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OPPOSITION FOR MAYOR STEVELY J. M. PARSONS TO RUN FOR HONOR

Mr. S. Screaton Elected by Acclamation for Hospital Trustee.

TWENTY NAMES FOR ALDERMEN

Seven Candidates From Whom To Select Five School Trustees.

There will be a contest for the mayoralty.

Although ex-Ald. Matthews, C. M. R. Graham and F. J. Darch, one of whom it was thought would be a candidate, retired, Mr. John M. Parsons qualified, and will make a contest.

It was about 8 o'clock when he filled in his papers, only doing so after Mr. Darch had qualified for water commissioner.

Mr. Parsons' avowed reason for running is to discuss the water bylaw at greater length than would be allowed him under any other circumstance. He is opposed to the present scheme of the commissioners, and is an advocate of meters and high-pressure.

The only office to go by acclamation was that of hospital trustee, Mr. S. Screaton being returned without a contest. He has been on the board for some years, being chairman the last two.

A Dark Horse.

A dark horse turned up in the race for the water commission. It was thought that Dr. H. A. Stevenson would oppose Mr. F. J. Darch, but he did not qualify. Mr. Urban A. Buchner will run against Mr. Darch. Dr. H. A. McCallum, who it was thought might be induced to run, did not qualify.

For Aldermen.

For the aldermanic board just twenty candidates qualified. Of this number half are members of last year's council. They were:

Ald. Beattie, Ferguson, Stevenson, Parsons, Armstrong, Moorhead, Saunders, Rose, Stewart, Gerry.

Ald Greenlees and Ald. Booth are the only missing ones. Ex-Ald. Scarlett, a member of the 1907 council, and ex-Ald. Josh Garratt, also a member of the same board, will face the music. Ex-Ald Neil Cooper, who always runs, is on deck again. There are some new ones.

Board of Education.

Only one member of the five whose terms expire this year will run again. Mr. C. M. R. Graham, who was chairman of the board this year, will run again. Two former members, W. W. Gammage and W. T. Strong, are again in the field, and should poll a large vote.

The List.

The line-up will be as follows:

Mayor.

Samuel Stevely.
John M. Parsons.

Hospital Trustee.

Samuel Screaton (acclamation).

Water Commissioners.

Fred J. Darch.
Urban A. Buchner.

Aldermen.

George W. Armstrong.
J. H. A. Beattie.
Neil Cooper.
W. J. Craig.
James Donnelly.
Donald Ferguson.
James Fitzgerald.
Joshua Garratt.
William Gerry.
Thomas H. Janes.
James H. Jeffries.
Joseph Lawrence.
Charles G. Moorhead.
Albert J. Morgan.
Robert Parsons.
George E. Rose.
John H. Saunders.
Wm. Scarlett.
William J. Stevenson.
Donald A. Stewart.

Board of Education.

W. W. Gammage.
Charles M. R. Graham.
John M. Gunn.
Harry A. Kingsmill.
Richard McBride.
William T. Strong.
Albert J. Wyckoff.

INDIAN CHARGED WITH STEALING WHEEL

Appeared Before Magistrate and Was Remanded for Trial.

An Indian named McKay Antone was arrested yesterday for stealing a wheel belonging to a young man who has been working for Walter T. Westby. The noble redman made a quick getaway, and the wheel was sold to a man named Blair, about two miles from Strathroy, for $11. Constable Shaver went after the wheel yesterday and succeeded in locating it. Antone appeared before Squire Chittick this morning and was remanded to jail to appear before the magistrate on Jan. 6, 1909.

ATTEMPT TO LOOT BANK

Six Criminals Killed at Messina—$500,000 in Plain View.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Six criminals were killed while attempting to loot the Bank of Sicily at Messina, where cash amounting to half a million dollars lay in plain view.

TEMPLAR VS. TEMPLAR—A RETRACTION.

In reporting the institution of this divorce suit in Detroit last summer, The Advertiser set out certain allegations made by the plaintiff against his wife. These allegations, which were very damaging to Mrs. Templar's reputation, were received by our reporter and published without due inquiry. It now appears that the assertions were quite wrong, and that there was no foundation for those injurious statements. We regret that anything published in this journal should have done injury to Mrs. Templar, who, so far as we are able to learn, is a very respectable and reputable lady.

We may add that Mrs. Templar's husband, who left her in June last, is now, under order of the court of chancery in Detroit, paying his wife interim alimony.

Dr. McCallum Is Against the Bylaw

"What would have been your platform had you run for water commissioner?" asked The Advertiser of Dr. H. A. McCallum this afternoon.

"I would have been opposed to the bylaw, because it is in reality a river water or filtration scheme," the doctor replied. "I would be for spring water out of artesian wells, with a new main from them delivering into the eastern part of the cit, and an independent high-pressure system. It could be done cheaply by tapping the present main, as it comes into the city, using electric pumps to force water into the high-pressure pipes. As we only use 1,000,000 gallons in a year for fire-fighting, we do not want a new supply for this purpose.

"Burn down the business section and what will follow? Hundreds will be idle and wageless, and thousands will be without the means of support.

"Many of the wholesales would not rebuild again in this city. The fire would scare away any concerns contemplating coming here.

"The value of every man's property in the city would be reduced one-half and for twenty years it would remain depreciated in value. Nothing so true in a city like this as the statement that if one part is degraded the whole city is degraded.

"As a citizen I think I owe it to the rest of the citizens to do my share toward showing them that the value and safety of their property depend upon the safety of the whole city."

Nelson Blackwell Was Allowed To Go

A. Nelson Blackwell, the young man recently found guilty of bigamy, appeared before Magistrate Love this morning and was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

"I think this is not the case of a man taking advantage of an innocent woman," said the court. "All the facts were brought to this woman's knowledge before the marriage, and she has only herself to blame for whatever occurred. I think, Blackwell, that your troubles have been brought on entirely by the excessive use of whisky, and in future I would recommend you to keep away from it altogether. You have been a hard-working man, and although you have done time on previous occasions I understand that you have lately been making every effort to reform. I am glad that this is the case, and hope you will continue to keep straight. Remember that your first marriage was made while you were drunk. So was your second. However, I am satisfied that your last affair was done with the full knowledge of the woman. Remember that if you marry again while your first wife is alive, or before she gets a divorce in Canadian courts, you are liable for bigamy. Your first wife, I understand, is getting a divorce in Detroit. That does not let you out in any way as long as you are in Canada. Your second marriage is, of course, absolutely void. I am pleased to be able to tell you that your employer says you are one of the best men he ever had, and he is willing to take you back at once."

Will Bore Deeper Before Testing

The test well on Horton street has not yet been pumped out, and it is impossible at this moment to say what quantity of water it contains.

The air compressor is in place and as soon as Mr. James Peat has sunk the well a few feet further, it will be pumped out and a test made.

The well is still practically filled with water, and Mr. Peat is confident that it will be equal to any sunk in the neighborhood.

A statement has been signed by T. F. Kingsmill, T. H. Smallman, C. B. Hunt, J. W. Little, W. M. Gartshore, F. E. Leonard, A. M. Smith, Geo. G. McCormick, J. H. Chapman, R. J. Young, W. W. Thomson, Hon. A. Beck, John Labatt, F. G. Rumball, Thos. Baker and C. R. Somerville, asking that the bylaw be not passed until the well scheme is shown to be a success or failure.

Woodstock Water Tank Topples Over

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 30.—The big tank situated at the east end of the G. T. R. yards burst at noon yesterday, and, toppling over, submerged the yards and tracks in tons of water. Dr. Stevens, who was driving over Bay street bridge, with a friend, narrowly escaped death by the falling timbers. As it was, both occupants were almost forced over the edge of the bridge, and were drenched. The horse was injured, and a boy received slight injuries.

TRUSTEES ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Separate School Nominations Were Held at Noon Today.

Nominations for the separate school board were held at noon today in St. Peter's school.

The four retiring members—Mr. Wm. McPhillips, Jeremiah Loughlin, R. Muir Burns and Dr. Claude Brown—were nominated, and were elected, without opposition.

There was a fair attendance of electors present. Capt. T. J. Murphy acted as returning officer.

A NIAGARA POWER MEETING IN LONDON

Session of Delegates From the Municipalities Interested Will Be Held Monday.

A meeting of delegates from the municipalities interested in the Niagara power movement will be held in the board of trade rooms on Wednesdaf evening next at 8 o'clock.

"A large number of the municipalities interested will send delegates," said Mayor Stevely.

Warrant for Indian Lister.

The police have a warrant for an Indian lister named Arthur Lenehan, who was at one time a fireman on the Grand Trunk Railway. Lenehan is charged with viciously assaulting a citizen at the corner of the Hamilton road and Maitland street on Monday night. He is said to have been under the influence of liquor at the time, and in the fight which followed he gouged with his finger nails the face of the citizen who was going to his home at the time. The police up to date have been unable to find Lenehan.

TRADE COMMISSIONERS.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 30. — There have been some changes in the trade commission staff. W. A. MacKinnon, who has for some years been trade commissioner at Bristol, has been transferred to Birmingham, to take the place of Peter B. Ball, deceased. E. B. Arnaud, who has been trade commissioner at St. Johns, Nfld., is transfererd to Bristol. J. E. Ray, who has for some years been connected with the commissioner's office in Birmingham, is appointed trade commissioner at St. Johns.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COLDER.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 30—8 a.m.

Today—Strong winds and gales, shifting to westerly and northwesterly; mild today, with occasional sleet and rain; turning decidedly colder during the night.

Thursday—Northwesterly gales, and becoming very cold.

TEMPERATURES

Stations.	Today. 8 a.m.	Yesterday. Min.	Max.
London	36	19	36
Winnipeg	2	10	30
Port Arthur	30	..	..
Parry Sound	28	12	26
Toronto	36	26	40
Ottawa	12	6	22
Montreal	2	10	16
Quebec	4	2	16
Father Point	— 6	..	..
Dawson	..	—48	—44
Victoria	..	34	38
Vaucouver	..	29	39
Kamloops	..	20	26
Calgary	..	— 8	12
Edmonton	..	— 3	2
Battleford	..	— 6	10
Moosejaw	..	21	22
Qu'Appelle	..	8	20
St. John	..	12	24
Halifax	..	18	22

Minus (—) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The important disturbance which was situated in Alberta yesterday morning now covers Lake Superior, while a very severe cold wave is spreading over the Western Provinces.

Rain is now falling in the lake region, and the outlook generally is decidedly stormy.

MALONE ACCUSED BY WILKINS COMMITTING ARSON AND THEFT

Astounding Story Told at Preliminary Examination of Ex-Chief of Police of Simcoe---Committed for Trial and Bail Refused.

Simcoe, Dec. 29.—Ex-Chief of Police Malone was today committed for trial at the next assizes, Feb. 22. Bail was refused.

At the continuation of the trial today, Mr. Kelly, counsel for the prisoner, instanced a number of cases in which he said Wilkins had made mistakes in identification.

"Did you ever get the promise of the chief's job?" asked Mr. Kelly.

"I got no promise of any job," replied Wilkins.

"I suppose you obey him like a brother, eh? Do whatever he tells you? Cut a man's throat if he ordered you to, eh?"

"No, I wouldn't go as far as that."

"I suppose not. You have been at Sunday school, eh, and learned the commandments. 'Thou shalt not steal,' 'Thou shalt not kill,' 'Thou shalt not bear false witness,' etc.?" said Mr. Kelly, sarcastically.

Abused the Court.

When it came to a question of the statement signed by Wilkins at the sanatorium, where he was taken after the shooting, Mr. Kelly and Crown Attorney Slaght had a sharp tiff. Mr. Kelly demanded to see it, and Mr. Slaght contended that if it were produced in this court it must be used throughout.

"His worship doesn't understand any

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Two More Men Arrested by Police Charged With Assaulting an Officer

Bail Was Accepted in the Sum of Two Thousand Dollars for Each Man.

The police last night arrested Walter Rowe and James Kennedy, two young men living in the east end, on a charge of being among those who assaulted P. C. Robert Robinson in such a brutal manner at the corner of York and Wellington streets, Monday night. Mr. Judd appeared for the young men and asked bail.

Crown Attorney McKillop opposed this strongly.

Bail Opposed.

"If this were an ordinary crime, your worship," said Mr. McKillop, "I would raise no objections to bail. But it is one of the most brutal and cowardly assaults that have ever come to my notice. I cannot emphasize the brutal and cowardly part strongly enough. The police officer is still in a very serious condition, and while it is not thought his injuries will result fatally, he is suffering greatly. P. C. Robinson's face is in a terrible state, and I think it is no hardship at all for these men to go to jail for a week for doing such a thing. I most strongly oppose bail being granted."

Mr. Judd stated that the primary object in detaining the men was that they might be present at the trial. From his instructions he said he believed the men were not implicated in the row.

"I have the most positive evidence that they were," said Mr. McKillop.

A Compromise.

A compromise was finally effected by which each of the prisoners was bailed in the sum of $2,000—$1,000 being personal bail, and the remainder being furnished by their parents.

The two most-sought-after persons as far as the assault is concerned, have yet to be apprehended, and the police are keeping a close watch for them.

Principal Speaker at Masonic Banquet Drops Dead in Middle of Speech

Death Takes a Prominent Amherstburg Man in Dramatic Manner.

Amherstburg, Ont., Dec. 30.—William Henry McEvoy, former mayor of Amherstburg, and a leading citizen, dropped dead at midnight in the Masonic Hall. The occasion was the annual banquet of the local lodge. Mr. McEvoy was a guest and the principal speaker of the evening. He was apparently in the best of health, and was in a particularly jovial mood, and had been speaking about twenty minutes when he dropped to the floor and expired almost immediately. Apoplexy was the cause.

Mr. McEvoy was born in Belleville 56 years ago. He came to Amherstburg in 1873. He was well known throughout the country, and was one of the most popular men in business and society in the town. Mr. McEvoy was mayor from 1888 to 1894. He was manager and pricipal stockholder in the Amherstburg Light and Power Company, and interested in several local concerns. He leaves a wife and three children.

Police May Deport One James Long Alleged To Be Worthless Character

Is Now Charged With Stealing Goods From Down Town Stores.

In the police court this morning, James Long, one of the men charged with stealing goods in downtown stores on Christmas Eve, was remanded for a week, while steps are being taken to deport him. Long claims to have a wife and two children in England. As far as the police can find out he is said to be worthless, refusing to work, and spending his time drinking.

J. W. Hibbert, who was with Long at the time, was allowed to go on suspended sentence, as the court, after making inquiries, found that he had hitherto borne a good character, and had been so drunk on the night in question that he did not know what he was doing.

A Case of Charity.

James Bruce, who was arrested for stealing coal, was dismissed on that charge, but out of kindness to him, and in order that he might be comfortably provided for during the winter, Magistrate Love sent him down for three months.

William Wilton, for being drunk, was fined $3.

William Brierly, an Indian lister, claimed he had his whisky in his house and got drunk there. He objected strongly to being sent down to sober up.

Frank Bradley, a man who was arrested for being drunk, but who alleged he had merely lost his way, was bailed until tomorrow morning.

Fourteen Years for Grafter Ruef

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Abraham Ruef, formerly political "boss" of San Francisco, yesterday was sentenced to fourteen years in the state penitentiary at San Quentin. Sentence was pronounced by Judge William P. Lawler, who presided over Ruef's trial on the charge of bribery of a member of the Schmitz board of supervisors in the award of an overhead trolley franchise to the United Railroads.

Canada Accepts American Invitation

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Mr. Pinchet, head of the forestry branch of the United States Government, reached Ottawa yesterday bearing an invitation to Canada to a convention which is to be held in the United Stattes to consider the conservation of the natural resources of the North American continent. He was met by a representative of Earl Grey, and driven to the Government House, where he was the guest of the Governor-General during his stay in Ottawa. The Canadian Government will heartily accept the invitation, and will send probably several representatives, who are capable of discussing questions relating to forestry, minerals, fisheries, water powers and other natural resources.

Among the wonderful surgical operations becoming so common nowadays as to be commonplace, was the removal of a woman's entire larynx in a Baltimore hospital the other day. Though she will be speechless, the operation saved her life.

THOUSANDS ARE BURIED ALIVE IN THE RUINS OF MESSINA

Suffering Slow Death by Torture---Many, Unable To Extricate Themselves, Are Being Burned.

AT LEAST 100,000 PERSONS PERISHED

Flames Are Sweeping Over the Devastated Area, Destroying All That Escaped Wave and Earthquake---Scores of Villages Have Been Razed---Property Loss Many Millions.

