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WIFE DESERTER GETS PENITENTIARY SENTENCE

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Magistrate Sorry Lash Not Allowed

Father of Ten Children Leaves Wife For Another Woman in Detroit.

WILL BE DEPORTED

Bigamy Charge Fails—Coulson Gets Two-Year Sentence For Desertion.

A man for whom Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon believes the reformatory is too good, Edward John Coulson, 49 years old, was given the maximum penalty for wife desertion in police court today, which will result in his imprisonment in Kingston penitentiary for two years.

"I am sorry I am unable to impose punishment which would bring lashes to you," the court said, after Coulson calmly admitted that for two years he had failed to provide his wife and family of ten children, eight of whom are under the age of 16 years, with the necessities of life. "I cannot understand a man with any humanity in him not taking some interest in his wife and children."

Magistrate Graydon, imposing the maximum penalty under the criminal code for Coulson's offence, sentenced him to one year in the common jail and finde him $500. Failure to pay the fine will result in an additional year's imprisonment the whole constituting a minimum penitentiary sentence.

Jail Far mToo Good.

"I am imposing the fine or alternative of an extra year in jail in the hope that you go to the penitentiary because a prison farm is too good for you," Mr. Graydon said. "Your offense is a wrong to the state, a wrong to the country and a wrong for economic reasons."

Coulson was deported from the United States last week as an undesirable, and upon his arrival from Port Huron at Sarnia he was placed under arrest by Detective Thomas Bolton. He was brought to London on information sworn out by his wife more than a year ago. Coulson was remanded upon his appearance in court last Thursday in order that Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd might take proceedings against him on a bigamy charge. The police were told he had again married in Detroit and had had a child by his second wife.

In moving the sentence of the court today after Coulson pleaded guilty, Mr. Judd said:

"I wish to point out, your worship, that this man's conduct is the most contemptible and despicable that has ever been brought to my notice. He disregarded his wife and children and went to another to marry again.

No Regard For Vows.

"He seems to have no regard for marriage vows and left his first wife to labor and slave with her ten children.

"I would ask that the maximum penalty be imposed. I am sorry I cannot proceed against this man on a bigamy charge, because he would then be in the penitentiary, where he belongs, but his offence of bigamy was not committed in this country. I may say that he will be deported to England upon the expiration of any term you see fit to impose."

Coulson is the sixth man in the past year who has been jailed on a wife-desertion charge. His sentence, however, is the longest ever given in a London court for a breach of the wives' maintenance act.

HURRICANE IN MEXICO TAKES LIVES, STARTS FIRES

By HARRY NICHOLLS.

Special Cable to The Advertiser and the Chicago Daily News, Copyright.

Mexico City, Dec. 18.—Two persons were killed and twelve seriously injured as the result of a fierce hurricane which struck the city early today. It was the biggest gale known here for years.

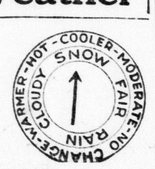
A large number of buildings in course of construction were blown down. The breaking of electric wires caused a number of fires.

In the Gulf of Mexico a real hurricane is blowing, and reports of shipping disasters are expected.

The Weather

FORECASTS.

Strong westerly winds, mostly cloudy today and Saturday, snow flurries, not much change in temperature.



Stations.	High	Low	Stations
Victoria	44	44	Cloudy
Calgary	46	22	Fair
Winnipeg	6	4	Cloudy
Port Arthur	40	2	Fair
Toronto	26	24	Cloudy
Montreal	22	20	Cloudy
Quebec	20	12	Fair
Halifax	34	18	Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 26; lowest, 20.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 22; lowest, 19.

PRESERVE FOR WILD LIFE IS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNORS

University of Western Ontario Will Have Sanctuary For Birds and Animals.

PHEASANTS THERE

Rabbits, Squirrels and Other Little People of Woods To Be Made at Home.

Plans are under way to make part of the grounds of the University of Western Ontario a sanctuary for the preservation of birds and animals. At the last meeting of the board of governors of the university they were requested to authorize the instigation of a movement to bring about this sanctuary. The movement was authorized and certain of the officials of Western are now investigating the possibilities.

For a number of years it has been the custom of many to go up the river on the university grounds and shoot the birds and animals. When questioned they declare they are on public property. This property is not public, and by making it a preserve, hunters and trespassers of all sorts will be forbidden from going into it.

At one time there were pheasants in the district and it is proposed to stock part of the preserve with these birds. Black squirrels, rabbits and game of all sorts common to this district will be preserved there. It is not known as yet whether the preserve will also be stocked with game imported from other places.

According to the game laws of Canada, if the university took the matter to the government and got an order-in-council allowing the preserve, no one at all, not even students of the "U" would be allowed to trespass on the grounds. Otherwise they could get an order authorizing the placing of warning signs at stipulated distances, and any one who was not authorized to trespass would be liable to prosecution.

Nothing definite has been decided upon, as yet, but the officials of the "U" are working quietly to bring about this sanctuary and the matter will be placed in the hands of the department of game and fisheries in the near future.



LESLIE W. OKE, M.L.A.,

who will again represent the East Lambton U. F. O., in the next provincial election. Mr. Oke gained considerable notoriety when he refused to support the Progressive party in the legislature last session.

COURT DISMISSES SPOTTON APPEAL

Conservative Candidate in N. Huron Loses Fight To Hold Seat.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—George Spotton, Conservative candidate in North Huron in the federal election, failed today in his appeal against the decision of Mr. Justice Wright, whose pudgment shows J. W. King, Progressive, entitled to the seat.

The second division of the appellate division refused to entertain the appeal against Justice Wright's judgment this morning on the ground that it has no jurisdiction in the matter.

"Are we sitting as an appeal court, or what?" asked Mr. Justice Riddell, when the case was mentioned today.

"That is my objection," said N. W. Rowell, K.C., who appeared for Mr. King.

Mr. Hellmuth pointed out that the order issued was "in the supreme court of Ontario," and if the court held that this paper which had been handed to the county judge was no order, then he had no order which was binding on him.

Chief Justice Latchford: "That is his lookout."

Mr. Justice Middleton observed that the Ontario legislature could not give the supreme court jurisdiction to intervene.

Mr. Hellmuth: "He signed the order as judge."

Mr. Justice Riddell: "He signs as 'W. H. Wright, J.'."

Mr. Justice Middleton: "Junior." (Laughter).

Chief Justice Latchford: "We all agree that this court has no jurisdiction to entertain an appeal from an order by Mr. Justice Wright, made under the provisions of the Dominion election act. That act gives no appeal from an order so made."

HOLDS PEACE RIVER.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 18.—The election of D. M. Kennedy, Progressive, in Peace River constituency, where a recount has been held, is confirmed.

EXECUTION REKINDLES WAR FIRES IN BALKANS

Sofia Deeply Resents Action of Greeks—Fear Effect On People.

Associated Press Despatch.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Dec. 18.—The prospects of improved relations between Greece and Bulgaria are considered to have been lessened by the execution of two Bulgarians near Monastir. The men were condemned by a Greek court-martial on charges of participating in the activities of the comitadji (bands of irregulars).

The news of the executions reached the Bulgarian government through diplomatic channels. The government is withholding the news from the Bulgarian newspapers fearing that it will arouse fresh agitation against Greece.

MASTERPIECE OF GABRIEL IS BURNED AT BORDEAUX

Associated Press Despatch.

Bordeaux, France, Dec. 18.—The stock exchange, one of France's architectural marvels, was destroyed by fire last night. The damage is estimated at more than 10,000,000 francs. The building was the masterpiece of the Architect Gabriel. It was built in 1749.

TURKEY IN CONSTERNATION, DETERMINED NOT TO YIELD

Angora Cabinet Holds Lengthy Special Session and Now Feels Confident of Dealing With Any Eventuality—Declares Situation Not Solved, But More Complex Than Ever.

Associated Press Despatch.

Constantinople, Dec. 18.—The decision of the league of nations council awarding Mosul to Irak, which is under British mandate, was received with consternation in Turkey.

When the verdict reached Angora, now the capital of the country, the cabinet was called in extraordinary session. Under the chairmanship of President Mustapha Kemal Pasha and with the participation of the chief of staff, the ministers sat late into the night examining all the angles of the situation. Turkish public opinion, as expressed in the newspapers, considers that the question has not been solved, but is entering upon a new phase, more complex than that obtaining prior to the league decision.

All the papers criticize the "severity" of the league, which they aver is the tool of Great Britain. Most of them are awaiting the lead from Angora before indulging in any more definite comment, but Djumuriet declares "We shall save Mosul as we saved Smyrna, Adana and Broussa."

The leading government organ says: "The government has examined all eventualities, and has taken the necessary measures to meet every situation. We mention this not by way of a threat, but for the purpose of informing public opinion here and abroad."

May Send Representative.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 18.—While there is less talk of a risk of war by Great Britain taking over the mandate for the rich oil region of Mosul, their belief is held in diplomatic circles that Turkey never will relinquish her claim to the province, but will watch for a favorable opportunity to regain it, hoping that time will bring a chance when Great Britain's hands may be too full to support Irak, or when there is an administration in London favorable to Turkey's views.

The suggestion that Great Britain send a qualified representative to Angora to talk things over with the Turkish government is being discussed. Sir Charles Harrington, famous for his connection with the negotiations with the Turks during the settling of the trouble between Turkey and Greece is thought by some of the newspapers to be the right man.

Communist Doctrines Infect Navy

Charge Red Flag Is Sung and Flies Aboard British Warships.

VINDICTIVE IS NAMED

Red Propagandists Are Active —Seamen Resent Attitude of Officers.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 18.—The Westminster Gazette's correspondent at Plymouth asserts that communistic sympathies exist among the seamen of some of the ships of the British navy. He cites the circulation of communist publications and the singing of The Red Flag aboard certain warships as proof of his statement. During the recent prosecution of communists in London the fact was revealed that communist propaganda was active in the army and navy. The admiralty this week issued notices to the personnel of ships aiming to counteract such propaganda. The Westminster Gazette attributes to seamen the statement that he authorities cannot stop the circulation of communist publications on ships.

The correspondent quotes members of the crew of the cruiser Vindictive as having said to him: "The Vindictive is one of the Bolshevik ships of the navy."

According to the correspondent The Red Flag has been sung in the Vindictive's lower deck messroom while miniature red flags were run up. Some of the crew, when the Vindictive was visiting Portsmouth, held a demonstration on the steps of the town hall and sang the communist anthem.

The correspondent says a saiior of the Vindictive attributed this display to resentment over the "tyrannical attitude of a high officer." This man added that since he had joined another ship the situation on the Vindictive had improved, but the men had been warned that court-martial awaited any singers of The Red Flag.

MANAGER SHIRT FIRM DIES OF GAS POISONING

W. R. Moore of Kitchener Is Found Dead in Garage—Car Engine Running.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Kitchener, Dec. 18.—W. R. Moore, manager of the Lang Shirt Company of this city, was found dead in his garage at 230 Roland street, last night shortly before 9 o'clock, a victim of carbon monoxide poison. The engine of the car was running when he was found prostrate at the rear wheel.

Mr. Moore went into the garage shortly after 2 o'clock, after telephoning the factory he would be at his office at 3. He returned to the house in a few minutes to get a hammer, telling his wife he intended repairing the chain on the rear wheel.

He had apparently started the engine when he first went into the garage, and on second thought went for the hammer to fix the chain without stopping the motor.

ROBBERS TIE UP TOWN, WRECK AND ROB BANK

Gang Makes Captives of Marshal and Operators—Cut All Wires.

Associated Press Despatch.

Dows, Ia., Dec. 18.—Making captives of the town marshal, the telephone operator and the railroad operator and severing all wire communication with other towns, half a dozen bank robbers invaded this village early today, wrecked the safe of the state bank of Dows and escaped with cash and bonds amounting to $8,000 or $10,000.

The robbers worked more than an hour before they could open the safe. Meanwhile the marshal and the telephone and railroad operators were held prisoners in a closet of the bank.

Numerous residents were aroused by the explosions, but no outside resistance was offered the robbers.

1924 FIRE LOSSES CUT.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended Dec. 16, are estimated by the Monetary Times at $160,500, compared with $104,500 the previous week, and with $431,500 for the corresponding week of last year.

GERMAN PLOTTERS INSANE.

Special to The Advertiser

Berlin, Dec. 17.—Earl Kaltdorff and Werner Lorenz today were formally charged with plotting the assassination of Foreign Miniser Stresemann. Governmental circles minimize the incident, pointing out that investigation has shown that both men have been confined to insane asylums.



COL. WILLIAM MITCHELL,

of the U. S. air force, who was found guilty yesterday of insubordination at an army court-martial, and was suspended from the service for five years.

DR. JAMES DOUBTS PLANE IS COUSIN'S

Family Believes Lost Aviator Was Carried Out to Sea.

While without any information other than that contained in newspaper despatches regarding the supposed finding of the aeroplane flown by Capt. Mansell R. James, who disappeared six years ago while flying from Boston to Atlantic City, Dr. A. A. James, of the biochemistry department of the University of Western Ontario medical school, a cousin of the missing aviator, is inclined to scout the theory that his plane has been found.

"A very thorough search was made at the time of his disappearance," said Dr. James this morning, "as a result of which his relatives came to the conclusion that the missing plane had been swept out to sea, and that the mystery of his disappearance would as a result never be solved. They have held this theory ever since."

Dr. James added that he knew his cousin Capt. James very well. He was a frequent visitor to this city, his home being in Watford.

"He had a most distinguished flying career in the war," said Dr. James. "He had been decorated with the distinguished flying cross and had to his credit an official record of fourteen enemy planes brought down. Most of his flying was done on the Italian front."

The latter fact would account for the information from New York that Capt. James was wearing an Italian wrist watch at the time he disappeared.

Dr. James recently came into prominence in connection with the discovery, in collaboration with Dr. N. B. Laughton and Dr. A. B. McCallum, of a liver extract for the reduction of blood pressure.

LABOR PARTY NAMES CANDIDATES TONIGHT

Nominations Will Be Held in Labor Temple With Elections in January.

It has been decided by the London Labor party, the local political division of the movement to hold nominations for officers for the coming year at its regular meeting tonight. The elections will follow at the next regular meeting, the third Friday in January.

Although this matter of nominations has not been a topic of general discussion in labor ranks it is anticipated that Arthur Mould, the present president of the local body, and Robert Foxcroft, the secretary, will be returned to office for another year.

RECLAIM USED RUBBER TO HELP MEET DEMAND

Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Hoover stated today that the capacity of plants for the reclamation of used rubber were being rapidly expanded and that if the high prices of plantation rubber continued, as a result of action by the British-controlled rubber monopoly, there would be produced in 1926 in this country no less than 400,000,000 pounds of reclaimed rubber.

In 1924, Secretary Hoover said, when the cost of plantation rubber was from 30 to 35 cents a pound, there was produced here about 170,000,000 pounds of reclaimed rubber.

U. S. GOVERNMENT ASKED TO PROBE RUBBER PRICES

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Charging a manipulation of crude rubber prices by British colonial governments, Representative Tilson of Connecticut, the Republican leader, today introduced a resolution asking for an investigation by a house committee of the United States congress.

Bus Feeder System Is Demanded

L. S. R. To Get Exclusive Use of Streets Only If Bus Lines Are Maintained.

NEW COUNCIL PLAN

Caucus at Four o'Clock To Discuss It—L. S. R. Has Survey Made.

Before granting the London street railway exclusive transportation rights over London streets, the 1926 city council will demand that the L. S. R. provide a feeder system of buses.

Mayor Moore and his 1926 aldermen are holding a caucus at the city hall at 4 o'clock this afternoon, when this and other matters pertaining to the street railway will be discussed.

It is expected that the council will demand an adequate bus service in South London, Ealing, Knollwood Park and Broughdale.

Anticipating that bus feeders would soon be a necessary adjunct to their system, the street railway has had a bus survey of the city made by Mr. Harburn of the Mack Truck Company of Canada, with offices in Toronto.

Mr. Harburn has been in the city for several days and has returned to Toronto to get his final report in shape for the street railway. It will likely be delivered here on Monday, Manager Leonard Tait of the L. S. R., states.

Same Plan in Hamilton.

Mr. Harburn is a recognized expert in this line of work, and recently prepared a similar survey for the mayor and council of Hamilton, which is being adopted in that city. It provides for the co-ordination of the street railway and several bus lines with a view to speedy and regular transportaton.

Mr. Harburn informed street railway officials here that it would be impossible to give a bus service at 5 cents. In his opinion they would have to give four or even three tickets for 25 cents.

When questioned this afternoon Mr.

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FIVE BANKS IN DENVER FORCED TO SHUT DOWN

Frozen Assets Blamed For the Financial Catastrophe in Colorado City.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 18.—Two more Denver banks—the Capitol Hill State bank and the Metropolitan State bank —failed to open today, bringing the total since yesterday to five.

The Drovers' National bank, the Broadway National bank and the North Denver bank, the latter a state institution, closed their doors yesterday. The deposits of the three banks aggregated approximately $4,400,000; the Broadway National with $2,088,683; the Drovers' National, $1,100,100, and the North Denver bank, $258,000.

Frozen assets in livestock loans and an impairment of capital were the reasons indicated by national bank examiners for the closing of the two national banks, while state bank examiners who took charge of the North Denver bank would not make public any reason for its closing.

MEIGHEN VISITS RIDING, SPEAKS, JOINS DANCERS

Canadian Press Despatch.

Eriksdale, Man., Dec. 18.—Declaring that no political significance need be attached to his visit to Portage La Prairie, that his visit was simply to meet his constituents, and particularly those who had worked so hard to make his candidature in the recent election a success, Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, came to Eriksdale last night, spoke briefly to several hundred citizens of this town and surrounding district, and then for several hours mingled freely with the gathering in the intimacy of a country dance.

BURNED IN SCHOOL YARD, BOY ASKS $100 DAMAGES

Eight-Year-Old Stuart Marsh Gives Evidence in His Own Behalf in Court.

JANITOR, DEFENDANT

Pile of Hot Ashes in Victoria Schoolyard the Cause of Division Court Action.

Little eight-year-old Stuart Marsh gave evidence on his own behalf in the $100 damage action entered for him in division court this morning before Judge Talbot Macbeth. The lad's mother, Mrs. Ellen Marsh, claimed damages for him from Ernest Hill, janitor at London South collegiate, an employee of the board of education, as a result of a severe burn on Stuart's foot received when he ran through a pile of ashes in the yard of Victoria school on June 22 of this year.

Young Stuart, a bright-looking youngster with black hair and snapping eyes, gave his testimony in a clearer and surer fashion than most witnesses many times his age.

The boy described the little hill in the schoolyard, at the foot of which were the ashes through which he ran.

Cross-examined by F. E. Perrin, counsel for the defence, Stuart held positively to his original testimony and was not a whit confused.

Playing Train.

Mr. Perrin—What were you doing when you ran through this fire?

Stuart—I was playing train.

Mr. Perrin—Weren't you playing fire-engine and trying to put out the fire?

Stuart—No, I was playing train. I didn't see any fire there to put out and there was no smoke, so what was the use of playing fire engine?

Stuart told the court of running down the little hill and through the pile of ashes. His foot hurt, he said, and he started to cry.

"My brother Charlie was there and came over and took my shoe off. There was a big hole in my stocking, burning around the edges. Charlie carried me home."

"I rendered first-aid at once, when Charlie, who is really my nephew, brought Stuart home," said the mother, Mrs. Ellen Marshall, next witness called.

Doctor Bill $18.

"I had to nurse him for about ten weeks and he couldn't use his foot for three months. His doctor bill was $18 and the drug account $15. I lost ten weeks' pay at $20 a week, because my sister couldn't take care of him."

Judge Macbeth—I don't see why you have to quibble over all the accounts. I'm sure the damages demanded are extremely moderate for an injury of this kind. The evidence should hinge on responsibility.

Mrs. Marsh testified that Mr. Hill, the defendant janitor, told her after the accident that the janitors employed by the board of education were not allowed to burn papers in the school furnaces during the summer months and had to burn their rubbish in the yards.

Examined by her counsel, J. W. G. Winnett, Mrs. Marsh said that the injured foot was some better but still a pimple formed at times and pus came out.

Dr. A. S. Duncan gave evidence as to the nature and extent of the burn.

Burn Described.

"I was called immediately after the accident," said the doctor, "and found a burn on the side of the boy's foot about an inch and a half long by an inch and three-quarters wide. The burn was right through the skin and flesh almost to the bone. The skin was sloughed out and granulated. Owing to the extent of the injury and to the fact that a burn of this nature has to heal from the edges it took about ten weeks to heal and there is still a soft spot in the center of the area that breaks out now and then.

Judge Macbeth—Why all this evidence? I've already suggested that the demands are most moderate.

Mr. Winnett—Do you think the wound will ever heal permanently?

Judge Macbeth—What's the use of that question? They can't collect any more than $100 in this court anyway, and that's a reasonable request.

Charles Evans, cousin of the boy, and the one who carried him home after the accident, told the court that no sign of a fire could be noticed from the top of the elevation down which young Stuart ran.

"There were neither flames nor smoke," he said. "It looked just like a pile of dead ashes."

Principal Testifies.

James Kirkwood, principal of Victoria school, was the next witness called. "This fire was on the girl's side of the schoolyard and the boys are not supposed to play there. The girls are not supposed to play on the boys' side either," he said.

Cross-examined by Mr. Winnett, Mr. Kirkwood said that the children were informed of this rule regularly. He was not sure, however, that it was a rule established by the board of education.

The defendant, Ernest Hill, claimed the boy told him that he was playing at fire-engine when he ran through the ashes. He admitted being a relative of the injured boy. Mr. Hill testified, and his evidence was corroborated by William A. Watts, janitor of the Victoria school, that janitors throughout the city were accustomed to burn their rubbish outside during the warm months of the year.

Mr. Hill testified that he raked over this particular fire at noon before leaving it.

The court continued its sittings this afternoon.

SAYS FARM HIDES $30,000 IN CASH

Farmer Alarms Relatives With Tale of Buried Treasure Near City.

Visions of a second "forty-niner" gold rush to London, of a boom in the local market for picks and shovels were called up with the startling revelation today that $30,000 in cold cash is buried somewhere on any one of four farms in the immediate vicinity of London.

Excavation on a huge scale was being planned by one man who has a subdivision on part of the property in question, and there were rumors that a stock company would be formed to exploit London's treasure trove.

No doubloons were these, nor ancient pieces of eight nor yet Portuguese reals d'or, but currency of the vintage of George the Fifth in sturdily built bank note paper, for according to the report they were buried but a few short weeks ago.

A London man, owner of considerable real estate, and now confined to the Ontario hospital here, reported that he had withdrawn $30,000 from his bank, had buried it on one of his farms and was unable to remember the location of the interment. He had no parchment map with a skull and cross-bones to mark the spot where diligent digging would unearth a small fortune, and he offered the money to the first man who would find it.

Rumors of treasure hunts reached the ears of the man's bankers, and they promptly reported that the information was entirely unfounded. No money at all had been withdrawn.

Get-rich-quick visions were shattered, hopes of some extra money to spend during the celebration of London's centennial year were dashed to the ground.

The owner of the buried gold is undergoing treatment at an institution, had deposited his money with the public trustee some time before he became an inmate of the hospital, but relatives were concerned lest there might be some truth in his story.

MARITIMES WILL AGAIN PRESS DEMAND FOR AID

Canadian Press Despatch.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 18.—Another Maritime delegation will go to Ottawa in January to present to the leaders of the three parties in the federal parliament the demands of the Maritime Provinces, if the plans launched by the St. John board of trade come to fruition.

The St. John board has already sent out a call to various boards in New Brunswick to send delegates to a meeting in Moncton on Dec. 23. There the resolutions evolved at the maritime conference in Charlottetown early in the fall would be studied and on the basis of them a program prepared.

FRENCH TROOPS LAND.

Associated Press Despatch.

Beirut, Dec. 18. — Two thousand French troops have been landed at Tripoli and are proceeding to Homs to participate in the operations against the insurrectionists in Northern Syria.

Holiday Trade May Be Record

Reports to Bradstreet's say the Christmas retail trade in this city is unusually brisk. Not since the war has the holiday demand been so active, and merchants are looking for better times in the immediate future. In the departmental stores, men's stores, jewelry stores and all through the retail section the expectation is that the Christmas volume will be the heaviest in years. The holiday rush started early and is still well maintained.

Wholesale houses are getting a reflection of this and business there is holding up well.

Employment is continuing satisfactory and collections are keeping up.

Fulfills Kiwanis Engagement Despite His Sad Bereavement

Self-sacrifice on the part of Kiwanian Rev. Thomas Roy in coming to London from Brockton, Mass., to deliver a scheduled address before the Kiwanis club at its special Christmas meeting last night, with his father lying dead at his home in Newcastle, N.B., has aroused utmost appreciation among members of the local club.

Mr. Roy, who is well known in London as a former pastor of Talbot street Baptist church, left Brockton a few hours after having received word of his father's death, but he came to London and delivered his address without telling a single member of the club of his sudden bereavement.

To show their genuine appreciation of Mr. Roy's action, a delegation of 15 Kiwanians assembled at the C. N. R. station at 5:15 o'clock this morning to see him off on his journey to New Brunswick to attend his father's funeral.

"It is hard for me to find words to express my admiration of Mr. Roy's action," declared J. J. McHale, president of the Kiwanis club, "but to me it was the most loyal and truly Kiwanian action I have ever seen. Mr. Roy's action, to my mind, exemplified and illustrated more clearly than anything I have ever seen the true principles of Kiwanis and that is service to others. For Mr. Roy to come to London under the circumstances which he did and to give his address was to me truly heroic."

Fred Ross, too, was loud in his praises of Mr. Roy, terming the address given by Mr. Roy as "really wonderful" and his action "absolutely marvelous."

"We do not just like Mr. Roy," said Mr. Ross; "we love him."

Interest Coupons Payable Jan. 1st

Do some of your interest coupons fall due Jan. 1st? The first week of January usually is the busiest time of the year for financial institutions, so in order that you may save valuable moments for yourself The "Old Huron and Erie" will accept your Jan. 1st coupons for deposit NOW.

CHRISTMAS RUSH WELL UNDER WAY AT POSTOFFICE

The Christmas rush has started at the postoffice. Both night and day staffs are hard at work on the immense amount of mail that is sent at this time of the year. The entire day staff is working until 10 o'clock at night, and the night staff, instead of working every other night, are working every night. Extra help will be hired a few days before Christmas. The majority of these will help the carriers.

Slippers



THE THOUGHTFUL FAMILY GIFT

From baby, who coos with delight as she proudly points to her first Christmas slippers, to grandmother, who will so thoroughly appreciate your thoughtfulness, every one in your family circle will welcome so useful, so practical a gift as comfort slippers. And here, at Ashplants', is a collection of Christmas Slippers that makes choosing a pleasure, rather than a task.

Boudoir Slippers, made of kid leathers; brown, gray, blue, green, red; cosy lined and with rubber heels... **$1.00**

Felt Kozys, ribbon trimmed, with pompom and rubber heels; brown, red, ecru, lavender, ancient blue and old rose **$1.25**

Plaid Cloth Slippers, fleecy wool linings, leather-covered felt soles, rubber heels; have cuffs that can be turned up around ankle **$1.75**

Fur-Trimmed Felt Juliets, black, brown or gray; the ever reliable gift Slipper ... **$1.75**

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CUSTOMS OFFICER DEEP IN TROUBLE

Mr. Besaillon Accused of Dismantling Motor Cars, Falsifying Returns, Etc.

OTHER SUSPENSIONS

Abuses Discovered by Practice of Using Autos Placed Under Seizure.

Special to The Advertiser
By Staff Correspondent.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The interim investigation and report conducted and submitted by Customs Officers Duncan and Wilson, upon which was based the order-in-council calling for the dismissal of J. E. Bessaillon, chief preventive officer of the ports of Montreal, are being supplemented by a further and more extensive investigation, pending the completion of this inquiry, full details regarding the Besaillon dismissal are being withheld for obvious reasons.

It learned, however, this morning that the interim report submitted to cabinet council, and promptly acted upon by that body, alleged, among other things, that Mr. Besaillon had been guilty of dismantling automobiles held under seizure of releasing seized cars without authority, of neglect of duty in not effecting seizures, and of inserting the names of other officers in reports of seizures made by himself, for the purpose of securing a share of rewards to which he himself, by virtue of his position, was not entitled.

Others Suspended.

It was stated by Hon. George Boivin, minister of customs, this morning, that while Mr. Besaillon is the only employee of the Montreal office who has been dismissed, by order-in-council, some others have been suspended, and some assigned to other duties, pending the completion of the investigation, which has been under way for the past four weeks.

"I have already," said Mr. Boivin, "communicated with several special investigating officers, now employed with large corporations, with a view to the securing of a thoroughly competent official to take over Mr. Bessaillon's duties in Montreal, and the civil service commission will be asked to appoint some man with experience and ability, but who has not heretofore been connected with the office vacated."

Getting Good Results.

The minister pointed out that the customs returns for November showed a heavy increase over those for the corresponding month last year. "This increase," he said, "may be partly due to improved conditions, but it is also partly attributable to improved preventive services in effect during recent months."

The minister stated that the department had been made aware of certain abuses in the service. Owing to the fact that some officers have been using autos placed under seizure either for personal or departmental purposes, instructions have been issued to the entire staff of the service that any officer hereafter using seized cars before declared forfeited by ministerial decision will be severely dealt with.

"Upon the recommendation of the deputy minister, Mr. Farrow," said Mr. Boivin, "every effort is being made by the department to co-operate with insurance companies and other bodies in locating owners of American cars stolen in the United States, in order that, instead of being forfeited and sold here, they may be returned to the country of origin, thus giving added protection to the Canadian automobile manufacturers and dealers."

POULTRY SHOW TROPHY WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Many Awarded Special Prizes For Exhibits at Peninsular Fair.

Special to The Advertiser.

Chatham, Dec. 17.—The winners of the trophies and special prizes offered in connection with the poultry show held here last week were announced today by the officials of the Peninsular Winter Fair. H. L. Marshall, Cottam, won the silver cup for the best bred-to-lay pen at the show; W. G. Murray of Strathroy, the Senator A. B. McCoig trophy for the best collection of bantams; Fred Cudmore, Thamesville, the Stone memorial trophy for the best collection of Orpingtons, and J. Broadhurst, London, the Charles Austin trophy for the best collection of fowl at the show.

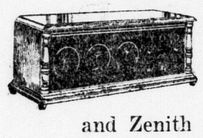
Romeo Dauphinais of Fletcher was the youngest exhibitor and was awarded the Canadian Poultry Review medal. The winners of the other special prizes were: The largest entry, Luxton Poultry Farm, Mount Forest; best Barred Rock hen, Rev. A. Page, Belmont; best Leghorn hen, C. W. Hodge, Florence; best Wyandotte hen, Fred J. Smith, London.

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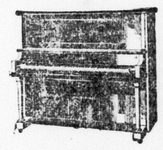
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WELLAND CANAL CLOSES 1925 SEASON THURSDAY

Special to The Advertiser.

Port Colborne, Dec. 17.—The Welland canal was officially closed today for the season. The following steamers are wintering here: The Mathews Steamship Line vessels Royalton, Mathewston, Berryton, Brookton, Northton; the G. L. L. steamers Glenburnie, Glencassie, Glenfarm, Glenelg; the Maple Leaf steamer Benmaple, and the Eastern Line A. C. Fields.

HON. G. P. SMITH IN COURT.

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 17.—George Peter Smith, minister of education in the Stewart (Liberal) Alberta provincial government, who on Friday, Dec. 11, appeared in the police court before Magistrate Primrose on a charge of the theft of $5,820 from the province, again appeared in court today, and was given a further adjournment until Dec. 21, when the preliminary hearing will be taken.

To Stop a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets. The Safe and Proven Remedy. (The First and Original Cold and Grip Tablet.) Signature of E. W. Grove on the box; 30c. Made in Canada.—Advt.

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The recipient of a live lizard sent through the mail would naturally be displeased; just as displeased as the person who received a poor watch. No need to purchase a poor watch when the good ones can be had at Johnston Bros., on credit if desired, at no extra charge. Join their Christmas Club and meet Johnston Bros. at 214 Dundas street.—Advt. b

Briand Declares France Cannot Leave Syria Now

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Dec. 17.—The Senate gave a vote of confidence tonight to the government's Syrian policy. It adopted a resolution by a show a hands, by which it is declared that the upper house trusts the government to exercise full publicity in Syrian events and "end the era of sacrifices and adventures."

Throughout the session General Sarrail, former high commissioner in Syria, was scathingly attacked for his conduct in that post. He sat in the gallery during the course of the debate, but gave no sign of being concerned.

Premier Briand promised to do all possible to hasten the coming of the day when France would no longer be obliged to keep large forces in far-off countries, like Morocco and Syria, but, he added, "it is impossible to leave Syria now, for it would cause a massacre tomorrow."

He laid stress on the fact that the French had no protectorate in Syria, but a mandate under the League of Nations, and France's effort to create a definite status for the government of the mandated territory had been impossible of execution. The Syrians had been misled by hostile propaganda concerning France's intentions.

Counsellor and Tutor.

"I gave formal instructions to M. de Jouvenal (the present high commissioner) that the liberty and property rights of the population shall be determined by the same rules as govern western peoples," said the premier. "A mandatory power merely plays the role of counsellor and tutor. We bring peace to those desiring peace; we use force only against those employing force, and M. de Jouvenal has so well defined our plans."

The premier reiterated that France had not accepted the Syrian charge for reasons of conquest or imperialism, but because she was called there by the population itself. He cited the French construction of roads, hospitals and other works in the territory.

M. Painleve, the former premier, defended General Sarrail's administration. He asserted that General Sarrail's treatment of the Mussulmans had prevented the Damascus revolt assuming larger proportions.

THE HARRIS WILL.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Brantford, Dec. 17.—While by the will of Lloyd Harris, his home on Brant avenue here, valued at $21,000, was left to his daughter, Mrs. Morton Paterson, a codicil in the will cancelled this bequest, leaving it to his widow.

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GARTSHORE GIVES VICTORIA OFFICES

Generous Donation Will Permit Enlargement of Administration Building.

Donation of $70,000 for the improvement of the administration building at Victoria hospital will be made by Colonel William M. Gartshore, chairman of the hospital trust. Announcement of Col. Gartshore's gift was made at a hospital trust meeting last week, prior to the colonel's departure to California and Honolulu.

Upon Colonel Gartshore's orders tentative plans for the rearrangement of the business offices at the hospital are being drawn up by Watt and Blackwell, architects. The actual construction will not be commenced, however, until the colonel's return from the south. He left London last Friday that he might take a rest cure of several months.

So earnest is Col. Gartshore in his desire to perfect the present hospital that he insured against the possibility of his death during his trip to Honolulu by providing for the $70,000 donation in his will.

Record of Devoted Service.

For many years Col. Gartshore has given devoted service in conducting hospital business and shown a personal interest in the activities of all connected with the institution. Some months ago he had a siege of illness which confined him to the hospital for several weeks. It was while an invalid there that he realized the blessing some form of entertainment would be, and it was not long before every ward was euipped with separate radio sets.

Realizing the imperative need of new administration buildings through his personal experience with the business of the institution, and knowing also that an expenditure for improvements of the nature would receive secondary consideration from civic spending bodies, the colonel formed his intention several months ago of making a personal donation that Victoria hospital might be immediately elevated to a higher standard of efficiency.

Present plans call for an operating room near the front entrance on the second floor, doing away with the present room, renovating and enlarging the offices and constructing and equipping new kitchens.

JUNIOR FARMERS JUDGES OF STOCK

Special Course in Grading Is Held in Packing House at Ingersoll.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ingersoll, Dec. 17.—Increased interest was evidenced today in the 60 junior farmers from the counties of Oxford, Essex, Kent, Elgin, Lambton, Middlesex, Norfolk, Perth and Waterloo, in the special educational course in swine breeding, conducted at the Ingersoll Packing Company, under the auspices of the Canadian Swine Breeders' association, the Canadian meat packers, and the dominion and provincial department of agriculture.

The forenoon was devoted to a judging and grading competition in live hogs, the large class having an opportunity to put into practice the information gleaned from helpful lectures given yesterday afternoon. The special course is under the direction of H. E. Todd, secretary industrial and development council of the Canadian meat packers, Toronto. J. A. Carroll, Toronto, assistant director agricultural representative, is also in attendance. The various teams of junior farmers are accompanied by their district agricultural representatives. The class made a trip of inspection through the plant, being piloted by the superintendent, E. McFee.

The judges today were: J. D. Brien, of Ridgetown, representing the Swine Breeders' association; Prof. J. C. Steckley, of the O.A.C., Guelph, and Gavin Barbour, hog grader, dominion livestock department. The prizewinners will be announced tomorrow.

Features this afternoon were a lecture on "Animal Diseases and Meat Inspection," by Dr. J. A. McIntosh, of the veterinary generals branch, Ottawa, and a lecture and demonstration on lamb carcasses by James A. Telfer, district sheep promoter, dominion livestock branch, Paris. The course will be concluded tomorrow.

YOUR EYES

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PROHIBITION FORCES WILL BE AUGMENTED

Sixty Men To Be Added From Port Huron To Lake Erie.

Associated Press Despatch.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 17.—Sixty men will be added at once to the prohibition forces patrolling the international boundary from Port Huron to Lake Erie, it was announced here today. Forty of these men will be Michigan state police officers. The rest will be supplied by the federal prohibition administrator. The augmented force will be maintained until after January 17.

Allan G. Straght, commissioner of public safety and head of the Michigan state police, today said that his men, operating on Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair river, are making large seizures of liquor daily, but that these seizures mean "virtually nothing" when compared with the total operations of rum-runners.

For Everybodys CHRISTMAS

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Silk Slips
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Soft and light are these dainty rayon silk knit slips, and you may choose from a myriad of delightful shades. Some are made perfectly plain, while others are elaborately scalloped!

Silk Bloomers
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Lovely bloomers of purest shantung silk, made with double ruffled knees. Shantung is noted for its long wear even after repeated tubbings. When you give these bloomers for Christmas you'll know that you're giving something of real service.

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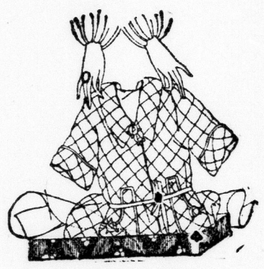
Gowns that will please, that will wear, and will become. What more could be desired? These are attractively hemstitched at the neck and around the sleeves. Ask to see them when you're in.

Silk Vests
$1.25

Beautiful rayon silk knit vests, with gay straps of fancy ribbon. These make a most enviable gift, they are so delicately shaded, in all the newer shades of orchid, flesh, peach, also white.

Silk Gowns
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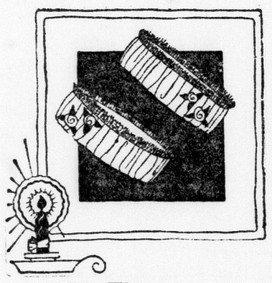
Rayon silk knit gowns, in the prettiest colors imaginable. An excellent gift for the most particular girl. They are decidedly entrancing, and are certainly good value.



Bathrobes
$5.95

Women's blanket cloth bathrobes, in pretty patterns and colors (gray, rose, brown, tan, and orchid). Neatly trimmed with cord and satin, silk girdles.

SOUSETTES AND NOVELTIES



Gift Flowers
$1.50

Both New York and Paris decree a flower for Mademoiselle's coat. The flower should be large, and bright. Here you will find an unequaled selection from which to choose. Others from 65c to $2.25.

Dinky Sousettes
$1.00

They're just the daintiest things you have ever seen. Made of dainty two-color silk ribbon, with little bows and knots. You may choose from an almost unlimited range of colors, all very elusive.

Shoe Trees
$1.00

Gay little trees, brightened up with two-color ribbon, many match the sousettes. We would suggest a set of sousettes and shoe trees—they make a novel and useful gift.

GIFTS OF GLOVES

French Kid Gloves
$2.00

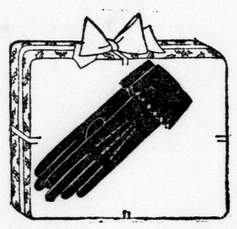
These are smart one-button gloves of fancy kid, in the newest shades, brightened up by gay embroidered cuffs. They make adorable gifts. Others up to $3.50.

Chamoisette Gloves
59c to $1.50

Good-looking tailored gloves of chamoisette with cuffs in contrasting shades. Some are gauntlet type, others have turndown cuffs. They make practical and acceptable gifts.

Fur-Lined Gloves
$5.50

Beautiful suede gloves, cosily fur-lined. These are so lined that they do not make the hand look bulky. A perfectly delightful gift for anyone that is out of doors very much.



Fur-Trimmed Gloves
$1.49

Warm gauntlet gloves of chamoisette, lined throughout, and generously trimmed with fur. A real gift glove, that will be quite the thing for winter wear.

Others, of suede, $3.25 and $4.50



Boxed Handkerchiefs
25c to $1.19

Exquisitely boxed handkerchiefs in white and a myriad of pretty colors. Some have corners of embroidered work, some have dinky lace edges, others hemmed edges or edges of contrasting colors. Choice is almost unlimitable. You will see them scattered here and there throughout the store—you can't miss them.

Kiddies' Handkerchiefs
19c Up, Boxed

Cute little hankies for tiny tots, that picture funny men and animals, in gay designs, all neatly boxed in boxes that in themselves are charming presents for the kiddies. They're at the handkerchief booth.

Plain and Colored Handkerchiefs,
15c Up

Thousands and thousands of beautiful hankies for Milady's Christmas. You'll find here, in every color and size imaginable, all the daintiest and prettiest that we could buy.

Hand-Made Handkerchiefs,
$1.98

Beautiful hand-made genuine Buckinghamshire Lace Handkerchiefs, that will charm you on sight. They are really very smart. Ask to see them when you are in.

FOR BABY'S CHRISTMAS

Silk Padded Robes, $2.98

We have a department devoted to Baby, and here you will find the cutest little embroidered and padded silk robes, in pink and blue. Others from $3.49 to $3.95.

Baby Bonnets,
$1.50

Dainty little baby bonnets, in pretty designs. Some are made of corded silk, others of bear cloth and wool llama. Ask to see them when you're next at the store. Others from $1.25 to $1.95.



Voile Dresses,
$1.49

Cute little Swiss voile dresses, richly embroidered and finished with veil lace and ribbon trimming. These are exceptional value at $1.49.

Padded Kimonos,
$1.98

They're the cosiest little kimonos imaginable, just like the big ones that Daddy and Mother wear. All sizes from 6 months to 2 years.

Others at $3.25 and $3.95.

Baby Boots,
50c

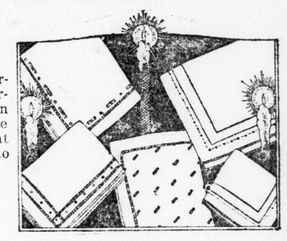
Tiny baby shoes, of padded Japan silk, in slipper and boot styles, in shades of pink and blue to match robes. They're cute indeed and so reasonable in price.

Others at 65c.

CHRISTMAS LINEN

Doilies, etc.,
19c up

Here you will find a wonderful showing of doilies, centerpieces, trays and runners in pure linen with handsome lace edgings, in three designs, that range in price from 19c up to $4.50.



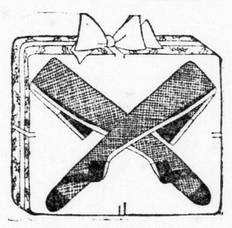
Cut Work Linen
50c up

Beautiful fancy linen cut work, in round and square doilies, centerpieces, oval and oblong trays, runners, all in pure, crisp linen. Some are snowy white, others in colors. The prices range from 50c up to $9.75.

Luncheon Sets
$3.49

Pure linen luncheon sets, of finest quality, with 2-yard tablecloth and four serviettes to match, neatly boxed. Others at $5.75, $6.50 and $7.50.

SILKEN HOSIERY



Pure Silk Hose
$2.00

Beautiful service weight hose that will add much to Christmas Day. They are colorful and made with snug-fitting ankles. Of course they are full-fashioned.

Chiffon Hose
$2.50

One simply can't receive too many pairs of hose at Christmas time. These dainty chiffon hose of purest silk make most delightful gifts. You may choose from a large range of colors and sizes.

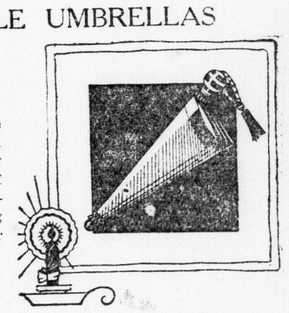
Chiffon Hose
$1.75

These are very much the same as the $2.50 line and the quality is beyond question, the colors the newest. Yes, they are pure silk, and in a fine even weave. Come in and see them.

FASHIONABLE UMBRELLAS

Stubby Umbrellas
$3.98

Here you will find just the umbrella that you have been looking for. Short, snappy creations that lend a touch of swagger to Mademoiselle's costume. You cannot go wrong in buying one of these for Her present.



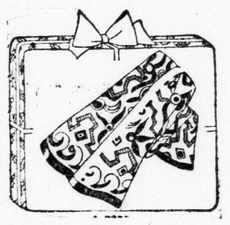
Silk Umbrellas
$7.75

These are the new short umbrellas too, that are so popular at the present time. Made with beautiful silk tops in colors of purple, green, black prince and black.

Colored Umbrellas
$5.95

Yes, the stubby model, and with the cutest handles that you've yet seen. The colors are green, purple, black prince, and black. Ask to see them when in the store.

SCARFS AS GIFTS



Silk Scarfs
$2.98

Lovely ombre scarfs, in rainbow tints, with gaily printed patterns, in floral designs, forming borders at the ends. You'll be surprised when you see how large they are, and of what fine quality crepe they are made.

Printed Scarfs
$3.00

Lovely silk crepe scarfs in gay printed patterns, others in tie dyed patterns. Long scarfs, that are an exceptionally good buy at Christmas time.

Crepe Knit Scarfs
$3.95

Heavy quality crepe knit scarfs that make a most charming gift, the shades are most enviable. They are wonderful value at this price.

Silk Knit Scarfs
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Pretty silk knit scarfs in odd patterns and delightful color schemes, at prices that make an exceptional buying opportunity.

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"THE BEST PLACE TO SHOP AFTER ALL"

NEED POWER MACHINES TO PRODUCE CHEAP PEAT

Outlook Favorable, Believes Dr. J. McWilliam, Owner of Peat Bog at Dorchester—Two Cubic Feet of Turf Heat House All Day—Government Experiments.

