

Good Will From All, To All, On This Christmas Day

SEVENTY-SIX KILLED WHEN FOOL YELLED FIRE DURING CONCERT IN AID OF STRIKERS

Victims Are Nearly All Women and Little Children, Who Were Trampled to Death on Stairs.

Scores Badly Hurt—Concert Was Nearly Over and Alarm Proved False—Death List May Reach Eighty.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 24.—Seventy-six persons are known to have been killed, half a dozen seriously injured and more than a score trampled upon and bruised in a panic tonight, resulting from a false alarm of fire in a hall where 300 women and children of the striking copper miners in Red Jacket had assembled for a Christmas entertainment.

That the death list might reach four score was predicted by the authorities.

NEARLY ALL CHILDREN.

Most of the dead are children.

The Christmas exercises, held in the Italian Hall here, had just concluded and the audience was preparing to leave, when an unidentified miner ran up the stairway leading to the hall and shouted "fire" through the open door.

A mad rush for the stairways followed. Stalwart men brushed aside women and children and madly dashed down the stairs. In the excitement somebody tripped and fell.

PLUNGED DOWNWARD.

Others plunged downward and soon stairway became jammed with a struggling mass of humanity. Forced on from the rush behind, many women and children were pushed headlong into the mass.

Little children who could not go fast enough to get out of the way of those coming from behind were crushed and smothered beneath the weight piling down upon them.

The majority were smothered to death, while the rest lost their lives by being trampled to death.

The bodies of the crushed and lifeless at the bottom of the stairs were used as a roadway, and enabled many to escape from the building.

Bodies Were Wedged.

So solidly were the bodies wedged into the narrow stairway that it was necessary for firemen and deputy sheriffs to climb into the second story windows with ladders and come down the stairs, pulling the children back off the pile at the bottom.

The panic was only stopped after deputies cleared the hall by way of windows and forcibly drove back the excited men and women and children from the doorway, but even then many had to be rescued by pulling themselves from the windows.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 24.—Four scores probably dead, half a dozen seriously injured, and a score suffering with bruises and minor hurts, resulted early tonight while Christmas tree exercises were being held for the children of striking copper miners in the Italian Hall at Red Jacket.

The hall was emptying of the children, when an unidentified man, believed to be an Austrian miner, ran up the stairs and cried "Fire" in at the open doorway. Immediately there was a rush for the stairways, men, women and children swarming down the steps and piling up half way down and at the bottom. Little children who could not go fast enough to get out of the way of those coming behind, were crushed and smothered beneath the weight piling down upon them. The majority were smothered to death.

Packed Solidly.

The outside door was opened by passers-by, but the children and women were so solidly packed at the bottom of the stairs and half way down that they could not get out.

THE WEATHER.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London for the 12 hours preceding 8 p.m. yesterday: Highest, 35; lowest, 32.

TOMORROW—TURNING COLDER. Toronto, Dec. 24.—Wintry weather has prevailed today in the Western Provinces, with temperatures below zero in most localities.

Snow has fallen in Quebec and New Brunswick, and snow and rain in Nova Scotia, while in Ontario the skies have been overcast, but practically no precipitation has occurred.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 32-35; Dawson, 4-10; Prince Rupert, 30-40; Edmonton, 12 below-12; Battleford, 4 below-4; Prince Albert, 20 below-6 below; Calgary, 2 below-18; Medicine Hat, 4-14; Moose Jaw, 10 below-4; Regina, 7 below-8; Qu'Appelle, 8 below-4; Winnipeg, 8 below-zero; Port Arthur, 18-22; Toronto, 32-36; Kingston, 28-38; Ottawa, 24-33; Montreal, 22-36; Quebec, 18-28; St. John, 24-36; Halifax, 24-36.

Forecast. Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—East-erly and northeasterly winds; cloudy, with much the same temperature today; a light snowfall tonight. Friday—Becoming colder.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence, Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Light winds; mostly cloudy and about the same temperature.

Maritime Provinces—Northerly to west-erly winds; clearing; not much change in temperature.

Lake Superior—Northwesterly winds; fair and colder.

Manitoba—Fine and very cold.

Saskatchewan—Fair with rising temperature.

Alberta—Fair and milder.

CHRIS'MUS!



SAILOR THOUGHT DROWNED COMES HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

[Special to The Advertiser.] Harrison, Dec. 24.—Not having heard for a couple of months from their son George, who is a sailor on the lakes, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kell had in prospect a sad Christmas and a vacant chair at their annual family reunion for Christmas Day.

The aged parents had become fully resigned to his supposed fate, and thought him a victim of the Carruthers wreck, but their sadness was suddenly turned to rejoicing today, when he unexpectedly returned home, and greeted his mother by wishing her a merry Christmas.

He had not sailed on the Carruthers as supposed, but on another vessel, and had simply neglected to notify his parents.

MYSTERIOUS WOMAN CLAIMS RELATIVES IN WESTERN ONTARIO

Miss Brance Admits That for Three Years She Lived in Little Room Off Lawyer's Office—Presence Was Not Unknown, Says Suffragette.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Monticello, Dec. 24.—Slowly the shock of the death of Melvin Henry Couch is gradually abating, and the surge of scandal is clearing, for there came to the front today a woman who says that for five years she has labored and talked to eliminate from Monticello life the woman—Adelaide Brance.

This woman is Mrs. Jacob M. Mabee, wife of the man who succeeded Couch in the district attorney's office. Mrs. Mabee is a leading suffragist of this section of Sullivan County. She declared today that there was no sealed secret about Melvin Couch's romances. Her statement indicates the now growing tendency of Monticello to concede that the presence of Adelaide Brance was no unknown.

That she was educated in Oswego and Buffalo, N. Y., and has several relations in Eastern and Western Ontario, was the statement of Miss Brance today.

For the last three years, she says, she lived secretly with Couch in a private room off his office. Even his wife and daughter, who visited him nearly every day, had no suspicion of his duplicity. The mysterious woman candidly admits that the name she gives is false.

OPERATE STREET CARS BY HYDRO POWER

City Department Equipment Supplies Energy for First Time Last Night.

At 11:27 last night the London Street Railway system was operated for the first time by hydro power. Only one circuit was operated at first by the connected "juice," but as the traffic decreased, the others were switched on and the whole system was run by Niagara energy.

The hydro department is now in a position to supply from 500 to 600 horsepower to the railway company, but as the company pays on a monthly peak load basis, the service will hardly be given regularly until after the first of the year.

Philip Pocock, chairman of the water commission, turned the switch which sent the local bob-tails down the street on hydro energy, and the others present were E. V. Buchanan, electrical engineer who has had charge of the installation of the necessary equipment to transform the alternating hydro current into the direct current necessary for the operation of the street railway equipment, Manager C. B. King and Chief Operator C. H. Coby. Chairman Pocock told The Advertiser that the test was a satisfactory one.

GAME CALLED OFF. [Special to The Advertiser.] Stratford, Dec. 24.—The game between the local O. H. A. Juniors and the Toronto Game Club, scheduled for Christmas afternoon, has been called off because of lack of ice.

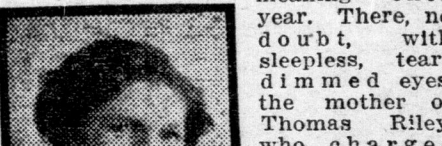
BROKE ALL RECORDS. [Special to The Advertiser.] Stratford, Dec. 24.—The mails today at the Stratford postoffice were the heaviest in all its history. Every available space inside the building was taken up with sacks full of Christmas gifts.

CHRISTMAS PLEA FOR TOM RILEY BY HIS SISTER

In Tearful Letter She Tells of Struggle to Free Accused Murderer.

MISSES HIS COMPANY Family No Longer Has Son's Smiling Face to Cheer It.

Down in the little town of Everton, Missouri, is a heartbroken family whom Christmas will have little meaning this year. There, no doubt, with sleepless, tear-dimmed eyes, the mother of Thomas Riley, who charged with the murder of George Blackburn, bartender of the Hotel Cecil, will eat his Christmas dinner, in a prison cell in this city, watched for the dawn of this day of peace and good will to men with a bitter, overwhelming anguish in her mother's heart.



Claude Jones, in her mother's heart, for there, Riley's stepfather, who cared for him in his early years, and his brother and sister, will remember with aching hearts so many happy Christmases of the past when he was with them, and when the Christmas bells ring out their message of cheer and love and kindness, their tones, will pierce with bitter, hollow mockery the ears of those who love Tom Riley.

Over in Fort Scott, Kansas, his young wife, a bride of but a few months when Riley left Kansas in hopes of securing a better position in London, waits for him with the patient grief and unwavering love that only women know.

They are plain people, Riley's family. But they are loved and respected by their community, and so was Thomas Riley, according to the many reports of his good character and kindly disposition that have come from that little southern town. They are humble, unpretentious people. The luxuries of wealth and education have not been theirs. They are in poor circumstances in fact, but they are sacrificing themselves in every possible way. They are toiling, striving to raise funds to provide legal aid for their son and brother, who in a country they do not know, a land whose laws are strange and foreign to them, lies within dreary prison walls charged with the murder of a fellow man.

Written in broken sentences that tell of shattered hopes and happiness, of tortured nerves and bleeding heart, and hurried with frequent tears, a letter to The Advertiser from Riley's brother and sister tell the story of their grief and pain. They are only pitiful letters from a family.

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THOS. MOORE WAS ASSASSINATED DECLARE POLICE OF DIXON, CAL.

Sensational Developments Are Expected in Connection With Shooting of Lucknow Farmer—Alleged Murderer Said to Have Held Grudge Against Victim.

Sensational developments are likely to follow the shooting at Dixon, California, recently of Thomas Moore, a young farmer who for many years resided near Lucknow, and whose remains were brought home for burial in Lucknow on Monday, a special dispatch to The Advertiser from Dixon is as follows:

It is generally believed here that Thomas Moore, whose home was in Lucknow, Ontario, was assassinated by Charles Benson. Moore had a splendid reputation while Benson was known as a hard drinker and a man of violent temper.

Gave Himself Up. The first that was known of the affair was when Benson walked in and gave himself up to the authorities, declaring that he had shot Moore. Benson's story is that Moore shot at him, but missed.

"He then grappled with me," Benson told the police. "In the scuffle he again pulled the trigger. I succeeded in wresting the gun from him. He started to run to the house, and thinking he was going to get another gun, I fired."

The authorities claim that Benson deliberately shot Moore in the back. They say that Benson deliberately laid for him and shot him as Moore was going out of a stable which caused a great sensation, as both men are well known.

Police Are Puzzled. The police are much puzzled over some of the features of the case. Benson's sister, Mrs. Ferguson, was the first to reach Moore as he lay dying on the ground. "I'm stabbed," he gasped. "Charlie did it." He died soon after.

Mrs. Ferguson declares that there was only one gun in the house, and she says Charles Benson had it.

A nurse who lives with the family has told the police that she knew that Benson had threatened to get Moore.

No Trace of Struggle. A peculiar feature is that the police found no indications whatever of a struggle in the soft ground where Benson said the fight took place. Moore's head, when he was picked up, was away from the house.

Moore was very popular. He came to Dixon from Sebastopol, California, five months ago with Mrs. Ferguson, and was in her employ, helping her to take care of the ranch owned by her mother, who is very ill.

Benson Was Angry. From the first it is said Moore's presence in the house seemed to trouble Benson, and he was angered at the attention Moore paid to his sick mother, who is about to die, and who owns a quarter section. It is alleged that he repeatedly made threats regarding Moore. Benson's trial has not been ordered yet, and he is still in jail while the police investigate his motives.

BOARD OF HEALTH SCORES HEALTH INSTITUTE DIRECTOR

Members Criticize Him for Articles Published in the Advertiser and Threaten to Take Case to Provincial Board.

Criticism of Dr. H. W. Hill, of the Institute of Public Health, for certain articles published in The Advertiser dealing with public health matters was the feature of the closing meeting of the board of health held in the city hall yesterday afternoon. The chairman, Dr. F. L. Burdon, started a warm discussion when he brought up the subject, and read two articles, which he claimed were prejudicial to the work which the board of health was trying to accomplish.

The articles complained of dealt with the subject of garbage collection, meat inspection and the pure ice question, and copies of them are to be forwarded to the provincial health officer, James McCullough, for his opinion.

Accused of Inconsistency. Dr. Burdon accused Dr. Hill of inconsistency in what he had written regarding garbage collection. In an article on Nov. 21, Dr. Hill made the statement that it was made daily, as it was in the fresh garbage that the danger of infection lay.

"The inference seems to be that the rottener garbage becomes the safer it is," said H. J. Haslett, secretary of the board. Another statement which Dr. Hill made and with which the chairman found fault, was that cooking meat destroyed any germs it might contain. This was a most dangerous doctrine to promulgate, Dr. Burdon said, especially in view of the large number of people who were readers of the paper in which the articles were published.

No Use Fighting. "There is no use in the board of health fighting for meat inspection if Dr. Hill is going to send out statements of that kind," Dr. Burdon said. "Dr. Hill is a paid servant of the Government, and this matter should be brought to the attention of the provincial board of health, or the Provincial Government."