Palermo, Dec. 30—There was a slight earthquake early last evening, and it caused a terrible panic. The population invaded the churches, and carried out the images of the saints and sacred vessels, then marched in a processional through the streets, imploring a cessation of the earthquake scourge.

Many are in danger of starvation in Messina. All trains bringing refugees by the hundreds from the devastated city.

Catania, Dec. 30.—One of the Messina survivors gave a vivid account this morning of the appearance of the city. He says that only a small proportion of the total population escaped. Thousands of persons are still buried alive in the ruins, where they are suffering slow death by torture.

Being Burned Alive.

The flames are still making their way slowly over the devastated area in an inexorable advance. Imprisoned and pinioned human beings, unable to extricate themselves, are being burned alive. Others are dying of their injuries, while still others are starving.

The streets are filled with confused masses of brick and mortar, beams, furniture, chimneys and roofs. It is impossible to recognize one thoroughfare from another. In many cases they appear as enormous crevices or great ditches, twisted into fantastic shapes.

Filth Floods Streets.

The celebrated Avenue Palazzatti, which runs along the sea front from the Plaza to the postoffice, is impassable. All the monuments that were there have entirely disappeared. All the water pipes, sewer and gas pipes of the city have been destroyed, and water, mud and filth are flooding the torn streets.

Gas explosions occur frequently, and result in the breaking out of scores of small fires.

For several hours after the first shock, Messina was absolutely without organized action, for the reason that the municipal authorities, the soldiers, the police, doctors and nurses, by the hundreds, were either buried or drowned.

The first work of rescue was performed by volunteers from ships in the harbor, and groups of heroic survivors, who at great labor and personal danger extricated many persons pinioned beneath the wreckage.

Messina's crying need today is for doctors, clothing and food, and firemen to combat the flames that still ravage the city.

Torpedo boats that came in here this morning from Messina bring most distressing reports. Contagion is now feared to add to the other scourges.

Doctors, nurses and firemen are being hurried into the wrecked city, but the lack of food and water makes the work of rescue almost too difficult to overcome. The British and Russian warships at Messina have sent crews ashore and are performing heroic deeds. The vessels themselves have been transferrd into hospital ships.

All the hospitals in Catania are now crowded, and even the schools have been transformed into infirmaries. The less seriously injured of the survivors of Messina are being dispatched by the dozens to Palermo.

It is reported from Palermo that Minister of Public Works Bartolino has arrived there. Assisted by Deputies Carnazza and Felice he has organized several corps of volunteers for rescue work.

Some Marvellous Escapes.

The refugees are beginning to tell tales of their marvellous escapes. After the first shock they were for a while imprisoned in their ruined houses. The masses of wreckage made egress impossible. Many awaited in terror for the coming of light.

They then made their way out, and climbing over the countless obstruc- open. They had to leave behind them open. The yhad to leave behind them under the ruins countless victims who called for help in heartrending tones. It was impossible to give succor. A large proportion of those who escaped sustained injuries. It is asserted that probably half the fatalities occurred because it was impossible for the survivors to render assistance. Not the least of the suffering was caused by the torrential downpour of rain.

Many Villages Gone.

Some of the refugees walked out of Messina through San Giovanni, Palmi, Scilla, Cannitello, Favizzana and Dagnara and found practically every one of the villages destroyed.

Two doctors who succeeded in escaping from Messina report that fully two-thirds of the city has been ruined. Entire streets have caved in. One of the doctors was sleeping in a room on the third floor when the first shock came. He saved himself by jumping, and gripping the roof of a neighboring house.

Every Soul in Bognara Has Perished

Catanzaro, Calabria, Dec. 30.—A report received here early this morning says that the town of Bagnara on the coast to the north of Reggio, has been completely wiped out. Fire completed the work of destruction. The report says "That all the inhabitants of Bagnara are dead. The town counted about 10,000 people.

A big cross has been planted in the midst of the devastation. This monument alone will recall to posterity the dreadful cataclysm.

In a few days quicklime will be scattered over the heap of ruins which alone mark the site of a once populous town.

City of Reggio Completely Obliterated

Catanzaro, Calabria, Dec. 30.—No direct news yet has been received from Reggio, a city of 50,000 people, but everything goes to confirm the report that the city has been practically obliterated.

The prefect of Reggio, Signor Orso, who was thought to have been killed, has reached a coast point in safety, after 24 hours of fearful experience. He could hardly talk, but he said Reggio had been almost entirely devastated, that the dead ran into the thousands, and that the surrounding villages also have been destroyed.

Sea Swept In.

A laborer who escaped from Reggio, relates that shortly before daybreak a deafening noise like the roar of a hundred cannon was heard. This was followed by the subsidence of the entire lower portion of the city. At the same time the sea, to an accompaniment of frightful roaring swept over the waterfront. The cathedral, all the municipal buildings, the barracks and the fine places that lined the Corso are now heaps of ruins. The agonized screams of the people could be heard above the crash of falling buildings.

The mayor of Seminara, a town of 4,000 people, in the province of Calabria, telegraphed that the town has been practically destroyed. The survivors had already unearthed 100 bodies.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Half the population of Calabria and the eastern part of Sicily are dead. The other half is weeping. As the great extent of the terrific seismic disturbances becomes apparent, it seems impossible to exaggerate the horrors which have followed them. The calamity which has overwhelmed Italy is almost beyond the grasp of the imagination, not only because of the dead, now known to number tens of thousands, but because of the innumerable wounded buried in the ruins, many of whom will perish, because it is impossible to rescue them from the wrecks of their former homes. The whole of Italy is absolutely stunned, and on the scene of the disaster the bulk of the people are literally demented with the suddenness and extent of the blow. The total number of victims is variously estimated from 50,000 to 150,000.

Touching Scenes.

When King Victor and the Queen arrived at Messina today touching scenes were enacted as their majesties made their way into the ruined town. The scene of disaster and horror was too much for the Queen, who almost swooned. Crowds of terror-stricken persons swarmed about the royal party, throwing themselves in the mud, and screaming for pity and aid.

Terrible Stories.

Many terrible stories are related in

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WOODS' FAIR

Covered Roasting Pans, 25c Each

Nothing is nicer for cooking fowl or roasts of meat than a covered roasting pan. Our Brownie Roaster is dented top and bottom, so that the juice gathers and drops upon the meat, made of refined, smooth sheet steel, strongly made, and with ventilators in one end; size 14x9x7. Special price this week, each ..... **25¢**

No. 8 and 9 Steamer at, each ..... **30¢** and **35¢**

Serving Trays, japanned; from, each **25¢** to **75¢**

44-Piece China Tea Sets, Special This Week, $3.50 Set

We have just received a very late shipment of these pretty China Tea Sets, 44 pieces in each set, composed of 1 dozen cups, 1 dozen saucers, 1 dozen tea plates, 2 cake plates, tea pot, sugar bowl, cream jug and bowl, 4 different patterns; violet, pink or orange decorations. We have 25 set in the lot and we are going to sell them while they last at the above price to clear them quickly. Special price this week, a set **$3.50**

7-Piece Berry Sets for 50c Set

Another line that arrived late for our Christmas trade was these 7-Piece Berry Sets; 1 salad and 6 small nappies; beautiful pink rose decorations, gold trimmed. A splendid useful set. Special sale price, a set ..... **50¢**

Matchless Inverted Gas Lights, $1.00 Complete

The mantle burns upside down, and all the light the mantle gives is thrown downward, where it is wanted, and not up to the ceiling, where it cannot be used, like the old-style lights. This light adds greatly to the attractions or dining-room, parlor or library. It burns but three feet of gas an hour, and gives double the light of an upright gas lamp, burning the same amount of gas. Think of the cheapness of this light and the wonderful light it gives.

The matchless inverted light should always be used. Our price complete is $1 00 and $1 25 each.

WOODS' FAIR J. M. THOMSON

DRIVEN CRAZY BY TROUBLES

Witnesses Testify to the Marital Misfortunes of Captain Hains.

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 30.—The defense of Thornton Hains, indicted with his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, jun., for the killing of Wm. E. Annis, called two witnesses in yesterday's session of the trial to show certain alleged doings of Mrs. Claudia Hains, which the lawyers of the defendants claims so affected Captain Hains that he became mentally unbalanced.

Samuel Chester Reid, of Chicago, a friend of Hains' family, swore that Captain Hains told him of all his martial misfortunes, and that the captian evidenced signs of being irrational. Before the close of the day's session, the defense called to the stand a servant in Captain Hains' household, Minnie Rhone, who related certain alleged incidents in which Mrs. Claudia Hains and Wm. E. Annis figured at the Hains' home while Captain Hains was in the Philippines. These incidents, the witness said, she told the captain on his return. She was still under examination when court adjourned for the day.

She said that Mrs. Hains had declared her affection for Annis, and told of alleged orgies held at the Hains' home at Fort Hamilton.

LEMIEUX ACT AT WORK

Shoemakers Agree to Arbitration — Engineers Ask for Them.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—The department of labor has appointed Zebadie Berube and Felix Marois, of Quebec, to be the members of the board of conciliation under the Lemieux act, in the dispute between the John Ritchie Shoe Company, of Quebec, and its employees. This case is notable because it is the first instance in which employer and employees have agreed to submit their dispute to a board of conciliation, although the act does not cover their particular industry, and to agree to abide by the decision of the board. The chairman has yet to be nominated.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has applied for a board on behalf of the employees of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway, but no action has yet been taken.

Between 1903 and 1907 mechanical cabs in London have increased in numbers by over seven hundred, while horse-drawn cabs have decreased by more than fifteen hundred.

Those Corpuscles

In your blood,—red and white,—keep you well if they are healthy, cause you sickness if diseased.

To make and keep them abundant and healthy, is to have pure blood, freedom from disease and vigorous health.

The chief purpose of Hood's Sarsaparilla is to do this, and its success is attended by thousands of wonderful cures. Cures of all blood diseases, scrofula, eczema, rheumatism, catarrh.

Get Hood's Sarsaparilla today.

PLANNED TO FILL SELF WITH HOLES

Port Huron Assyrian Wanted to Die by Inches—Fails.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 30.—Relatives of Louis Anter ,an Assyrian, 27 years old, prevented him from killing himself Tuesday afternoon. Anter, however ,may yet die from a bullet wound in his left leg.

The foreigner had planned to kill himself by inches and had purchased a new revolver to carry out his purpose. He intended shooting himself in each leg and each arm and then finally end his sufferings by sending a bullet through his brain.

Going to the confectionery store on Butler street conducted by a cousin, Abdo Anter, he went to a corner near the rear and crouched in a corner when his brother was out in front of the store. Pulling the weapon from his pocket eh pointed the gun at his left leg and fired. The bulet tore the flesh and left a horrible wound. The cousin heard the report of the revolver and summoning other relatives he succeeded in wresting the weapon from the grasp of Louis, thus preventing him from doing himself further harm.

The man is now in the hospital. Unless complications set in he will recover. He has a wife and two children in Toronto, Canada.

GENERAL BROCK'S COAT

Descendants of Famous Soldier Present It to the Dominion.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The coat worn by Sir Isaac Brock at the Battle of Queenston Heights, is to be sent to Canada. The coat is to be placed in charge of Dr. Doughty, Dominion Archivist, and is to be transmitted to Ottawa through the office of Lord Strathcona, high commissioner, London. In a letter received by Lady Edgar, 45 Elgin avenue, Toronto, Miss Henrietta Tupper of Guernsey, England, the grandniece of Sir Isaac Brock, says: "It is a singular circumstance that though Isaac Brock was one of ten brothers, not one left a son. His sister, my grandmother, Mrs. Tupper, had ten sons, but we have not a single male descendant of hers on the island. Therefore, we have thought it better, my sister and I, to send to Canada the coat which was worn by the general on the fatal day (Battle of Queenston Heights) and in which is the bullet hole. It has gone down to the post today (Dec. 14), and will, I hope, be on Wednesday in the care of Lord Strathcona, who has kindly agreed to transmit it to Ottawa. We wanted to give it to Canada ourselves in our lifetime."

(Miss Tupper is the daughter of the author of "Life and Correspondence of Sir Isaac Brock," a book published about 60 years ago, and now out of print.)

As blue laws prohibit the sale of tobacco and cigars on Sunday in Spokane, Ore., the dealers now are selling "owl" and "star" sandwiches, consisting of two slices of bread and a cigar or a slab of tobacco respectively, the Sunday sale of food being permitted.

TORONTO TESTS HIGH PRESSURE

Demonstrated as a Magnificent Medium for Fighting of Fire.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—That Toronto now has an efficient high pressure water supply for the fighting of fires was well demonstrated yesterday morning by the test of the new high pressure system at St. Lawrence market.

Thousands of citizens, as well as Mayor Oliver and many civic officials and aldermen, saw the test, and were well satisfied.

Chief Engineer Robert Howe, of the Fire Underwriters' Association, and the fire insurance experts, were not inclined to say much, but they seemed satisfied also.

Not an Easy Test.

The test was by no means the easiest possible. The city wanted to have it made at the foot of Bay or Yonge streets, on the lake front, in the centre of the high pressure district, but the underwriters refused point blank and insisted that it be made at St. Lawrence market.

Now Jarvis street is the eastern limit of the district covered by the system, and that means that the test had to be made at the dead end of the pipes. There is always some force lost between the pumps and the nozzle, and the distance should be taken into the calculation.

When the water was turned on at 11:30 the streams soared over 100 feet in the air, and made an arch of spray falling at least 200 feet away.

People Were Soaked.

The nozzles were on the north side of Colborne street, on West Market street, when the stream was thrown south across Front street, dousing the cars and horses, and pedestrians who tried to get along that street.

When the hose was turned straight up it shot a two-inch stream higher than the Bristol apartments, an eight-story building, standing about 150 feet high.

This was the last test that Engineer Howe asked for.

The pressure of 300 pounds that was on before the test began was supplied by two pumps.

Engineer Howe put his register on the hydrant in Jarvis street, and gave out the following as the official figures:

Before test—300 pounds.

Three two-inch streams, through 250 feet of hose, the pressure dropped to 290.

Six streams—225 pounds.

Seven streams—175 pounds.

Eight streams—155 pounds.

Eight streams and a 1¼-inch nozzle, without hose—130 pounds.

1,000 Gallons Per Minute.

"What would be the ordinary pressure?" was asked.

"About 40 pounds," replied Mr. Howe; "which is a mighty big difference.

"Each two-inch stream, I should think, threw about 1,000 gallons per minute," said Mr. Howe.

"Are you satisfied?" asked Chief Thompson.

"Yes, I am satisfied; but——" was Engineer Howe's answer.

"But what?"

"You need a new pump."

"We need three new pumps," said the chief, "as soon as we extend the system."

Winnipeg's Advantage.

Somebody said that the test in Winnipeg was more satisfactory.

"But they have more engines in Winnipeg," replied the chief, "and can put more pressure on a small area than we can."

The eight streams that were playing were taken from three hydrants.

Stone Stopped Stream.

One stream was suddenly stopped by a little stone traversing the hose and being forced by the water through the nozzle. In its passage it bent the aluminum cutter in the Eastman nozzle. The cutter is a patented device, and is calculated to throw the stream farther. The bending of it caused the spray to scatter for yards around, and the firemen hustled to shut it off.

"That is liable to happen any time," said Mr. Howe. He evidently did not think it important.

Civic Views.

"I think the test was a good one," said Mayor Oliver. "We had eight streams from three hydrants, and I don't know what more could be expected."

"The test was a good one," said City Engineer Rust, "and but for a slight accident at the pumping station the pressure would have been higher."

According to Waterworks Engineer Fellowes, who was at the station, a plug blew out of the boiler of one of the engines, and caused a dropping of the pressure for a few minutes.

GOLDEN WEDDING AT TEMPO

Happy Gathering at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bennett.

A happy event took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bennett, Tempo, on Monday, Dec. 28, when between 30 and 40 relatives and friends met to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett received their guests, beneath an arch of green and gold.

After receiving the congratulations of their friends, all repaired to the dining-room, to partake of the delicacies so bountifully provided, following which an enjoyable afternoon and evening were spent in music and pleasant reminiscences, several of the guests present having attended the wedding of the host and hostess 50 years ago.

Mr. Bennett told of some of the changes that had taken place, from the old corduroy road to our fine gravel roads; from the oxen to the electric cars; from rarely getting news of the outside world to the now daily mail and rural telephones. He well remembers seeing the first steam cars come in to London.

Mr. Bennett was born on the farm where he now resides, and although 76 years of age, he is still very active. He married Rebecca Lewis, eldest daughter of the late Abram Lewis.

