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AVERAGE DAILY CIRCULATION FOR THE WEEK END-
ING DECEMBER 16, 1899.

WHOLE NO., 11838

Births, Marriages, Death

MARRIED.
GOULDING-SMITH.—In this city, on Dec. 13, 1899, by Rev. Geo. Jackson, Edward T. Goulding, Esq., of London township, to (Eveline), (Eveline), third daughter of Capt. W. Smith, late of the 100th-foot regiment.

Amusements and Lectures

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

FRIDAY, Dec. 22.

MR. JOHN GRIFFITH, in

"THE THREE MUSKETEERS."

Prices—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1. Seats now on sale.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

MATINEE AND NIGHT.

Saturday, December 23.

"WHY SMITH LEFT HOME."

Popular prices—Matinee 15c, 25c. Night 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c. Plan opens Friday morning.

WATKINS' MILLS—SONG RECITAL.

Auditorium, Thursday evening, Dec. 28.

Prices—50c and 75c. Plan opens Friday morning.

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Meetings.

NOTICE OF THE NOMINATIONS FOR

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London, will take place at St. Peter's school,

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Returning Officer, M. O'Sullivan, Secretary.

Treasurer.

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first trouble. Warrant issued after this

notice.

LOST—SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MUSE-

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Mr. Howard.

LOST—PRAYED INTO LOT 9, CON. 5, LORO

about Oct. 1, three ewes. Owner can have

same by proving property and paying expenses.

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LOST—3 RED AND WHITE HEIFER

calves, Saturday, Dec. 9. Finder reward

by returning to J. E. Thomas, Tempe. 31c

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Here is a list that may help you choose a Christmas present. It isn't a complete story at all of what we carry in stock. The hard question in making it was what to leave out. If you don't find herein what you want, come in and ask for it. We will doubtless have it.

Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 6 to 10 \$1.98
Boys' Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 1 to 5 \$1.50
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Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 80 to 82 \$1.00
Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 83 to 85 \$1.00
Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 86 to 88 \$1.00
Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 89 to 91 \$1.00
Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 92 to 94 \$1.00
Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 95 to 97 \$1.00
Men's Tan Hocky Boots, sizes 98 to 100 \$1.00

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| SPECIAL —One only Piano, 7½ octaves, double veneered out and inside in fancy burl mahogany, light and beautiful finish, elegant hand-carved panels, improved full-swing desk, handsomely carved, elegant trusses of rich design, 3 strings throughout, over-strung, best sectional wrest plank or pin block, full metal plate, best repeating action, continuous hinge, three pedals, height 4 feet 4 inches. Full-sized piano, with elegant stool to match and silk drape. Guaranteed for life-time. Regular \$415.00. Now, for Christmas..... | \$175.00 |
| SPECIAL —One only Piano, largest size, 7½ octaves, double veneered in fancy walnut case, beautiful finish, hand-carved trusses and panels of rich design. This is one of the most handsome and best pianos made, and is guaranteed for life-time (slightly used). Regular \$475.00. Now, for Christmas..... | \$200.00 |
| SPECIAL —One only beautiful Piano, Circassian Walnut; regular \$600 Piano. Now for Christmas..... | \$225.00 |
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| One only Piano, Colonial Design, made to order; actual cost of carving, \$200.00. This elegant Piano will be reduced from \$750.00 for Christmas to the very low price of..... | \$350.00 |
| Parlor Grand Piano; regular price \$1,000. Reduced for Christmas to..... | \$700.00 |
| Baby Grand Piano; regular price \$500.00. Reduced for Christmas to..... | \$550.00 |



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The chance of a lifetime. Do not miss your opportunity. One Piano for \$100.00, reduced from \$250.00.

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| One American Organ, high top, elegant hand carving, in perfect condition. Cost \$200.00. Regular \$75.00. Now for Christmas..... | \$45.00 |
| One New Home Organ, 12 stops, high top walnut finish, in perfect condition. Regular \$100.00 organ. Reduced for Christmas..... | \$45.00 |
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| One Dominion Organ, 8 stops, walnut finish, handsomely carved, beautiful case, beautiful tone, and just what will suit the pocket. Think it over, and see if you can't afford this for the girls. It would afford grand amusement for Christmas. Regular \$50.00 organ. Now for Christmas..... | \$25.00 |
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In placing before our friends the above bargains we have stretched a point to offer goods cheaper than has ever been done before, fully realizing at this time of the year people try to make their money go as far as possible, and it is our sole aim to meet even the closest buyer. After examining our goods you will be convinced that the prices given are lower than the same class of goods can be purchased elsewhere in Canada.

In conclusion of our great bargain sale of pianos and organs, we extend a cordial invitation to all those interested in piano or organ buying to give us a call. We will be pleased to show you our goods and explain their merits and answer all questions. We will not press you to buy, and it will be of great value to you as we may save you a lot of money, besides sending you home the happy possessor of a handsome instrument at a genuine snap. Do not fail to COME, even if you do not buy. It will cost you nothing and may save you a great deal.

Small Musical Instrument Sale—A Gentle Hint for a Christmas Present.

There is nothing that would be more appreciated for Christmas than a nice Mandolin, Guitar, Autoharp, Violin or Banjo. We are giving the best value in musical instruments in this city. A VISIT TO OUR STORE would cost nothing, and we might suggest or show you something that would make a pleasing present. Our prices are simply cut in pieces in order to give our patrons and friends a chance to purchase. We are showing superior value in all our goods. EXAMINE THE PRICES.