He sends abroad statements that have a downward tendency instead of an upward tendency. He seems to be holding a brief for uncleanness," was H. J. Haslett's summing up of the matter. "I have noticed, too, that his program has been the same as that of the board of health all along, only it comes a little later, as if he were trying to knock as much as he can. He's had a chip on his shoulder all the time."

Publicity a Distinct Danger. Dr. Burdon referred to the wide publicity given to Dr. Hill's public health criticisms as constituting a distinct danger, and one which was making the work of the board of health much more difficult as the general public seemed to prefer to accept his statements rather than the teachings advocated by the local health body. Clippings of the newspaper articles will be sent to the provincial health officer for his opinion before any action is decided upon in the matter.

Wants Auto for Inspector. No other business of importance came up at the meeting. The chairman, in concluding the work done by the inspector, expressed the hope that next year's board would purchase an automobile to be placed at his disposal. It could be used to great advantage in his tours of inspection through the country. The advent of the rural telephone had made it possible, he said, for dairymen to pass the word along by the inspector, and he had seen with the result that by the time he arrived at stables and dairies were put in good shape. With an automobile, the inspector would be able to come upon the dairymen unawares, and if unclean conditions existed he could readily find them out.

"The suggestion of an auto is a good one," Dr. C. S. Tamlin said, in replying to the chairman. "No municipal officer requires an auto more than I do."

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DR. H. W. HILL.

GOOD ADVERTISING

"That's the best advertisement I've had," said Dr. H. W. Hill, of the Institute of Public Health, to The Advertiser last night, in reference to the board of health's criticism of his health campaign in London.

"It is perfectly true that the rottener garbage becomes, the safer it is," declared Dr. Hill, "for the reason that the delicate disease germs which come from the human cannot survive when thrown in with the mixture contained in garbage. As to objecting to garbage disposal, I insist upon it for the same reason that I insist upon having the snow shovelled from the sidewalk, but not to prevent smallpox, typhoid and other diseases. The fact that the carts arrive late hasn't anything to do with the prevention of these diseases. It is all nonsense to say that I advocate uncleanness."

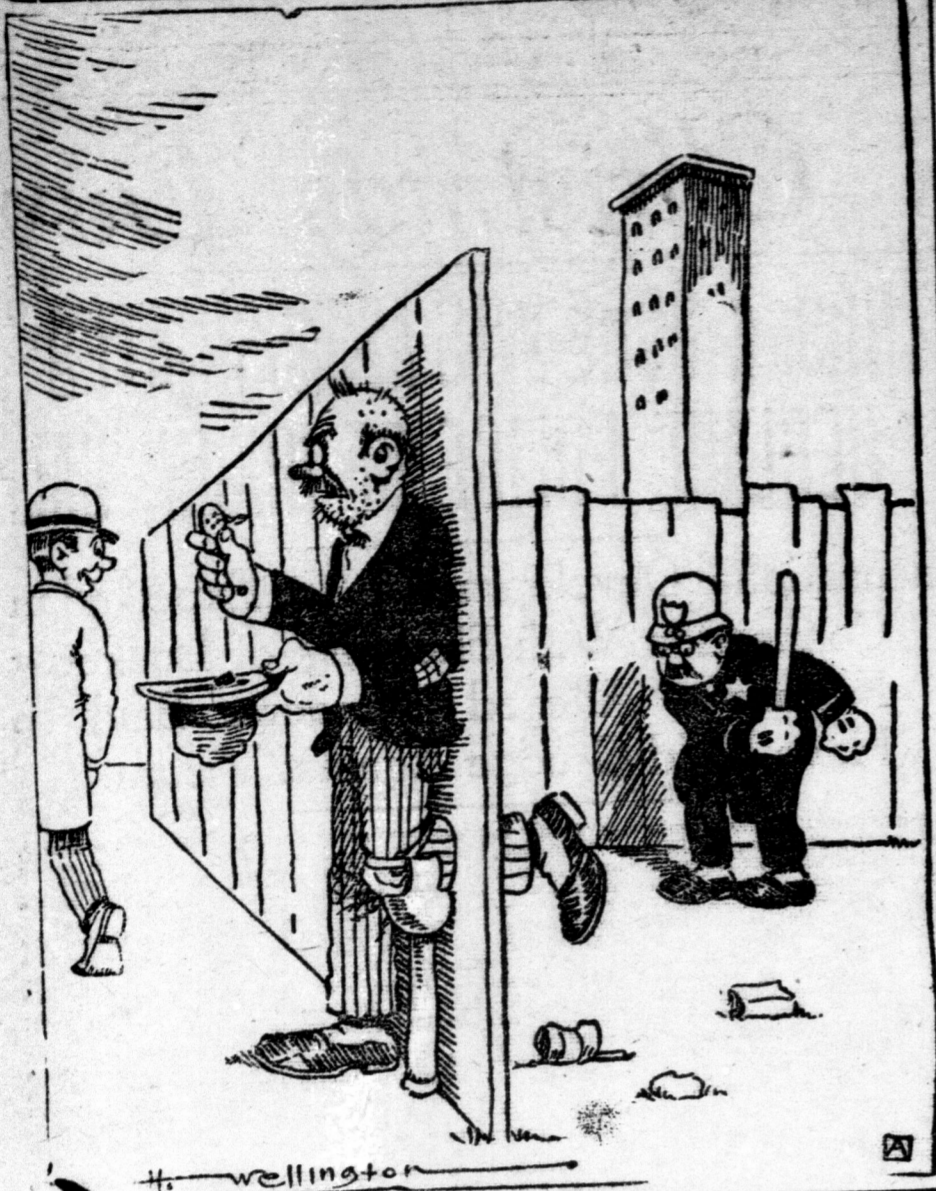
Cooking Meat Destroys Germs. "Cooking meat certainly destroys the germs," continued the doctor, "and it is not necessary to have the heat at the boiling point in order to accomplish this. The ordinary disease germs are killed before this point is reached, where the germs were left after the boiling point had been reached, but such germs would also escape with meat inspection."

"We all advocate the use of fresh milk," added Dr. Hill, "but as a matter of fact it is fresh milk that is responsible for typhoid and scarlet fevers. The old milk is really safer for it the germs are destroyed."

Not Worried By Board. "I am not at all worried by the board of health's criticism," said Dr. Hill, in conclusion, "and I wish that you would save me half a dozen copies of the paper containing it. The more the merrier."

The director of the health institute seemed to be greatly amused at the attitude of the local board, and enjoyed a hearty laugh as the report of the board's meeting was read to him.

---and the Worst Is Yet to Come



STEAMER ASHORE

Help Is Being Given to Loaded Tank-Boat.

[Canadian Press.] Norfolk Va., Dec. 24.—The unidentified steamer which went ashore near Little Island, twelve miles south of Cape Henry last night was today still on the reef some distance from shore with her name unknown. She appears to be a tank steamer loaded. The revenue cutter Onondaga and a wrecking tug from Norfolk are standing by. The Onondaga was apparently giving aid early today.

STILL IN CUSTODY

Harry Thaw's Examination Was Laid Over for a Week.

[Canadian Press.] Concord, N. H., Dec. 24.—The commission appointed by the federal court to determine the present mental condition of Harry K. Thaw in connection with the fugitives' application to be released on bail, held a brief session today and adjourned until next week. Thaw, attended only by his custodians, was given an examination supplementing that which he was subjected to yesterday.

IF MEALS HIT BACK AND STOMACH SOURS

"Pape's Diapepsin" Ends Stomach Misery, Indigestion in Five Minutes.

If what you just ate is souring on your stomach or lies like a lump of lead, refusing to digest, or you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food, or have a feeling of dizziness, heartburn, fullness, nausea, bad taste in mouth and stomach headache, you can get blessed relief in five minutes. Ask your pharmacist to show you the formula, plainly printed on these fifty-cent cases of Pape's Diapepsin, then you will understand why dyspeptic troubles of all kinds must go, and why they relieve sour, out-of-order stomachs or indigestion in five minutes. "Pape's Diapepsin" is harmless; tastes like candy, though each dose will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all the food you eat; besides, it makes you go to the table with a healthy appetite, but what will please you most is that you will feel that your stomach and intestines are clean and fresh, and you will not need to resort to laxatives or liver pills for biliousness or constipation. This city will have many "Pape's Diapepsin" cranks, as some people will call them, but you will be enthusiastic about this splendid stomach preparation, too if you ever take it for indigestion, gas, heartburn, sourness, dyspepsia, or any stomach misery. Get some now, this minute, and rid yourself of stomach trouble and indigestion in five minutes.

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FREE COUPON IMPERIAL EMBROIDERY PATTERN OUTFIT PRESENTED BY THE LONDON ADVERTISER

N.B.—Out-of-Town Readers will add 10 Cents Extra for Postage and Expense of Mailing.

School Reports

BYRON RESULTS.

The following is a report of the Christmas examinations held in the No. 8, Westminster (Byron), and names are arranged in three classes and in order of merit. Class (a), 75 per cent and over. Class (b), between 60 and 75 per cent. Class (c), below 60 per cent.

Class V.—(a) Monetta Smith. Class IV.—(a) (senior)—(a) Teddy Grove, (b) Loren Landry, Mary Smith, Lena Morris, John Sanderson, Mary Sanderson (c) Ethel Harrington. Class III.—(a) (senior)—(a) George Atkinson, Milton McNeice, Arnold Norden, Mercey Logan, James Morris. Class II.—(a) (senior)—(a) Marshall Archer, Harold Campbell, Clifford Ford, Francis Seabrook, Clifford Seabrook, Richard England, Gladys Bower. Class I.—(a) (senior)—(a) Della Grove, (c) Tommy McCormick. Class II.—(a) (senior)—(a) Helen Reginald Smith (equal), Helen Seabrooke, Kathleen Harrington, (b) Roy Let Keays, Grace Campbell, Roy Ewers, Oliver Goldsmith, Jean Bower, (c) Ernest McCormick.

Junior II. Class—Class I, honors—Dorothy Wickerson, Kathleen Scott. Class II.—Gerald Shore, Norman England, Class III.—Chas. White, Unclassified—Alec Marshall, Elsie Nye, Beatrice White. Class I, honors—Gordon Logan, Nellie Torrance, Agnes Wickerson, Class II.—Wesley Bower, Rachael White, Harper Morden, Elsie Bower, John Campbell, Wesley Dunn, Class III.—Edwin Atkins, Kenneth Campbell, Sadie Ford, Unclassified—Lena Nye.

Senior I.—Class A—Class I, honors—Elna Currie, Jean Griffith, Charles McCormick, Geo. Thompson, Class II.—Clifford Ford, Unclassified—Ross Adair. Senior I.—Class B—Class I, honors—Ruth Sanderson, George Torrance, Helen Griffith, Oscar Wickerson, Harry Wadsworth, Class II.—Pearl Logan, Unclassified—Marion Dunn, Helen Bycroft, Mattie Morden.

Junior I. Class—Class I, honors—Elsie Currie, Cecil McCrae, Class II.—Lizzie Dunn, Class III.—Jennie White, Unclassified—Florence Dawson, Hazel Keays, Fred Smith. Teachers—W. M. Pearson and L. M. Tanton.

THAMESFORD SCHOOL. The following is the result of the Christmas examinations held at the Thamesford Public School. The number after the name indicates the percentage taken by each student.

Senior V.—Lulu Jenkins 68, Sterling Clark 67. Junior V.—Anna Dundass 78, Margaret Hossack 75, Helen Mackay 73, George Hossack 72, Robert Spring 67, James Orr 78, John McFarlan 75, Harry McLellan 75, Earl Mercer 71, Willie Mott 70, Merion Clark 69, Gordon Hogg 69, Edward Dundass 69, Bruce Brown 68, Gordon Mott 68, Blanche Carter 67, Thomas Field 65, Harold Parsons 66, Vera Fillimore 63, Wesley Burns 63, Mildred Alton 62, Willie Hogg 60, Gretta Bartlett 56, Fred Reaveley 40.

HYDE PARK SCHOOL. Following is the report of the Christmas examinations of Hyde Park School (senior room).

Class V.—Queen McDowell 1,080, Jessie Weir 889, Ena Skippion 859, Mary Armit 687. Senior IV.—Marion Douglas 830, Walter McGibbon 783, James Skippion 757, Norma Springett 732, Louise Durnford 724, Robert Spring 677, Mary Durnford 676, Annie Armit 461, Gordon Smith 432.

Junior IV.—Anna Ramsay 695, Isabel Prince 647. Senior III.—Harold Henderson 758, Willie Hunt 619, Royden Herbert 603, John McDowell 542, Laurine Smith 531, Lillian Robertson 528, Mildred Muriel Price 548, Marjorie Springett 499, Phyllis Gray 464, Jimmy May 407. Absentees from examinations—Annie Armit, Gordon Smith. Principal—Elsie M. Fox.