For the past number of years quantities of peat varying from 300 to 1,000 tons a season, have been taken from the bog at Dorchester owned by Dr. J. McWilliam, and in other districts as well, where the supply is equally plenteous, but as yet no peat industry, on a large commercial scale, can really be said to exist in Canada.

Only when it is generally realized that the industry offers modest returns for investment under the most favorable circumstances and that even these returns are not dissociated from a certain amount of risk, can a sound industry be hoped for, one that will be of economic advantage to the country, as well as affording fair returns to the investors. Many private companies and individuals have attempted the production of peat on a paying basis, great sums of money have been expended, and much experimental work has been done, but the varied success with which these attempts have met, has tended to discourage the promoters.

With a view to the preventing of any further futile expenditure on the part of private investigators, the dominion department of mines some years ago appointed an engineer to investigate conditions and various methods of manufacture in Europe, where the industry had already been placed on a successful working basis.

Need Machine Production.

The guisequent report which was submitted showed that for the economic production of fuel from peat, machinery driven by power should be substituted as far as possible for manual labor, and that processes which had been invented for removing the water content of the peat by pressure and artificial heat had not led to commercial results.

"The endeavor," stated Dr. McWilliam, in following up this point, "to accomplish economically, by artificial means, and in a short time, that which has been accomplished by nature in exceedingly long periods of time, namely, the change of peat into a substance similar to coal, has thus far met with only partial success.

"Although the outlook has certainly been discouraging during the past few years," he continued, "the possibility of its development at the present time is most roseate. The necessity for its development alone, owing to the pending coal shortages and famines which seem to exist each year, will assure the success of the industry."

W. J. Chapman of this city, who has assisted Dr. McWilliam in the development of the Dorchester bog, gives a very interesting version of the existing situation in relation to peat.

"If Canada desires to establish a peat industry and render itself, at least to some extent, independent of outside sources for fuel, the only feasible plan for her to follow is to adopt such processes and machinery as have proved successful, and are now in actual commercial operation in Europe.

Dominion Bought Bog.

"It was with the view of introducing these methods in Canada, and of showing that they were adaptable to Canadian conditions, that the government some years ago purchased a bog of 300 acres at Alfred, Ont., and began the manufacture of peat by methods which had been found to operate successfully in Europe.

"There are two methods of production," continued Mr. Chapman, "namely, the wet and the dry processes. The finished peat product shows distinct advantages in favor of the former method, and this fact, together with the advantages in manufacture, have served to bring about the adoption of this method in Canada wherever the industry is in progress.

"The differences in the peat produced are very noted. The dry process is not so dense as the wet, which is to say, more fuel is contained in a given volume of wet process fuel than in the same volume of dry process. Again, the dry process peat, which is in the form of briquettes when finished, burns very unsatisfactorily. Owing to the breaking down of the briquettes in an ordinary stove, a great deal of glowing ash and fuel falls into the ash-pan, causing much waste. It is necessary to have special stoves or grates, therefore, to hold the ash until combustion ceases.

Wet Fuel Best.

"On the other hand," stated Mr. Chapman, who is thoroughly acquainted with the subject, "the wet process fuel, which is being used in London today, burns in a most desirable way. The combustion, beginning on the outside of the briquettes, works gradually toward the center, during which the block retains its original form, and when thoroughly consumed the block of ash is almost a duplicate of the black of peat. During transportation and shipment, however, the perfectly shaped peat briquettes rarely reach their destination unbroken. This by no means affects the burning of the wet process fuel, because it will burn in almost any form. It will burn even in a virtually powdered state, so that those who use it are not subjected to a loss in the breaking up of the fuel.

"The fuel burns with a brilliant glow, and gives off a bluish colored flame, not unlike that obtained from the burning of anthracite coal. It provides an excellent heat, whether it is burned in furnaces, stoves or grates, and owing to the small air space necessary, it requires little or no attention. It has a splendid power of heat retention, and while a ton of the fuel contains 60 cubic feet, consumers agree that two cubic feet a day will heat the average nine-room house quite easily."

Owing to the high percentage of ash contained in anthracite coal, which is now so extensively used as a domestic fuel, a considerable quantity of the heat of the fuel is not utilized for useful purposes, but goes in part to maintain the temperature of the ash and clinkers at the temperature of the combustion zone.

Moreover, the ash and clinkers prevent the complete combustion of the carbon in the fuel, part of which passes into the ash unconsumed. For these reasons, peat with its low and non-clinkering ash content, at ordinary stove temperatures, can be more efficiently utilized for many household purposes, and burns in an ordinary cooking range or furnace down to a fine, powdery ash containing no carbon whatever.

With its value as a fuel, and with the possibility of developing and offering it for sale at $12 a ton, peat will undoubtedly find a greater use in the homes of Londoners next year, according to Dr. McWilliam and Mr. Chapman

FUNERAL OF GEORGE MIDDAUGH.

The funeral of George Middaugh, aged 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leeman Middaugh, who died Wednesday, was held this afternoon from the family residence, 352 Forbes street, to Woodland cemetery. The pallbearers were Martin Andrews, Percy Williams, James Dutton and Albert Jones. The services were conducted by Rev. Bruce Hunter.

NOTED GAMBLERS COMPARED BY ROY

Take Chance on Good Cause, Pastor Tells the Kiwanians.

GIVE CHRISTMAS TREE

Service Club Entertains Ki-Y Boys at Big Spread in Tecumseh House.

Kiwanians with their ladies were out in full force last night at the Tecumseh house to entertain the Ki-Y boys at their annual Christmas tree and banquet. A large spruce in one corner of the dining-room supplied the Yuletide note, anxiously watched as it was by the 48 lads present.

Rev. T. S. Roy, formerly pastor of the Talbot street Baptist church here, and now of Brockton, Mass., was the speaker of the evening. He was introduced to the audience by Frank Ross, chairman of the Ki-Y boys' work for the past three years. Mr. Roy was the founder of the work in London and the London organization was the first Kiwanis club to undertake boys' work.

"God never yet completed anything," said Mr. Roy. "When I made this statement to one on whom I am accustomed to try my wilder theories, she asked me about the song of a bird, about the lily and about the human body. These are seeming exceptions, I know, but consider for a moment. By producing thoroughbreds birds can be obtained whose songs are far sweeter than any ever grown naturally. Scientists have produced far more beautiful varieties of plants than nature knows, and by making human beings immune to some diseases science has produced a more perfect body.

Life Raw Material.

"All life is raw material and I think that this is one of the most wonderful parts of God's plan for the human race, because this plan makes builders of every one of us.

"The difference between failure and success is not in the raw material but in the use we make of it. The uncertainty of what the raw material may become is the beauty of the whole thing. Go down into a mine and pick up a lump of ore. That iron may become either a sword or a plow, an instrument of construction or one of destruction. Each of these lads here tonight may become either assets or liabilities to their country and to the human race.

"It says in the Good Book that we brought nothing into the world and we can carry nothing out. That is not absolutely true. We brought into this world with us our blood and with it tendencies older than history and as old as the human race. We are not responsible for these tendencies but we are responsible for the use we make of them.

"The gambling instinct is one of the instincts most common to mankind and really one of the finest, but we must not use it in its lowest form. Napoleon was a gambler—and lost; Columbus a gambler who won. We must take chances and that is gambling. Years ago I quit a job I had and prospects of an easy future because I had an idea as to the kind of work I wanted to do in the world, and I gambled on my ability to do that work.

Pugnacious Instinct Wins.

"The pugnacious instinct, too, is a fine one. I know of one example of the fineness of the desire to fight that occurred right here in London. A young doctor was fighting for the life of a little girl. The nurse assured him that the child was already dead, but the young physician refused to give up hope and put every bit of knowledge into his fight with death and won—the child lived. Which are we going to do—fight to bring death, as in wars, or fight to keep life?"

During the course of the banquet a telegram was read from the Kiwanis organization at Buffalo congratulating the London club on the work that had been instituted here.

W. J. Dore, a Hamilton Kiwanian entertained with songs and stories just previous to the address of the evening.

After Mr. Roy's talk a minstrel company of 18 members of the club entertained the guests to a real old-fashioned show, with witty jokes and humorous songs, interspersed with negro spirituels. Bev. Hay was interlocutor for the show, ably assisted by Sam Amero, Joe Isaacs, Mac MacDonald and Vincent Coughlin, the end men.

Highly excited, the boys could hardly wait to unwrap the gifts distributed to them at the end of the performance. Each of the 48 received a surprise package from the Kiwanis club as a Christmas gift and there was real enthusiasm in the three hearty cheers they offered to their benefactors as their thanks.

Utilities Revenues Exceed Expenditure

Creditable surpluses in both waterworks and electrical departments are promised for the current year in the eleven months' financial statements tabled by Manager E. V. Buchanan at the regular meeting of the public utilities commission yesterday afternoon.

The commission thus far has an operating surplus of $15,310 in the waterworks system, but out of this provision must be made for about $6,000 of capital expenditures for which no debentures were issued and for the $16,000 deficit which the commission met last year by reason of changing to a metered system without an immediate revision of the water rates.

The surplus in the electrical department stands at $27,822 to date, as compared with $12,222 for the same period last year.

The detailed statements, with comparative figures for last year, are as follows:

ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.

Revenue.	1924	1925
Residential and commercial light	$350,835.16	$376,833.63
Commercial power, including waterworks	314,203.06	311,827.43
Municipal street lighting	35,956.98	36,760.84
Rentals and miscellaneous revenue	18,587.89	17,672.38
	$719,583.09	$743,099.28
Expenses.		
Electrical energy purchased	$417,842.10	$422,333.20
Operation, maintenance and consumers' premises	79,783.61	59,872.52
General, collection and promotion of business	61,505.42	61,413.50
Interest on debentures	56,937.65	67,250.80
Sinking fund on debentures	39,335.34	46,299.88
Depreciation and insurance reserves	51,956.79	58,106.70
	$707,360.91	$715,276.60
Surplus	$12,222.18	$27,822.68

WATERWORKS DEPARTMENT.

Revenue.	1924	1925
Metered residential rates	$100,812.29	$130,675.76
Metered commercial and industrial rates	67,325.34	67,920.69
Unmetered residential rates	24,051.75	4,552.67
Unmetered commercial and industrial rates	2,226.20	1,482.25
River water revenue	12,045.20	13,048.62
Municipal service, fire protection, etc.	19,233.50	19,477.00
Miscellaneous revenue	5,833.43	6,389.77
	$231,527.71	$243,546.74
Expenses.		
Operation, maintenance and consumers' premises	$91,898.02	$73,459.13
General and collection	21,967.51	22,131.86
Interest on overdraft, discount on debentures, etc.	.....	2,195.47
Interest on city balance	4,801.85	4,663.65
	$118,667.38	$102,450.11
Excess of renenue over operating expenses	$112,860.33	$141,096.63
Less interest on debentures ($79,821.17) and sinking fund on debentures ($45,964.85)		125,786.02
Surplus		$15,310.61

TREATMENT BY HEAT CURES RHEUMATISM

Londoners Interested in Diathermy, Which Penetrates All Tissues of Body.

The treatment of the disease commonly known as rheumatism by the direct application of heat to the affected tissues, is arousing a great deal of interest in London. Heat has been used as a remedy for aches and pains for a long time, but the new treatment is a method of heating the deeper tissues known as diathermy.

The new treatment is used for the disease commonly known as rheumatism. Some doctors, however, declare rheumatism doesn't exist, and that the ailment commonly so called should be dubbed "rheumatism't."

Heat conveyed directly to the body from hot water bottles, poultices, stupe or moist compresses, fomentations, hot water baths, hot mud or clay applications, electric pans and other means, is universally employed for the relief of aches, pains and soreness of all kinds. Heat conveyed to the body indirectly through convection, as from a radiator or stove, the various forms of body-baking, hot air baths, electric light cabinets, is second only to the direct heat for the relief of these conditions. These are all superficial in effect; that is, only the skin is heated, and there is no measurable increase in the temperature of the deeper tissues, say the tissues of a lame joint or torn ligament. There is a method of heating the deeper tissues which has been introduced lately. It is called diathermy.

Diathermy means heating through, or deeply. The heat is generated in the tissues by a high frequency, high voltage alternating current of relatively low amperage, which is caused to pass through the tissue from one pole of an electrode to another. The intervening tissue completes the circuit. The resistance the tissue offers to the current produces the heat. This is not properly "electric treatment," for in the use of diathermy apparatus the physician elicits no reaction such as the electric treatments induce, no nerve response, no muscular contraction, no chemical reaction. The only sensation the patient experiences is warmth.

This mode of treatment is giving much satisfaction in all sorts of joint injuries and disease. In the treatment of the common fractures, which are accompanied by so much stiffness and prolonged disability, the early institution of massage and passive movements is made more effective by a preliminary application of diathermy. It prevents and relieves much swelling pain and spasm. It restores something like the normal lymph and blood circulation in the injured tissues; or, in other words, prevents some of the undesirable effects of disuse of the injured member.

City Churches

ST. JOHN'S SENIOR W. A.

The annual meeting of the senior women's auxiliary of St. John's Anglican church was held yesterday. Rev. A. L. G. Clarke presided and opened the meeting with prayer. A very successful year was reported by Mrs. Gibberd and Miss Lillian Woolley, who gave the treasurer's and secretary's reports, in the absence of the treasurer and secretary. It was unanimously decided that Mrs. Arthur Conner's resignation should not be accepted, and the following officers were elected by acclamation: President, Mrs. A. L. G. Clarke; vice-presidents, Mrs. R. J. Bowen, Mrs. Brownley and Mrs. Robson; secretary, Mrs. Arthur Conner; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Linley; leaflet secretary, Mrs. George Wright; junior auxiliary president, Miss Lillian Woolley; little helpers secretary, Miss M. Elliott; flower secretary, Mrs. Harding; mission study instructor, Mrs. Hungerford. A standing vote of thanks was given the officers for their splendid work during the past year and Rev. A. L. G. Clarke closed the meeting with prayer. The hostesses, Mrs. Frank Lawson and Miss Callard, served afternoon tea at the conclusion of the meeting.

COLBORNE CONCERT.

A very enjoyable evening was spent last night by the members of Colborne United church, when the children of the mission band presented a delightful concert. Those who took part were: Mrs. Page, solo, accompanied by Mrs. Craig; Miss Tuck, solo, accompanied by Miss Jean Stevenson; Miss Margaret Mills, violin solo; Miss Phyllis Cooper, instrumental number; Miss Olive Hobbs, reading; a candle drill was given by Eleanor Bailey, Winnifred Bailey, Shirley Messer, Geraldine Hooper, Ruth Trout, Thelma Mason and Margaret Turnbull; a pantomime, The Little Grandparents, by Helen Henderson, Thelma Monett and Ruth Trout, as grandmothers; a dialogue, Visitors from Other Lands, was given by Winnifred Bailey, representing Turkey; Eleanor Bailey, Burma; Margaret Turnbull, Japan; Bobbie Turnbull, Africa, and Velma Allen, China. These were dressed in beautiful costumes representing the different countries.

TALBOT L. A.

The Christmas meeting of the Talbot street Baptist ladies' aid was held yesterday, with the president, Mrs. M. Dale in the chair. Mrs. F. Smith took the devotional period, and Mrs. Hazelgrove and Mrs. McFadden led in prayer. Mrs. Schott contributed a delightful solo. It was decided to send Christmas cheer to the shut-ins of the church.

KNOX W. M. S.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. M. S., of Knox United church, held yesterday afternoon, was largely attended. Mrs. W. W. Cooper presided, and Miss M. Dewar read the Scripture lesson. Mrs. W. Blakeley led in prayer, and after a short business meeting, at which the officers of the society gave very gratifying reports of the year's work, prayers were offered by Mrs. J. M. MacEvoy.

Miss Snider, candidate for the foreign field, delivered a very impressive Christmas message, emphasizing God's great gift to the world, after which Master Ross McKay sang a beautiful Christmas carol. A box, valued at $50, was sent to Victoria Mines recently by the society.

HALIFAX OFFICERS COME TO MILFIELD

Envoy and Mrs. A. Islies Get London Salvation Army Appointment.

Word was received this morning from Montreal headquarters of the immigration department of the Salvation Army of the appointment of Envoy and Mrs. A. Islies of Halifax, to succeed Commandant and Mrs. L. Smith, who have been in charge of the Milfield Lodge and immigration work of the Army in Western Ontario for the last three years.

Commandant and Mrs. Smith have been appointed to the Woodside Lodge at Toronto, which is the largest of its kind in Canada. The new officers will take over the local lodge at the beginning of the new year.

Envoy and Mrs. Islies are well versed with immigration work, as they were connected with this department in England until last spring, when they came to Canada in charge of a group of girls from the Old Land.

ESSEX TO PROBE HOME CONDITIONS

Members of Council Visit Leamington to Interview Inmates of Institution.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Windsor, Dec. 17.—Indications at noon today were that a complete investigation of conditions at the Essex county home for the aged of Leamington will be held. Such a step was seen as likely following an informal visit of the county council to the institution yesterday. Daniel Kennedy, superintendent of the institution, is likely to resign, it is understood, unless a formal and complete probe is undertaken, and members of the standing committee of the Essex county council who were accused of laxity in the recent report of the grand jury on the Leamington home are equally anxious to have their administration thoroughly investigated.

Members of the council committee paid an informal visit to the institution yesterday and interviewed several of the inmates. The committee also inspected the place. While no formal report was drawn up, it is stated that conditions were found to be satisfactory as far as the individual members of the committee were concerned.

Instead of tabling a formal report, the members waited on County Judge Coughlin at Sandwich today and requested his advice in the matter. The judge advised them to consult the county's legal adviser as to what steps should be taken.

Christmas Treat For British Girls

Commandant and Mrs. Smith Will Entertain 70 Immigrants on Tuesday.

More than 70 girls wha have been brought out from the old country by the Salvation Army and settled in London since 1923 will gather at Millfield Lodge, headquarters of immigration for London, on Tuesday next and will be tendered a Christmas treat by Commandant and Mrs. L. Smith. The event will also be the officers' farewell to the lodge, as they leave for Toronto to take charge of immigration work in that city.

A Christmas dinner will be provided for the girls and a jolly social time weekly at the lodge every Thursday afternoon. Yesterday afternoon more than 30 girls attended the social gathering.

86 NEW COMPANIES.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—New companies to the number of 86, with authorized capital of $20,229,660 were reported to the Monetary Times during the week ended Dec. 12, compared with 59 companies, with $7,598,950 capital the previous week and with 87 companies, with $27,662,800 capital the corresponding week of last year.

COMMANDER AT NO. 2 CITADEL.

Col. D. F. McAmmond, divisional commander of the local Salvation Army, will conduct the services at No. 2 citadel on Tecumseh avenue on Sunday night.

With London Travellers

News of Interest About Travellers and Their City Organizations.



ALBERT E. COWLEY.
—Photo by Darragh.

Outstanding among the members of the Ontario Commercial Travellers' association at the present time is Albert E. Cowley, who, tomorrow afternoon, will be officially installed as president of the organization, when it meets here for its 49th annual gathering.

After 26 years of continuous service to the O. C. T. A., Albert ("Pat") Cowley, as he is popularly known among his many friends and associates, has been singly honored with an acclamation to the presidency of the organization. This is by no means the first honor to be conferred upon him by the Ontario travellers, as he has served continuously on the board of directors of the association for the past fourteen years.

His election to the second vice-presidency in 1922 was a sequel to the excellent work which he accomplished while acting in this previous capacity. Again, at the annual meeting in 1923, through his executive ability and his most pleasing personality, he was further honored with an unanimous election to the first vice-presidency.

Aside from his many interests in the promotion of the O. C. T. A., Mr. Cowley has for several years been an active member of the United Commercial Travellers' association in this city, and has done much towards the fraternal and the social welfare of his business associates.

Mr. Cowley, when asked, stated he was born in the city of Windsor, "somewhere about the year 1875." With his parents, however, he removed to this city when but ten years of age, and if his previous statement can be taken as authentic, he has obviously been a resident of the Forest City for some forty years or "less."

Went to Union School.

He received his elementary training in the old Union school, and for a number of years was taught by the late W. J. Carson, who at that time was principal of the school, many of whose pupils have achieved success, not only locally, but some of them in the far corners of the world. On his graduation from the Union school, Mr. Cowley took a year's course in what was then known as the old commercial form, to better prepare himself for a life in the business world.

At 15 years of age, he went into the employment of the Hobbs Hardware company. He was an employee of this firm for some fifteen years, during which time he became thoroughly acquainted with the hardware and paint business. He later became associated with the Sherwin-Williams Paint company, and since that time has been a continuous and valued member of this firm. For twenty years he covered the Western Ontario district, with his headquarters in Toronto.

His departure from this city was looked upon with regret by the host of friends which he had made. Not only did the citizens of London regret his leaving, but he was equally missed by every businessman and storekeeper in the district, where he was known to all, with his never-failing smile and his congenial disposition, as "Pat" Cowley.

Mr. Cowley is interested in every activity which deals with commercial travellers. He is especially interested in the extension course in salesmanship and marketing, which is being conducted by the association through the university of Western Ontario.

An Athlete.

The greatest hobby which Mr. Cowley enjoyed was an active participation in athletics. As a young man he was most proficient in baseball, rugby and other sports, and on many occasions upheld local colors in various intercity clashes. In 1903 he was a member of the old Tecumseh baseball team, at that time amateur champions of the city. Even at this stage, Mr. Cowley is able to get out on the field and show up some of the youngsters who claim to take sport seriously.

For many years he has been a continuous member of the Dundas Center United church, and president of the old No. 8 club Bible class. Besides being an officer in the local Current Topic club, he was also a member of various other clubs and organizations in the city.

If advance reports can be taken as a criterion, tomorrow's gathering of commercial travellers in their rooms in the Dominion Savings building, will be the most successful annual meeting which the Ontario association has yet enjoyed.

Secretary George T. Hair has been exceptionally busy during the past few weeks, and every arrangement which would tend to make the meeting a record-breaker, has already been made.

All the ballots sent out have for the most part been marked and returned. The poll closed at noon yesterday, and today is being spent in counting the returns. The scrutineers are E. J. Dawson, J. F. Kern and W. R. Grant.

Mr. Cowley will arrive in London tonight, and will spend the week-end with his family at their home on Thornton avenue. He will return to his headquarters in Toronto on Monday.

THISTLE CURLERS READY

Ice Maker Provides Five Splendid Sheets for Early Use.

Once again the roarin' game is under way. Cold weather and the enterprise of H. Baker, ice maker at the Thistle club, have worked together to provide five splendid sheets of ice for the curling fraternity. The Thistle club has stolen a march on other clubs in the city, and ice is available earlier than for some seasons past.

Christmas Suggestions

BOUDOIR SLIPPERS

Ladies' Fine Kid or Suede Boudoir Slippers, heavy padded soles, rubber heels, colors pink, blue, green, brown, red; a dainty gift, for **$1.00**

LADIES' FELT JULIETS—Colors are taupé, blue, wine and black; flexible leather soles and heels, imitation fur binding; sizes 3 to 8. **$1.75 and $1.35**

LADIES' FELT KOZY SLIPPERS—Heavy padded soles; colors blue, taupe, brown; sizes 3 to 8, at..... **$1.00**

Ladies' Felt Kozy Slippers
—Heavy padded soles, ribbon drawn and fancy overlays; colors blue, taupe, green, fawn, ecru.
$1.25, $1.50, $1.75

LADIES' GALOSHES—Very best grade, in fine jersey and cashmerette, four buckles, Adjusto and Zipper styles, all sizes; every pair guaranteed to give satisfaction.
Women's Sizes **$3.50, $4.50, $5.00**
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MEN'S HOUSE SLIPPERS

MEN'S BROWN KID ROMEO SLIPPERS—Elastic sides, flexible leather soles; sizes 6 to 11, at..... **$3.00 and $2.50**

MEN'S BROWN KID EVERETT SLIPPERS—Warmly lined, flexible leather soles, sizes 6 to 11, at..... **$1.85**

MEN'S FELT HOUSE SLIPPERS—Warm, cozy plaids, leather-covered soles, all sizes, at..... **$1.00**

MEN'S AND LADIES' HOCKEY BOOTS
$2.95, $3.50, $4.50
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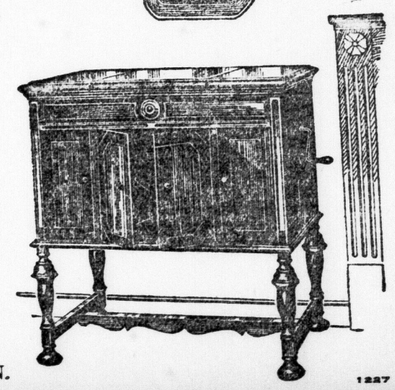
MASON & RISCH *Limited*

Announce the Arrival *of the* GRENADA *Model* Orthophonic Victrola

JUST in time for Christmas comes the "Grenada" design in the new Orthophonic Victor. Thousands have heard the Credenza model since its presentation last week—and sales in excess of all expectations indicate the public's verdict. The Grenada style is lower-priced, but possesses all the outstanding qualities that put the Orthophonic Victrola so far in advance of all other phonographs. When downtown this week, drop in for a hearing—demonstrations continuous.

Appropriate and Acceptable as a Christmas Gift **$200.**

A phonograph brings the music of your own choice—what you want—when you want it.



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Get the Family Together on This Christmas Idea!

Much as some people would like to buy the best of all Christmas gifts, a new Mason & Risch Piano, they are not all just prepared to make the investment. If you are among these, do not do without the advantages of music, but see what a splendid nearly-new piano you can get for a small Christmas payment.



SPECIAL OFFER

SAVE $100 ON NEW PIANO

A handsome Upright Model in mahogany or Walnut, and of beautiful tone **$375.00**

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Nearly-New Pianos—All of Them Reconditioned and At Special Low Prices For

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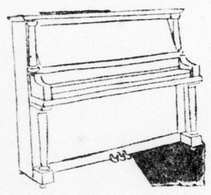
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Devonshire Piano, lovely tone. Reg. $325. Sale price **$185.00**

Bell Piano, almost new. Christmas sale price **$235.00**
This Piano regularly sells for $300.00.

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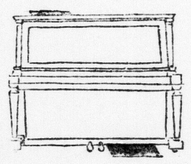
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BIG PLAN COMING FOR IMMIGRATION

Still More Extensive Arrangements Between Britain and Canada Are Expected.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE.
Special Cable to The Advertiser.
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London, Dec. 17.—Deputy Minister W. J. Egan, of the Canadian department of immigration, is in London in constant consultation with the overseas settlement board, and it can be authoritatively stated that bigger things yet in the way of stimulating immigration will be announced in the near future.

Special attention is being given to the question of settling boys who have had a high school education. This is a phase of migration work in which Canada has not hitherto offered the same attractions as other dominions. Canada has, however, taken the initiative in arranging the big scheme of fare reductions, announced yesterday. Australia and New Zealand will follow suit.

It is officially stated that the British and Canadian governments and steamship and sailing companies are bearing the cost of the new scheme, but officials decline to state in what proportions. It is currently stated that the two governments will work on a fifty-fifty basis, but the fact is that Canada gets better terms than that.

The whole scheme is elastic, and the volume of migration does not depend on finance, but on the numbers of suitable candidates offering.

It must be remembered that this country has only a limited supply of experienced agricultural workers. The migration movement, however, is undoubtedly quickening.

There are five hundred families waiting to sail next spring.

Roosevelt Loses Trophies of Hunt

Society Asked To Search For Shipment Lost During Transfer.

Associated Press Despatch.

Constantinople, Dec. 17.—George K. Cherrie, a member of the Simpson-Field-Roosevelt museum expedition, which recently hunted in Central Asia, has requested the Near East Relief to search for trophies of the expedition which have been lost in South Russia while on the way to the United States. The shipment was loaded at Andijan, in Asiatic Russia, and disappeared before reaching Krasnovodsk.

TWO CONFESS PERJURY

Three Exeter Men Sent For Trial at Spring Assizes.

Special to The Advertiser.

Exeter, Dec. 17.—A liquor case was tried in the courtroom on Tuesday before Magistrate Reid of Goderich. Two local witnesses confessed to perjury, and the third defendant was charged with inciting the other two to give false evidence. The case was not settled, but the three were sent up for trial in Goderich next spring before a jury. Bail was given for $4,000 in each of the three cases.

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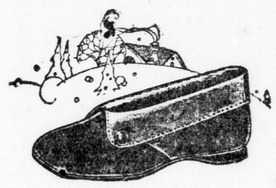


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FISHERMEN ROUSED OVER CLOSING DATE

Order To End Season Dec. 13 Held Up As Need For International Law.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Dec. 17.—An emergency meeting of the Lake Erie Fishermen's association was held this afternoon in the chamber of commerce rooms to register complaint against the action of the department of mines and fisheries in closing the fishing season on December 15.

Practically every member of the executive was present, as well as fishermen from Port Stanley who have not been in sympathy with the organization for several years. A wire was immediately sent to the minister, asking for an extension of the season till December 31, as stated on the licenses.

The order to close the fishing season at this early date came as a surprise to the fishermen on the lake, who have hired their men for the month and who have made additional outlay in nets to complete the season. The government, it is believed, was compelled to take this stand in order to conform with the closing date on the south shore.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT'S GOLD RESERVE INCREASED

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Gold reserves in the finance department were heavily increased in November. On November 30 the gold held against dominion notes in circulation was $132,051,659, against $112,367,167 on October 31. Dominion note circulation increased during the same period from $215,017,083 to $225,916,499. The percentage of gold to notes was 58.6 on November 30, against 52.00 on October 31.

The increase in gold is stated here to be largely due to importations of gold deposited by the banks against dominion notes issued.

NEW LINER FOR CANADA.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—The White Star Dominion line here was informed today by cable that the new 18,000-ton liner for the St. Lawrence route, now under construction at Belfast, would be called the Laurentide. She will be the largest vessel to sail to and from Montreal. It is expected she will be put in operation early in 1927.

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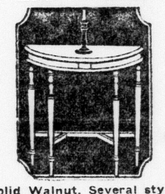
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MOSUL MANDATE WILL END BEFORE 1950, SAYS BALDWIN

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17.—Premier Baldwin, in a statement to the house of commons today, regarding the league's decision on Mosul, said the government believed that if Great Britain took the mandate for Irak it would expire far short of the maximum of 25 years specified.

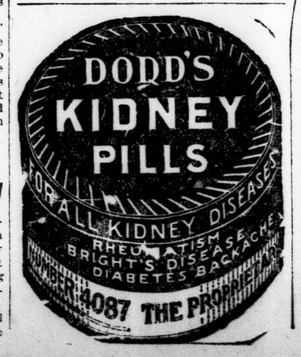
"The assumption of this responsibility," said the premier, "does not involve the responsibility to spend money or to keep troops in the Irak even for the maintenance of internal order or for its defence against external aggression, but merely to insure our co-operation and advice in maintaining a stable system of government."

NO BEER SALE BY GLASS IN SASKATCHEWAN JUST NOW

Regina, Sask., Dec. 17.—Saskatchewan is not going to have any system which provides for the sale of beer by the glass, not within a year or two at least. Premier C. A. Dunning, replying to a delegation representing the Moderation league, made that quite clear.

No great demand for the radical change by the general public had come to the attention of the government, he said, and the government considered the present was not the time even to ask the people to vote on the issue.

On the other hand, the government was pledged to give the present system a fair trial. The system had been in operation about eight months, during what might be termed the formative period. The fair trial period certainly, in the opinion of the government, had not expired.



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What Mosul Means.

Turkey has announced in plain language her intention of flouting the decision of the council of the League of Nations. Once again the word "Mosul" comes into print. At the Lausanne conference provision was made for the marking of boundaries of the new republic of Turkey. Britain and Turkey then agreed that outside of these boundaries Turkey renounced all sovereignty previously exercised by the old Turkish empire. Turkey was also to renounce all rights and title over the various states controlled under the mandates held from the council of the League of Nations. Under these mandates Irak was intrusted to Britain; in the most northern part of Irak is the vilayet (or province) of Mosul as well as the town bearing the same name.

The exact boundary was not fixed at that time, and an independent commission was appointed to make these adjustments. Britain having agreed to accept the award, while with no warning or reason Turkey refused, claiming that no outside commission had the right to fix boundary lines. In the Fortnightly Review Hugh F. Spender, a well-informed British journalist, describes what took place at the meeting of the council:

"Rushdi Bey, the chief of the Turkish delegation, had thrown off the mask and declared that the Turkish government had never had any intention of accepting the decision of the council of the League on the Irak frontier question. Turkey would accept neither the decision of the council, nor the verdict of the international court of The Hague on the question of the competence of the council to give an arbitral award, in spite of the pledge which Fehti Bey had given in her name. Nothing but the whole vilayet of Mosul with the exception of the small district of Diala would content her—that was what Tewfik Rushdi Bey's defiant attitude meant."

Speaking for Britain at Geneva, Sir Austen Chamberlain, secretary for foreign affairs, stated Britain had no desire to take a rigid or uncompromising attitude, and would gladly enter further negotiations with Turkey. The attitude of Turkey can best be gathered by her refusal to attend the meeting, and her subsequent announcement that there is nothing to arbitrate.

That has been the reason for Turkey talking of war. Turkey is not defying Britain, but all the powers in the League, because Britain is merely doing what the council of the League has declared should be done. If Britain were to decline to assume responsibility for carrying out the decision of the League she would be failing in her plain duty and weakening the whole organization to that extent.

Turkey finds the situation different than in the old days. Neither Britain, France, Germany, Italy, or any other world power is prepared to listen to her overtures. There are no secret negotiations for the purpose of lining up nations on separate sides. They have met and listened to all the facts and made their decisions accordingly. The situation subjects the League to the most severe test yet placed upon it, and it also gives Turkey the option of saving her face by tardy obedience or attempting to openly defy a group of powerful nations. She is not likely to risk the latter course.

Investing Money.

A winding-up order is going through the courts in Toronto that will mark the disappearance of a so-called securities company. One solicitor appearing for a client remarked, "I represent a lady who was left a substantial sum by her late husband and was induced to invest $6,000 in this company."

In this case the husband, while living, was able to gather together a fair amount of wealth, referred to as a "substantial sum." He no doubt must have possessed an intimate knowledge of financing and investing, and was able to make good investments as well as avoid poor ones.

His widow apparently does not possess the knowledge her husband had, and yet when he left her that "substantial sum" he placed on her the onus of making her own selection as to how she would invest it.

Few men are very wise investors themselves at the outset. Not many can claim that they never made what turned out to be a poor one. The rule is that a man learns by experience, and if he gets stung the chances are he never says anything about it, and on that account his wife does not get the benefit of the experience for which the husband has paid. It may be from personal pride or from a desire to keep his wife from worrying that makes him hold his peace, yet the result is the same—the husband's loss has been a valuable experience in the misuse of money and a thorough explanation of such incidents to his wife would give her a great deal of valuable information.

If a woman has not had this training or the benefit of her husband's experience, her husband should hesitate to leave to her the responsibility of handling a "substantial sum," as was evidently done in the case at Toronto. He could have given directions in his will concerning what investments could be made, or have named a trust company to carry on for him, and these companies are so restricted by law in the selection of investments that they can hardly go wrong.

What is of even greater importance, though, is that there should be a more widespread knowledge concerning what constitutes a good investment. We spend a great deal of money and energy training people in various lines how to make money, but give very little attention to the equally important study of how to use and invest it wisely.

Must Bid Higher.

The St. Catharines Standard can't see that it really makes very much difference what a political leader says so long as he gets there. Of the Conservative leader's Hamilton-Bagot speech the Standard says: "On the whole the Conservative press in Ontario has not been greatly aroused or attached too much importance to the Hamilton declaration."

That is quite so, and the reason is that the Conservative press in Ontario did not know how to take it. The Mail and Empire performed a very kindly service when it explained that Mr. Meighen was speaking more for himself than the party. Apart from that there has been an ominous silence.

The Standard apparently believes, then, that because the Conservative papers in Ontario did not attach too much importance to Mr. Meighen's complete reversal of policy that it didn't amount to much after all. It develops the same idea farther when it claims that "it can hardly be conceived that the rank and file of the Conservative party will be stampeded to swap horses in crossing the stream when the promised land is almost within reach." It's only a few more steps to power; the clay banks at the other side of the creek look fairly easy of access, so why should any person reverse the procession simply because the leader reversed his policy.

From the Standard we learn that there was a "great moral lesson" in the Bagot election. It was this: "That Mr. Meighen put a dent in the Liberal majority when his candidate got 45 per cent of the votes, against 43 per cent at the general election."

So that gain of two per cent of the votes is sufficient to explain everything—sufficient to explain why Mr. Meighen swallowed everything he had said in criticism of Premier King's policy of consulting parliament about war efforts in 1922; sufficient to explain why he had one policy in Toronto in 1922 that said, "Ready, aye ready," and another in Bagot in 1925 that said, "We'll hold a general election and see."

But it will be necessary, as the Standard can readily understand, to go farther. The advance from 43 to 45 per cent on such a bid as Mr. Meighen made is not sufficient. He has got to raise that 45 to 51 before he gets into the promised land of which the Standard speaks. It must be admitted that Mr. Meighen went almost to the extreme limit in his efforts to placate Quebec, but he must go farther.

Is the Standard really serving notice on Mr. Meighen that itself and the other Conservative papers in Ontario will stand aside and let Mr. Meighen go the limit in promises if by doing so he can win?

An Outside View.

The Luzerne county members of the Pennsylvania house of representatives have tried to settle the coal strike. The county members suggested that the miners go to work while negotiations were still being carried on for a new agreement. This plan has been turned back.

The miners are losing money every day the strike lasts. Living on strike pay is a poor substitute for regular wages. It is depleting the miners' money reserves, and so will call for more assessments to build up the strike fund when the men do return to work.

The operators are losing money through the non-operation of their mines. The consumers are losing through higher costs for fuel substitutes.

The county members from Luzerne may not be strike experts, but in their suggestion that negotiations can be carried on just as effectively with the mines operating as when they are idle they have stated the opinion of many others.

Note and Comment.

Speaking of war songs, the Brandon Sun remarks, "What about 'Here Comes the Bride'?"

Four Toronto boxers won their bouts in Buffalo, which looks very much like Canada taking a hand in U. S. affairs.

The optimist puts his hand in his pocket, glad to find that the five is not a one; the pessimist is sore because it's not a ten.

Some of our finest old sayings are being discredited in this age of rapidity. Thus we read of a speaker who is reported as saying: "The early bird has the worms."

The Peace River seat for Ottawa is now claimed by three candidates, putting it very much in the same position as it was on the day before elections.

Ottawa woman married one man, left for Cleveland and married another, and is now suing the first for non-support. In a first and second mortgage collection is always easier on the first.

Toronto M. O. H. says milk sold in that city in 1912 was watered 20 per cent, and the citizens paid $275,000 for the water. They also built the union station about that time.

Massage parlors in Winnipeg have been making discoveries, and among them is one that green lights have a soothing effect on some excitable people. Greenbacks also have a similar tendency.

Manufacturers of shaving soap are using pictures to show the folly of men wearing whiskers in this age. They show a man with whiskers having them pulled by a speed cop. They figure that bare-faced men get out of trouble easier.

A Wicked Scheme

By ARK.

I got a parcel yesterday tied with red ribbons and a seal, it tickled me for quite a spell and well nigh bumped me off my keel.

And so I got my jack-knife out and cut the strings to get inside, as fidgety about that gift as any blushing little bride. And when I got the papers off I felt like heavin' fifteen rocks, for there was forwardin' to me a pair of fancy woolen socks.

The chap that sent them meant all right, I've knowed him for ten years or more, so now I'll have to do my stuff and sort of even up the score.

I'd planned to send a card to him, on which I penned a friendly rhyme, just words to cheer him on a spell about the gorgeous Christmas time. But now I'll have to travel out and spread the rubles on for him, because he sent me fancy socks to cover up my crippled shin.

Which sets an evil thought in me as how I'll start in June next year, and start and send out little gifts and mark them as my Christmas cheer.

And them what get the gifts will say as how they must remember me, so where I part with one good buck I'm likely to recover three. And folks will come around to call and view my parcels piled up high, and they'll conclude, by gum they will, that I'm a real important guy.

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The Once-Over

LIGHT LITERATURE.
By Handy Andy.

Nobody loves a fat man,
He's always an object of hate,
Which makes me glad that I can
Say that I'm losin' weight.
I can go and spoon with my sweetie now
Without saggin' the garden gate.

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Wait! Wait!
If you send in another like this, Andy,
You'll meet with a terrible fate.

The concluding lines are appended by ye columnist in self-defence.

Some folks have all the fun. There's a chap in this office whose wife's birthday comes on Dec. 24, whose sister's birthday is Dec. 25, and whose father-in-law has contracted his annual pre-Christmas cough.

According to an English paper, the string of a violin worn next to the skin prevents lumbago and keeps the wearer warm in the coldest weather.

Not to mention the jazz produced when worn by a bow-legged person.

In common with all other conductors, the conductor of this column is glad the street cars are still running.

The greatest Christmas tragedy—a lost appetite.

Chief Cook of this office says: "Some fellows save for a rainy day—others for a dry night."

Four and half million bunches of bananas were unloaded at Bristol this year. In kindness, please refrain from chanting, "Yes, we have no bananas."

Our demon statistician figures that if the skins of all those bananas were removed and laid end to end, they would bring about the downfall of half the civilized world.

A gent named J. L. Garvin got off the following profound remark in old London recently: "If it is in truth supposed that Britain is not so great as she used to be, the answer is that she never was."

White River is back again in the headlines. It was 24 below there yesterday.

An English composer wrote a song in 15 minutes which netted him sufficient to buy a new Rolls-Royce with special trimmings. Excuse us for a few minutes. We want to write a couple of songs.

E. J. P.

Isn't It the Truth?

The paths of glory lead but to a study of jurisprudence.

The chairman of the committee is the easy mark the others pick to do the work.

Note to composing room: Leave standing the headline, "French Ministry Resigns."

Saving daylight in summer isn't half so hard as saving moonshine for Christmas.

There's one difference. Nobody now lasts long enough to be called an "old soak."



There's a difference between lightning and miners. When lightning strikes, it seldom makes anything go up.

If you contrive each day to outclass the fellow you were yesterday, reaching the top is just a matter of time.

A low-brow is one who gets the story; a high-brow one who concentrates on the author's style.

About all the average man has thus far provided for Christmas is the headache.

If Mussolini is a branch of some noble family, as his kind friends assert, it isn't an olive branch.

Pistols long since would have gone the way of booze if pistols enabled anybody to have a good time.

If they had rather fight over a dogma than chase jobs, they doubtless are Democrats.

The commonest objection to a tax bill is that it doesn't hit the other fellow hard enough.

Still, you can't tell upper class from lower class by the love letters read in court.

Correct this sentence: "I want the living-room warm," said she, "but I like a cold bedroom."

R. Q.

Editorial Opinion

ONE ORATION LESS.
From the Montreal Gazette.

HAD it not been for the action of the chairman at the meeting of the United Farmers of Ontario in ruling out of order the question put to Hon. Manning Doherty as to why he had left the Farmers' party to support Hon. Arthur Meighen, the delegates might have heard something greatly to their advantage.

FROM HEAD TO FEET.
From the Ottawa Journal.

STILL another university football star will enter the movies at a salary of $50,000 per annum. Has anyone ever considered what a pathetic moving picture could be filmed of the life of Professor Highbrow of the same university who has taught higher mathematics in that institution for 40 years at a salary of $2,500 a year? Unfortunately the professor never learned to kick.

Becoming Peeved With "Santy"



Young Jock Currie—O, yes, he's makin' up like Santy Claws agin—but whot's he ever brought us kids but 4.4?

After the Day's Hard Work

By SODBUSTER.

WILTON GROVE, Dec. 17.—I notice a news item in The Advertiser states that London is past the stage of being a Saturday-night town. Well, I came to town on Saturday night, and although there didn't seem to be such a very big crowd, when I tried to park my car it seemed as if everybody must have had two cars, and it appeared to me that Saturday night still had quite a hold on the population.

Living in the vicinity of a growing city like London has its advantages and its disadvantages, for the country has been influenced and moulded to a far greater extent than we care to think, for what London does today, Wilton Grove is trying to do tomorrow, and if London has ceased to be a Saturday-night town, so has the surrounding country to a marked degree. The meetings at the corner store has disappeared, because the corner store has become a thing of the past. Years ago we used to gather there in the evenings to get the mail, but now it's carted right to the farm gate, so lots of times there's no excuse for going to the old store-postoffice.

The gatherings at the store were not all stared for Saturday night, and were amusing and instructive. There was generally somebody there who could tell how the country should be governed and just exactly what mistakes the government were making and how conditions could be improved.

Then there was the story-teller, the man who knew the railroad game from firing to general manager, who could tell of the hair-breadth escapes of the head-on collision, of the time when he himself figured in a smashup, how he found himself thrown to the top of a 30-foot embankment, stripped of everything but the wristbands of his shirt.

THE story-teller didn't always adhere strictly to the truth, but one thing in his favor was the fact that his anecdotes were about himself and were not mean things about the neighbors, and it was considered bad form to express doubt when the story was told, whatever your private opinion might be.

He was telling a story one night of a great tree he cut down, and in this tree he found just 99 coons. Somebody said: "Say, Bob, why don't you make it a hundred?" He looked at him with a hurt expression and said: "Do you think I'd tell a lie for one coon?"

And then there was the fellow who could play the mouthorgan, a regular artist in his way. He could lay his hands together, with the mouthorgan between them, and produce music that would make the modern Victrola turn green with envy, and the fellow who could rattle the bones until he made you think that his wrists were doublejointed, and big Jack with his clog dance, why he liked to dance so well that he'd tramp down a place in the field and hop it off while the horses were getting a short rest.

That also was the time when everybody kept a good driving horse with a good set of harness and a top buggy, and although they were not race horses, it was not an unknown thing to have a trial of speed if it was thought necessary.

But customs change. The heavy ox-cart gave place to the top buggy, the buggy has given place to the motor car, and no doubt the motor car will have to give place to the machine that flies in the air and does not need the paved highway and would be a welcome relief when the roads are rough, but there are things that don't change to any marked degree, though the manner of living does change.

Boys are still boys and girls are still girls and plain folk are still the plain folk with their social instincts and their love of company and amusements.

Meanest Man

From the Toronto Star.

THE simple faith of an 18-year-old country lad in strangers that one meets in a big city was unfolded this afternoon to the police at headquarters when Robert Roy Arnott of Maxwell, Ont., walked in and asked the police to locate a stranger who took $55 from him at the Union station on the pretext that the money was to be insured on Nov. 24.

