore!—too mean or base.

So it was that, upon that journey home, when he was, as Mr. Stafford and the old clergyman supposed, traveling with them to be a comfort to his cousin, he struck the blow which his suspicion and his jealousy had threatened long.

It was but seldom that Honore allowed herself to be alone with him, so weary was she of the old plea, but on this day she could not help it. He had urged his suit, of course—what opportunity did he ever let slip?—but he had been slow and cautious, evidently determined not to allow himself to lose the command over his temper. Most firmly, yet very quietly, Honore had answered him; and when at last she rose to leave the room, the indecision which had caused his mind to hesitate over this last blow all vanished, and whatever wound his words could give was to be given now.

Honore stood and listened, her eyes fixed wonderingly upon his face, but, before he had finished, her cheeks had grown as white as death.

"Why do you say this to me?" she asked slowly; "why do you come to me to talk of Royden Keith?"

"I hardly know," he answered with an absurd assumption of ignorance, "except that you used to be curious about him. I thought you would be glad to know who he was."

"I did know who he was," she said, "I have known Mr. Keith, of Westleigh Tower, for a long time."

Lawrence Haughton turned aside his head with a momentary laugh.

"If you felt sure, Honore, you would hardly utter the assertion so eagerly; and you really believe as strong as I do, that Royden Keith and Gabriel Myddelton are one?"

"I do not!" she cried. "I never could ——" But there the words broke off and the flash died suddenly out of her angry eyes.

"You mistake your own feelings," said Mr. Haughton, in his slow, convincing tones; "and I have no need to glean proofs for you."

"Proofs!" she echoed; "you spoke of proofs before, when you hinted at some sin you would lay to his charge. If you have one to lay now, bring your proofs. You have none—of course, you have not—nor will you ever have; but I ask, How dare you assert a gentleman to be a criminal from only your own base, suspicious convictions? How dare you do it to me? These are calumnies built on your own mean jeolousy and hatred of one who never injured you! Go from this room, Lawrence; I am mistress here."

He smiled a little; a smile of bland consideration for her youth and excusable petulance; a smile of pity for an apparent infatuation; a smile which brought the passionate crimson into her white cheeks.

There was a pause then, while she tried to regain her voice and ease, and while he, in cool defiance of her order, stood gazing down upon her, with this maddening smile still hovering on his lips.

"You take this information oddly, Honore," he said at last; "as if you had a most peculiar interest in Gabriel Myddelton. It would be a pity if you had, because he is a married man."

"Can cousins take no interest in each other if they are married?"

Lawrence, in all his spleen and selfishness, started at these words. The tone in which they were uttered was so heavy with misery that the feigned lightness was almost terrible.

"What is it, Honore?" he said, advancing toward her in sudden fear. "Do you feel ill?"

"Ill—no! Have you—did you say—proofs of our last assertion?"

"No. No proofs yet, but I shall have them."

"Shall have them!" she echoed proudly. "Then perhaps your words may have some weight. Why did you not procure them first? Will not one blow satisfy you, but you must wound and wound, to see what pain can be?"

"Honore, you ought to be grateful to me for pointing out to you where treachery——"

But she had left him then, and the words were usless.

"I shall never mention it to her again," he muttered, angry with her, but doubly angry with himself, "until I can bring in my hand the evidences of his guilt. How strangely she took it all! Had she expected me to tell her that he was a married man? As for his identity with the murderer of old Myddelton, that hardly astonished her; she will believe it presently, though she is so set against it now. It was the last news which bore her down most, and yet, somehow it struck me that she was not unprepared for it. I wonder how that could be. But my plans must work at last, and Honore shall be made to listen to me."

It was the night of Miss Craven's return to England, and the mansion in Kensington was lighted and warmed and carefully prepared for her, yet it was but a sad and solitary home-coming after all. In every room, and through every minute of that long evening Honore missed the step and voice and smile of the old lady whom she had learned to love so well, and who had given her so generous and so trusting an affection. True, every comfort and luxury awaited her, and servants came and went at her bidding. Yet it was a dreary home-coming after all, and the girl of 19, in her deep mourning, looked so small and solitary in the large drawing-room when Mr. Stafford joined her after dinner (leaving the chaplain and the Indian secretary happy over the letters and papers which awaited them), that he plunged into what he had intended only to say by-and-bye.