ANOTHER PROBLEM FOR NATURAL GAS FIRM

Does Union Company Control Big Part of Tilbury Supply? Woodstock, Dec. 24.—That it is very doubtful if the Dominion Natural Gas Company can supply the amount required by the cities on their line is the opinion expressed by Secar L. McKay, of Sarnia, director of the Union Natural Gas Company of Canada, who is holidaying here.

Mr. McKay explains that his company controls about 90 per cent of the output of the Tilbury fields and has not thought itself strong enough to pipe to London where the Dominion company has small holdings. He says there is no objectionable odor when proper apparatus is used. His company's price to domestic consumers in most places entered is 30 cents.

FALKIRK CONCERT

Pupils of East Williams School Put On Fine Entertainment. [Special to The Advertiser.] Falkirk, Dec. 24.—The Christmas concert of the pupils of S. S. No. 1, East Williams, was a great success. The schoolroom was prettily decorated with evergreens and Christmas decorations.

Mr. Alex. Mcintosh was chairman. The pupils all performed their different parts very well. Much credit is due to the teacher, Miss E. A. Shipley, who trained the children, and also to the pupils who

Phone Forty-Four Hundred



Watch this space daily for year-end clearing sales. Make your Christmas checks go far.



The Best Savings of the Year Come Right After Christmas. See Window Display. \$1.00 to \$1.50 Black Dress Goods, yard 69c



Suit Making

Suits Made \$6.50 to \$7.50 Off Regular Prices

Have you subscribed for The Designer, 30c a year? Price after Jan. 1, 75c. If mailed, \$1.00.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

When this paper is placed in your hands Christmas morning we will have turned the last leaf of one of the most successful and most satisfactory holiday seasons in the history of this store, and we take this early opportunity to express our thanks to all who responded so good naturedly to our appeal to shop early, whereby the strain upon the store service was lessened and the last few days' shopping made more pleasant and comfortable for those who found it not convenient to come earlier. Make a note in your diary for next year, mark your date to begin and make it early in the month; particularly note how satisfactory morning shopping has been.

Big Purchase Black Resilda 69c Dress Goods, Yard

REGULAR \$1.00 TO \$1.50, ON SALE FRIDAY. Over 1,100 yards, all new goods just received from a manufacturer in Bradford England. Styles which we have not shown before, mostly stripes, invisible and satin effects. A number of lines, some half pieces, some one piece, other two, three or four pieces of a number, bought from the manufacturer's stockroom at the close of the year at a very low price. About 96 pieces in the lot, which could not have been purchased in small piece lots to sell under \$1.00 to \$1.50 per yard.

"RESILDA" is a well-known fabric for dressy black gowns or general wear, and this purchase includes some of the best qualities made in this popular material. A goods for any season, which is particularly good for spring and summer wear, owing to its dust-repelling nature. It will not hold the dust, is non-crushable and bright as silk.

Beautiful Quality Blacks. We cannot too strongly impress upon you the importance of this sale, as seldom if ever have we had the opportunity to offer such quality goods so much below the regular price, many being below the half. All are new designs, such as we have not shown before, and with fancy blacks so much in favor this sale will be doubly appreciated by all who anticipate the purchase of a new black dress. And even if you don't just now, a dress length of one of these at 69c will be a good investment for future use.

We have planned this sale for Friday that the many Christmas visitors who remain over may take a long home with them. A five-yard dress length that would cost regularly \$7.50, for only \$3.45. On sale Friday morning, \$1.00 to \$1.50 blacks, sale price, yard 69c. See Window Display—Dundas Street—Today.

Mail Order Customers---Write for Samples. Out-of-town customers who respond promptly to this announcement may participate in this special sale, as we have made up a number of sets of samples which will be sent by return, on request, and a quantity of each has been set aside for mail orders, as we are anxious that our out-of-town customers shall receive the benefit of such special purchases just the same as our city patrons, by our free delivery system.

WRITE FOR SAMPLES. Special Prices for Ladies' Tailoring Will Take Effect Tomorrow. As is customary in order to keep the machines running during January and February in our Ladies' Tailoring Department, special price reductions have been arranged which will go into effect tomorrow and continue only until sufficient work has been taken for these two months, which will enable us to keep our entire staff without any laying off or closing down for the winter months, and will also mean to you a saving of \$6.50 to \$7.50 on your tailored suit—a consideration quite worth while.

As this is the only time in the year when such prices are made, many have been inquiring about it and are waiting for same, so it may be necessary to act quickly to get your order in before the offer closes, as the number to be made is limited to a certain figure, which is usually reached in a few days.

Suits Made \$6.50 to \$7.50 Off Regular Prices

SUITS MADE AND TRIMMED UP TO \$26.00, now made for \$19.00. SUITS MADE AND TRIMMED UP TO \$27.50, now made for \$21.00. SUITS MADE AND TRIMMED UP TO \$30.00, now made for \$23.50. SUITS MADE AND TRIMMED UP TO \$32.00, now made for \$25.00. SUITS MADE AND TRIMMED UP TO \$34.00, now made for \$26.50.

Goods must be selected when order is given so that Suits may be put into making at once. Special prices may be discontinued without notice, when sufficient orders are taken. INQUIRE AT DRESS GOODS COUNTER—MAIN FLOOR.

SMALLMANS INGRAM LIMITED. Have you subscribed for The Designer, 30c a year? Price after Jan. 1, 75c. If mailed, \$1.00.

Store Closed Today



Mail Orders Receive Our Prompt Attention

The New Spring Fashion Plates Are In. And we have a complete range of Black and Colored Suits, such as Worsteds, Cheviots, Whipcords, Ratine, Velour, Bedford, etc. Have your Spring Suit made now and save \$6.50 to \$7.50.

EXPECT A FIGHT. Every Member of Guelph Council Will Seek Re-election. [Special to The Advertiser.] Guelph, Dec. 24.—With nomination only a week off, there is a marked indifference in regard to municipal matters. Last January there were five candidates for mayor. This year it is almost certain to be a fight between Mayor Sam Carter and Ald. J. P. Carter. Every member of the present council will seek re-election, and a large number of new men have signified their intention of coming out.

AMUSEMENTS

Today at the Grand. Wm. A. Brady's special production of the big New England play, "Way Down East," comes to the Grand Opera House today, matinee and night. The play has been seen here so many times that no more than the mere announcement of its engagement is deemed necessary. Wm. A. Brady has been extremely fortunate in that he has been able to keep intact practically the same company that has appeared in the play season after season. The farm stock will also be in evidence, also the snowstorm, preparations having been made to give the play a perfected production.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

School Entertainment at Gold Creek Was Greatly Enjoyed. [Special to The Advertiser.] Komoka, Dec. 24.—The school concert and Christmas tree, held recently, proved to be a decided success. Mr. Archie Fletcher occupied the chair, and introduced a splendid program, which included readings, songs and dialogues rendered by the scholars and young people, which were greatly appreciated.

ELECTION IS QUIET

Few Are in the Field So Far at Chatham. Chatham, Dec. 24.—Little interest is being taken in the approaching municipal elections so far. As yet but one man, ex-Alderman John McCorrie, has announced himself for the mayoralty, and there are not enough candidates to fill the council.

DORCHESTER

Dorchester, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Garnet Cramp, of Hamilton, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Elgin Hayes. Miss Nora Edwards has returned after visiting friends and relatives in Gloucester. Mr. Robert Campbell, of Byron, has been here lately buying cattle. Miss Sheryl Ewin, of Harrietsville, was the guest of Mrs. Logan recently. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and daughter, Mrs. Dean, have left for a trip to Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. M. Tallack are spending Christmas with their daughter at Bradford.

FALKIRK CONCERT

Pupils of East Williams School Put On Fine Entertainment. [Special to The Advertiser.] Falkirk, Dec. 24.—The Christmas concert of the pupils of S. S. No. 1, East Williams, was a great success. The schoolroom was prettily decorated with evergreens and Christmas decorations.

Mr. Alex. Mcintosh was chairman. The pupils all performed their different parts very well. Much credit is due to the teacher, Miss E. A. Shipley, who trained the children, and also to the pupils who

A Very Merry Christmas To All Readers

MR. WARDLE'S CHRISTMAS

FROM THE PICKWICK PAPERS

The best sitting-room at Manor Farm was a good, long, dark-paneled room with a high chimney-piece, and a capacious chimney, up which you could have driven one of the new patent cabs, wheels and all. At the upper end of the room, seated in a shady bowyer of holly and evergreens, were the two best fiddlers, and the only harp, in all Muggleton. In all sorts of recesses, and on all kinds of brackets, stood massive silver candlesticks, each with four branches each. The carpet was up, the candles burnt bright, the fire blazed and crackled on the hearth, and merry voices and light-hearted laughter rang through the room.



CHARLES DICKENS, the man who created Pickwick and Sam Weller and the Fat Boy and all the rest of them.

ed on Arabella, "well, I don't think that it was extraordinary, either, after all."

However, there was no time to think more about the matter, for the fiddles and harp began in real earnest. Away went Mr. Pickwick—hands across—down the middle to the very end of the room, and half-way up the chimney, back again to the door—poussette everywhere—loud stamp on the ground—ready for the next couple—off again—then the fiddlers and harp began another stamp to beat out the time—the next couple, and the next, and the next again—never was such going! At last, after they had reached the bottom of the harp, and had fourteen couple after the old lady had retired in an exhausted state, and the clergyman's wife had been substituted in her stead, did that gentleman, when there was no demand whatever on his exertions, keep perpetually dancing in his place, to keep time to the music; smiling on his partner all the while with a blandness of demeanor which baffles all description.

Long before Mr. Pickwick was weary of dancing, the newly-married couple had retired from the scene. There was a glorious supper downstairs, notwithstanding, and a good long sitting after it; and when Mr. Pickwick awoke, late the next morning, he had a confused recollection having, severally and confidentially, invited some twenty or five-and-forty people to dine with him at the George and Vulture, the very first time they came to London, which Mr. Pickwick rightly considered a pretty certain indication of his having taken something besides exercise, on the previous night.

"And so your family has games in the kitchen tonight, my dear, has it?" inquired Sam of Emma.

"Yes, Mr. Weller," replied Emma; "we always have on Christmas Eve. Master wouldn't neglect to keep it up on an occasion like this."

"Your master's a very pretty notion of keepin' anything up, my dear," said Mr. Weller; "I never see such a sensible sort of man as he is, or such a regular gamester."

"Oh, that he is!" said the fat boy, joining in the conversation; "don't he breed nice pork!" The fat boy gave a semi-comical leer at Mr. Pickwick as he thought of the roast legs and gravy.

"Oh, you've woke up, at last, have you?" said Sam.

"They nodded."

"I'll tell you what it is, young boaster," said Mr. Weller, impressively; "if you don't sleep a little less, and exercise a little more, were you open to the same sort of personal inconvenience as was inflicted on the old gen'l'm'n as wore the pigtail."

"What did they do to him?" inquired the fat boy, in a faltering voice.

"I'm goin' to tell you," replied Mr. Weller; "and if you'd put an exact model of his own legs on the dinner table, and he wouldn't be satisfied with it, he always walks to his office with a very handsome gold watch-chain hanging out, about a foot and a quarter; and a gold watch in his fob; and he's got a pair of gold-rimmed spectacles, but as much as a watch can be—a large, heavy, round manufacturer, as stout for a watch, as he was for a man, and with a big face to proportion. You'd better not carry that 'ere watch, says the old gen'l'm'n's friends, 'you'll be robbed on it,' says they. 'Shall I?' says he. 'I'll give you ten shillings to get it, if you'll wear it,' says the old gen'l'm'n. 'Well, then, he laughs as hearty as if he was agoin' to pieces, and out he walks agin' with his powdered head and pigtail, and rolls down the Strand better not than hangin' out furdur than ever, and the great round watch almost bustin' through his gray kersey smalls. There warn't a pickpocket in all London as could have been stopped by no earthly power, if the house had been on fire."

"Where's Arabella Allen?" cried a dozen voices.

"And Winkle?" added Mr. Tupman.

"Here we are!" exclaimed that gentleman, emerging with his pretty companion from the corner; as he did so, it would have been hard to tell which was the redder in the face, he or the young lady with the black eyes.

"What an extraordinary thing it is, Winkle," said Mr. Pickwick, rather pettishly; "what you couldn't have taken your place before."

"Not at all extraordinary," said Mr. Winkle.

"Well," said Mr. Pickwick, with a very expressive smile, as his eyes rest-

Dear Advertiser friends, and all good fellows, who so generously met The Advertiser's appeal for folks to fill Red Stockings—Merry Christmas to you, one and all!

When you read this on Christmas Day the next day, you will have been opened by as many small children in the city, and it is a delightful picture of the happy hearts existing in many homes. No wonder, good will, no wonder, the children in the picture are saying "Hurrah for the Red Stockings!"

And that your hearts may all be filled today with "peace and love, and that the kindly atmosphere of Christmas may remain with you throughout the days to come," is the sincere wish of

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Why We Hang Up Stockings.
The custom of hanging up the stockings on Christmas eve arose from an incident in the life of the good St. Nicholas. One day, when he was overtaken by a severe storm, he took refuge in a convent, and the next day being Christmas, he preached a sermon to the nuns which they liked so much that they asked him to come the next year and preach to them again.