"I was crossing Yonge street at King street on my way to the Union station when a man walked up to me and asked me what I was looking for," Arnott told the Star. "I did not know him. I told him I was on my way to the Union station. At the station he asked me if I had any money. I said I had a little. He said, you will have to insure it—and I handed him over the money. He came back with a check made out for fifty-five dollars and told me when I got to Dundalk, where I was going, to go to the bank and the money would be waiting for me. I called at the bank in Dundalk, they held the check and returned it to me later telling me it was worthless."

The money was the youth's hard saved earnings of summer labor on a farm. He was making $18 a month and his board. "It is all the money I had," he broke down crying in telling his story to Sergeant of Detectives Murray and Detective Sergeants McMahon and Archibold.

SUMMING UP.

Captain—What are you scratching your head for, Rufus?

Colored Private.—W, sah, I got arifmatic bugs in my hair, sah.

Captain — What are arithmetic bugs?

C. P.—Dat's cooties.

Captain—Why do you call them arithmetic bugs?

C. P.—'Cause dey add to my misery, dey subtract from my pleasure, dey divide my attention, and dey multiply like de dickens.

To the Editor

London's Black Eye.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Sir,—Being a resident of this city for some twelve years, it appears to me that all one can hear and read of in the daily paper and many plants of the city is the London street railway controversy. Have not the citizens tired of this nuisance? Is it not high time London was rid of this stumbling block and adopted a rapid transportation system, equal to that of senior cities, where one finds pleasure in their efficient service in preference to walking? I have heard or seen many exaggerated statements, sir, through the press, in comparing the L. S. R. with transportations elsewhere, even including Great Britain, by actually stating it was second to none. I fear this can be readily contradicted, as from experience in both U. S. A. and Great Britain I have yet in my travels to see where I suffered the same inconvenience as in London, Ont. As to whether the company, railway crossings or the operating crews are to blame, I am at a loss to know.

Without sarcasm or fictitious remarks against street car, I say it truthfully, that on several occasions I have preferred taking other means of getting to the railway depot, having more assurance of getting the train.

The very conditions of transportation here are strangling the city's progress. When friends visit us from other cities, both in Canada and U. S. A., the street cars seem to become the center of jest, and they ask us if they ever travel any faster. You can readily imagine, sir, the feeling of disgust and embarrassment one has to camouflage.

The same applies when going to other cities. We cannot conscientiously say what we would in boosting London, owing to the fact that our main issue, the transportation system, is becoming obsolete, and when an effort is put forth to amend or improve the situation by some enterprising company, instantly some dominating influence begins to work against them and give them a cold clearing order. I fail to see the much-spoken-of British fair play applied in this case.

Personally, I think this thing has gone far enough, and it's high time, irrespective of red tape, that the issue was put before the people, who are sufferers. We have regretted the use of a long franchise. Five years is long enough; we cannot tell what may take place so far ahead.

If the street railway can give us the quick and speedy service that the buses are giving, then carry on; if not, the offer the bus company has made, I think, is very acceptable to any community. Thanking you, sir,

JUST A CAR RIDER.

London, Dec. 17.

Should Be Certain.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Sir,—I don't believe buses will be put off the streets in London. Giving the street railway company a monopoly of transportation rights in the city is a serious thing to do, unless we know for certain that they can handle a monopoly.

I have heard it said that the waterworks is a monopoly, and so should the transportation business be the same. That would hold good only according to what a monopoly meant. A monopoly is often the best way out, but not in this case. If the waterworks couldn't get water to my house or any place near it I should feel quite justified in getting water elsewhere. So when the street car company doesn't come near my house, or provide any means of getting me where I want to go, then I am quite right in looking elsewhere for my ride.

I think the city should know whether the street car company can give any better service than they have done. I had access to a report the other day that was made on the company's condition in October, 1922, by Mr. Bunnell, at the request of the late Sir Adam Beck, and turning to the back of the book I found that "much of the track on unpaved streets is badly worn and should be immediately replaced." I also saw where the report recommended that twenty-eight of the cars in use then were considered obsolete, and the report said, "It is recommended that these cars be removed from service."

Taking all these things into consideration, I think the council ought to be very certain that they are making a bargain with a company that can give the service we want with the equipment that the road has.

EAST END.

London, Dec. 17.

CHRISTMAS PLANTS AND DECORATIONS

Londoners who in the past have been in the habit of purchasing their Plants, Ferns, Christmas decorations, etc., at the Dominion Seeds, Limited, are advised that this firm has been absorbed by Morgans Supply House, Limited, 100 Dundas street. Former customers are requested to call at the new address, where they will meet the same clerks as formerly. The new firm in their much larger premises are in a position to give you just as efficient or better service than you have been getting. They have a very large and complete stock of Christmas plants and other goods. They will appreciate your patronage.—Advt. b



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25 Years Ago

From The Advertiser, Dec. 18, 1900.

At a meeting of the dairy committee at the Fraser House last night, it was decided to hold the dairy convention here January 15 to 18. Special train rates are being arranged.

The annual election of officers took place at the meeting of the Electric lodge, No. 402, A. O. U. W., East London, last night. The following officers were elected: G. Thomas, W. E. Armstrong, D. Potter, E. B. Hargreaves, A. Belcher, Mr. Livingstone, W. Pugh, J. Armour, L. H. Davidson, Mr. Edy, Dr. English, E. Graham and C. Cooke.

The Dundas Centre Methodist church held a very enjoyable missionary entertainment last night.

Alderman Douglass announces that he will oppose Mayor Rumball in the coming municipal elections.

Rev. W. J. Clarke spoke last night at a meeting of the Sons of Scotland. Addresses were also given by R. K. Cowan and J. W. McCallum.

Turkeys sell for 8 and 8½ cents a pound on the local market today. Chickens are 40 to 60 cents a pair.

G. A. McKee, B.A., classical master at the London collegiate institute, retired from active duty yesterday. Fitting ceremonies were arranged by the students.

DRESSED FOR THE PART.

A stage manager was rehearsing a crowd scene for a new play. After he had directed the men who had been selected for the scene he told them to report at the theatre that evening adding:

"This scene we've rehearsed takes place in Russia, and I want all you fellows in fur overcoats."

"But I haven't a fur overcoat," protested one of the actors.

"That's none of my business," replied the stage manager. "If you're not dressed for Russia I won't let you go on."

The extra arrived at the theatre that night—but without a fur coat.

"Didn't I tell you I wouldn't let you go on unless you were dressed for Russia," said the stage manager.

"But I've got on two suits of underwear," protested the actor.

IN EVERY SMALL TOWN.

The snow is gently falling, an elderly man in a big coon coat is striding up and down the Canadian National station platform, an expectant smile on his kindly face. Behind the station awaits the horse and cutter to convey a loved one from the city to the warm embrace of a sweet-faced mother. There's holly and mistletoe and a great big turkey and plum pudding—they haven't forgotten a thing to celebrate this joyful homecoming at Christmas.

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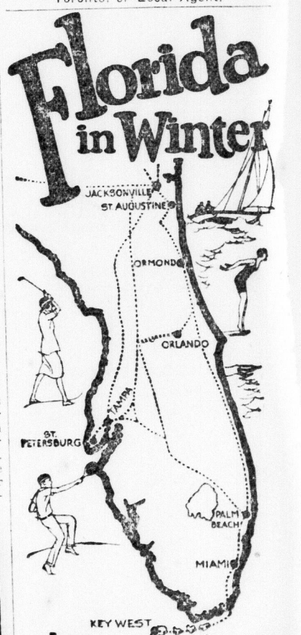
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Dec. 19—Andania to Ply., Cher., Ham'g
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Jan. 2—Cameronia to L'derry, Glasgow
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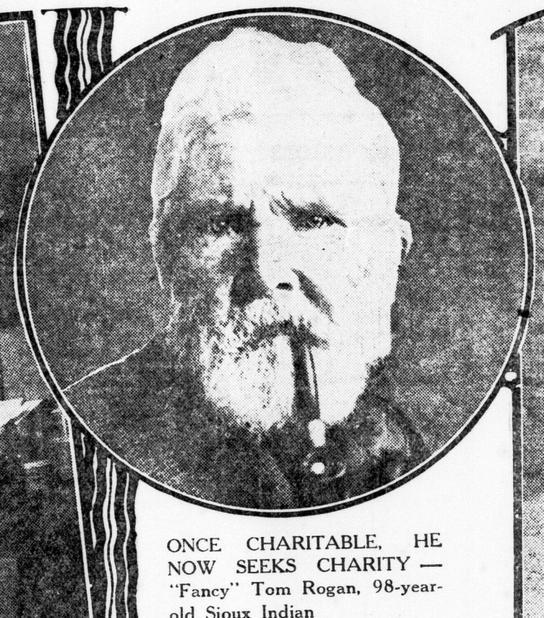
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THE CHARMING LADY is Kathyn Kay, shown wearing the very latest in feminine "galluses." Hitherto regarded as sole property of man, the suspender has become very popular in fashion centers among those who may wish to wear them.



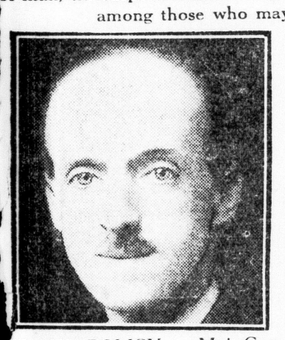


ONCE CHARITABLE, HE NOW SEEKS CHARITY — "Fancy" Tom Rogan, 98-year-old Sioux Indian

RIGHT—Standing six feet five inches in his bare feet, Frank Clarke, aged 16, of the Irish Guards, Aldershot, is claimed to be by many inches the tallest drummer of the British army. With him is shown the bugler.

LEFT—Seiji Tachibana, editor and publisher of Chicago's first Japanese daily newspaper, "Dai Nippon," running off his day's circulation by mimeograph.





FLAYS POLICY — Maj.-Gen. Sir Frederick Sykes, former chief of the English air staff, who, in an attack on the air ministry, opposes a return to the early wartime system of military and naval air services subordinate



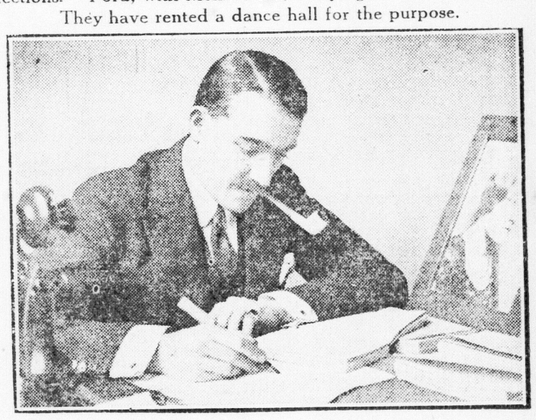
FLAPPER MESSENGERS AT U. S. CAPITOL—The above photo shows (left to right), Betty Brown, Ethel Garrel, Grace Stevens and Virginia Veehknor, the fair quartet of messenger girls who have taken pageboys' places at Washington. It is hoped by the idea, 'tis said, to bring about more courteous and speedy attention to messages for the American lawmakers.



GOOD-BYE, SAXOPHONE! Mellie Dunham (right), fiddling protege of Henry Ford, makes his first public appearance in Detroit, conducting the special orchestra through the old-time selections. Ford, with Mellie's aid, is trying to revive the waltz. They have rented a dance hall for the purpose.



ROCKNE IN MIXUP? — After what appears to be a misunderstanding in negotiations, the famous Notre Dame coach's proposed contract with Columbia has been cancelled. A probe is being made into Knute's claim that he did not get a square deal.



GLORIA SWANSON'S HUBBY, the Marquis Henri de la Falaise, has opened an office in New York, where he will represent French authors who wish to sell motion picture rights to producers in the United States. He is shown here at his desk, graced by a picture of his wife.

DYNAMITE CHEWER FINED —Rev. Clarence Goodman, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Stamford, Conn., who combines his preaching with truck driving, has been fined $25 for chewing dynamite. Eight sticks were found in his house after a recent fire. He declares it is a good medicine.

CHARLES JEWTRAW TO RETURN—After an absence of two years, the former holder of the international championship and the world's sprint titles has decided to return to speed skating. He retired to finish his studies, his title being taken up by Joe Moore, the Gotham flash.

CHAMPION JOCKEYS—A recent snapshot of G. Richards (left), the leading English jockey of the year, and C. Elliott, who is second on the list. Despite his accident, Steve Donoghue is well up on the list.

DUNCAN SCOTT VISITS COOLIDGE—The above photo shows (left to right), the Canadian deputy superintendent-general of Indian affairs, with Mrs. Scott and the U. S. Indian commissioner, Charles H. Burke, on their recent visit to Washington.

The Dream Detective

By SAX ROHMER

A dilapidated person whose nose chronically blushed for the excesses of its owner hovered about the prospective purchaser. This was William, whose exact position in the Klaw establishment I had never learned, but who apparently acted during his intervals of sobriety as a salesman.

"Good evening," I said. "Is Mr. Moris Klaw at home?"

"He is, sir," husked the derelict; "but he's very busy, sir, I believe, sir."

"Tell him Mr. Searles has called."

"Yes, sir," said William; and turning to the dame: "Was you thinking of buyin' that chair, mum, after you've quite done muckin' it about?"

He retired into the cavernous depths of the shop, and I followed him as far as the dimly seen counter.

"Moris Klaw, Moris Klaw! The devil's come for you!"

Thus the invisible parrot hailed my entrance. Indescribable smells, zoo-like, with the fusty odor of old books and the unclassifiable perfume of half-rotten furniture, assailed my nostrils, and mingling with it was the distinct scent of reptile life. Scufflings and scratchings sounded continuously about me, punctuated with squeals. Then came the rumbling voice of Moris Klaw.

"Ah, Mr. Searles—good evening, Mr. Searles! It is the Pettigrew mummy, is it not?"

He advanced through the shadows, his massive figure arrayed for travelling, in the caped coat, his toneless beard untidy as ever, his pince-nez glittering, his high bald brow yellow as that of a Chinaman.

"There has been a second outrage," I said, "at Sotheby's."

"So?" said Moris Klaw, with interest; "another mummy is executed!"

"Yes, Inspector Grimsby has asked us to join him there."

Moris Klaw stooped and from beneath the counter took out his flat-topped brown bowler. From its lining he extracted a cylindrical scent spray and mingled with the less pleasing perfumes that of verbena.

"A cooling Roman custom, Mr. Searles," he rumbled, "so refreshing when one lives with rats. So it is Mr. Grimsby who is puzzled again? It is Mr. Grimsby who needs the poor old fool to hold the lantern for him, so that he, the clever Grimsby, can pick up the credit out of the darkness! And why not, Mr. Searles, and why not? It is his business; it is my pleasure."

He raised his voice. "Isis! Isis!"

Out into the light of the fluttering gas lamp, out from that nightmare abode, stepped Isis Klaw—looking more grotesque than a French fashion plate in an ironmonger's catalogue. She wore a costume of lettuce-green silk, absolutely plain and unrelieved by any ornament, which rendered it the more remarkable. It was cut low at the neck, and at the point of the V, suspended upon a thin gold chain, hung a big emerald. Her darkly beautiful face was one to inspire a painter seeking a model for the Queen of Sheba, but an ultra-modern note was struck by a hat of some black, gauzy material which loudly proclaimed its Paris origin. She greeted me with her wonderful smile.

"What, then," I said. "Were you about to go out?"

"When I hear who it is," rumbled Moris Klaw, "I know that we are about to go out; and behold we are ready!"

He placed the quaint bowler on his head and passed through to the front of the shop.

"William," he admonished the ripe-nosed salesman, "there is here a smell of fourpenny ale. It will be your ruin, William. You will close at half-past nine, and be sure you do not let the cat in the cupboard with the white mice. See that the goat does not get at the Dutch bulbs. They will kill him, that goat—those bulbs; he has for them a passion."

The three of us entered the waiting cab; and within half an hour we arrived at the famous auction rooms. The doors were closed and barred, but a constable who was on duty there evidently had orders to admit us.

The thing we had come to see lay upon the table with an electric lamp burning directly over it. The effect was indescribably weird. All about in the shadows fantastic "lots" seemed to leer at us. A famous private collection was to be sold in the morning and a rank of mummies lined one wall, whilst, from another, stony Pharaohs, gods and goddesses scorned us through the gloom. We were a living group in a place of long-dead things. And yellow on the table beneath the white light, with partially unwrapped coils of discolored linen hanging gruesomely from it, lay a headless mummy!

I heard the spurt of Moris Klaw's scent spray behind me, and a faint breath of verbena stole to my nostrils.

"Pah!" came the rumbling voice; "this air is full of deadness!"

"Good evening, Mr. Klaw," said Grimsby, appearing from somewhere out of the gloom. "I am so glad you have come." He bowed to Isis. "How do you do, Miss Klaw?"

The bright green figure moved forward into the pool of light. I think I had never seen a more singular picture than that of Isis Klaw bending over the decapitated mummy. Indeed, the whole scene would have delighted Rembrandt.

"I am pleased to meet you, Mr. Klaw," said a middle-aged gentleman, stepping up to the curio dealer; "the inspector has been telling me about you."

Moris Klaw bowed, and his daughter turned to him with a little nod of the head.

"It is the saem period," she said, "as Mr. Pettigrew's mummy. Possibly this was a priest of the same temple. Certainly both are of the same dynasty."

"It is instructive," rumbled Moris Klaw, "but so confusing."

"It's amazing, Mr. Klaw," said Grimsby. "If I understand Miss Klaw rightly, this is the mummy of someone who lived at the same period as the priestess whose mummy is in Mr. Pettigrew's possession?"

"I do not trouble to look," rumbled Moris Klaw, who, in fact, was staring all about the room. "If Isis has said so, it is so."

"If I happened to be superstitious," said Grimsby, "I should think this was a sort of curse being fulfilled, or some fantastic thing of that sort."

"You should call a curse fantastic, eh, my friend?" said Moris Klaw. "Yet here in your own country you have seen a whole family that was cursed to be wiped out mysteriously. Am I with you?"

Grimsby looked very perplexed.

"There's nothing very mysterious about how the thing was done," he said. "Some madman got in here with a knife early in the evening. It's always pretty dark, even during the daytime. But the mystery is his object."

"His object is a mystery, yes," agreed Klaw. "I would sleep here in order to procure a mental negative of what he hoped or what he feared, this lunatic headsman, only that I know he is a man possessed."

"Possessed!" I cried, and even Isis looked surprised.

"I said possessed," continued Klaw, long arms right and left—"with mad thoughts. Te room of Mr. Pettigrew also will be filled with these grotesque thought-forms. Certainly he is insane, this butcher of mummies. In this case I shall rely not upon the odic photography, not upon that great science the Cycle of Crime, but upon my library."

None of us, I am sure, entirely understood his meaning; and following a bier with its 4,000-year-old burden, ously muffled way, the sounds of the traffic in Wellington street came to us as we stood there around that modern bied with its 4,000-year-old burden, Grimsby asked, with hesitancy:

"Don't you want to make any investigations, Mr. Klaw?"

Then Moris Klaw startled us all.

"I have a thought!" he cried, loudly. "Name of a dog! I have a thought!"

Grabbing his brown bowler, which he had laid on the table beside the headless mummy, "Come, Isis!" he cried, and grasped the girl by the arm. "I have yet another thought, most disturbing! Mr. Searles, would you be so good as also to come?"

Wondering greatly whence we were bound and upon what errand, I hastened down the room after them, leaving Inspector Grimsby staring blankly. I think he was rather disappointed with the result of Moris Klaw's inquiry—if inquiry this hasty visit may be termed. He was disappointed, too, at having spent so short a time in the company of the charming Isis.

The middle-aged gentleman came running to let us out.

"Good night, Inspector Grimsby!" called Moris Klaw.

"Good Night! Good night, Miss Klaw!"

"Good night, Mr. Someone who has not been introduced!" said Klaw.

"My name is Welby," smiled the other.

"Good night, Mr. Welby!" said Moris Klaw.

III.

During the whole of the journey back to Wapping, Moris Klaw regaled me with anecdotes of travels in the Yucatan Peninsula. I had never met a man before who had ventured fully to explore those deadly swamps; but Moris Klaw chatted about the Izamal temples as unconcernedly as another man might chat about the Paris boulevards. Isis took no part in the conversation, from which I gathered that, although she seemed to accompany her father everywhere, she had not accompanied him into the jungles of Yucatan.

"In the heart of those forests, Mr. Searles," he whispered, "are stranger things than these headless mummies. Do you know that the secret of those great temples buried in the swamps and the jungles and guarded only by serpents and slimy, crawling things, is a door which science has yet to unlock? What people built them, and what god was worshipped in them? Suppose"—he bent to my ear—"I hold the key to that riddle; am I assured to be immortal? Yes? No?"

His conversation, although it often seemed to be studiously eccentric, was always that of a man of powerful and unusual mind, a man of vast and unique experience. I was rather sorry when we arrived at our destination.

As the cab drew up at the head of the court, I saw that the shop of Moris Klaw was in darkness; but again telling the man to wait, we walked down past the warehouse, beyond whose bulk tided muddy Thames, and my eccentric companion producing a key from one of the bulging pockets of his caped coat inserted it into the lock of a door which looked less like a door than a section of a dilapidated boarding.

The door swung open.

"Ah!" he hissed. It was not locked!"

Klaw struck a match and peered into the odorous darkness.

"William!" he rumbled. "William!"

But there was no reply. Isis suddenly laid her hand upon my arm, and it occurred to me that for once her wonderful composure was shaken.

"Something has happened!" she whispered.

Her father lighted a gas-burner, and the yellow light flared up, reclaiming from the gloom furniture, pictures, cages, glass cases, statuettes, heaps of cheap jewelry and false teeth, books, and a hundred-and-one other items of that weird stock-in-trade.

"Ah! cochon!" muttered Klaw; "beer-swilling pig!"

He stooped to raise the head of the prostrate man, and then to my surprise dropped upon his knees beside him, stooped yet lower, and sniffed suspiciously. Again Isis Klaw seized my arm, and her dark eyes were opened very widely as she leaned forward watching her father. He stood up, holding a glass in his hand which yet contained some drops of what was apparently beer. At this, too, he sniffed. He walked over to the gaslight and examined the fluid closely, whilst Isis and I watched him, together. Finally Moris Klaw inserted a long white forefinger into the dirty glass and applied the tip to his tongue.

"Opium!" he said. "Many drops of pure opium were put in this beer."

He turned to me with a curious expression upon his parchment-colored face.

"Mr. Searles," he said, "my second idea was a good idea. I shall now surprise you."

CONTINUED TOMORROW.

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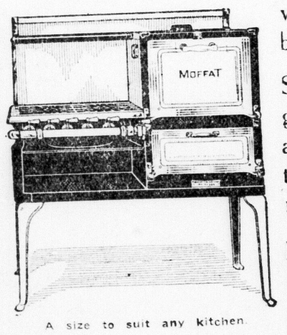
A very successful euchre of twelve tables in aid of St. John's mothers' unit was held at the home of the president, Mrs. James Noulty, Hill street. The prize was won by Mrs. Moore, lone hand prize by Miss K. Brown, and gentleman's prize by G. LaFrance. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Cushing, Miss Julia Noulty and Miss Annie Durkin. Little Jessie Noulty was a dainty little door attendant.

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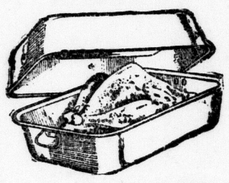
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Every child wants a Knife, Fork and Spoon. Here you are—
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$1 — Crumb Tray Sets, Ash Trays, Toasters, Berry Spoons, Cold Meat Forks, Butter Dishes and Knife — Safety Razors, Electric Curling Irons, Vinegar Cruets, Flashlights, Bud Vases, Baby Mugs, Vases, Pickle Dishes — $1

Cut-Glass Table

Wine Glasses ..... 25c each
Sugar and Creams, 25c pair up
Sherbet Glasses ..... 25c each
Butter Tubs ..... 50c each
Large Vases ..... 50c up
Flower Baskets ..... 35c up
Tumblers ..... 10c each
Goblets ..... 50c each
Fruit Dishes ..... 85c each
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Vinegar Cruets ..... $1.25 each
Spoon Trays ..... 75c each
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Brass Hearth Sets — Shovel, Poker, Tongs, Brush and Stand ..... $6.00 to $15.00

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IXL Wostenholm Bone Handle Dessert and Dinner Knives:
Stainless Steel Dinner, dozen ..... $9.00 to $17.00
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Cook and serve in the same dish. All articles, including pie and cake plates, bread dishes, pudding dishes, casseroles, utility dishes, custard dishes, etc. A Pyrex article makes a Wonderful gift.



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Full-Jointed, Real Hair, Sleeping-Eyed Dolls. Get yours now, and dress it for Christmas.
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Real Solid Oak Wagon Box, spoke or disc wheel, made to last.
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The educational toy for young and old—
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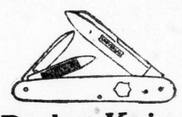
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Wm. Rogers & Son's Silver-Plated Goods. Cases include: 6 Tea Spoons, 6 Dessert Spoons, 1 Butter Knife, 6 Dessert Forks, 6 Dessert Knives; 14-Dwt. Solid Embossed Handle; 1 Sugar Shell and Plush-Lined Case; 26-piece set complete with case for $15.00

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Our Auto Accessories Department offers many pleasing gifts for your selection.



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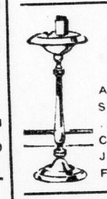
The useful gift for man or boy, Pearl, Bone and Stag Handle English and Boker Knives ..... 50c to $5.00

Casseroles

SPECIAL
Earthenware Insert, Nickel-Plated Frame Casseroles, each
$1.98

Teaspoons

SPECIAL
200 Sets of six Wm. Rogers' Amherst Pattern Tea Spoons, packed in lined boxes. Per box $1.50



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Ash Trays ... 25c up
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Don't forget Our Household Department's Special Christmas Displays.

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THE IDEAL GIFT FOR ALL

C.C.M. Famous Skates are priced from ..... 90c to $6.00 pair

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Skates and Shoes complete.

This year the C. C. M. people have agreed to put the skates on the shoes. Every pair rivetted on by experts. Save time and get your skates and shoes complete ..... $5.00 per pair up

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A pair of Skiis make a pleasing gife
Pine, 4 feet $2.50
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Pine, 6 feet $4.50
Ash, 6 feet $9.00
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Aluminumware

Wear-Ever Aluminum articles make pleasing gifts for the home.

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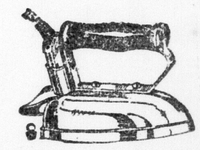


A King Radio Set for Christmas, installed $160

Tool Sets

For the boy or young man, a Tool Set—
Stanley Sets ..... $15.00 to $30.00
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Electric Irons



Made-in-Canada Fully Guaranteed Electric Irons; the ideal gift ..... $2.97 each

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THE ANTISEPTIC LINIMENT

Whether it is a cut hand or a gashed knee—a torn arm, burnt finger, sprained ankle, bruise or open wound—apply "ABSORBINE JR." full strength.

It may smart for an instant—but it will cleanse the wound, destroy germs, prevent infection, ease the pain and promote rapid and healthy healing.

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If the children get sore throat or tonsilitis, make a gargle with "ABSORBINE JR." You see how useful, how handy, how necessary it is to keep a bottle of "ABSORBINE JR." always in the house—it saves so much pain and suffering.



$1.25 a bottle—at most druggists' or sent postpaid by

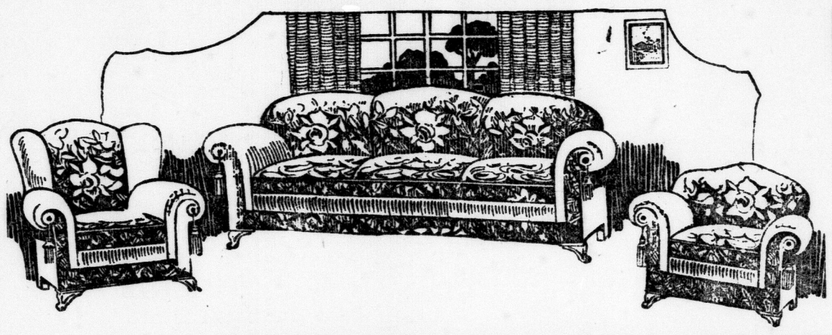
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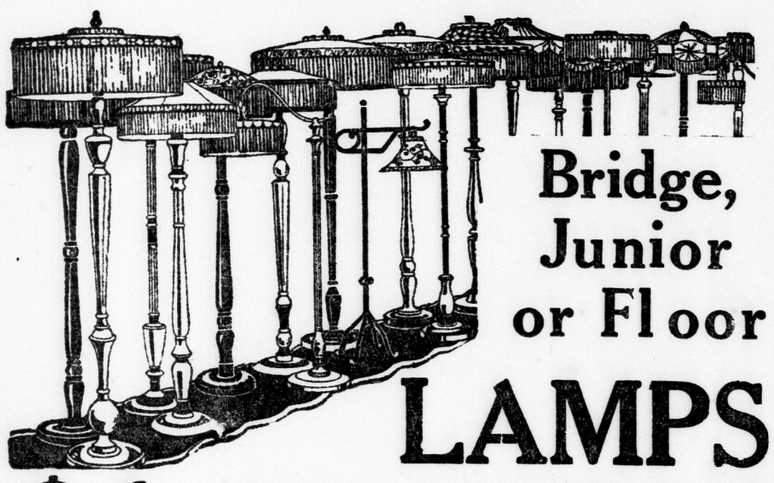


Large Tapestry Suites, finest construction, Marshall cushions, for **$129**

Massive Mohair Suite, different shades, Marshall cushions **$169**

Mohair Suite, with carved walnut frame. Everything the finest quality **$195**

Luxurious Suite, in silk Mohair, with or without carved walnut frame. **$289**



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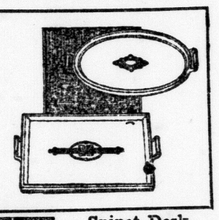
These Lamps are the last word in style and designs. Choose from polychrome, walnut or mahogany stands. Complete with beautiful silk shade. On sale for only **$15**

$30 to $35 Lamps **$22**

$30 to $48 Lamps **$29**

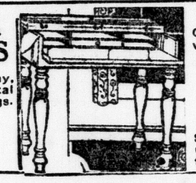


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SMOKING CABINETS

Walnut or mahogany, equipped with metal and glass trimmings. Special **$19.50**



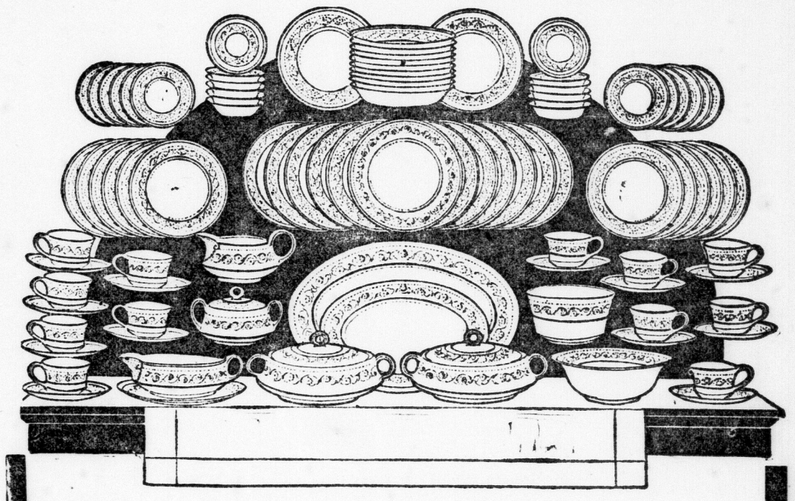
Spinet Desk

Genuine walnut ... **$28.00**

Other styles to $85

Radium Glass Vases

$2 values, in beautiful designs, for **99c**





$22 Reed Rockers

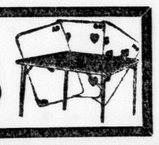
Large size, deep, wide, 16-spring seat, upholstered in fine English tapestry; 50 only

$14.95

$1 Down

EXTRA SPECIAL

Folding Card Tables **$2.95**



Tablecloth Free Carvers Free

With every set sold we will give away, absolutely free, an exquisite Irish Linen Tablecloth or a 3-Piece English Carving Set. $1 down will deliver a set. Tablecloth is of pure Irish linen and the Carvers are the finest English ware.

Genuine Walnut Drop-Leaf Tables, all solid walnut, satin finish. Special at **$22.00**

Other sizes and styles at $25.00, $30.00, $35.00 up $1 DOWN



Tea Carts



Walnut, satin finish, with drop leaf and rubber tires; $24.50 $1 down

Wrought Iron Smokers ... **$1.75**

Cedar Chests



The ideal gift! Tomorrow we offer 25 only of these Chests, in genuine red Tennessee cedar, at **$14.95**

STUFFOVER ROCKERS

Big, Massive Turkish Rockers, in brown or black Bradley leather; 25 only to go at

$16.95

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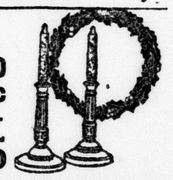


POLYCHROME CANDLESTICKS

Beautiful designs, pair **$2.50**

Mahogany Candlesticks, satin finish, ea. **69c**

Kindergarten Sets **$2.95**



WHAT BETTER GIFT?



EXACTLY AS PICTURED!

This Whole Roomful of Furniture for $49

This magnificent Suite is manufactured by The J. C. Mundell & Co. of Elora, and is massive and sturdy in design; made of good, solid oak and upholstered in splendid brown Bradley leather, with all spring seats, upholstered seats and backs. This Suite consists of two chairs, two rockers, library table and end table. The complete set goes on sale for only .....

$1 DOWN DELIVERS THIS SUITE AT ONCE

97-Piece Dinner Sets To Go At $29

These sets are from the best English makers, and come in a large variety of styles and patterns. Made of fine semi-porcelain and comprise 97 pieces in all. Buy now for Christmas while this big free offer is on. These are not 42, 50 or 75-Piece Sets, but 97 Pieces of the finest English ware, in a large range of patterns and designs. We cannot urge you too strongly to shop early.

OTHERS $33 TO $39.

$1 DOWN

DELIVERS DISHES AT ONCE.

Half Price Sale of TABLE LAMPS

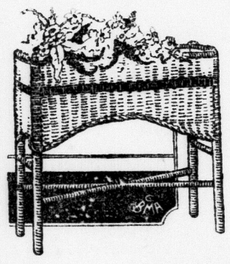
50 only! Choice of many styles, silk or glass shades.

$9.00 Lamp..... **$4.50**

$12.00 Lamp..... **$6.00**

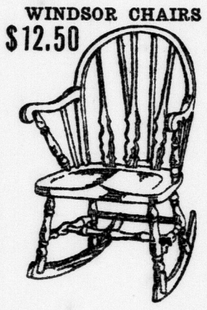
$18.00 Lamp..... **$9.00**

$24.00 Lamp.... **$12.00**



REED FERNERY ... **$4.50**

WINDSOR CHAIRS $12.50





CLEARANCE OF DOLL CABS

$2.50 Reed Carriage	$1.95
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AT THE THEATRES

CAPITOL THEATRE

Stage Struck.

One of the most gorgeous bits of natural color photography ever seen on the screen appears in Gloria Swanson's latest Paramount picture, Stage Struck, which is the feature picture at the Capitol today and tomorrow.

Gowns, gowns, gowns and spectacular scenery form a fitting setting to the beauty of one of the screen's most accomplished actresses. From the ballroom scene of the poor maid's dream to the embarrassing situation of making love under impossible circumstances, Miss Swanson carries her part with consummate ease and perfection.

The opening banquet scenes in the king's palace give Miss Swanson an opportunity to display the wonderful gowns she knows so well how to wear. The settings are sumptuous both in design and coloring. The rapidly-shifting costumes and unusual scenes are humorously mystifying until they fade into the restaurant scene.

Every small town has its comedy waitress who kids and is kidded by everybody. That is Gloria. Humor and pathos are cleverly mixed in the pathetic attempt of the little waitress to gain fame and the love of the uninterested Orme, the flap-jack king.

The picture is particularly interesting in the fact that it is one of the first of the new natural-color pictures which so effectively offset the more spectacular scenes. Both in the opening scenes and at the end natural coloring is used with striking effect.

Alice Day, in Cold Turkey, a Mack Sennet comedy, proves an exceptionaly good laugh-maker. The Capitol Current Events fills out the bill, with Harry Carter, the Capitol's singing usher, also adding to the enjoyment of a splendid program.

LOEW'S THEATRE

The Only Thing.

The Only Thing, starring Eleanor Boardman and Conrad Nagel, appearing at Loew's the remainder of the week, is a poignant human drama full of romance, passion and conquest. The story is one written by Elinor Glyn directly for the screen, and the cast has been perfectly chosen for the various parts. Miss Boardman, as a princess, is beautiful, and her grace, charm and dignity gives reality to this role. Nagel, as Harry Vane, the Duke of Chevenix, plays the part of an Englishman who is sent to the kingdom of Chekia to represent the king of England at a marriage ceremony between the beautiful princess and the aged and ugly king.

He himself falls in love with the princess, and attempts to frustrate the marriage, but the princess refuses to be unfaithful to her country, and pleads with him not to take her away. A revolution removes the obstacle and throws the lovers into a series of thrilling adventures, which end in a very charming scene on board ship with all unpleasantness behind them.

Pickard's trained seals, who do most everything but talk, form what is perhaps the leading act of vaudeville. Hinkle and May are also good in a singing and patter act. Love Nest, a skit of difficulties in love meets with great approval.

Lloyd Hamilton, in Framed, provides real funny comedy. Loew's Sport Revue fills out a bill of exceptional worth.

PASTOR IS INDUCTED

Former Toronto Minister Takes Charge of Presbyterian Church at Avonton.

Stratford, Dec. 17.—Rev. J. G. McKay, formerly of Mimico, was inducted in the Avonton Presbyterian church this afternoon. Rev. W. J. Walker of St. Marys officiated as moderator, Rev. W. McIntosh of Milverton preached, Rev. Geo. W. Rowland of Knox church, Stratford, addressed the minister, and Rev. H. L. Bennie of Mitchell addressed the people. Rev. Geo. P. Duncan of St. Andrew's church took part in the induction prayers. In addition to the Avonton charge, Mr. McKay will have charge of the minority congregations of Motherwell and Avonbank.

FR. JAMES MUGAN, 70, DIES IN CITY HOSPITAL

Veteran Priest Had Been in Charge of Several Parishes in Western Ontario.

Rev. Father James Mugan, who was born in Tillsonburg, Ont., nearly 70 years ago, and who was ordained to the priesthood in London diocese 40 years ago, died in St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday afternoon.

Father Mugan was stationed after his ordination at Grysdale, in Huron county. Subsequently he was parishvives him priest in Corunna, Raleigh, and finally Ridgetown, from which he retired because of illness eight years ago. Since that time he had lived at Mount St. Joseph and St. Joseph's Hospital, in London.

The funeral will be held Saturday morning to St. Peter's cemetery after requiem high mass is solemnized at St. Peter's cathedral at 10 o'clock my Rt. Rev. Mgr. McKeon. Priests from various parts of the diocese will attend.

DIES AT AGE OF 65.

Special to The Advertiser.

Mitchell, Dec. 17.—Stricken with paralysis at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, Henry Gebhardt, aged 65 years, of this town, died early in the afternoon. Mr. Gebhardt was about town as usual on Tuesday, and apparently enjoying the best of health. He was unmarried and had for some time lived with his sister, Miss Mary Gebhardt, who sur-

TWENTY-NINE ROTARY FLAGS ARE NOW IN STRATFORD

Special to The Advertiser.

Stratford, Dec. 17.—A delegation from the Kitchener Rotary club today placed in the custody of the local body 29 flags, representing 29 countries in which Rotary is now thriving. An address on international relations was given by Rev. G. P. Duncan of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

The flags, which are the property of the Guelph Rotary club, will be held here for a month and then passed on to another club in this district. The flags were originally presented to the Guelph club by graduates of the O. A. C. who are now prominent in different parts of the United States. Since their presentation to the Guelph club three of the countries have taken up Rotary, bringing the total up to 32.

WOMEN and THE HOME

MISS M. DINGMAN WILL SPEAK HERE

World's Y. W. C. A. Industrial Secretary Will Address Kiwanians.

THREE DAYS IN CITY

Series of Interesting Meetings To Be Arranged in February.

The visit of Miss Mary Dingman to the city on February 3, 4 and 5 will give an impetus to the Y. W. C. A. industrial work in London. Miss Dingman is the industrial secretary of the world's Y. W. C. A., and comes to the city to address the annual meeting of the local association, which is to be held on February 4.

Miss Dingman will also address two meetings in St. Thomas on February 4. She will speak before the Kiwanis club at their noonday luncheon on February 5, and before a public meeting on the evening of February 3, to be held under the auspices of the Girls' Canadian club, and to which members of the women's and men's Canadian clubs will be invited. Other meetings are also being arranged during her visit, but only tentative dates have been set.

The industrial departments of Y. W. C. A. work are increasing rapidly throughout Canada, with the advance of manufacturing. Special problems are developing in connection with women in industry, and it is to help make the off-duty hours of the girls and women brighter that the Y. W. C. A. industrial department has been established.

Miss Dingman, with her experience and world-wide knowledge of industrial conditions, is an invaluable asset in the building up of this industrial department of the work. She is now on a Canadian and American tour, which includes, Toronto, Hamilton, Kitchener, Montreal and London, during the last part of January and early in February.

BOYLE MEMORIAL HAS CLINIC PARTY

Mothers of Other Clubs Assist in Entertaining 70 Babies and Their Mothers.

A very enjoyable time was spent yesterday afternoon at the Boyle Memorial school, when babies numbering 70, and a great many mothers were entertained by the Child Welfare Association.

As at previous clinic parties held this season the tiny tots were feasted at small tables, while the older folk enjoyed a dainty afternoon tea served in grown-up style. Represenatives of the Hale street, Knollwood Park and Lorne avenue mothers' club assisted the mothers of Boyle Memorial in looking after the young guests and their mothers.

Mrs. J. F. Tennent, the club president of Boyle Memorial, was there with a cheery word of greeting, and Dr. Lindsay and Dr. Aiken were in attendance. Mrs. Dart of the Hale street club, was in charge of the weighing of the babies.

Woman's Happiness

Rests largely on solving their oldest hygienic problem *this* new way

TO be fresh and charming every day, to live every day unhandicapped, to wear sheerest frocks without a second thought, any day, anywhere . . . you can now do all, a new way.

It is called "KOTEX." Ends the insecurity of the old-time sanitary pad. Five times as absorbent! *Deodorizes*, too. And thus ends ALL fear of offending.

As easily disposed of as a piece of tissue. No laundry. No embarrassment.

You get it at any drug or department store simply by saying, "KOTEX"; you ask for it without hesitancy.

Costs only a few cents. 8 in 10 better class women employ it. Proves the folly of old ways.

KOTEX

No laundry—discard like tissue

FLOWERS

Make Christmas what it should be. We have them at reasonable prices.

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QUEEN'S COUNSEL

Written for The Advertiser.

by Marie Queen of Rumania

A LITTLE EPISODE.

Life would indeed be dull without its little flashes of romance! Shall I tell you a story?

Well, one day I went into a flower shop for some roses, which my sister loves to paint. I happened to be wearing a small bunch of cornflowers at my shoulder. . . .



HER MAJESTY MARIE QUEEN OF RUMANIA

"Ah, Madame," said the young woman in the shop, "where do you get them? I have a customer, a gentleman, who always wears a blue flower in his buttonhole—and I cannot, alas, always find blue flowers to sell him."

"But these," I told her, "are artificial."

She was sorry. It was too bad. The gentleman evidently wore the blue flower because of some romance in his youth. . . . She would have loved to help him keep it alive. . . .

"Give him one of these," I said in a spirit of play, "and tell him Marie of Rumania is sorry the flower is not a real flower."

Next day, to my consternation, arrived a basket of exquisite roses, with no card or message. The woman at the flower shop said the gentleman had gone, could not be traced. I shall always hope that his youthful romance stays alive and sweet and fresh—fresher than that false cornflower I sent him.

I have read, and heard repeated, many stories about my "adventures" and "pranks," most of them utterly untrue, some of them a little true, a few of them wholly so. It is like the tales of my children's engagements to marry—usually to persons they have never even met!

The world is hungry for romance, so hungry that it must often invent it. I wish there were more real romance in the world. It is sweet and dear and precious. Even when it is not quite as perfect as we could wish—like my artificial blue flower—perhaps it is better than none at all!

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Social and Personal

Miss Lillian Campbell of Windsor is expected in London for the new year.

Mrs. Cleverley of Hamilton is visiting in the city.

Mrs. G. W. Hofferd, Ridout street south, is entertaining informally this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fraser of Teeswater will spend Christmas with their son, Mr. George Fraser, Perry street.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ayres leave today for the east, from whence they will sail for England on an extended visit.

Miss Nettie Gilpin will be a Christmas guest with her uncle, Mr. J. J. Gilpin, in Brussels.

Rev. Herbert Naylor and Mrs. Naylor of Hensall were recent guests in the city.

Miss Dona Bowlby of Los Angeles is a popular guest with her aunt, Mrs. Marie Dake, in St. Thomas.

Mrs. Clarence Oberley of this city was a guest with Miss Jessie McGhee in Woodstock this week.

Mrs. Muchmore, of Ottawa, has arrived in town and is a guest with her sister, Mrs. H. C. McBride.

Mrs. W. Forbes of this city was a recent week-end guest with Capt. and Mrs. R. Logan in Port Burwell.

Archdeacon Fotheringham of Brantford was a recent guest with Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Eliot, Ridout street.

Mr. Bruce Nimmo, of Montreal, will be a holiday guest with his mother, Mrs. A. R. Nimmo, Hyman street.

Mr. William Beamer, of Montreal, will be a Christmas guest with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Beamer.

Miss Alice Tilley of St. John, N. B., and niece of Mrs. J. G. Boucher, this city, is at present a guest with Mrs. Langlois Lefroy in Toronto.

Mrs. Harrison and Miss Evelyn Harrison expect to spend Christmas with the former's son, Mr. Winston Harrison, in Montreal.

The house committee of the Highland Golf club is arranging an informal dinner dance on Saturday evening at the clubhouse.

Miss Vera McLean of Detroit will spend the Christmas holiday with her father, Mr. F. W. McLean, Hill street.

Miss Manson, of Goderich, will be a Christmas guest with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kelly, Ridout street south.