"Miss Craven, what immense rooms these are! This one wants at least half a dozen forms about it, and half a dozen voices to break its stillness. And that reminds me"—it was quite as well to say that that reminded him, as to say that her black-robed figure in its solitude had reminded him—"that it falls to me, now Mr. Haughton has left us, to propose that you engage a lady companion, Miss Craven. May I undertake the preliminary steps for you?"

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Candidates Who Are Seeking Civic Honors

In Various Sections of the Province—A Number of Elections by Acclamation.

Nominations took place yesterday throughout Ontario as follows:

Alvinston—Reeve, A. Gilroy, E. Donnelly; councilors, M. Gillespie, John McCallum, Robert Tait, Charles Bindner, John Cummings.

Arnprior—Mayor, B. V. Stefford (acc.); reeve, M. D. Graham (acc.)

Aylmer—Mayor, J. J. Nairn (acc.); reeve, John Miller and Moses Leeson; deputy reeve, J. M. Huffman and John Kaiser; councilors, Ward No. 1, Dr. Fear, W. S. Caron, A. Poustie and Geo. Harp; Ward 2, Dr. Brown, Dan Gilbert, C. O. Learn, T. Wooster, T. Hammond, John Kaiser, W. B. Purdy, Geo. Copeland, H. H. Wright, Dr. Augustine; Ward 3, J. W. Glover, R. C. McKinney, R. Dawson, G. F. Clark.

Ayr—Reeve, John R. Folsetter; councilors, Henry G. Melin, John D. Paxton, Walter Willison, David Clark—all by acclamation.

Acton—W. H. Storrie, reeve (acc.)

Barrie—Mayor, Dr. Wills (acc.)

Belleville—Mayor, J. W. Johnston, Allan T. Petrie.

Bowmanville—Mayor, R. R. Loscombe; reeve, John K. Galbraith; deputy reeve, Joseph Jeffery—all by acclamation.

Brantford—Mayor, Thomas Elliott, W. G. Raymond, Joseph Stratford; water commissioners, Alfred Watts, Wm. Whittaker, John McGeary; aldermen, ward 1, M. K. Halloran, A. G. Montgomery, James N. Peel, S. Suddaby; ward 2, D. McEwen, Thos. Potts, M. Quinlan, W. Hartwell; ward 3, Chas. Duncan, Chas. Whitney, John M. Smith, Henry A. Foulds, Richard Waddington, James Smith, John Kerr; ward 4, W. H. Pierce, John Johnston, J. W. Bowlby, Wm. Glover, John Whalen, S. R. Stewart, F. S. Whitham, James Heath, F. H. Boulton, Thomas Quinlan; ward 5, Robert Robson, Franklin Grabb, David B. Wood, Frank Wilson, James Hurley, David J. Waterous, Thomas Spence.

Belle River—Reeve, A. Ledoucelr; councilors, J. Roach, G. Gomlet, G. Talonde, G. Charon—all by acclamation.

Blenheim—Mayor, Chas. Senior, Peter Haggart; reeve, S. Woodhouse, Peter Haggart; deputy reeve, R. T. Williamson, T. B. Shillington, John Mulholland; councilors, ward No. 1, A. E. Young, F. McLean, W. E. Biggar, Geo. Thompson; ward 2, S. Woodhouse, W. D. Simpson, James Greenwood, C. Johnson; ward 3, J. Nichol, D. Hamit, Thos. Russell, C. Jackil.

Chatham—Mayor, H. A. Patteson, T. A. Smith; water commissioners, F. F. Quinn; T. K. Holmes (acc.); aldermen, ward 1, N. Massey, R. Gray, A. Park, K. Campbell, J. Cleeve, R. Riddle, H. Weaver; ward 2, Luke Kelly, H. McDonald, W. T. Piggott, John Darling, George Cowan; ward 3, G. S. Heyward, F. Marx, Charles Hadley, J. Hendershott, S. Backus, C. C. McPhee, E. R. Snook; ward 4, J. F. Liddy, G. W. Sulman, L. F. Wilson, John Carpenter, J. R. Reid; ward 5, James Holmes, Wm. Burrows, J. W. Dyer, John Watt, Thos. Scullard, Frank McKeough.