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| Music Boxes There is nothing that sounds so nice in the parlor as a Music Box. The class of music is delicate and refining, and of the sweetest nature. We are offering superior value in these instruments—prices ranging from \$20 up. One slightly used box, regular \$100, now \$20. Call and inspect for yourself. | Large Sheet Music Sale 1,000 copies of all the latest up-to-date Music. Songs, Marches, Cake Walks, Instrumental, regular 50c and 75c Music, reduced, in order to clear, to, per copy..... 10c 1,000 copies of 10c Music, all the very latest, 2 copies for..... 5c Song Folios, College Songs, Scotch Song Books, Music Folios, Sacred Song and Anthem Books, all the newest, at half price for Christmas. | The Edison Phonograph \$100 worth of fun for..... \$10.00 Regular \$15 Phonograph, in case..... \$10.00 Edison Standard Machine..... \$20.00 Edison Home Phonograph..... \$30.00 Concert Phonograph..... \$100.00 1,000 Records to choose from. All the latest song songs, cake walks, bands, etc. Hear these in your own home this Christmas, and you will be well rewarded for your money. | The Mandolinette This is the most wonderful little instrument that has been invented. It imitates the mandolin perfectly, and is much easier to learn. Regular price \$3; now, for Christmas..... \$5.00 Regular \$15 instrument; now, for Christmas..... \$8.00 Regular \$40 instrument; now, for Christmas..... \$18.00 | Wood and Canvas Case Sale Violin Case, Mandolin Case, Guitar Case, Banjo Case. Cases for all instruments reduced. | Concertinas and Accordeons Reduced Prices—Superior Value. Strings Large importation of the very best Violin, Guitar and Banjo Strings. Music Stands Regular \$2 Stands, now..... \$1.50 Regular \$3 Stands, now..... \$2.00 Silver or Nickel Finish. | Harmonicas (MOUTH ORGANS.) Big sale of Mouth Organs. Prices are reduced for Christmas. Hohner, Brass Band, etc. Picks Autoharp Picks, Mandolin Picks, reduced. Violins Bows Special line of the finest Violin Bows in this city. |
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It is a Pleasure for us to Show Our Goods. Step in and Examine for Yourself, You Need Not Purchase.

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| Autoharps 23 Strings, 3 Bars, 3 Chords, in wooden box, regular \$3.75; now, \$1.50 4-Bar Autoharp, 4 Chords, regular price \$4; now..... \$1.50 5-Bar Autoharp, 5 Chords, regular price \$4.50; now..... \$2.00 6-Bar Autoharp, 6 Chords, regular price \$5; now..... \$3.75 7-Bar Autoharp, extra large size, in wooden box; regular \$7.50; now..... \$4.00 Transposing Autoharp, plays in any key, regular \$9.50; reduced to..... \$6.00 All kinds of Autoharp Fittings, Strings, Felts, Bars, etc. Autoharp Tuning. | Fifes Maple Fifes, regular 50c, now..... 25c Maple Fifes, silver ferrules, regular \$1, now..... 75c Nickel-plated Fife, raised finger holes, special offer..... \$1.50 Flageolets Boxwood Flageolets, regular \$3; now..... \$1.50 6-Key Boxwood Flageolets, regular \$3.75; now..... \$1.75 With Nickel or Silver Trimmings. Accordeons 6-Key Accordeons, good quality, regular price \$1.05; now..... 55c Grand Solo Accordeons, regular \$2.75; reduced..... \$2.00 10-Key Accordeons, elegant finish black moldings, silver keys, bellows protector and clasp, regular \$4.15; reduced..... \$2.50 10-Key Accordeons, ebony case, nickel edges, fancy moldings, double bellows, open action, corners and clasp; regular \$5.00; reduced..... \$3.50 17 Keys, 4 Stops, 4 Sets Reeds, elegant action, a handsome present, regular \$15; now..... \$10.00 All kinds of Accordeon Fittings, Accordeons repaired. Blow Accordeons, regular \$1.25; now..... 75c | Graphophones One hundred dollars' worth of fun for \$12.50. Gives a free concert, a grand amusement—talks, sings, plays Grand music. Hear all the famous talent in your own home for..... \$12.50 Zobos All kinds of Zobos, to imitate perfectly any instrument. Prices, 5c, 10c, 15c and up. Good value. 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Mouthpieces for all kinds of Brass instruments. | Concertinas 20 Keys, fancy, regular \$1.25; now..... \$1.00 20 Keys, fancy, 8 folds, regular \$2.50; now..... \$1.75 25 Keys, regular \$3; reduced to..... \$2.00 15 Keys, very fancy, regular \$4; now..... \$2.50 Guitars Regular price \$7.50; reduced..... \$4.00 Regular price \$3.25; reduced..... 5.00 Regular price \$2.50; reduced..... 5.50 Antique Oak, regular price \$11, reduced..... 7.50 Solid Mahogany, regular price \$13; reduced..... 8.50 Solid Rosewood, regular price \$20; reduced..... 14.00 Banjos Maple Shell, stained imitation cherry, a fancy little banjo, regular \$4.35; reduced for Christmas..... \$2.50 Cherry Nick, fancy brackets, a good Banjo, regular \$6.50; reduced to..... 3.00 Regular price \$7.50; special for Christmas..... 4.00 Key C, same as A, reduced for Christmas..... 18.00 Key Bb, same as A, reduced for Christmas..... 18.00 Key Bb, same as A, reduced for Christmas..... 18.00 Key A, special silver trimmings, reduced for Christmas..... 16.00 Key C, special silver trimmings, reduced for Christmas..... 15.00 Key Bb, special silver trimmings, reduced for Christmas..... 12.00 Key Bb, slightly used, special..... 10.00 Clarinets, \$7 up, in cases. Mouth Organs Richter, regular 25c, reduced to..... 10c David's Harp, regular 30c, reduced to..... 15c Hohner, regular 40c, reduced to..... 25c Marine Band, regular 40c, reduced to..... 25c Up-to-Date, regular 50c, reduced to..... 30c Bugle Band, regular 75c (in case), reduced to..... 50c | Violoncellos Regular \$13, now..... \$10.00 Regular \$16, now..... 12.00 Special, \$50, now..... 25.00 Flutes Key D, silver, trimmed, regular \$2.50; special..... \$1.50 Key D, silver, trimmed, with slides, regular \$5.50; special..... 2.00 Key D, silver, trimmed, 6 keys, with slides, regular \$6.50; special 3.75 Key D, silver, trimmed, 8 keys, with slides, regular \$8; special..... 6.00 Key D, silver, trimmed 8 keys, in case, regular \$12; special..... 8.00 Flutes made to order, any price, at reduced Christmas cuts. Clarinetts Key A, Grenadilla, 13 silver keys, 2 rings, silver trimmings, regular price \$28; reduced for Christmas..... \$18.00 Key C, same as A, reduced for Christmas..... 18.00 Key Bb, same as A, reduced for Christmas..... 18.00 Key Bb, same as A, reduced for Christmas..... 18.00 Key A, special silver trimmings, reduced for Christmas..... 16.00 Key C, special silver trimmings, reduced for Christmas..... 15.00 Key Bb, special silver trimmings, reduced for Christmas..... 12.00 Key Bb, slightly used, special..... 10.00 Clarinets, \$7 up, in cases. Mandolin-Banjoes This is a most wonderful instrument, having the tone of a Mandolin and Banjo. Regular price \$10, for Christmas \$5.50 Regular price \$15, for Christmas, 10.00 Finished in rosewood, mahogany or walnut. Cases for Mandolin-Banjo..... 3.00 All kinds of Fittings, Strings, etc. | Violin Strings and Fittings Violin Tail Pieces, 25c up to \$5. Violin Pegs, 10c up. Violin Chin Rests, 25c up. Violin Finger Boards, 25c up. 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AT OAKLAND.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—Events at Oakland yesterday:
 First race, 5 furlongs, selling—Tut-hill 1, Del Vista 2, La Amiga 3. Time, 1:02 1/4.
 Second race, 7 furlongs, selling—In-yerary 1, True Blue 2, Torsida 3. Time, 1:30.
 Third race, 5 furlongs, selling—Will Pay 1, Upper Crust 2, Artilleryman 3. Time, 1:02 1/4.
 Fourth race, 1 mile, selling—Jarda 1, Red Pirate 2, Billy McCloskey 3. Time, 1:42.
 Fifth race, 7 furlongs—Time-Maker 1, Decoy 2, Dr. Nebula 3. Time, 1:25 1/4.
 Sixth race, 11-16 miles, handicap—Osculation 1, Fannette 2, Ping 3. Time, 1:42.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—Dolly Weidhoff and Dr. Walmesley were the only winning favorites yesterday.
 First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Dolly Weidhoff 1, Deceptive 2, De Bride 3. Time, 1:15 1/4.
 Second race, 6 furlongs—Gold D'O 1, Profit 2, Glenora 3. Time, 1:22 1/4.
 Third race, selling, 1 mile—Dr. Walmesley 1, Little Billy 2, The Brewer 3. Time, 1:43.
 Fourth race, selling, 1 mile—Timmer 1, McCleary 2, Martha Fox 3. Time, 1:42 1/4.
 Fifth race, 1 mile and 20 yards—William Reed 1, Evelyn Byrd 2, St. Lud 3. Time, 1:44 1/4.