On his second visit, which was also on a Christmas eve, before going to bed he asked each of the nuns to lend him a stocking, and he filled the stockings with sugar plums in return for their hospitality.

CHRISTMAS CAROL.
Before the palling of the stars,
Before the winter morn,
Before the earliest cock-crow,
Jesus Christ was born—
Born in a stable,
Cradled in a manger;
In the world his hands had made
Born a stranger.

Priest and king lay fast asleep
In the stable cold,
Young and old lay fast asleep
In crowded Bethlehem;
Saint and angel, ox and ass,
Kept a watch together,
Before the Christmas daybreak,
In the winter weather.

Jesus on his mother's breast
In the stable cold,
Spotless Lamb of God was he,
Shepherd of the fold;
Let us kneel with Mary, maid,
With Joseph, bent and hoary,
To hail the King of Glory!

—CHRISTINA ROSETTI

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HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA possesses the extracted value of the best vegetable remedies prescribed by leading physicians. That its formula has proved wonderfully potent is proved by its record of great success. For your blood medicine get HOOD'S.

OUR ASTROLOGER

HOROSCOPE
THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1913.

Uranus doth lead
Toward kindly deed.

This is a day in which Uranus again holds sway. The planet, which affects the spiritual side of humanity, is in a place of power, interpreted by astrologers as exceedingly benefic.

The influences are held to be especially stimulating to all the emotions stirred at Christmastime. Friends up and love are awakened under this configuration, the seers declare.

The rule is believed to quicken the imagination and to awaken the psychic faculty so that harmony and understanding are easily established among associates in holiday festivities.

Organization for social reform and charitable institutions are under a favorable government that augurs well for the new year, in which sweeping changes in caring for delinquents will be made.

Inventors should be fortunate to-day. It is predicted that 1914 will be noteworthy for the perfecting of many remarkable devices. Travel, the beginning of strange work and research of every sort have omens of success.

The mutual aspects of the planets are interpreted as auspicious for meeting of thought and serious men and women. Those who are engaged in vocations that require profound knowledge should benefit. There is a prophecy that the President will encounter serious opposition in Congress and that he will undergo a period of severe criticism from foreign powers, but he has an augury of final success in his most stubbornly contested policies.

Blizzards will cause loss of life in the west, and storms of unusual extent will multiply shipwrecks on the eastern coasts.

Tokio is under an adverse sway, and a period of national anxiety is foretold. High officials will be washed to sea by the perfecting of many serious plots, it is said.

Weddings among society folks in all parts of the country will be numerous this winter. Some of these will unite immense fortunes, but fewer alliances with foreigners will take place.

Those whose birthdate it is have the augury of changes which will be beneficial. Speculation and litigation will be attended by irreparable loss.

Children born on this day probably will be restless in nature, fond of travel and exceedingly clever. Magnetism will be used in Capricorn and their ruling planet Saturn.

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"The stars incline, but do not compel."

Delivering the Red Stockings

How I wish all our readers could have shared in the joy of distributing the Christmas Red Stockings. I can assure you we were a most imposing spectacle as we left The Advertiser office on Monday evening—the red Advertiser wagon, the man in the funny coat, and last, but not least, of course, the writer of these lines. Filled high in the wagon were the holders of the Red Stockings, all labelled and all containing an amount of joy things for the kiddies which did not seem quite so "Christmassy" to be riding in a wagon, without the music of sleigh bells or the crunch of crisp snow. But our party was very merry for one of all was the little mare who drew us along. Mind the heavy load—note she. The way she pranced about and made her little feet fly over the ground was simply amazing. Indeed, so very merry was she at times that it was enough to make the heart of "a poor, lone female critter," to quote her mother, stay right up in her mouth ready to pop out at a moment's notice. And, taking it all around, perhaps it was just as well for the Red Stockings, to say nothing of the "lone critter," that one of the best drivers in—well, in Middlesex County, anyway, was holding the lines.

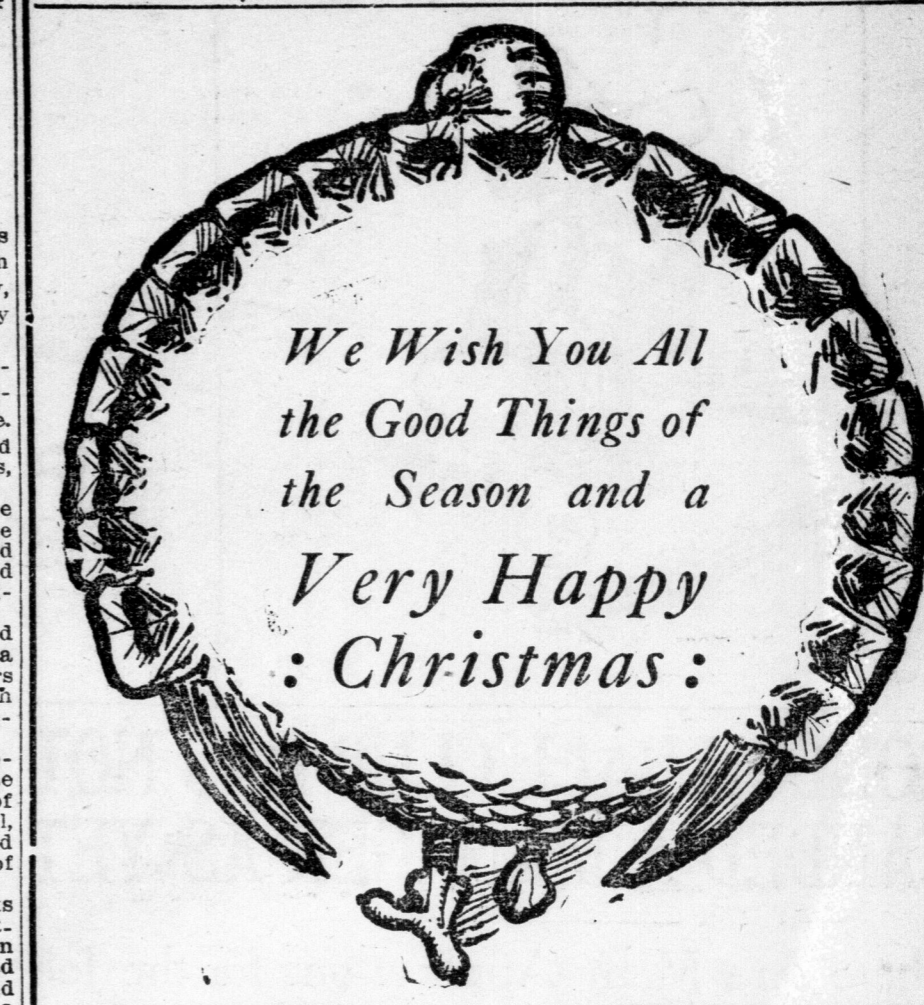
"Ten o'clock came, and found the disciples of Saint Nicholas still on their rounds. The little boy who wore no overcoat was very merry for long since on a home-bound street car. But finally the very thought bodies felt decidedly "shivery," and the man in the fur coat, the boy in gray, and the "lone critter" turned their faces homeward. The first installment of the Red Stockings had been delivered safely!

THE NOMAD.

ODD ANCIENT COOKERY.
We have it on the authority of Aristotol Mentall and Petronius, that in their time a dormouse properly fattened and cooked was a highly-esteemed article of diet, while the English cook of the middle ages tells us that "in parts of Asia and Africa the elephant is eaten, not as the Romans and Egyptians were wont to do, sparingly and only as pertains to his feet, trunk and taylor, all of which were great delicacies, but his entire carcass is carved and consumed."

"Many of the dainty dishes beloved of old were indeed somewhat peculiar. The delicacy of the hedgehog is no longer universally appreciated. In fact, it is only grapes and their kind who eat it, although, when properly cooked, it used to be considered a succulent morsel. In the fifteenth century meats such as crane, heron, pea-

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Cynthia Grey's Mail-Box

(Correspondents are requested to make their inquiries as brief as possible, and to write on one side of the paper only. It is impossible to give replies within a stated time, as all letters have to be answered in turn. No letters can be answered privately.)

Dark Circles Beneath Eyes.
Dear Miss Grey—Would you kindly inform me as to what makes dark lines under the eyes, and the cure for it and oblige? Yours truly, IRISH.

Sometimes the dark rings are caused by eye strain long continued, and again they are due to disordered whites, whipping until it begins to harden. Add flavoring and sliced almonds, spread quite thickly into shallow buttered pans. When cold cut into squares.

Uncooked Fondant.
Method—Take the white of an egg, beat lightly and add an equal amount of water, now stir in enough of the very finest XXX confectioners' sugar to be able to mold it as one would dough, dip fingers in sugar so it will not stick, then roll into balls or shape any way you like. If you want variegated, add a few drops of vegetable or fruit coloring to different portions of the fondant, make oval bon-bons, with a bit of candied fruit in center, decorative strips of candied fruit or roll in chopped nuts.

Chapped Hands.
Dear Miss Grey—Will you kindly tell me what I can use on my hands, which chaps so easily? FLORENCE.

To prevent your hands from chapping you should be careful to dry them thoroughly after they have been washed. Do not wash them immediately before going out in the cold if you can possibly help it. This lotion rubbed into the skin will relieve their present condition: One ounce of rose-water, one ounce of glycerine, 10 drops of carbolic. If soft old gloves are worn the lotion will be the more efficacious.

Dying a Sweater.
Dear Miss Grey: I am hoping you may oblige me by answering my queries.

1. Can a white sweater coat be dyed red without it shrinking? Please tell me how to dye it.
2. A nice receipt or two for candy.
3. What do you think of my writing? I remain sincerely grateful if you can answer queries.

I SHOULD WORRY.
A.—The coat will probably shrink a little, but if it is a fair size and is cleanly cotton, while the eating of economy in these recipes, and there must have been great waste, although the following recipe bears the suggestive title of "Pigs' Feet." Take fair game, chickens' heads, feet, livers, and gysers and wash them clean. Cast them into a fair pot, and cast fresh nutmegs, cloves, parsley, and sauge mince small. Then take bread, steep it in the same broth, let boye enow, cast thereto powder ginger, salt and a little saffron, and serve it forth.

Dress For Fancy Ball.
Dear Miss Grey: I am attending a fancy dress ball next week and am in a quandary whether to use silver or gold stars for my costume. Will you help me, and if possible let me have your answer before the end of the week? Thank you very much for your timely information re fiction writers, etc. I certainly appreciate your kindness. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am, yours truly, C. C.

A.—I think that as a rule silver is the paper used to imitate stars in fancy costumes or decoration.

commemorative of the Redeemer's birth; from all their woes during that hour that Herod ceased to feel his chains; that Judas slept and dreamed of the days of his innocence; that Herodias could not from the dance in which she was condemned to spin through all eternity, and that Pilate ceased his wanderings on Mount Pilatus and refrained from washing his hands from which nothing could remove the stains of blood, which ever resuspended.

To Our Many Customers and Friends We Wish a Very Merry Christmas

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GREETING BY "OLIVE"

Once more the happiest day of the whole year has rolled around, and once more millions from ocean to ocean are paying loyal tribute to the birthday of the Child Jesus who gave "Peace on earth, goodwill to men."

Even the ragged vagabond of the street responds to the joyous occasion, and wrinkles his weather-beaten face into his best holiday smile, as he rubs his elbows with the man of wealth, and exclaims with all the good-fellowship he can master: "Merry Christmas!"

Let us hope that no one is being overlooked today, and that there are no empty stockings, hanging forlornly, to rudely awaken some jonesing little heart to the realization that even dear old Santa Claus is forced to make a distinction between the rich and poor.

So we take up the call of the ragged vagabond, which finds an echo in the hearts of vast multitudes from sea to sea. "Merry Christmas to you all."