Comber—Trustees, J. K. Err, D. Vokes, J. I. Poole, H. Howe, A. F. Allen, J. E. Hull.

Exeter—Reeve, A. Q. Bobier and T. B. Carling; deputy reeve, W. G. Bissett (acc.); councilors, C. Snell, jun., W. Harding, E. Christie and John Evans.

Enniskillen, Reeve, W. A. Graham; first deputy, R. Park; second deputy, George Pearce; third deputy, M. McLean; councilor, T. Acton—all by acclamation.

Elora—Reeve, Dr. J. M. Nairn; councilors, F. W. Sheppard, George Noble, F. Lipsey, D. Jones—all by acclamation.

Forest—Mayor, W. O. Hay, A. F. Steele; reeve, H. L. Morris, George E. Decker, John Coultis; councilors, ward 1, A. Rawlings, A. S. Anderson, W. H. Bartram, John Greenough, D. A. McKellar, Thos. Jones, D. Clark, M. Jamieson, M. O'Donnell; ward 2, John Coultis, John Wichman, H. Boughton, C. McLean, H. L. Morphy, J. W. Bell, David Coultis; ward 3, Thomas Rumford, D. McFarlane, H. Vance, E. J. Flavin, H. L. Morris, F. W. Shaw, J. Rupp, I. Mercier.

Galt—Mayor, J. H. Radford; reeve, Thomas McGiveren; first deputy-reeve, Robt. Fairgrieves; second deputy-reeve, Thos. Vair; third deputy-reeve, Thos. E. McLellan—all re-elected by acclamation.

Hamilton—Mayor, E. A. Colquhoun—re-elected by acclamation.

Hawkesbury—Reeve, H. J. Cloran (acc.)

Howard—Reeve, John Crowden, F. Arnold; deputy-reeve, P. H. Ridley, Jas. McKerracher, J. C. Paumer, G. W. Hardy; councilors, J. C. Williamson and A. F. Campbell (acc.)

Ingersoll—Mayor, Walter Mills (acc.); reeve, Wm. Toull and W. J. Berry; first deputy, H. N. Bartley and D. J. Gibson; second deputy, J. D. Horsman and A. McCauley; councilors, J. A. Buchanan, J. W. Paterson, H. D. McCarthy, S. M. Flett, Wm. Stevens, A. Pearson, G. F. Clark, Francis Stewart, J. T. Couch, M. J. McDermott, P. H. Foreman; No. 3 ward, Peter Sherry, D. Noxon, W. A. Sudworth.

Kingston—Mayor, Ald. Charles Livingston and Ald. Joseph B. Waldern.

Listowel—Mayor, S. Bricker, J. A. Hacking, W. Spears; reeve, A. W. Featherstone, Wm. Welsh; deputy reeve, J. H. Gunther, J. A. Tremain, R. T. Kemp.

L'Orignal—Reeve, W. S. Hall (acc.)

Leamington—Mayor, H. G. Coolson, Thomas Fuller, J. E. Johnston, Lewis Wigle, Geo. A. Morse, M. W. Scott; reeve, A. Ludlam, Wm. McEwen, Chas. Qualings, Jas. Greenhill; deputy reeve, Dr. Eede, Wm. Selkirk, Hiram Chamberlain, Chas. Qualings; councilors, north ward, Ed. McLatchey, J. A. McDonald, Hiram Chamberlain, Henry Branton; east ward, C. L. Couts, W. M. Selkirk, Wm. Prosser; west ward, E. Monk, J. O. Peart G. Greig, Angus Campbell.

North Dumfries—The present reeve and council were re-elected by acclamation.

Ottawa—Mayor, Mayor Bingham and Ald. Fred Cook.

Owen Sound—Mayor, T. I. Thompson (acc.); reeve, Mr. R. Duncan, (acc.)

Oil Springs—Reeve, S. G. Jackson (acc.); councilors, John Sanbey, Alex. Waller, Wm. McMullan, John Hartley, S. P. Whittaker and John Colson.

Pembroke—Mayor, Thos. Murray (acc.); deputy reeve, Wm. A. Moffat (acc.)