Guests were present from Thornwood, St. Johns, Mich., Toronto, Sarnia, Stratford, Ingersoll, London, Glendale and Lambeth. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett were the recipients of many beautiful and valuable gifts.

ANNA GETS THE CHILDREN.

Paris, Dec. 30.—The petition of Count Boni de Castellane for the custody of his children was denied today by the court, which ruled that they shall remain with their mother, the Princess De Sagan, who was formerly Miss Anna Gould, of New York.

WRESTLING WITH THEIR TARIFF

Manufacturers Petition Uncle Sam To Reduce It on Laces and Embroideries.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The House ways and means committee, which will frame a revised tariff bill, has received numerous suggestions and plans in connection with its work. Requests for changes from ad valorem duty to specific rates and vice-versa have been most numerous. A suggestion has been made that a way out of the tariff difficulty could be found by copying the law recently enacted in Great Britain, which makes it necessary for all patented articles for consumption there to be manufactured in that country. The committee may look into the merits of the idea.

Claiming that a reduction in the duty on laces from the present rate of 60 per cent ad valorem to 20 per cent would greatly increase the revenue to the Government, a New York firm suggested a novel method by which this reduction could be made so that holders of stocks here would not sustain heavy losses.

They proposed that the duty be reduced 5 per cent semi-annually. A petition, signed by nearly 200 manufacturers of women's and children's garments, in which laces and embroideries are used, asking for a reduction in the duties on those articles, has been filed with the committee.

There promises to be a lively discussion between the members of the sub-committee that is looking on the new bill, when coal and hides are reached. A West Virginia coal company has entered a strong protest against the free entry of coal unless a similar concession is obtained from Canada, claiming that Canada derives five times as much revenue from its importations of American bituminous coal as that received by the United States from its importations of Canadian coal, although it is claimed there was five times as much American coal sold in Canada as there was Canadian coal sold in the United States during 1907.

It is rumored that the new bill will put hides on the free list and provide for a substantial reduction in the duty on shoes and leather products.

Several manufacturers have testified that they could stand a slight reduction in the tariff on their products.

MR. T. S. WELD DIES IN ENGLAND

Well-Known Londoner Passes Away After Long Illness.

Londoners will hear with regret of the death of Mr. T. Saxon Weld, which took place in London, England, yesterday, after a long illness. Mr. Weld lived in London and was widely known and esteemed. About seven years ago, owing to ill-health, he left this city and travelled extensively in the west Finally he went to England, where he had lived for six years. It was known that Mr. Weld was far from well, but the news of his death was most unexpected.

Mr. Weld was 45 years old and was born in the Township of Delaware. He was a son of the late William Weld who founded the Farmers' Advocate. After being educated at Woodstock College, Mr. Weld became prominently identified with the paper. For some time he was also president of the London Printing and Lithographing Company. About fourteen years ago he was married to Mrs. Michie, who is still in London, England.

Besides his wife he is survived by seven brothers and two sisters—John, Joseph and Edmund of this city; Dr. Octavius, of Vancouver; Stephen, of Delaware; Charles, of Leamington; Corbin, of Winnipeg; Miss Weld, in England, and Mrs. Mathewson, of this city.

GALBRAITH—WEBSTER

Pretty Wedding at the Home of the Bride in Ekfrid.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Webster, Ekfrid, was the scene of a very pretty home wedding on the evening of Dec. 24, when their only daughter, Miss Eva Mae, became the wife of Mr. Bernie McAlpin Galbraith, youngest son of Mr. Malcolm Galbraith. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George Weir, pastor of the Glencoe Presbyterian Church, in the presence of about one hundred relatives and intimate friends.

The bride was given away by her father, and was prettily costumed in cream messeline silk, trimmed with white duchess satin and lace, and made semi-empire. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and white roses. Miss Annie Galbraith, sister of the groom, played the Wedding March. Master Veley, the little son of Mr. H. D. Galbraith, Drumbo, was ring-bearer, while Mr. George Lee and Mr. Seator McDonald did their part well as ushers.

After congratulations the guests adjourned to the dining-room, where the tables were laden with all the good things of the season. The presents were very numerous and costly, the groom's present to the bride being a beautiful pearl brooch; to Miss Galbraith a ring with settings, and to the ring-bearer a stickpin. The parents of the bride gave her a beautiful piano.

On giving up her school at section No. 4, Delaware, where she had been engaged as teacher for some time past, the pupils presented the prospective bride with a beautiful silver butter-cooler, as a token of the good-feeling that existed between teacher and pupil.

The happy couple left by the G. T. R. limited for Detroit and other western points. The bride's travelling dress was blue cheviot broadcloth, with hat to match. Both of the young people have a large circle of friends who join in wishing them abundant prosperity and happiness through future years.

WEATHER PROBS: RAIN OR SNOW.

Smallman & Ingram
THE SATISFACTORY STORE—PHONE 655

Wednesday, DEC. 30.

Limited

BLACK DRESS GOODS

Thin Materials for Evening Wear

Black, always correct and in good taste for almost any occasion, now steps into first place, and with the forecast of fashions for the coming season to hand, dresses made of these now will come in for summer wear as well; less worry than the selecting of a color. Decide on a black and your dress is here.

Black Silk and Wool Crepe de Chine, $1, $1.50 and $2 Yard

These drape very softly and make up very rich where the shiny finish is not desired. While they have not that glossy surface, yet they show the silk in its richness, woven on the surface with the wool threads; a richness which is preferred by many. They are 44 inches wide; at, per yard ..... **$1**, **$1.50** and **$2**

Pretty Polka Dot Crepe de Chine; 44 inches wide; at, per yard **$1.25**

Black Silk and Wool San Toy, $1, $1.10 to $1.50 Yard

These are a closer weave and not transparent; a pure silk and wool fabric and very serviceable; will wear and keep good color; an all round, serviceable dress fabric; 44 inches wide; for, per yard ..... **$1**, **$1.10**, **$1.25** and **$1.50**

Priestley's Black Resilda, $1.25 and $1.50 Yard

Bright and silky; this fabric is woven with just enough mohair mixed in the wool to give it the appearance of silk, which also prevents it from creasing. The greatest wear and dust-resister, we think, that has yet been produced, in a lightweight fabric, particularly in the blacks; 44 inches wide; at, per yard ..... **$1.25** and **$1.50**

These are shown in stripes as well as in the plain, which are also very handsome, in the different width stripes; per yard **$1.25**

Resilda stripes are also woven on plain wool voile. These we have a handsome collection of, in wide, medium and narrow widths, plain and fancy stripes, new and fashionable; 44 inches wide; at, per yard **$1.25**

Priestley's Silk Warp Henrietta, $1, $1.25, $1.50 and $2 Yard

For certain new style gowns such as the Empire or Directoire these are much favored. While not heavy, they have the weight and softness desired for these styles; 44 inches wide; at, per yard ..... **$1**, **$1.25**, **$1.50** and **$2**

Black Silk and Wool Poplin de Soie, $1, $1.10 and $1.25 Yard

Sheer and serviceable materials are these and very silky in appearance, soft and clinging, which is the desired effect now; 44 inches wide; at, per yard ..... **$1**, **$1.10** and **$1.25**

Black Silk and Wool Ottoman, $1.50 Yard

A smooth finish, bright and distinct cord, new and pretty for dressy wear; looks like a satin cord. Ask to see this; 44 inches wide; for, per yard **$1.50**

Black Silk Voile, $1.35 Yard

This weave is similar to the iron-frame grenadine, which is better known to most people, and makes up very handsome over silk, plain weave; 44 inches wide; at, per yard **$1.35**

Black Wool Voile, Priestley's Plain $1 and $1.25 Yard

Fine, sheer, firmly-woven voiles, made from specially-prepared, hard-twisted threads, very evenly woven. The popularity of black voile is rather on the increase than otherwise, and a strong demand is predicted for the coming season, particularly for the fine and medium size weaves, while the coarse or etamine weaves will have a good following for the coat suits with braid, in silk and mohair for trimming; 44 inches wide; at, per yard ..... **$1** and **$1.25**

Other qualities at, per yard ..... **50¢**, **75¢** and **85¢**

The fine weaves are also shown in beautiful bordered designs, which will be very popular the coming spring and summer. These are 52 inches wide; at, per yard **$1.75**

Embroidered Black Voiles

A few handsome styles in popular embroidered, small designs; also small pin-dot pattern; 46 inches wide. These are priced special, per yard **$1.19**

OUT-OF-TOWN CUSTOMERS WRITE FOR SAMPLES.

NOTICE -- As usual we will offer special inducements for JANUARY in Ladies' Tailoring, Skirt and Waist Making Departments, which will commence Saturday, Jan. 2, 1909. For further particulars see tomorrow's paper.

Store closes 6 p.m. daily, Saturday included.

Smallman & Ingram
THE SATISFACTORY STORE—PHONE 655

Dundas and Richmond Streets.

WITH INTENT TO KILL

Serious Charge Made Against Toronto Man Who Shot His Wife.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—"Shooting with intent to kill" was the charge against William Seay, who Monday shot his wife and then tried to commit suicide by jumping into Ashbridge's Bay, in the police court yesterday morning, but Seay was in the General Hospital, seriously ill with pneumonia, as a result of his cold plunge, and the case was adjourned for a week.

Mrs. Seay is well connected and her marriage to the negro was a great surprise to her friends.

Mrs. Seay's first husband was a well-known dentist in Waterloo, and the couple were married in 1892. He succumbed to an attack of poisoning brought on by a rupture.

A brother of Mrs. Seay, John Hartmann, is editor and proprietor of the Waterloo Courier, a daily paper, long established there. He is in very comfortable circumstances, as was Mrs. Seay before she married Seay.

She enjoys an income from property in Waterloo, and has been the support of both her husband and four children.

HE LOSES, BUT HE WINS

Peculiar Situation Arises From Hamilton's Power-Problem.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The decision of Mr. Justice Anglin in the Hamilton power case creates a peculiar situation, which lawyers are discussing.

The ratepayers who sued to have the bylaw providing for a contract with the Hamilton Cataract Power, Light and Traction Company, though he loses his action, virtually wins all he wanted. It would not be to his interests to appeal.

The city has successfully defended the action, but the contract is said to be subject to a yearly vote of the council, and with aldermanic candidates pledged to the hydro-electric commission's cause, the council of next year will have no desire to have the decision as to the life of the contract reviewed.

The company can hardly appeal, as the decision is in their favor, yet if they bring an action to enforce the contract, the decision in this case will be a binding authority. It will be res judicata, or a matter which has been determined by the courts.

EXTEND ST. JOHN HARBOR

City and C. P. R. Asked to Surrender Certain Property.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 30.—Hon. William Pugsley, minister of public works, has intimated to the city that if it and the C. P. R. will surrender to the Government control of certain property they own along the harbor front, the Government will at once begin dredging work along the lines of a further extension of the harbor facilities. The city is willing, and it is believed the C. P. R. will be.

BIG PROPERTY DEAL IN TOWN OF SARNIA

Section Covering 100 Acres Changes Hands—Red Men's Christmas.

Sarnia, Dec. 29.—The Cleveland-Sarnia Sawmills Company having bought the property of the Sarnia Bay Lumber, Timber and Salt Company here, took possession yesterday. The deal involves a transfer of over 100 acres of land.

The Christmas entertainment at the Anglican Church on the Sarnia Reserve last evening was largely attended, and proved a great success. The following was the programme which was evidently much enjoyed: Address, David Gray; song, N. Plain; address, Silas Waubmong; song, Peter Nawaug; address, Rev. Mr. Wright; duet, H. J. Fisher and A. P. Greenbird; address, Jas. Menass; solo, Mrs. McKee; address, Peter Nawaug; solo, Mrs. McKee (special request); solo, H. J. Fisher; chairman, F. W. Jacobs.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

CURE

Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

SICK

Headache, yet Carter's Little Liver Pills are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cured

HEAD

Ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick head

ACHE

Is the bane of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it while others do not.

Carter's Little Liver Pills are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them.

CARTER MEDICINE CO., NEW YORK.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

Condensed Advertisements.

No Advertisement Accepted Less Than Fifteen Words.

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

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

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

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

DEATHS.

BAILEY—At Victoria Hospital, on Dec. 30, 1908, Harriet, relict of the late Thos. Bailey.

Funeral from the residence of her son, Mr. John Whitcomb, No. 8, Pearl street, on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1909, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. 50u

WELD—In London, England, on Dec. 29, 1908, T. Saxon Weld, formerly of this city, son of the late William Weld. 50u

JOHNSTON—In this city, on Dec. 28, 1908, Joseph Johnston, beloved husband of Hannah Johnston, aged 67 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 497 Horton street, on Thursday, Dec. 31, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. 49u

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES

GRAND TONIGHT
A Magnificent Production of
The Road to Yesterday
SEATS NOW, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, $1.

Tomorrow THE NEW VERSION OF
"EAST LYNNE"
With AVIS PAIGE.
Seats now, 15, 25c, 35c, 50. No higher.

FRIDAY—MAT. and NIGHT
HENRY W. SAVAGE PRESENTS
With Edwin Stevens and Original N. Y. Co.
THE DEVIL
SEATS TODAY. Mat., 25, 35, 50, 75, $1. Night, 25, 50, 75, $1, $1 50

SATURDAY MAT. and NIGHT
THE BEAUTIFUL SCOTTISH IDYL
"The Bonnie Brier Bush"
Seats Tomorrow | Mat., children 15; adults 25 | Night, 15, 25, 35, 50.

BENNETT'S
ONE HOUR AND FIFTEEN MINUTE SHOW
5 Cents. CONTINUOUS. 5 Cents
50u

Jubilee Roller Rink
LADIES FREE TONIGHT.
NEW YEAR'S EVE—Skate the old year out and the new year in. Special printed programme for each lady. Music begins at 8 p.m. Admission, with skates, 35c. b

WESTERN ONTARIO PIGEON AND PET STOCK SHOW
JANUARY 1 AND 2
206 DUNDAS STREET,
Doors open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., both days. Admission, 10 cents. Do not fail to see this up-to-date show. Everybody welcome. W. T. HODGENS, president; W. J. BEECH, secretary. 49c

SIMCOE STREET RINK—BY REQUEST will hold Leap Year skating party, Thursday night, last night of old year. Skating until 11. Fifteen bands. Phone 1608. b

GRAND NEW YEAR'S HOP, PALACE Auditorium, Monday evening, Jan. 4. Invitations. All classes meet as usual first week in January. Private tuition. Dayton & McCormick.

MEDITERRANEAN
Cruises. Enjoyable winter trips at reasonable rates. All information, pamphlets and berths secured at
DE LA HOOKE'S
General Steamship Agency, "Clock Corner," London. Agency for all steamship lines.

OCEAN TICKETS
Via Allan, C. P. R., White Star-Dominion-Cunard, Anchor, American, Red Star and other lines. For rates, tickets, etc., apply F. B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Bank of Commerce.

TRACTION COMPANY

Holiday Rates
Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, and Monday, the 4th. Tickets good returning on Monday.

Hourly Service
to Port Stanley in the afternoon of Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and in the morning and afternoon of election day—Monday, the 4th. 50-1

LEARN TO DANCE—RAPID TEACHING. Low rates. Special attention waltz and two-step. R. E. Millard, 345 Princess avenue.

MUSIC FURNISHED FOR PARTIES, balls, banquets. Phone 1265. Tony Vita's Italian Harpers, 122 Queen's avenue.

TONY CORTESE, ORIGINAL LONDON Harpers. Music furnished for all occasions. 161 Maple. Phone 1570.

TEACHERS WANTED.

TEACHER FOR SCHOOL SECTION 21, London Township—Application received until Dec. 21. Apply J. H. Taylor, Box 65, East London. 18tf-zxt

TEACHER WANTED FOR S. S. NO. 19, Dawn Township; duties to commence first 1909; state qualification and salary. J. McLachlen, Garville P. O., Ont. 45g

TEACHER WANTED FOR SCHOOL section No. 6, Tilbury East; experienced preferred. Duties commence Jan. 4, 1909. Address H. Atkinson, Stevenson, Ont. 39bu

DERMATOLOGY.

BUTLER'S, 235 DUNDAS—HAIR GOODS, hairdressing, face and scalp treatment. Superfluous hair removed.

MISS BEATTIE, GRADUATE GRAHAM Dermatological School, Chicago—Superfluous hair, moles, warts, permanently removed. Chiropody and manicuring. Room 214, Masonic Temple. tzx

COMBINGS MADE UP—BRING YOUR combings to 238½ Dundas street. Formerly Miller's. zxv

GARMENT CUTTING.