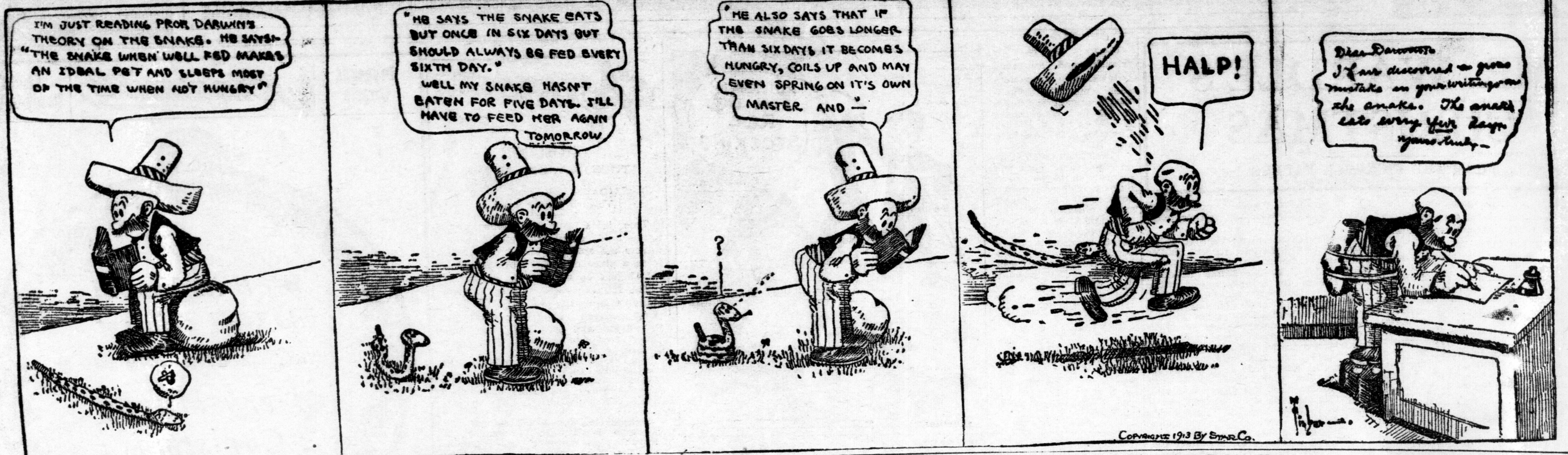
ALL THE NEWS THAT IS NEWS

A DAY IN THE SPORTING WORLD

SIDE LIGHTS ON MANY SPORTS

Maybe Jeff's Snake Didn't Digest His Food

By "Bud" Fisher



LONDON BALL CLUB HAS NOT LANDED A MANAGER AS YET

There Are Many Applications for the Job and Lots of Time to Consider Them—Johnny Cocash Said To Be After It.

BY "JINX" This glad season of the year ought to be a good time for some kind-hearted big-league mogul to present the London Ball Club with a reputable manager. Sort of a Christmas gift, as it were. The London club has not yet selected the guy that's going to grab the pennant for this city in the Canadian League next season, but the London club has a lot of time on its hands, so there's no hurry about it. Other clubs in the Canadian League have yet to appoint a manager, so why should London be in any hurry? Lots of Managers. Now that Doc Reisinger has been passed up, and Nick Altrock has not been heard from for a few days, the London club must look around for some more ex-big leaguers. The woods and the Federal League seem to be full of them. The St. Thomas club dealt baseball a serious "blow" when it grabbed off "Midge" Craven to pilot the Saints next year, but the London club is in hope there is at least one other good manager left, and that it may be able to sign him up before the season opens. St. Thomas always did try to cop off all the good ones anyway, just to get ahead of London. No Definite Plan Yet. But, seriously speaking, the London Club has no definite idea just yet as to who will get the local job. A meeting of the London directors will probably be held the first week in January, when the question will be dealt with in all seriousness, and a man appointed. There are a number of applications from men anxious to get the job, and they will all receive due consideration. It is said Johnny Cocash, who was with London two years ago, is one of the men seeking the position. Rubs Will Not Be Back. Rubs Deaneau will likely go to Brantford. The Brantford management is anxious to get him, and is just waiting to see what action London takes in disposing of him. Rubs will not report here in the spring. He says so far as baseball is concerned, and if he again manages a team in the Canadian League it will not be a London team.

Many of Them, Friends

To the readers of this page and to all those who have from time to time assisted in its preparation and contributed to its columns, the Sporting Editor extends a Merry Christmas.

PELKEY WILL HAVE ADVANTAGE OF WEIGHT OVER "GUNBOAT"

But Smith's Manager Says He Is Not Worrying About This—Both Will Be in Fine Shape for Next Week's Bout.

[W. W. NAUGHTON.] San Francisco, Dec. 24.—While Jim Buckley, manager of Gunboat Smith, is extremely confident that his heavyweight will defeat Arthur Pelkey at Daly City on New Year's Day, his faith in the Gunner is not causing him to make the mistake of counting chickens before they are hatched. Buckley is more than pleased at the way Gunboat's training is progressing over at Shannon's. He considers the Gunner is lucky in having Jack Hemphill and Billy Sloan for sparring partners. "I don't think Gunboat ever was as well fixed in that way before," said Buckley. "These fellows are grand workers, and they keep Smith well extended all the time they are boxing with him. I am sure he will be in the shape of his life when he meets Pelkey on New Year's Day." Pelkey is the Heavier. Buckley referred to the fact that Pelkey is a much heavier man than Gunboat, but says that Smith has become accustomed to weight handicaps, and thinks nothing now of conceding 10 or 20 pounds to an opponent. "We look for a stiff fight, but at the same time we expect to win," said Buckley. "We are glad that Pelkey has made so many friends among the sportsmen since he opened a shop at Shannon's. We have heard so many stories about his speed, his pluck, his great strength and hard looks, that I sometimes think some of the boys are trying to scare the Gunner. I saw where one fighter said that all Pelkey needed was a cloak of wild animal skins, a rough whicker around his face and a war club in his hand to make him look like the original game man. Why Gaby Des Lys would look like a cave man if you rigged him out that way."

MAJOR LEAGUE UMPIRES MAY TAKE SPRING TRAINING

National League Will Likely Send Its Indicator Holders to South To Work With Ball Clubs in Spring So As to Get Their Eye on the Ball.

Certain magnates in the National League are back of a movement to have the umpires undergo a course of spring training the same as do the ball players. The office of President Tener is being used as a sounding board and the agitation, in a certain sense, has overlapped into the American circuit. The advisability of this depends largely on the viewpoint of the interested ones. In the American league President Johnson has insisted that his umpires have absolute control of the playing field. This instance has eliminated, to a great extent, any objections the club owners, managers and players might file. However, the different umpires in the Johnsonian circuit take it upon themselves to keep in shape and two or three men, in particular, do all that is possible to be condition at the beginning of the season. "Bill" O'Loughlin has gone south with the Rochester International league team for a number of seasons and he always works north with the club. O'Loughlin works as strenuously as a recruit while in training and according to his own declarations there never passes a day but what he walks at least 10 miles. "Billy" Evans is a finished boxer and he has daily workouts in a Cleveland gymnasium. Charlie Ferguson, the umpire who had rather a stormy time of it in the American league last season, is in California this winter, and before coming east he will work out in a number of coast games so as to get "his eye on the ball."

EUCHRE, NOT CURLING AT THISTLE RINK TODAY

Game Will Be On Between 3 and 6 o'Clock and Winner Gets "Smudges."

Local curlers will not spend a merry Christmas today, at least, not as far as curling is concerned. There is nothing on the floor of the Thistle Club rink, but a "dampness" and as a result the old game will be forced into service again. Euchre will be played at the Thistle Club from 3 to 6 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, a box of cigars going to the winner. The Thistle Club's mackinaws and tam-o'-shanters are just about ready, and when the members of that club appear on the ice this season they will look like a bunch of touring Scotch curlers. The new coats are "all to the merry" as "Billy" Fulton would say, and they are bound to make a hit.

YALE AND HARVARD MEET NEXT YEAR ON NOV. 21

Crimson Team Arranges Its 1914 Football Schedule—Opening Game With Bates. Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 24.—Word was received from Bates today that the Maine College players had so arranged matters that they would come to the stadium on Sep. 28 and open the Harvard football season. With Springfield training school also accepting the Oct. 3 date, the Crimson schedule for 1914 is complete. Official arrangements have been concluded with the Michigan and Princeton managements, and a hard but successful season is looked for next fall. The official schedule follows: Sep. 26—Bates. Oct. 3—Springfield Training School. Oct. 10—Washington and Jefferson. Oct. 17—Tufts. Oct. 24—Penn State. Oct. 31—Michigan. Nov. 7—Princeton. Nov. 14—Brown. Nov. 21—Yale, at New Haven.

Manufacturer's League Schedule

The schedule of the Manufacturers' Hockey League was drawn up yesterday afternoon by the committee, consisting of Secretary Ernie Gill and Messrs. Rhodes and Perry, sporting editors of the Free Press and Advertiser, respectively. The schedule provides for thirty games, commencing on Tuesday, Jan. 6, and ending on Tuesday, Feb. 14. Each team plays ten games. The schedule has been so arranged that each club has a like number of first and second games, five each. In the first part of the schedule, Lawson & Jones, two first games and three second; Greene-Swifts, two firsts and three seconds; Perrins, three firsts and one second; and McCormicks three firsts and two seconds. This order will be just reversed in the second part of the schedule, thus evening it up; for instance, McClarys will have three firsts and two seconds, and Gastes one first and four seconds, and so on.

The Schedule Is As Follows:

- Jan. 6—McClarys vs. Gastes. Jan. 6—Lawson & Jones vs. Greene-Swifts. Jan. 8—Perrins vs. McCormicks. Jan. 8—McClarys vs. Lawson & Jones. Jan. 13—Gastes vs. McCormicks. Jan. 13—Greene-Swifts vs. Perrins. Jan. 15—Greene-Swifts vs. Gastes. Jan. 15—McCormicks vs. McClarys. Jan. 20—Greene-Swifts vs. McClarys. Jan. 20—Gastes vs. Lawson & Jones. Jan. 22—Lawson & Jones vs. McCormicks. Jan. 22—McClarys vs. Perrins. Jan. 27—Perrins vs. Gastes. Jan. 27—Greene-Swifts vs. McCormicks. Jan. 28—Gastes vs. McClarys. Feb. 3—Greene-Swifts vs. Lawson & Jones. Feb. 3—McCormicks vs. Perrins. Feb. 5—Lawson & Jones vs. McClarys. Feb. 5—McCormicks vs. Gastes. Feb. 10—Perrins vs. Greene-Swifts. Feb. 10—McCormicks vs. Lawson & Jones. Feb. 12—Perrins vs. McClarys. Feb. 12—Gastes vs. Greene-Swifts. Feb. 17—McClarys vs. McCormicks. Feb. 17—Gastes vs. Perrins. Feb. 19—Lawson & Jones vs. Gastes. Feb. 19—McCormicks vs. Greene-Swifts. Feb. 24—Perrins vs. Lawson & Jones.

Doings in City Hockey Circles

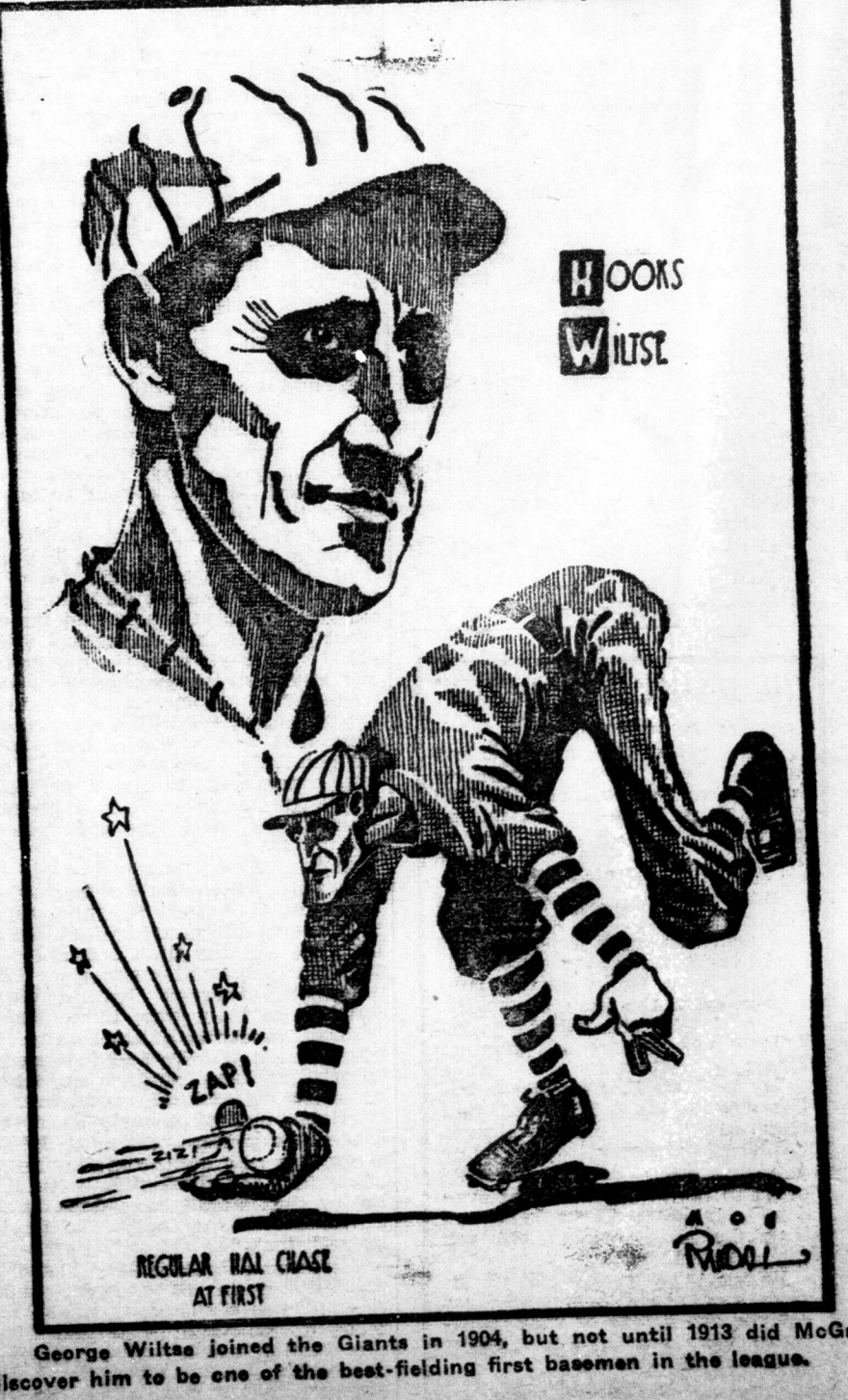
With the opening of the local hockey season only four days off, Jack Frost had better get busy and hand out a flock of cold spells. The London team will leave on the C. P. R. at noon today for Detroit. About ten players will make the trip. Barney Vining and Kenny Casselman will not accompany the team. They enjoy Christmas better at home. The Army Medical Corps have signed up sixteen men so far for the City League team. Look as if the A. M. C. were going to have another championship contender. The Interdenominational League players must all be registered with the league executive by tomorrow. The church leagues will supply the city with some good hockey when they get going. What's the matter with the Tri-County League? It is just about time somebody got busy and revived the Tri-County again. The local C. L. team ought to start something in this respect. Alf Wright, who played with the Woodstock Intermediate team when they trimmed London in this city by 7 to 6 two years ago, has signed up with the A. M. C. team. Dick Bawlf, brother of Bawlf, of last season's Winnipeg all stars, may turn out with the Western University team in the City League this winter. "Cap" Stevens and "Dusty" Rhodes will look after the Western University team this winter. "Cap" will be away for a couple of days. He leaves for Port Arthur tonight for a brief visit. The Seal 182 That's Real Dundas St. Semi-ready Tailoring. FREE TO ALL SUFFERERS. FROM RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, BRUISES, BURNS, SCALDS, AND ALL OTHER AFFECTIONS. THERAPION. RAILROAD MEN. Do you know that we sell the famous AMERICAN ELK SHOES, made especially for railroadmen, at \$2.95? You ought to try them. They will not rip. MODERN SHOE REPAIR 508 RICHMOND. PHONE 2310.