Professor and Mrs. H. R. Kingston, Oxford street, entertained informally at bridge last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Strong, of Vineland, will be Christmas guests with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Princess avenue.

Mrs. Frank Leonard and Miss Alice Leonard, of Queen's avenue, will spend Christmas with friends in Montreal.

Sheriff and Mrs. Donald Graham and family will be guests in Strathroy for Christmas, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Zavitz.

Miss Miriam Blackburn is to be the hostess of a tea dance at the London Hunt and Country Club on the afternoon of Dec. 24.

Miss Jean Waugh entertained informally at bridge on Tuesday evening, in honor of her guest, Mrs. McLellan of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Stephens and family, of Toronto, will be Christmas guests with Mr. and Mrs. A. Hewett, Euclid avenue.

The autumn dance of the Royal Canadian Regiment, postponed during the period of state mourning, will probably be held early in the new year.

Miss Effadore Campbell, of Hamilton, will spend the week-end in town, a guest with Sheriff and Mrs. Donald Graham, Renwick avenue.

Mrs. W. L. Duffield is a holiday guest with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Huycke, in Peterboro, where Mr. Duffield will join her for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnstone and small daughter Velma, of Owen Sound, will be Christmas guests with Mr. and Mrs. F. Perser, Becher street.

Mr. J. L. Johnson and Miss Lillian Johnson will spend the week-end in Windsor, guests at the Prince Edward Hotel.

Mrs. Wilfred Mara has issued invitations for an At Home to be held on Dec. 28 at the home of Mrs. C. L. Mara, 484 Waterloo street.

Mr. H. J. Warwick and Mr. Ted Little are to be the joint hosts of a tea dance at Wong's Cafe on the afternoon of Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weld will spend the Christmas holidays in Toronto, guests with the latter's father, Mr. W. R. Hobbs.

The annual Christmas tree arranged by the R. C. R. for the children of the regiment will be held in the library of Wolseley barracks on the afternoon of Dec. 29.

Mrs. D. C. McNaughton was a bridge hostess on Wednesday, entertaining for Mrs. Harry McNaughton of Kirkland Lake, who is spending the Christmas season in town.

Mr. A. D. Horwood, physical instructor at Albert College, Belleville, Ont., will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Horwood, Ridout street south.

Miss Eileen Kennedy of Wingham recently visited with Dr. and Mrs. Fred Kennedy, of Central avenue, en route to St. Thomas, where she attended the Golf and Country Club dance.

Captain and Mrs. A. K. Hemming, who have been in the Canadian West for some months, are again in town and, with their baby daughter, are at Miss McMillan's, Ridout street.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Campbell and daughters Betty and Shirley, of Patricia road, Sandwich, will spend the new year with friends and relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Leonard Smith and their niece, Miss Phyllis Butler, will be Christmas guests with Mr. Smith's sister, Mrs. Frank J. Lavery, in Hamilton.

The many friends of Mrs. H. P. McMahen, Huron street, will be glad to know that her son, Mr. Hugh McMahen, who has been ill in Victoria hospital for some time, is gaining in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Osten Glover of Calary arrived in town this week to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John McGill, The Ridgeway, and with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Graham, Perry street.

Miss Fern Banghart, who is a resident student of Alma College, will spend the Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Banghart, Dufferin avenue.

Mrs. Lawrence Glass of this city will be a guest in Toronto for the Howard-Logie wedding, which is taking place in that city on Dec. 28. Mrs. Glass will be a guest with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Edgar.

A much-anticipated event of the holiday season will be the New Year's eve supper-dance and the New Year's day luncheon and tea dance arranged at the London Hunt and Country club by the house committee.

Mr. Fred H. Hitchins, graduate of the University of Western Ontario, who is taking a fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania, has arrived in town to spend Christmas with his parents, 563 English street.

Miss Leona Murphy, who is doing musical work in Toronto, will spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Major and Mrs. T. J. Murphy, Hyman street.

Mr. Charles Vining and Mrs. Vining (formerly Miss Doris Belton), arrived in town yesterday from Bermuda, where they have enjoyed a delightful honeymoon, and are at their lovely new home on Wellington street north.

Mrs. Holmes, formerly Miss Isabel Macbeth, who has been visiting friends in London, has gone on to Toronto to be the guest of her brother and sister, Mr. Herbert Macbeth and Miss Francis Macbeth. She will leave shortly for her home in New Jersey.

Special decorations are being arranged for the dining-room at the Ontario hospital for the Christmas day festivities, which will include Christmas dinner and gifts. The hospital holiday mail bag is a notable one, last year no less than 1,000 parcels being distributed.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Percy and Miss Mary Percy, of Cleveland, will be in town for a few days during the holiday week. Mr. Percy recently received many congratulations on the success of the minstrel show staged by his music classes at the Heights high school, Cleveland, in connection with their big carnival.

Complimenting Miss Alberta Watson, whose marriage takes place during the Christmas season, the girls of the athletic association of the East London collegiate assembled recently and presented her with a handsome silver platter. The presentation was made informally by Miss Irma McClurg, the vice-president of the association.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Kincade was the scene of a jolly gathering just recently, when a number of their friends assembled in honor of Mrs. Dorothy Detman, of Rathgar street, who is shortly leaving the city. The evening was spent in progressive euchre, with Mrs. George Collingwood and Mr. Frank Smithers as prize-winners. The consolation prizes went to Mrs. Jack Stooks and Mr. Sake. Mrs. Dolly Griffin and Mrs. William Brett assisted the hostess.

Mr. Harold Fetterly of this city is in Detroit attending the reception and dance which is being given tonight when Mr. and Mrs. Earle Seymour Knox of Detroit are presenting their daughter, Miss Hortense Madeline Knox, to society. Among other out-of-town guests are Miss Helen Currie of Toronto and Miss Jessie and Miss Mary Hardey of Hamilton, all of whom were abroad this summer with Miss Knox. Preceding the dance, Mrs. Jane A. Lonyo will entertain a group of the debutante's friends at dinner at the Book-Cadillac hotel.

A very pleasant time was spent this week at the home of Mrs. Milton C. Armstrong, William street, when Misses Agnes Downey and Aleta Elliott entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Marie McAlpine, a bride of next week. The house was prettily decorated for the occasion with Christmas trimmings and mums. The evening was spent in games, after which the bride-elect was presented with a gaily decorated club bag, containing lovely pieces of silver, china and linen. The hostess served a dainty lunch, and the guests departed with all good wishes to the bride-elect for her future happiness.

A very smart tea was given this afternoon at the home of Judge Talbot Macbeth on Ridout street when Miss Anne Macbeth, one of the season's most charming debutantes, was introduced to London society. Mrs. J. S. Niven received with her niece, who was very lovely in her smart gown of peach crepe de chine with brown fur trimming and wearing a corsage of tiny yellow tea roses. The spacious open rooms were arranged with many yellow and bronze chrysanthemums and tall yellow candles in silver holders. In the tearoom, Mrs. Ernest B. Smith, Mrs. J. Harley Brown and Miss Macbeth poured out tea at the prettily-arranged tea table. The group of assistants included Miss Margaret Harley Brown, Miss Farleigh Hungeford, Miss Gussie Wilson and Miss Audrey Farncombe.

MOTHERS GUESTS AT W.C.T.U. DINNER

Central Union Arranges Delightful Banquet at Y.M.C.A. —117 Attend.

A most delightful evening was arranged last night for 117 mothers, who were guests of the Central W. C. T. U. at the annual Christmas dinner of the W. C. T. U. mothers' club.

The union headquarters were much too small for such a gathering, so they were forsaken and the delicious meal was served in one of the upstair dining-rooms of the Y. M. C. A., kindly loaned for the occasion. Four long tables were arranged in the room, and all were very gay with Christmas red and scarlet and many tall scarlet candles. Favors and sweets added a gay holiday note to the decorations and menu, the latter made up of real Christmas fare, gifts from members of the union and other friends.

Mrs. Ida Harrison was the gracious hostess of the evening and members of the union assisted in looking after the guests during the dinner hour, which was followed by an entertaining program. The toast to the king opened the formal entertainment, and this was followed by a sing-song, much enjoyed by the mothers. Miss Gladys Udy, pianist for the evening, contributed charming piano numbers, and there were solos by Mrs. Ed. Wyatt and readings by Miss Dobbyn.

Mrs. Hubert Ashplant, honorary president of the Central union, gave a brief address to the mothers, and the Christmas story was beautifully told by Mrs. H. W. Paddell.

Officers of the club who were seated at the head table were: Mrs. Warren, president; Mrs. Bullick and Mrs. Tagg, vice-presidents; Mrs. Miles, secretary; Mrs. Silette, treasurer, and Mrs. Morrison, corresponding secretary.

Officers and members of the Central W. C. T. U. who assisted in looking after the guests were: Mrs. E. W. Gairns, Mrs. West, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. R. E. Gregory, Miss Barter, Mrs. Fritz, Mrs. S. R. White, Mrs. Salton, Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Hueston.

The happy evening concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to all who had made the event such a success and the motion was approved with loud applause. The party dispersed with the wishing of the season's greetings to each other.

WEDDINGS

BEATTIE—SNELGROVE.

A very pretty but quiet wedding of the season took place at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride, Glebe street, when Miss Bena Snelgrove, daughter of Mrs. Snelgrove and the late Mr. W. J. Snelgrove, of this city, was married to Mr. James Arnold Beattie of Glanworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Beattie, also of Glanworth.

Rev. Dr. W. R. McIntosh, pastor of the King street United church, performed the marriage ceremony in the drawing-room, prettily arranged with palms, roses and rose-tinted 'mums. Miss Bessie McLeod played the bridal music, and during the signing of the register Mrs. Alfred Leonard sang very sweetly O Promise Me.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Dr. C. N. Snelgrove, of this city, wore her smart French travelling gown of black satin, with overblouse of brocaded metallic cloth, in tones of blue and silver, and she carried Ophelia roses. Her only attendant was her sister, Miss Winnifred Snelgrove, of Toronto, who wore a pretty beaded georgette gown in pastel green, and carried red roses. Mr. Gordon Beattie, of Detroit, was the best man.

Following a buffet luncheon served from a prettily arranged table, Mr. and Mrs. Beattie left on their honeymoon, and on their return will reside in Glanworth. For travelling the bride donned a handsome coat of seal brown, with fur trimming, and a small hat in a tangerine shade.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding included Mr. William Beattie of Detroit, and Mr. Kenneth Kerr of Toronto.

ENGAGEMENTS

A charge of 75c one insertion ($1.00 for 2 insertions) on the Women's Page is made for notices under this heading. Orders for inserting of engagement notices must bear the name and address of sender and must be in this office by 9 o'clock on the evening preceding first day of insertion.

Mrs. William Whittle, 428 Pall Mall St., announces the engagement of her daughter Jessie, to George J. Vincent Koch, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Koch of Lyndrook, Long Island, N. Y., the marriage to take place in Lyndrook on Dec. 26.

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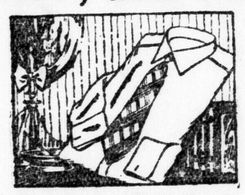
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CLUB NEWS

ABERDEEN CLINIC PARTY.

Members of several mothers' clubs assisted at the Christmas clinic party held at the Aberdeen school this week. They were as follows: Mrs. G. Arthur and Mrs. F. Bell, who had charge of the weighing of the babies. From the various mothers' clubs were Mrs. F. Mason, Mrs. W. Hartley and Mrs. W. R. Thomson, Simcoe mothers' club; Mrs. W. Sherratt, Mrs. S. F. Erdman and Mrs. A. F. Matthews, Rectory street club; Mrs. J. Walton, Mrs. T. Dickson, Mrs. F. Callard, Mrs. J. Dean, Mrs. George Carrie, Mrs. W. Powell, Mrs. J. Jacques and Mrs. C. Burns. The attending physicians were Dr. R. A. Johnston and Dr. C. Harris.

PRIMROSE EUCHRE CLUB.

An enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mrs. Ada Flood, Briscoe street, last night, when she entertained the members of the Primrose euchre club. Charming readings were given by Mrs. W. Griffin and Mrs. J. Howley, and after dainty refreshments had been served by Mrs. Glover, each member received a Christmas gift from the hostess. The euchre prizes were won by Mrs. Howley and Mrs. Easterbrook, with Mrs. C. Johnston taking the consolation prize.

EMBRO Y. P. S.

Embro, Dec. 17.—The Y. P. S. of the Knox United church met this week. The program included a solo by Miss Darnley; violin solo, Bruce Hoggard; pianist, Mrs. Stephens; a splendid paper on "Citizenship" by Mrs. Stephens; two banjo solos by Wm. French. After the program sides were chosen, with Misses Leta McDonald and Vera Clark as captains, for a sword drill contest. Miss McDonald's side won.

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ANNUAL PLANNED BY PRESBYTERIAL

Presbyterian Women of London Presbytery Meet in January.

At a meeting held yesterday afternoon in the Hamilton road Presbyterian church by the executive of the presbyterial, arrangements were made for the first annual meeting of the London presbyterial, which takes place in the same church on January 20 and 21.

Mrs. W. E. Kelly, the provisional president, is the general convener of the arrangements. The hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. Cree, wife of the pastor of the Hamilton road church, and Mrs. John Munro. Mrs. M. B. McEachern will have charge of the billeting.

A splendid program is being outlined for the annual meeting by Mrs. W. E. Kelley, representing the Elmwood avenue Presbyterian church home, Miss Helen Angus, St. George's church, and Miss Brown, New St. James' church. The printing of the program will be left in the hands of Mrs. McEachern and Miss Margrett.

A few minor items of business were also discussed at the meeting, during which the C. G. I. T. question was brought up. As yet, however, nothing of a definite nature has been decided.

MARRIED 25 YEARS.

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Exeter, Dec. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Sims celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Friends presented them with many useful articles.



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WOMEN and THE HOME

NORAH HOLLAND CREATED NATIVITY PLAY FOR LONDON

Poetess' Pen Was Hastened by Frequent Visits From Miss Topley-Thomas.

FOR DRAMA LEAGUE

When Half Gods Go Will Be Repeated On Wednesday Next.

It is not generally known that When Half Gods Go, the now familiar Nativity play from the pen of the late Norah Holland, has a special interest for London. This delightful Christmas drama will be presented in Warner hall on Wednesday evening next, under the direction of Rev. G. Quintin Warner.

When Half Gods Go is but four years old, and was completed for the London Drama League at the instigation of Miss Topley-Thomas of this city. The story of how it came into being is a fascinating one, and links Norah Holland, with Miss Topley-Thomas and F. L. Willgoose, formerly of London.

When Miss Topley-Thomas was on her way to open a studio in London she stopped at Toronto to make a brief visit with Norah Holland. She found the poetess, with three songs finished, the three songs about which later the Nativity play was built. Miss Holland mentioned the fact that she was contemplating a Nativity play, and was inspired by Miss Topley-Thomas to go ahead with the idea.

Looking for Inspiration.

"You write it and I'll produce it," promised Miss Topley-Thomas.

When Miss Topley-Thomas became established in London she sent for copies of the three songs, and induced F. L. Willgoose to write the musical themes. In a charming letter, still in Miss Topley-Thomas' possession, Norah Holland writes:

"I hope you like these songs, and that an inspiration will seize me and enable me to finish it (the play). As soon as I do I shall let you have a copy. In the meantime, old girl, the best of luck to you."

The following summer Miss Topley-Thomas again visited Norah Holland in Toronto, and found that the play was still in embryo. She managed to induce the poetess to work on it, and returned to London with a rough draft of the play, which she read before the London Drama League executive, with a view to having it produced.

The Drama league members favored the idea, so Miss Topley-Thomas returned to Toronto with the rough draft and while she remained there for a week-end, Norah Holland wrote most of the beautiful lines of the play. Returning to London Miss Topley-Thomas began preparing for the production of the play during the Christmas season. Every few days, new verses for the play would come by letter from the poetess in Toronto, until it was in final shape, the play actually growing as it was in the process of its initial production

Letter References.

Letters to London at the time are filled with humorous little references to the play.

"I can't finish the bally thing," writes the poetess. "I have tried and got stuck."

Or later:

"I am coming to see the first performance, and will be in time for the rehearsal. I am bringing the shepherdesses chaucks and two wigs for Apollo."

Just before the presentation of the play in the Ryerson school in North London, Norah Holland arrived herself, bringing with her Apollo's wigs and three shepherdess' costumes, which she had searched out in Toronto. And after she arrived here she worked with Miss Topley-Thomas on the Pan costume, so that it might be ready in time.

Worked on Costumes.

It is interesting to remember that the author's own fingers were busy on the actual dressing of the actors for the initial performance of her play, and that with Miss Topley-Thomas she assisted in the direction of the final rehearsal and the first performance of the play. Up to the last minute, before the curtain arose, she was sewing on dryads' costumes that the presentation might be complete.



NORAH HOLLAND,

who completed When Half Gods Go during its initial production by London Drama League four years ago.

The play was first produced under the name Bethlehem. But when it was published in book form in March, 1923, the author changed the name to When Half Gods Go.

"I am taking the name from that verse of Emerson's, the poetess writes,

"Heartily know,
When half gods go,
The gods arrive."

Peter Suffers Disappointment

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

It is true. Life is made up more or les sof disappointments. Very often they are a good thing, a fine thing for us. But usually we do not find that out until afterward.

Peter Rabbit, snug and safe in a hollow log over where Paddy the Beaver and his family were cutting their supply of food for the winter, was wondering where Reddy Fox was. It was Reddy's scent that had sent Peter scurrying to that old log, and now, because he didn't know just where Reddy was, Peter didn't dare come out. He hoped that Reddy didn't know he was over there, but of this he held little hope, for he knew that if he could smell Reddy the latter must have heard him thump a warning just before he ran for that hollow log.

Peter knew that the Beavers had heeded his warning, for he had heard them plunge into the water. He felt proud of the way in which he had proved himself a good watchman. It wasn't until some time had passed that he heard the Beavers at work again. He was just getting ready to join them to keep watch again, when he overheard Paddy saying something about lost time all because of a false alarm. Not until then did Peter recall that Reddy Fox was not one of those of whom Paddy and his family were afraid. Instead of saving those Beavers that alarm had delayed their work, and had quite upset Paddy's temper. So Peter decided to keep out of sight. It was just as well, for presently he heard Reddy Fox, and knew that Reddy was still about.

The truth is Reddy was as interested as Peter had been in watching the Beaver family work. He admired those great cutting teeth of Paddy's as they snipped off a half-inch limb at a single bite. He admired the way in which Paddy trimmed the limbs from that tree, all but the small ones at the top, and he wondered what Paddy would do with that long trunk. But he didn't have to wonder long. Paddy began cutting out chips from a place about five or six feet from the larger end, and presently had cut a way through. Then he dragged this log into the water. One of the young Beavers, who had been cutting a smaller tree, had a log ready at the same time. With the big ends foremost, Paddy and the young Beaver started off in the water. Each swam beside his log, having hold of it with his teeth. Reddy Fox couldn't see just how they did this, but guessed that perhaps each found a little twig or stump where a limb had been cut off. Anyway, off they swam with their logs, steering them around clumps of willows and alders and heading in the general direction of the new dam. Reddy started around the edge of the pond. He wanted to see what would be done when those Beavers reached the dam.

Peter Rabbit saw Reddy Fox start off and he knew just where Reddy was going. That is, he guessed where Reddy was going. He guessed it from the way in which Reddy had watched Paddy and the young Beaver start off and then had hurriedly trotted away along the edge of the pond toward the dam. Peter wanted to go too. My, how he wanted to go! But he didn't dare go. Of course not. It would have been the most foolish thing possible. So he remained where he was and watched Mrs. Paddy and the other young Beaver start off, each with a log. He wanted to see what they would do with those logs. He wanted to know if they were to go down to the old pond and the food pile there, or if a new food pile waz to be started in this pond in the deep water near the dam. There were several things he wanted to know, and he didn't dare to go find out. No, sir, he didn't dare go. Instead of being thankful that he had discovered Reddy Fox in time, Peter was so disappointed that he quite forgot he had anything to be thankful for. Disappointed folk are apt to be just that way.

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The next story: "Danger at the Dam."

DUBLIN C. W. L.

Dublin, Dec. 17.—The Catholic Women's league held its regular monthly meeting this week. Mrs. James Shea presided. It was decided to send Christmas treats to Mount Hope and to Mount St. Joseph, London. Mrs. W. J. O'Rourke of Dublin read an interesting paper on "The Life of St. Theresa." The society donated a small sum to China missions.

FINE CONCERT IS GIVEN BY KIDDIES

Sunday School Scholars Present Their Annual Christmas Program.

One of the finest Christmas concerts ever given in the Chalmers Presbyterian church was presented last evening by the Sunday school children before a large and appreciative audience. The little people excelled themselves in their individual efforts and in their choruses.

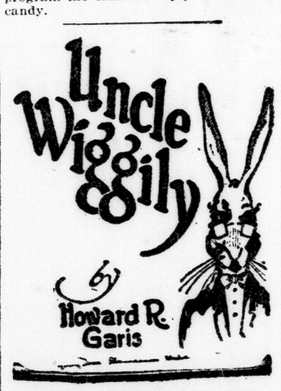
With Frank Hughes, the superintendent, acting as chairman, the program opened with the singing of the favorite old Christmas hymn, O Come, All Ye Faithful. It was followed by a brief prayer by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Okell, and a short address by the chairman. The welcome speech was given by two tots, Master Francis Stewart and little Miss Helen Kelman. The recitation of Psalm 23, followed by the chorus, Say the Right Thing, was given by the beginners' department, which is under the direction of Mrs. George Bryce and Miss Sutherland.

A number of delightful readings were given, those saying pieces including Marion Hessell, Irene Petit, Donald Kelman, George Stewart, Marlyn Brown, Betty Cousins, Teddy Tilley, Nellie Tite, Frank Wallace, Denny Valentine, Barbara Bolton, Billy Phillips, Margaret Clayton, Allan Palmer, Jean Stanfield, Jennie and Margaret May, Mable Black, Jessie Duncan, Harold Scott, Marjory Francis, Bessie Black, Elva Kelman, Peter Graham, Catharine May and Patty Farnum. A very clever little monologue, Christmas shopping, was given by Helen Denley.

Three little people, Norman McLeod, Isa May and Jack May, delighted with songs during the evening. Two choruses were also given, the first, We Are Little Sowers, by the beginners' department, and the second was contributed by Miss Findlater's class. A clock drill was given by Miss Tilley's class. The Trail Rangers gave a clever dialogue, Christmas in the Air. Other dialogues included The Shepherds, by Miss Macpherson's class, The Carols, by Mrs. E. Stanfield's class, The Days of the Week, by Miss R. Duncan's class, and the dialogue On Christmas Eve was given by three little girls, Bernice Palmer, Margaret Tanner and Beth Farnum. A pantomime was given by Miss Webster's class.

A much-enjoyed duet was rendered by Miss R. Duncan and Rev. Mr. Okell. An instrumental number was contributed by Dorothy Gunn.

The general conveners of the successful concert were Mrs. George Bryce and Mrs. E. Stanfield. The Sunday school room was gaily decorated in Christmas colors, and following the program the children enjoyed a treat of candy.



UNCLE WIGGILY AND THE ACORN PIPE.

Uncle Butter, the goat gentleman, pranced up to the hollow stump bungalow one morning, walking daintily on his hoofs over the snow that was on the ground.

"Good morning, Mrs. Longears," bleated the goat to Uncle Wiggily's wife. "And good morning to you, Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy. How is my friend the rabbit gentleman with the pink, twinkling nose?"

"Here I am, to answer for myself," replied Uncle Wiggily, who had just finished breakfast, eating as many as forty 'leven hot carrot pancakes with maple sugar sauce sprinkled down the middle.

"I came over to see if you didn't want to go for a walk in the woods with me," went on Uncle Butter, moving his chin whiskers in a way that made Jingle and Jangle, two little rabbit girls, want very much to laugh.

But they were too polite to laugh at the queer old goat gentleman, who was Uncle Wiggily's friend, so Jingle and Jangle just twinkled their pink noses as their daddy did his.

"Why, yes, I shall be very happy to go walking with you," Uncle Wiggily answered. "And, as it happens, Jingle and Jangle don't have to go to school today, on account of being perfect in their lessons yesterday, so we shall take them with us."

"Oh, goodie!" cried Jingle and Jangle, jumping up and down, and they were very glad they had not laughed at Uncle Butter's funny chin whiskers.

"Well then let's hurry alone!" cried Uncle Wiggily. "We may have an adventure."

"Oh, I hope we do!" exclaimed Jingle, and Jangle said she hoped the same.

On and on, over the fields and through the woods hopped Uncle Wiggily and Uncle Butter, and Jingle and Jangle hopped along behind. Every now and then the goat and rabbit gentlemen would stop for Jingle and Jangle to catch up to them.

All of a sudden, at one of these times when the little rabbit girls were back of the old animal gentlemen, sort of alone like, if you know what I mean—all of a sudden Jingle cried:

"What's that rustling noise, Jangle?"

And Jangle answered:

"I don't know! I was just going to ask you!"

For surely there was a loud, rustling noise in the air. The little rabbit girls looked around, but they could see no Fuzzy Fox nor Woozie Wolf creeping toward them and making the dried leaves on the ground rustle beneath his paws. Besides there was snow on the ground covering the dried leaves.

"We'd better call to daddycums!" whispered Jingle, so Jangle called:

"Oh, daddycums! Hear that rustling noise!"

"It's all right! Don't be afraid," answered Mr. Longears. "It is just the wind blowing in the dried leaves of the oak trees. The oak keeps its leaves longer than any other tree, except an evergreen, and it is these leaves rustling in the wind."

And so it was, as the little bunnies found when they hopped up under the big oak tree where Uncle Butter and Uncle Wiggily waited for them. Then Uncle Batter looked down on the ground, where the snow had been scraped away, and he found a large, brown acorn.

"Ha. Just what I want to make me a pipe," he bleated. For, being an old goat gentleman, he smoked a little, for which we should not blame him. With his knife he cut off the top of the acorn. Then he cleaned out the white, soft meat inside, leaving the thin, brown shell. Next the goat found a hollow reed out of which he made the stem of his pipe, thrusting it into a hole he bored in the acorn shell.

"Now for a good smoke!" he cried, filling the acorn pipe with tobacco. And when he had it nicely going, all of a sudden, the Bob Cat jumped out of the bushes behind the oak tree and tried to bite Jingle and Jangle.

"No you don't! None of that," bleated Uncle Butter. And he held his hot acorn pipe on the nose of the Bob Cat.

"Wuffle! Wow!" howled the bad chap, and away he ran, rubbing his nose.

"Oh, aren't you glad, Jingle, that we came walking today?" asked Jangle.

"I certainly am," answered Jingle. "We had a wonderful adventure!"

And if the chocolate cake isn't too proud to speak to the loaf of bread when they meet on the dining-room table I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and the Christmas toys.

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EBENEZER Y. P. S.

Embro, Dec. 17.—The Y. P. S. of the Ebenezer United church met, with B. Campbell in the chair. Miss Olga Loveys was in charge of the devotional period. The remainder of the evening was spent in a contest and playing games

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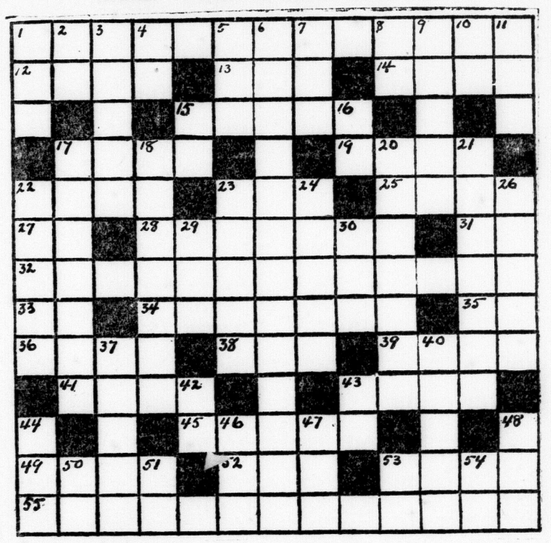
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34 To flow out
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49 Satisfy the appetite
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18 Those who look fixedly
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26 The spirits of the dead (Roman Ant.)
29 Obscure
30 Man's nickname
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THE WORLD OF SPORT

OPENERS IN BIG SIX ARE PUZZLING FANS

Both Games Highly Speculative As Teams Have Not Met To Date.

GROSS WILL PLAY

Injured Indian Defence Man Will Start Tonight Against London Crew.

No more interesting games could have opened the Big Six season tonight than the ones the schedule provided. Stratford and London provide the rivalry touch and Galt at Windsor, the speculative, and to heighten interest, none of the teams have met. The London crew apparently will have more than the anticipated support when they invade the Classic City. London fans are confident that the Londoners will continue their winning streak exhibited during the pre-season games.

The new additions to the Indians have apparently all made good. The Louch brothers of St. Marys made a fine impression here three years ago, and whichever one of the pair the Stratford team has grabbed off will not gum up their system of play. The main scoring reliance of the Indians will be in Bill Carson and brother, Frank. If Marsden adopts a side-slipping plan of using his substitutes tonight, the Stratford front line will be well looked after. Leamy demonstrated against Parkdale that he doesn't do badly on right wing, and he's a sixty-minute egg. By putting Leamy over to right instead of subbing him and putting Lowrey and MacPherson against Bill Carson, the Londoners will be at their maxmum of offensive and defensive strength for every minute of the game.

It should be a mid-ice battle. The two defences are more or less proven quantities.

The special train will leave the C. N. R. depot at 6:45, returning immediately after the game.

GROSS TO BE BACK.
Special to The Advertiser.

Stratford, Dec. 17.—Harold Gross will take his regular place on the Indians' defence tomorrow evening, when the London seniors will make their first appearance of the season here in the first game of the big six series.

The big defence man's shoulder, which was injured in the first game with Grimsby, has responded to treatment very rapidly this week and he has been going great guns in practice during the last two or three days. Dr. Lorne Robertson, who has been nursing Gross along, has put his official okay on Harold's entry into the game.

This means that the Indians will be at full strength when Referee Vair calls the squads to the center of the ice tomorrow night. One of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a hockey game here will be on hand for the opening game, judging from the heavy advance demand for tickets.

WINDSOR SEES VICTORY.
Special to The Advertiser.

Windsor, Dec. 17.—Fandom hereabouts is going to be treated to a dramatic scrap on skates tomorrow night when the Border's own "Hornets" defend their nest over at Percy LeSueur's new thrill theatre on Wyandotte street.

Galt Terriers are the attackers, and they are reputed to be one of the strongest sextets that will chase pucks around the "Big Six" circuit this year.

Their reputation last year was that of a team that was never beaten until the final bell had cleared them off the ice. This year they are a stronger outfit. They have been training faithfully in Hamilton, and are in mid-season shape. Three new men of speed, trickiness and all-round ability have been added to the list of last year's regulars, and the squad that player-manager Clarence Boucher trots out to do fight with the Hornets gives every promise of being able to "stand the gaff."

Local fans know their own "Hornets" pretty well. They have seen Paddy Farrell's crew trim two of the best amateur aggregations in the dominion, and have watched them tie last year's "Big Six" champs.

Doggedness and firm determination blossomed all over the local six in their three battles to date, and in the last few weeks, they have taken on added class in the way of combination that should become a decided asset as the season wends its way along.

For a team that was assembled only this year, perfect combination is not asked. It takes time to gain that. But the capacity crowd that will see the Hornets on stinging rampage tomorrow night, in the "Big Six" O. H. A season opener, will see a team displaying teamplay as well as determination.

It's going to be a good game to watch.

Don't Cough Your Head Off Don't Cough All Night Long

Mrs. Thos. Gilbert, Welland, Ont., writes:—"Some time ago I took a very severe cold, and it settled on my lungs.

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BREAKS UP COUGHS

REBOUNDS

London fans have been advised that they don't need to take life-preservers to Stratford tonight. The Avon is frozen over.

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Steve Vair will handle the game. How the game goes will depend much upon the refereeing, and Vair has had enough experience to keep it in hand.

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Pittsburg pros have been drawing poorly at home, and for that reason it has been decided to revive amateur hockey, and Dinny Manners has been tendered the position of manager of the team, which he is now getting ready, and which will take the ice at Christmas. They will probably play exhibition games this year. The capacity of the Pittsburg rink has only been taxed once during the season. There were only 2,500 to see the Boston affair.

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Old-timers would have us believe, even now when hockey, on its own merits, is attracting four or five times the number of people it ever did, that the game of today is not so good as in the "good old days."

There is one player of olden days who does not hold with this theory. This is "Dicky" Boon, famed leader of the great team which is still talked about, "the Little Men of Iron," which in 1907 retrieved the Stanley cup from the west.

"The Montreal-Ottawa game was one of the greatest battles I have ever seen. It was lightning-like at all stages, and the class of hockey was remarkably fine. I have never seen a better game," said Boon.

Ernie Russell, star of the old-time Wanderers, also praised this game as being one of the finest exhibitions of the hockey code he has seen.

When the old-timers get to praising any present-day game, it must be good. The play of olden days in all lines of athletic endeavor is generally held up by old-timers to outclass the best that the moderns have to offer, but this is not the case with hockey. The great winter sport has now been brought to its zenith in speed and science, which doubtless accounts for its tremendous, but not amazing, popularity.

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There has ben a plentitude of rough hockey in the N. H. L., and some sturdy newcomers are going to learn a hard lesson some day if they don't curtail their activities with their sticks. Recently Herb Drury of Pittsburg smashed "Red" Stuart across the face and put him out of action. From all accounts, it was an exceedingly uncalled-for incident, and it is said that President Calder is going to plaster a stiff fine on Drury, as well as impose other disciplinary measures. Stewart and Seibert, the two new Maroons, have gained somewhat of a reputation as bad men, and they may also find their activities in this direction somewhat curtailed by official censure. When Sprague Cleghorn gets back into action there will be nobody picking on the Bruins and the Maroons will get their first shot at skidding through a tough defence when they try to get by that Langlois-Randall rampart. From what he has shown this season at times, Randall is just as tough and an even better hockey player than of yore.

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Sid Mercer pulled a hot one in the New York Journal when he stated that Canadiens knew little or no English. Had he said little or no French, he might have been nearer the mark.

Stone Town Juniors Beat Westervelts

London Cagers Are Defeated 30-27 in Close Game at St. Marys.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Marys, Dec. 17.—London Westervelt juniors were not good enough for the Stone Town juniors here tonight, and the home cagers took a close 30 to 27 victory in their first real game of the season.

The locals had the edge over the visitors in combination. They passed more and in that way were able to get into scoring position before the London students really woke up. The locals started off on the right foot, and at half-time had the edge, 13 to 11. They held the advantage right through the remainder of the game.

Murray and Vollick, the latter with spectacular long shots, were the big scorers for the Forest City cagers, while Ready, with fourteen points to his credit, was the best man for the locals.

The teams:
London Westervelts — Forwards, Londsay (2), Murray (5); center, Vollick (5); guards, Henry (4), Henderson; subs, Wong (1), Brown (6), Gordon (4), Roughley, Martin.
St. Marys Juniors—Forwards, McIntosh (9), King (6); center, Ready (14); guards, Copeland (1), Brown; subs, Near, Sawyer.
Referee—G. N. Goodman, London.

STEADMAN NAMED CHIEF OF PETROLIA BOWLERS

Special to The Advertiser.

Petrolia, Dec. 17.—At a well-attended meeting of the Petrolia lawn bowling club held here today the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Honorary president, J. A. Kerr; honorary vice-president, W. M. McIntosh; president, J. R Steadman; vice-president, R. A. Germain; secretary-treasurer, T. F. Bassett; chairman of membership committee, R. S. Jackson; games committee, Jas. A. Wilson; lawn committee, Jas. Pittman; tournament committee, J. R. Steadman; representatives to W. O. B. A., J. A. Taylor and Wm. McIntosh.

Owing to the building of the new club-house, the club's funds are not in as flourishing condition as they usually are. The end of 1926 should see the club in a satisfactory financial condition.

WILL GET PICK OF HORSES IN KHAN'S FRENCH STABLES

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17.—The Daily Mail today says that H. H. Aga Khan, one of the turf's outstanding breeders and racehorse owners, has completed a deal with Sir Mortimer Davis whereby the latter acquires the pick of the yearlings and younger thoroughbreds of the Khan's French stables.

The Aga Khan decided some time ago to liquidate his establishments in France. According to the Mail, new training quarters are already in course of preparation at Chantilly.

St. Marys Meet Parkdale Club In S. P. A. Final

Toronto Canoe Club Spurt Ties Score, But Proves Flash.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Coming from behind in the third period to count two goals and tie the score Toronto Canoe club were unable to go on to victory and lost to St. Marys, 5 to 3, after ten minutes of overtime had been played. The Saints now meet Parkdale in the final for the S. P. A. junior trophy, and if successful in that game will have won the cup four years in a row.

The score at the end of the second period was 2 to 1 for St. Marys, neither team having bulged the twine in the first twenty minutes. St. Marys made it three to one in their favor half way through the third period. Then Dinty Moore injured his shoulder, and while he was off for repairs the red-ringers staged a might rally and on beautiful combination by Smith, Armstrong and Brydson beat Harris for two goals and sent the game into extra time.

There was no scoring in the first few minutes of the overtime, but in the second St. Marys broke through the T. C. C. defence for two goals to put the finishing touches on a sparkling exhibition of hockey between two well-matched and clever teams.

Line-up:
Toronto C. C.—Kerr, goal; Smith and McIntyre, defence; Armstrong, center; Brydson and Lee, wings; Park, McCallum, Pugsley, Christie, McCormick, Walsh, McBride, C. Armstrong, subs.
St. Marys—Harris, goal; Moore and Crompton, defence; Fields, center; Kane and Timeau, wings; Bennett, Moffatt, Baker, Horkins, Holmshaw, subs.
Referee—Harold Parlow.

WOODSTOCK SEXTET HAS FIRST PRACTICE

Seventeen Candidates Turn Out For Red and White Squad.

Special to The Advertiser.

Woodstock, Dec. 17.—The first practice of the local aspirants for the O. H. A. intermediate team was held at the arena tonight. The ice was in splendid shape and seventeen players, sporting the red and white colors, put in an hour of strenuous work.

Several members of last year's crew turned out, and the fans also had a look at a number of new hockeyists who will try for places on this year's line-up. With no O. H. A. junior team here this season, the younger boys are out to try and make good with the veterans. The goal position is well fortified, with Chilton Childs and young Johnny Coulter available. For the defence the veteran Harry King was just as spry as ever tonight, and set a fast pace for the others to shoot at. Dr. Douglas was another player of several year's standing who was found holding his own with the balance of the squad.

Much interest was shown in the workout of Cheu, the former Peterboro player, who is now attending Woodstock college. The easterner has been playing rugby all fall, and is in splendid physical condition. He took things easy for the most part tonight, but several times he opened up and showed the fans some nice stick-handling and skating. He promises to be one of the big ones. Young McGregor, from up in the north country, another student at the college, will have no trouble in catching a place. Workouts will be held every night, and the squad should be in good condition for the opener on Jan. 5.

CLEVELAND WILL HAVE EXPERIMENTAL INFIELD

Inner Garden To Be Covered by Veterans and Youngsters.

By JOHN B. FOSTER.
Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 17.—It seems that Cleveland will go into the 1926 season with the most experimental infield in the American league. Unless the fans there can induce Boss Speaker to make a change, the infield will consist of Burns at first base, Spurgeon at second, Sewell at short and Hodapp at third. That links up two veterans and two kids.

Burns has had experience to burn at first, and Sewell has been a shortstop since that memorable world series of 1920, when he looked like a flop in the first game and turned out later to be a mighty big factor for Cleveland. Hodapp is a kid from top to bottom, and Spurgeon is not much older.

Hodapp is the youngster who was with Indianapolis and stood all the major league managers on their heads by the way he played short in the spring of 1923 down in Florida. A lot of teams were after him, but Speaker had the inside edge.

Tris says he thinks Spurgeon will come through and he wants a youngster at second rather than a veteran who might be played out.

Fewster, who tried to play second in 1925, has gone to Kansas City. He gave all he had in every game but was not sufficiently rugged to stand the pace.

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PETROLIA MASONS ELECT.

Petrolia, Dec. 17.—At the regular meeting of the Bruce chapter, No. 53, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., officers were installed by Wor. Comp. Johnston Vance of Inwood: Z., Ex. Comp. John C. Reid; I. P. Z., Ex. Comp. F. W. Scarsbrook; H., Ex. Comp. R. Williamson; J., Ex. Comp. N. C. Hilbert; treasurer, Ex. Comp. J. E. Wismer; S. N., Comp. W. C. Polley; P. S., Comp. D. W. Duncan; J., Comp. H. F. Winter. A number of visiting companions were present from Sarnia, Inwood, Watford and Wyoming.

TO LEGALIZE BOXING.

Associated Press Despatch.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—The city council has taken action to legalize boxing in Chicago by voting to place the issue on the ballot at the general election, April 13. If passed, boxing, under the state law, would be regulated by a commission appointed by the governor.

BREAKS WORLD'S RECORD.

Associated Press Despatch.

Cleveland, Dec. 17.—Arne Borg of the Illinois A. C. last night broke the world's 440-yard free-style swimming record, covering the distance in 4 minutes and 56⅘ seconds. This clips a quarter second off the previous mark also held by Borg.



WM. BOUCHER



S. MANTHA

Billy Boucher and Mantha, two of the players of last season who have been kept on the Canadien outfit, were the main standbys of the Flying Frenchmen in Ottawa last night, when they went down 3 to 0 before the league-leading Senators. Last night's kalsomine was the fourth registered by the Capital City crew this season.

THE TURF

NEW ORLEANS RESULTS

FIRST RACE, 3-year-olds, 6 furlongs: fJingle, 101 (McCrossen), $57.60, $20.20, $8.60, won.
Shanghai, 105 (Walker), $24.80, $16.20, second.
Neil Jo., 100 (Garner), $19.60, third.
Time—1:19 3-5.
Rocking, Old Top, Times Up, Harp of the North, Wild Heather, St. Quentin, Lady Gorham, fRock Salt, fFolly Thorpe also ran.
SECOND RACE 3-year-olds, mile and an eighth:
Soldier II., 110 (Garner), $4.40, $2.50, $2.20, won.
Fornovo, 107 (Stott), $4.80, $2.80, second.
Royal Miss, 112 (Heupel), $2.80, third.
Time—2:02 1-5.
Kent L., Little Ammie, Bucket, Red Arrow also ran.
THIRD RACE, 2-year-olds, 1 mile:
Rose H., 101 (Steele), $5.40, $2.60, $2.40, won.
Dr. Larrabee, $6.20, $4.80, second.
Nereid, 95 (Johnson, $3.80, third.
Time—1:50 2-5.
Indian Tales, Ask Him, Mary Hogan, Geisha Girl also ran.
Geisha Girl finished first, disqualified for fouling.
FOURTH RACE, 2 years, 6 furlongs:
Nabisco, $5.20, $3, $2.20, won.
Ritter, $2.20, $2.20, second.
Mabel Seth, $2.60, third.
Time—1:17 4-5.
Smackover, Sue Steel also ran.
FIFTH RACE, 6 furlongs:
Garr, $8.60, $5, $5.80, won.
New Hope, $8.40, $7.40, second.
Ombrage, $9.60 third.
Time—1:17 2-5.
Drummond, Gen. General Cadorna, Royal Dick, fCharcoal, fBenwood, Kingsclere, Adventure, fAnna H., El Astro also ran.
f—Mutuel field.
SIXTH RACE, mile and 70 yards:
Nurmi, $4.40, $4.20, $2.40 won.
Fireboy, $3.80, $2.60, second.
Levoy, $3.20, third.
Time—1:52 1-5.
Hunsman, King Tut also ran.
SEVENTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Hobson, $7.60, $2.40, $2.20 won.
Mary Ellen O., $2.20, $2.10, second.
Delusive, $2.80, third.
Time—1:55 4-5.
C. T. Worthington Phil McCann also ran.

HAVANA RESULTS

FIRST RACE, $600, all ages, maidens, 5½ furlongs:
Gliding Fox, 111 (Geving), 7 to 5, 2 to 5, 1 to 5, won.
Dodie of Marlboro, 114 (Jenkins), 5 to 2, 4 to 5, 2 to 5, second.
Heltlean, 115 (Kellum), 5 to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, third.
Time—1:07 4-5.
Gaffney Lass, Clean, Impulse, Son of Tyranno also ran.
SECOND RACE, $600, claiming, 3-year-olds 5½ furlongs:
Holly Girl, 103 (Berry), 5 to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, won.
Vagrant Ditty, 103 (Banks), 8 to 5, 1 to 2, 1 to 4, second.
Grotto, 107 (Fisher), 7 to 5, 2 to 5, 1 to 5, third.
Time—1:10
Frances Jane, Freda D., Black Tom also ran.
THIRD RACE, $600, claiming, 3-year-olds and up, 6 furlongs:
Occidents 103 (Perdomo), 15 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, won.
'Tis Seth, 108 (Habjan), 5 to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, second.
The Nephew, 113 (Murphy), 2 to 1, 7 to 10, 1 to 3, third.
Time—1:14 3-5.
Uncle Abe, Flush Royal, Altamour, Kimax Oil Lady also ran.
FOURTH RACE, $800, handicap, all ages, 5½ furlongs:
Pegasus, 115 (Sporri), 6 to 5, 1 to 5, 1 to 6, won.
Grand Bey, 103 (Fisher), 3 to 1, even, 2 to 5 second.
Randall's Royal, 106 (McGinnis), 4 to 1, 6 to 5, 1 to 2, third.
Time—1:07 1-5.
Maximac, Beg Pardon, Little Smoke also ran.
FIFTH RACE, $700, claiming, 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile and 70 yards:
Cabin Creek, 110 (Geving), 8 to 5, 1 to 2, 1 to 4, won.
Leona Dare 109 (Mills), 3 to 1, even, 1 to 2, second.
Mount Shasta, 109 (Sporri), 4 to 1, 7 to 5, 3 to 5, third.
Time—1:46 1-5.
Royal Spring, Rechabite, Weary Dick, also ran.
SIXTH RACE, 1 mile and 70 yards:
Harry M. Stevens, 6 to 1, 2 to 1, even, won.
Gordon Shaw, 7 to 10, 1 to 3, second.
Ponce, even third.