WE FURNISH CUTTING AND DESIGNING tuition, constructing and finishing garments and patterns. The London Cutting School, 243 Dundas street. Lessons every afternoon and evening.

MEETINGS.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL—Special meeting Thursday evening, Dec. 31, in regular hall, Richmond street. 50u

S. O. E. FUNERAL NOTICE—MEMBERS of British Oak Lodge, No. 82, are requested to meet at 497 Horton street, on Thursday, Dec. 31, at 2 p.m., to attend funeral of our late brother, Joseph Johnston. Sister lodges cordially invited to attend. A. Lepper, secretary. b

DOMINION LODGE, NO. 48, I. O. O. F., meets every Wednesday evening. Visitors invited. Thomas D. Hastings, secretary. P

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

WANTED—UPSTAIRS GIRL AT THE Windsor Hotel, King street. Apply Mrs. James. b

WANTED — GOOD GENERAL SERVANT, accustomed to children. Apply, with references, Mrs. Perdue, 566 Maitland street. 49c

WANTED — GOOD GENERAL SERVANT; one who can wait on dining-room. Apply 499 Ridout street. 48c

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT. APPLY 513 York street. 48c

WANTED—A GOOD COOK. APPLY Mrs. Kerrigan, 49 Ridout street south. 48tf

EXPERIENCED GENERAL MAID wanted at once. Apply Mrs. M. M. Fergusson, 304 Oxford street. 47n

MALE HELP WANTED.

WANTED—HORSESHOER AND GENERAL blacksmith, at once; steady job for right man. R. A. Holme, Oil Springs. 50c

SHOES REPAIRED QUICKLY AND neatly, and promptly returned. The Famous Shoe Repair Store, 204 Dundas street. Phone 2375. zxv

TELEGRAPHY QUICKLY AND THOROUGHLY taught on railroad main line wires, railroad co-operation, which insures positions. Write F. E. Orborn, Molsons Bank building, London, before closing your deal with any school. 49tf

WANTED — CARRIAGE PAINTER; must be able to take full charge of shop; strictly first-class and steady. J. W. Smith, Maple street. 49c

WANTED—WILLOW BASKET MAKER. Reid Bros., Bothwell. 48-1

YOUNG MEN TO QUALIFY FOR POSITIONS on Canadian Northern, C. P. R. and G. T. R.; agents, operators, freight and ticket clerks, baggagemen; send for free booklet describing work and wages paid; college or mail courses; winter term begins at college, January. Railroad College, London. 35tf-tzx

FOUR CANVASSERS WANTED. APPLY between 8 and 9, Alfred Tyler, 355 Clarence street.

WANTED.

EXPERIENCED YOUNG MAN WANTS work on farm; state wages given. Apply G. H., Wilton Grove. b

WANTED—SUITE OF ROOMS, FURNISHED, for light housekeeping, or board and suite of rooms in private family; to occupy Jan. 8. Address Box 106, Advertiser. 48tf

WANTED—HURON AND ERIE AND Ontario Loan Companies' shares. John Wright, stockbroker, 457 Richmond street, London. Phone 683.

SOUTH AFRICAN VETERAN WILL pay highest cash price for your warrants. D. S. Robb, 426 College street, Toronto. 32tf

SEE OUR SHOW WINDOW—CHRISTMAS and wedding cakes. Big Bell Restaurant, 123 King. 20c and 25c per pound. F. G. Myers, proprietor.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

AN OLD ESTABLISHED RESTAURANT, Boston Cafe and rooming business, 344½ Richmond street; newly furnished, doing excellent business; good reasons for selling. Snap for quick sale. 47n

TWO SNUG FORTUNES MADE IN A few years in tinsmith shop—To rent, cheap, Jan. 1; suitable any business; central. 348 Talbot, below King. 41tf

LOST AND FOUND.

TAKE NOTICE—IF THE PARTY WHO took the box from 90 Dundas street Christmas Eve, will kindly return small box inclosed, with contents (family heirloom), no questions will be asked, and a New Year's gift to the messenger. b

LOST—BROWN KID GLOVE, LEFT hand, between Tecumseh House and east end. Finder kindly leave at this office. 50c

LOST—TIEPIN, WITH PINK CORAL stone; owner's name on same. Liberal reward on return to this office. 49c

FOUND—PARCEL CONTAINING MUFFLER. Owner may recover on proper description and payment of this advertisement, at 289 Queen's avenue. 49u

BUSINESS CARDS.

ELECTRO-PLATING, NICKEL AND antique finishing our specialty. Bicycle parts renickeled. Beltz, 94 Carling

PAINTING AND RUBBER-TIRING AT reasonable prices. First-class job. Gould & Mohan, rear 258½ Dundas.

CARPETS REMODELLED, CLEANED and laid promptly; all hand work. W. Thorne, 330 York street. Phone 1764.

HOTEL CARDS.

FIRST-CLASS DINING-ROOM SERVICE—Hotel Harrison, corner King and Talbot streets. x

HOTEL WINDSOR, OPPOSITE MARKET, London ~ Rates, $1 to $1 25. Charles James

KING EDWARD HOTEL—LATE BRITANNIA House, corner Wellington and York. Remodelled. J. H. Cook, proprietor.

METROPOLITAN HOTEL—$1 AND UPWARDS. Dundas and Wellington. Wm. J. Wright, proprietor.

DOMINION HOUSE, ADJOINING Grand Trunk Railway station, London. J. J. Cox, proprietor.

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VETERINARY SURGEONS.

TAMLIN & SCOTT—OFFICE AND HOSPITAL, 453 Talbot street. Phone 965; residence phone 763.

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LEGAL CARDS.

JARVIS & VINING, BARRISTERS, etc., 161 Dundas. C. G. Jarvis; Jared Vining, B.A.

McKILLOP & MURPHY, BARRISTERS, solicitors, notaries, etc., corner Richmond and Dundas. J. B. McKillop; Thomas J. Murphy.

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PURDOM & PURDOM, BARRISTERS, solicitors, etc., Masonic Temple building, corner Richmond and King. Thos. H. Purdom, K.C.; Alexander Purdom.

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BLACKBURN & WEEKES, BARRISTERS, solicitors, notaries, etc., 124 Carling street. G. N. Weekes; H. S. Blackburn.

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GRAYDON & GRAYDON, BARRISTERS, solicitors, notaries, 419 Talbot street. N. Parke Graydon; A. H. Marshall Graydon.

STUART & SCANDRETT, BARRISTERS, etc., 98 Dundas. Money to loan. Alex. Stuart, K.C.; T. W. Scandrett.

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TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE, 867½ Waterloo street. Apply next door north. 54tf-xty

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SUITES OF ROOMS, FURNISHED OR unfurnished, heated, lighted, hot water. 386 King street. 48c

THAT MODERN BRICK RESIDENCE, No. 821 King, nine rooms, bath, furnace, gas and electric light. Apply next door. 48c

HOUSE TO LET, FURNISHED. APPLY Kilgour Couch Company. 48tf

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SIX-ROOMED HOUSE, FIVE MINUTES' walk from market; $8 per month. W. J. Clark, tobacconist. 99tf

TO LET — DETACHED TWO-STORY brick house, 513 Queen's avenue, modern, six bedrooms, furnace, gas, etc., etc. Apply 215 Dundas street. 69tf

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100 ACRES—NEW BRICK HOUSE, NEW barns, on brick wall, land rich clay loam, all drained; first-class farm; 80 acres cleared, 10 acres fall wheat, 25 acres fresh seeded. Price, $5,500. A bargain—will not stand long at price. Apply the London Real Estate, Room 13, Greene-Swift building, London. 49c

FOR SALE — TWO-STORY BRICK house, nine rooms, bath, furnace and city water; five minutes from depot or market; also brick cottage, five rooms, large lot and city water. Horton street east. Apply at 86 Horton street. 45n

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TALBOT HENNESSY, ARCHITECT, 91 Dundas street. Phone 1823.

WILLIAM G. MURRAY, ARCHITECT, 114 (second floor) Masonic Temple.

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

MOORE, HENRY & MUNRO, ARCHITECTS, CIVIL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, ALBION BUILDING.
JOHN M. MOORE. FRED HENRY, J. VICAR MUNRO.

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JAS. CRESSWELL, MUSICAL DIRECTOR Grand Opera House—Violin, band and orchestral instruments. 493 King. zxt

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STUDIOS, Y. M. C. A. AND 810 WELLINGTON. Phone 2671. J. Lamont Galbraith, voice culture in song and speech. Mrs. Ave Galbraith, advanced pianoforte.

VERNE L. HEWER, CONCERT BARITONE — Vocal instructor, Alma College; leader Wellington Methodist choir. Absolute voice production, breathing and singing. Headquarters, Hewer's Male Quartette and Concert Company, 211 Dundas street, London.

J. PARNELL MORRIS, ORGANIST AND choirmaster, Dundas Centre Methodist Church. Voice culture, solo singing, piano, organ, theory. 445 Colborne. Phone 1561.

MISS JEAN ROBB, ELOCUTIONIST and soprano vocalist, teacher of elocution. Accepts concert engagements. 243 Queen's avenue.

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—RHODE ISLAND REDS, Black Orpingtons and Japanese Silkies, cockerels and pullets, all bred from prize-winning stock. Prices right. 335 Wharncliffe road, West London. 50c-xtx

JEWELRY —SALE— 25% OFF
—AT—

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Chains.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Lockets.
Bracelets, Umbrellas and Gilt Clocks.

We have a heavy stock of the above good left over from the Christmas trade, of which we want to reduce before stock-taking.

We are going to allow 25 per cent off our regular prices, which are now at very close prices.

Come at once and make your selection before the goods are picked over.

W. J. WRAY & CO
Look for the "Big Watch Sign."
171 KING STREET.

COAL DOWN FOR A FEW DAYS—Green & Co., 495 York street, will sell free-burning Lopez anthracite coal, well screened and cleaned, at $6 25 per ton. Other kinds of coal and wood at lowest cash price. Telphone 1391.

THOMAS ORGAN, SIX OCTAVES, piano cased, with mirror, $50. Doherty organ, five octaves, splendid condition, $25. Both guaranteed. Nordheimers, Limited, 188 Dundas street.

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60 CENTS PER QUART.
Solid meat. No water or ice. Fresh from the shell.
ROLLED BACON, per lb 12c
TENDERLOINS and SPARE RIBS.
J. A. WILSON
Phone 1120 143 Dundas St.

WE COMMENCE OUR STOCK-TAKING Jan. 2, and in meantime will offer for sale seven pianos at $100, payable $3 per month. Each is guaranteed for five years in every respect, and best value ever offered. Heintzman & Co., 242 Dundas street.

A QUANTITY OF CUT STOVE WOOD, in Westminster, near Chelsea Green; good speculation for teamster to peddle in the city. W. I. Spettigue, 259 Hill street.

Calendar Mounts FOR 1909
Five cents each. Calendar Pads, two for five cents. W. A. McKENZIE, Richmond street, over Star Theatre. Phone 346. xt

SEE OUR LINE OF COAL OIL AND Gas Heaters before buying. McMurtry's Hardware and Stoves, 111 Dundas.

FOR NEW YEAR'S GIFTS
Get some little thing out of our new jewelry stock. We have everything that you can wish for in the jewelry line. See our Lockets and Chains.
N. W. SMITH,
330 DUNDAS ST., OPPOSITE ARMORIES zx

Storm Sash
weather is now with us. Put Storm Sash on your windows and save the fuel bills. We'll be glad to make them up for you. Let us hear from you. GEO H. BELTON, Rectory St., north Grand Trunk Railway.

EVER-READY 12-BLADED SAFETY razor, $1, guaranteed. Gurd's, 185 Dundas street

TURKEYS
We have a number of choice birds for New Years at 16c to 20c per lb. Order early and get the choice.
BREEN & BULLAR
NORMANDY MEATS.
Phone 2397. zx 491 Richmond St.

STOVES, RANGES AND REFRIGERATORS at F. Keene's Furniture Store, 141 King street.

CLEARING SALE OF STOVES AND winter mitts. Langford's Hardware, Hamilton road.

JUST RECEIVED
Ten dozen Calfskin Wool-Lined Mitts, extra good 35c
Bells, in strings, ... $1 25 to $2 25
JAMES McCORMICK, HARNESS, 395 Talbot Street, Phone 2038 zxv

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

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Order them now. For low price and best quality. Phone 370.
The CHAS. CHAPMAN CO
91 DUNDAS STREET.

ON HAND—SALE OF UNPAID CORSETS. Canadian Lady Corset Company, 355 Clarence street. Agent wanted.

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

SPECIAL SALE, CARRIAGES FOR ONE month. Stock must be reduced at Smith's, Maple street.

HAND LAUNDRY
Work Called For and Delivered.
FAMILY WASHINGS A SPECIALTY.
Prices Reasonable.
Miss Strachan, 347 Wellington St zxv

Proclamation!

At the request of a number of ratepayers, public meetings will be held during this week as follows:

On Monday at 8 p.m., in the City Hall, to discuss bylaws.

On Tuesday at the East End Hall, at 8 p.m., to discuss bylaws.

On Wednesday, at 8 p.m., in the City Hall to discuss municipal questions.

On Thursday, at 8 p.m., in the East End Hall, to discuss municipal questions.

On Saturday, at 8 p.m., in the City Hall, to discuss bylaws.

S. STEVELY, Mayor.
48c zxw

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

KEEP WARM AT SMALL COST—GOOD hard coal, $6 50; good wood, $2 load. Strict attention. Dominion Coal Company. Phone 1788.

FRESH FISH NOW ON SALE—F. S. Onn, Fish Market. Phone 1298.

YOUR BICYCLE THOROUGHLY OVERHAULED, stored and insured for the winter, $1. Enamelled and stored, $2. Cunningham's, East London.

YOU CAN KEEP YOURSELF WARM these nights by buying a good pair of woollen blankets from Goldberg; $6 50 for $5, $7 50 for $6. We also have a good stock of ladies' cloaks and furs. Come and see our stock before you purchase. Your credit is good. O. Goldberg, 251 Wellington street.

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

WATCH REPAIRING—L. W. THOMAS, 120 Dundas street, in Emerson's Drug Store.

FOR SALE—POOL, BAGATELLE AND billiard tables. Apply 631 Dundas street.

FURNITURE OF ALL KINDS AT REASONABLE prices for cash or on installments. Stoves, beds, dressers, hallracks, rugs, etc. Barnes & Co., 364 Hamilton road.

Central Storage and Exchange Co.
334 AND 336 CLARENCE STREET.
All classes of goods received for storage. SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PIANOS.
Phone 795. Business Invited.

DENTAL CARDS.

WOOLVERTON & BROWN, DENTISTS, 218 Dundas street, over Cairncross & Lawrence. Phone 822.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST—Specialty, preservation natural teeth. 168½ Dundas. Phone 976.

DR. BENTLEY, DENTIST, OVER Sovereign Bank, Dundas and Adelaide. Phone 2463.

INSURANCE.

THE ARCHIBALD McPHERSON INSURANCE AGENCY
P. M. MILLMAN.
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WONG WOO—THE HAMILTON ROAD Laundry. All hand work. Goods called for and delivered promptly 190 Hamilton road.

LEE HING LAUNDRY COMPANY, 485 Richmond. Phone 1344. Goods called for and delivered. Only first-class work. Gloss or dull finish. If work does not suite, please return. Work delivered when promised. Jung family in charge. xt

MEDICAL CARDS.

DR. PINZEL—OFFICE, 444 WELLINGTON street, London. Electrical treatment diseases of women a specialty.

DR. NORMAN R. BEAL (RETURNED from England) -- Office, 534 Dundas street. Phone 889.

HADLEY WILLIAMS, F.R.C.S. (ENGLAND)—Special surgical diseases. 439 Park avenue.

DR E. PARDEE BUCKE, 207 QUEEN'S avenue—Eye, ear, nose and throat.

DR. SEPTIMUS THOMSON, 443 PARK avenue, corner Queen's—Eye, ear, nose, throat.

DR. McLELLAN, GRADUATE NEW York Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital, 1889. Office, 564 Richmond street, opposite Albert street.

DR. ALICE JAMIESON, 381 WELLINGTON street. Hours, 11 to 1, 3 to 5.

DR. GEORGE McNEIL, NORTHEAST corner Dundas and Waterloo streets. Telephone 2169.

DR. W. L. SMITH, SPECIALIST chronic and malignant diseases. Cancers, tumors, ulcers, piles and rectal treatment, etc. Offices at New East End Drug Store, 430 and 432 Hamilton road.

DR. MELDRUM, SOUTHEAST CORNER of King and Maitland streets. Phone 2372.