The Click of the Steel Shoe

Art Ross and Harry Hyland, the two holdouts of the Wanderers hockey club, have both made terms with President Litchben. Tom Phillips will be asked to coach the Hamilton Intermediate O. H. A. team. Gordie Roberts, forward of the Wanderers, is out of the game with a fractured shoulder. Box is back at Queen's after a year's absence. Hal DeGrushy, the former Upper Canada player, and Robertson, who played on the defence last year, will likely be the T. C. C. defence this season. Parkdale opens the Toronto O.H.A. season at the arena New Year's eve, with Whitty. After the game the club will skate the old year out with public skating. Fred Doherty, the Maritime Province League player, has about decided to stay in Toronto. He will probably be found with the Ontarios. It now looks as if the Toronto championship games arranged between St. Michael's and T. R. and A. A. will not take place. St. Michael's are trying to bring New Edinburgh back again, and if successful will stage a contest on Friday night at the arena. The Northern League may be increased by another group. Clinton, Seaforth and Mitchell are all eager to enter, that is if Gorderich is not admitted.

What's the Matter With Southpaw George Wiltse For That Job of First-Basing With the Giants Next Year?

Will Fred Merkle play first for the Giants next year? Any number of fans are asking themselves this question; Merkle is with the work in Asia; so is McGraw, but the effort of the New York business manager to trade Merkle, Snodgrass and an armful of bats for Ed. Konetchy, at the National League annual meeting, indicates that McGraw wants to rid himself of the big fellow whose errors of omission have made him a marked man. There appears to be little reason why McGraw should go outside his own team for a flashy first baseman. The work of George Wiltse during the last post-mortem series was so high class that it was old "Hooks" wonderful fielding that gave the Giants the only game they won from the slashing, run-away Mackmen. The idea that Wiltse cannot hit well enough for a first baseman need not last very long; Wiltse hit .326 in 1912, and, although this may have been a flash, it shows he is capable, and if he gets his "eye upon the ball" Wiltse might surprise some of the home folks in Syracuse. Wiltse is about through as a pitcher. He has been with the team since 1904, when he was purchased from the Troy team of the New York State League. Control has always been his forte. His best season was the never-to-be-forgotten year of 1908, when he and Mathewson pitched the Giants into a pennant, only to be Merkle'd out of it. When Wiltse went to the Giants he was the cleverest fielding pitcher in the N. Y. S. L. and has always ranked high as a fielder in the National. He is one of the pitchers at whom opponents never butt the ball, because he never falls over his feet in getting the ball. With Troy in 1903 Wiltse participated in 70 games, hitting .260, and in many games he played right field and first base, showing exceptional ability in both positions. As an outfielder Wiltse became a terror by winging out many a runner who was inclined to "take it easy" going to the bag after the ball escaped the infield. On first "Hooks" performed spectacularly, and it was no surprise to the residents of Troy to read of his sensational fielding in the world's series. In fact, it will not surprise the Trojans if they read the Giants' line-up next get-away day and saw the name of George Wiltse in the line formerly occupied by Fred Merkle. George Wiltse joined the Giants in 1904, but not until 1913 did McGraw discover him to be one of the best-fielding first basemen in the league.



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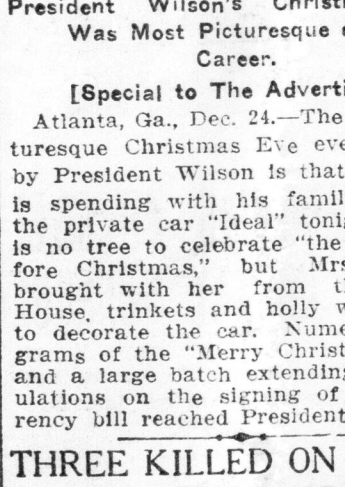
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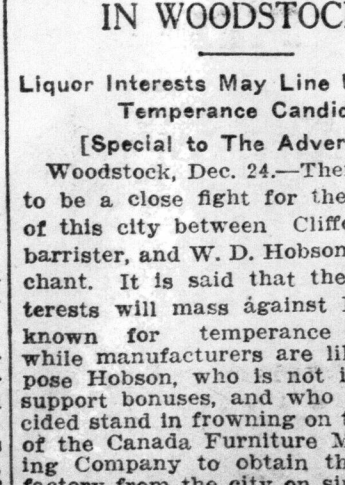
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[Boston Transcript] Maud—The man I marry must be well off. Kate—And not know it.



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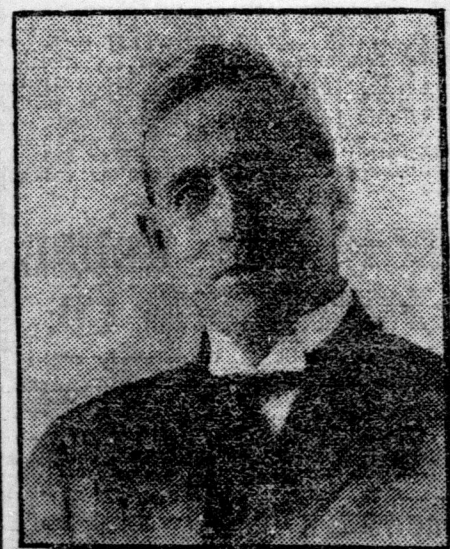


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Alleged That Guelph Hold-Up Story Was A Fake. Guelph, Dec. 24.—Mr. Frank L. Barrett, president and manager of the Barrett Dairy Company, who was

found bound and gagged in the cellar of his premises, left the city today. He went to Toronto, and it is understood that his brother met him there to take passage at Montreal for Southport, England. Barrett made no statement of the affair. It is alleged that he tied himself up as, using the same straps, it has been demonstrated that this could easily be done.

REFUSED BAIL FOR ALLEGED COUNTERFEITER

Aged Father of Prisoner Broke Down in the Court Room.

[Canadian Press.]

Joliette, Que., Dec. 24.—Despite a father's strenuous attempt to secure bail for his son, Mr. Justice Dugas, of the superior court here, today refused bail to Eugene Gagne and Arthur Grignon, two of the alleged counterfeiters arrested in a deserted farm house, five miles back of Lavalltrie, by Dominion and Provincial detective officers last Friday morning.

When the judge refused Gagne bail, his aged father broke down and left the courtroom in a pitiable condition. Judge Dugas declared that until every man named on the warrant had been taken it was not customary to give bail. On this ground, and, as he held that the offence was a serious one, he refused the petitions of the prisoners.

The other four prisoners taken on the same charge were not represented in court. The whole band in charge will now come before Magistrate P. Jolicoeur on Saturday.

BURIED AT NORWICH

Dr. Lount, of Walkerton, Was Honored By Curlers and Bowlers.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Walkerton, Dec. 24.—A very impressive service was held at the home of Mrs. Lount over the remains of Dr. Lount, whose body was taken to Norwich for burial today. The display of flowers was magnificent. The burials sent a large curling stone of American Beauty roses. The Bowling Club and the Durham curlers and Walkerton Masons each large emblematical bouquets. Rev. Thomas Wilson, Presbyterian minister, officiated. Burton Smith, eldest son of Frank Smith, died today, after several months' illness. Bertie, son of R. A. Brocklebank, of Brant, who has been in the hospital for several months, was buried today.

PAINFULLY HURT

Chatham Man Badly Used Up by an Unknown Autoist.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, Dec. 24.—Melvin Wright appeared at police headquarters today, badly battered up, and asked the police to assist him in collecting damages for injury done to a bicycle by a local autoist whom he said ran into him. His nose is cut, one eye closed, a finger badly sprained and he suffered a bruise over his body. The case is being investigated.

NEW BOARD WILL DEAL WITH ENTRANCE REFORMS

To Consider Holding Examinations in Public Schools Instead of the Collegiate.

One of the first things to be considered by the 1914 board of education will be the proposition to hold entrance examinations in the public schools instead of in the Collegiate Institute. Under authority granted by the department of education, the local board may consent to this course, which is intended to relieve at least some portion of the nervous strain upon pupils incident to the entrance examination.

The public school principals of the city recommended that all entrance pupils be promoted upon their standings of the year, but this was objected to by the principal of the collegiate, and the entrance board dropped into line with his suggestion. The feeling of the board, however, was unanimous that something should be done to give the pupils writing on the entrance papers a better chance. Every year there are many instances of bright pupils being plucked at the entrance examination for no other reason than that of their nervousness and dread of the ordeal.

The presence of 700 pupils in one building, writing on an entrance examination, makes, to say the least, for confusion, and it is felt that if the pupils were allowed to write in their old schools, where the surroundings were familiar and the environment homelike, that there would be fewer failures and a better showing all around.

A majority of the probable members of the new board of education are said to be greatly in favor of the scheme, and it is anticipated that there will be no opposition to it, when the idea is proposed early in January.

STILL MISSING

Inspector Boyd Unable To Locate Donald L. McDonald.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Durham, Dec. 24.—The visit of M. R. Boyd, inspector of criminal investigation, Toronto, to Durham yesterday has not thrown any new light on the strange disappearance of Donald L. McDonald, the Benick Township farmer, who has been missing now since Dec. 5.

The inspector went over the ground thoroughly and dispensed with the theory that there may have been foul play. He advances the possibility of suicide or that McDonald has left home with the intention of visiting friends or relatives.

In case of the former, however, he advised that a close watch be kept on the lakes in the vicinity of his home for the body.

JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, Dec. 24.—In the civil action, Crow vs. Bailey, heard in the county court before Judge Bell today, judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff for \$246.22, and then a thirty-day stay was granted.

LITTLE TALKS

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CHRISTMAS—the time of "peace on earth, good will toward men"—is just around the corner.

The spirit of the season is being advertised just now in shop windows, in homes, in offices, in the hearts of men and women.

This is the time of year when we advertise our real selves. The man or woman who has no charitable impulses as the Yuletide approaches needs to go out under the stars at night and make his peace with the world.

Perhaps at no season of the year is Advertising called upon to perform more strenuously the work which it is created to do.

For, come right down to think of it, aren't the advertising columns of the newspapers right now loaded down with suggestions for those who do not quite know what to buy for Father, Mother, Sister, Brother, Sweetheart, Cousins or Aunts?

And do not the thousands of people who find themselves face to face with the great problem of judicious giving at Christmas turn to the advertising columns for help in making their purchases?

It is through advertising at this season that the merchant reaches the greatest possible number of prospective customers. It is through advertising that newspaper readers get help and inspiration in the buying of remembrances.

This, then, is the connection between Christmas and Advertising. Some great man once said: "Business is practical sentiment, after all." I think he was right.

Merry Christmas!

The Want-Ad Man

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LANGLIGHT STORY FOR CHRISTMAS

His Last Christmas Gift

BY JOHN FOX, JUN.

Illustrated by R. Palenske.