Port Stanley—Reeve, Alex. Taylor (acc.); councilors, Clarence Cromwell, Geo. Thorne, Alex. C. Brown, James Ferguson, Chas. King, Chas Goodhue, Wm. Stacey, W. H. Farr.

Perth—Mayor, J. A. Allan (acc.)

Ridgetown—Mayor, J. A. Dart, R. R. Lowthain, John R. Raycraft; reeve, Arthur McKinlay, John Young; deputy reeve, R. P. Lowthian, Jos. Thatcher; councilors, ward 1, Chas. Eastlake, C. Gibson, J. C. Locke, O. K. Watson; ward No. 2, J. N. Campbell, Thomas Craig, W. G. Hay, John McPherson; ward No. 3, W. Bowman, H. Cameron, W. Mills, D. Simpson; ward No. 4, J. H. Baker, A. Long, Geo. Middleditch.

Rochester—Reeve, Jos. Ladoucor; deputy reeve, J. J. Dewhirst; councilors, F. Sylvester, Pat Mailloux and Alfred Wilson—all by acclamation.

Simcoe—Mayor, Tisdale; reeve, Burt; deputy reeve, Gunton—all re-elected by acclamation.

St. Marys—Mayor, C. Richardson (acc.)

St. Catharines—Mayor, W. B. Gilleland (acc.)

Stratford—Mayor, John O'Donoghue (acc.) Aldermen—Avon Ward, D. M. Ferguson, James Stampe, John Vanstone, Jos. Johns, Wm. Daly; Falstaff ward, E. H. Eldt, J. N. McMillan, Geo. Larkworth, J. S. Bradshaw, James Trow, Donald McLennan; Hamlet ward, William Davidson, A. A. Mayer, T. Ballantyne, jun., Henry Baker, Robert Murray, Walker McMillan; Romeo ward, Wm. Gillespie, J. Hogarth, G. F. Ingram, J. Fork, J. Scarth; Shakespeare ward, P. Paull, J. Hodd, E. J. Kneithl, J. Ridgedale, Wm. Gordon, F. C. McLeod.

St. Thomas — Mayor, Fred W. Wright (acc.); water commissioners, John Farly, Chas. Serase, sen. (acc.). Aldermen—No. 1 ward, George Ponsford, Robert McCully, Adam W. Graham, George R. Pennington; No. 2 ward, C. F. Maxwell, Thomas Meek, Robert McLachlin, Wm. R. Jackson; No. 3 ward, A. E. Wallace, Andrew J. Clarke, J. S. Robertson, Angus Murray; No. 4 ward, Charles W. Regan, Jesse Wallie, Richard Sanders, John Campbell, W. Cornforth; No. 5 ward, P. Meehan, Wm. Trott, D. McCallum; No. 6 ward, A. Lochead, S. Chant (acc.)

Sarnia — Mayor, T. D. Johnston (acc.); reeve, W. Barr (acc.); first deputy, Wm. Logie, Frank Thomas; second deputy, R. S. Oliver, M. B. Proctor; third deputy, J. Rainsberry (acc.); councilors, E. P. Watson, W. F. B. Colter, T. Manchester; second ward, F. C. Watson, T. Maxwell, J. G. McCrae, R. J. Hamilton, Jas. Watson; third ward, W. H. Miniffe, G. A. Proctor, H. Yard, J. R. Logan, John Barron, J. Needham; fourth ward, David Milne, W. J. Proctor, A. Shepherd.

Sandwich — Mayor, E. Girardot Henry Morand; reeve, Jos. Allan, Geo. Jessop, sen., Richard McKee; water commissioners, C. F. Pequegnot, Jules Robinet, elected by acclamation; councilors, James Laidlaw, sen., Edward Donnelly, Robert Jackson, Jos. Lassaline, W. C. Harwood, Odillon Desrossier.

Tilbury East — Reeve, H. Wilson, L. P. Sales; deputy reeve, Jas. Ross (acc.); councilors, John Wands, Wm. Grahan, Henry Powell, A. D. Smith, S. Brown, W. McGregor, D. Fletcher, James Campbell, John Richardson.

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Toronto — Mayor, Mayor Shaw and E. A. McDonald.