MRS. CURRIER, PRIVATE HOSPITAL, 562 Dufferin avenue. Special attention to nervous diseases and diet; also massage. Telephone 2332.

DR. ECCLES, CORNER QUEEN'S AVENUE and Wellington. Specialty, diseases of women. Hours, 10 till 2.

DR. JOHN D. WILSON—OFFICE AND residence, 260 Queen's avenue. Special attention paid to diseases of women and children.

F. L. BURDON, M.D., L.R.C.P. AND S. (Edinburgh)—Special attention diseases women, children. Office and residence, 461 Waterloo street. Phone 268.

R. W. SHAW, M.D., L.R.C.P. AND M.R.C.S. (England)—297 King. Phone 339.

DR. JAMES D. WILSON—OFFICE REMOVED to 134 Carling street. Specialty, diseases of digestive organs.

DR. MEEK, QUEEN'S AVENUE, LONDON — Specialty, diseases of women. Hours, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

DR. G. L. CLARKE (RETURNED FROM Europe)—Eye, ear, nose and throat. 478 King street.

DR. W. J. STEVENSON, 391 DUNDAS —Phone 510. Special attention diseases of women and surgery. X-rays.

J. B. CAMPBELL, M.A., M.D.—SPECIALTY, diseases stomach. Hours, 2-4, 7-8, and appointment.

DR. CHARLES E. JARVIS, HOMOEOPATHIST, 715 Dundas street. Phone 687.

DR. R. OVENS, EYE AND EAR SURGEON—Phone 1019. Office, 225 Queen's avenue. Residence, 836 Richmond street.

DR. SHOEBOTHAM, CORNER RICHMOND and John. Phones: Office, 494; residence, 2202.

DR. NORMAN R. HENDERSON, CORNER Park and Dufferin avenues. Eye, ear, nose and throat.

SURVEYORS.

F. W. FARNCOMB, CIVIL ENGINEER and surveyor, Bank Toronto Chambers, Richmond street.

All those who wish to work for
Sunday Cars
before and on voting day, kindly report to
COMMITTEE ROOMS,
36 Bank of Toronto Chambers,
PHONE 2824. b

EXHIBITION OF ENGLISH WATER COLOR PAINTINGS
AT O. B. GRAVES',
203 DUNDAS STREET.
No Reasonable Offer Refused
for any of these works of art, which are by such men as F. M. Evans, J. C. Uren and others who are exhibitors in the Royal Academy, etc. Mr. Bonney, who is in charge of these pictures, has decided to leave for England on Monday next, and advises picture lovers to secure some of these men's works. b

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A bylaw was passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London, on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1908, providing for the issue of debentures to the amount of $138,083 54, for the purpose of consolidating the bylaws thereni mentioned, and that such bylaw was registered in the registry office for the City of London, in the County of Middlesex, on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1908.

Any motion to quash or set aside the same, or any part thereof, must be made within three months after the first publication of this notice, and cannot be made thereafter.

Dated this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1908.
S. BAKER,
City Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bylaw was passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1908, providing for the issue of debentures to the amount of $60,607 43, for the purpose of paying for the pavements mentioned therein, and that such bylaw was registered in the registry office for the City of London, in the County of Middlesex, on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1908.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bylaw was passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1908, providing for the issue of debentures to the amount of $27,403 20, for the purpose of paying for the cement sidewalks, curbs and gutters mentioned therein, and that such bylaw was registered in the registry office for the City of London, in the County of Middlesex, on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1908.

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City Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bylaw was passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1908, providing for the issue of debentures to the amount of $50,072 81, for the purpose of paying for the tile sewers mentioned therein, and that such bylaw was registered in the registry office for the City of London, in the County of Middlesex, on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1908.

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City Clerk.
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SEALED TENDERS, ADDRESSED TO the undersigned and marked on the envelope "Tender for burned timber," will be received until noon on Thursday, the 7th day of January next, for the timber damaged by fire on the Kettle and Stony Point Indian Reserves, County of Lambton, Ontario, excepting lots located to Indians, comprising maple, hemlock, white ash, pine, beech, basswood, black ash and elm, and an immense quantity of cordwood, hard and soft.

Tenders should state the prices that will be paid for the different kinds of timber per thousand feet, board measure, and per cord for cordwood, over and above the Crown dues payable thereon at tariff rates, in accordance with the tariff regulations of this department; the measurements to be made by an Ontario licensed cullen, and sworn returns to be furnished and dues paid before shipment of the timber, and two years will be allowed for its removal.

An accepted check for two hundred dollars, payable to the undersigned, should accompany each tender, which, in the event of failure to carry out the undertaking, will be forfeited to the department.

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and the unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

Any further information required will be given on application to Mr. W. Nisbet, Indian agent, Sarnia, or the undersigned.
J. D. McLEAN, Secretary.
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Dec. 21, 1908. 50u

WELLAND CANAL
Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1909.

Sealed tenders for supplies, addressed to the superintending engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, Ont., will be received until 16 o'clock on Saturday, the 16th of January, 1909, for the supply and delivery of various articles of timber, hardware, castings, oils, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1909.

Specifications, forms of tender and other information may be obtained at the superintending engineer's office, St. Catharines, on and after Thursday, the 31st December, 1908.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
L. K. JONES, Secretary.
Department of Railways and Canals,
Ottawa, Dec. 22, 1908.
Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the department will not be paid for it. 50-1

OSTEOPATHY.

DR. WHITE, GRADUATE LOS ANGELES College of Osteopathy, member Ontario and American Osteopathic Association. Acute and chronic diseases. Telephone 2628. Office, 212 Dundas street.

HEDLEY V. CATON, OSTEOPATHIC physician. Consultation free. 554 Richmond street. Phone 1573.

SLATE ROOFING.

SLATE ROOFING, ASPHALT CEMENT paint for iron roofs. Walter Scott, 564 York street, London.

The number of languages and dialects spoken in the world amounts to 3,064.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tyrrell and baby (Gladys Maude) have returned to their home in Detroit after spending a very happy Christmas the guests of Mrs. Tyrrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Parkes, 161 Simcoe street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Maul and baby (Dorothy Grace) are spending their Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Parkes, of 161 Simcoe street.

Miss Mary J. Langston, of Mount Sterling, Ky., has sued Hiram W. Herr, twenty-three, son of Mrs. Emma Walker Herr, a magazine writer, for $10,000 damages for alleged breach of promise. Miss Langston alleges that after two years of ardent courtship she consented to marry Herr, went to considerable expense in preparing her trousseau, and on Nov. 18, the date set for the wedding, waited with the invited guests and a clergyman at her aunt's home until after midnight. Herr she asserts, sent no word, and finally the "wedding party" dispersed.

John H. Brown, of Bath, Me., has just received a postal card mailed to him more than eleven years ago. As it is from the pension department, and so without postmark, it is impossible to tell where it has been all these years.

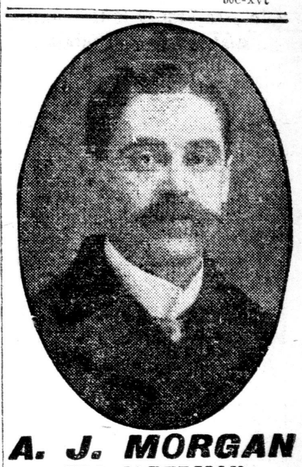
Many a man is unable to carry his head high because of the shortness of his legs.

Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited for
Wm. J. Craig
—AS—
Alderman for 1909
50c-xwt

VOTE FOR THE RE-ELECTION OF
Chas. G. Moorhead
As Alderman for 1909
49k-yxwt

VOTE FOR
ALDERMAN J. H. A. BEATTIE
FOR RE-ELECTION FOR 1909.
49-1

Geo. W. Armstrong
Requests Your Support for
ALDERMAN 1909
50c-xvt



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FOR ALDERMAN
VOTE FOR YOUNG BUSINESSMEN!
A Greater and a More Progressive London.
"Equal Rights and Fair Play to All"
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Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for EX-ALD. JOSHUA
GARRATT
For re-election as
ALDERMAN FOR 1909
50c-xwt

Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited by
D. A. Stewart
For re-election
ALDERMAN 1909
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Your Vote and Influence for U. A. BUCHNER For Water Commissioner
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LONDON, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30.

THE MOVEMENT OF GRAIN.

Close on forty-four million bushels of grain were shipped from Fort William and Port Arthur between Sept. 1 and Dec. 12, or nearly twenty-one million bushels in excess of the shipments in the corresponding period last year. The report of the inspector at Fort William, Mr. F. E. Gibbs, furnishes evidence that the railways had made every preparation for the work of carrying the grain to the head of Lake Superior. There has been little complaint this year.

Wheat, of course, continues the chief item of the western crop, the amount shipped being 36,013,617 bushels, compared with 5,953,201 bushels of oats, 1,450,864 bushels of barley, and 517,913 bushels of flax, the total being 43,935,596 bushels. Of this, 16,286,157 bushels went to United States ports, Buffalo attracting the largest share, which shows that the United States route is still a strong competitor with Canadian ports for carrying Canadian grain to export points. This is partly compensated for by the use of the St. Lawrence route in the movement of United States grain to the markets of the old world.

Canadian ports did fairly well during the grain-shipping season, totalling 27,649,439 bushels, as follows:

Tiffin	7,191,842
Midland	671,496
Depot Harbor	1,054,556
Owen Sound	1,365,167
Collingwood	791,528
Point Edward	1,169,848
Meaford	752,784
Goderich	4,834,862
Port Colborne	186,094
Thorold	343,844
Kingston	5,388,438
Prescott	109,114
Montreal	3,762,920

Taking the amounts credited to Thorold, Port Colborne, Prescott and Montreal, it will be observed that the all-water route did less than one-half the business. The Montreal Gazette explains that this may be partly due to its length, as compared with some of the combined water and rail routes, and partly, no doubt, to the fact, sometimes forgotten, that much of the western-grown grain movement is for the supply of domestic wants, and never touches an export point. It will also be noted that the Grand Trunk lake port routes, with terminii at Midland and Tiffin, and at Depot Harbor, play a large part in the trade, having received close on nine million bushels of the fall-moved grain. Much of the future growth of the trade will no doubt be in connection with these and other Georgian Bay ports, to which other roads are also reaching out.

MOVEMENT OF BRITISH CAPITAL

Some interesting comments have been drawn from prominent London banking and businessmen by the publication recently of a statement to the effect that in November last, while only $15,000,000 of British capital was invested in the United Kingdom, no less than $60,000,000 was exported for investment in the colonies and foreign countries. The income derived by British investors from transoceanic sources has risen from $220,000,000 in 1886 to $395,000,000 in 1907, showing that the total amount invested in other countries must be colossal.

Much of the British capital sent abroad during the last thirty-five years of the last century found its way to Australia and South Africa; now Canada is getting a large share, while some of it goes to China, Japan and South America. No part of the world is proving more inviting to the British capitalist at the present time than the Canadian West. Extensive railway construction in South America, particularly in Brazil and Argentina has caused a demand for money. The naval aspirations of the same countries are also prompting them to look abroad for money. Japan has also borrowed heavily in England, and is likely to borrow more, while the demands of China will be extensive as soon as her internal development is fairly begun. In ten years the income annually drawn by British capitalists from bonds issued by Asiatic Governments has grown from less than $4,000,000 to about $13,000,000.

In the opinion of an eminent London financier it is not so much the actual return in dividends that tempts British capital to invest in foreign railways as the prospect of future increased returns. This authority can see no hope of such improvement in the net receipts of British lines, which from 1897 to 1906 showed scarcely any movement in profits. Great Britain, he says, is a "sucked orange." As a field for investment she is "too old, too tired, too full." There are no new territories in the United Kingdom to be opened up, no new towns to be brought into existence. All the necessary railways are built, and all the great industries are concentrated in the hands of old-established firms or syndicates. At the same time, the amount of money that the people of the right little, tight little island, have to spare for other countries, is amazing, and a proof of the continued vitality of the British nation.

DR. SEATH'S RULING.

It appears that the superintendent of education, Dr. Seath, has a mild attack of Yankeephobia. He is reported to have ordered that words having the "or" ending must have a "u" stuck in them. In future, labour, colour, authour, errour, tumour, rigour, etc., will be in official form. The alleged reason for the order is that we are not Americans. The children find spelling hard enough and long enough now; but doubtless it is supposed that the practice of a clumsier and more difficult spelling may develop in them a sense of superiority over their American cousins who spell these words without the "u."

Mine host Scroggie complacently endured the gout—it was such an aristocratic ailment. The doctor may find it easier to show that his gouty spellings are aristocratic than that they are patriotic.

THE PRIZE HUMBUG.

Had anyone accepted the Conservative nomination for the mayoralty, the Free Press would have shouted for him at the top of its voice. It has been attacking Mayor Stevely all year from partisan motives, and has tried to work up opposition against him and against Liberal members of the council under the pretence of helping to banish politics from municipal affairs.

The organ's hypocrisy is shown today in a paragraph railing against Ald. Ferguson and Ald. Armstrong, because of their demand that the Niagara power contract be submitted to the ratepayers. The organ studiously omits the name of Ald. Beattie, who was foremost in opposing the ratification of the contract without the ratepayers' sanction. Ald. Beattie is a Conservative, and the Free Press is interested in abusing only Liberals. The same newspaper two years ago advised its readers to elect only Conservatives to the school board, and paraded the party slate day after day. Its professions of non-partisanship came at a time when they could be made to serve party purposes. Such cant and humbug impose on nobody.

Bradstreet's predicts a happy New Year.

A number of Sunday car letters are crowded out of this issue.

Earthquakes and warm climates usually go together. Canada is quite satisfied.

The wheat sheaf is a better advertisement than the ice palace for Canada abroad.

It is not likely that many citizens will deny Mayor Stevely's claim to a second term.

Nature has favored Italy in many ways, but occasionally she turns and rends that sunny land.

Toronto's new high-pressure system was tested yesterday, with satisfaction to everybody. London ought to keep up with the procession.

The advertisement against the waterworks bylaw, published elsewhere in this issue, shows that there is no politics in at least one municipal question.

JONES MUST WAIT.

[Exchange.]

Mr. Jones—I think I'm going to have appendicitis.

Mrs. Jones—Oh, you do! Well, I think I'm going to have a new hat, and your appendicitis can wait.

FORCE OF HABIT.

[Exchange.]

"What would you do, Henry, if burglars got into the house?" asked a lady of her husband.

"Do?" replied the good man. "Just what they told me to do. I never had my own way in this house yet."

MAN, POOR MAN!

[Smart Set.]

Mrs. Flutter—Mrs. Crabapple says her husband kisses her good-bye every morning of his life.

Mr. Flutter—I often wondered what gave him that sour expression.

A GENTLE HINT.

[Washington Star.]

Charity workers often feel great awkwardness in making public appeals for funds. Few of them can carry off that embarrassment with the grace of the colored preacher, who said to his congregation:

"Brudren, Ah kain't preach hyah an' board in heb'n."

HER MOUTH WAS CLOSED.

[Chicago News.]

Jack—Miss Peachy started to say something about the impropriety of kissing the other evening, but she didn't finish.

Tom—Why not?

Jack—Because I took the words right out of her mouth.

EXPLAINED.

[Judge.]

Knicker—Did you look into a sea of upturned faces?

Orator—Er—yes, but the tide was evidently out.

AMERICAN TOWERS OF BABEL.

[Atlantic Monthly.]

In a single block in New York there are 1,400 people of twenty distinct nationalities. There are more than two-thirds as many native-born Irish in Boston as in the capital city, Dublin. With their children, mainly of pure Irish blood, they make Boston indubitably the leading Irish city in the world. New York is a larger Italian city today than Rome, having 500,000 Italian colonists. It contains no less than 800,000 Jews, mainly from Russia. Thus it is also the foremost Jewish city in the world. Pittsburg, the centre of our iron and steel industry, is another tower of Babel. It is said to contain more of that out-of-the-way people, the Servians, than the capital of Servia itself.

CHIEFLY LEGAL ADVICE.

[Everybody's Magazine.]

A certain prominent lawyer of Toronto is in the habit of lecturing his office staff from the junior partner down, and Tommy, the office boy, comes in for his full share of the admonition. That his words were appreciated was made evident to the lawyer by a conversation between Tommy and another office boy on the same floor, which he recently overheard.

"Wotcher wages?" asked the other boy.

"Ten thousand a year," replied Tommy.

"Aw, g'wan!"

"Sure!" insisted Tommy, unabashed. "Four dollars a week in cash an' de rest in legal advice."

LAURIER'S RETORT.

[Tit-Bits.]