The sergeant got the wounded man to his feet and threw one arm around his waist. Then he all but carried him, stumbling along, with both hands clasped across his eyes, down the ravine that looked at night like some pit of hell. For along their path a thousand coals spat forth red tongues that licked northward with the wind, shot red arrows into the choking black smoke that surged up the mountainside, and lighted with fire the bellies of the clouds rolling overhead.

"Hospital!" The mountaineer stopped suddenly.

"Why, I can't see them ovens!" "You come on, Jim." Next morning Jim lay on a cot with a sheet drawn to his chin and a grayish-yellow bandage covering forehead and eyes down to the tip of his nose. When the surgeon lifted that bandage the nurse turned her face aside, and when he was under it, or rather what was not under it, shall not be told. Only out in the operating room the smooth-faced young assistant was curiously counting over some round leaden pellets, and he gave one low whistle when he pushed into a pile a full fourscore.

"He said he was a 'lookin' through a keyhole," the sergeant reported, "anybody let him have it with both barrels—but that don't go. Jim wouldn't be lookin' through no keyhole—he'd bust the door down."

Nor could the sergeant learn more. He had four men mobbing down Possum Hollow, and up that hollow the men and women of the mining camp did not give one another away. "It might a been any one of a dozen fellows I know," the sergeant said, for Jim was a feudsmen and had his enemies by the score.

The man on the cot said nothing. Once, to be sure, when he was crossing the border of Etherland, and once only, he muttered: "Yes, she was a cat, no doubt about that. Yes, sir, the old girl was a cat. But when he was conscious, that much even he would never say again. He simply lay quiet, uncomplaining, and not even the surgeon, who got him quickly to know, could get him to tell who had done the deed."

On the fourth day he showed some cheer. "Look here, Doc," he said, "when you goin' to take this rag off my eyes, I want you to take it off my eyes."

"Oh, pretty soon," said the surgeon, and the nurse turned to the surgeon, whose eyes that would never be for his eyes to shed again. On the sixth day his pulse was fast and his blood was high—and that night the nurse knew precisely what meant the look in the surgeon's face when he mentioned her to leave the room. "Then he bent to lift the bandage once more. "Why don't you take 'em all off, Doc? I'd like to see the old girl again. Won't she come to see me?"

"Doc, am I goin', shore?" This question the surgeon answered with another. Bending low—"Jim, what message shall I give your wife?"

"Yes, she'll come, but she can't now—she's sick abed." The man grinned.

"Yes, I know them spells."

"Jim," said the surgeon suddenly, "if you're goin' to be very busy tomorrow, and if you've got any message to send to anybody or anything to say to me, you'd better say it before I go." He spoke carelessly, but with a little too much care.

The sheet moved over the hands clasped across Jim's breast. "Why, Doc, you don't mean to say—"

"He stopped and drew in one breath slowly. "Oh, no, but you can't always tell, and I might not get back till late, and I thought you might have something to tell me about—"

He paused helplessly, and the man on the cot began moving his lips. The surgeon bent low. "Willy, Doc," he said very slowly, "you don't—really—mean—to—say—that the old—"



"Nobody but you, Jim."

"The man had been among men the terror of the hills for years, but on the last words that passed his gray lips his soul must have swung upward toward the soul of the Man who lived and died for the peace of those hills."

"Doc," he said, thickly, "you jus' tell the old girl Jim says, 'Happy Christmas!'"

The surgeon started back at the grim cheer of that message, but he took it like a priest and carried it back through the little hall that flared down the ravine on Jim now through the window. And like a priest he told it to but one living soul.

"Doc," he said, "I was was goin' to get the old girl a Christmas gift. Tell her I'm—a-givin'—her—one—now. Doc," he repeated thickly; "tell the old girl Jim says—'Happy Christmas!'"

"Yes, Jim."

"Doc, you're shore, air ye, that nobody knows who done it?"

"Yes, Jim."

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Have You Seen the New Sun Spot?

It is 2,000 Times Bigger Than the Surface of the Earth, and Scientists Say May Affect Our Weather



than 12,000 miles wide—4,000 miles wider than the diameter of the earth.

Although sun spots have recently come in for more or less discussion because of the theories propounded by the Rev. Father Ricard that they affect the weather on the earth, they were really discovered years ago by the Chinese.

The first European record of a sun spot is dated 807 and was made by a Benedictine monk.

The spots are visible for varying lengths of time—from a few minutes up to a month. The sun rotates on its axis, as the world rotates on its axis, once every 25 1/2 days, and, therefore, each side of it is visible for only about 12 1/2 days.

Father Jerome Ricard, who discovered the large sun spot, standing by the huge telescope through which he first sighted the big spot on the fiery face of the sun.

Have you seen the latest "SUN SPOT?" Father Jerome Ricard, of Santa Clara University, California, discovered a smudge on the face of the sun the other day. And he called it a "SPOT"!!!

Just think of a "spot" that has a surface of more than 400,000,000 square miles—2,000 times larger than the earth's surface! And yet that is what the famous sun spots are. Vast blotches on the face of the great orb that are visible even without the aid of a powerful telescope—most of the time.

The surface of the sun is estimated to be something like 2,352,027,220,384 square miles. The figures are way beyond the imagination of the average person. They are nothing more than figures. The new "spot" is more than 32,000 miles long—7,000 miles longer than the circumference of the earth at the equator—and is more than 100 times as wide as the earth.

Exactly what the sun spots do, nobody knows. Father Ricard believes that they affect the weather of the earth. He has asserted that by observing the sun spots the weather can be forecast up to 40 days ahead. But other scientists dispute this.

Observers declare that the spots come and go in regular succession. It takes about 11 years for these periods to pass. That is from the beginning of the time that is from the beginning of the time that is from the beginning of the time.

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The 11-year period of sun spots seems to be precisely the same as the period of intensity and decrease in magnetic earth currents which sometimes affect and disarrange the telegraph service.

To observe the sun spots one does not need a telescope, although they can be seen and studied better in that way. A smoked glass will do. If a telescope is used a green or smoked glass must be used to discover exactly what the spots are and what effect they have on the earth.

MANY NEAR DEATH WHEN DOPE FIEND TOOK POT SHOTS

Farmer Tells How He Was Held Up by Brantford Bad Man.

WOMAN IS HYSTERICAL Fright Has Taxed Her Heart and Serious Results Are Feared.

[By Staff Reporter.]

Brantford, Dec. 24.—That several persons were not murdered outright by "Billy" Murray, the cocaine-crazed negro, who ran amuck with a shotgun at Brantford on Tuesday night and early Wednesday, is the universal opinion of both the citizenry and police of that city.

Probably the most thrilling tale told of those who encountered the mad man, is that of John Simpson, a farmer, who was driving home when Murray held him up on St. George's road at 4 a.m. on Wednesday morning, and demanded that he "give him a lift."

At police headquarters on Wednesday evening, Mr. Simpson related how the negro sprang out from a clump of bushes and, pointing the shotgun at him, ordered that he jump out of the buggy and turn the outfit over to him. Mr. Simpson used rare tact, and humored the man, and told him he would drive him wherever he wished.

Murray climbed into the buggy but kept the rifle across his knees, and retreated his determination to shoot at the first false move his driver made.

When Murray's sister's place was reached, Simpson said the negro jumped out, and just to sustain the record he had made, took a pot shot at him.

The negro's aim was poor and the shot flew high over Mr. Simpson's head, but he said it was the wildest experience he had gone through or ever wished to go through. He likened it to the nightriders and moonshiners of Kentucky.

Of all the people whom Murray terrorized, Mrs. John Sears is the worst sufferer. She, it will be remembered, was the elderly woman whom he drove to the streets half-crazed. She has been in a state of constant hysteria since the happening, and is under the care of a physician. It was learned tonight that the fright had taxed her heart, and fears are entertained that her frail health may be undermined as a consequence.

Resting Easily. Constable J. L. Cobden, who was shot by the man who endeavored to arrest him, was resting easily at the local hospital tonight, and his condition was not considered to be serious. Cobden, who was on the London police force for several months, distinguished himself by several acts of heroism. He was well thought of there, and his superior spoke commendably of his action on Wednesday morning.

May Save Hand. Emma Jones, the negroess with whom it is alleged Murray lived, and who had her hand almost blown off by the rifle he carried, is resting comfortably. Physicians stated that her hand could be saved. Murray, when seen at his cell tonight,

Never a Christmas morning, Never the old year ends, But somebody thinks of somebody, Old days, old times, old friends.

Strong's Drug Store

appeared dazed and stupefied. He had nothing to say more than that he "must have been crazy at the time."

INQUEST ORDERED INTO INDIAN'S DEATH

Luceisse Leween is Believed to Have Died From Neglect.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Deseronto, Dec. 24.—Mystery surrounds the discovery of the body of Luceisse Leween, an Indian, on the Mohawk reserve west of this place early yesterday morning in a barn adjoining an unoccupied house on the reserve.

Leween, accompanied by a cousin, Daniel Leween, had been in town early in the afternoon, and had left for home on a load of lumber. Several rumors are current, one to the effect that he fell off the wagon and the wheels of electricity known as magnetic earth currents which sometimes affect and disarrange the telegraph service.

One of these days someone is going to discover exactly what the spots are and what effect they have on the earth.

EAST LONDON AFTER BETTER CAR SERVICE

Citizens From That Section Will Support Candidates Pledged To Improved System.

East End residents are in sympathy with the citizens of the north end of the city in their decision to support candidates for municipal honors who will work for a better car service.

"If the street railway's north end lines are inadequate, what shall we do?" asked a resident of the Rectory street said to The Advertiser today. "This morning I waited for almost half an hour and then walked to Dundas street to catch a car east to my work. We are going to support the candidate or candidates who will boost for a better car service, ir-

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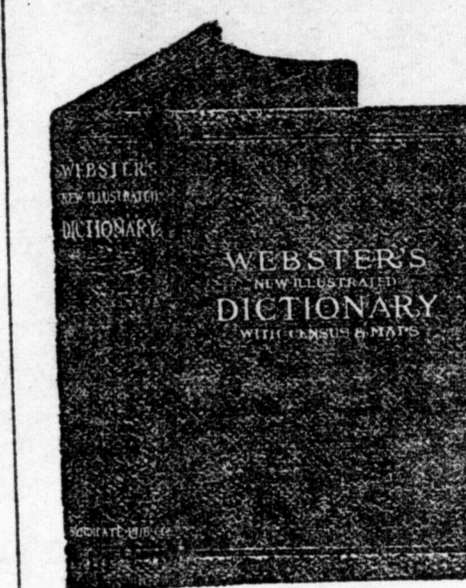
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Supreme Court Decides Against the Wholesale Lumber Companies. [Canadian Press.]

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 24.—The Missouri supreme court today issued a decree of Ouster against several wholesale lumber companies.

The supreme court suspended its decree of Ouster against the twenty companies named on condition they

pay the fines imposed and hereafter conform to the anti-trust laws of the state. The fines aggregate \$488,000. In addition to the suspended Ouster decrees issued the licenses of three other companies not incorporated in Missouri were revoked and fines were imposed.

HIS EXACT SOCIAL STATUS. [Almont (Mich.) Herald.] We were misinformed in regard to Mr. Rogers, the section boss, having rented the McKoon house, on North Main street. He plans to keep "bach" in two freight cars that have been placed near the track by the tool-house.

COMMISSIONER STARR WELL-KNOWN LOCALLY

Death of Toronto's Juvenile Judge Regretted by London Clergymen.

Rev. John Edward Starr, commissioner of the juvenile court in Toronto, who died at the General Hospital yesterday in that city, was well known in London. He has often lectured in this city in several of the churches, and his descriptions of his work have interested many local congregations.

Rev. Thomas H. Mitchell, in reference to his death, said to The Advertiser last night: "Rev. Mr. Starr was a personal friend of mine and I visited him in Toronto only two weeks ago. His last visit to London was at the inception of the Men's Federation when special inaugural services

were held in the First Methodist Church. He has been doing a splendid work in Toronto and his death came as a painful surprise."

Rev. W. H. Harvey: "I knew Commissioner Starr very well and I always felt the highest regard for him. He was a noble man and his work was of an interesting nature that always calls forth the highest commendation.

UNFINISHED JOB. [London Opinion.]

Seedy Individual (who has come up just after the rescue)—Are you the cove wot 'as just pulled my boy ahit o' the sea? The Hero (modestly, after effecting a gallant rescue)—Yes, my friend, but that's quite all right—don't say any more about it. "Orl right? It ain't orl right! Wot abaht 'is bloomin' 'at?"