TIA JUANA RESULTS

FIRST RACE, 4½ furlongs:
Laura Gaffney, $20.20, $8, $5, won.
Angela, $4.20, $3, second.
Skoki, $13.80, third.
Time—:55 4-5.
Mount Rose, Waffles, Marjorie E., Fay Wood, Big Wig, Miss Edna, Love Song also ran.
SECOND RACE, 4½ furlongs:
Chief Archer, $12, $5.20, $3, won.
Furious Bill, $7, $3.60, second.
Lady Abbott, $2.80, third.
Time—:54 4-5.
Mouxie, Wild Thoughts, Duc de Guise, Lady Tiptoe, Coombs, Rosa Atkins also ran.
THIRD RACE, mile:
Biddie Dee, $4.20, $2.40, $2.80, won.
Jolly Bonita, $13.40, $9.40, second.
Montana, $3.40, third.
Time—1:42 4-5.
Marion North, Lawrence Manning, Salt Shot, Bluedale, Four o' Five also ran.
FOURTH RACE, 6 furlongs:
Rob Roy, $56.60, $18.40, $7.20, won.
Earl Combs, $3.60, $3.40 second.
Runerva, $5.40, third.
Time—1:14 3-5.
Hector's Alley, Runamor, Waltee, Just Clare, Lola Montez, Daytime, Bonnie Gold, Shasta Donna, Elmora Sol, Mona Marie also ran.
FIFTH RACE, mile and 70 yards:
Vibrator $7.80, $4.60, $3.40, won.
Zing, $4.40, $2.80, second.
The Lamb, $3.20, third.
Time—1:45 1-5.
Bowsprit, Mannikin II., Julia Lee, Combustion, Sweet and Low also ran.
SIXTH RACE, 6 furlongs:
Miss Emmett, $4.60, $2.80, $2.60, won.
Sequan, $2.80, $2.80, second.
Lake Chamala, $3.20, third.
Time—1:13 2-5.
Rochester Jr., Doctor K., Bright Idea, Hidden Money also ran.
SEVENTH RACE, 5 furlongs:
Tailteann, $6.20, $3.40, $3.40, won.
Little Shasta, $3, $2.60, second.
Sonny Bunny, $5.80, third.
Time—1:00 3-5.
Querulous, My Friend Pat, Our Boy, Chilliwack Blue Miss, Vesper Bells, Etta D., Gold Bangle also ran.
EIGHTH RACE, 1 mile:
Nebraska Lad, $18.60, $12.60, $5, won.
Tom Craven, $3.80, $3.40, second.
Perhaps, $4.40, third.
Time—1:40 2-5.
Subtle, Louis A., Joe V., Jago, Jay Roberts also ran

British Soccer Results

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17.—In replayed second-round matches in the English football association cup competition today, Charlton Athletic defeated Queen's Park Rangers, 1 to 0, and Chilton Collieries won from Rochdale, 2 to 1. In the third round Charlton Athletic will meet Huddersfield and Chilton Collieries face South Shields.

Rugby matches played today resulted as follows:

Edinburgh University 11, Oxford University 22.

Dublin University 6, Cambridge University 5.

FOREST SCHOOL SOCIAL.
Special to The Advertiser.

Forest, Dec. 17.—A social evening was given by the upper school literary society of the high school to the students at the school. Bunko was played at nine tables, with Nora O'Donnell winning the girl's prize and Neil McPherson the boy's prize.

Sanaa Claus, properly costumed and represented by Grant McKinlay, presented the prizes and had a gift for each guest. Lunch was served by the girls, followed by dancing.

This marked the first appearance of the new high school orchestra—William Herold, leader, Margaret Stewart, James Baylis, Reg. Roche, William Scott, Campbell McKinlay and Roger Campbell.

DOCTOR HELD AS DOPE

Stratford Police Seek to Identify Man Charged With Vagrancy.

Special to The Advertiser.

Stratford, Dec. 17. —The police have received several telegrams referring to the young doctor who is being held here on a vagrancy charge. He is alleged to be a drug addict, and to have a police record. His name is given as Dr. William Wendall Baird, and his home address as Atlanta, Georgia. It is believed he is wanted in several places in the United States and Canada on charges of passing worthless checks. The police have sent his fingerprints to Washington and Ottawa, and are waiting for some definite information regarding him.

SUCCUMBS TO STROKE.
Special to The Advertiser.

Mitchell, Dec. 17.—Miss Mary Jane Boyd, aged 67 years, died at her home on the 9th concession of Logan township on Tuesday night after suffering for the past week from a paralytic stroke. She was a daughter of the late Francis Boyd, and besides her one brother, Francis, who made his home with her, she is survived by her sister, Mrs. Thomas Elliott, of this town.

MUNN IS VICTOR.

Associated Press Despatch.

Kansas City, Dec. 17.—Wayne (Big) Munn, who will foresake the mat for the boxing ring, won in straight falls from Allan Eustice of Wakefield, Kansas, in a wrestling match here last night. Both falls resulted from crotch hold, the first in 20 minutes and 40 seconds and the second in 10 minutes and 40 seconds.

City Basketball Loop Will Open On January 12

Officials Planning To Start With Exhibition Game and Dance.

January 12 will be the opening date of the city girls' basketball league at the east end town hall. This was decided at a meeting of the executive last night. The officials are planning something entirely different for the opening, and they will in all probability stage an exhibition game between the Westervelt Grads and the St. Thomas T.O.B.'s, with two junior teams providing the preliminary and the whole thing winding up with a dance. That, however, is not definite.

So far there are only two teams in the senior group, Westervelts and the London Life, but there are several other teams in the city to be heard from yet, and the number will probably swell. In the junior group there are four sextets entered, Smallman & Ingram Imps, St. Angela's College, Brownies and the East-Enders. The latter is a team that is being brought together by Frances Talbot, a member of the Westervelt Grads and the league executive.

Billie Graves, the league president, will look after the schedules, and will likely have them completed within a week or two. The officials have run into a lot of difficulty in getting the loop going this year, but now that they have set the opening date, it looks as if they are going to get under way again this year.

That the league is essential for the development of material for teams to represent London in dominion cage circles is admitted, but it seems that it takes a lot of push to get it going. A great deal of credit in getting the teams together this year goes to Billie Graves, the energetic president. Miss Graves carried the brunt of the organization problems, and, taking into consideration the difficulties that have been presented, her work should be considered an achievement.

JOE MOORE PREPARING.
Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 17.—Joe Moore, international amateur speed skating champion, has gone to Saranac Lake, N. Y., to prepare for the winter title quests.

CANADIENS BLANKED BY LEAGUE LEADERS

Ottawas Score Fourth Shutout On Home Ice in Scheduled Fixtures.

DENNENY GETS TWO

STANDING.

	W.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Ottawa	6	1	16	8	12
Maroons	5	2	24	14	10
Pittsburg	4	3	17	14	8
St. Pats	2	3	16	16	4
New York	2	3	12	14	4
Canadiens	2	5	10	20	4
Boston	2	6	13	22	4

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Scoring their fourth shutout on home ice in league fixtures this season, Ottawa defeated Canadiens in a N. H. L. game here tonight by 3 to 0. The packed house which was on hand for the contest saw two trainweary teams play 60 minutes of, sensational hockey, features being crowded into the play in rapid succession for practically the entire playing time.

Ottawa won because they seemed able to stand the gruelling pace better than the Canadiens who wilted badly under the heavy going, especially in the final half of the last period. The game was rough all through, and the laxity of the officials was the topic of caustic comment from large sections of the crowd at various times.

Howie Morenz led the scarlet-shirted visitors with another wonderful game. Joliat and W. Boucher went in flashes only, and appeared to tire easily. On the defence end Coutu and Mantha were steady, while Leduc stood out with individual efforts when he was sent on.

Frankie Finnegan, filling Hooley Smith's shoes on right wing for the Senators, turned in a star game. Denneny and Nighbor were good, both scoring. Clancy gave Connell his usual defence, while Gorman and Kilrea were in the limelight when used.

The line-ups.

Canadiens—Goal, Rheaume; defence, Mantha, Coutu; center, Morenz; wings, W. Boucher, Joliat; subs, Larochelle, Paulhus, Leduc, Lesine, Lacroix.

Ottawa—Goal, Connell; defence, G. Boucher, Clancy; center, Nighbor; wings, Finnegan, Denneny; subs, Gorman, Kilrea, A. Smith, Duggan.

Referee—Mike Rodden, Toronto.

Judge of play—J. Laflamme, Toronto.

Summary:

First period—No score.

Second period—Ottawa, Denneny, 11:10.

Third period—Ottawa, Nighbor, :15; Ottawa, Denenny, 18.25.

HOCKEY

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS.
N. H. L.
Ottawa 3, Canadiens 0.
Junior S. P. A.
St. Marys 5, T. C. C. 3.
Quebec Senior.
Columbus 4, Ottawa 3.
Western Canada.
Saskatoon 4, Vancouver 2.

GAMES TONIGHT.
N. H. L.
New York at Pittsburg.
Western Canada.
Portland at Victoria.
Senior O. H. A.
London at Stratford.
Galt at Windsor.
Senior S. P. A. Finals.
Preston vs Port Arthur.

MEMPHIS HURLER SIGNED BY ROCHESTER COLTS

Associated Press Despatch.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Walter (Slim) McGrew, former pitcher of the Memphis club, in the Southern league, has signed a contract to play with Rochester in the International league, according to word received here today from Manager George Stallings.

McGrew, one of the biggest pitchers in captivity, standing six feet and six inches and weighing 220 pounds, is said to have been paid $5,000 to sign the contract.

VINEZ GOES HOME.

New York, Dec. 17.—Lucien Vinez, lightweight champion of Europe, has left for his home in France, after failing to receive his chance at the world title. He left a challenge for the new title-holder, Rocky Kansas of Buffalo.



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THE WORLD OF SPORT

Kaplan To Defend Title Against Herman Tonight

Old Rivals Meet At Madison Square Garden For Feather Honors.

INTERESTING BOUT

Challenger, As Master Boxer, Should Have Advantage in New York.

By FAIR PLAY.
Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 17.—Usually when fighters have met several times the fans do not warm to a repetition of their hostilities. This, as it happens, is not the case with the Kid Kaplan-Babe Herman featherweight championship battle at the new Madison Square Garden on Friday night.

This because—although the pair have met eight times—every one of their bouts has been a heart warming mix-up. The last meeting, in waterbury last summer, is the cause of their present encounter. Judged by all manner of scoring Herman was ahead when the fight ended, but the referee thinking differently, called it a draw.

Kaplan has been resting up of late. Whether or not he can make the limit of his class, and still be strong will be the deciding factor in this titled set-to.

This ex-sailor, Eddie Huffman, made a great impression upon the fans in his bout with Ad Stone in Newark on Wednesday night. He was up against a real box fighter, and he went to the job of showing his class like a veteran. In the eighth round he socked Stone dizzy, but Ad was cagey enough to cover up and let the sailor fight himself out in striving for a knockout. When the final round began, the two were about on even terms, since Stone had done a lot of body punching. But in this frame Huffman pulled ahead, and most of the ringside critics gave him the decision. Official decisions are not permitted in Jersey.

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CHAMP DOWN TO 126.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 17.—Louis (Kid) Kaplan, featherweight boxing champion, has proved to the suspicious ones that he can make the required weight, for yesterday he stepped on the scales to register an exact 126 pounds. At the same time he ended vigorous training for his 15-round battle with Babe Herman here tomorrow night.

Herman is the one man in all the world the Meriden, Conn., champion would enjoy beating decisively. In a half dozen contests the margin between them has been barely distinguishable, and in their last encounter, an outdoor event in Waterbury, Conn., late in the summer, Kaplan manager to retain his title by a draw, when many at the ringside believed that he had been outpointed.

A master boxer, Herman should have a slight advantage under the recent ruling in New York that bouts will be decided upon the number of rounds won, margins in those rounds notwithstanding. Perhaps, figuring upon this advantage, Kaplan has prepared for a warm struggle, and is down to 126 pounds before the day of weighing in, a rather unusual feat for him.

U. S. FIGHT BEGINS FOR WORLD COURT

Democratic Senator, Champion of Adhesion, Champions League of Nations.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The world court issue finally was brought before the senate today, with indications that the long and bitter league of nations fight is to be renewed.

Leadership of the forces for adhesion again has fallen to a Democrat. Standing in the forefront of those opposing the court is Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, chairman of the foreign relations committee, prominent among the league irreconcilables. Supporting him are the remnant of that group and a number of new senators on the Republican side.

Debate was opened today by Senator Swanson with a prepared address requiring nearly three hours for delivery. He said the statesmen who wrote the treaty of Versailles had furnished two means to restrain war, the league of nations covenant and the world court. "The world is indebted for the new methods to the vision, genius, persistency and courage of Woodrow Wilson," he declared.

Adding that since the United States had decided not to join the league, discussion of it at this time would be "ill-timed," Senator Swanson said: "In passing, I cannot refrain from giving expression to my own individual views, and say that the league of nations today is the most potential factor in the world in making for peace and betterment, that it is gaining daily in influence and power, and that the day will ultimately come when the United States will desire and be compelled to become a member."

The speaker asserted that this country could not have the slightest embarrassment affecting the Munroe Doctrine by adherence to the world court.

MINISTERS DELAY CHOOSING SEATS

Question Will Rest Until After Parliament Meets and Votes.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—All talk of opening this or that constituency for the prime minister or any of his colleagues may be dismissed until after the beginning of the session.

It is certain that no active steps will be taken to select a seat for any minister until the house of commons has given the government the vote of confidence which it fully expects, and which will be invited as soon as possible after parliament meets.

In the meantime it may be stated on good authority that members of the government or their representatives are conducting no negotiations for the purpose of holding by-elections. That is a matter which need not arise until the situation has been clarified by the preliminary vote or votes in parliament in January.

DECLARES SETTLEMENT PLAN IS INADEQUATE

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17.—Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. Francis Vernon Willey, ex-M. P., a director of Lloyd's Bank, Limited, and president of the federation of British industries, while not referring directly to the new emigration agreement between the British and Canadian governments, says that in his opinion the empire settlement act is inadequate.

The British government, Colonel Willey says, would be justified in setting aside £100,000,000 spread over a short period of years, to be used for assisted passages of emigrants to the dominions and for generous settlement grants.

MAN UNHURT IN CAR DROP

C. Bowers, Aylmer, Freed From Wrecked Automobile.

Special to The Advertiser.

Aylmer, Dec. 17.—A touring car was badly wrecked when it went over a 25-foot embankment at the rear of the Chevrolet garage. It turned two complete comersaults with C. Bowers at the wheel, and came to a stop upside down about a foot from the water. Bowers was pinned fast, and it took several men to move the car off his body. Beside a bad shaking-up the man was uninjured. The top of the car is a wreck, one wheel was broken and the fenders bent up.

GETS CORN SHOW AGAIN

Lambton Exhibit Will Be Held In Forest In February.

Special to The Advertiser.

Forest, Dec. 17.—Forest will have the Lambton county corn show again this winter, as the directors of the Lambton County Corn, Grain and Seed Improvement association have decided to hold the show here on Feb. 24, 25 and 26. A community banquet will be held on the evening of the 25th, the second day of the show.

QUEBEC POWER NOT CONSIDERED.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—No official attention has been paid to the offer of Sir Herbert Holt to supply the hydro-electric commission with power from Quebec to meet the expected shortage in Ontario, according to Hon. R. J. Cooke, hydro commissioner. The offer has never been considered by the commission, he said.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE. By AHERN.



WORLD'S LARGEST WARSHIP LAUNCHED ON MERSEY RIVER

Named "The Rodney" and Will Have 35,000 Tons Displacement.

TO COST 34 MILLIONS

Princess Mary Performs Ceremony—Platform Collapses, Several Women Injured.

Associated Press Despatch.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Princess Mary (Viscountess Lascelles) officiated today at the launching and christening of the warship Rodney in the shipyards of Cammell, Laird & Company at Birkenhead.

The Rodney, when commissioned in 1927, will be the largest battleship in the world. Under the Washington treaty, its displacement is limited to 35,000 tons. The armament is also restricted, but the vessel will probably mount nine 16-inch guns in three triple turrets, instead of having only two turrets as formerly.

It is estimated the contract will bring £7,000,000 ($33,950,000) to the shipyards.

The princess performed the christening ceremony with a bottle of empire wine, which was suspended from the lofty bow of the ship by a red, white and blue streamer. She missed the first two throws, but the third time seized the neck of the bottle firmly and sent it crashing against the warship's plates, and the Rodney slid slowly down the ways into the water.

One of the platforms from which spectators were witnessing the launching collapsed during the ceremony today. Several women were injured when the crash occurred.

N. Y. YANKEES TABOO BOILING-OUT PROCESS

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 17.—The New York Yankees have decided not to send Babe Ruth and other high-priced stars on its roster to Hot Springs, Ark., next year to take what has been described as the "boiling out" process, prior to regular spring training. Failure of the plan materially to improve the condition of the players last year influenced the club to abandon the training schedule at Hot Springs.

The club has likewise curtailed its regular training season at St. Petersburg, Fla., almost a full week. Present arrangements call for the Yankees to reach camp about Feb. 28.

RED HATS CONFERRED

Public Consistory Attracts Immense Throng To Vatican.

Rome, Dec. 17.—At a public consistory today, the red hat was conferred on cardinals created in the consistory of March 30 last, and in the secret consistory of last Monday. Today's function was one of the most largely attended since the time of Leo XIII., on account of the number of people in Rome for the holy year. Special tribunes had been erected for members of the royal houses, for the Roman aristocracy, the diplomatic body and the family of the pope. The hunt for tickets was without precedent.

Yule Fans Anger Owners of Trees

Special to The Advertiser.

Ingersoll, Dec. 17—Complaints have been received here from residents in the neighboring districts of the theft of cedar trees from their premises. The thefts have undoubtedly been prompted by a desire to arrange for the traditional Christmas tree, and in some cases trees have been taken that were planted by farmers to make up for losses sustained through storms and other conditions.



GOVERNOR SMALL

of Illinois, who has been directed by the supreme court of that state to account for approximately $1,000,000 interest money alleged withheld by him while state treasurer. He declares a great mistake has been made.

WORLD COURT DEBATE STARTS IN U. S. SENATE

White House Urgings Are Heard After 3 Years—Swanson Leads "Ayes."

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 17.—After a delay of nearly three years, the senate today heeded the repeated urgings of the White House and began debate on a resolution proposing United States membership in the world court.

The resolution of adherence, upon which the debate began, was offered by Senator Swanson of Virginia, ranking Democrat, on the foreign relations committee, without the approval of Chairman Borah. It proposed reservations, framed on the basis of those originally suggested by President Harding in February, 1923, and including a stipulation that in entering the court the United States recognizes no legal relation to the league.

2,000 AT CHRISTMAS FAIR

Walkerton Sees Best Winter Show In History.

Walkerton, Dec. 17.—The 12th annual Christmas fair, held here today, was the best winter show Walkerton has ever had, attracting a crowd of over 2,000. Entries in all classes were the largest in the history of the local winter fair. The Santa Claus parade in the afternoon proved an interesting feature of the event.

There was a splendid showing of livestock, grain, fruit, vegetables, dairy products and ladies' work. The junior and senior women's institutes had charge of the ladies' department. Other judges were: Horses, Dr. J. A. Sinclair, Cannington; cattle, sheep, swine, grain, fruit and vegetables, I. B. Martin, of Toronto; dairy products, Walter Widmeyer, Walkerton; baking, Miss M. H. Abell and Miss M. Robinson of Walkerton.

FROZEN PAPER CLOSES BANK.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 17.—The Broadway National Bank and the Drovers' National Bank closed their doors today, L. K. Roberts, National Bank examiner, announced. Frozen paper due to depression in the livestock industry was ascribed as the reason.

NO DECISION IS REACHED IN S. OXFORD ICE LOOP

Ingersoll, Dec. 17.—No definite decision has yet been reached in connection with the activities of the South Oxford junior hockey league. The annual meeting held here was attended by only three delegates, the places represented being Beachville, Centreville and Dereham. From discussion which took place, it is probable that a [illegible] will be favored when organization is effected

ROUNDING THIRD

by Hugh A. Jennings

JOE McGINNITY, THE IRON MAN.

Joe McGinnity, who earned the nickname of "Iron Man," was really a better fielder than pitcher. He was probably the best fielding pitcher of all time, and much of his success as a pitcher was due to his defensive ability.

McGinnity was a pitcher on the style of Carl Mays, a strictly underhand worker. He did not go so low as Mays in delivering a ball, his pitching hand passing just above the knee. His best delivery was the underhand raise, still famous by the nickname of "Old Sal." His control was always good.

The competitive instinct that you hear and read so much about was highly developed in McGinnity. He loved to pitch and he loved to win. He liked the tight going, and he was always willing to work. Brooklyn won the championship in 1899, and in 1900 we seemed on our way to a second consecutive title. Late in the season the Pittsburg team, as was its habit even then, suddenly spurted and began sweeping toward first place. Pittsburg went through the east like a prairie fire and finally came to Brooklyn for the series that was to decide the pennant.

McGinnity pitched the first game and won it for Brooklyn. Jerry Nops started the second game and was knocked out in the seventh inning. McGinnity went to his relief, finished thegame and held Pittsburg helpless while Brooklyn pounded out a victory. McGinnity took a day off the next day and we lost, but in the fourth and deciding game of the series McGinnity started again and pitched Brooklyn to her third victory in four days. By winning that series Brooklyn cinched the championship.

McGinnity was the first pitcher who tried to make batters sacrifice. He had worked out a defense for this play. McGinnity instructed his first baseman to come in and cover the right side of the diamond while McGinnity would cover the left. As soon as he delivered the ball he was out of the box and moving.

If there was a runner on second and the situation called for a bunt, McGinnity had another play worked out, in which the shortstop participated. McGinnity would stand in the box ready to deliver the ball. The shortstop would yell a signal and dash for second. The runner, naturally would scramble back, sliding to the bag to prevent the shortstop tagging him out. But McGinnity would not make the throw to second. He pitched to the batter instead, sending up a half-speed ball right through the heart of the plate. The batter bunted. Either McGinnity or the first baseman would field the ball. The runner on second, having slid back into the bag as McGinnity pitched, was scrambling to his feet when the ball was fielded. If he started for third he was certain to be thrown out, and if he did not start then the play would be made at first and the batter retired without the runner advancing. It never failed to work, and it is a play so simple and so successful that I have always wondered why it is not used in these days.

I have never seen a pitcher with more confidence in himself than McGinnity had. He was so cock-sure of his fielding ability that he would take any sort of chance, throwing to any base under any circumstance, and this fielding ability lifted him out of many tight spots. He did a great deal of pitching in his day and he led the National league pitchers in 1900; but all the pitching must not have taken much from him, for at 54 he was still pitching double-headers. Not another pitcher that the game has produced did that.

Walter Johnson is another pitcher that lasted a long time. With all his terrific speed, he continued going along as a winning pitcher with a weak club except at the tail-end of his career. I well remember the day Johnson made his debut. He was just in from Welser, Idaho, and he was started against Detroit, because Detroit in those days used Washington as a stepping-stone. He was big and one of the most awkward men I have ever seen. I immediately ordered the Detroit players to bunt, and they did. Johnson could not field a bunt. This fault enabled us to beat him, 3 to 1, but we taught him a lesson.

The next morning Johnson appeared at the ball park and practiced fielding bunts. He continued this practice every day until he mastered it. In that game, his first in the majors, Johnson showed the same blinding speed that carried him to baseball fame. He not alone had speed, but he had good control.

Johnson is one of the few pitchers that come from the minors to the majors and made good right at the start. Pitchers and catchers need more education than players in any other position. The battery men generally have to spend several seasons in the minors getting experience before they can break into the major league circle, and even after they get on the payroll of a big league club, they must be around a season or two before they can be used as regulars. Go down the list of successful big league pitchers and you will find a very few that were worked regularly in their first year in the big show. Nearly all of their time was spent on the bench. Occasionally they were sent in when a game was absolutely won or absolutely lost, but otherwise they were merely spectators in uniform. Johnson was an exception.

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NOTED TRAPSHOOTER PASSES IN HAMILTON

Billy Barnes, Himself On Olympic and Father of Rolph, Dies Suddenly.

Special to The Advertiser.

Hamilton, Dec. 17.—The death of T. W. (Billy) Barnes, which occured yesterday, came as a great surprise to his friends, for while he had been ill for a few days, his end was not looked for. Mr. Barnes had been a prominent figure in Canadian sports for many years. He was a bicycle rider of note back in the '90's, at one time being the mile amateur champion of Canada. He was a member of the old Crescent club, and on one occasion carried the colors of that organization to victory in the Times trophy race, a road event of about 20 miles. He won many events as a cyclist, and after retiring from that branch of athletic endeavor, became a trapshooter of note, and was chosen as a member of the Canadian Olympic team last year. He was second to Sam Vance in the standing for Canadian trapshooters this season, being but a few points behind the Tillsonburg man. One of his great feats with the gun this year was in the Grand American handicap, in which he broke 197 targets out of 200.

Mr. Barnes was the father of Rolph Barnes, also a member of the Olympic team last season, and recognized as one of the leading mile runners. He is now a student at Princeton University.

R. L. VON BERNUTH HEADS U. S. EASTERN ICE LEAGUE

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 17.—R. L. Von Bernuth, former St. Nicholas club star, has been elected president of the new eastern hockey league, which includes two clubs from Boston and three from New York. It is an amateur organization.

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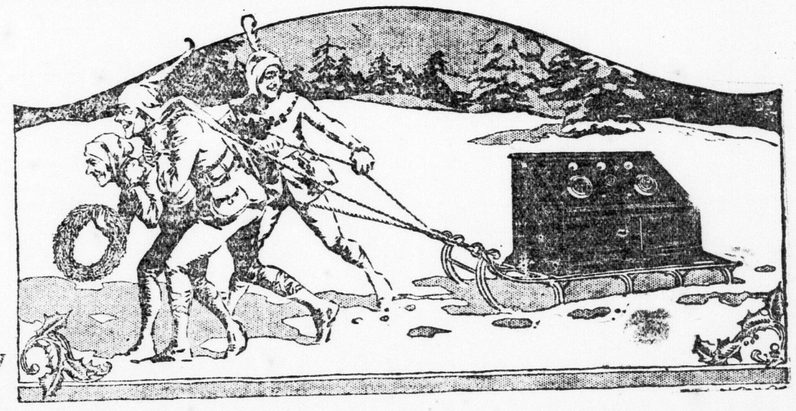
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CHRISTMAS IS REFLECTED IN PROVISION STORES

MAKE YOUR CHRISTMAS CANDIES EARLY.

By BARBARA BROOKS
Home Economics Dept., Kellogg Co. of Canada, Ltd., London, Canada.

Christmas would not be Christmas without home-made candy. In many homes the candy kettle is put on the range two or three weeks before this important holiday and sweets of many kinds are made and used for filling gift boxes. There is no better way of stimulating the Christmas spirit than by having family candy parties. The boys can lend a hand in beating the creams and, of course, the candies must be tasted! The girls will enjoy molding and coloring, and mother can watch the temperatures.

If you are going to make a good deal of candy, a thermometer will be a great help. Candy thermometers can be purchased at a reasonable price and they will save time, worry and materials. It is a pleasant feeling to be sure that candy will turn out the same every time.

The following recipes are tested and will yield delicious candies:

Fondant.

Two cups sugar, 2 tablespoons light corn syrup, one cup water. Mix sugar, syrup and water together and cook, stirring until the sugar is dissolved. Cover the saucepan for a few minutes, so that the steam will wash down any sugar crystals which form on the sides of the pan. Remove the cover and allow the candy to boil until the temperature 238 f. is reached. (Soft ball.) Pour the fondant on a cold, wet platter and allow it to cool to 120 f., lukewarm. Beat until smooth and creamy. Knead with the hands. Put away in a covered jar until you are ready to make the fondant up into fancy shapes.

Super Fudge.

Two cups sugar, 2 tablespoons corn syrup, 4 squares chocolate, 1¼ cups milk, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 tablespoon vanilla, 2-3 cup fondant. Mix sugar, syrup, chocolate and milk together and cook, stirring until chocolate is melted. Continue cooking until the temperature 236 f. is reached. Remove from fire, add the butter and let the mixture stand until lukewarm. Add the fondant and vanilla and beat until creamy.

This fudge is of the consistency of fondant and is soft and pliable. It can be used for centers of bonbons, for making fudge rolls, etc.

All-Bran Brittle.

Two cups granulated sugar, 1 cup brown sugar, ½ cup light corn syrup, ¾ cup water, ¼ cup butter, ⅛ teaspoon salt, 1½ cups all-bran. Put the sugars, corn syrup and water into a saucepan and cook, stirring until the sugar is dissolved. Continue cooking, without stirring, until the temperature 300 f. is reached.

Remove from fire, add salt and butter, and stir only enough to mix well. Add all-bran and turn at once on a greased slab or on a greased, inverted pan or baking sheet. Smooth out with a spatula. After about a half minute, take hold of the edges of the candy and, lifting it slightly from the slab, pull it as thin as possible. Break into

W. H. M'LEAN FETED

Special to The Advertiser.

Rodney, Dec. 17.—The home of Floyd L. Bell, South Rodney, was the scene of a happy gathering on Tuesday evening when about twenty relatives and friends gathered in honor of William H. McLean, to commemorate his 74th birthday.

Mr. McLean was presented with an easy chair, and expressed his thanks and appreciation. Speeches were given by Dr. H. Paterson, J. A. McLean, B. B. Graham and D. H. Paterson.

Mr. McLean is widely known in Elgin county. He has served many years as township councillor, and is an ex-reeve of Aldborough township. He has lived in Aldborough all his life with the exception of a few years in the Canadian west.

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The Champion Steer at the Peninsular Winter Fair and Reserve Champion at Toronto is a real beauty for the eye to see, such meat as was seldom before placed in front of the public of London. This Steer was purchased by us at the Winter Fair in Toronto, for 25c per lb., live weight. Get your order in early for the best Cuts. This Meat will be in excellent shape for Christmas and New Year's dinner. The Big Pork Guessing Contest will be in full swing on Monday.

CHRISTMAS BABY BEEF

Shoulder Roast Beef	18c
Rib Roast Beef	25c
Loin Roast Beef (6 to 10 lbs.)	25c
Porterhouse Roast Beef	28c
Rump Roast Beef (Corner Cut.)	23c
Rump Roast Beef (First Cut.)	20c
Sirloin Steak	28c
Round Steak	22c

Smoked Meats

Ham (whole or half)	28c
Picnic Ham	20c
Cottage Roll	30c
Back Bacon (piece)	42c
Breakfast Bacon (piece)	32c

CHRISTMAS PORK

Loin Roast Pork	30c
Ham Roast Pork	25c
Shoulder Roast Pork	20c
Chuck Roast Pork	23c
Front Quarter Pork	18c
Hind Quarter Pork	20c
Center Cut Ham Roast	28c
Fresh Side Bacon	25c

Christmas Veal

Fillet Veal	35c
Loin Veal	30c
Rump Veal	25c
Breast Veal	12c

Cooked Meats

Roast Pork	55c
Cooked Ham	45c
Blood Sausage,	2 lbs 25c
Head Cheese (2 moulds)	25c

CHRISTMAS LAMB

Leg Lamb	35c
Loin Lamb	32c
Shoulder Lamb	28c
Breast Lamb	18c

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Oranges, doz.,	50c
Mixed Nuts, lb.,	25c
Mixed Peel, lb.,	27c
Cranberries, lb.,	23c
Honey, 5-lb. Pail,	65c
20-lb. Pail Lard	$4.00
100 lbs. Sugar	$6.40
Bulk Olives, pint,	40c
Dill Pickles,	3 for 10c
Maple Syrup, quart	70c
Jelly Powders	3 for 25c

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Oven Roasts, lb.,	12½c	Boston Butts (boned) lb.,	26c	Fresh Herrings, lb.,	15c
Boneless Pot Roasts, lb.,	12½c	Rolled Wiltshire Bacon, lb.	25c	Fresh Cod, lb.,	18c
Prime Rolled Ribs (extra choice), lb.,	28c	Pure Pork Sausage, lb.,	25c	Scotch Kippers, pair,	15c
				Flounders, pair,	15c

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Cleaned and skinned, pair.. 75c
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Chops, lb., 40c; Stewing Pieces, per lb., 15c.
OYSTERS—
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Butter, Forestville Creamery, lb.	47c
Redpath Sugar, 10 lbs.	64c
Potatoes, choice stock, peck	44c
Onions, clean and dry, 8 lbs.	25c
Mixed Nuts, 2 lbs for	47c
Pastry Flour, 24 lb. bag	$1.12
Seedless Raisins, 2 lbs.	27c
Oranges sweet and juicy, 2 doz	45c
Christmas Candy, choice mixture, lb.	25c
Figs, Prunes, Dates, 2 lbs	23c
Fresh Oatmeal, 5 lbs.	25c
Cabbages, 3 for	25c
Grapefruit, 4 for	25c
1 lb. Tin Crisco, and Cake Pan	35c

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Fresh Pork Tenderloin, per lb 47c

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Mincemeat 2 lbs for	25c	Peas, Corn, Tomatoes,	2 for 25c
Pure Lard	20c	Peaches	23c
Peerless Shortening	16c	Pears	15c
Smoked Hams	37c	Marmalade 4 lb. tin	65c

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Table Raisins, 1-lb. pkt.	25c
Evaporated Peaches, lb.	27c
Aunt Dinah Molasses	10c
Santa Clara Prunes, 2 lbs.	29c
Shelled Walnuts, ½'s	49c
Shelled Almonds, lb.	63c
Smyrna Sultana Raisins, lb.	27c
Xmas Wines, Port, Sherry, Grape, Ginger, bottle	29c

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3-lb. Box Assorted Chocolates, Hard Centres, Nuts, Creams, etc.,	99c
Windermere Chocolates, lb.	35c
Cut Rock, Spools, Humbugs, Butterscotch, lb.	19c
Creams, Golden Crunch, Peanut Square, etc., lb.	23c
CHERRIES	
½-lb. pkt. Saxonia Glace	31c
French Glace, lb.	49c
NUTS	
Mixed, lb.	25c
New, Large, Washed Brazils, lb.	29c
California Budded Walnuts, lb.	43c

BUTTER BRAESIDE No. 1 CREAMERY "The Finest Butter in Canada" Mayfield Brand 47c lb. 49c lb.

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Boneless Rolled Rib Roasts, lb.	18c	Hamburg Steak, Per lb.	10c	Fresh-Cooked Tripe, 3 ROLLS FOR	25c
Rump Roasts Beef, Per lb.	15c	Country Sausage, 2 LBS. For	25c	Meaty Sweetbones Per lb.	5c
Boil Beef, Per lb.	7c	Shoulders Pork, No Shank, per lb.	22c	3-lb Pails Pure Lard This sale only, each	60c
Sirloin Roasts Per lb.	15c	Fresh Pork Tenderloin, per lb.	48c		
FRESH CREAMERY BUTTER, Our Brand, per lb.	46c	FRESH-MADE RING BOLOGNAS Each	15c		

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Boiling Beef per lb	8c	Rump Roasts per 16c lb		Peameal Back Bacon per lb.	37c
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Choice Oven Roasts per lb	15c	LEGS YEARLING LAMB weighing 6 - 8 lbs per 20c lb		Peameal Cottage Rolls per lb	27c
Rib Roasts per lb	18c			Smoked Picnic Hams per lb.	21c
Sirloin Roasts per lb.	18c			Breakfast Sausages 2 lbs for	25c
Beef Tongues per lb.	24c			Shortening 1 lb. Prints	16c
Fresh Hams per lb.	27c			Choice Roasts Pork very little bone, per lb	28c

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KLANSMEN TO FACE TRIAL, DRESDEN ASSAULT RESULT

Alleged That Members of Order Made Midnight Visit To Merchant and Demand That He Leave Town —Mask Torn Off in Scuffle.

Special to The Advertiser.

Dresden, Dec. 17.—Three hundred spectators today jammed the 20 by 20-foot room over the fire hall in the town of Dresden during a sensational preliminary hearing of five members of the local Ku Klux Klan on charges arising out of an assault on Robert Tiffin, a young Dresden businessman. The accused were Clarence Breaton, William Farstow, Howard Misslebrook and Thomas Warner, all of Dresden, and John Strand of London.

Breaton was charged with being a member of an unlawful assembly which committed a breach of the peace, common assault, on Tiffin, and for carrying dangerous weapons. The other four were charged only with common assault.

Tiffin's Story.

Tiffin, under oath, said he was called out of bed at midnight, December 1, and waited upon by five hooded men, who alleged that he had assaulted a girl and demanded that he leave the town in 24 hours. Tiffin, who at first refused to get up, said he got angry at the threat, and clad only in his underwear, tackled the five. In the encounter he wrenched off one man's mask and recognized Breaton. The assault for which he claimed the klansman attempted to chastise him was for kissing a girl. He admitted that the girl objected, but had accepted his apology. He said that he wrote a letter the next day to Breaton, apologizing to the klan for losing his temper. This was returned to him by Breaton when he handed back Breaton's hood.

At the outset of the cross-examination, Mr. Stewart gave Tiffin credit for having pluck to tackle five. The complainant declared that he was anxious to find out who were his interviewers.

His Intentions Honorable.

Questioned concerning the supposed assault on the girl, Tiffin said that his intentions towards the girl were absolutely honorable. "I just kissed her for the fun of it, he said."

Under close questioning Tiffin admitted that he had been married but was divorced in Denver, Colorado. He admitted being convicted for assaulting a brakeman on a train.

Isaiah Traxler, giving evidence, said that the hooded men told him when they sought the interview with Tiffin "that they wanted to keep the town decent."

High Constable George Peters gave evidence of the arrest of Breaton, stating that the latter had given a statement which implicated himself and four others. At first Breaton would mention no names, stating that he was not supposed to tell on any of the klan. The officer, under cross-examination, said that he did not make any promises or threats to Breaton. The latter, he claimed, made the statement at a time when he was greatly agitated.

K. K. K. Organizer Testifies.

E. H. McAllister, who said he was a K. K. K. organizer of the district, testified that personally he did not approve of such methods of punishment, and that it was not condoned by the order. He admitted that he was at a meeting of the K. K. K. in Dresden during the evening on which the five are alleged to have perpetrated the assault.

Two charges were preferred against Reginald Ayres, but these were withdrawn by Crown Attorney Smith. Ayres was called as a crown witness. Reluctantly admitting that he is a member of the klan to close questions, he stated that the five accused men were at a meeting which was held in Dresden on the night of December 1.

Magistrate Bridgewater committed all the latter for trial on the various charges.

COUNCIL VISIONS PEACE ERA IN '26

New St. Thomas Body Faces Easy Year With All Depts. Running Smoothly.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Dec. 17.—The city council of St. Thomas is expecting a light year in 1926. The fire department is now up to strength, the new technical school is progressing, the gas department is fully equipped, and the condition of the sanitary plant is improved through the installation of the new septic tank.

With this in view, the committees of the council may be limited to three. The gas committee may be absorbed in the finance committee, and the parks committee in the fire committee. The board of works will likely remain as it is.

Ald. Chas. Raven is the likely head of the finance department, with Ald. Brinkman in charge of the fire committee, and Ald. Stokes supervising the board of works department. The reception committee will remain under Ald. Pat Meehan's supervision as long as the veteran councillor is on the board, while the industrial committee may be shaken up.

A precedent may be set with the return of A. W. Baines as chairman of the board of education. If the established custom prevails, the chairmanship will possibly shift to L. O. Pearson or R. Cook.

The annual presentation of the Christmas pageant by the student body of Alma college was given this evening before a large audience.

District Deputy Grand Master H. E. Freeman of Aylmer paid his official visit to St. David's lodge, No. 302, A., F. & A. M., this evening.

Mrs. W. S. Martin is suffering from a fractured hip sustained in a fall from a chair. As she is quite old the injury is more serious.

STATUS IS RAISED.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17. — Premier Stanley Baldwin announced in the house of commons today that His Majesty the King had approved of the government's recommendation that the status of the secretary of state for Scotland should be raised to the status of the other secretaries of state in the cabinet. This is taken to mean that his salary will be advanced to £5,000 per annum.

INGERSOLL HYDRO HAS $110,800 IN ASSETS

Remarkable Growth Is Exemplified in Report Covering Nine Years.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ingersoll, Dec. 17.—An interesting financial statement covering the operations of the hydro commission in Ingersoll for the years 1915 to 1924, inclusive, has been ratified by the auditor of the hydro-electric commission for Ontario. The significant feature is that it shows Ingersoll's assets, over all liabilities, to be $110,798.13.

The annual Christmas cantata in connection with Trinity United church was successfully presented last night, and again tonight, the audience on each occasion being large and very appreciative.

The Salvation army band this week inaugurated their annual Christmas serenading. The responses have been very generous.

RUSSIA'S WHEAT EXPORTS SLUMP

Absurdly Overestimated in Government Reports—Away Below 60,000,000 Bush.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Miscalculations of the European grain trades as to the exportable quantity of wheat to be contributed to the world supply during this crop year are probably due, Secretary Hoover said today, to deficiencies of the Russian crop reporting system.

Estimates were current last fall that Russia might export 300,000,000 bushels, and the commerce department found it necessary to issue a statement that the exportable total could not be more than 60,000,000 bushels. The actual shipments so far have been much less.

The failure to produce a large quantity of wheat for export is having a serious effect upon Russia trade, official observers said today, citing as one result the cancellation by the soviet government of orders previously placed in the United States and elsewhere for machinery.

CITY MOVE TO CANONIZE DORMER BEARING FRUIT

Vatican Empowers Commission To Hear Evidence of Life of Pious Soldier.

By direction of the Vatican in Rome a special commission has been established here to take evidence concerning and to report upon the life of the Lord Henry Edward Dormer, member of a distinguished English family, who served with an imperial army unit stationed in London more than sixty years ago, and who is now buried in St. Peter's cemetery.

Data with respect to his pious and charitable life has been assembled by Bishop Fallon with a view to the eventual canonization of Lord Dormer as Canada's first Roman Catholic saint.

During the past few days evidence has been taken from several Londoners, who remembered Lord Dormer, and from others who vouch for the authenticity of certain documents reflecting his spiritual life.

PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS MEETS IN CANADA IN 1927

Proposal Adopted That Canada Be Admitted To Full Membership in Pan-American Union—Bringing North and South America Closer Together.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 17.—A proposal that efforts be made to obtain the admission of Canada to full membership in the Pan-American union was one of a group of resolutions for promoting better relations between the three Americas adopted today by the Pan-America may include really all America."

The resolution pertaining to Canada suggested that that country and all other western hemisphere political entities be invited into association with the Pan-American commercial congress, and that the admission of the dominion into the Pan-American union be made "to the end that Pan-America may include all America."

It was also decided that the Pan-American congress for 1927 would be held in Canada. The congress endorsed the plan for founding a permanent international exposition at Panama adjacent to the canal.

A World Forum.

The proposal to establish a world forum at Yorktown, Va., for national and international congresses as a memorial to the winning of the freedom of the western world was approved in another resolution.

Two plans for bringing North America and the Latin countries into closer contact by personal visits were also endorsed. All agencies now engaged in such an interchange of visitors were approved, and exchange of professorships and scholarships between the colleges and universities of the Americas was suggested.

Another resolution endorsed the plan for establishing an international business training school for the foreign field at Panama.

Jose Miguel Bejarana, commissioner of agriculture and colonization for Mexico, in an address today referred to what he termed the "industrial imperialism of the United States," and said this country was a nation of capitalists possessing the strongest pull over the government machinery.

TERRIFIC BLIZZARD HITS REGION AROUND SUPERIOR

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 17.—Lake Superior was swept by a terrific gale this afternoon, and a blizzard with blinding snow raged in this district.

The snow has drifted in the country areas, and it is believed that traffic will be held up for several days. The C. P. R. train from Montreal was delayed for more than an hour because of the snowstorm, and difficulty is being experienced by the Soo line in keeping the crossings clear.

PREMIER KING RECEIVES BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Canadian Press Despatch.

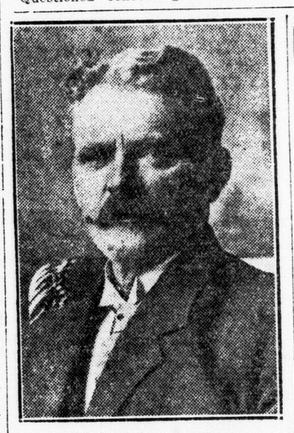
Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Congratulations were tendered Premier Mackenzie King from many parts of the dominion today on the occasion of his 51st birthday. Telegrams from officials and private individuals in the different provinces were sent, and during the late afternoon many callers personally conveyed their felicitations at Laurier house.

The prime minister spent most of the day at his office in conference with some of his cabinet colleagues on routine pre-sessional business. There were no official functions.

MANITOULIN RESIDENTS ASK BOUNTY ON WOLVES

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Wolves have become a menace in Manitoulin Island, according to petitions presented to Hon. Charles McCrea, minister of mines, by Beniah Bowman, M.L.A., this morning. The petitions ask that municipalities of this island be allowed to pass a bylaw authorizing the payment of the $5 bounty on wolves, and ask that the provincial bounty be increased to $15. Sheep flocks have suffered severely from raids by wolves.



WILLIAM H. McLEAN,

Rodney resident, who was honored by friends on his 74th birthday. He has been prominent in the municipal life of Aldborough township, and served one year as reeve, in addition to several years as councillor.

ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE AT ROME IN YEAR 1929

Associated Press Despatch.

Rome, Dec. 17.—The Tribuna says the pope has decided to resume in 1928 the ecumenical council, interrupted by the fall of the temporal power in 1870. The reunion of all Christian churches will be discussed, the paper adds, and the opinions will be asked of the bishops gathered from all over the world as to the best way to solve the vexed Roman question, namely, the status of the pontiff in Rome, and his relations with the Italian government.

MISSION PIONEER DIES

J. Lightowler Had Been in Army Work 42 Years.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ingersoll, Dec. 17—Following a lengthy illness the death occurred at the family residence today of John Lightowler, a resident here for 20 years. He was in his 64th year. He was born in Yorkshire, England, and came to Canada 42 years ago. He became connected with the Salvation army soon after his arrival, and was accepted as one of the pioneer officers of the then Canada division of the United States. He served four years in the mission field in India, and for years held important positions with the army. He was a member of the Canadian Foresters here. Survivors are the widow and one daughter, Miss Blanche at home. Interment will be made at Seaforth on Saturday.

Civilians Flee From Damascus

Associated Press Despatch.

Jerusalem, Dec. 17.—The civil population of Damascus is leaving the city in panic, according to reports received here today from Damascus. The railway station is crowded with refugees awaiting their trains. The departure of the trains, however, is uncertain.