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whose twelve years of continuous power in Canada have now received a further extension, is generally considered to be the thinnest of prime ministers. And yet a big, burly Conservative M. P. was once maladroit enough to charge him with "fattening at the expense of the poor, deluded people of this country." Sir Wilfrid genially retorted: "I ask the House to look at the honorable gentleman opposite and then look at me, and say which of us is most exposed to the charge of getting fat." The contrast between the aldermanic proportions of the assailant and the slim figure of the assailed was too much for the gravity of the house, and there was a general and genial roar.

TWO CATS.

[Ella Wheeler Wilcox.]

I.

Dainty little ball of fur, sleek and round and fat,
Yawning through the lazy hours, someone's household cat,
Lying on a bed of down, decked in ribbons gay,
What a pleasant life you lead, whether night or day.

Dining like an epicure, from a costly dish,
Served with what you like the best, chicken, meat or fish,
Purring at an outstretched hand, knowing but caresses.

Romping through the house at will, racing down the hall,
Full of pretty, playful pranks, loved and praised by all,
Wandering from room to room to find the choicest spot,
Favored little household puss, happy is your lot.

Sleeping on my lady's lap, or dozing by the grate,
Fed with catnip tea if ill, what a lucky fate!
Loved in life and mourned in death, and stuffed, maybe, at that,
And kept upon the mantel shelf—dear pet cat!

II.

Poor little beggar cat, hollow-eyed and gaunt,
Creeping down the alley-way, like a ghost of want,
Kicked and beat by thoughtless boys, bent on cruel play,
What a sorry life you lead, whether night or day.

Hunting after crusts and crumbs, gnawing meatless bones,
Trembling at a human step, fearing bricks and stones,
Shrinking at an outstretched hand, knowing only blows,
Wretched little beggar cat, born to suffer woes.

Stealing to an open door, craving food and heat,
Frightened off with angry cries, and broomed into the street.
Tortured, teased and chased by boys, through the lonely night,
Homeless little beggar cat, sorrow is your plight.

Sleeping anywhere you can, in the rain and snow,
Waking in the cold grey dawn, wondering where to go,
Dying in the street at last, starved to death at that!
Picked up by the scavenger—poor tramp cat!

USED TO IT.

[Exchange.]

"Have you ever been cross-examined before?" inquired a barrister of a witness.

"Have I?" exclaimed the man. "Didn't I just tell you I am married?"

IS THIS SO?

[Washington Herald.]

"Even to the best of wives——"

"Eh?"

"I say, even to the best of wives it does seem like a dreadful waste of money when the father of the family buys anything for his own personal use."

SHAKESPEARE UP-TO-DATE.

[Milwaukee Journal.]

"Hamlet" was produced in a north side hall last night. Juliet wore a Merry Widow hat and married "the melancholy Dane," while Romeo and Ophelia got spliced. Ah there, Shakespeare!

ANTIQUATED ARCHITECTURE.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]

"Will you walk into my parlor?" said the spider to the fly.

"But you know there are no parlors," said the busy fly. "Good-bye."

ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS.

[Exchange.]

He was an applicant for a position as trolley car conductor.

"What are your qualifications for the place?" asked the superintendent.

"I used to work in the sardine packing establishment."

TOO TRUE.

[Cleveland Leader.]

"No one understands me," he groaned; "no one on earth."

It is the old story wrung from many a tortured youthful heart. The sufferer is generally mistaken, but the pain is no less poignant. Yet in this instance the man's complaint was true. Nobody on earth could understand him.

For he was an announcer of trains at the union depot.

At Copenhagen a vacancy was announced for the post of public executioner. Capital punishment had fallen into disuse, but, owing to the increase of crime, the penalty was revived. The late hangman, who had grown old, did not relish the job at his advanced age. The salary is £60 a year, with a premium of £2 for every execution.

London's 980 common lodging-houses have nearly 60,000 inhabitants.

According to history Henry III., in 1216, was crowned with a golden circlet, because the crown of King John, with all his baggage, was lost in the Wash. Mr. W. H. Hope, in recalling this before the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, concluded that it lay under the fields east and west of Sutton bridge, and could be recovered.

The average yearly earning power per locomotive all over Great Britain is £4,500.

MALONE ACCUSED BY WILKINS

(Continued From Page One.)

more about points of law than the man in the moon," said Mr. Kelly. "You have no right to put it in your pocket and pass it around like that."

It took the court sheriff some moments to restore order, while the magistrate's face bore a somewhat stunned expression.

Mr. Slaght still refused to produce Wilkins' statement, and Mr. Kelly got angry.

"You know that his worship is certainly no lawyer, and you are, and you take advantage of it," said Mr. Kelly. He got his way eventually, and the statement was produced. It had been made to a Mr. Agar and Squire Earl. There was a second statement, but Wilkins could not remember to whom he made it.

Not Promised the Job.

"You think your chances of getting the chief's job are as good now as they were, do you?" asked Mr. Kelly.

"I don't think anything about it," said Wilkins angrily. He denied ever having been promised the chief's position or any position.

On the night of the shooting Wilkins said that the chief was not drunk, but had been drinking, as he could smell liquor from him.

Alleged Stolen Goods.

With reference to the goods which it is claimed the chief and Wilkins took between them, the witness was very reticent. Mr. Kelly said that what puzzled him was the protection that had been afforded Wilkins.

"You are not arrested yet. You are not even dismissed from the police force, although you stole those goods," he said.

"I didn't steal them," said Wilkins.

"No, they were just handed to you, eh? You carried them out, eh? You knew that Malone was stealing those things?"

"Yes."

Says Malone Stole.

"You made a statement to the crown that he did?"

"No."

"What! You will get a premium from the crown if you just keep on. Just stick to it that Malone shot you, that's all you will do, eh?" said Mr. Kelly, furiously.

"Mayor Carter never insinuated to you to get the chief out of the way?"

"No."

"We have got a tip that Constable Wilkins got how much from the fakirs on fair day?" asked Mr. Kelly.

"Nothing. I got it from Chief Malone," said Wilkins, and a laugh went over the crowded courtroom.

"How did you get into Martin's store?" asked Mr. Kelly suddenly.

"It was unlocked."

"And you went in alone?"

"No."

"You reported it open?"

"Yes."

"And you were there alone?"

"No."

"But Mr. Brooks found you there."

Wilkins said he had not instructed his wife to return any of the goods for fear of implicating her.

A diary was produced in which the theft of a $70 coonskin coat from Sovereen's place was recorded. The diary was supposed to be Wilkins' report to the chief, but Wilkins caused something of a sensation by declaring that all the entry had been written at Malone's dictation.

"It was part of Malone's plan," he said. He admitted that blanks were left in the diary for depredations that they had committed during the night. He had conversed with Mr. Sovereen about the loss of his coat, although he knew that he himself had it. He had been instructed by the chief what to say to Mr. Sovereen.

Another sensation was sprung when Wilkins swore that Chief Malone had burned Mr. Agar's barn. He understood that some of Mr. Fall's stolen furs were in the barn. He, too, had been inside the barn at the time. He had gone there to recover part of $5 which he had paid Agar for making an affidavit for him in a horse-stealing case. This astounding statement was received with laughter.

Blames Chief Again.

Once again Wilkins asserted that the report in the diary in the Agar fire had been made at Malone's dictation.

On June 16th a fire had occurred in a shed at the rear of Madden Bros.' store. This, he said, had been also set by Chief Malone in his presence, and again the entry in the official diary had been made by himself at the chief's dictation.

The racetrack barn had also been set on fire by the chief. He (Wilkins) and the mayor had gone together towards the blaze, but decided that it was no good, and went back again.

"I hope you did not have any instructions about this sort of thing from Mayor Carter, had you?" asked Mr. Kelly, while people craned their necks in excitement.

"No," said Wilkins.

West and Peachy's boiler house had burned down on Nov. 14, again set by the chief, said Wilkins. Mr. Peachy had reported incendiarism to them both. As Wilkins went on with his tale of incendiarism, plunder and crime, the packed crowd became more excited.

From Wilkins' story it would appear that the pretty little town of Simcoe must have been under what was practically a reign of terror for the past year or so. It was on the 27th of November when a fire broke out in the cellar of Schuyler's store and again Wilkins fastened the blame on Malone.

Didn't Kill Nigger.

"Nothing else you can fasten on Malone is there?" asked Mr. Kelly. He didn't kill the nigger, did he?"

"What nigger?"

"You know that negro that was found dead down near the lake. Did you say that Malone killed him?"

"No."

"Did you kill him?" "No."

"Oh, for goodness sake hunt up something else that you can throw at Malone. Was there anybody else in this stealing game except Wilkins?" Mr. Kelly insisted. "Nobody but Malone."

The Afternoon Session.

So great was the crowd in the afternoon that the lawyers had great difficulty in reaching their places. It was expected that Malone would be placed in the box, but Coroner Stanton was the only one called.

Dr. Stanton told of the wounds which Wilkins had received. He thought the man's head must have been down on his breast when re received the bullet in the eye, as an operation showed the course of the lead to have been down into the neck.

Of this statement Mr. Kelly made a good deal. Wilkins, he pointed out, had stated he had been looking at Malone when he was shot in the eye. This the doctor's evidence proved impossible, which both threw doubt on the veracity of Wilkins' other remarks, and seemed to show that he could not have recognized the one doing the shooting.

Mr. Kelly questioned the doctor regarding the possibility of the wound in the eye so affecting the brain as to make Wilkins irrational.

Dr. Stanton did not believe this was possible.

Mr. Kelly said there would be no defense put in for the present and the prosecutors asked for commitment.

In objecting to this, Malone's counsel made a strong speech, declaring the only charge made was that his client was an accomplice. The main witness for the crown stated himself that he could not attribute any motive which would have induced Malone to shoot him. There was no motive.

There was no corroborative evidence, and this is especially needed in this case, where the main witness states himself that he does not know why he himself was not arrested, and also that in view of his record he would not ask anyone to believe his word.

Mr. Slaght held that if Wilkins' story was true, the affair was a cold-blooded attempt at murder.

Magistrate Beemer pointed out there was no evidence to show that Malone had not been on the park as claimed. Therefore it became his duty to commit Malone for trial.

Mr. Kelly then asked that his client be allowed bail. It was, he stated, a bailable case, and he thought under the circumstances the amount should not be very large.

The crown attorney opposed the request, and then Magistrate Beemer arose, saying simply: "In view of the evidence given and undenied, I think it would be very unwise of me to accept bail under any condition whatever."

Then wild applause and cheers broke out. The officials could not quell the demonstration and handcuffed, the ex-chief of police walked out through the cheering crowd.

Amusements

"Divorce" Again Pleases.

"Divorce" was the attraction at the Grand last evening, and played to a good house. As on its former visit to London, a few weeks ago, it pleased immensely, and must be ranked as one of the strongest and best offerings of the local theatrical season.

The theme of the play is quite familiar with local theatregoers. It is a masterly play, written around the subject of divorce—a live subject, both in church and state.

The marvellous play of ideas, the struggle of theory against theory, and the battle for the right to follow conscience, are striking in the extreme, and compel attention.

On the occasion of the former rendition of the play in the city, the cast had scarce time to get it into shape. There were certain crudities that were apparent, although they were lot in the overmastering art of the acting. These have all been removed, and as a result the performance last evening was finished, leaving nothing to be criticised, and no fault to be found.

On seeing the play the second time, one is struck by the masterly acting of the principals. The plot is so striking, the rapidity of the movement, the tenseness of the argument, and the play of emotions, so vivid that the auditor forgets, on the first hearing, to a considerable degree, the calibre of the acting. Seeing it again, one is captivated by the splendid qualities of Vincent Serrano, Miss Marion Terry, Miss Ida Conquest, John Glendenning, and Eben Plympton. They are artists, and last evening their work was brilliant in the extreme. Miss Terry made a great impression, much better than on her first appearance here, and convinced the audience that she is as great an actress as they had been led to believe. About Mr. Serrano and Miss Conquest there is little to be added to a former criticism. They are rare artists, both of them.

And it is a great play.

The new change of pictures beginning today at Bennett's consists of the following well-known subjects, and the very latest run of up-to-date film: "The Devil," "Fountains of Rome," "Thanksgiving Day," and many other dramas. The talking pictures, as usual, will be the very best. The illustrated songs will be splendid today.

Concert at Bennett's.

The concert to be given in Bennett's Theatre on Monday, Jan. 11, for the benefit of the unemployed of the city, is creating a great deal of interest, and there is no doubt that it will be a splendid success.

The Trades and Labor Council, under whose direction the concert is being held, has arranged for some fine talent from New York and elsewhere, and the patrons of the affair are certain of receiving value for their money.

The Twenty-sixth Regiment Band will be in attendance, and will render a choice programme of music.

Already the members of the Trade and Labor Council have sold a large number of tickets, and many donations of various amounts have been made to the council.

"The Road to Yesterday" Tonight.

The character of Elspeth Tyrell, the childlike maid of dreams in "The Road to Yesterday," which comes to the Grand tonight, is declared to be the very sweetest and truest and finest sort of girl character the stage has found for many seasons. Evelyn Greenleaf Sutherland and Beulah Marie Dix, the two gifted novelists, have presented to the world at large a stage character so naturally girlike as to rob the carping anti-stage critics of half of their ammunition. "The Road to Yesterday" will be presented with the complete New York production and with a splendid cast.

"East Lynne."

It is estimated that more millions of people have witnessed "East Lynne" than have seen any other play that was ever written. This remarkable truth is explainable by the fact that the attack of the play on the sensibilities is irresistible—it goes home to the heart, and more surely and truly than any other drama, it "touches the spot." A presentation of this play will be given at the Grand tomorrow evening.

"The Devil."

Henry W. Savage's sole authorized version of Franz Molnar's Hungarian play, "The Devil," which has caused the greatest sensation in the history of New York theatricals, will have two presentations at the Grand on New Year's Day, with Edwin Stevens and the original New York company. "The Devil" is portrayed as a cultured, cunning gentleman, with just enough evil in his make-up to suggest the devil of tradition. Once the audience accepts the possibilities of the character, the bizarre events of the drama follow naturally, and excite an increasingly absorbing interest till the last curtain falls.

"The Bonnie Brier Bush."

"The Bonnie Brier Bush" comes to the Grand for two presentations on Saturday. Ian Maclaren's tales of Scotch folk have proven one of the most successful and interesting book dramatizations now being used for stage purposes. The role of the old Scotch elder, Lachlan Campbell, has been pronounced by prominent critics a masterpiece in character creation, and one of the most notable in the history of the drama.

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THAMESFORD TOPICS

A Pretty Wedding — Funeral of a Much-Esteemed Woman—Nominations.

Thamesford, Dec. 29.—The funeral of Mrs. Wm. Lovell took place this afternoon at 1:30 to Banner Cemetery. Mrs. Lovell had been ill for a number of months, and was a great sufferer, but she bore her troubles with Christian patience. Besides her sorrowing husband, she leaves to mourn her departure, three sisters and a host of friends. Mrs. Lovell was a daughter of the late Edward Dundas, one of the pioneer settlers of North Oxford.

A pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday at the home of Mr. Chas. McKay, when his daughter, Hannah, was united in marriage to Mr. Hands, of Mossside. The bride was assisted by Miss Hands, sister of the groom. The bride looked charming in a dress of cream crepe de chene, trimmed with lace and ribbon. The bridesmaid wore creame nun's veiling. The marriage took place under an arch of evergreens, and beautiful calla lilies formed a background. Rev. T. A. Watson officiated. After the ceremony the party sat down to a sumptuous repast. Later on the bridal pair drove to the C. P. R. station and took the evening train for Detroit, where they will spend their honeymoon. The bride received many beautiful presents.

Dr. Shaw, V. S., is very ill at his home.

The nomination meetings in East Nissouri and North Oxford were largely attended. There will be a contest for the reeveship in both townships. In East Nissouri it will be a three-cornered struggle between Gleason; the present reeve; W. W. Day, ex-reeve, and John Henderson, councillor. In North Oxford Alex. Rose and Mr. McGee, of Beachville, both strong men, are in the field, and a keen contest is looked for. Local option is again to be voted on in North Oxford.

There were a great many visitors here during Christmas week. Mr. J. Shimmins and Miss Leader, of Mount Forest, visited with Mrs. J. Newton. Mr. Ellis, of St. Davids, with Mrs. J. Newton.

COTTAGE WAS BADLY BURNED

Fire at 617 Colborne Street Late Last Evening.

The fire department had a run to 617 Colborne street about 10 o'clock last evening, when a cottage owned by Mr. William Buchanan, and occupied by Mr. Thomas Morkin was badly damaged by fire.