PISTO.

RUHLIN WON.
 New York, Dec. 20.—Gus Ruhlin, of Akron, O., defeated "Stockings" Conroy, of Troy, in seven rounds before the Broadway A.C. last night. The men were to have fought 20 rounds, but Ruhlin punished the Troy man so severely that Referee White stopped the bout.

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St. John, N. B., Dec. 20.—Col. MacLean, commander 62nd Fusiliers, last evening received a cablegram from his son, Lieut. Weldon MacLean, of the Canadian contingent. The message was dated Belmont, Dec. 19, and contained the words: "All well," read from a code arranged between father and son before the regiment sailed, the cablegram indicates that the Canadian regiment have had a brush with the Boers, and that none of the New Brunswickers have been injured.

Dispatches from the front and London make no mention of the Canadians having been engaged.
 COMPOSITION OF THE CORPS.
 [Special to Advertiser per C. P. R.]
 Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 20.—Hon. Dr. Borden was seen by your correspondent yesterday, and on being asked if he would be able to give out the composition of the contingent replied that he would not say anything on the subject until he had made his report to the cabinet. However, the militia department is not idle, and no time will be lost in outfitting and equipping the contingent. It is said to be settled that the contingent will comprise one thousand officers and men.

There will be three batteries (not two as at first suggested). It takes 138 to a battery, so that this would mean about 500, or half of the contingent. There are two permanent batteries and the third would be made up from the field batteries all over Canada. The other 500 will be mounted infantry, composed of mounted police, cavalry and mounted infantry. The contractors have got their orders for clothing, and everything will be ready in time.

Capt. Hudson, of Chicago, formerly a scout in the Northwest rebellion, offers his services, as does also Joseph Brant, a descendant of Chief Brant, from Brantford. Indeed from all over Canada come offers of services with Canadian forces. Battery men here believe that one of the batteries will be mobilized in Ottawa, another in Kingston and the third in Quebec.

THE BATTERIES.
 Quebec, Dec. 20.—Many young men here have volunteered to serve with the news that the officers and men of B Field Battery, R. C. A., as well as those of A Battery, would be called to proceed to the Cape. Capt. Ogilvie, who is at present in England, has been ordered to return at once. Major G. H. Ogilvie, who is in command of B Battery, is getting everything in order so that there will be no delay once instructions are received from Ottawa. The present strength of B Battery is 72 men, while A Battery is 80, and it will be necessary to take at least 100 volunteers from artillerists. All the officers and many men of the First Quebec Field Battery, as well as scores of officers and men from the Montreal and Field Batteries, have offered their services.

MONTREAL FIELD BATTERY.
 Montreal, Dec. 20.—The Montreal Field Battery has offered its services to the Dominion government to form part of the second contingent. Many individual offers for service have been made at the Montreal brigade office.

"A" BATTERY.
 Kingston, Ont., Dec. 20.—To put A Field Battery on a war footing will necessitate the enlistment of 35 men, making the total 138. But to gather in these men would be a matter of only a few hours. The battery is short of officers, but no doubt, if ordered to active service, the officers on special service in South Africa would be called to serve with their corps, and not one of them but would be proud to do so.

CAVALRY READY.
 Toronto, Dec. 20.—The enthusiastic response of Canadians to the second call for troops for the Transvaal finds an emphatic echo at Stanley Barracks, where A Squadron of the Royal Canadian Dragoons is stationed. Every trooper, it is stated, is ready to go. The Toronto squadron of the dragoons are within two of their full number of 80. The members who were in the Yukon have all returned, while eight of the squadrons are already in the Transvaal.

B Squadron, at Winnipeg, is in a strong position, and it is generally believed that when they are called on the two squadrons will muster 150 men and horses after medical inspection. The officers of A Squadron are: Capt. Peck, command; Capt. Nelles, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Emsley, Veterinary-Major Hall. The officers of B Company are: Capt. Williams, in command; Mr. Straub, Lieut.-Col. Evans is now on his way home from the Yukon to take charge of the regiment. Col. Lessard having gone to the Transvaal with the first contingent. The only member of the regiment now in the Yukon is Capt. Gardiner, of B Squadron. As the Dragoons parade in rank they will probably carry horses.

AT WINNIPEG.
 Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 20.—Capt. Williams, of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, said with regard to the possi-

bility of his command going to South Africa, that he would welcome an opportunity to see service in the Transvaal, and his troops are delighted at the prospect. Capt. Williams said he had been besieged with many applications from aspirants for military service. Most of these applications came from Winnipeg and Southern Manitoba. Over 25 were received yesterday.