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Usborne — Reeve, John Delbridge and Thos. Hawkins. Councilors—No. 1 ward, John Hunter; No. 4 ward, F. Hukin; No. 3 ward, W. Delbridge (by acclamation); No. 2 ward, Walter Keddy, Thos. Hawkin, and John Allison, jun.

Woodstock — Mayor, Dr. Andrew McKay, Dr. John Mearns, John A. McKenzie; reeve, Benson McNichol, James S. Scarff; first deputy, John Soper MacKay (acc.); second deputy James Rapson (acc.); third deputy, R. N. Ball, R. T. Crawford; fourth deputy, Dr. John Mearns (acc.); water commissioners, Alex. J. McIntosh, R. M. Revell, James Hay.

Walkerton — Mayor, A. Menzies (acc.); reeve, Dr. Stalker (acc.); deputy reeve, J. Standish, R. H. McKay, C. W. Cryderman.

Walkerville—Mayor, Thomas Reid (acc.) Councilors—St. Andrew's ward, H. A. Walker, C. M. Walker, John E. Doble, John H. Linsford, Joseph Pitcher; St. George's ward, E. G. Swift, E. C. Cushell, Andrew Reid, Robert Kerr; St. David's ward, W. E. White, W. Chater, E. F. Ladore, P. Walsh.

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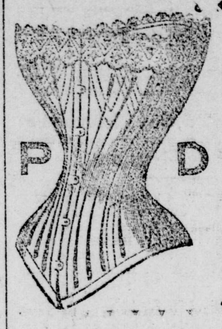
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GENERALLY FAIR.

Toronto, Dec. 27—11 p.m.—High pressure has spread over the lakes and is moving eastward to the Maritime Provinces. A low area is traveling eastward over the Northwest, and is now giving mild weather in Alberta. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esquimalt, 42-48; Calgary, 4-32; Qu'Appelle, 6 below-16; Winnipeg, 4 below-2 below; Toronto, 12-22; Ottawa, 14-14; Montreal, 18-20; Quebec, 16-24; Halifax, 32-34.

Probabilities: Toronto, Dec. 28—1 a.m.—Generally fair; not much change in temperatures.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory here yesterday were: 25 and 12 above.

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News About Town

—Prof. Quantz, of Guelph, is spending a week at his home in London.

—Miss Lizzie Merlihan, of this city, is visiting her parents in Guelph.

—H. E. Young has resigned his position as clerk at the Grigg House.

—Mr. Joseph F. Garceau, of Guelph, is spending a few days in this city.

—Mr. J. Moran and daughter, of this city, are visiting E. Moran, Hamilton.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Leake, of Ingersoll, spent Christmas with friends here.

—Dr. O. H. Patrick, of Port Huron, spent Christmas here, and returned west yesterday.

—Mr. Richard Healy, of this city, is holidaying with his friend, Mr. J. Finnigan, of Dundas.

—Miss Annie Denholm, of Blenheim, is spending the holidays with Mrs. (Dr.) Mitchell, South London.

—The Christian Workers are considering the advisability of enlarging their premises on Carling street.

—Mrs. Brown-Smith, of South London, is spending the vacation with her father, Mr. Adam Brown, Hamilton.

—Misses Gracie and Carrie Chapman of Toronto, are on a visit to their father, Mr. John Chapman, South London.

—Miss D. Evans, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital, New York, is visiting her father, Mr. John Evans, Grey street.

—Mr. Thomas Delaney, of Niagara Falls, is enjoying well-earned holidays in this city. He will return after Jan. 1.

—Mr. Fred Gray, of Guelph, who has been taking a three months' course at the military school here, has returned home.

—Miss Lillian and Master Harry Riddell, of this city, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. Riddell, at Orangeville.

—A public meeting is called to be held in Collins' Hall, West London, this evening, at 8 o'clock, to discuss municipal matters.

—Mr. S. Butterfield has returned from St. Louis and Kansas City poultry shows, and left for Cornwall this afternoon.

—Miss Hazel Gibson, this city, is spending the holidays with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Gibson, at Ingersoll.

—Mr. Philip Ferguson, of this city, and Malcolm Ferguson, of the Ingersoll Collegiate, are spending the holidays at Ridgetown.