The department was extremely slow in getting to the fire, it is stated. According to statements made on reliable authority, a telephone message came in eight minutes after the alarm had been turned in, asking the department to hurry. The brigade did not arrive until some time after that.

"The alarm was sent in from my house," said Mr. A. T. McMahen. "I was not at home at the time, but a telephone message came to me from the folks asking me what was the matter with the brigade. I then telephoned central and told them to hurry the brigade. I then went over to the central station, but the department had gone by that time. They were very slow in getting to the fire, so they family states."

On arriving the fire was put out in fairly good timem. The roof was badly burned, and the furniture was damaged considerably by fire and water.

The blaze started in the dining-room, and was caused, it is thought, by a stove.

The loss is placed at $500; covered by insurance.

The Morkin family, it appears, were out when the fire occurred.

Assistant Chief Scott, when seen by The Advertiser today, stated that the brigade made a good run to the fire, and denied that there was any delay whatever.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 29.—At New York—California, from Glasgow.

At Portland—Haverford, from Liverpool.

At Queenstown—Campania, from New York.

At Glasgow—Columbia, from New York.

At Liverpool—Monmouth, from St. John.

At London—Minnehaha, from New York; Columbian, from Boston.

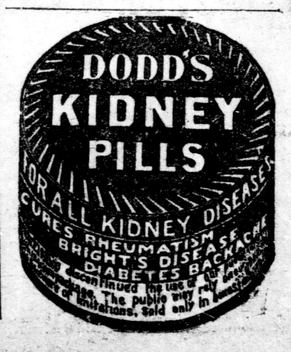
At Libau—Estonia, from New York.

At Havre—Louisiana, from New York.

A shepherd dog belonging to J. L. Welch, of Sorrento, Me., has been taught to shut doors, carry the mails to the stable fetch his master's slippers, bring in firewood, pick up apples or potatoes and put them in a pail.

The oddest named country home is in Jackson County, Mo., of the owner. The name as it appears at the front gate is Hadherway, and never fails to attract attention from passers-by. For years the wife wanted to leave Kansas City and go to a farm. When the family moved they named the home Hadherway.

One of the charges on which a recount is asked in the recent election for governor in Illinois is that in a precinct in Perry County a small chicken coop was used for a ballot-box.



SAM LOYD'S PUZZLES.

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Milkman's Puzzle.

There are practical problems in all trades, so it is safe to say that no one is an adept at his business unless he has picked up a few wrinkles which pertain to his calling. Honest John says tha twhat he "don't know about milk is scarcely worth mentioning," but he was nearly flabbergasted once when he had nearly nothing but two ten-gallon cans full of milk, and two customers with a five and a four quart measure wanted two quarts put into each measure.

It is a juggling trick, pure and simple, devoid of trick or device, but it calls for much cleverness to get two exact quarts of milk into those measures, employing no receptacles of any kind except the two measures and the two full cans. You can try the problem with the fullest assurance that it is a legitimate proposition, and not a silly catch.

Solution to Mother's Jam Puzzle Printed on Tuesday.

The solution to Mother Hubbard's Jam Puzzle may be arrived at as follows:

Supposing the Hubbard family during the first twelve days of the jam season consumes the 12 small jars from the two lower shelves, leaving two large jars on the second shelf and four medium jars on the third. Since each of the shelves contained the same quantity and six small jars are removed from each, it is clear that the two remaining jars on the second shelf are equal to the four medium jars left upon the third. Therefore, one large jar contains the same quantity of jam as two medium jars.

It is now a simple matter to determine how many of the smallest jars are contained in a medium by comparing the first and second shelves.

If we remove the large jar and two medium jars from the top shelf and two large from the second, we have left one medium and three small on the top shelf, containing the same quantity as six small on the second. Thus we see that one medium jar contains three small jars.

Having the relative capacity of the three sizes we can now prove that all the jam in the cupboard could be contained in 54 of the smallest jars, and since the Hubbards consume one small jar per day, the winter's supply will last 54 days.

THE LOST MILLIONAIRE

BY L. CAMPBELL DAVIDSON.

Soon Suter began to grumble—to ask why he saw so little of her—to gird against his own poverty. Two hundred and fifty pounds to keep a wife on! It was asking her to share privation. Yet he did not see how he was to increase his income. She suggested once, jestingly, that she should practice again, and he had cried out in indignation that his wife should never work!

"If there was any way to get money, or make it!" he used to groan. "I'd commit a murder—yes, I would, darling! You needn't look so shocked at me. It would be justified. If I were master at The Towers now, I'd find another lady doctor to take your place, and we'd marry, next week! Yes, a murder, even! I'm fit for it! I can't stand this much longer! It'll send me into an asylum! I must have my wife!"

She gave him a shocked look. "Don't talk like that, even if you don't mean it!"

"But I do! I do!" he reiterated. "There's no crime I wouldn't commit to get you!" He kissed the hand he was holding, and pressed it hard in his.

She shook her head at him again. She knew it was hard for him to have to look for happiness down a vista of years. It was as hard for her; but, then, women have a patience that men lack.

And so the time ran on to the end of October. The days grew short and the nights cold. Mrs. Suter was away a good deal from The Towers, and Dr. Violet was left in sole charge. Those constant absences of Mrs. Suter were a little mysterious to the household. She went to town; the coachmen and footmen knew that, for they took her ticket. They speculated a little about it. It was an interest for the servants' hall. They decided in that domestic tribunal that she went to theatres and did not want it known in Millingford. It was a bit dull, no doubt, for a woman that was still young and handsome. They thought it was natural of her.

And so the days fled by, till that day that the Millingford annals never forgot. It was the thirtieth of October. The day was bright and the light frost of the early morning had gone before the hot breath of the sun. The blue of the distance was soft and wonderful. The air had a crispness in it that made it a pleasure to walk, and not to saunter. The millionaire baby was going for his airing. He was getting big and bonny. He had several teeth. The walks in The Tower gardens began to be circumscribed for him. For a week or two now they had taken him farther afield.

Today Dr. Violet did not go out with him. She had a sore throat and she was wise and nursed it. She stood at the window of the nursery to wave her hand at the departing baby and smile. Then she settled down to some of that needlework that she found scant time for nowadays. She was beginning to make her trousseau. Nobody knew when it might be wanted. Perhaps not for years. But it was a pleasure so great to work at it that she could not refuse it to herself. She sang to herself softly as she cut the cambric and hemmed the raw edges. It was not too fine or gorgeous. She was to be a poor man's wife. She sat and sewed and sang softly.

When she awoke with a start to look at the time she was astonished it was so late. The little gilt clock with its fairy chimes on the bracket against the wall in her own bedroom pointed to half-past one. The baby's dinner was at one o'clock. She had not heard him and his escort come in. She folded together her white work and looked at it with a fond eye as she stuck the needle in it and laid it in a drawer. She shook the white threads from her dark skirt and stood up, stretching her lithe figure, for she had sat long at her work and she felt cramped. Then she went to the day nurseries. The dinner-table was laid for the nurses in the little ante-room outside. Baby's silver bowl sat on the little inlaid table by the fire. She lifted the lid. His food was steaming. Where was the child?

She looked at the clock here. Had the one in her own room been wrong? But her first thought gave way before the instant discovery that this clock was at the same hour. It was now exactly five-and-twenty minutes to two. She marvelled that the nurses were so late! This was abominable! She would see that it did not happen again. It was all because she herself had not gone out with them. A warm indignation began to burn in Dr. Violet's breast. As she stood hesitating, troubled, uncertain, her ear was caught by the sound of running footsteps up the drive. They were nearing the house.

There is always something arousing in the sound of running. It suggests a hundred fears. How much more when one is waiting, anxious, fearful of one knows not what! Dr. Violet gave but one quick step to the window. She flung it up and leaned out regardless of her sore throat. Her alarmed heart gave a leap as she saw round the bend of the drive the running figures of the two nursemaids. Even from here she could see how white they were, how agitated. With a dreadful unformed terror in her heart she cried out to them while they were still far off, "What is it? Where is baby?"

She gripped the window sill with her hands as she hung out. A thousand fears hurried through her mind. Those dreadful trams—those motors! Her heart feared to frame its own alarms. The two frightened faces turned up to her. One nursemaid began to sob.

"Quick, quick! Tell me!" Dr. Violet could get no other words out. Her whole body was cold with dread.

"Oh, please, ma'am—he's gone!"

The other nursemaid whimpered it. They had halted under her window, and they turned piteous faces up to her. The sobbing maid broke into loud tears and lamentations.

Even in her extremity of alarm Dr. Violet put up her hand authoritatively.

"Stop—be quiet! Tell me, tell me, what has happened?"

"We don't know, ma'am. But the baby and nurse has gone."

"But how? Where? What was it? Tell me sensibly."

With a heart whose beats choked her, she kept herself as composed as she could.

"We don't know, ma'am. That's just it. They was both gone in a minute, and we don't know no more."

The girl's bewildered face looked up at her blankly. Dr. Violet could have stamped her foot at her. The idiots! To waste precious time like this! To prevent one from doing something. She controlled herself with force.

"Speak and try to tell me. We must do something at once, you know. Where were you? Begin and speak quietly. No one will blame you, if you tell the truth."

For a thousand horrible visions were chasing themselves through her throbbing brain. The nursemaid who had spoken before tried to obey her. Dr. Violet saw how she made an effort.

"It was down by the river, please, ma'am. Nurse had the pram and she told us we might walk on ahead. It was keen there, and she had a novelette she was reading. We went on a good bit. Then I says it was time to go back to them, and we turned round. There wasn't a sight of nurse nor the pram all down the river path. They was both gone, as if the ground had swallowed them! We waited and waited, thinking she was somewheres about, and we hurried up and down. We was afraid to come home first and then we thought we'd better do it. Down at the gate they say as nurse hasn't come home."

CHAPTER X.

The Vanished Baby.

For a moment a revulsion of feeling seized Dr. Violet. The silly girls! They had missed the nurse and frightened themselves and her for nothing at all! Then, as she remembered that it was nearly two o'clock, and there was no reason on earth why nurse should be so late—when she remembered the river bank, and the swift current, and the nurse who was reading while she pushed the perambulator, her heart felt sick. She drew her head in swiftly.

"Go in!" she called to the girls below. With the greatest haste she hurried to find Mrs. Suter. She must know. Whatever turned out to be wrong, she must know.

Mrs. Suter was in her boudoir, writing at the writing bureau, with its inlaid scented woods. She looked up with a faint surprise as the door burst open. She was ready for lunch, and it would be announced presently. But the footman would not come in with such abruptness. She was curiously busy this morning. She seldom wrote letters with such devotion as she was doing now. She looked round, her gold penholder poised between her fingers, and a look of expectancy arching her fine eyebrows. Dr. Violet, pale, disturbed, horrified, burst into the pretty, scented room, where the fire of sandal wood logs burned on the hearth with the priceless painted tiles.

"Mrs. Suter, something has happened. I don't think we need be too alarmed. But the nursemaids have come home, and they say they left nurse and baby on the river bank, and when they went back to find them they were gone."

Mrs. Suter was listening attentively, the pen between her white fingers. She interrupted, swiftly.

"Have they come home—nurse and baby? Where are they now?"

"Oh, that's just it. They haven't come back——"

Dr. Violet broke short off. Mrs. Suter flung her arms up with an action that might have seemed theatrical if she had had thought to spare for it.

"Do something—something at once! Did the nursemaids see anything? What do they say?"

"No, they didn't see anything. That's just it. Nurse and baby had gone. Don't be too much alarmed, please." She came over to the other woman and dropped on her knees beside her. "Nurse may have taken him another way—a thousand things may have happened. Don't be frightened yet!"

She tried to put her arms around her, but Mrs. Suter pushed her from her.

She should have been home an hour ago," she said hoarsely. "Why was she alone with him? Why were you not with him?"

She turned on Dr. Violet a face that was crimson, and she spoke roughly. Dr. Violet forgave her that.

"I stayed at home today because I had a sore throat. Don't you remember it was you who advised me to?"

Mrs. Suter stared at her as if she were not listening. "What is being done?" she demanded sharply. "Why are you wasting time here? Something must be done!"

"I have sent word to the stables for the men to search everywhere." She did not add that she had sent with all speed to the town authorities to have the river dragged. "Please God, the darling is safe! Please God, he will come back."

She got up from her knees where Mrs. Suter had repulsed her, and stood sorrowfully looking at the other woman. "I am going to the place now—this moment. Won't you come, too?" she asked.

But Mrs. Suter shook her head silently. And without another word Dr. Violet turned and left her to herself. She ran down the stairs and out into the open. She had not stopped to think of a hat or a wrap. She ran down the drive and through the gates. Some of the gardeners were gathered in a group, awestruck, and discussing the situation. She swept her arm toward them as she ran, and cried out, "Come, all of you—come and help!" They threw their gardening tools down—spades and rakes and hoes—and followed her.

Down the road that led to the river bank she tore till she came to the bank itself. The dark stream, stained with the filth of half a hundred mills, rolled thick and silent at the foot of the big bank. She could trace marks of the perambulator wheels in the dust. With a beating heart she followed them. They went on till they reached a point where the trees hid any one standing there from either side. There they came to an abrupt stop. There were cross tracks, as if the perambulator had been pushed to and fro once or twice. There they ended.

Nurse and baby had never come back from that spot.

With a heart that thrilled with horror and grief she stood and looked at it. Then she crept close up to the bank's edge. A shudder ran through her as she looked down into the rushing, ugly water. Was it there? Oh, could it be that.

By this time the police were up—a body of bluecoats running heavily with thick boots and helmets. She stood to meet them and pointed the tracks out. With grave, important looks they began to crane over the river edge as she had done.

(To Be Continued.)

UP LEARNING'S LADDER

Middlemiss and Muncey Pupils' Honor Roll for Close of Year.

The following is the honor roll for December of School Section, No. 13, Caradoc, Names are arranged in order of merit:

Class V.—Walter Matthews.

Class IV.—Edna Faulds.

Class III.—Erma Matthews, Alice Adams, Alma Faulds, Jessie McLachlin, Leila Willsie, Ada Lewis, Fred Orr.

Class II.—Harold Forsythe, Bryden George.

Class I.—Norman Cleary.

K. H. THORNTON, Teacher.

Middlemiss.

The following is the report of the Middlemiss school for the months of November and December:

Class V.—John Battin 76, Lorne Battin 65.

Class IV.—Ruby Wrightman 74, Eva Irwin 68, Sadie Brown 60, Delia Lucas 57.

Class III. Senior.—Mitchell McArthur 70, Willie Irish 65, Owen Spence 60, Warden Lucas 57, Lorne Spence 54.

Class III. Junior—Mina Dewar 80, Ernest Carroll 75, Lona Beach 68, Vera Lucas 52, Maggie Brown 50, Basil Beach 47, Lorne Burrows 45, Lillie Turner 44, Earl Irish 40.

Class II.—Cassie Wrightman 75, Harold Caunt 70, Marjorie Dewar 63, Burness Graham 55, Maggie Beach 51, Mary McArthur 48, Lillibelle Graham 47, Harold Lucas 46.

Part II. Senior—Drew McFarlane 70, Francis McDonald 64, Evan Graham 60, Leonard Irish 54.

Part II. Junior—John Burdon 60, Laura Burdon 45.

Class I.—Kathleen McNabb 70, Cora Spence 63, Albert Brown 44.

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South Africa within the last few years has gained more prominence, perhaps, than in all its past history. Its rich diamond mines have won for it an enviable reputation. Its native uprisings excite sympathy everywhere, while the Boer war, the effect of which will be felt for a long time to come, was looked upon with mixed emotions, the world cheering or mourning according to the interests involved. During these critical times, its commerce was crippled, supplies were scarce, and only staple articles were shipped there. Among these were classed Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It was sent there in large quantities, as its reputation for usefulness and reliability had already been established. Mr. S. Schneider, of Koffeyfontein, Orange River Colony, shows by the following letter that this medicine is still held in high esteem. He says: "I thank you for your good Cough Remedy. I used it for myself and three children when we had bad coughs, and it helped us. Every family should keep it at hand."

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THE BRADSTREET'S ANNUAL REVIEW

Commercial Conditions of Last Year in United States and a Forecast.