THE MEN TO MEET THE BOERS.
 Edmonton, N. W. T., Dec. 20.—There is a strong feeling here in favor of a Northwest contingent for Africa made up of mounted plainmen and mountaineers. A first-class corps could be mustered. Colonel Steele, a man of wide experience, is spoken of as the proper leader. He has had years of experience on the plains and in the Yukon, and has but to call for men and he would get thousands of rough riders, not only in Canada, but also from the neighborhood of Montana and Washington, who, as riders, riflemen, packers and frontiersmen could not be surpassed. Inured to exposure and versed in the ways of the savage, able to scout, to do outpost duty, to pack stores, they should prove an effective adjunct of the intelligence department of the army in Africa.

AT HAMILTON.
 Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 20.—The war fever is at a very high pitch here, and many members of the 12th Battalion and 4th Field Battery have offered their services, including Lieut.-Col. MacLaren and many of the officers. The W. E. Sanford Company have received from the militia department at Ottawa a large rush order for infantry and artillery clothing. A large number of cavalry uniforms have recently been shipped, and the order can be filled in ten days.

AT WINDSOR.
 Windsor, Ont., Dec. 20.—The news that the imperial government had accepted Canada's offer of a second contingent for service in South Africa was received with great enthusiasm in Windsor. The news had scarcely been received when members of the 21st Essex Fusiliers, which is now represented in the field by eighteen men, began offering themselves for service in the second contingent. Already nearly a dozen Windsor boys have made application for places, and many more are ready to go. There is little doubt that Essex county could easily furnish 200 volunteers if needed.

MINISTERS READY TO GO.
 Paris, Ont., Dec. 20.—Rev. E. Silcox, pastor of the Congregational Church here, wired the minister of militia, offering himself for active service with the Canadian contingent to the Cape. Mr. Silcox has had ten years' experience in the cavalry and is a military school graduate.

Stanstead, Que., Dec. 20.—Rev. J. E. Starr, of Stanstead, formerly of Toronto, has offered his services to the minister of militia to go as chaplain of the second Canadian contingent.

BUSINESS MEN STIRRED.
 Toronto, Dec. 20.—The council of the board of trade yesterday passed a resolution, approving of the second contingent, and adding: "That it is the duty and obligation of the government of Canada to strengthen the hands of her majesty's imperial gov-

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ernment and the bonds which hold the empire together, and that a special session of parliament should be called without delay to provide the necessary moneys for the mobilization and equipment in Canada of a still larger force of volunteers to do garrison duty in the place of Africa's regular troops, or perform such other service as may be found most useful during the present crisis, thereby giving expression to Canada's resolution to do her share in maintaining the national position."

CANADIAN LOYALTY RECOGNIZED.
 London, Dec. 20.—The most ample recognition is given in the press to the great outburst of loyalty in Canada, and the remarks of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the premier, and the cabinet, as representative of both the English and French sections, are especially welcomed.

OFFERED TO RESIGN A GOVERNORSHIP.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 20.—Gov. McCallum of Newfoundland, who is a colonel in the Royal Engineer Corps, telegraphed the British war office after Gen. Buller's reverse at the Tugela River, and offered to resign his post and to undertake any duty assigned him in South Africa. As he has been actively engaged, however, in promoting the naval reserve movement in Newfoundland, he will probably be retained in the governorship.

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A Task for Giants.

Let it be said in justice to the British troops in South Africa that the difficulties they have had to face have been colossal. The only wonder is that the War Office authorities did not more thoroughly anticipate them. The difficulty of maintaining the extensive lines of communication, in a country largely peopled with open or secret sympathizers with the Boers, has in itself been a herculean task. For example, although the railway line from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth, via De Aar and Naauw Port, covering 840 miles, is wholly within Cape Colony, it has been deemed necessary to station a Kaffir at every quarter of a mile, who, flag in hand, watches that nothing happens to the track. These men, working in turn, watch each point, so that 10,000 men are required for this work on this line alone. And these are only special employees to guard railway property. There are in addition to these, on railways in Cape Colony and Natal thousands of armed regular and volunteer soldiers, charged with maintaining the communications from the sea-board to the scene of conflict, and adding in providing a constant supply of victuals and ammunition for the various field forces—no light task, when there is an army of 80,000 men operating in a country almost as full of natural fortifications as Switzerland, with kindred and warm friends of the enemy to be found almost everywhere. Reverses such as have been experienced by the British might have been expected. It is the only kind of warfare in which the Boers are effective, and they know it. They will not fight in the open. How to get at them when entrenched in their mountain fastnesses, without much loss of life to the attacking force, is a problem that, with all their modern appliances, the generals in the field do not seem to have solved. Whether or not Gen. Roberts or Gen. Kitchener would have been more successful, under like conditions, than were the military experts who tried their best, and failed, is a question which modest laymen scarcely essay to answer.

Advice to the Girls.

Seldom has the domestic help problem been touched upon in a more sensible, practical manner than by Mr. John Charlton, M.P., in a recent lecture at Tilsonburg, on "Conditions of Success in Life." It is worth giving word for word:

"I have never been able to draw the line between what constitutes genteel occupation and its reverse in females, so long as all are honest and honorable. I consider any kind of respectable work genteel, in the true and highest sense. Many avenues are now open to young ladies, which they were not formerly able to avail themselves of. In fact, there are few of the callings in life, except those requiring the exercise of strength and involving exposure and hardship, to which women are not eligible. They can become clerks in the stores and other business houses, stenographers, typewriter operators, operatives, dressmakers, and last, but not least, housekeepers. With regard to this latter class of female employees some strange notions exist, and these notions are the parents of prejudices of a most absurd and unfounded nature. If I had the power, I would abolish the expression 'servant girl,' and give to them the proper appellation of housekeepers. Why the care of a house, upon the proper performance of which the welfare and comfort of a family depends, should be considered a menial occupation, while stitching, dressing, working in factories, acting as clerks, etc., is considered higher work, is beyond my comprehension. The distinctions are absurd. I think the art of housekeeping should be placed at the head of the list of female employments. I well remember, when a boy, that these distinctions had no existence. The daughters of farmers, where there were more girls at home than were required to do the work, took positions with other families where help was needed. They were designated not servant girls, but hired girls. Their social position was as good as that of the daughters of their employers. Girls of the very best families in the country, possessed of intelligence, refinement, and the most desirable qualities that grace womanhood, were not above accepting occupation in this line. They were as likely to marry the sons of their employers as otherwise. There was no servant girl question then, no difficulty about obtaining efficient assistance. Now the freeborn Canadian or American girl has objections to accepting employment under conditions which relegate her to a position of social inferiority. She declines to enter upon an employment with those attending conditions, and I sympathize with her in the spirit she manifests. I pity the class of mistresses who mourn over the difficulty of obtaining satisfactory assistance in their houses, simply because they insist upon retaining and aggravating the conditions, which are false and unnatural in a free country, where all its citizens are equal before the law."