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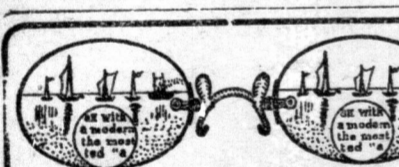
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London Loan and Savings Company of Canada DIVIDEND NO. 79.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent per annum for the current quarter year has been declared upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the Company, and is payable on and after the 2nd day of January, 1914, to shareholders of record on Dec. 15, 1913. M. J. KENT, Manager. ywt

TRAVELLER SUICIDES Clifford Wilson, of Alvinston, Shot Himself in Toronto. [Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Dec. 24.—Clifford Wilson, aged 18, of Alvinston, Ont., who boarded at 64 Alexander street, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head at 5 o'clock this afternoon. He stayed in his bedroom all day, and killed himself while lying in bed. His injuries were not immediately fatal. He lingered until 10 o'clock to-night and died in St. Michael's Hospital without regaining consciousness. His parents reside in Alliston, and are well known. Wilson, who had been here four months had been out of work for some time. He was a traveller. No reason is assigned for his act. Union Methodist Meeting.—A special union Christmas service for the Methodist churches of the city will be held in the First Methodist Church at 11 a.m. Rev. A. J. Johnston, of Dundas Centre Methodist Church, will preach.

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be at home to their friends between the hours of eleven and two on Christmas Day at the Armouries, following the usual custom. Army Christmas Service.—Tonight in the Clarence Street Citadel, Major Frank Morris and visiting officers of the Salvation Army will conduct a Christmas service. False Alarm.—Chimney flames and smoke from paper burning in a stove at 50 Talbot street at noon today caused someone to turn in a false alarm, to which the central and north brigades responded. Auditorium Lecture.—Sunday in the Auditorium Prof. J. J. Lowe, of Philadelphia, will give a second illustrated lecture to both men and women. The subject will be "The prodigal boy and girl." Prof. Lowe's pictures are unusually good. Hope of the West Social.—The Hope of the West Good Templar Lodge, held its sixth annual social in Society Hall, Dundas street, on Tuesday. A splendid program was rendered by the following: Miss B. Burt, piano-forte selection; Bro. Lavery, solo; Bro. Aldrich and Sister Burt, Miss Miss Evans, piano-forte and vocal; B. Burt, recitation. The accompanists for the evening were Miss Maud Morton and Miss E. Bert. Refreshments were served during the evening and games also helped to pass the time pleasantly.

Lodge Elections Court Wellington, A. O. F., Ancient Order Foresters, elected their officers at its last regular meeting: Past Chief Ranger—Bro. Chas. Elyatt. Chief Ranger—Bro. Chas. Elyatt. Sub. Chief Ranger—Harry Wiggins. Secretary—W. Richards. Treasurer—Max Lerner. Senior Woodward—Fred Stillson. Junior Woodward—Albert Carey. Senior Beadle—Fred Harding. Junior Beadle—Harold Gollop. Medical Officer—Dr. Jepson. Auditor—Chas. Elyatt, Jos. Davies, H. Wiggins. Trustees—Dr. Jepson, Chas. Elyatt, H. Gollop. Union Committee—Max Lerner, Jos. Davies. Correspondent—Chas. Elyatt. Refreshments was supplied by the officers. Songs and recitations were given by Bro. Elyatt, Davies and Dr. Jepson. Bro. Carey gave several selections on his violin.

Christmas Visitors Mr. and Mrs. John Mulligan, of Petrolia, are in the city to spend Christmas with relatives. Miss Minnie Shipley, of the Deaconess Training Home, Toronto, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shipley, Sunny Slope, Falkirk. James A. Carter, governor of the county jail, left for Toronto at noon Wednesday to spend Christmas with relatives there. Mr. Wm. Dalton and wife, of Hamilton, are spending Christmas with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson, Rectory street, are spending Christmas in Detroit. Mrs. J. S. Witzel, of Dashwood, and Mr. J. Witzel, of Saskatoon, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burns, 96 Bruce street. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cornell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Anderson, of Detroit, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. McKenna, 518 Central avenue. Master Baines Atkinson, Langarth street, who has been attending school in Toronto, is spending the holidays at home. Mr. Fred Dalton, of Hamilton, is holidaying with Mrs. G. E. Brown, in the city. Dr. William Rhycard, a former London boy, and a graduate of Western Medical College, who has been G. T. R. physician at Fort George, is in the city. Miss Winnifred Ashplant, of New York, is spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Studley Ashplant, of the Victoria Apartments. Dr. D. C. Tennant, of Toronto, is spending the holiday with his parents, Dr. J. H. and Mrs. Tennant, 275 King street. Mr. Jeffrey Hennigar, of the Inland Navigation Lines, Hamilton, is spending a week with his mother, Mrs. C. Hennigar, 119 John street. Mrs. Herbert Baker and Miss Grace Bond, of Woodstock, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. G. F. McKay, Rectory street. Mr. William Mountjoy and wife, of Trumshaven, are spending the holiday with the latter's parents in Stratford. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright and baby, of Whitby, Ont., are visiting the former's father, Craig street. H. Beemer Moyer, cartoonist of the Toronto Star, and Mrs. Moyer, are in the city for Christmas. Douglas Wright, who has been attending Albert College in Belleville, is visiting his parents in this city. Miss Bertha Armstrong and Miss Minnie Armstrong will spend Christmas at Clinton. Mrs. Benetley, of Detroit, is visiting Mrs. Axtell, of Thames street. Mr. G. Parsons, of Hamilton, will spend the Christmas holidays with friends in London and Thamesford. Mr. Jack Reed, of Winnipeg, is visiting with friends in London. Mr. Frank Matheson, of Vancouver, is visiting his brother on Oxford street. Miss Helen Shaw, of Woodstock, is visiting with her mother on Byron avenue. Mr. and Mrs. James Durand and family, of Port Huron, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tripp, of Tecumseh avenue, South London. William Bowman, manager of the Toronto branch of McConnel-Ferguson, is visiting relatives in the city. Frederick Chittard, Scott Matheson, renewing acquaintances in the city, and will also visit up North for a few days. Mrs. Thompson, sen., Hugh Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Thompson and family, of Stratford, are spending Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. Septimus Thompson, of 484 Park ave. Arthur T. Rowell, of Cobalt, inspector of police for Northern Ontario, and formerly a member of the local police force, is spending Christmas at his home in this city. PERSONAL kogoqo Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Malne and family, Askin street, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Malne's mother, Mrs. S. Towl, of Chatham. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sperlan and family, of Elmwood avenue, are spending Christmas with relatives in Toronto. Mrs. Chas. Johnston and daughter Dorothy, of Askin street, are spending Christmas with friends in Inner-city. Newton W. Wright is spending the holidays with his parents at 132 Elmwood avenue. Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wanless and

Yuletide Greetings PEACE, PROSPERITY, PLENTY, JOY, HEALTH AND GOODWILL. T. A. Rowat & Co. TWO MODEL GROCERIES, Dundas Street, Also South London.

family, Askin street, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beamer, Chatham. Mr. and Mrs. Talbot and family, of Toronto, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Evans, Tecumseh avenue. Clara Jones has returned from the R. M. C. in Kingston, and will remain in London until the opening of the spring term, at the residence of his parents, 438 Maitland street. J. Edson Young will spend the holiday in St. Thomas. Oswald O. Hicks is spending Christmas and New Year's with his parents, Roy another has returned from Ridley College, St. Catharines, and will spend the holidays in this city with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. George A. Young and children, 15 River street, are spending Christmas with Mrs. Young's parents in Exeter. Mrs. J. Noble is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Taylor, who has been attending college in Woodstock, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregory, Askin street. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gould, of Hamilton, are in London for Christmas.

"RICHTER RIGHT MAN" SAYS MANUFACTURER Predicts Victory for "Watchdog of Treasury"—No Takers for Bet.

Richter would be the right man in the right place for mayor, said one of the city's foremost manufacturers on Wednesday. "He is really the 'watchdog of the treasury' and if the city's finances every needed careful handling now is the time," he added. "The citizens will elect him by the largest majority ever given any mayor in London," he concluded. A well-known businessman offered to bet \$200 today that Richter would be elected. He found no takers.

PROGRESSIVES SEND OUT ELECTION LITERATURE Mail 15,000 Cards Showing the "Slate" to Electors—Richter Heads the List.

Fifteen thousand cards bearing the names of nominees for the various city offices, who have been endorsed by the Central Progressive Federation, are being mailed to the electors, along with a statement setting forth the aims and desires of the Progressives in the municipal campaign. The complete Progressive slate is as follows: For Mayor, John G. Richter. For Controllers, B. W. Bennett, William Copp, Hubert Ashplant. For School Trustees, E. R. Dennis, A. M. Hunt, L. H. Martyn, J. Charles Mottashed, Thomas Rowe, W. J. Underwood, W. G. Young. For Aldermen, George H. Haney, W. A. Wilson, F. G. Mitchell, P. H. Phillipppin, J. A. Tancock, James A. Eadie, J. C. McDonald.

MILITARY MEN OBJECT TO CANDIDATE'S SPEECH They Take Exception to Calling Soldiers "Legalized Murderers."

There has been no small amount of talk throughout the city as the result of certain remarks made by J. Charles Mottashed, a candidate for the board of education following the nominations on Monday. Mr. Mottashed, in the course of a brief speech, declared against the growth of militarism in the schools, and urged that the youth of the country be not taught to become "legalized murderers," the inference being that soldiers were such. Military men are said to be highly incensed at the aspersion cast upon their class by this remark.

HOLIDAY CROWDS BREAK ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS Home-Coming Londoners and Those Going "Home" Crowd Stations and Trains.

Local railway authorities state that the number of passengers handled on and out going trains in this city Thursday was a new record. From the time the first train arrived until midnight when the Chicago special passed through en route to Niagara Falls crowds of London old boys were seen stepping from the steam cars and greeting their relatives and friends from the "old town." The London street railway yesterday handled one of the largest Christmas crowds in the history of the institution.

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Christmas Presentations EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE REMEMBER EACH OTHER Christmas Gifts Galore From "Boss" and For the "Boss."

More than the usual number of London employers have fallen over themselves in their eagerness to remember their employees with suitable Christmas presents, and more than the usual number of employees have likewise tripped over each other in the mad rush to reciprocate. Employers remembered their workers, and employees remembered "the boss," and altogether there was a general feeling of brotherly love and universal happiness. There have been presentations galore of this character in the city during the past few days, and they have been but symbolical of the "good-will towards men" spent of the Yuletide.

Organist and Choirmaster Are Remembered by Choir. The annual banquet of the Egerton Street Baptist Church choir was held Tuesday night in the church parlor. After partaking of the splendid spread, provided by the committee in charge, the pastor, Rev. W. C. Riddford, referred to the valuable work of the choir-leader and his faithful singers, Mr. Riddford then called upon George Pierce and Miss Lily Lake who presented Clifford Reed (the choirmaster) with a cherry-wood music cabinet. The same for Thomas Potts (the organist) when they presented him with a gold-headed umbrella and fur-lined gloves. Mr. Reed and Mr. Potts made appropriate replies.

Club Makes Gift. John Roberts Clarke was the recipient of a beautiful gift from the members of the Riverside Club Tuesday evening when their best wishes for his future success. Umbrella For Foreman. The employees of the firm of Webster and Harve were presented with turkeys Wednesday. After the fowl had been distributed, the men in turn presented Oscar Ed. Wootton the foreman, with a handsome gold-headed umbrella. Mr. Wootton was taken completely by surprise, and in his reply he complimented the men on their work and expressed his desire that their Christmas would be a happy one.

Received Cash Bonus. The employees of McLeod, Nolan and Company, numbering nearly 150, were presented by the firm with a cash bonus as Christmas presents. The kindness of the company is appreciated by the recipients. Turkeys For Married Men. The usual custom followed out by the Sherlock-Manning Piano Company presented turkeys to all its married employees and an order to the value of \$1.50 in a gent's furnishings store, was adopted this year by the well-known firm.

Remember Janitor. The pupils of the Wortley Road School pleasantly surprised the janitor, Thomas May, Tuesday by presenting him with a monster turkey and work and expressed their tender thanks with the presentation they tendered their hearty thanks for his many kindnesses to them. Present For Foreman. W. M. Cole, foreman for several years at Greene and Swift's, was presented with a travelling bag by Miss

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Gets Leather Chair. J. A. Barnard, manager of the Canadian Cereal Flour Mills, received a leather chair from the employees of the company. The men were suitably thanked for the gift. GUESSING CONTEST. The correct weight of the pig on show at Anderson's Meat Market as weighed by James Dean (city weight scales clerk) last night, was 223 1/2 pounds. The highest guess was 503 pounds, and the lowest guess 123 1/2 pounds. Four people sent in the weight as 550 pounds. Mr. Anderson requests the following parties to call at his stand on Friday—Mr. Northcote, 844 Princess avenue, Mr. Hickey, 33 Wilson avenue, London West, J. W. James, 133 Wray street, and A. Flood, London Township.

Closed, heated carriages for every occasion. Phone Hueston's Liveries. The strenuous Christmas shopping can be greatly relieved by a delightful half-hour or so spent in Peters Tea Room. Special Afternoon Tea, 3 to 1 o'clock. BEYOND A DOUBT. [Philadelphia Ledger.] A Kansas City man declares that married women make the best teachers. All married men know it.

Water Set for Manager. E. S. Crawford, manager of the Heintzman Piano Company, received a out glass water set on Wednesday from the members of the staff as a token of their esteem for his thoughtful consideration throughout the year. The past year has