Although the French garrison consists of 3,000, the Jewish quarter, the report states, is practically unguarded, and is often visited by rebels and bandits. A petition has been submitted by the Jewish population asking that the force be increased

CANONIZE MARTYRS OF EARLY CANADA

Jesuits Who Lost Lives in Georgia Bay District To Be Honored.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—News has just been received from Rome by Rev. Milway Filion, superior of the English-speaking Jesuits of Canada, that the cause of the canonization of the eight members of the Jesuit order who lost their lives in the Georgian Bay district during the seventeenth century at the hands of the Indians while preaching the gospel, has been introduced at the Vatican. It is more than probable that before long they will receive the honor of canonization. A shrine was established at the point where the martyrs died on Georgian Bay.

Loblaw Groceteria Opens In London

260 DUNDAS STREET STORE IS LAST WORD IN EFFICIENCY AND CLEANLINESS.

The Loblaw Groceteria opens Friday afternoon at 260 Dundas street, and gave the housekeepers of London something to think about. The groceteria is the principle of "self-serve" applied to a grocery just as the cafeteria is the principle of "self-serve" applied to a cafe. Most people are familiar with the spic and span Loblaw stores in Toronto; the London establishment is exactly the same as those in Toronto, for every store is standardized as to construction and interior arrangements from the front door to the back. A customer coming from another city to London would go to precisely the same shelf for her wants. There are fourteen shopping sections, each surmounted by a neat board announcing the kind of goods in the shelves adjoining.

There are several very striking features about the equipment—one of these is the refrigerating system in the basement. This is constructed by the Loblaw staff of mechanics and carpenters, under a Loblaw patent. It cools the adjacent store chamber for butter, cheese, bacon, lard and other provisions, and extends its sphere to the ingenious refrigerated counter upstairs in the store. This is a glass counter, open at the top, which has all the advantages of a shut-in refrigerator with the convenience of an open glass case. An attractive way of selling bacon is in vogue, the bacon being stacked in half pound and one pound quantities in transparent wrappings. The bacon, like the other provisions, comes from Toronto, where tons of bacon are cut up and despatched to the various stores every week.

A cake section is also supplied from the Loblaw bakery in Toronto. The butter and cheese comes from creameries under Loblaw supervision. Sugar and cereals are emptied into massive bins on a floor above and run through a chute to a weighing department below. The store is spotlessly white, the new electric lighting system, called "Holophane," is the most brilliant in Canada today. All local help will be employed. Mr. A. Urquhart is manager.

The Loblaw system makes "shopping easy without forgetting," and in addition to staking its reputation on every article accepted to sell, the groceteria undertakes to prove that one month's shopping at Loblaw's will yield a saving compared with any other store in the Dominion.

It is the purpose of the Loblaw store to prove worthy of every confidence. It is a place where the dollar does its duty six days every week, whether the customer is posted as to prices or not.

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Hostess Cake

The Whole World contributed Dainties for Hostess Cake—

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CALIFORNIA provided her choicest white sun-kissed raisins.

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MOTORS RECEDE ON WALL STREET

Higher Renewal Rate Hits Active Shares—Confidence Rules in Other Quarters.

New York, Dec. 18.—Profit-taking in the motors, Chrysler reacting from 203 to 196, and an advance in call money rates to 5 per cent after the renewal rate had been at 4½, caused most of the active shares to recede from their early high figures on the New York stock exchange today.

Confident buying, however, went on in numerous specialties, S. S. Kresge rising 13 points, Postum Cereal 7 to 98⅜, a new high record, and General Cigars and United States Fruit 4 points. Texas Pacific Land Trust moved to 640½ on purchases of odd lots, compared with 619, yesterday's close. U. S. Distributing declined 3. United States Realty 4, and South Porto Rican Sugar 5 points.

ALLIED BONDS

New York, Dec. 17.

Sales.	Bonds:	High	Low	Close
11	Argentine 7s	102	101¾	101⅞
13	do, 6s, A	96½	..	..
20	do, 6s, B	96⅝	..	..
30	do, 6s, June, 1959	96	95⅞	96
28	do, 6s, Oct., 1959	96	95⅞	95⅞
1	do, 5s	85	..	..
10	Australian 6s	96⅞	96¾	96¾
66	Austrian 7s	100⅝	100⅜	100⅜
3	Belgian 7½s	103¾	103½	103⅝
24	do, 7s	96⅜	95⅞	96⅜
1	do, 6½s	92⅝	..	..
28	do, 6s	86¼	85⅝	86¼
18	Berlin 6½s	87½	87¼	87½
32	Bordeaux 6s	83¾	82½	83
18	Brazil 8s	102	101½	102
3	do, 7½s	105¾	..	..
44	do, Railway 7s	90	89⅞	90
12	British 5½s, 1937	104⅞	104¾	104¾
45	Canada 5½s, 1929	102⅜	101⅞	101⅞
1	do, 5s, 1926	100⅛	..	..
46	do, 5s, 1951	103¼	103	103
18	French 8s	100⅜	100⅛	100⅝
76	do, 7½s	97⅝	97½	97½
252	do, 7s	88¼	87½	87⅝
140	German 7s	101⅜	101¼	101¼
63	do, Agl. Bank 7s	94⅜	94⅛	94⅝
15	do, G. E. 7s	95½	95¼	95½
3	Greek 7s	80½	80¼	80¼
1	Hungarian 7½s	92⅝	..	..
972	Italian 7s	94½	..	..
63	Japaneso 6½s	92⅞	92⅝	92⅜
1	do, 4s	52⅞	..	..
18	Lyons 6s	83	82¾	82¾
9	Marseilles 6s	83¼	..	..
45	Nord Railway 6½s	78¾	78¼	78½
21	Paris, L. & M. 7s	83¾	83	83⅛
25	do, 6s	73¾	73	73
3	Paris-Orleans 7s	88	..	..
88	Poland 8s	88¼	87	87⅜
13	do, 6s	68½	68	68⅛
9	Queensland 7s	111¾	111¼	111¼
36	Seine 7s	86½	85⅞	86
74	Serbian 8s	92	91⅝	92
57	Sweden 5½s	101⅝	101½	101½
37	Sweden 6½s	103½	103	103½
1	Tokio 5s	66¾	..	..

PRICES BETTER, VOLUME IS LIGHT ON MONTREAL

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Stock prices on the Montreal stock exchange today displayed a better tone, but the volume of business continued light. The outstanding strong spots of the day were Consolidated Smelting and Shawinigan, up 3¼ and 3 points respectively. A burst of activity and attendant strength in National Breweries attracted attention to that erstwhile favorite, while Laurentide continued the most prominent of the paper stocks and recorded a fractional advance. A sharp decline in Dominion Glass provided a feature movement of the day in a downward direction.

The list to make its appearance on the board was a broad one, being composed of 61 issues.

National Breweries was the most active stock with a turnover of 2,575 shares, and closed at 56½ for a net gain of 1 point.

Total sales of stocks amounted to 11,934 shares. Bonds sales amounted to $32,850.

EGGS AND POULTRY

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Egg prices are firm, but demand is not quite as brisk as expected at this time of the year. American markets are firmer, and refrigerators are higher in Chicago than in New York, which is quite unusual. Prices on dressed turkeys are holding decidedly firm.

Toronto—Jobbing fresh specials 80c; do., extras 75c; do., firsts 60c; storage extras 46c; do., firsts 43c; do., seconds 37c.

Poultry very firm. Some dealers asking as high as 48c wholesale for fancy turkeys over 12 pounds.

Winnipeg—Egg market quiet. Dealers quoting country shippers, delivered, extras 66c; firsts 50c; seconds 33c to 34c. Jobbing fresh extras 70c to 72c; firsts 50c; seconds 35c; storage extras 46c; firsts 42c, seconds 33c.

Poultry receipts heavy; dressed market lower; live turkeys 13c to 21c; dressed 20c to 29c.

FLOUR

Montreal, Dec. 17. — Flour, Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, $9.30; seconds, $8.80; strong bakers, $8.40 to $8.60 winter patents choice, $7.60. Rolled oats—Bag, 90 lbs., $2.40 to $3.50.

Bran—Per ton, $30.25 to $31.25.

Shorts—Per ton, $32.25 to $35.25.

Middlings—Per ton, $39.25 to $40.25.

Ontario flour—90 per cent patents, per barrel, in carlots, Toronto, $6.50; to., seaboard, in bulk, $6.50.

Millfeed—Delivered Montreal freights, in carlots, bags included, per ton: Bran, $30; shorts, $32; middlings, $39; good feed flour, per bag, $2.30.

EXCHANGE RATES

New York, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Sterling exchange steady. Demand rates, in cents: Great Britain, 4.84⅞; France, 3.78⅛; Italy, 4.03; Germany, 23.80.

Canadian dollars, 1-32 of one per cent discount.

Detroit, Dec. 17. — Detroit clearing-house banks' uniform rate of exchange on Canadian currency for Friday will be at par.

New York, Dec. 17.—Money on call easier, 4¾ per cent.

Time loans steady; 60 days, 4⅞ to 5 per cent; 90 days, 4⅞ to 5; 6 months, 4⅞ to 5; prime mercantile paper, 4¼.

Sterling exchange steady, at $4.80⅜ for 60-day bills and at $4.84⅝ for demand.

Foreign bar silver—Per oz., 68⅜c.

Mexican dollars—52⅜c.

Canadian dollars — Today, 1-32 per cent discount; yesterday, par; week ago, 1-32 per cent discount.

France—3.63½c.

Lire—4.03c.

London, Dec. 17.—Bar gold, per oz., 84s 10½d.

Discount rates—Short bills, 4⅞ to 5 per cent; 3-month bills, 4⅞ per cent.

HAY AND STRAW

Special to The Advertiser.

Detroit, Dec. 17.—Hay, No. 1 timothy, $24.50 to $25; standard, $23 to $23.50; No. 2 timothy, $21 to $22; No. 1 clover, mixed, $20 to $21; No. 1 clover, $20 to $21.

Wheat and oats straw, $12.50 to $13; rye straw, $13.50 to $14 per ton, in carlots.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Hay, No. 2 per ton, carlots, $14.50 to $15.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Straw, in carlots, per ton, $9 to $9.50.

How the Stock Markets Closed

New York

Reported by Jones, Easton, McCallum Company, Royal Bank Building. New York, Dec. 18—Noon.

Stocks.	Open	High	Low	Close
Allis-Chalmers	94	94	93	93
Allied Chem.	114⅛	114¼	113	113
Amer. Ice	136¾	136⅜	136½	136½
Amer. Loco.	120	120	119⅝	120
Am. C. and Fdy.	110½	110½	110	110¼
Am. Smelting	133½	134	133	133¾
Amer. Can	254	254½	251	253½
Alton	8⅛	8⅛	8	8
Am. T. and T.	143	143	143	143
Anaconda	49¾	49¾	49½	49¾
Asphalt	66½	66½	65½	66½
Atchison	130	130	129¾	129¾
Agr. Chem.	27¾	27¾	27¾	27¾
Amer. Tob.	114½	115	114¼	115
Ajax	11⅜	11⅜	11¼	11¼
Am. For. Power	43⅛	43⅛	42⅞	43⅛
B. and O.	53⅞	53⅞	53	53¼
Baldwin Loco.	122½	132½	131	131¾
Beth. Steel	47⅞	47⅞	47⅞	47⅞
Butte Sup.	14¾	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞
Bangor R. R.	48	48	48	48
Briggs Mfg.	32⅛	32¼	32⅛	32¼
Cast Iron Pipe	98	99½	98	99½
C. and O.	125¼	128⅛	127½	127⅝
Calif. Pet.	31⅝	31⅝	31¼	31¼
Cent. Leather	19	19	19	19
Cosden Co.	35⅞	35⅞	35⅛	35¼
Cons. Gas	94⅝	94⅝	94½	94⅝
Chandler	46	46	46	46
Corn Products	38⅞	39⅝	38⅞	39¼
Cons. Textile	3	3	3	3
Coca-Cola	146¾	146¾	146	146
Crucible Steel	80½	80⅝	80½	80⅝
Con. Can	85⅛	85¾	85¼	85¼
Cub. C. Sgr. p.	42¼	43⅞	42⅜	42⅜
Con. Motors	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞
Chrysler	199¾	203	195	198
Cerro Copper	61	61	60½	60½
Dodge Brothers	42	42⅜	42	42⅛
Dupont	222¼	224	222	222
Davidson Chem.	41	41	41	41
Erie com.	36⅞	36⅞	36½	36⅝
do, First	44⅝	44⅝	44½	44⅝
Eaton Axle Co.	28½	28½	28¾	28½
Fisk Tire	27⅞	27½	27⅜	27¾
Famous Players	107	107⅝	107	107⅜
Fleischmann's	157½	159	157	158½
Fisher Body	99½	100	97¼	97¼
Foundation Co.	157¾	158⅝	156½	158
General Electric	316	324⅛	316	324
Gen. Motors	114	115⅞	114⅛	115¾
Gt North, pfd	81¼	81⅞	81	81½
Gt Nor. Ore	26¼	26⅝	26¼	26⅜
Great Western	117⅝	123⅛	117⅝	121⅝
do, pfd	29¼	30⅞	28⅞	29⅜
Gulf States	91⅜	91⅜	91¾	91⅜
Goodrich	63⅜	63¾	63½	63½
Gen Petroleum	62⅜	63⅝	62¾	63⅜
Hupp Motor	26⅝	27¼	26⅝	26⅝
Harvester	127½	127½	127½	127½
Houston	70½	70½	70½	70½
Hudson Motor	101	102½	100	101⅝
Intertype	27	27	27	27
Int Paper	63½	63⅝	63⅛	63⅝
Indus Alcohol	76	77¼	75	75
Inter Nickel	44½	44½	44⅜	44⅜
Int Combustion	62¾	63⅝	62⅝	63¼
Ind Oil and Gas	32⅝	33	32⅜	32⅞
Jordon	45¼	45¼	45¼	45¼
Keystone Tire	2	2	2	2
Kennecott Cop.	54	54	54	54
Kelly-Springfield	18½	19¼	18⅜	18⅜
Lehigh Valley	88	88	86⅞	87
Lima Loco	69⅝	69⅞	69	69
Louisiana Oil	17⅞	18	17⅝	18
Louisville	143¾	143¾	143¼	143⅜
Marine, pfd	43⅛	43⅞	43½	43⅝
Miami	11⅝	11⅞	11⅜	11⅞
M. K. and T.	42	42	42	42
M Pacific	40¼	40¼	40	40
do, pfd	89¾	89⅞	89	89¼
Mack Trucks	213	214½	211¼	211½
Marland Oil	57⅜	57⅝	56⅝	57
Mother Lode	7¼	7¼	7¼	7¼
Moon Motors	1	1	1	1
Motor Wheel	30½	30½	30¼	30⅜
Motor Meter	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞
Nat Distillers	30½	31	30¼	30⅝
National Lead	165¼	165¾	165	165⅛
New Haven	46⅞	46¼	45⅝	45⅞
Nor American	53⅜	54	53⅞	54
N Pacific	77⅜	77⅞	76¾	77¼
N Y C	130¾	130¾	129⅞	130⅜
N and W	149	149¼	148½	148½
Overland, pfd	122¼	122¼	120⅞	120⅞
N Y Dock W R	29	29	29	29
Pacific Oil	62¾	64⅜	63	64⅜
Pure Oil	29	29¼	29	29⅛
Pennsylvania	54⅞	55	5N4	54
Pan-American A	75⅝	75⅞	75½	75½
do, B	77⅜	77⅝	76⅞	77⅜
Peoples Gas	118⅜	118⅜	118¼	118¼
Prod and Refin.	13½	13½	13½	13½
Penn. S. Steel	23⅜	23⅜	2	2¼
Phil Petroleum	45¼	45¼	4 5	45⅜
Pierce Pet	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼
Packard	32⅝	32⅝	32½	32¼
Pierce Arrow	25⅞	25⅞	25⅛	25⅜
Pullman Car	168½	170¼	168	169⅞
Pan and West	48	48	47⅝	47⅝
Radio	44½	44⅜	43½	44
Royal Dutch	53⅞	54	53⅝	54
Ray Con	12	12	12¼	12¼
Reading	82½	82⅜	82¼	82⅜
Iron and Steel	59	59½	58⅞	59½
Rock Island	54⅜	56⅛	54⅜	54⅞
Rubber, com	84⅝	85	83	83⅝
Reynolds Spring	9⅝	9⅝	9½	9½
Replogle Steel	14½	14½	14¼	14¼
St Louis and SW.	65½	65⅞	65¼	65⅛
Sinclair Con	20¾	21¼	20¾	21
Southern Ry	119¼	119¼	118⅜	118¾
San Francisco	100⅞	100⅞	99⅜	99½
ffSears Roebuck	228¼	228¼	228¼	228
Stromberg	79½	79¼	79¼	79½
Stan Oil, N J	43⅝	43⅝	43⅝	43⅝
St Paul	10¼	10⅝	10⅛	10
do, pfd.	19⅞	20⅝	19⅞	19⅞
Stan Oil, Calif	55⅜	56¼	55⅝	56⅛
Studebaker	55¾	56⅜	55⅝	55⅝
S Pacific	101⅞	101¾	101½	101⅝
Stewart Warner	94⅞	96¼	94⅜	95⅜
Shell Oil Corp	25⅞	25⅝	25⅛	25⅝
Skelly Oil	30¾	31	30¾	30⅞
Stan Gas and El.	57	57	57	57
Tob Products	95⅞	96½	95⅞	96⅜
Tenn Copper	14⅜	14⅜	14	14
Transcon Oil	4⅜	4⅜	4	4¼
Texas Oil	52¾	52⅞	52¼	52⅜
Tex Pac Oil	15⅝	15⅝	14⅞	14⅞
Texas Pacific	55⅝	56⅛	56⅜	56⅜
Timkens	56	56	55½	55½
United Cigar	102⅜	104	102½	102⅝
United Drug	153⅛	155	153⅛	154⅝
U Pacific	149⅞	149	149	149¼
U S Steel	134	134⅜	134⅜	134⅝
Universal Pipe	127⅞	127⅞	127⅝	127⅝
U S Distributing	47⅛	47¼	47⅛	46⅜
U S Smelting	47⅞	48½	47⅞	48¼
Vivlandon	26	26	26	26
West Maryland	17⅛	17⅜	16¼	16¼
Western Pacific	39	39	39	39
Western Union	136⅜	136⅝	135⅞	136
Wabash	42½	44⅛	43½	43⅞
Wabash A	72⅛	73¼	72½	73½
Worth Pump	45	45	45	45
Woolworth	201	202⅜	201	202⅝
Willys Overland	26⅛	26⅜	26	26
Westinghouse	74½	75⅜	74½	75⅜
White Motors	83⅜	83⅞	81⅞	82
Yellow Cab	27½	27⅞	27½	27⅞

Live Stock

Chicago, Dec. 18. — Hogs—Receipts, 25,000; good and choice, 160 to 210-pound weight largely $11.25 to $11.40; practical top, $11.50; bulk 140 to 150-pound selections, $11.40 to $11.65.

Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; fat steers weak to 25c lower; bulk downward; show stock very uneven; other classes steady; most vealers, $9.50 to $10.50.

Sheep — Receipts, 7,000; desirable lambs, $16 to $16.50; $16.75 to shippers; bulk handyweight fat ewes, $8.50 to $8.75; best yearlings, $13.25 to $14; few feeding lambs upward to $15.65.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 525; butcher grades active and steady, reactors slow.

Calves—Receipts, 1,200; active, choice, $14.50 to $15; fair to good, $14.50 to $15; culls, $7 to $12; heavy, $6 to $9; grassers, $4 to $6.

Hogs — Receipts, 4,800; slow; light hogs strong and 25c higher; best grades steady to 10c lower; heavy, $11 to $11.25; mixed, $11.25 to $11.60; yorkers, $11.70 to $12; light yorkers and pigs, $12 to $12.25; roughs, $9.25 to $9.50; stags, $6 to $8.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,800; active; lambs, $9 to $17; yearlings, $9 to $14; wethers, $10 to $10.50; ewes, $3 to $9; mixed sheep, $9 to $9.50.

COFFEE

New York, Dec. 17.—Coffee futures closed net 11 points lower to 3 points higher. Sales were estimated at 21,000 bags. Closing quotations: Dec., 16.45; Jan., 16.40; March, 16.31; May, 16.16; July, 15.90; Sept., 15.55.

Spot coffee was quiet.

Toronto

Toronto, Dec. 18.

Sales	Stocks:	High	Low	Noon
260	Atlantic Sugar	33⅛	32	33
25	do, pfd.	80½	80½	80½
10	Barcelona	95	94⅞	95
15	Bakeries, pfd.	80½	80⅜	80⅝
95	Brazilian	27	27	27
75	Brompton	59½	58½	59½
300	B. C. Fishing	141¾	141	141
11	Bell Telephone	105½	105½	105½
10	C. Bread, pfd., A.	55⅛	55⅛	55⅛
50	C. S. L., pfd.	80	78½	78½
67	City Dairy	173	172⅜	173
30	Consumers' Gas	173	172⅜	172
5	Duluth-Superior	31⅝	31⅜	31⅜
5	Duluth-Superior	135	135	135
8	Can. Canners	67⅝	67¼	67¼
15	do, pfd.	9	89	89
40	Pacific Burt	62½	..	..
95	Sales Book	94	94	94
15	do, pfd.	168½	168½	168½
51	Shredded Wheat	115	115	115
5	Steel of Can., pfd.	72	72	72
45	Twin City	148	147⅞	148
25	Winnipeg Railway	488	488	488
	Mines:			
250	McIntyre	22.00	22.00	22.00
150	Lake Shore	8.90	8.85	8.85
	Banks:			
26	Commerce	225½	225½	225½
81	Imperial	210	210	210
6	Royal	249	248	248
1	Toronto	213	213	213

STANDARD EXCHANGE

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Trading on the Standard stock and mining exchange this morning was well idistributed throughout the list, and a much stronger tone developed, both gold and silver stocks recording general advancement.

New Norrando, in the unlisted section, led the market, moving up 50c to $10.95, and closing at the top. Other gold issues to advance were Wright-Hargreaves, up 20c at $7.30; Hollinger, 10c at $17.25; while McIntyre, Vipond and Teck-Hughes all gained 5 points each.

Gains were not so large in the silvers, although Capitol led the market in point of activity. This stock reached a high of 33c, and dropped back a point at the noon close for a net gain of a point. Canadian Lorrain advanced 2c at 74c.

Reported for The Advertiser by Jones Easton, McCallum Co.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Close:

	Bid.	Ask.
Argon	15¾	16
Atlas	1¾	1⅞
Apex	2	3
Beatty	5⅝	1
Bucking	2⅜	3
Bidgood	5	6
Chapuli		7½
W Lake	16¾	17
Clifton	2⅜	2⅞
Colum	3¾	3⅞
Mines	1670	1680
DMines	1670	1680
Hunton	2	3
Goldale	31½	32¾
Holling	1715	1725
Indian	4¾	5½
Keora	13	13½
Kirkland	15	16
Moneta	15½	17
McIntv	2200	2220
Newray	37	38
Nhawk	6	7½
Por Cr	3½	6
Preston	6¾	7

NEW YORK CURB

Reported for The Advertiser by Arthur E. Moysey & Co., Toronto. New York, Dec. 18.

Industrials:	High	Low	Noon
Con. Dairy Products	6⅝	6⅜	6⅜
Continental Baking, A.	122½	122½	122½
do, B	32⅞	32⅝	32⅝
De Forest Radio	12½	12	12
Durant Motors of Delaware	12¼	12¼	12¼
Goodyear Rubber	38⅜	37	38⅛
Happiness, A	8½	8⅜	8⅜
Hollander & Son	36¼	36¼	36¼
Inter. Utilities, A.	39	39	39
do, B	7½	7½	7½
Northern Ohio	15⅞	15½	15½
Reo Motors	23⅛	12	23⅛
Swift International	22⅝	20½	20½
Thermodyne	2⅜	2⅛	2⅛
Tobacco Products	1¼	1⅛	1⅛
United Profits Sharing	13⅝	13⅜	13⅝
Mines:			
Engineers Gold	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝
Golden Center	2¾	2¾	2¾
Kay Copper	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜
Nipissing	6	6	6
Ohio Copper	78	75	78
South American Gold	5⅞	5⅝	5⅞
Teck-Hughes	2¼	2¼	2¼
Oils:			
Anglo-American	18¼	18	18
Carib Syndicate	6⅝	6½	6⅝
Hides Service	38½	38⅜	38⅜
Columbia Syndicate	F	NTs	hrdlcmf
Columbia, 2 5-16, 2½			
Continental	24⅝	24⅜	24½
Gulf Oil	86	84½	86
Humble Oil	89	88½	89
Imperial	37⅜	37⅝	37⅜
Inter. Petroleum	33½	33⅛	33⅜
Lago Petroleum	11⅞	11⅜	11⅞
Mexican Panuco	4⅞	4⅝	4⅝
Mountain Producers	25	24⅞	24⅞
Pennock	23	22	23
Prairie Oil	55¼	54⅝	54⅞
Prairie Pipe	127⅜	127	127⅜
Salt Creek Producers	33⅜	33½	33½
Standard of Indiana	66⅝	66	66
do, New York	45⅜	45	45
Vacuum Gas	108¼	108¼	108¼

ALLIED BONDS

New York, Dec. 16.

Sales.	Bonds:	High	Low	Close
10	Argentine 7s	102	101⅜	101⅜
155	do, 6s, A	96½	96¼	96⅜
7	do, 6s, B	96¼	96⅛	96⅛
49	do, 6s, June, 1959	96	95⅞	96
40	do, 6s, Oct., 1959	96	95⅝	95⅞
1	do 5s	86⅜	..	..
22	Australian 6s	97	86¾	96⅜
19	Austrian 7s	100⅝	100¼	100¼
7	Belgian 8s	107⅝	107⅜	107⅝
33	do, 7s	97⅝	95⅞	97⅜
22	do, 6½s	92½	92	92⅛
22	do, 6s	85⅝	85½	85⅝
22	Berlin 6½s	87½	87¼	87½
42	Bordeaux 6s	83¼	82½	83
18	Brazil 8s	102¾	101¾	101⅞
3	do, 7½s	105⅜	..	..
90	do, Railway 7s	90	89¾	90
9	British 5½s, 1929	117¾	117⅜	117⅜
37	do, 1937	104⅞	104¾	104¾
8	Canada 5½s, 1929	102⅜	102⅛	102⅛
1	do, 5s, 1926	100	..	..
1	do, 5s, 1951	101¾	..	..
9	do, 5s, 1952	103¼	102	103¼
232	French 8s	100⅝	100½	100½
125	do, 7½s	97½	96¾	97
303	do, 7s	89	88	88
119	German 7s	101¼	101	101¼
19	do, Agl. Bank 7s	94⅜	94⅛	94⅜
11	do, G. E. 7s	95½	95¼	95½
2	Greek 7s	86⅝	86½	86½
4	Hungarian 7½s	96½	96	96
207	Italian 7s	94⅝	..	..
68	Japanese 6½s	92⅝	92⅜	92⅞
17	do, 4s	83⅜	83⅛	83⅜
57	Lyons 6s	83¼	82½	82⅝
15	Marseilles 6s	83¼	82⅝	83¼
30	Nord Railway 6½s	79½	78¼	78⅝
54	Paris, L. & M. 7s	83¼	83	83
63	do, 6s	73⅝	73¼	73½
35	Paris-Orleans 7s	83½	82⅜	83½
25	Poland 8s	87½	87	87⅜
1	do, 6s	67¾	..	..
1	Queensland 6s	107	..	..
33	Seine 7s	85⅞	85¼	85⅞
12	Serbian 8s	91⅞	91⅝	91⅞
10	Solsson 6s	84	83	83
6	Sweden 5½s	101⅜	101½	101⅝
1	Swiss 8s	117	..	..
12	do, 5½s	103⅜	103¼	103¼

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 18.—Closing prices today were:

British 5 per cent loan	100⅝
do, 4½ per cent	94⅝
Consols for money	54⅞
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe	120
Baltimore & Ohio	92⅜
Canadian Pacific Railway	147
Chesapeake & Ohio	128¼
Chicago Great Western	12⅛
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	10¼
De Beers Mines	14
Erie Railway	38⅜
do, 1st pfd.	44⅜
Illinois Central Railway	122⅝
Louisville & Nashville	142
New York Central	130½
Norfolk & Western	148
Ontario & Western	29⅛
Pennsylvania Railway	39⅞
Rand Mines	2⅞
Reading Railway	88⅜

Montreal

Reported for The Advertiser by McDougall and Cowans. Montreal, Dec. 18.

Sales	Stocks—	Open	High	Low	Close
190	Abitibi	73½	73½	73	73
25	Asbestos	94½	94½	94½	94½
190	Atl Sugar	33	33	33	33
1	Bell Tel	145	141	141	141
80	B C Fish	59½	59½	59	59
1740	Brazilian	80⅞	80⅞	80⅛	80⅛
1865	Breweries	56⅛	56⅝	56¼	56½
135	Brompton	26½	26½	26¾	26½
188	Cement	104	104½	104	104
20	Can Car	30½	30½	30½	30½
5	Converters	92½	92½	92½	92½
5	Canners	14	14	14	14
50	Detroit U	3⅞	3⅞	3¾	3⅞
395	Dom Glass	84	84	84	84
40	Lake W M	173	176	173	176
2055	Laurentide	88	90½	88	90⅜
50	Montreal P	214⅞	214⅞	214⅞	214⅞
25	Penmans	183	185	183	183
185	Price Bros	54	55¼	54	55½
3	Quebec P	110½	110⅛	110⅛	110⅛
135	St M P	102	102	102	102
470	Shawinigan	170	170	170⅞	171¼
10	Smelters	150	150⅜	150	150¼
220	Spanish	104⅝	105	104	105
135	Steel of Can	97½	97½	97½	97½
110	Twin City	72	72	72	72
100	Wayagm'k	73	73	73	73
110	Winnipeg	47½	47½	47½	47½
10	Woods M C	42½	42½	42½	42½
10	Barcelona	30	30	30	30
250	Inter Petro.	33¼	33¼	33¼	33¼
100	Imperial Oil	37⅞	37⅞	37⅜	37⅞
170	Alcohol	17	17	16¾	16¾
	Preferred—				
165	Can St	55⅛	55⅛	55	55
3	E St, 2nd.	9	9	9	9
5	Cement	115½	115½	115½	115½
25	Belgo	96⅞	96⅞	96⅞	96⅞
20	Can Cot	95½	94	95½	95½
20	Price	95	95	95	95
75	Asbestos	114	114	114	114
5	Winnipeg	95	95	95	95
1	Steel of C	115	115	115	115
25	Sugar	80	80	80	80
50	Canners	66¾	66¾	66¾	66¾
	Banks—				
15	Commerce	225	225	225	225
10	Royal	249	249	249	249
	Bonds—				
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LONDON TO ENTERTAIN CHURCH DIGNITARIES

Five Cardinals and 50 Archbishops and Bishops Will Be Guests of Diocese.

NOTABLE FUNCTION

Formal Opening of St. Peter's Seminary, Brescia Hall and Reconstructed Cathedral.

A cardinal from the Vatican, serving as the personal representative of the Pope, several other leading dignitaries of the Roman Catholic church from European countries, who are coming to America to attend the eucharistic congress in Chicago next summer, the four American cardinals, and more than 50 archbishops and bishops from all parts of Canada and the United States will be the guests of the diocese of London next autumn at a centennial year ceremony, held to mark the formal opening of St. Peter's seminary, Brescia hall and the reconstructed St. Peter's cathedral.

Though arrangements have been well advanced during the last few weeks the first official announcement was made last evening.

The construction program which has been under way for some months will round out more than a million dollars, including the new seminary, the contract price of which is upwards of $500,000, the Ursuline Sisters' academy, known as Brescia hall, which will cost more than $400,000 when completed, and the renovation of the cathedral at a cost of $150,000.

Eucharistic Delegates.

Special committees have been named by Bishop M. F. Fallon to develop arrangements as a Catholic contribution to London's centennial year of celebration. The fact that the world eucharistic congress is to be held in Chicago next summer makes possible the attendance of numerous functionaries who will be in America for that occasion and who will be able to stop over in London without any inconvenient alteration of their plans.

It was at first believed that Cardinal Merry del Val would come to the Chicago congress as the personal representative of the pope, and because of the seniority of position that that duty would involve it was planned to have him conduct the dedicatory services at all three institutions. It is now probable that a different cardinal will be named by the pontiff for the eucharistic congress, and as a result there will be a corresponding change in the local arrangements.

The American Cardinals.

The American cardinals who are expected are Cardinals Hayes of New York, Mundelein of Chicago, O'Connell of Boston and Dougherty of Philadelphia. Cardinal Dougherty, who before his elevation was bishop of Buffalo, is a personal friend of Bishop Fallon. There will be about twenty archbishops and bishops from various parts of the United States included in a total of 50 from the entire continent.

The Canadian church dignitaries will be headed by His Excellency Pietro di Maria of Ottawa, the apostolic delegate to Canada.

Several committees have been named by his lordship to develop these arrangements including the following:

Publicity and invitations—Rev. Dean Stanley, rector of St. Peter's cathedral, and Fathers Brennan, Mahoney, O'Donnell and Ffoulkes.

Ceremonies and music—Father Forristal in charge of ceremonies and Father Brisson of music.

Billeting—Rt. Rev. Mons. M. J. Brady, Mgr. McKeon, Father McBriarty and Father Brisson.

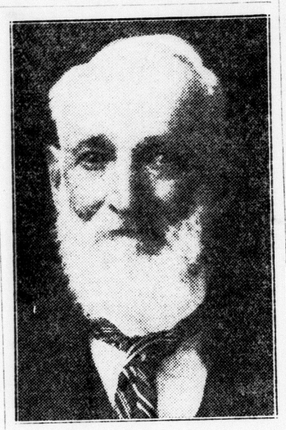
Centennial and diocesan history—Father Hubert Dignan of Chatham and Father Pocock of London.

St. Peter's Cathedral Work.

The work of completely renewing the cathedral has been carried on under the direction of Father Stanley and his assistant, Father O'Donnell, for some months, and is now well advanced. The interior art work will be completed next March, and the scaffolding may then be removed. The cathedral, as well as the educational institution, will be complete in time for the dedicatory ceremonies at the end of September or early in October.

Special stress is being laid upon the musical setting for the celebration. A new organ is being installed in the cathedral and Dr. Louis Baiogh will have charge of this phase of the services. The united choirs of the city and a boys' choir will be developed for the occasion.

Great interest has been aroused among Catholic laymen, where, it is reported, though unofficially, that invitations will be extended also to some of the notable lay personages who are to attend the Chicago eucharistic congress. These include the king and queen of the Belgians and a number of other European governmental functionaries.



LATE JOHN H. SNELL,
prominent Chatham resident, who dieu in his 82rd year. He was born in Nova Scotia, lived for a few years at Belmont, and was a resident of the Maple City for over 60 years.

UNKNOWN SLAYER BATTERS WOMAN

Montreal Man Finds Wife in House With Throat Slashed.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—After hearing the evidence of physicians and the several witnesses intimately connected with the mystery surrounding the death of Mrs. Berthe Dupois, 27 years of age, of 18 Beaubien street west, who died a few minutes after she was discovered with her throat slashed and head battered in, by her husband, Romuald Dupoi, early this morning, Coroner McMahon adjourned to the inquest this afternoon until next Wednesday morning to permit of further investigations by the police.

Mrs. Maria L'Ecuye, sister of the murdered woman, had no suspicion as to who had committed the possible murder. Her sister's life had appeared a happy one.

Dr. Derome, medical-legal expert, reported he had found four wounds on the head caused by some blunt instrument.

At the top of the throat he found a slashing wound which had severed the windpipe and all the important vessels. It had been caused by one stroke. There were no other marks of violence on the body. Death, he said, was due to loss of blood.

GOVT. WILL STILL INSPECT IMMIGRANTS TO CANADA

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Hon. Charles Stewart, acting minister of immigration, made it quite clear this evening that the government has no intention of relinquishing the right of inspecting immigrants entering Canada under the new empire agreement.

One criticism was that the rates to points in Western Canada, where, it was stated, the majority of the immigrants wished to settle, were higher than those to points in the maritimes and Quebec. In reply to this, Mr. Stewart said that the maritime provinces and Quebec had complained in the past that all the immigration went to the west. The agreement would give the eastern provinces an opportunity to secure some of the immigrants.

MAJOR A. C. LEWIS, M.L.A., PROMISED CLERK'S JOB

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—The Evening Telegram today states: "It is learned at the Parliament Buildings that Major A. C. Lewis, M.L.A., has been promised the position of clerk of the house, now held by A. H. Sydere. It is the intention of the government, before going to the country some time next year, to superannuate Mr. Sydere, who, though long past superannuation age, has been disinclined to retire. He will probably officiate as clerk of the house for the coming session."

TUBE KING DEAD.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17.—Sir George Stead mann Gibb, former managing director of the Underground Electric Railways Company of London, is dead, aged 75. He was known as the "tube king" because of his work in developing London subway system.

GUNMEN GET $15,000 IN WINNIPEG HAUL

Plucky Cashier of Liquor Store Victim of Bandits' Assault —Police Give Chase.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 17.—The Winnipeg and provincial police have joined in an organized hunt for three armed bandits who held up Thomas Nuttal, cashier of the Manitoba liquor commission today and escaped with a satchel containing approximately $12,000 in cash and $2,000 in checks. The police have a thorough description of the robbers.

The hold-up was staged shortly before noon as the cashier was about to enter an automobile, which had been commissioned to take him to the bank with the previous day's revenue. As he opened the door of the car he was approached by a man who ordered him to hand over the bag, and at the same time Nuttall was felled by a blow on the side of the head with a lead pipe.

An accomplice meanwhile "covered" the chauffeur and the office boy of the liquor commission, who were seated in the car.

With the money-bag in their possession the bandits raced across the street, where a third man was waiting to whisk them away in an automobile. Recovering from the stunning blow, Nuttal opened fire upon the fleeing thugs, but the bullets went wild. The bandits returned the fire, also without effect.

Familiarity with the banking habits of the liquor commission and the manner in which the robbery was planned and executed, has strengthened the police theory that the trio may be the same gang that held up the messenger of the Winnipeg Electric Company last August. In this daylight robbery, gunmen made a successful getaway with a $78,000 payroll.

LIBERAL NOMINATED FOR NORTH ONTARIO

Special to The Advertiser.

Beaverton, Ont., Dec. 18.—Liberals of the riding of North Ontario, today nominated George Veale, of Beaverton, as their candidate for the coming provincial election.

W. E. N. Sinclair, leader of the Liberal party in the legislature, and Nelson Parliament, Liberal organizer, and former speaker of the legislature, addressed the convention.

Within a week, three candidates have been nominated in North Ontario—T. D. Bell, Conservative; J. W. Widdifield, Progressive, and George Veale, Liberal.

TURNS DOWN BIG OFFER

Alma College Head Declines Post With Eastern College.

St. Thomas, Dec. 17.—Dr. Perry S. Dobson, principal of Alma college, was offered an attractive position as principal of one of the larger eastern colleges, but the Flower City has appealed to him as home and he remains here in spite of the fact that the other offer carried with it a much larger remuneration

HON P. LARKIN'S INCOME TAX.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Judge Denton today reserved judgment in the appeal of Hon. Peter Larkin, Canadian high commissioner in London, from a decision of the court of revision, confirming his income assessment here of $329,907. It was contended that Mr. Larkin was not now a resident of Toronto, but of England, where he received his dividend payments. The court was informed that Mr. Larkin had bought a house in London, England, and was therefore a resident of that country and not of Canada.

Ulster Strikers Get Ultimatum

Associated Press Despatch.

Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 17.—The cabinet issued an ultimatum tonight that all strikers in the ranks of the "A" special constabulary who have not returned to duty by 10 o'clock Saturday morning will be dismissed immediately without pay and pension benefits.

The men went on strike several days ago pending a satisfactory reply to their demands for a bonus for compensation because of their disbandment under the new Irish agreement.

The members of the constabulary made it known today that they were appointing four men from each platoon to meet Inspector-General Sir Charles Wickham tomorrow in Londonderry, but that they would insist upon Sir Charles being accompanied by a member of the Ulster cabinet with power to make a binding agreement.



SIR SAMUEL HOARE,
head of air ministry, who announces Britain will defer her present air defence program.

ONTARIO TOBACCO ACREAGE GROWS

18,261 Acres Produce 20,623,000 Pounds During 1925, Ottawa Reports.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Tobacco growing is gaining in favor among the farmers of Ontario. In the 1925 season 18,261 acres were devoted to this crop in Ontario as compared with 13,273 acres the previous year, and the total yield was 20,623,000 pounds against 12,435,000 pounds harvested in 1924. This year's crop in Ontario alone is larger than the total production in Canada a year ago.

Exports are also rapidly increasing. During the year ending March 31 1925, Canada's exports of leaf tobacco amounted to 3,531,422 pounds, as compared with 2,055,377 pounds in 1924, and 1,100,000 pounds in 1923. Most of these exports were to the British Isles.

According to the report of the director of the Dominion experimental farms, recently issued, the Canadian tobacco exhibited at Wembley was superior to any other at the exhibition in size, arrangement, number of types exhibited and quality of leaf.

In view of the preferential tariff on empire-grown tobacco it seems probable that the recent rapid increase in our exports of leaf tobacco to the mother country will continue and prove an incentive to increased production.

FIFTY-YEAR JEWEL IS GIVEN TO WM. GEDDES

Strathroy Oddfellows Honor Ex-Mayor—Grand Encampment Is Represented.

Special to The Advertiser.

Strathroy, Dec. 17.—Strathroy Oddfellows gathered in large numbers last evening, under the auspices of Howard lodge, No. 58, I. O. O. F., to honor one of their most respected members, Bro. William Geddes, who has just completed his fiftieth year as a member of that order.

The feature of the evening was the presentation of a fifty-year veteran jewel to ex-Mayor Geddes, the presentation being made by Rev. J. W. Hibbert of London, the grand senior warden of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, who complimented Bro. Geddes and stated that he hoped to have the pleasure of presenting him with a 75-year veteran jewel.

Banquet at Gray's.

After a short session of the lodge, all present adjourned to Gray's restaurant where a sumptuous banquet had been prepared, Bro. Dr. Berdan acting as master of ceremonies.

Dr. Berdan mentioned several humorous episodes which occurred when he was D.D.G.M. of Strathroy district many years ago. He then proposed a toast to the grand lodge, which was responded to by Rev. J. W. Hibbert of London. Rev. Hibbert briefly portrayed the personnel of the grand lodge officers, and called attention to the splendid work and principles of the order, and concluded by calling attention to the higher degrees of Oddfellowship.

The toast to Strathroy District, No. 6, I. O. O. F., was fittingly responded to by Bro. R. Waltham, P.D.D.G.M., of Kerwood, and Bro. S. C. Reycraft, D. D.G.M., of Watford.

The toast to the visitors was responded to by Bro. H. S. Crowe, district deputy grand patriarch, of London, and Bro. Fred H. James, P.G., of London.

Interest is Revived.

Bro. Crowe called attention to the encampment branch of the order, and pointed out the remarkable revival of interest in this branch of the work that was taking place throughout the province, and he hoped that Strathroy would take the place it was entitled to in this work.

Bros. Fred Avery and M. McKellar of Strathroy announced that Fidelity Encampment, No. 4, had secured a large class of candidates and were holding a special meeting on Monday, Jan. 11, when teams from Kerwood and London would confer the degrees.

Visitors were present from Kerwood, Watford, Newbury, London, Mount Brydges and Melbourne.

UTILITIES COMMISSION IS DINED BY CHAIRMAN

Special to The Advertiser.

Exeter, Dec. 17.—J. R. Hind, chairman of the utilities commission, entertained the members of the commission, the staff, auditor, and their wives at a banquet at the Rex cafe. A program of music and addresses was given, with H. E. Hueston acting as chairman. The radio loaned by W. J. Beer contributed to the evening's entertainment.

Mr. Hind was presented with a fountain pen.

On Tuesday evening, at the close of the last council meeting, Clerk Jos. Senior treated the members of the council, the auditor and chairman and secretary of the utilities commission to an oyster supper at the Rex cafe. Several addresses were given.

EARNINGS INCREASED ON C. P. R. AND C. N. R.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—The gross earnings of the Canadian National Railways for the week ending Dec. 14 were $3,457,953, an increase of $848,189, or 15 per cent over the same period of 1924.

Canadian Pacific Railway earnings, week ending Dec. 14, were $4,526,000; increase, $1,039,000.

New Lamp Burns 94% Air

Beats Electric or Gas

A new oil lamp that gives an amazingly brilliant, soft, white light, even better than gas or electricity, has been tested by the U. S. government and 35 leading universities and found to be superior to 10 ordinary oil lamps. It burns without odor, smoke or noise—no pumping up; is simple, clean, safe. Burns 94 per cent air and 6 per cent common kerosene (coal oil).

The inventor, F. E. Johnson, 246 Craig street west, Montreal, is offering to send a lamp on 10 days' FREE trial, or even to give one FREE to the first user in each locality who will help him introduce it. Write him today for full particulars. Also ask him to explain how you can get the agency, and without experience or —Advt.

MUKDEN CITY OCCUPIED BY TROOPS FROM JAPAN

City of Arsenals and Stores—Rival Chinese Armies Fight in the Neighborhood—Position of Japan Said To Be Seriously Compromised.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 17. — The Daily Mail announces that Japanese troops have occupied Mukden. The Mail's information comes from its Tokio correspondent, who announced that the Japanese troops took possession of Mukden Wednesday, notwithstanding the indignant protests of Chang Tso-Lin.

A later despatch to the Mail says: "The city was virtually taken over by the Japanese under an order that forbids the entry of any armed force."

The order also prohibits any acts of hostility within six miles of the Japanese railway from Chang Chun to Dalny, a distance of about 500 miles. The railway passes Mukden at a distance of about three miles.

The Japanese action is a sequel to the request of foreign consul renewed on Monday, that Japan protect her nationals and the consulates at Mukden.

City Contains Arsenals.

The city contains Chang Tso Lin's stores and arsenals. Marshal Chang, who has recently been operating with his army southwest of Mukden, will be notified that he will not be allowed to return to the capital, where his headquarters is located, unless he comes as a complete victor.

General Kuo Sung-Ling, ally of General Feng Yu-Hsiang, head of the national people's army, has also been informed that he will not be permitted to pursue Chang toward Mukden if his entry into the city would be likely to involve fighting.