Canada to the rescue!

It's a pity Canada can't lend the mother country a general or two.

It is a paradox of this war that the Boers can only make a showing when they don't show themselves.

Mr. Macneil has asked for a recount in West Elgin. It will hardly be necessary in South Ontario or South Brant.

The Canadian Mounted Police can be relied on to keep out of Boer traps, and perhaps do a little trapping on their own account.

The more joy the nations of Europe get out of British defeats just now, the more disappointment they are laying up for a future day.

Mr. E. F. Clarke, M.P., is after the Toronto mayor's again. Toronto has always shown great generosity to Mr.

Clarke, and he seems to work it for all it is worth.

United States imports last month were greater than in any corresponding month since 1872. In Canada imports have also greatly increased. It is always a sign of prosperity.

The City Council this year imposed the highest tax rate in the city's history, and yet leaves a deficit of \$10,000. This means two-thirds of a mill saddled on next year's rate, unless the Council of 1900 can throw a similar deficit on the Council of 1901. It is a bad habit.

Lord Roberts is a K.P., G.C.B., G.C., V.C., D.C.L., LL.D. and half a dozen other things, but the gallant soldier takes more delight in being called "Bobs" by the rank and file than in all his titles. Tommy Atkins respects and admires Buller, but he loves "Bobs."

In one of his recent addresses in England, Lord Strathcona pointed out that as a result of the preferential tariff established by the present Canadian Government, whereby British goods are admitted at a rate of duty 25 per cent less than those from other countries, the people of the Dominion have in the last two years increased their purchases from Great Britain by 22 per cent. That is a fine showing, and confounds those who have been telling the Canadian public that the preference is a fraud. Remembered that until this preferential tariff was put in force, Canada's purchases from Great Britain had steadily fallen since 1873. The tide has been turned, and both Canada and Great Britain are greatly benefited, and likely to be increasingly so as years roll by, and the ties which bind the Mother and Daughter are strengthened.

RUNAWAY CAUSED BY BROKEN BIT

Exciting Experience of the Cook and the Manager.

Michael Hook, manager, and William Cartledge, a cook at the Tecumseh House, drove out to the country last night and walked back. Misfortune befell them near the military school. They drove Frank Sage's gray, Fred, and in some manner the bit in the horse's mouth was broken. The animal took fright and started for the livery stable at a lively clip. Hook and Cartledge tumbled out and were obliged to return on foot. The manager arrived at the hotel first, and presented a sorry appearance. He supposed Mr. Cartledge had been injured, and had taken shelter at some farmer's residence, but Mr. Cartledge was able to be at work this morning. The frightened animal dashed through the city with the broken bridle about its neck, and the empty rig swinging at its heels, and was within a block of the stables when an accident occurred. One of the wheels struck an iron trolley pole on Richmond street, between King and York streets, and the horse went down on the pavement like a shot. A crowd gathered quickly, and the harness was loosened, and the horse got up, not much the worse for his sudden stop. The rig was badly damaged.

Obituary.

The remains of the late Denis Daly were interred in the Catholic cemetery yesterday. The funeral took place from St. Peter's Cathedral, and Rev. Father McKeown conducted the services. The pall-bearers were Walter M. O'Meara, J. B. Murphy, J. Butler, M. Gould, W. Mortimore and Philip Cook. The funeral of the late Edward Dyer took place yesterday afternoon to the Gore cemetery, from the residence of Mrs. McKellar, 750 Dundas street. The funeral of the late Walter Shanly, C.E., ex-M.P., took place yesterday to St. John's cemetery. The services were conducted by Very Rev. Dean Innes and Rev. W. F. Hill, rector of St. John the Evangelist Church. A large number of prominent citizens were present at the residence of the deceased's nephew, Charles J. N. Shanly, 301 Piccadilly street, from whence the funeral was held, to pay their last respects to the memory of the departed.

Heart Humbug.

It is fashionable today to have a new heart scare every 24 hours. The commonest symptoms of dyspepsia or nerve trouble, such as palpitation, weak spells, loss of appetite, and poor circulation, are magnified and distorted into serious signs of heart trouble, with the object of frightening the public into taking this or that heart remedy. If a hundredth part of the heart trouble we hear about were real, the cemeteries would be filled in a month. A wrong construction is put upon common ailments in order to humbug the people into the belief that heart disease is prevalent, whereas real heart trouble, which is so sadly and suddenly fatal when it does occur, is a rare disease. Lopsided arguments cannot convince an intelligent people. Too little iron means weakness, lack of spirits, pallid cheeks, shortness of breath, sleeplessness, nervousness, loss of vital force, ending in general breakdown. The iron in Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills is in the soluble form you need; in combination with other curative agents in such a manner that disease can't resist their action. You feel yourself getting well when you take Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills.

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All our Christmas stocks are at their best now, and we're ready with a completeness seldom seen in a city the size of London. The Big Store will be crowded from now till Saturday night, and buyers should come in the forenoon, if possible, when they can make their purchases with a certain degree of comfort. We've made big preparations for the holiday time, and the splendid collection of Christmas goods we are showing is the best evidence of the success that has crowned our efforts.

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All Ladies' and Children's Jackets and Furs, Fur Jackets and Capes.
Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Carpets and Curtains

Lace Curtains, Draperies, Cushions and Carpets.
Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Staple Department

Wool Blankets, Comforters, Eider Comforters, Wrapperettes, Cotton Shirtings, Loch Lomond Flannels and Tickings.
Discount 10 Per Cent.

Hats and Caps

25 per cent off all Men's, Boys' and Youths' Hats—hard or soft—Discount 25 Per Cent.

25 per cent off all Men's and Boys' Fancy Tweed and Corduroy Caps—Discount 25 Per Cent.

10 per cent off all Men's Fur Caps—Discount 10 Per Cent.

10 per cent off all Men's Under-clothing—Discount 10 Per Cent.

China & Crockery Dept

Tea Sets, Japanese Ware, Fancy Cups and Saucers, and all China-Ware.
Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Shoe Department

10 per cent off all Women's Laced and Button Boots—10 Per Cent Off.