—Mr. R. H. Welburn, foreman of the street railway car barns, was pleasantly surprised on Christmas Day with a box of choice cigars from his fellow-workmen.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Belcher, leaders of York Street Mission Hall, wish to thank Messrs. Thomas McCormick, John H. Chapman and Thos. G. Whiskard for their Christmas greetings.

—Duncan C. Ross, the all-round athlete, and at one time champion broadswordsman, is alleged to have slept in the central police station at Cleveland last Thursday night, and left the following morning. He was fined $1 for being intoxicated.

FURS



Nothing else is so dear to a woman's heart as rich, handsome Furs. Yet Furs do not cost nearly so much HERE as some folks suppose. Step in and see our beautiful display of Muffs, Boas, Collarettes, Scarfs, etc., and learn our low prices.

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S. J. Southcott
Respectfully requests the support and votes of the electors of
WARD NO. 3,
For his election as
School Trustee for 1898.
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—Capt. Collier, of Amherstburg, formerly of London, has been appointed at the Grace Before Meat Box Agent for Western Ontario with his headquarters in this city. He will travel around the province conducting magic lantern services in behalf of the social work of the Salvation Army.

—A team attached to a heavy railway lorry ran away on King street yesterday. As the horses coursed madly down the street, the young son of Mr. J. Burridge jumped on the rear end of the lorry, grasped the lines from in front, and soon pulled up the team, to the relief and satisfaction of many excited bystanders.

—Adan Beck's delivery wagon came to grief yesterday afternoon. The first "bob" of the sleigh became disarranged, and when the driver, Theo. Kennedy, attempted to adjust it, the horse started off. The vehicle swerved against a telephone pole and the horse bolted, smashing the shafts. The runaway was captured after going a short distance.

—The fourth annual ball of the European Waltz Club was held in the city hall last night. The place was handsomely decorated, and about 150 attended. The music was furnished by Ensign's orchestra. The affair reflects credit on the executive committee, which comprises Messrs. C. Ensign, J. Young, S. Taylor, Guy Guymer and F. R. Harris.

—The Ontario Veterinary Association has elected the following officers: President, S. Sissons, Toronto; first vice, W. J. Wilson, London; second vice, J. E. Blackhall, Clinton; secretary-treasurer, C. H. Sweetapple, Toronto; directors, W. Steele, Stratford; G. W. Coulter, Weston; W. Cowan, Galt; H. S. Wendo, Tonawanda; O. Graham, Port Perry; W. Gibbs, Baden; J. Wagner, Tavistock; F. Daly, Sutton; delegates to Western Fair, Messrs. Wilson and O'Neil; to Toronto fair, Dr. Smith and S. Sissons.

—A jolly crowd drove out to St. Johns on Christmas afternoon to enjoy the hospitality of Ed. Barrell, who served a sumptuous dinner. Around the table were several of London's brightest young men, who furnished a choice programme of songs, recitations and speeches that were thoroughly enjoyed, especially by those too bashful to contribute anything. Mr. Brophy was elected chairman; H. Turner, vice; W. Moore, master of ceremonies, and each discharged his duties admirably. Others who contributed numbers were G. Stirton, F. McCrimmon, H. Pavey, J. Taylor, H. Gibbons, J. Benenati and A. Ross. Under the skillful guidance of Mike Finnegan, who handled the lines, the party reached London without mishap.

—The Canadian Express Company's local agency dispatched and delivered this season the greatest amount of traffic in its history in a way highly satisfactory to the public, the full staff of officials and employes being on duty almost constantly from Wednesday morning until Saturday night. The special call and delivery service was extended to cover the extreme limits of the business and residence portions of the city, while not a package "got left" by outgoing trains. The bulk of the shipments were, of course, Christmas presents destined to Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton and intermediate points, though in addition thereto a large quantity of dressed poultry and ordinary merchandise was moved.

AN OMISSION.

Mr. W. J. Saunby is a candidate for municipal honors in No. 2 ward. In the list of nominations yesterday Mr. Saunby's name was inadvertently omitted. He was proposed by Messrs. J. W. Jones and W. T. Hamilton.

THE WINNING IN THE PRIZE COMPETITION.