The rival Chinese forces are heavily engaged at Hsain-Min-Fu, a short distance west of Mukden. Subordinate Chinese officers of the various armies are in telephonic communication across the battlefield, seeking a means to induce their commanders to reach a peaceful compromise.

A Shanghai despatch of Dec. 16 reported Japan's position in Manchuria as seriously compromised by the action of General Kuo Sung-Ling who as General Feng Yu-Hsiang's ally, ordered Marshal Chang Tso-Lin to quit Mukden.

Senational, Yes. Most Extraordinary Bargains will be offered at

BANKRUPT STOCK SALE

175 DUNDAS STREET

Mr. F. T. Harris has given us instructions to sell out his WHOLESALE STOCK. We are grouping the stock in the store with balance of the other merchandise. We have opened up some WONDERFUL SURPRISES for the cautious buyers. COME AGAIN this week-end, see the array of money savers.

N. A. Kelly Sales Co., Head Office, Toronto, Ont.

Do Your Christmas Gift Shopping Here

A REAL BUY
CUPS AND SAUCERS
Folks, these Cups and Saucers should bring more cash. For quick clearance they will be sold, complete for **14c**
For each Cup and Saucer.

DOLLS
Large size, well dressed. See these. A real money-saver. All will go for **74c**

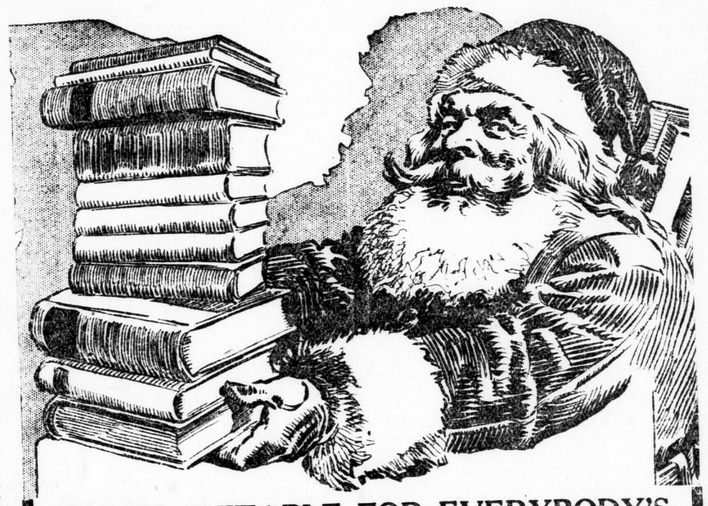
FROM THE WHOLESALE STOCK
ANIMALS OF ALL KINDS
Good size. Reg 75c will be sold **49c**

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS
Strong, good weight, red or green rope, now 10 yards for **10c**
Tinsel Garlands 6 yards for **24c**

THE BEST BOOK VALUE IN CANADA
437 Books in this lot, values up to $2 each: all will be sold for 2 Books for **$1.48**

MORE SCHOOL BAGS
89 only will be sold **49c**
Come early for these.

WRITING TABLETS
Reg. 10c, will be sold 2 for **11c**
100 Marbles will be sold for **6c**



BOOKS SUITABLE FOR EVERYBODY'S GIFT-GIVING

BOOKS FOR THE CHILDREN
Lot 1 go for .... **5c** Lot 2 go for **2** for **15c**
BOOKS FOR THE CHILDREN
19c, 28c, 59c
Real values.

Children's Testaments **23c**
Children's Holy Bible, genuine value, makes a real gift **44c**

BIRTHDAY BOOKS
Lot 1 goes for **28c**
Lot 2 goes for **48c**

BOOKS
For All—A Real Gift
Lot 1 goes for **39c**
Lot 2 goes for **79c**
Lot 3 goes for **97c**
Lot 4 goes for **$1.44**
Lot 5 goes for **$1.94**

HOLY BIBLE
For Adults
This is a Sensible Gift
47 only of these will be sold for **94c**

FOUNTAIN PENS
Self-fillers, self-cleaning. A better Pen at a low price will be sold. Come and see these **49c**

MORE GAMES
287 games, assorted. Values to 74c will be sold .. **19c**

LEAD PENCILS
A genuine 5c Lead Pencil, with rubber. A real buy. All will be sold less than wholesale cost Dozen **28c**

A genuine high-class stock of Books, Stationery, Toys, Leather Goods, Glassware, Office Supplies, School Supplies and China will be sold for what they will bring.
This enormous stock must be sold, and sold at once. Come EARLY Save real cash. Shop with confidence at

F. T. HARRIS
175 DUNDAS ST.

ENVELOPES
More of these Linen Envelopes, reg. 10c package, will be sold 2 for **11c**

HIGH-GRADE
WRITING TABLETS
Assorted sizes and qualities. Values in this lot up to 40c each. Enough for all. Will be sold 2 for **31c**

THOUSANDS OF NEW BARGAINS AWAIT YOU HERE. COME EARLY

ENVELOPES AND WRITING PAPER
In neat Fancy Christmas Boxes; exceptional quality. Reg. 50c value. 1389 boxes will be sold each **23c**

A REAL BUY
Correspondence Cards and Envelopes in magnificent boxes. 780 boxes will be sold **33c**

See The Large Table
with hundreds of articles. All will be sold for 49c
Don't miss this great opportunity.

EVERSHARP PENCILS
Another large assortment will be sold for **44c**

ENVELOPES
Fancy Holly Envelopes will be sold 1 Dozen for **10c**

LARGEST SIZE MAMA DOLLS
Regular value $7.50. All will go for $3.48. These Dolls are Genuine Mama Dolls. They walk, talk, sleep: fully dressed with good quality silk and satin dresses, etc. Have real hair. 21 only go on sale Firday for less than cost **$3.48**

GAMES
Of All Kinds
19c, 23c, 49c

Make 175 Dundas Street Your Headquarters for Christmas Gift Shopping

NOVELTY CHINA
Twelve different assortments, 1,420 pieces. All must be sold. Each piece **14c**

BLOTTER PORTFOLIO
Just from England, with 1926 Calendar. See these, 50c values each. All will be sold **2** for **48c**
These will make an excellent Christmas Gift

F. T. HARRIS

175 DUNDAS STREET — OPEN EVERY EVENING

WILL CHRISTMAS EVE FIND YOU PREPARED?—USE STOP AN' SHOP

AMUSEMENTS

ARENA

Hockey League Opening

GALT vs LONDON

Wedn'day, Dec. 23

8:30 p.m.

Admission .... 75c to $1.25

Seats on Sale today: Strong's Drug Store, National Bowling Academy, and Arena.

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This Afternoon and Night

BAND AT NIGHT

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GRAND BURLESQUE

Today, Tomorrow

2:15 — TWICE DAILY — 8:15

A Rip-Roaring Zipper!

'INNOCENT MAIDS'

with the Captivating

JESSIE RECE

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An excellent cast of burlesquers and beauty chorus of

20 Cute, Little, Innocent Maidens 20

EXTRA—Charleston Contest Open To All, Tonight

Matinees— 25c, 50c | Ladies' Daily Bargain Matinee 25c

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LOEW'S

It's Loew's Greater Movie Season.

— NOW PLAYING —

Elinor Glyn never wrote a romance more thrilling, more crowded with fire and passion.

Eleanor Boardman

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"THE ONLY THING"

3 Acts of Loew's VAUDEVILLE

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More Beautiful, More Gorgeously Gowned Than Ever!

Gloria Swanson

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"COLD TURKEY"

HARRY CARTER

Capitol Singing Usher.

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MEETINGS

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the ONTARIO COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS' ASSOCIATION will be held in their rooms 301 Dominion Savings Building, London, on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 3 p.m.

General business and report of election for 1926 officers and directors.

62u GEO. T. HAIR, Secretary.

REGULAR meeting Kilwinning Lodge, A. F. and A. M., No. 61, G. R. C., will be held in the lodge rooms, Queen's Ave., tonight (Friday). General business, degrees. W. G. Doldge, W. M.; Whit. Lancaster, Sec.

FINANCIAL

ARE YOU PAYING MORE THAN 6½% INTEREST ON YOUR MORTGAGE? If you are see BERT WEIR or any of his associates, and let us arrange to pay off your old mortgage and put on a new one at 6½. Perhaps you need more money. We can let you have it. We do not charge you a commission. BERT WEIR. Phone 6260. 156½ Dundas.

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MALE HELP WANTED

BARBER wanted. Apply 254 Richmond.

FOREMAN for bindery; man with all-round experience, capable of directing work in large loose-leaf company. Please state age, experience, references and salary when replying. Box 1, Advertiser.

WAITERS—Experienced in club service; three hours evenings. Call Friday, 7 p.m., Grill Room, Dundas Building, 175 Dundas.

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COOK-GENERAL—Early in January, family of 3 adults, 2 maids employed. Call evenings, 298 Dufferin Ave. Mrs. George G. McCormick.

DINING-ROOM GIRL for St. Joseph's Hospital.

GENERAL MAID—Experienced, for two adults, references required. Apply evenings, 18 Southgate St. Phone 8735W.

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MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN, desiring to take charge of 5-room cottage and 1½-year-old baby, references required, small wages. Phone, evenings, 9843W.

WAITRESSES—Experienced in high-class table service. Call Friday, 8 p.m., Grill Room, Dundas Building, 175 Dundas.

WANTED—At once, reliable nurse girl, one who will appreciate good home; high wages. Apply 246 Dundas St.

WANTED—Competent girl for general housework on farm. Wages $10 per week. House has gas, hot and cold water, etc. Pleasant home. Address Box 22, Chatham.

WANTED—Men and women to earn $5 to $15 weekly in spare time at home. No canvassing. Regular pay checks. Write Auto Knitter Hosiery Company, Toronto, Dept. 12C.

WOMAN to do general housework. Apply 274 Maitland.

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WANTED—Two teachers for S. S. No. 6, McGillivray, senior and junior, to teach in one-roomed school, duties to commence Jan. 4. Apply, stating salary, experience and qualifications to Mrs. L. Amos, secretary, Ailsa Craig, Ont.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Gold fountain pen, Thursday evening, probably between King and York, Maitland St. Return to M. H. Erickson, Victoria Hospital Nurses' Home.

LOST—Parcel, containing lady's red sport sweater, lost between corner of Talbot and York and two miles west of Lambeth. Please leave at Advertiser office or forward to William Warren, Longwood, and expenses will be paid. Reward.

PURSE—Containing $25, key, etc., lost, on Normal car or downtown. Reward at Advertiser or phone 5030J.

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FARMERS, ATTENTION! We repair all makes of implements. Superior Machinery Company, Ltd., next Tecumseh House, York St.

FEATHER pillows and mattresses renovated at Hunt & Sons, 592 Richmond St. Phone 5927J.

HAVE your chairs, couches, etc., sent to 89 Wharncliffe Rd. to be upholstered. Phone R. H. Pugh, 3654.

SLATE ROOFING — Our specialty is slate blackboard. J. Whittaker, 591 King St.

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WIRE for us and we'll wire for you. Bowley Electric. London phone 2202. St. Thomas phone 1867.

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ARTHUR MOULD—Roofing contractor. Phone 7891W. Asphalt and gravel roofs, asphalt shingles, expert repairs.

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DON'T HESITATE, but send for H. R. Dixon, the plumber, 309 Cheapside. Tel. 1747W.

LET US attend to your plumbing and steamfitting; all work guaranteed. Allen & Pope, 153 Chesley. Phones 2293W and 7839M.

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DOMINION PRINTERS—Superior work guaranteed. O. H. Boyce, 119 Dundas street.

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WM. C. BENSON, C.A., resident partner, Oscar Hudson & Co., chartered accountants, trustees liquidators, etc. 213 Dominion Savings Building.

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DYEING—For a rush order entrust your work to the Parisian Laundry, dyers and cleaners. 71-75 Dundas St. Phone 558, 559.

FUNERAL FLOWERS

FUNERAL DESIGNS — Cut flowers, plants at popular prices; expert designers Gammage, 207 Dundas. Ph. 636

BORN, MARRIED, DIED

DIED.

BOWLES—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. George A. Love, on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1925, at Springfield, Ont., Caroline Wilkins, relict of the late William Bowles, in her 75th year.

Funeral will be held on Saturday at 1 p.m. from the residence. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

HALL—At Fort Qu Appelle, Sask., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, Jane Hall, wife of Dr. Hall, M.D., and daughter of the late Robert and Elizabeth Webster.

Funeral from the residence of her brother, N. J. Webster, 790 Wellington St., Saturday, Dec 19. Service at 2:30 p.m. Interment at Webster Cemetery.

NEWHOUSE—At the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Douglas Allison, 496 Dorinda St., on Friday, Dec. 18, 1925, Elizabeth Audrey, widow of the late Matthew Newhouse, late of Liverpool, England.

Funeral notice later.

STEELE—At Victoria Hospital, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1925, Russell, beloved husband of Gertrude Steele, aged 35 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 571 Hill St., on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

WHITE—At Victoria Hospital, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1925, Annie, eldest daughter of the late George White.

Funeral private, from her late residence, 881 Dundas St., on Friday, Dec. 18, at 2:30 p.m. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

WILKINSON—Suddenly, at Outremont, Montreal, Dec. 15, 1925, John Alexandra Wilkinson, beloved husband of Georgina Seymour MacIntosh.

Funeral Friday Dec. 18, from 268 Piccadilly St. at 3:30 p.m.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—Red rug brick house on Ridout street south, in best location. Price reasonable, small payment down and easy terms. Good reasons for selling. Eight rooms, and all modern conveniences; garage; electric fire in front room downstairs; all hardwood floors. Reply to Box N43, Advertiser.

NEW STUCCO COTTAGE, modern except furnace, owner will consider good used car as first payment, possession at once. J. C. Patterson, 359 Richmond.

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100 ACRES, Middlesex County, some bush and orchard, 2-story brick house, barn 30x90, cement foundation and floors, silo, implement shed, hog-pen, henhouse, 1 mile from church and school and store. Look this over, at $7,000, $1,000 cash. Write us about your farm wants. We have a fine list of farms. Frank D. Balnard, Moore Building. Phone 7041W or 5483W.

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CHEAPSIDE S.—Rug brick cottage, 3 bedrooms, oak floors, stationary tubs, completely modern. Phone 1660.

DESIRABLE steam-heated offices or furnished offices, also desk-room in modern office building; reasonable rent. Apply E. W. Moore, Moore Building, King and Talbot Sts.

DUFFERIN Ave., 319—Fully modern, 8-room house, newly decorated. Apply 381 Dufferin. Phone 2644.

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ROOMS TO LET

TALBOT ST., 505—Two comfortable rooms with board, at reasonable rates. Phone 8406.

TWO or three heated housekeeping rooms, telephone, gas, electric light Apply 355½ Clarence.

ROOM AND BOARD

ROOM and board wanted by young married couple with two children for period of eight or nine months, must be respectable family. Address reply, Mr. A. Watson, 259 Earl St., Kingston, Ontario.

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TOBACCO, cigars, candy, magazines with daily papers, in a good district of London. Sydney Smythe, Market Lane.

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ASSIST the Salvation Army to help the needy. We will call for your cast-off clothing, papers, etc Phone 4009.

DR. M. W. EDGAR—Nervous, circulatory and organic diseases permanently cured by electro-therapeutics. 546 Richmond. Phone 3841M.

EXPERT marcelling, etc. Phone 1899J. Dorothy Beauty Shop, Room 8, Orth Building, Dundas and Clarence.

FOR Christmas, see our stock of suitable gifts. Gifthoim, 381 Maitland St. Phone 8874.

GEORGE BOYD—Shoe stores will be open evenings to accommodate foot patients. 156 King St. Phone 220J. 219 Dundas St. Phone 7533W.

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HILES, Dr. Le Roy V., specialist in all foot ailments. 202 Dundas. Phone 7308.

I WILL not be responsible for any debts contracted in my name after this date. J. H. Sharman.

JOE DEAN—Cleaner, presser and repairer, 434 Clarence St. Tel. 4225J.

LADIES' tailoring and dressmaking, quality. V. Williams & Co., 627 Dundas St. Phone 7749. Open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday evenings.

LEVITT, M. J. (successor to Henry Edwards)—Cancers cured with plasters. Advice free. 390 Ridout St. Phone 2666.

LOOK YOUR BEST—Permanent wave, $15 and $20. Grey Beauty Shop, 221½ Dundas St. Telephone 2632W. Mrs. Daughtery, Mrs. Eady.

MARINELLO system for faces, scalps, chiropody, removal of superfluous hair permanently. Miss Beattie, Talbot and Fullarton. Phone 3027W.

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PLAIN sewing and dressmaking done neatly and with despatch at reasonable prices at 591 Grey St.

WEAKWELL HOSIERY—Silk and silk and wool. Irish Linen Shop, corner Huron and Richmond Sts. Tel. 7862J.

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ANTHRACITE, chestnut and pea, $16; Cannel, $14; Pocahontas, $14; Solvay Coke, $15; Domestic, $10.50. McInnis. Phone 3029J.

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NEW VETERINARY SURGEON—Rice, Dr. J. M., post-graduate, London, England. Diseases of dogs and pet animals a speciality. Office and hospital, 97 Wharncliffe Rd. S. Phone 2551.

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"STOP AN' SHOP" SUGGESTIONS

FOR THE KIDDIES

BATTERY CHARGERS—Does away with the uncertain reception caused by weak or rundown batteries. An ideal Christmas gift. Radio Sales Company, 207 Dundas St.

DEVELOP your kiddies' ears for music. Get them a ukulele, they will love it. W. McPhillips, Limited, 238 Dundas St. Phone 1026.

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PLAYER ROLLS—Hear "Jingle Bells," and "Peter Rabbit." Illustrated rolls. Gerhard Heintzman, Limited, 222 Dundas street.

BE SURE that this will be a Happy Christmas for them by protecting them with an accident and sickness policy on yourself. Frank Balnard, insurance, Moore Bldg. Phone 7041W.

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TOYS of all kinds. See them at McEwen's Yarn Shop, 501½ Richmond St.

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ELECTRIC TRAINS for the boys. Complete from $8.75 up. The Hydro Shop.

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1-2 p.m.—Garde Wigley's trio, market reports, weather forecasts.
7-7:15 p.m.—Uncle Dudley.
7:15-8:15 p.m.—University of Western Ontario glee club.
11 p.m. to 2 a.m.—Canadian Joy-Givers' club.

CFCA, TORONTO—356.
6:15—Talk by Santa Claus.

CFCF, MONTREAL—411.
12:45-1:40—Mount Royal orchestra.
7:00-7:30—English and French bedtime stories.
7:30-9:00—Orchestra.
10:30-11:30—Sleepy hall orchestra.

CKAC, MONTREAL—411.
1:45—Luncheon concert.
7:05—Children's talks.

CFAC, CALGARY—435.8.
9:00—Salon broadcast.

CNRA, MONCTON—291.1.
7:00—Stories and markets.
8:00—Arsenault's Old Timers.
10:00—CNRA orchestra.

CNRT, TORONTO—356.9.
6:30—Romanelli's orchestra.
9:00—Christmas music.
11:00—Romanelli's orchestra.

CNRE, EDMONTON—435.8.
9:30—Children's half hour.
10:30—Newsboys band.

CNRV, VANCOUVER, B.C.—291.1.
11:30—Studio program.
1:30—Dance program.

KDKA, EAST PITTSBURG—309.1.
6:30—Dinner concert.
8:15—Girls glee club.
9:00—Special entertainment.

KFAB, LINCOLN, NEB.—340.8.
6:20; Santa; dinner music.
9:30—Gala musical program.

KFI, LOS ANGELES—467.
8:30—Matinee and features.
11:00—Organ recital.
12:00—Special program.
1:00—Vickers artists.

KFKX, HASTINGS—288.3.
6:30—Program from KDKA.
10:00—Studio program.

KGO, OAKLAND—361.2.
8:30—Girls' half hour.
9:00—Dinner concert.

KGW, PORTLAND—491.5.
9:00—Dinner concert.
12:00—Concert.
1:30—Hoot Owls.

KHJ, LOS ANGELES—405.2.
9:00—Stories and music.
10:30—Santa Fe Trail series.
11:00—Concert program.
1:00—Hickman's orchestra.

KOA, DENVER—322.4.
8:30—Tillotson's orchestra.
9:30—Sunday school lesson.
10:00—Sterling (Col.) night.

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11:00—Palace orchestra.

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8:00—Musical program.

KTHS, HOT SPRINGS—374.8.
10:00—New Arlington orchestra.
10:40—Organ recital.
11:00—Serenaders.

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10:00—Musical program.
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7:00—Dinner music from KDKA.
8:05—Stories and concert.
10:00—Concert program.
1:00—Midnight revue.
2:00—Insomnia club.

WAHG, RICHMOND HILL—315.6.
7:30—Maude Mason, pianist.
8:00—Organ recital. Alexander McCurdy, Morristown, N.J.
9:00—Studio musical program.
11:05—Utopia dance orchestra.

WBAL, BALTIMORE—374.8.
9:00—Studio musical p[illegible] m.

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7:00—Dinner music.
8:30—Concert.
10:30—Concert.

WBAV, COLUMBUS—293.9.
8:00—Concert program.

WBZ, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—333.1.
6:20—KDKA little symphony.
7:30—Ralph Greenleaf, tenor.
8:00—McEnelly's orchestra.
8:30—Musical program.
9:00—Christmas carol program.

WCAE, PITTSBURG—461.3.
6:30—William Penn orchestra.
7:30—Children's period.
8:30—Pleasant Valley orchestra.

WCAP, WASHINGTON—468.5.
7:00—Markets; science talk.
7:30—Music, including trio.
10:00—Wardman Park orchestra.

WCCO, MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL—416.4.
7:15—Bliey's orchestra.
8:45—Farm lecture; health talk.
9:15—Musical program.
11:05—Frank's orchestra.

WDAF, KANSAS CITY—365.6.
7:00—School of the air.
9:00—Olathe (Kans.) program.
12:45—Nighthawk frolic.

WEAF, NEW YORK—491.5.
6:00—Waldorf orchestra.
7:00—Santa Claus; Hobgoblin.
8:00—Jones and Hare.
8:36—Trio and entertainers.
10:00—Studio musicale.
11:00—Dance music.

WEAR, CLEVELAND—389.4.
7:00—Warmack syncopators.
8:00—Kindergarten; talks.
9:00—RTL program; melody hour.
11:00—Bradley players.

WEEI, BOSTON—348.6.
6:45—Big Brother; music.
8:00—Musical programs.
9:00—Radio skit; entertainers.
10:00—Holmes' orchestra.

WFAA, DALLAS—475.9.
7:30—Crandall municipal band.
9:30—Studio musical program.

WFBG, A...TOONA—277.8.
7:30—Stories; Uncle Walt.
8:30—German night.
11:15—Happy hour.

WGHP, DETROIT—270.
10:00—Skylark dance band.

WGN, CHICAGO—370.2.
6:30—Skeezix; dinner music.
9:00—Classic hour.
11:00—Jazz scamper.

WGR, BUFFALO—319.0.
6:30—Yankee Six orchestra.
9:00—Wingers entertainers.
9:30—Albright concert.
10:30—Humorists.
11:00—Statler orchestra.

WGY, SCHENECTADY—379.5.
6:30—Santa Claus.
7:00—Dinner music; talk.
8:15—Cosmo Hamilton's drama, The Mother Woman.
10:30—WGY orchestra.

WHAD, MILWAUKEE—275.
7:00—Markets; organ recital.
9:30—Theatre revue.

WHO, DES MOINES—526.0.
8:30—Ladies' quartet.
9:00—Grand Junction band.
12:00—Dance program.

WJAR, PROVIDENCE—305.9.
7:30—Talk; Beethoven quartet.
8:20—Talk; Jolly Bakers.
9:00—Musical program.
11:00—Biltmore orchestra.

WJR, DETROIT—516.9.
7:00—Petite symphony.
8:00—Special presentation.

WJY, NEW YORK—405.2.
7:30—Abrams' orchestra.
8:30—Studio features.
9:30—Freund's trio.

WJZ, NEW YORK—454.3.
6:30—University of the air.
7:00—Levitow's orchestra.
8:15—Estey organ recital.
9:00—To be announced.
10:30—Lorraine orchestra.

WLIT, PHILADELPHIA—394.5.
7:30—Dream Daddy; talk.
8:15—Studio concert.
10:00—Morning Glory club.

WLS, CHICAGO—344.6.
7:30—Organ recital; lullaby.
9:00—RFD program.
10:00—Musical program.
11:40—Ford and Glenn time.

WMAQ, CHICAGO—447.5.
6:00—Stories; organ recital.
7:00—Altar league, etc.
8:00—Musical lecture.
9:30—Concert and lectures.

WMBF, MIAMI BEACH—384.4.
7:00—Dinner concert.
10:00—Dance program.

WMC, MEMPHIS—499.7.
8:15—Bedtime stories.
9:30—Musical program.
12:00—Midnight frolic.

WNAC, BOSTON—260.3.
6:00—Krazy Kat; dinner dance.
8:00—Musical program.

WNYC, NEW YORK—526.
6:10—Markets; piano recital.
6:30—French lessons.
8:00—Neuman's recital talk.
8:30—Child Study association.
10:10—Talk; alarms; recital.

WOAW, OMAHA—526.
7:00—Sandman; music review.
7:45—Brandeis orchestra.
10:00—DeLuxe program.
11:30—Hodek Nightingales.

WOC, DAVENPORT—483.6.
6:45—Chimes; sandman.
9:00—Barnell Shuler, organ.
10:00—"Around the World."

WOO, PHILADELPHIA—508.2.
7:30—Ritz Carlton orchestra.
8:00—"Sweetheart program."
8:15—WOO orchestra.
9:25—Fox theatre program.
10:00—Organ recital.
10:30—Ritz Carlton orchestra.

WOR, NEWARK—405.2.
6:15—Santa Claus; sports.
6:37—Stories; dinner music.

WOS, JEFFERSON CITY—440.9.
9:00—Talk; piano solos.

WPG, ATLANTIC CITY—299.8.
6:45—Organ recital.
7:00—Morton Trio.
8:00—Talk; concert program.
9:00—Traymore orchestra.
10:00—Nichols' orchestra.
11:00—Jean Weiner, organist.

WSB, ATLANTIC—428.3.
9:00—Concert.
11:45—Miniature symphony.

WSM, NASHVILLE—282.8.
7:30—Smith's orchestra.
8:00—Bedtime story.
9:00—Franklin (Tenn.) night.
11:00—Optimist club program.

WTAG, WORCESTER—367.7.
7:15—Stories; stocks.
8:00—Travel talk; concert.

WTIC, HARTFORD, CONN.—475.9.
6:30—Young people's half-hour.
7:00—Hotel Bond trio.
7:30—Mrs. Armstrong, soprano.
8:00—Annual Carol concert.
10:00—Bal Tabarin orchestra.
11:30—Popular half-hour.

WWJ, DETROIT—352.7.
6:00—Dinner concert.
8:00—News orchestra.
9:00—Dance program.

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After-Supper Story

A Short Story Complete in This Issue.

MARIA PEAK.

Christine opened her eyes. The first thing she realized beyond the facts that morning light was in the room and her head ached wildly was that Maria Peak was coming toward her bed with a breakfast tray.

"Oh, I can't eat a mouthful," objected Christine.

Maria Peak continued to advance with the tray. She sat down upon the bed and held the tray in her lap.

"I guess you need your tea first," she said and filled the dainty cup from an equally dainty teapot. Delicately she submitted cream and sugar. By that time Christine had decided she could drink her tea.

Maria Peak went on quietly pouring cream on the cereal, sugaring the half dozen big strawberries on the tiny glass plate, buttering crisp fingers of toast. Christine accepted a spoonful of the cereal, a bit of the toast. She let Maria's fingers pop a strawberry into her mouth. She was in short, eating her breakfast.

"But for you I shouldn't have eaten a thing," she said.

Maria Peak smiled. She was a tall, straight-figured woman with iron-gray hair, almost white at the temples. She had dark eyes with a strong nose and chin. Strength, indeed, was part and parcel of her—the quiet strength than which nothing is more effective.

Christine was plump and fair and about half Maria's age. She had the wonderful throat and bosom of a singer. Within her throat was a voice that had already brought her some money and more fame awaited her if she could go on.

"Maria," Christine said, "I'm so tired this morning that my very soul aches. It was dreadfully hard last evening. And I didn't sing as I should. I know it. I am falling off."

"I lay awake for hours last night thinking about that concert and—and other things. Maria, I have decided not to sign a contract for next season."

Still Maria did not answer or lift her eyes.

"Maria," Christine said earnestly. "I know only too well what befalls a singer who fails to please her public. Such a little push and you're off the pedestal forever, for there's always somebody, younger, more gifted perhaps, to take your place." She sighed. "I suppose that's true," agreed Maria Peak.

"The really wise singers do not wait to be pushed off. They make a final bow and step off by themselves. I am going to do that."

"But you are only 32," said Maria.

"Thirty-two is old for some things—for love, for instance."

"Love!" said Maria and she looked at Christine.

"Love, Maria, belongs to youth. And no man will wait forever. As for marriage and art—they are an impossible combination, especially when the man belongs to the business world. That's a world quite apart from the world of art, Maria."

"I suppose that's true," assented Maria again.

"I have decided to step down gracefully—and marry Vernon Dale," said Christine.

Maria closed her dark eyes, but opened them again quickly. Persons do this sometimes when they suffer acute pain.

"I'm going to accept him this afternoon," went on Christine.

"Do you love him?" asked Maria.

Christine laughed. "Why I don't know. He loves me. He is rich. I shall have a fine position. And I shall be an incomparable wife."

"It won't do."

"It will do perfectly. I am going to try it anyway. And I shall always have you my dear, tried, true Maria." She suddenly clasped Maria's hand.

Maria sighed. "I suppose you'll be married soon?"

"Why, there's no need to wait. I should say in a fortnight. Mr. Dale is a very impatient man, but I'm sure he will give me a fortnight to get things packed here."

"A fortnight!" Maria had another far-away look. "Then I may as well give notice. I shall have to leave your service when you leave this apartment."

Christine jumped up in bed.

"Maria Peak! What do you mean? Leave me! Why, you've been my very best friend since my mother died, and before that—for thirty years! Leave me!"

"I'm getting on in years, my dear," Maria said, "and my sister offers me a home."

"But, Maria, do you think more of your sister than of me?" Maria's lips twitched. "How can I live without you?"

"You'll have your husband."

"He won't be you."

Maria's head drooped.

"Maria, dear, tell me, are you going to leave me because you dislike Mr. Dale? You are! You are! That's absurd in you, Maria Peak. You've no reason for dislike. You must be jealous. There's no reason why I shouldn't have both my husband and you. Why, I love you, Maria. And you love me. You must stay with me.

Maria's face showed heavy gray lines. She arose with the tray in her hands.

"When you are ready to dress, ring," she said merely, and left the room.

Christine lay back among her pillows, flushed and deeply disturbed. She new that Maria would go in spite of all she could do or say.

"It must be she dislikes Mr. Dale," Christine thought. "Or else she is jealous. It must be something serious, for otherwise she would never think of leaving me. How shall I live without her? But I have made up my mind to marry Dale. He thinks my voice is breaking, and he will love me whether it does or not. A man's love is a wonderful possession. And yet a woman's love—a love like Maria's that has lasted thirty years!"

Tears came and Christine sobbed into her pillow. The first great problem of her life invited all the struggle of which she was capable. Man's love or woman's love! There was everything in Maria's favor, for Maria's love was tried, and besides, Christine loved her faithful old servant as she had perhaps never loved anyone in her life except her mother.

It was an hour before she rang for Maria, who came and helped her dress. Her mail waited, and she glanced through it. The papers were coldly polite once they had been rapturous in their praise of her. She must step off soon, or her pedestal would crumble under her.

Lunch time came and afterward she went to ride with Maria by her side. They passed another car, from which a man looked out at them eagerly. He was thin, handsome, dark.

"Oh, there's Vernon!" Christine exclaimed. She turned and glanced at Maria, but Maria gave no sign.

He came soon after they reached home. Maria brought his card. Then as Christine arose to go to him, Maria suddenly lost a little of her restraint and kissed the girl she had mothered so long.

An hour later Christine sought Maria. Maria was darning a pair of Christine's stockings. Not that Christine had to economize on stockings, or anything else for that matter. It was only that Maria liked always to be busy at some service for her beloved.

"Maria," said Christine very softly, "you are going to stay with me. I have refused Mr. Dale."

Maria went white and swayed. Christine knelt down and put both arms about her.

"And I'm going on with my career," added Christine.

The following winter Christine was more lauded than ever, and perhaps she was happier than ever.

"Vernon Dale must have been wrong," she told Maria. "He was continually pressing upon me the likelihood of my failure. I think it affected me somewhat. The woman he married does not look very happy. And I can sing, can't I, Maria?"

Maria smiled.

"You can sing, you will sing for many years, like an angel," she cried.

Christine laughed.

"You have such faith in me," she said. "Sometimes I think you opposed my marrying Vernon simply because you wanted me to go on with my career."

Maria Peak was silent.

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COAL STRIKE MAY CONTINUE UNTIL 1927, LEWIS DECLARES

Head of Miners Says Situation Has Developed Into State of Siege Which Will Continue Until One Side or Other Breaks—Men Will Fight Until End.

Associated Press Despatch.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—The anthracite strike has developed into a state of siege, John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, tonight told the Philadelphia real estate board. He added that the operators "and the financial interests behind them" were prepared to spend a billion dollars to crush the mine workers' union, and that the miners had no alternative than to accept the challenge to a finish fight.

"Knowing the operators' plans," said Mr. Lewis, "the United Mine Workers' of America is now organizing the defence of the anthracite workers in expectation of a continuance of the present struggle to the fall of 1926 or the spring of 1927. Funds will be provided so that the hungry will be fed and the naked will be clothed. This statement does not constitute a threat; far from it. It is simply an expression of the unconquerable spirit of the men who labor in the collieries of the anthracite industry. Some well-meaning people bemoan the fact that there will be suffering and sacrifice. Let them carry such tales to the ears of the money-grabbing financiers, who sit in the counting-houses and plot the enslavement of the workers in a great industry.

"The mine workers know that never in history in any struggle for a great principle did there fail to be suffering and sacrifice. They are prepared to pay the price of their own defence, and they know they are fighting, not alone for themselves, but for the future of their children and the uplift of our American social standards."

TIE FUNNEL IN PLACE WHEN WAVES BATTER SHIP

Special to The Advertiser.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 17.—With her funnel tied into place, the steampipes and stack fittings and her sea ladder carried away, the British steamer Artemisia, which sailed from Vancouver last Saturday for Shanghai with a cargo of 7,000 tons of wheat, arrived in port this morning.

LIONS ARE PLANNING BOOSTER GATHERING

Arrangements Complete For Meeting to Which Many Cities Are Invited.

Arrangements have been completed for the staging of the outstanding event of Lionism in Canada by the local club, to take place at the Tecumseh house Friday night, Jan. 8. Plans for the coming event were disclosed at the Lions' weekly dinner held last night.

Invitations have been extended to all clubs in Western Ontario as well as Eastern Ontario and parts of Quebec. Among the places that will be represented are Strathroy, Stratford, St. Thomas, Tillsonburg, Windsor, Goderich, Wingham, Seaforth, Hamilton, Toronto, Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Welland, North Bay, Montreal and Quebec, as well as clubs from Detroit and Buffalo.

The gathering will take the form of a boosters' night and Melvin Jones, of Ottawa, secretary-general of the Lions International, will be the principal speaker. Harry A. Newman, immediate past president of the International Lions, of Toronto, will also speak, as well as the district governor of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, John W. Arnett of Ottawa, and Dr. Irvine Wiley of Windsor, district governor of Southwestern Ontario.

A conference has been planned for in the afternoon, where Mr. Jones and the two district governors will meet the representatives of the different districts and discuss the work of the Lions.

A special program has been prepared and the Orient club minstrel show 10-piece orchestra under Selby Shaw, will provide the music.

Practically the whole of last night's gathering was taken up with discussion of the event.

President J. G. Gillanders acted as chairman.

PRIZE BEEF IS SOLD.

The prize baby beef, winner at the Royal Winter Fair and exhibited by the Swift Canadian Packing Company, has been sold to T. J. Redman, 87 Wellington street. The carcass weighs 606 pounds.

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UNANIMOUS CHOICES

Special to The Advertiser.

Alvinston, Dec. 17.—Candidates for both the federal and provincial houses were picked today by the East Lambton U. F. O. in convention here.

For the legislature, Leslie W. Oke, present provincial member, was again chosen, while Burt W. Fansher was picked to redeem the riding in the next dominion election. Both were picked by unanimous vote.

As the first convention in a Western Ontario riding since the U. F. O. meeting in Toronto voted to resume political activities, some interest attached to its interpretation of the Toronto resolution, which this afternoon was endorsed unanimously, on motion of Mr. Gilroy. Gist of the views expressed by speakers today was the support that will be welcomed from urban electors in accord with the United Farmers' platform. It was made plain, however, that the organization desires none but farmer candidates and leaders.

Mrs. Darville, who presented the amendment adopted at Toronto last week, urging nomination of U. F. O. candidates and providing for a provincial committee to co-ordinate political activities, said today:

On Broadening Out.

"In reference to that footnote in our resolution—no broadening out—that is not a slap in the faces of our town friends. There is nothing in the constitution or platform that prevents sympathizers with our movement in the villages and towns voting with us, but it does prevent us going to the towns and villages and picking up professional men to represent us in rural communities. We have no quarrel with our friends in the towns, and as mover of that resolution I take this opportunity of saying so. We want with us all our friends in the towns. What is to our interests must be to their interests. Where would these small villages be if it were not for the farming community round about? We have no animosity toward them, but some of them have toward us. They don't all come with us, as the returns for the last federal election show.

"Our present member sitting at Toronto has ever fought that broadening-out policy. He has stayed where he stood when elected in 1919. He was sent down by the U. F. O. and stayed U. F. O. and I consider it would be a direct slap in his face if we gave him any opposition today, in view of the action taken in Toronto last week. He is one of the few men who would not deviate from U. F. O. principles—and I am not throwing him any bouquets—he didn't do any more than he was sent down there to do." (Laughter).

Mrs. Darville did not concur entirely in the position outlined by Silas Smale, whose address of withdrawal preceded hers.

"With one thing in the resolution put through in Toronto I do not agree," said Mr. Smale, "and that is that we want nothing to do with the man who is not a U. F. O.—not a farmer. I believe that every man who thinks you are on the right track and is willing to help you should be given the privilege. It is not necessary that he should get into the organization and control it. If he does, that is your fault. There is not enough of the independent element to control your organization if you are alive, and I question whether in the last contest the farmers of East Lambton were as much alive as they were given credit for. Had they been as much alive as was thought, Burt Fansher would have been elected."

Liberals Attacked.

The action of East Lambton Liberals in placing a candidate in the field last October came in for passing reference, chiefly from Mr. Smale.

"I want to take a slam," he said "at the Liberals of East Lambton. They call themselves Liberals, and yet transgressed every principle of Liberalism by bringing out a candidate when they knew as well as they knew they were alive there was not a ghost of a show of them winning. (Applause.) But if they could just beat the farmer they had their object accomplished. I will ask the rankest Conservative here today, or former Conservative, if that is Liberal principles as he understands them. Look at Petrolia. For the sake of a few paltry dollars they sacrificed what they call their party principles, and they know it. That is the kind of party politics we tried to get away from when the U. F. O. was organized."

A. E. Vance, of Alvinston, presided over the gathering, which was far beyond the seating accommodation of Code's hall. In addition to the addresses of the nominees, H. A. Gilroy spoke of the co-operative organization and the position of the Farmers Sun; Mr. Wight of Thedford, made some explanations regarding co-operative stock, and at the close of the meeting R. J. Webster, former M. L. A. for West Lambton, was called upon. J. C. Harris was mover of a vote of thanks to Mrs. Darville for the "good common sense" she used in moving the resolution at Toronto which put the U. F. O. back into politics.

Convention Watched.

"Perhaps there are more people watching this convention this afternoon than ever watched a convention in East Lambton before," said H. A. Gilroy. "There is a good deal at stake. I am glad to know the leaders of this movement have got together and there will be no more divided counsels. It is due in no small measure to the actions taken on some of these movements by those who represented you in East Lambton. They have got together at the top; let us stick together at the bottom and there is nothing surer than that we will go on and make the voice of organized agriculture felt in the business and political affairs of this province."

Mr. Oke, in accepting the nomination, criticized the Ferguson government in regard to redistribution and the O. T. A. amendments, and also charged extravagant administration.

With respect to the O. T. A. amendments the member said the government had displeased both "wets" and temperance people with the "4.4" beer.

"I don't know what that is going to mean in an election," he said. "I have reasons as a public man to judge with a lot of salt what the temperance people as a body will do. I have reason to believe that the wet forces are not satisfied, and are going to bring all possible pressure to bear on the government in power to make their liquors a little more stronger. I think there is going to be something happen this session, and I want to say this in all earnestness: I have never as a citizen nor a public man had the privilege of voting for the Ontario temperance act or local option or any other matter, but what I have voted in favor of the temperance question. In the house I have voted for the temperance interests and intend to in the future. I believe in following the dictates of the people as expressed particularly at the polls, and claim the present government did not. I do not know what this is going to mean to the temperance people; it should mean something.

"We have a big majority Conservative government at Toronto. It looks to me as if they were in a position to do very nearly what they like. What they will do I cannot just tell. But what should be done, I say that every temperance person in East Lambton and Ontario should sacrifice political partisan feeling and vote according to their conscience on the temperance question, because it is the most moral question we have ever been confronted with as electors."

Fansher Speaks

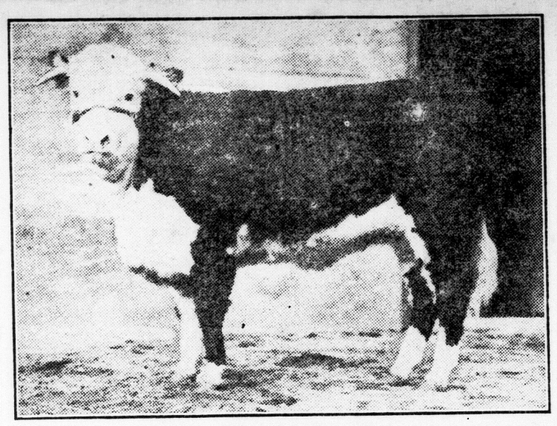
Mr. Fansher sized up the Progressive group in the new parliament as holding the "key position." He predicted that there would be more members after the next election standing by the cause than there are now.

"The Progressives hold the balance of power," he said, "and a very ticklish situation exists at Ottawa. We are without a daily press. Whatever our representatives do at Ottawa, I believe they do it from the standpoint of what they think is right in the interests of the country, but it will be played up by the partisan press, and it will make us believe almost that their action is the reverse of what it really it. I know that from experience. We are just recently over an election. There will be a speech from the throne and no doubt it will contain a lot of promises. There will be a division on it, maybe, and maybe not. They may await some good opportunity when they think they can nail our movement and put it out of existence forever. To my mind I think the old parties will have to get down to business and give us some good, fundamental legislation if they hold the reins of power, no matter which side they are.

Mr. Fansher said the cry had gone out to get rid of the third party and back to the two-party system.

"The politicians who decry the farmers' movement," he said, "are simply trying to kill the goose that lays the golden egg, and if they tax agriculture to death, as they have been doing, and decreasing rural population, they are simply decreasing the purchasing power of their customers and destroying their own home market.

Mr. Oke was also proposed for the dominion nomination, but withdrew. There were five named for the next provincial contest, only Mr. Oke allowing his name to stand. B. W. Fansher, ex-M. P.; Harry A. Gilroy, of Alvinston, president of the U. F. O. Co-operative; Silas Smale, of Wyoming and Mrs. John Darville, of Alvinston, withdrew. Mrs. Darville intimating that she might some time later accept the federal nomination, for which she was proposed on a previous occasion.



CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZEWINNER.

Hereford steer, 12 months old, bred and reared by J. E. Harris, of Kingsville. The animal captured first place and reserve championship at Royal Winter Fair; first and grand championship at Peninsular Winter Fair; first in calf competition at London, and firsts at Guelph and the C. N. E.

Following the Chatham exhibit, the animal was bought by John Anderson, of London, at 25 cents per pound, live weight, to be sold to his Christmas trade.

City Portraits Parked In Attic

Oil Paintings of Former Mayors Plead For Place in Public Eye.

On the top floor of the city hall, neglected and forgotten by all but the sergeant-at-arms, are the oil paintings of 22 of London's former mayors. Covered with dust and their faces turned to the walls, these city solons of other days commune with themselves and point out to each other how they would have solved the street railway problem long ago.

They miss the wise counsels of ex-Mayor E. T. Essery, whose painting has been brushed up and with newly-gilded frame hangs in the public library for the time being.

"These young fellows of 1926 need the inspiration of our presence," rumbled one painting this morning. "They'd better put $50 or $60 in the estimates for 1926 to fix us up and gild our frames a little. We ought to be gracing the walls of the council chambers instead of being parked away on the top floor in a dark corner. If they ever build a new city hall in this place, we will have to insist that we get a place of honor."

COURT BRIGHTON ELECTS OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

At the regular meeting of Court Brighton, 6507, A. O. F., held Tuesday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: C.R., Bro. F. Ware; S.C.R., Bro. H. J. Gramlich; treasurer, Bro. F. Dunn; secretary, Bro. C. Finchamp; S.W., Bro. D. Wood; J.W., Bro. W. Brazier; S.B., Bro. R. Howie; J.B., Bro. L. Griffin; trustees, Bros. W. J. Orchard, L. Hessel and A. E. White; auditors, Bros. Fitchett, Young and Mansbridge; surgeon, Bro. Dr. A. Thompson. Bro. A. Woonton, a member of the executive council, congratulated the court on its efficiency and gave some interesting information on the general progress of the order.

SEEK SETTLEMENT FOR HOUSING BILLS

Architect and Solicitor Demand Payment of Old Accounts From City.

Payment of the sum of $1,349.04 to H. C. McBride, local architect, for work done in the erection of houses on Garfield avenue and the Pine Lawn subdivision will be ratified by the housing commission at its meeting on Dec. 28, providing the city solicitor, T. G. Meredith, finds that this bill should be paid.

Another account, which involves a bill for some $750 for legal services rendered the commission by G. N. Weekes, was laid over. In the meantime Commissioner R. H. Hessel and the city solicitor will go over the matter thoroughly in an effort to reach some decision in the matter.