15 per cent off all Women's Oxford Shoes—15 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Misses' and Children's Laced and Button Boots—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Men's Laced and Congress Shoes—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off Boys' and Youths' Shoes—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Men's Rubbers and Overshoes—10 Per Cent Off.

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Plain Linen Lunch Cloths, embroidered, elegant goods, \$1 00, \$1 25 and \$1 50, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Damask Lunch Cloths, heavy knotted fringe and fancy drawn, 37x37, special price 85c, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Fine Damask Lunch Cloths, 36x36, at \$1 00, 95c, \$1.25, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Handsome Damask Towels, heavy knotted fringe, worth \$1 00 a pair, for 75c and 10 Per Cent Off That.

Fine Damask Towels, heavy knotted fringe, two rows of drawn work, 75c each, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Hemstitched Huck Towels, Damask Border, very fine, 50c, 60c and 65c each, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Genuine Irish Linen Damask Table Cloths, 8-4, \$1 00, \$1 25 and \$1 60, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Fine Linen Sets, Cloth and Napkins to match, from 3/4 to 4 yards long, and from \$5 to \$16 50 per set, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Fine Satin-Finish Table Damask, best make, 2 1/4 yards wide, special price per yard \$2, with 10 Per Cent Off.

72 inch Fine Satin-Finish Double Damask, good pattern, at per yard, \$1, with 10 Per Cent Off.

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Tray Cloths, fringed, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c and 45c, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c and 70c, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Linen D'Oylies, fringed, square, oval and round, at 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c each, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Hemstitched D'Oylies, embroidered, 25c, 35c and 50c, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Sideboard Scarfs, in linen, 25c, 35c, 75c and 90c, \$1 25, \$1 50 and \$2 each, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Swiss Applique Drapes, at 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1 25, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Swiss Oblongs, at 15c, 20c, 50c, 58c, 60c, 75c and 95c each, with 10 Per Cent Off.

Swiss Pillow Shams, elegant new designs, an 35c, 45c, 50c, 65c, 75c, \$1, \$1 25 and \$1 75 each, with 10 Per Cent Off.

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All Ladies' and Children's Vests and Drawers and Combination Suits.
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20 per cent off all Boys' Reefers and Overcoats—20 Per Cent Off.

15 per cent off all Men's Water proof Coats—15 Per Cent Off.

Blouses.

Ladies' Silk Blouses, in stripes, plaids or plain colors, lined with fitted lining, were \$3 00 and \$3 50, special, each.....\$2 50

Ladies' Striped Silk Blouses, in red, black, blue or mauve, with strong fitted lining and tucked fronts and sleeves, regular \$4 00, Friday, each.....\$3 25

Ladies' Silk Blouses, in plain stripes, all colors, made with tucked fronts and sleeves and lined throughout, regular \$5 00, special, Friday, each.....\$4 00

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- Toy Carpet Sweepers.** A few left, and will clear them out at, each 50c
- Dolls' Cradles.** Regular price of these Cradles was 50c, while they last 25c
- Dolls.** We have a couple of lines of Dolls a little damaged, were 25c, will clear them out at 10c
- Dolls' Buggies.** A nice one for 25c
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METEOROLOGICAL

Toronto, Dec. 19-8 p.m.—The upper portion of the low pressure trough mentioned yesterday has developed, and has caused high winds from the lakes to the Atlantic. It is now passing over Newfoundland. An extensive area of low pressure, accompanied by higher temperatures has extended throughout the Northwest. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 36-44; Kamloops, 4 below-38; Calgary, 26-50; Prince Albert, 12 below-26; Port Arthur, 4 below-29; Parry Sound, 36-38; Toronto, 28-33; Ottawa, 30-40; Montreal, 32-42; Quebec, 30-38; Halifax, 32-50.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Tuesday, Dec. 19, were: Highest, 48; lowest, 25.5.

Today sun rises 7:48, sets 4:44; moon rises 8:53 p.m., sets 10:00 a.m.

Plants for Christmas

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A LOCAL BUDGET

—Mr. Leonard Clarke, of Simcoe street, has passed the military examination, and intends enlisting with the next South African contingent.

—Dr. J. D. O'Neill left for Toronto today to attend a meeting of the board of examiners of the Ontario Veterinary Surgeons' Association, of which he is a member.

—Mr. Herbert J. Boyd, of Winnipeg, is visiting his home in this city. He will return to Winnipeg the first week of the new year, and will be accompanied by his wife.

—Mr. Fred Hall, from Harvard University, and Mr. Norman Payne, from the University of Pennsylvania, are home for the holidays. Both are residents of South London.

—Mr. Arthur Tufts, of R. Tufts & Sons, of High Grove stock farm, Tweed, Hastings county, was a visitor to the Fat Stock Show here. Mr. Tufts was greatly taken up with the city. He left for home on Saturday. While here he was the guest of his cousin, Mr. R. Tufts, Rectory street.

—"Her Majesty's Ship Canada" is the attractive title of the Christmas entertainment which will be given to-morrow (Thursday) evening by the pupils of the Southern Congregational Sunday school. An original, patriotic and highly entertaining programme has been prepared.

BUILDING LABORERS ELECT OFFICERS.

At the regular meeting of building laborers, held Dec. 18, the following officers were elected: President, James Hiscock; vice-president, John Beal; recording secretary, Wm. Burleigh (re-elected); financial secretary, James Inch; treasurer, Hugh Sullivan (re-elected); sergeant-at-arms, Ed Foster; trustees, John Layzell, J. Brennan and Wm. Barry; auditors, George Kobbeler, J. Davies, Jas. Jeffries; executive committee, Wm. Burleigh, J. Brennan,

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LONDON MAN'S GOOD APPOINTMENT.

Mr. Sydney Slocum, B.A., of this city, has been appointed inspector, model school master and principal of the public schools of St. Thomas.

SIXTH WARD LIBERAL CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Sixth Ward Liberal Club was held last night, and the members turned out in force, and were very enthusiastic over the bright prospects of the coming year. The finances are in good shape, and the membership is larger than at any previous time. The officers of the club were all unanimously re-elected. They are as follows:

Honorary president, Col. F. B. Ley, M. P. F.; president, F. E. Mackenzie; first vice-president, Robert Southcott; second vice-president, Wm. Westland, jun.; treasurer, Wm. Kennedy; secretary, C. E. Jarvis. The meeting was briefly addressed by Ald. Parnell McCullum, and other members of the club.

BRANTFORD OLD BOYS.