The names of the winners in the prize competition of the Comparative Synoptical Chart Company, of Toronto, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 25, are as follows: Miss Ella Wiggins, Nottawa, Ont., Crescent bicycle, value $75; Rolland L. Stephens, Barrie, Ont., Waltham gold watch, value $25; D. I. McCrimmon, Ripley, Ont., Waltham gold watch, value $25; W. D. Euler, Berlin, Ont., Crescent bicycle, value $75.

THANKS.

To the Editor of The Advertiser,—Will you kindly allow me a short space in your valuable paper in which I wish to thank the officials and nurses of the London General Hospital for the thorough care and kindness tendered me while I was a patient in that building for some weeks. I would just like to say to any sufferer, Do not have the slightest objection in regard to entering a hospital, for I assure you, from my own experience there, you will receive the most skilled nursing and every possible comfort. I remain, yours, etc., MISS ROCKETT.

PASSED AWAY.

Another of London township's old residents passed away on Monday, Dec. 27, in the person of George Richardson, who settled in Middlesex about 40 years ago, after coming from Newcastle, England. He traveled extensively on the continent while following his profession as a civil engineer, but settled down to farming, in which he was very successful, on coming to this country. Mr. Richardson was an ardent Liberal and a warm friend of The Advertiser, which he had taken ever since the first copy was issued. Two sons and two daughters have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement—Charles and Alfred at home, and Mrs. Larsche and Mrs. Dennis, city. The funeral takes place to St. John's cemetery Wednesday.

AGREEABLY SURPRISED.

At the Thursday night service in the Mission Hall, York street, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Belcher were agreeably surprised by being called on the platform and presented with a purse of money. The presentation was made by Mr. Samuel Grigg, while Mrs. Charles Lennie read the following address: "To Mr. T. L. Belcher, leader of the Mission Hall, York street,—It is with great pleasure that we present to you this small token. It is from a few friends who have been attending the mission. You have persevered and labored very earnestly for the Master in this work, and wonderful results have been attained by your efforts. Many souls have turned from darkness into the marvelous truth and light of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. We sincerely hope and trust that yourself and wife may be long spared to work for the Master, Jesus Christ the Lord. We know that on your part it is a labor of love, and not for any reward from man; but we, as humble servants of the Master, take this opportunity of showing our greetings in this festive season."

AT THE AUDITORIUM.

A concert of the most interesting and entertaining character was given by the Gilbert-Gordon Company and Cinematographe in the Auditorium last night. The programme was varied, and was thoroughly appreciated by all. Miss Sara Mintz presided at the piano in an able manner, proving herself a master of the instrument. Mrs. D. Louis Gordon's singing captivated the audience. After giving "Bobolink," she responded to the encore with "Robin Adair," and was loudly applauded. "Nobil Signore" (from "Les Huguenots") was also given by Mrs. Gordon. Mr. C. LeRoy Kenny, in his versatile monologue selection, provoked much mirth, and was forced to respond to encores. F. Leon Kidner, in his illustrated songs, "She's Been a Mother to Me," "Don't Let Her Lose Her Way," and "Whisper Your Mother's Name," made a decided hit, and no doubt will prove a drawing card for the next two evenings. Miss Bessie Gilbert, the cornet soloist, was one of the features of the programme. Her first pieces, an aria from "Der Obersteiger" (Zeller) and "Polka Brilliante" (J. Levy), were vigorously applauded, and in response to the hearty encore she played "The Suanee River," with variations. She was equally good in classical and popular airs. The Cinematographe, which has been seen by over 800,000 people in Canada, and representing the jubilee procession, was most interesting. The company will give a concert tonight and tomorrow night, with a matinee tomorrow afternoon.

An Up-To-Date Catarrh Cure.
Woodville, Ont., Feb. 23, 1897.
It gives us great pleasure to testify to the excellent effects of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure. It has completely cured me of catarrh in the head. I praise it as an up-to-date cure. James Stuart, harnessmaker.

The Dollar Electric Motors have arrived at F. B. Clarke's, 418 Richmond street. No better means of instruction and amusement can be afforded the boys than this novelty. Any boy can run it, and it will furnish unlimited entertainment for the young. Call and get one. The price is only One Dollar.
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Part of the tombstone over his mother's grave fell on a little child in a Jackson (Tenn.) cemetery and broke its leg.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

Last year Italy exported 21,000 antique and modern works of art, valued at $600,000. More than half of them went to Germany.