An unusual feature in connection with this case is that, because of the fact that Mr. Weekes' appointment was never ratified by the city council, the housing commission is not legally bound to pay him anything, if they so desire. However, the commissioners believe there is a moral obligation to pay Mr. Weekes. There is some uncertainty regarding available funds. The only way to secure payment is to have the sum included in the council estimates for next year, as pointed out by Ald. Frank McKay last night.

Mayor G. A. Wenige explained to the commissioners that there had been no real necessity for employing Mr. Weekes in the first place, stating that forms for transfer of property and so forth were on hand, and that such could easily be carried out without legal assistance.

An account for $600 for work done during 1924 was paid to Mr. Weekes early this year. Shortly after this Mr. Weekes was informed by the commission that his services were no longer required, but he continued on the ground that there were several outstanding matters that should be cleaned up before he quit.

The McBride case was different, however, as Mr. McBride had been officially appointed as architect to the commission. The reason for the delay in paying his account, it was explained, was owing to the fact that in 1922, when defects were found to exist in houses erected on the Pine Lawn survey, payment of all accounts were held up until the defects were remedied. These were mainly in the roofs of the residences, and were subsequently made right by the contracting firm after a special board of arbitration had ordered such action.

In stating his case to the commission, Mr. McBride brought forth the fact that there had been no complaints over the homes constructed on Garfield avenue. He said the contractors who built them were paid in full as far back as 1921, but that his accocunt of $525 for making the plans for these had not yet been made.

Mr. McBride had placed the matter in the hands of his solicitors, but it is apparent now that the matter will be definitely settled at the Dec. 28 meeting of the commission, thus obviating any court action.

I.O.O.F. IS TO ENTERTAIN KIDDIES OF ORPHANS' HOME

The kiddies of the Protestant Orphans' home are being entertained this evening at a Christmas tree concert by the I.O.O.F. Rev. J. H. Slimon, pastor of the Adelaide street Baptist church will be the chairman. The members of the Rebekah lodge are in charge of the arrangements, and they have disclosed their intention to have the London Canton No. 1, under the direction of Capt. S. Craw, escort Santa Claus from the Alma block car, Richmond and King streets, to the Ritz Pleasure Gardens, corner of Dundas and Clarence streets, at 7:15 o'clock.

Capt. Hunt will give selections on an ordinary handsaw and the Ernie Harris novelty orchestra will furnish the music for the event. The feature of the evening, however, will be the part of the program given by the children. Several prominent members of the order will be there to help entertain the little people.

DEATH OF MRS. NEWHOUSE.

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Newhouse, widow of Matthew Newhouse of Liverpool, England, occurred this morning at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Douglas Allison, 496 Dorinda street, this city.

Mrs. Newhouse is survived by five sons, Samuel and Thomas of Birkenhead, England; John William of Callao, Peru; Joseph of Owen Sound and Charles of Detroit; four daughters, Mrs. C. Stevenson, Liverpool; Mrs. D. Carrington, Calgary, and Mrs. D. Allison and Mrs. S. Bowyer of London, and one brother, Joseph Barnes of Liverpool.

Frederick, the youngest son of the deceased, was killed on the first day of the first battle of Mons in the fall of 1914. His mother received a special decoration awarded to the men of the British army who died during the first three months of the war. Besides this she had several other medals which her son had won.

WATER RATES MAY UNDERGO REVISION

P. U. C. Members Express Regret at Retirement of Philip Pocock.

Instruction was given to Manager E. V. Buchanan by the public utilities commission at its last regular meeting of the year yesterday afternoon to prepare a full report on the question of water rates. The commission, in accordance with its promise when the existing rates were struck a year ago, will consider this report and make what changes are deemed necessary, whether the revision be downward or upward.

Chairman Jared Vining and the other members of the commission took occasion to feelingly express their personal regret concerning the retirement of Philip Pocock at the close of the year after having rendered signal service as a member of the commission for sixteen years.

Discussion of the water rates arose out of consideration of the eleven months' financial statement presented by the manager, showing a surplus of $15,310 for the year, which, however, does not take care of about $6,000 for capital expenditure, for which no debentures were issued, or for the deficit of $16,000 last year.

"When we struck the existing rates it was distinctly understood that they were only to be temporary," said Mr. Vining, "because we could not at that time judge exactly the effect the metering of the system would have on our revenue, and I believe that we should have a full report from Mr. Buchanan on the situation so that we can deal with the question of rates early in the new year. When we get the auditor's statement we will have had a complete year's revenue from the rates now in effect, and we will be able to see what we can do toward striking a definite and permanent water rate."

Mr. Buchanan pointed out that the surplus had been secured chiefly by the reduction of $18,000 in operating expenses, and not from any large increase in revenue. The manager advised making use of some of the surplus to care for incidental capital expenditures, rather than issue debentures for all expenditures in that connection.

Mr. Pocock drew attention to the fact that the revenue from water rates went up only $10,000 for this year, during which period more than 500 new services have been installed. Mr. Pocock urged that the commission fix the rates so as to have a "margin of safety" for depreciation on the commission's investment of over $2,000,000 in its system.

The financial statement in the electrical department for eleven months showed a surplus of $27,822, as compared with $12,222 for the same period last year.

Mr. Pocock Retires.

"I am a good Londoner," declared Philip Pocock in his valedictory, "and my heart is still in London. With me there is no bitterness concerning my defeat at the polls and if at any time my services as a private citizen can be of any benefit to this commission, you can readily count on me because I am a good public ownership man. I would like to see Thames park made an ideal athletic park and I would like to see the dam built at Springbank, and I believe that the cost of the dam can be pretty well taken care of by funds secured from amusement and concessions that can be installed at the park. I am sure that I wish the utilities commission every success and that the commission will go on and prosper in the future, even more so than it has in the past."

"I regret the fact that this is the last meeting Mr. Pocock will attend as a member of this commission for at least a year," began Mr. Vining. "I can't say how much I have appreciated his advice and assistance, especially during my term as chairman of the commission. Mr. Pocock devoted his time to the interests of the commission without stint. His great business ability and training were ever and always exercised in the best interests of the citizens. Mr. Pocock's retirement means that the city has lost a valuable servant and I hope that sometime he will again become a member of the commission."

T. W. McFarland observed that he came on the commission nine years ago as "a boy" and that he had always looked upon Mr. Pocock as "a father confessor" and that as such he had never failed.

Mr. Webster's Tribute.

R. J. Webster pointed out that he had had an opportunity to observe Mr. Pocock's "sterling qualities" not only on the commission but also on the playgrounds commission, where, "though a lot of the work does not come to the front," he had spent "no end of time in fostering ideas to help develop child life in the city and in which connection his advice had always been sound and sane because he had never plunged into spending the city's money until he saw that good value was going to come back to the city."

Mr. Pocock said that he had always been "enthusiastic and cared only for the interests of the city as a whole." Reviewing briefly the progress made by the commission during the period that he had been a member of the commission, Mr. Pocock said that at the time he first became a member "the commission did not cut much ice."

"As I retire from the commission," said Mr. Pocock, "I would like to say that Mr. Buchanan is not only in name but in reality the general manager of this commission. I want to compliment him upon his efficiency; he has proven an excellent appointment. He has good judgment, he is absolutely honest, and the commission can act on his judgment and opinions without much question.

"Of course I regret very much severing personal connections with you gentlemen as members of the commission," concluded Mr. Pocock, "but I have no other regrets concerning my work because I have always had the interests of the city at heart and then, too, perhaps the citizens have really done me a kindness in leaving me at home."

FUNDS OF REVOLUTION AWARDED TO FREE STATE

Associated Press Despatch.

Dublin, Dec. 17.—The Free State supreme court has awarded Dail funds to the amount of $10,000 to the Free State trustees in succession to the Republican trustees. The court holds that with the conclusion of the Anglo-Irish treaty the Saorstate government became absolutely entitled to all property and assets of the revolutionary government.

SUPPORT CHANGES FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Committee Proposals of Trustee Cairncross Recommended to 1926 Board.

Board of education committee proposals, launched by Trustee A. R. Cairncross, were endorsed at yesterday afternoon's session of the board. The only dissenting votes were those of Chairman S. F. Lawrason, Trustee Mrs. J. I. A. Hunt and Trustee J. B. Wright. The board approved Mr. Cairncross's motion to add a public school and a collegiate institute committee to the executive and advisory vocational committee employed this year, the approval taking the form of a recommendation to next year's board.

Since Trustee-elect William Martin, interviewed by The Advertiser last night, indicated his intention to support Mr. Cairncross's plan, there is little chance of Mr. Lawrason securing sufficient supporters to defeat the motion when the new board is constituted.

Supports Brittain System.

The rock upon which the discussion split square down the middle was the question of the Brittain administration system, and whether or not Mr. Cairncross's plan departed from that system. The vice-chairman and those who supported him contended that it did not, while the chairman and his supporters contended just as strongly that it did.

Though the question was not in the vice-chairman's motion at all, it seemed to be apparent in the discussion that almost every member of the board favors reducing the number of trustees from twelve to either five or seven. But the difficulty was gotten around by inserting the clause that the new committees will be used only until such time as the provincial department of education grants permission for the reduced board.

Mr. Cairncross emphasized the point, and he was not challenged on it, that adding the two committees will not in any sense depart from "the centralized control" which was the basis of the Brittain survey, and the basis of the system under which the board is operating at the present time.

Intimating that, had he been a member of the executive committee this year, he would have made more explanations to the board than did the members of that committee, Trustee George F. Copeland, chairman of the advisory vocational committee, declared that had he thought the system under which the board was now working was like "the laws of the Medes and Persians, and could not be changed," he would not have supported it at all in the first place.

Stop Late Sessions.

"The wrangling and chewing of the rag that we had this year over some of the executive committee reports was nauseating," asserted Mr. Copeland, "and it was a nuisance staying here all night over bubbles that, when pricked, burst, and there was nothing to them. Under this new scheme the executive committee will be backed up by the opinion of committees specializing in the public school and collegiate institute departments, which this year have not had any say, as has the technical school, with a committee of its own, except through the executive committee. This new system will not prejudice the securing of the reduced board, so why oppose a little plan that will iron out our difficulties and have the board's business go along more smoothly?"

Trustee Mrs. J. A. Rose asked Mr. Lawrason if all the members of the board had been on the executive committee this year, would the board's affairs have run better. But the chairman evaded a direct answer by saying that an executive committee of five would be better than four, as is the case this year.

Mrs. Rose expressed her disapproval of the smaller board, and declared that the trustees themselves had no right to reduce the size of the board—that the question should be referred to the citizens.

"We have been trying this year to copy a part of the Brittain report which we can't possibly copy," stated Trustee Dr. J. T. Bowman, "because of the fact that we have not got the board of five or seven members recommended by Dr. Brittain as the fundamental basis of his report."

Support was accorded Mrs. Rose's motion to permit salary increases only at the beginning of the calendar year, unless the employee changes his or her position in the board's employ.

LONDON REPRESENTED AT INDUSTRIAL FAIR

Four Firms Exhibiting at White City, London and Birmingham Aerodrome.

The forthcoming British industries fair, which will be held at the White City, London, and at the Castle Bromwich aerodrome, Birmingham, from February 15 to 26 next, should establish a record attendance of buyers from all parts of the world, for every possible step has been taken to secure their attendance.

London, Ontario, will be well represented, as already four local manufacturing firms have laid plans to exhibit there, and it is expected that more local concerns will follow suit.

Over 50,000 invitations have been sent out to buyers. Prospects of a good attendance are greatly enhanced by the special travelling facilities which have just been conceded by the railway companies.

By arrangement between the railways and the department of overseas trade, holders of the official invitation card to the fair will be entitled to their return fare from any part of the United Kingdom at the cost of a single fare and one-third. There will be none of the usual limitations as to trains or times.

London is to be represented at the fair. All interested may obtain information from the chamber of commerce.

RIFF AVIATORS HONORED.

Special to The Advertiser.

Paris, Dec. 17.—At the court of honor of the Palais des Invalides not far from Napoleon's tomb, in the presence of a large number of Frenchmen and Americans, Majors Pollock and Sussen and Lieut. Cousins, all members of the Sheriffian squadron commanded by Col. Charles Sweeney, were awarded today the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

BLAME UNPLACED AT INQUEST, GATES URGED FOR CROSSING

Witnesses Differ On Speed of Fast Train That Brought Death to Howard Clark—Say Whistle and Bell Warnings Sounded—Sixteen Witnesses Testify.

An open verdict was returned by a coroner's jury meeting at the police station last night to investigate the death of Howard Clark, killed on December 1, when an auto in which he was riding was struck by a C. P. R. flier at the St. George street crossing.

The jury made no comment upon the cause of the accident. A recommendation was attached to the verdict that gates be erected at the St. George street crossing of the C. P. R.

Sixteen witnesses testified before Coroner Dr. Cameron Wilson. Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd had charge of the inquest.

Among the witnesses were Cyril Hayes, driver of the smashed motor car, and Harry Trace, engineer of the Chicago-Montreal flier, due in London daily at 1:15 p.m., which crashed into Hayes' car as it mounted the St. George street tracks.

Although almost all witnesses were unanimous in their belief that the engine both rang its bell and sounded its whistle before approaching the crossing, there was a difference of opinion regarding the speed which it travelled as it entered the London yard limit. Some witnesses said it travelled at from fifteen to twenty miles per hour and others that it was going as fast as 35 miles per hour.

Drove Onto Tracks.

In telling his story of the accident, Cyril Hayes said he drove his car onto the crossing after he had looked both to right and left for an approaching train. He was travelling 20 miles an hour.

"I heard no sound," he said. "The windows of my car were closed. I looked along the tracks to the west and saw that all was clear. Then I glanced to the right and saw a yard engine. My view to the west was somewhat obstructed by the building of the Yocum-Faust Company and some box cars which stood on a side track. There was nothing to indicate that the train was approaching. I slackened speed to take the ordinary precaution in crossing a railroad track. Suddenly I saw the engine loom up beside me and after that I remember nothing until I raised myself on my elbow from my position on the ground where I had been thrown."

Says Bell Ringing.

James Lawrence of Windsor, fireman of the engine, said he was positive the automatic bell on the engine was ringing near the crossing. Looking from the left window of the engine, he could see the motor car approach the crossing. After the impact he shouted to the engineer, realizing that an accident had occurred, but he was powerless to bring the train to a halt.

Several eyewitnesses of the accident told their version of the story and declared Hayes drove his car at an approximated speed of 20 miles an hour, while the engine crossed the intersection at a rate of 30 or 33 miles an hour.

The witnesses included Robert McDougal, Toronto, conductor; Dr. S. M. Fisher, who attended Clark, and Dr. S. Bean, who performed a post-mortem; John McIntyre, 964 Dufferin avenue, fireman of a yard engine; William W. Routledge, 585 Oxford street, engineer of a yard engine; J. Larkin, 728 Adelaide street; Alex. Torney, gateman at the Richmond street intersection; J. J. Robinson, an eyewitness; Herbert Mansel, 1048 Adelaide street; Roy Sutherland, 9 Audrey avenue, who testified to the speed of both motor car and engine at the crossing; George Scott, 148 Anne street, who gave similar evidence; Fred T. Gill, Anne street, and Harvey White, Oxford park, who declared the train did not whistle or ring.

SHOW IN NEW ZEALAND

London Exhibitors Hear of Splendid Patronage at Auckland.

London exhibitors at the New Zealand and South Seas exhibition at Auckland, N. Z., have received word of the successful splendid patronage at the Canadian section. The opening day of the exhibition brought an attendance of 46,000. The Sherlock-Manning Piano and Organ Company and the McClary Manufacturing Company are exhibiting at Auckland this year.

BOILERMARKERS MEET.

The regular monthly meeting of the local boilermakers' union will be held in the Labor Temple at 8 o'clock this evening for the discussion of general business and consideration of plans for the activities of the coming year.

COMMISSION ASKS UNIFIED TREASURY

Rev. D. C. MacGregor Reports On New United Church Board Decisions.

Rev. D. C. MacGregor, D.D., St. Andrew's United church, who is a member of the general council commission on "permanent organization of finance and related branches of the work," has just returned to the city from a sitting of that commission.

"There are four commissions considering United church problems at the present time," observed Dr. MacGregor, "there being commissions on benevolent funds, publishing interests and colleges of higher education, in addition to the commission on financial matters.

"Two decisions have been made by the four commissions thus far, first that the United church will follow the unified treasury system followed by the former Presbyterian church so successfully, and second that there will be four boards, including the foreign missions, home missions, religious education, and social service and evangelism boards. While these departments will have their own officials, they will draw their funds from a common treasury for the whole church."

Rev. S. D. Chown, D.D., Toronto, superintendent of the former Methodist church, has been acting as chairman of all four commissions, which have been considering the church's problems from three angles: Examination of the working methods of the various departments in the uniting churches; study of the reorganizations effected in recent years by churches in other countries; and a survey of the actual magnitude and variety of the work to be done by the boards.

The four commissions, which have been meeting separately thus far, will hold a joint meeting in the near future with a view to co-ordinating their work and to eliminate overlapping, preparatory to submitting their joint report to the council at its next meeting in Montreal this coming summer.

Rev. J. W. Hibbert, Wellington street church, is also a member of the permanent organization commission, while E. E. Reid and William Heaman are members of the commission on benevolent funds.

SULPHUR ADVANCES.

New York, Dec. 17.—Sulphur has advanced to $17 a ton at the mines owing to lessened output attendant on the abandoning of the Louisiana mines and a reduction of surplus stocks in dealers' hands.

Oh Boy! C.C.M.'s!!!

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Sweetie's Seven Bairnies Give Jock Drunk Excuse

Philosophy of Komoka Romeo Brings Fine and Advice From Magistrate—Came Too Late To Marry Old Sweetheart, So Jock Courted Daughter of the Vine.

Jock sought solace for his marital disappointments in whiskey, powerful whiskey as Scotch as his name. All the way from Komoka he came yesterday to marry an old sweetheart. Instead he got drunk, so drunk that he staggered along the streets and into the arms of a policeman.

"What's the cause of your downfall?" asked Magistrate Graydon in court this morning, a time which Jock had anticipated would be the morning of his honeymoon. Jock slowly rose to answer.

"I came to London yesterday to get married," he repeated half happily, half sorrowfully. "She was an old sweetheart—but I found out she had seven children since I last saw her. So I went out and got drunk; what else could I do?"

Mr. Graydon was sympathetic. Even the court room spectators tittered with interest at Jock's plight and Jock's escape.

"You did the proper thing," said the court. "Ten dollars and costs."

As an astute lawyer as well as a discerning magistrate, Mr. Graydon gave legal advice on the side, and quietly told Jock to go back to Komoka before his sweetheart sued him for breach of promise.

WANT ARTIFICIAL SILK TICKETED

Advertising and Sales Club To Ask Merchants To Make Distinction.

To prevent any possibility of citizens purchasing artificial silk in the belief that it is real silk the local Advertising and Sales club has formed plans for co-operation with the merchants of the city in a movement to have all stores handling these goods take measures to clearly show the difference between the two types of cloth.

It is explained that artificial silk is fabricated from wood by a special process, while on the other hand the only source of real silk is the silkworm.

The artificial, to the uninitiated, is hardly distinguishable from real silk. There have been cases, it is said, where an article was marked to sell for about one-quarter the cost of a similar article made of real silk. This, of course, would appear a rare bargain to any person who was unaware of the fact that the cheaper article was not what he thought it was.

It is the intention of the Advertising and Sales club to request each dealer handling both these kinds of fabrics represent the artificial silk as such and the real silk for what it really is.

There have been no complaints from citizens, but it is felt, officials of the club state, that such may occur unless some definite plan of differentiating the two is brought into effect.

BRIDGE SURVEY BEGINS AT ONCE

No Dismantling of the Ridout Structure Until May.

A survey of the grounds and approach to the Ridout street bridge will be completed tomorrow by the city engineer's department, City Engineer Near stated today.

"It's a 'skew' bridge," said the engineer, "and, therefore, an accurate survey is more complicated and takes longer than if the bridge was on a straight angle with the river."

Mr. Near stated that the next step to be considered was whether plans for the new bridge would be made in his office or called for on a competitive basis. This would be a decision to be made by No. 2 committee of the 1826 council.

The engineer declared that there would be no dismantling of the present structure until the steel for the new bridge arrived, some time about May 1st.

UNCERTAINTY THRILLS IN RIDING OVER BRIDGE

Motorists With Ambition To Enjoy Christmas Advised To Go Slowly.

There is a delightful uncertainty about "speeding" more than five miles an hour over the Ridout street bridge. There are no police officers stationed at the bridge to keep a fatherly eye on traffic for their boss, Chief Birrell, but there is no telling when they may bob up and summon half a dozen motorists to the Carling street domicile of law and order.

Large signs have been erected by the city engineer's department regarding the speed of vehicles over the bridge and the consequences that are bound to follow if the law is ignored.

If motorists are really anxious to have a merry Christmas they are advised to obey the traffic law and slow down while trundling over the ancient structure that spans the south branch of the Thames at Ridout street.

NOW COMPLETELY BLIND AS RESULT OF MISHAP

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Dec. 17.—William Satterley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Satterley, 11 Station street, is now completely blind. The left eye was removed three years ago as a result of an accident on a farm and the right eye had to be removed as a result of complications.

COLLECT $32,300 TAXES

Forest Official Makes Report at Final Council Session.

Special to The Advertiser.

Forest, Dec. 17.—At the last regular meeting of the town council for the year, Max Jamieson, tax collector, presented his report, showing that in July collection he received in taxes $16,014.81 and in December $16,291.30, a total of $32,305.81. The total taxes on the roll are $32,365.98.

Outstanding taxes in arrears amount to $945.32, and include $27.29 which there is no chance to collect, and one income tax item of $50 which is doubtful.

COUNCIL DEMANDS FEEDER SYSTEM

Continued From Page One.

Tait stated that the L. S. R. had been in touch with a view to preparing a survey for the co-ordination of bus and street car lines. Mr. Tait said that he had a copy of the Hamilton survey, which was an elaborate affair.

Service for South.

As far as London was concerned, the report had not yet been made, but that some of the particulars were known, and would provide for a bus service in London South. In this connection, Mr. Tait pointed out that the big type of bus holding 29 passengers could not be operated over the Ridout street bridge as the L. S. R. had been ordered not to use the bridge by the Ontario railway and municipal board. The buses built by the Mack Company were the latest thing in bus transportation, and would carry 29 passengers.

Mr. Tait made it plain that the street railway had no bus proposition to lay before the city council at the present time. The company was merely figuring the possibilities of a bus service in connection with street railway operation.

Mr. Tait did not care to discuss the Broughdale situation for publication. He pointed out that Broughdale was being given a street car service at the pres at time.

The council however, will propose to the street railway that the tracks in Broughdale be torn up, and a good fast bus substituted. The aldermen feel that one good bus making fast time between Brough's bridge and Cheapside street, would meet the transportation needs of the north end of the city more satisfactorily than the present service.

Residents of Ealing do not want to lose the bus service it has been receiving for the past month or more, and will hold a meeting tonight to take some action, probably a written protest to the council.

TEN TONS OF EARTH TUMBLE INTO TUNNEL

Accident at Sewer Occurs Just Before Day Shift Goes On.

Ten tons of earth thundered down early yesterday morning in the four-foot tunnel being bored by the city engineer's department on Beaconsfield avenue, 28 feet below the surface of the ground. The cave-in occurred between 3 and 7 a.m., and after the night shift had stopped work on the bricking of the tunnel being built in connection with the west end sewer disposal plant.

Rather than take any chances of a further cave-in, the city engineer ordered his men to dig through from the surface at this particular spot, which entailed the removal of twelve feet of earth.

Mr. Near stated that there was no dagner, explaining that braces erected foot by foot would hold the top of the tunnel until the brick work had been completed. As soon as the brick had been laid at this particular spot, the hole would be filled in again, he said.

The engineer declared that 150 feet of the tunnel had already been bricked out of a total of 750 feet. The shaft was 28 feet deep where the men were now working on Beaconsfield avenue. This would be retduced to 22 feet when work commenced under the Wharncliffe roadway subway, and would be 20 feet when Jornston street was reached.

RETURNS TO OLD SCHOOL TO GIVE CHRISTMAS TREAT

Joseph Brown will long be remembered by the school children of Brown's Corners, East Nissouri, for he went back to his old home on Wednesday night, the place where he was born 75 yaers ago, to "treat the kids."

Joe Brown acted as chairman of a concert put on by Mrs. DeSoble, the school mistress, and at his instigation the children were delighted with a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree, laden with candies and presents galore.

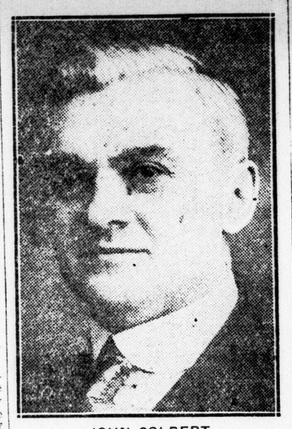
Mr. Brown attended the school himself some 70 years ago, and he knows what gladdens a child's heart at Christmas time, for he gave a sugared cane to all and then followed with presents of other sweets and toys. It was a new role of philanthropy for Mr. Brown to play, a change from his usual acts of kindness to prisoners in the county jail.

Oldest Horse Dies, Aged 57

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 17.—Old Bill, 57 regarded as the oldest horse in the world, dropped dead today on the farm of his owner, John C. Sonder in Harmony township, Warren county, eight miles from Washington, N.J.

He was buried just behind the barn which was his stable for the past 20 years. Until Sunday he had been in harness, doing the usual farm chores with an agility that seemed beyond the possibilities of a horse so old.



JOHN COLBERT,
re-elected president of the London Street Railwaymen's Union.

MITCHELL, GUILTY, MAY QUIT SERVICE

May Enter Politics, Running For Senate, If Suspension Upheld.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Vigorous methods pursued by Col. William Mitchell in ten years of criticism of what he regarded as inadequate air defense policies have resulted in an army court-martial verdict finding him guilty of insubordination and suspending him from the service for five years.

Still under technical arrest, the colonel marked time today while the court decision passed through the regular channels to the secretary of war and then to President Coolidge for review and approval.

Col. Mitchell's friends believe he will remain silent until President Coolidge takes final action on the army court's verdict and that he might offer his resignation if the suspension is upheld. If his resignation should be accepted, these friends think Col. Mitchell might consider entering politics next year in Wisconsin and possibly try for a senate seat in opposition to Senator Lenroot, who is to stand for re-election.

The verdict was a blow to Colonel Mitchell. His wife, seated beside him, pressed her hands to her lips. Flashlights flared while the members of the court were photographed and Colonel Mitchell shook hands with each, smiling rather grimly.

The verdict, if supported by the president, means the silencing of a vitriolic critic of the administration within the army ranks. More than a year ago Col. Mitchell and the then Secretary of War Weeks collided verbally, but it was not until after the Shenandoah disaster and Col. Mitchell's charge that it was the result of army and navy bungling that the flying officer was called to account.

REMEMBER 500 KIDDIES AT M'CORMICK'S PLANT

St. Nick Will Have Busy Time Tonight—Honor Softball Team.

Santa Claus in all his glory is bound to be the principal figure at the McCormick Manufacturing Company's annual Christmas tree tonight. He will distribute more than 500 gifts to the children, as well as many other personal gifts that will burden the large tree which has been decorated elaborately for the occasion. The big treat will be given in the dining-room of the McCormick plant.

An excellent program will include musical numbers, readings and Mrs. Stark's dancers, as well as an exhibition of the Charleston will be presented. The members of the girls' softball team that tied the Brownies for the city title, will be honored with presentations by F. A. McCormick.

PHONE CO. TRANSFERS DUE FIRST OF THE YEAR

It is expected that a number of transfers will take place at the first of the year in the Western Ontario division of the Bell Telephone Company.

For the most part the transfers will be minor, and it is thought that they will be confined to transference to towns in this district only.

The list has not yet been published, but will be made known in the near future.

CANADIAN PAINTER DEAD.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—William Stuart Taggart, widely-known portrait painter, died at his home here today, aged 66 years. He was born at Stouffville, Ont., and had lived in Ottawa for 31 years.

In 1891 he produced a striking portrait of Sir John A. Macdonald, and in 1895 that of Sir John Thompson. One of his best portraits was that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

FIRE COMPANY OFFICERS.

Special to The Advertiser.

Forest, Dec. 17.—Officers elected by the Forest Fire Company are: Chief, Harry Hair; captain, Charles May, Jun.; lieutenant, William Pickell; secretary-treasurer, Ed. Karr; hose foremen, Thomas Flynn and Thomas Milner.

IMMIGRATION PACT BIG STEP FORWARD

London Times Believes Canadian Govt. Wise in Making New Arrangement.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 18.—The Times, commenting on the migration agreement just effected between the British and Canadian governments says it is the greatest step taken for the encouragement of settlers in the dominion since the war.

"As a result of the new agreement," the Times continues, "the Canadian authorities have good reason for hoping that the immigration figures next year will show an increase of between five thousand and ten thousand. Of course, the bargain is open to a limited class of immigrants, so far as the men are concerned it being once again a case of "farm workers only need apply," and apart from the wives and children, the only women eligible are those qualified to help in the solution of the servant problem.

"An important clause in the agreement is that the dominion is prepared to take substantial farm workers without previous experience. This is a welcome evidence of a change in what has occasionally struck the observer as an overfastidious attitude in the recruiting and selecting of emigrants.

"A particularly sound feature of the agreement is that for five years the settler will have the help and guidance of the colonization department of the Canadian government."

The Times adds: "If the dominion government is entitled to congratulation on its courage and vision in entering the present agreement, the shipping companies deserve a share for their patriotic co-operation in what, for all its future possibilities towards an increase in the trans-Atlantic trade, must remain for the moment an experiment.

"If experienced agricultural laborers are wanted they certainly will not be found within the hall of the high commissioner's office in Trafalgar Square. A systematic campaign all over the country is clearly necessary."

SUNSPOTS INCREASING, AFFECT WIRES, RADIO

One Spot Is 175,000 Miles Long—May See Electrical Display.

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 17.—Extraordinary and steadily increasing activity in the sun is reported by R. G. Way, secretary of the department of astronomy of the Brooklyn institute. Today he counted 27 sun spots, forming vast groups, one of which resembled a necklace, he said, and was 175,000 miles long. Two large new spots appeared on the eastern edge of the sun today, he said.

Electrical disturbances affecting telegraph and radio might be expected, Mr Way predicted.

"And as for aurora borealis," he added, "if we have clear skies, keep a watch to the north for something grand."

Such activity in the sun now was unexpected, Mr. Way explained, as the period of maximum of sun spots is not due until 1928.

He would not make an unqualified prediction of electrical disturbances on the earth because, he said, none of the spots was directly at the equator of the sun and therefore at the nearest point to the earth. Although the large number of spots might slightly reduce the heat coming from the sun, he said, they would not directly affect weather conditions.

BORDEN SHOW PLANT GOES TO CANADIAN CO.

Big Tillsonburg Building Sold To Canadian Milk Products —Idle Since May.

Special to The Advertiser.

Tillsonburg, Dec. 17.—The Borden Company's local plant, which has been idle since last May, was purchased today by Canadian Milk Products, Limited, after several months' negotiations. A. H. Terk, general superintendent of the C. M. P., stated that he expects the factory will be in full operation in the very near future.

It is situated at the southwest corner of the town on the new southern provincial highway No. 3. The plant was erected in 1908, and the average milk taken in daily ran from 70,000 to 100,000 pounds, with checks issued to dairymen of many thousands of dollars each month. The C. M. P. will manufacture powdered milk, and the operation of this plant will not interfere with the company's plant at Brownsville.

R. B. Moulton, local hotel proprietor, who owns the spur line railway which gives an outlet to the company's products, stated that a deal is under way to put this track in first-class repair in order to facilitate shipping the products. The opening of the spur line will very likely mean that the old Tillson flour mill and pea mills, recently purchased by Mr. Moulton, will also be opened up again. The Borden building here is one of the show

COUPLE HONORED.

Exeter, Dec. 17.—On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Collingwood were pleasantly surprised at their home by friends, who presented them with a fine oak rocking-chair.

Man Is Saved From Gallows With Only 90 Minutes To Go

Associated Press Despatch.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Ninety minutes before he was to die on the gallows for murder today, Campbell McCarthy, 19-year-old negro, was granted a stay of execution on defense attorney's contentions that the youth has become insane.

The attorneys raced by automobile to the county jail, arriving as deputies were preparing McCarthy for the noose.

Judge John P. McGoorty, who granted the stay at his home early today, has as a precedent, the eleventh hour delivery from the gallows of Russell Scott, convicted murderer, now in the Chester, Illinois, penitentiary after being adjudged insane by a jury.

The petition for McCarthy was based on an affidavit by his sweetheart, who recently visited him in his cell. The negro youth was convicted last March of the slaying of Christian Geitzen, night watchman, during an attempted holdup.

Under the terms of the stay which saved him, McCarthy's sanity will be a question for decision by a jury.

Knows What She Wants; Gets It

There is one old woman in London who knows what she wants in the way of food, when she wants it and how much.

She wrote a letter to Richard Sanders of the relief department, city hall, today, demanding among other things, a quarter of pork, a peck of nice apples, a bushel of potatoes, a pound of tea put up in half-pound packages, two pounds of currants and a small bag of flour.

"Don't you dare cross anything off this list," the letter concludes.

Her wants will be taken care of by Mr. Sanders not out of the relief fund, but out of his own pocket.

SEASON FOR FISH EXTENDED ON ERIE

Government Takes Action at Request of Fishermen West of Port Stanley.

Special to The Advertiser by Staff Correspondent.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—The provincial government department has extended winter fishing on Lake Erie west of Port Dover till Dec. 31, following representations from the fishermen's association.

The season has been always open to Dec. 31 east of Port Dover, but it has hitherto closed on Dec. 15 west of that place.

The fishermen's association asked that, on account of the poor catch this fall, the season be lengthened to the last day of the year.

MUNICIPALITIES SEND IN COUNTY TAX CHECKS

Three new contributions were received today for the county coffers, and three more Middlesex municipalities are resting easier with their debt to the county for the past year wiped out.

Checks totalling $15,527.67 were placed in the hands of Captain Tom Robson, county treasurer, this morning.

Ailsa Craig donated $1,462.36; Parkhill came across to the extent of $5,382.42; while West Williams township transferred $10,682.89 from its own bank account to that of the county.

MRS. ARTHUR HINZ DIES.

Special to The Advertiser.

Mitchell, Dec. 17.—Taken suddenly ill at her home on Tuesday night, Mrs. Arthur Hinz, aged 32 years, of Logan, passed away early Wednesday morning. Besides her husband she is survived by one son and one daughter, also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Miller of Brodhagen

KNOLLWOOD SETS PENNY BANK MARK

Pupils Deposit $1.11 Each During Months of September and October.

Knollwood park public school pupils deposited an average of $1.11 per pupil in the Penny Bank of Canada during September and October.

London public school pupils deposited $6,370 during the two months mentioned, or an average of 42 cents per pupil, compared with $5,622 for the same period last year.

The average deposit for all Canada was 39 cents, so that London, though she stood 13th in a list of 58 cities, towns and villages using the Penny Bank, was three cents above the Dominion average.

Simcoe street school, with an average of 66 cents per pupil, and St. George's school, with an average of 62 cents per pupil, are the only two city schools that are anywhere near the record mark set by the Knollwood park pupils.

Cornwall, with an average deposit of $1.00 pre pupil, leads the list in the dominion, with Cape Croker second, with 94 cents, and Paris third with 79 cents.

The Dominion total for the two months was $100,510, as compared with $98,239 last year.

The average deposit in cents per pupil in the different London schools was as follows: Aberdeen, 40; Alexandra, 38; Boyle Memorial, 38; Chesley, 25; Ealing, 34; Empress Ave., 39; Knollwood Park, $1.11; Lord Roberts, 38; Lorne, 32; Pottersburg, 21; Rectory St., 27; Riverview, 50; Ryerson, 30; Simcoe, 16; St. George's, 62; Talbot St., 49; Tecumseh, 55; Trafalgar, 44; Victoria, 51; Wortley Rd., 34.

FURTHER ADJOURNMENT IN BLACKWELL-CAKE CASE

Further adjournment of the crown's case against Ernest Blackwell and Louis Cake, charged with furious driving and occasioning bodily injury to Frederick Kingham, street railway employee, was granted by Magistrate Graydon in court today, when it was learned that Kingham's condition at Victoria hospital still prevented the taking of his evidence either at the court or at the hospital.

Blackwell and Cake will appear in court a week from Saturday, an eight-day adjournment being made in order that the case might not come up on Christmas Day. Ball of $2,000 for each defendant was renewed.

J. E. RICHARDS ILL.

J. E. Richards, manager and treasurer of the London & Port Stanley Railway, has been confined to his home with a bad cold for some time. It is now thought that he has a slight attack of the flu. He will not return to his duties for two or three days at least.

COPELAND PRAISES DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Vocational Committee Chairman Opposes Move to Change Collegiate Curriculum.

Trustee George F. Copeland, chairman of the advisory-vocational committee, intends to keep his eyes open all next year in readiness to fight against any move to displace household science and manual training from the collegiate institute as the courses are now carried on there.

When his attention was called to a Woodstock despatch concerning the failure of one of the trustees to even secure a seconder for his motion to have manual training and household science eliminated from the collegiate, Mr. Copeland expressed approval of the wisdom shown by the other members of the Woodstock board in thus recognizing "the truth worth" of the two departments.

"I thought the question of these two departments was all settled by leaving the coupses in the curriculum with equipment installed at the central collegiate being used, and the equipment in nearby public schools being used for the east and south units of the collegiate until the question seemed to be revived in the recent municip election campaign.

"Certainly I will keep a close tab on the situation all year," concluded Mr. Copeland, "and if there is any move to eliminate the courses I will do my very best to have them retained as they are being carried on at present."

Mr. Copeland was successful in championing the cause of manual training and household science when an onslaught was made upon those departments early this year, but those opposed were partly successful in their object in having the courses made voluntary upon the part of the students instead of compulsory.

Trustee Dev. R. D. Mess more than once took occasion during the election campaign to express his disapproval of manual training and household science courses in the collegiate, while Chairman S. F. Lawrason, and Trustee rs. J. I. A. Hunt are known to be in favor of cutting out the courses from the collegiate, but at that, it is expected that the courses will be retained on the same basis as at present, for at least a year or two, to give the arrangement a thorough trial.

SHIPS WEATHER STORM.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 18.—No reports of damage or of vessels being endangered have reached marine officials here this morning following the gale which lashed Lake Superior yesterday. No word has been received from the steamer Murray Stewart, which left yesterday to pick up lighthouse keepers, but it is presumed she has taken shelter. The ship canal here will remain open until the Murray Stewart returns.

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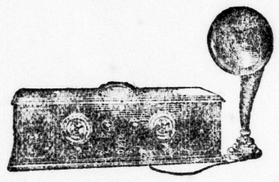
Peak of Shopping Calls Likely To Be Reached Middle of Week.

Traffic through the central telephone exchange is just beginning to become heavy, due to the Christmas trade. Each year the number of calls becomes large at the Christmas season, and although this year the increase is not so great, because the weather has been suitable for personal shopping, the number of calls have increased considerably.

The peak in the number of calls is expected to be reached next Wednesday when the last minute rush will begin. Between 9:30 and 10:15 every morning is the busiest time now.

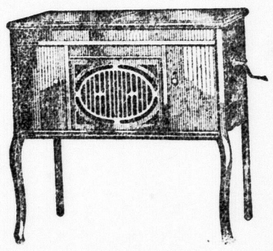
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INNOCENT MAIDS REAL BURLESQUE

Grand Offering Surpasses Previous Productions For Talent and Versatility.

Innocent Maids can justifiably be placed in the A class of burlesque shows without threat of competition for first honors, if the dozen or more musical revues shown at the Grand theatre so far this season are compared. This breezy burlesque attraction takes top place because it has pep, originality, freshness, comedy—and a chorus of pretty girls.

Two audiences at the Grand yesterday were more than pleased with the production, offering as it does surprising versatility in each of its many principals. Jessie Rece, they say, is a former Ziegfield girl. But the wonder is, after seeing her numerous appearances yesterday that she is not now with the famous Broadway follies.

Innocent Maids is an out-of-the-ordinary show. It possesses two exceptionally clever comedians in Fred Reeb and Homer Meachum, who stand aloof from the hackneyed Jewish comedy. Meachum is not only pleasing in the role of a semi-wise hobo, but he can use the burnt cork to advantage as a colored boob, "scarred stiff" at ghosts and cemeteries.

Miss Rece is, of course, the bright light of the show. She possesses a fine soprano voice, dances gracefully, and speaks with a cultured diction generally foreign to a burlesque star.

Featured in several satisfying numbers are June Lawrence, Clara Barkham and Babe Reeds, carrying their turns with an ease that is admirable.

Tommy Vicks completes the list of headliners who make individual contributions of real ability, and his dancing is a bright feature.

There are many humorous skits to Innocent Maids, and there are many colorful scenes, each of which provides worth-while entertainment. The novelty finale to the first act, Toyland, commences in a riot of color and sweetness and ends in true burlesque comedy.

Show a Little More is also a pretty scene, with the chorus shouldering a great amount of the work. Each girl is given an individual chance to be a temporary lead.

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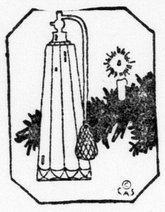
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Muskrat Coats with mushroom collar, side closing or three-button; reverse border bandings; lined with satin broche.....**$145 and $165**

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Hudson Seal Coats, all nicely lined. Prices ..... **$310 to 379**

Second Floor.

Silk Dept. Offers Scarf Lengths of Wonderfully Printed Crepe de Chines, $2.60 and $2.95 Each

Pure Silk Scarfs, semi-made, about 20 inches by 1¾ yards long, comprising new French designs; all imported direct and of extra heavy quality. This means a big saving in your Christmas scarf gifts.

BONNET'S SATIN CREPES, black and 20 colors to select from ..... **$3.50 yard**

White Pure Silk Broadcloths in Three Qualities, 98c, $1.50 and $1.95 Yard.

All silk, no artificial mixture; perfect washing silks, for underslips or dresses, men's shirts, mufflers and lingerie of all kinds....29-in., **98c**; 36-in., **$1.50 and $1.95**

BONNET'S SILK DRESS CREPES (pure silk); black and colors to choose from.... ..... **$2.95 yard**

ALL PURE LINEN DAMASK TABLECLOTHS, $3.59, $4.29

Two sizes from the Shamrock Linen Mills of appeal to you. Here's a nice gift suggestion. Pure Linen Cloths, at a price that should Assorted designs.

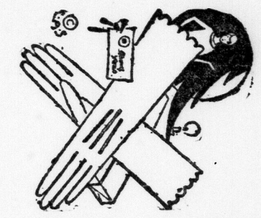
68x68 inches. Special ..... **$3.59 each** 68x86 inches. Special ..... **$4.29 each**

DOUBLE DAMASK TABLE NAPKINS, $4.75 DOZ.

In size 18x18, of lovely weight and weave double damask, in rose design only. A splendid Napkin for general use. Specially priced at..... **$4.75 dozen, $2.38 half dozen**

Ribbon For Tieing Your Christmas Parcels

1,000 YARDS NARROW RED ..... **12 Yards for 10c**
HOLLY AND GOLD RIBBON ..... **15c Bolt**



A Gift of Gloves
At a Popular Price

A warm fabric Gauntlet trimmed with fur in shades of fawn **$2.00**

Beautiful fine chamoisette in white with black hand sewing, finished with two domes. Very smart as well as practical, as they wash so well **$2.00**

Another cosy style of knitted silk, and lined throughout with fine wool, made with a closed wrist, in shades of Beaver and Gray ..... **$2.00 pair**

Women's Mocha Fleece-Lined Mitts, in tan shades ..... **$2.00 pair**

Main Floor.

SMART HATS
For Christmas

Metallic Hats and Satin ones that are metallic trimmed. Little smart Toques and larger shapes, the season's latest in Millinery. Prices ..... **$4.75 to $8.00**



Second Floor.

For Baby and the Juniors

BABY SETS, consisting of one pair Hickory Baby Pants, one Feeding Bib and one pair Diaper Supporters, nicely boxed in quaint nursery rhyme boxes ..... **$1.25 each**

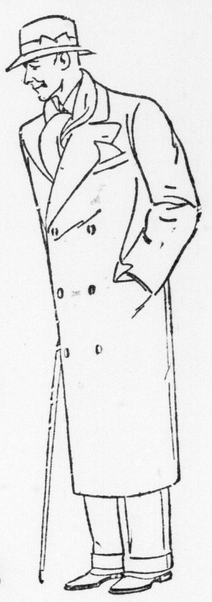
Children's Rubber Aprons in assorted colors, with neat little pocket... **39c**

In the Men's Shop

Sale of MEN'S OVERCOATS, Saturday, 9 a.m.
—One-Third Off—$16.95—$24.95—

MEN'S WINTER OVERCOATS IN BIG WARM ULSTERS, SLIPONS, AND MOTOR COATS.

In warm English and Scotch Overcoatings, well tailored, half lined, full lined and check back coats all included. One-third less than regular. Do not miss this chance to save many dollars on your overcoat. Sale tomorrow. In two groups ..... **$16.95—$24.95**



SALE MEN'S HOUSE SLIPPERS, $1.39 PAIR

Men's Fine House Slippers, in gray and black leather; soft flexible soles; all sizes. Special tomorrow, 9 a.m. **$1.39**

MEN'S FANCY HOSE ON SALE SATURDAY, 98c PAIR

Fancy checks and plain ribbed Gift Hose. Very special at **98c**

Sale of Shirts

SATURDAY 9 A.M. 98c
LESS THAN HALF PRICE

An opportunity for early shoppers Saturday morning. Manhattan Shirts in neat patterns and stripes, with soft double cuffs, sizes 14 to 16. Clearing less than half price tomorrow, 9 a.m. **98c**

MEN'S ENGLISH BROADCLOTH SHIRTS SATURDAY, $1.98

In solid colors of White, Sand, Biscuit, Blue, Helio. Sizes 14 to 17. Special.... **$1.98**

SALE MEN'S WOOL LINED GLOVES, $1.98 PAIR.

SATURDAY, 9 A.M.

Men's Fine Cape Gloves, with soft wool lining; 240 pairs on sale tomorrow, pair.. **$1.98**

MEN'S SCARFS, HALF-PRICE.

Scotch Cashmere Scarfs, in beautiful colorings. A special purchase at half-price tomorrow, 98c.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

BRASS TODDY KETTLES, $2.98

A very fine line of Brass Toddy Kettles with amber handles. Very Special, $2.98.