The last meeting of the London contingent of Brantford Old Boys, previous to the reunion at Brantford, was held at the home of the president, Mr. J. H. Hall, 347 Main street, last evening. After final arrangements had been made, and the business of the evening concluded, light refreshments were served by the hostess. A variety of interesting programme was given, consisting of selections by the G. T. R. Orchestra; short and pointed addresses by Rev. T. S. Johnson, Mr. E. Van der Kolk and Mr. Smith. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the orchestra and the president and his wife for their kind hospitality, after which the "National Anthem" was rendered by the orchestra.

MASS MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT

About 150 citizens, most of them business men, met in the city hall last evening to discuss the municipal campaign in general, and with particular reference to Ald. Rumball's candidature for the mayoralty. The meeting was non-partisan, and Ald. Rumball announced emphatically that if he accepted the nomination it would be as a non-partisan candidate. Messrs. J. R. Wainwright, Col. Gartshore and U. A. Buchner were appointed a committee to wait upon Mayor Wilson and petition him to call a public meeting of ratepayers for tomorrow night.

GOLDING-SMITH.

A quiet and pretty wedding took place at the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. F. T. Smith, 738 Waterloo street, this city, on Wednesday, Dec. 13, when Evelyn, third daughter of Capt. W. Smith, late of the 100th Regiment, married Mr. F. T. Smith, but now of British Columbia, was united in marriage to Mr. Edward T. Goulding, of Birch, London township. The bride looked charming in Eileen blue, trimmed with white satin, and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations. Miss Jennie Lyman acted as bridesmaid, while Miss William Goulding, brother of the groom, was best man. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George Jackson, pastor of Colborne street Methodist Church. In the presence of a number of intimate friends. The bride received many beautiful and useful presents, which showed the highest esteem she was held in by her friends. After the wedding repast Mr. and Mrs. Goulding left for their future home near Birch, amid showers of rice and good wishes.

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REUNION AT
ST. GEORGE'S

Principal Baker's Pupils Enjoy a Happy Evening.

Bright After-Dinner Speeches—Presentation of Awards—Principal Baker Surprised.

The fourth annual reunion of St. George's school was held last night in the North Mission, and never before was the old hall filled with a happier crowd. It was a gathering of radiant faces, surrounding tables laden with meats and fruits, and with the first clatter of the fast-lighted dishes there burst forth the melody of the voices of boys and girls. In the outer circle of a room made gay with pictures and flags and colors, the sober fathers and mothers and friends of the children watched the brightness and laughter, like shadows guarding the beams.

The toast list was introduced by the toastmaster, Principal Baker, calling upon all to drink to the Queen, which each did most heartily, and joined lustily in the singing of "God Save the Queen." In like manner was the toast to "Our Native Land" drunk, in response to which Rev. Dr. Johnston told of Canadians who occupy foremost positions abroad, of the honor in which Canada's name is held, and said that if necessary Canada would spend the last dollar that was in her treasury so long as Britain ruled the world.

Dr. Teasdale, chairman of the board of education, replied to the toast to that body, and during his speech he arranged such a happy reunion. The moral, intellectual and patriotic teachings, who should inculcate in the minds of the pupils the requisites of perfect manhood and ideal citizenship.

Principal Radcliffe responded to the toast to "Other Schools." He commended the teachers and scholars for the success of the reunion. The intelligence, good behavior and robust health there displayed, argued well for the future citizenship. The board of education were to be congratulated upon the success of London's public schools. In his experience he had never received assistance in his high school work from the training received by pupils prior to their entrance, such as he had received in London.

The graduates of St. George's, elected Miss Mattie Hutchinson, the Boy's memorial medal, which she had won by passing highest from St. George's school. In making the presentation, Mr. MacRobert said to the other pupils that there were other medals, other positions of honor and dignity that might win or occupy, and he hoped would do so. They should always have an object in life, and to remember that in all the trials and tribulations of life there shone one star, the star of hope. They should not undertake anything until they were fully and deeply imbued with its importance, and then they should work with all energy. They should have confidence, and press resolutely on to the attainment of their highest pursuit, aims and most earnest ambitions.

Miss Hutchinson responded gracefully, and as she was about to leave the platform Principal Baker handed to her a beautiful opal ring, the gift of the pupils.

Miss Ariene Gray was called to the platform, and Dr. Ziegler presented her with a beautiful gold medal, given by Mr. MacRobert, and upon the medal were inscribed the names of the pupils. Messrs. John Geary, P. Marshall and R. Geary, for general proficiency.

A toast to the "Class of 1920" elicited replies from Master Jack Ferns and Miss Flossie Kipp, and upon the conclusion of these replies Howard Moran was presented with a book as a prize for passing second highest from the school.

Principal Baker was surprised by being asked to go to the platform, where he was greeted by a nicely worded address and two beautifully bound books. Mr. Baker thanked the pupils heartily for their gift.

During the evening a programme was carried out which included solos by Miss Inez Smith, recitations by Miss Nina Bucke, solo by Dr. Ziegler, songs by Mr. Arthur Wood and an instrumental by Miss Raymond, who also was accompanist during the evening. At an early hour "Auld Lang Syne" was sung, and the gathering dispersed.

The committee who had charge of

the arrangements were Miss D. McLeod, F. Kipp, Masters J. Ferns, H. Dunn and A. Keene, Treasurer Lulu Wilson and Secretary Miss M. Burgess.

STRANGE METHODS
OF DETECTIVES

Who Were Employed by the
Street Railway Company

To Mix With the Strikers and Secure
Evidence Against Walter Richards
—The Defense Would Prove an
Alibi.

The trial of Walter Richards, charged with assaulting and wounding Austin Addison on Nov. 21, 1918, has proved to be the most sensational of the present sessions of the peace. The case was postponed from the spring and fall sittings, owing to the absence of important witnesses, and a peculiar feature of the crown's case is that it is based partly on the evidence of private street railway detectives, who claimed to have secured from Richards incriminating admissions. When the means adopted by these special detectives to fasten the crime upon young Richards became known, they excited general astonishment and indignation. The detectives were A. J. McGrew, head of a Cleveland detective agency, and Thos. Hanson, employed by the Cleveland Street Railway Company. The men said they had been sent to London last September to mix with the strikers, and obtain information. They boarded for a time at the Duke of York Hotel and later at the Griggs House. Under a severe cross-examination by Mr. Meredith the men admitted being frequenters of a house of ill-fame, East London. They went there for information, they said, and that they had reported their movements to the directors of the street railway company. Once the accused had accompanied them to this house. On another occasion they managed to get in company with Richards, and three or four times the accused was seen with them. One of Richards' friends, who was present at the trial, testified that he had seen Richards at the Duke of York Hotel late one evening. He was well acquainted with Richards, and was an important witness for the defense. One of the strangers proposed the visit to the house of ill-fame, and the two boys went. It was the only time the witness had seen such a place. He also was with Richards the night of the oyster supper. Witness had been wheeling on Richmond street, near the Griggs House, and these strangers hailed him from the sidewalk. After chatting for some minutes, one of the strangers offered to buy the oysters, and the party went to a restaurant. The witness identified the detectives as the strangers he had met. He heard none of the admissions by Richards the detectives allege were made.