Ladies, Take the Best. If you are troubled with Constipation, Sallow Skin and a Tired Feeling, take Karl's Clover Tea; it is pleasant to take. Sold by all druggists.

Some sheep were frightened by dogs at Grenoble, France, and 242 blindly "followed their leader" over a precipice 150 feet high.

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure—one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's Pills.

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Feather and down cushions, 50 cents each. Large stock of goose feather pillows and mattresses. Fancy rockers, bedroom suites. Stoves bought and sold at the Feather Bed and Mattress Cleaning Factory. James F. Hunt & Sons, 593 Richmond street

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If you want something especially nice and a pretty decoration to your table, try a package of Tryphosa. Made in two minutes. Five flavors—Lemon, orange, vanilla, strawberry and raspberry.

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Gents' Furnishings,
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New shape, with flowing ends, worth 50c, for 25c and 37½c each.
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All-linen 4-ply Collars, all Shapes, 2 for 25c.
Cuffs, links or straight, 22c and 25c pair.
Black or Colored Cashmere Socks, ribbed or plain, at 25c, 30c, 35c and 37½c pair.
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Handkerchiefs.
Our assortment embraces over 1,000 dozen of all kinds, from 5c to $5. Every one has been reduced. Our buyer took a whole day at the job of cutting the prices—some lots one-quarter off, others one-third off, and some one-half off. They are here for your inspection and choice. Ask for our special lines at 25c and 39c.

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54-inch Table Linens, worth 25c, for 20c.
60-inch Table Linens, worth 32c, for 25c.
64-inch Table Linens, worth 35c, for 30c.
64-inch Table Linens, worth 60c, for 45c.
64-inch Bleached Table Linens, worth 35c, for 20c.
64-inch Bleached Table Linens, worth 60c, for 45c.
64-inch Bleached Table Linens, worth 90c, for 60c.
Manufacturer's Stock of Napkins below cost.
Fancy Doilies, 5c, 6c, 8c and 10c.
Tray Cloths, worth 25c, for 19c.
Tray Cloths, worth 30c, for 25c.
Tray Cloths, worth 35c, for 28c.
Five O'Clock Tea Cloths, worth 70c, for 55c.
Five O'Clock Tea Cloths, worth 90c, for 75c.
Five O'Clock Tea Cloths, worth $1 25, for 92c.
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Few of those Quilts left, were $1 10, now 84c.
Special Line of Satin Damask Sideboard Scarfs, worth 75c, for 50c.

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WHAT CITIZENS NEED.

The Plans for Hospitals in and Outside No. 3 Ward.

A correspondent calls attention to what he considers some very important points in connection with the hospital question.

The jubilee hospital plans of Dr. Wilson and his friends do not provide an isolation hospital for infectious diseases. They do not provide a ward for consumptives. They do not provide a place for lying-in patients.

This year, since Jan. 1 to last night, 800 patients were admitted to the general hospital. Of these, 139 were infectious cases, 35 were consumptives, 32 were lying-in cases. Of the infectious cases, 108 were diphtheria. Of the total 800 cases, 142 were private patients, paying a special rate. This leaves 658 patients, 200 of whom, according to the Advertiser informant, the Winnett-Wilson hospital plans do not provide accommodation for.

In the plans of the general hospital now before the citizens, all these patients are provided for. There is a building for infectious diseases, a ward for consumptives and a lying-in ward.

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Wm. Duggan, St. Albans street, Toronto, says: "We won't keep house without Ransom's Hive Syrup and Tolu for consumption, coughs, colds, croup or bronchial troubles. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Ransom's Hive Syrup and Tolu. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, etc. We would not be without it in the house."
It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as "just as good" as "Ransom's Hive Syrup and Tolu." They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures, and, besides, is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. 25 cents. 23

Mrs. Mary R. Walker, who died last week in Oregon, was the oldest remaining American settler of that state.

At 402 Talbot street, T. C. THORNHILL'S jewelry store, all sorts of watches, clocks, etc., can be thoroughly repaired at the shortest notice, and at moderate prices. The Umbrella and Parasol Hospital.

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