The defense called several witnesses to prove an alibi on the night of the assault on Addison. The assault is said to have occurred at 11:40 p.m. and the movements of the accused from 5:30 p.m. till after midnight were accounted for. The witnesses were Miss Etta Crane, E. S. Saunders, Harry Stapleton, William Mottashed, William Cripps, George E. Rider and George Billen. Two witnesses saw Richards at 11:30 at Society Hall, Dundas street, five blocks from the scene of the assault. They were William Cripps, the janitor of the hall, and George E. Rider, floor master for the "hop" which was in progress. Rider also saw Richards dance the "Home, Sweet Home" waltz a few minutes after midnight.

There was an amusing incident during Rider's cross-examination. Mr. Magee wanted to know who Richards danced with. The witness answered: "With a friend of mine."

"Yes, but who?" Mr. Magee said. The witness was not going to mention the name if it was necessary so Mr. Magee was content to allow him to write down the name. After giving it a glance Mr. Magee crumpled up the paper and threw it away.

George Billen saw Richards at the entrance to Society Hall between 11:30 and 11:35. Richards said there was a good crowd at the "hop," and Billen asked him to walk a piece with him. Billen was going home. The two walked leisurely west on Dundas street, and passed half block west of Adelaide street, when Richards returned east.

Ross McMillen has sold a 50-acre block of land in Harwich for \$4,000. The Central Methodist Church, Stratford, has subscribed \$4,000 to the century fund.

The Isaac Matthews farm, on the 14th con. of Grey, has been sold to T. Taylor for \$7,000.

E. Nolan, of Hullett, has purchased from D. Silers his 100-acre farm, 15th con. Grey, the price being \$4,550.

R. R. Higgins has sold the 100-acre McLean farm on the London road, Tuckersmith, to John McKnight, Hullett for \$5,000.

On Friday last twenty-two hogs belonging to Samuel Fisher, of Harwich, died suddenly under peculiar circumstances. Dr. Kime examined them and found strong evidence of poisoning. The hogs were valued at \$125.

On Sunday night the houses of Messrs. Arthur Bridge and Gus Adams, Hespeler, were broken into about church time, and a considerable quantity of jewelry, etc., stolen. There is a clue to the thieves and Chief McMaster thinks he can locate them.

Albert Turner, now residing in Clinton, has sold his farm of 100 acres, being lots 29 on the 2nd con. of Tuckersmith, H. R. S. to Arthur Canzian, of Goderich township. The farm has a good brick house, stone stable, and is a good place. The price paid was \$4,200.

ERRONEOUS TEACHING.

New York, Dec. 20.—The New York Free Press has adopted resolutions disapproving of the teachings of Rev. Dr. A. C. McGiffert, as set forth in the book entitled "A History of Christianity in the Apostolic Age."

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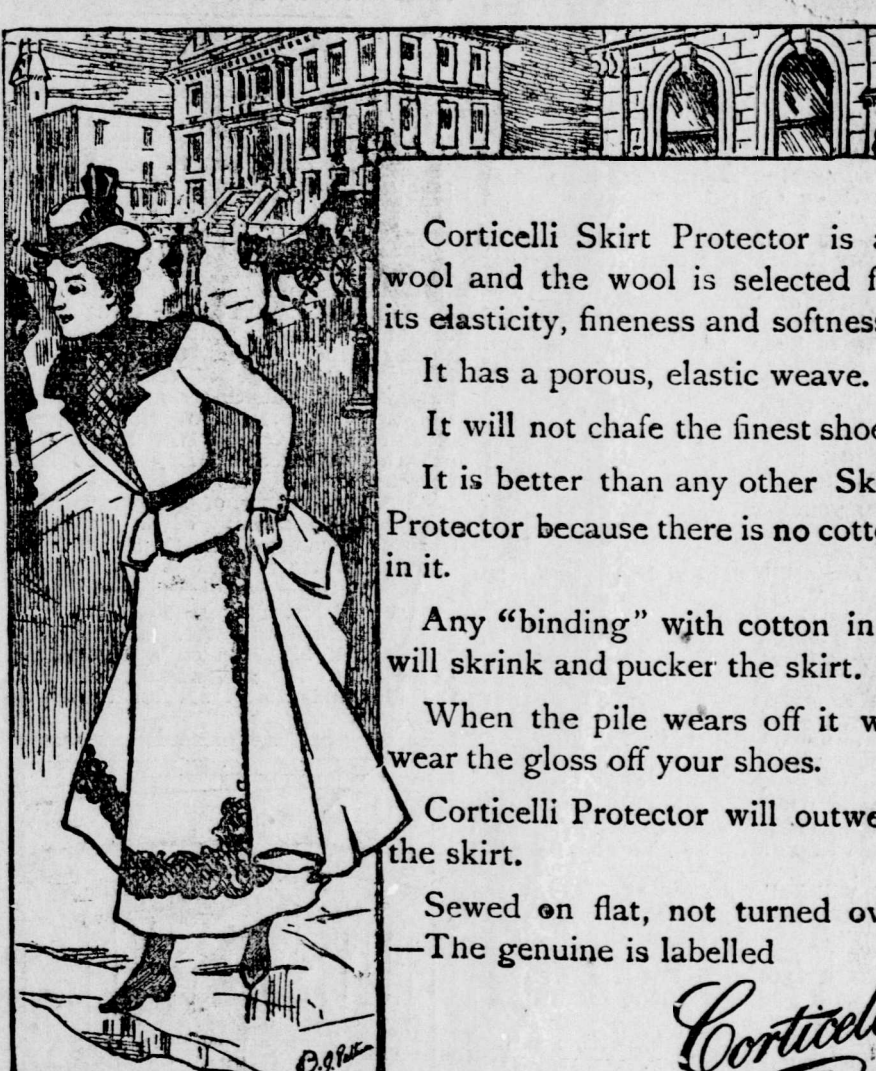
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