New York, Dec. 30.—Bradstreet's annual review of business conditions in the United States is as follows:

Nineteen hundred and eight partook of most of the phenomena of an after-panic year with its full quota of early weakness, doubt and uncertainty, but guiding forces and ultimate results were toward recuperation and repair. This, at first very slow, later hastened to a point where conservative optimism ruled general business. Its early months witnessed a very heavy volume of insolvencies, the aftermath of the financial storm of 1907; saw business sharply reduced in volume, an immense amount of transportation facilities of the country unused, public buying ability greatly reduced, low levels touched for most securities, a vast number of idle operatives in all lines, a glut of money in the banks, and a feeling of weakness akin to that felt by the human patient after a fasting fever. Later, particularly in the last half of the year, a marked recovery of strength developed, confidence was largely restored, money was easier to borrow, industrial wheels revolved faster, idle cars decreased in number, buying became more confident, larger crops sold at good prices helped to swell collections,employment was more plentiful, wage reductions and ruinous strikes were largely avoided, labor proved more efficient, and altogether the contrast between the early and late months of the year was very striking. Indeed, those who took counsel of the fears which had been awakened by the crash of 1907 were agreeably surprised at the speed and the apparent soundness of the recovery.

Differences From Other Years.

It will be seen that 1908 was not exactly like the years which followed those of 1837, 1857, 1873 or 1893, periods of immense stress, and years, moreover, when American interests were more largely centered in a few things, and when industry was not diversified as it is now. For instance, there was no parallel this year to the depressed conditions of agricultural prices which ruled in 1893 to 1896. Perhaps the closest analogy to the recently past depression was the period following the financial panic of 1884, which was severe while it lasted, but from which recovery was relatively rapid. Our most recent upheaval was severe and acute enough, however, in that industrial outputs were sharply and suddenly reduced at an early date, and this fact, together with the promptness of the later recovery, which was made possible by the absence of underlying weakness and depressing stocks of all kinds of commodities, places 1908 in a class by itself. Yet there were manw drawbacks to be surmounted. There was a very unsettled feeling in labor lines regarding possible wage reductions, the spring was cold and wet, while the summer and fall were hot and dry, and the approach of the presidential election in itself held elements of disturbance and doubt. Throughout the year there was manifest one of the usual phenomena of after-panic conditions. Money released from productive employment was a drug on the market, and denied employment in trade and industry, it turned to the securities markets for employment. Unquestionably the strength manifested by securities from the middle of February onward was an important element in bringing about the revival later shown in trade and industry, and the expression "the ticker tells the story" found frequent employment among that large class of sanguine people who believed, as it turned out justly that the growing strength in American securities foreshadowed a considerable amount of recuperation and repair. This same ease of money too, made it possible for the railroads to borrow funds at less exorbitant rates, thus facilitating improvements and repairs, and investors proved more willing to take municipal and other bond issues that proved almost unsalable in 1907.

Finally, higher court reviews of and decisions against hostile legislation and extortionate lower court penalties were helpful in restoring confidence to the business world generally, and even proved sedatives to national and state officials, who found it less popular than heretofore to indulge in corporation baiting. Later on the apparently foregone result of the presidential election removed hesitancy, induced the placing of orders freely, and, perhaps, led to a greater growth of optimism than was justified by the improvement in actual trade, striking as it was. The rush upward of security and commodity prices in the fall, a reflection of this optimism, had a slightly cooling effect upon those who believed that prosperity had returned in full tide, and the talk of tariff revision in the closing months undoubtedly made for a reawakening of conservatism as to the future. In addition, the failure of stocks of goods to move at retail as freely as expected, owing to mild weather, and the late opening of holiday trade tended to curb the buoyant optimism so notable in the earlier autumn, when large crops, bringing high prices were moving to market.

A Forecast.

It would, of course, be unwise to say that the outlook is entirely clear.There is such a measure of doubt as to the reality of some of the improvement shown on the surface of things. Shocks and damage like those received slightly over a year ago are not at once taken up and repaired. Short hours are still common in industry, and some time must elapse before public buying ability equals that before the panic. Some of the optimism displayed in the securities markets a month or so ago was not fully shared in by many lines of business. There are problems to be met and solved before American trade and industry are fully restored to the normal. One of these is the question whether the admittedly excessive cost of conducting trade and industry, because of high prices for food, and hence for labor, will not have to be adjusted. Bearing upon this is the probable proportion of the European demand for our products in 1909, in view of the fact that trade among our best foreign customers is still very much depressed. Our winter wheat crop at present does not promise to be burdensome, and foreign trade is declining. Then the tariff revision outlook is not entirely settled yet. It seems, too, as if a further growth in general trade which is confidently looked for in 1909 might have some important temporary effects upon the money markets and possibly upon security prices, as will the continuance of, what seems to be necessary, very large future borrowings by railroads for improvements.

All things considered, the country really is, and, what is equally important, really feels in far better shape than a year ago, and this gain in optimistic sentiment, with the knowledge that we have been partially spared one of the worst effects of previous great panics—long continued and acute depression, with the consequent sacrifice of business life and slaughter of capital—is in itself a great gain for trade confidence. There is a sense of deep relief that the community has passed so safely through a great crisis, and it is with a feeling of chastened and yet cheerful conservatism that the business world looks forward to the year 1909 with a fair degree of confidence, but with little expectation of a boom.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Sunday Cars.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

It is sometimes a question whether the man adorns the position, or the position adorns the man, while in other grades the refulgence of blatant oratory simply reflects the acme of egotistical magnificence. But it appears as if the bulk of those who write both for and against Sunday cars do not understand the principles of the true inwardness of this subject, neither do they realize that every sentence written reflects exactly where they stand in this great controversy. The gist of the whole matter is really a contention for those civil rights which belong to every intelligent Canadian or Britisher, notwithstanding the dire calamities prophesied by the clergy and zealous orthodox people on all who dare to disagree with them. "The Sabbath was made for man," "not man for the Sabbath." This statement of fact is the basis of the claim made by nearly all hard-working citizens who do not earn big wages; that they have an equal right to the benefits of Sunday transit with those who can afford to pay for livery rigs or have horses and rigs of their own. This claim from the masses of the people who are the bone and sinew of the country can neither be ignored nor upset, and it is for these same hardworking citizens to say at the polling booths whether their rights to Sunday cars shall be acknowledged or otherwise. Then, with regard to the abuse and degrading influence of Sunday cars about which so much has been said, the clergy are quite right in their attitude as spiritual shepherds of the people to guard against everything that has in their opinion a semblance or appearance of evil, and it is also true that if the citizens of London are not able to guard against the abuses which Sunday cars might involve, they are better without them, but progress in every case always means greater responsibilities, and surely the moral character of London is equal to the occasion. If not, "then God help London," either with or without Sunday cars.

In conclusion there is a growing class of people amongst us who do not desire the fresh, vigorous, spiritualizing influences as of yore, from the present majority of preachers on Sunday. These people find their inspirations from "God in nature," and require Sunday cars to carry them to the scene of their labors of love. They are simply:

"Slaves to no sect,
Who take no private road,
But look through nature
Up to nature's God."

These people of the "higher criticism," consider Sunday cars as a means to an end, where they find "sermons in stones," "books in running brooks," "tongues in trees," and many lessons in atmosphere. Yours truly,

GAUCHIELIMUS.

London, Dec. 29.

Against the Water Bylaw.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Here are twenty reasons why the proposed water bylaw should go down to defeat:

1. The initial outlay is too great for the return in spring water.

2. It places the pumping plant where the coal has a long horse haul.

3. It is the same scheme as submitted at midsummer and defeated, minus the filtration.

4. It has all the features of ultimate filtration on its face from the north branch.

5. It means the purchase of another very large area of farming lands at peak prices to protect the several sources of supply.

6. It does not elevate from an insurance standpoint our prospects of getting new industries or retaining those we have, as it does not lower either the price of water, the rates of insurance or the tax bill in competition with our rivals. Hence London gets none of the many new American or English concerns now being attracted to Canada, but stands to lose some more of those we have.

7. The Canadian fire underwriters' standard pressure for a standard city, and demanded of London, is 250 pounds. This makes the proposed scheme 150 pounds too little. Thus it leaves London too much below the standard.

8. If the Titus method can be applied to London, without Titus and the water being in evidence, and in abundant supply, it is quite apparent that it is a better water than all others, and for all purposes, and of this we have the fullest proof. Minus Titus' bonus, the artesian well system, including standard high pressure, should cost much less to install, less to operate, as compared with the $441,000 plan of the water commission.

9. The underwriters have suggested metering Springbank water, and the immediate introduction of high pressure, to save waste of water, and effect a large saving in insurance premiums.

10. A pumping station on the north branch is bound to bring resultant settlement, or legal fights with several vested mill privileges. This means a considerable addition to the funds of the proposed bylaw. Who can tell how much?

11. In the proposed commission scheme, the moment the new plant attempts a greater pressure than can be obtained at Springbank, as would be required at a big fire, that moment Springbank is cut off for fire purposes, and at once proves its weakness as a fire-fighter, the most important factor in our present requirements.

12. Street watering and lawn service are luxuries, covering only about four months of the average year. Fire protection is a recessity, covering every moment of every year, to every home and every business in our bounds as a city. Consequently it is the most serious section of any plan or scheme, and lamentably weak in the comissioners' plan.

13. If, as stated in the paid advertisement of the water commission, the proposed scheme only has a total showing of one and a half million gallons, and in the same advertisement states that in the present month of December, when all street watering is off, all lawn services, also the railways, how far will the new supply go, when the new services of the next two years, the railways, lawn service, and street watering, are again at work? How much of the million and a half gallons will be left? Then what? Can it be other than the old demand—more money and more extensions?

14. Should we spend $441,000 that some citizens may continue this wanton waste, as admitted by the published statements of the water commission? Why not check this terrible waste by putting a metre on every waster as soon as found, and thus escape both tax and waste?

15. If you want to have a filtration plant established on the north branch this is your opportunity. If you don't want filtration, then your duty is plain—vote down the bylaw.

16. The commissioners admit their scheme is limited. Do Londoners desire to be continually dealing with limited water schemes? How much of the ratepayers' money has been simply wasted during the past few years, in Redmond pond, numerous holes where there was no water, bylaws defeated, advertising bills? This total waste means a large sum. A good bylaw will advertise itself.

17. The natural increase of a city as large as London begets a good-sized village or town annually On that experience we may safely assume that the population of London will reach 60,000 inside of the next five years, and 70,000 in the next eight years. Then what? Long before that the danger signal will be ordered up, and the bylaw for more money will be bellowing from the commissioners' fog trumpet.

18. There is an old axiom, "Be sure you are right, then go ahead." The fate of the last two bylaws is a fair indication of what will happen No. 3.

19. No man or woman voter who has the right to vote on this bylaw should fail to record his or her vote on such an important question. The commissioners are entitled to a square deal, and so is the voter. Remember, you cannot recall a lost opportunity, your vote or a bad bargain. You have no right to swear at the assessor or the bill of the tax collector. They are simply collecting the note you signed on election day. Therefore, take heed that you read well the note before you sign, by your vote. You do not have to sign for the bylaw. You cannot lose if you sign against.

20. Never vote a money grant unless you know all about the question. The engineer and the commission, who are on the job, are unable to give you a perfect report, and have to make many admissions that this scheme or bylaw is not perfect. It gives a very limited supply, and does not meet the fire insurance requirements, aside from its many other defects. It is a safe plan to take no chances where your purse is concerned. Hence, to protect yourself, vote against the bylaw. Springbank will not let you die for the want of a pure drink, not for a few years yet. Some other commission may then evolve a more perfect plan, and possibly costing a great deal less.

RATEPAYER.

London, Dec. 29, 1908.

The Water Scheme.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

With your permission I would like to say a few words through your paper to my fellow-citizens on the water scheme, which we are asked to vote on next Monday. The water commissioners want us to let them borrow nearly $500,000 to bring and distribute about 2,000,000 gallons more of spring water throughout the city. That means that every man, woman and child in the city will have an additional $10 of debt added to what they already owe, and God knows how much that is for; I don't. So I do not like the scheme, as in my opinion it is too expensive, that is, paying too much money for the quantity of water added, and I am afraid the taxes and water rates would have to be increased still more, which would hinder the growth of our city, and be bad for us in many ways.

Then there is another objection I have to this scheme, and that is the high-pressure that would have to be put on in case of fire. If the pressure would be 100 pounds or more all over the city during a big fire, what would happen to the plumbing in private houses? Well, it would be good for the plumbers, but some others would have to pay the piper. No, I don't like that part of the scheme. I think the high-pressure, if it is needed should be a system by itself. Why not take the water out of the river close by for that purpose? It could be used for firefighting,street and park watering, factories, railways, and to flush sewers and closets where convenient, etc., etc. Then the high-pressure system would save so much good water which is now wasted, and by adding year by year some more of the springs that are around Springbank we would have plenty of pure spring water to last as long as the commissioners' scheme, and it would not cost more than the half of the money. Yours,

JAMES WEIR.

London, Dec. 28.

The deepest underground railway in the world is the Hampstead "tube" of London, which at one point is 251 feet beneath the surface.

R. J. Young & Co. | R. J. Young & Co.

Girls' Tweed Skirts and Coats at About Half

This lot of Girls' Coats and Skirts have received "move on" instructions, and if a saving of one-half is an inducement, they will certainly not linger long after 9 o'clock tomorrow.

Skirts for Girls, $1.50 to $2 Values, Sale Price 98c

48 Girls' Skirts, made of dark Tweeds, in navy, green and brown mixtures. These sold regularly at $1.50, $1.75 and $2. To make quick clearance of the lot, we have made the price . . . . . 98¢

Coats for Girls From 6 to 10 Years, $3.00 Garments, Sale Price . . . , $1.98

Only 16 of these Dark Tweed Coats; all stylishly made and properly finished. The limited quantity will make an early visit imperative if you would have one of these at . . . $1.98

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24 Skirts made in new nine-gore styles, with bands of silk in flare. Materials imported cheviots, in black and navy. For serviceableness and smartness these perfect-fitting cheviot skirts cannot be equalled. This price reduction will make buying now worth while, even if you want a skirt for later wear.

Another Shipment of These Fine, Soft, Pure Wool Worsted Stockings to Sell at a Quarter

A few weeks ago we sold a case of this Special Hosiery, and many who bought them will welcome this opportunity to secure another half-dozen pairs. The large sizes sell at, per pair . . . . . 25¢

Smaller sizes, for boys and girls, start at, per pair . . . . . 15¢ and run to 20¢

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Township Councils

DELAWARE.

The council met Dec. 15, all the members present, namely John McEwen, reeve, John Switzer, A. E. Monteith, J. H. Johnstone and Duncan Gordon, councillors.

At the request of Mr. G. D. Glennie, the council voted to refund Mrs. Karls' taxes; Mr. Cowling's dog tax will be refunded if paid; Dan Demerary's dog tax was also refunded.

Wm. Prior asked for a grant to gravel con. 3, opposite his premises, and $50 was granted him, he to supplement the grant by one-third of its amount.

J. H. Johnstone reported that he had interviewed the Westminster council in regard to the Kelly drain. It was voted that Councillors Johnstone and Gordon see that the work be done.

It was voted that the reeve and council pass the Oneida drain if satisfactory, and an order be drawn on the treasurer in payment.

J. E. Elviage's account for extra work on No. 1 drain, was laid over to have the engineer certify the same. The clerk will write Rev. Mr. Adamson in regard to his taxes.

Mr. W. J. Laing addressed the council in regard to a grant for the erection of a bridge on the Oneida Reserve, and $25 was granted.

Bylaw No. 548 was passed, extending the time of the return of the collectors' roll until Jan. 11.

The following were appointed D. R. O.'s for the different polling divisions for the municipal election: Frank Woodhull, Division No. 1; John R. Hammond, Division No. 2; Creighton Adams, Division No. 3; W. M. Baker, Division No. 4.

The following accounts were ordered paid: Clinton Woodhull, $554 23, due S. S. No. 1; J. B. Merrill, $988 49, due S. S. No. 2; J. Wallace Johnstone, $603 84, due S. S. No. 3; Chas. Wonnacott, $470 15, due S. S. No. 4; J. H. Matthews, $560 33, due S. S. No. 5; D. Campbell, $450 61, due S. S. No. 6; W. M. Baker, $322 45, due S. S. No. 19, "Union"; Gil. Lucas, $10, cleaning portion Lucas drain; J. W. Knowles, $10 90, teaming; Jas. Quirrie, 50c, valuating sheep killed by dogs; John Forsyth, $1 50, for Fraleigh trial; J. Monteith, $10, for bridge;$149 78 taxes due on No. 1 drain, con. 3, for the past three years; W. Leach, $15 62 for gravel; engineer's expenses on Lucas drain award, $3 50; J. E. Elviage, $6 80, repairing and material for watertrough; Henry Johnstone, $40, grant to Delaware Fair; F. H. Mitchell, M. D., M. H. O., $25; Jas. Harris, $10, sanitary inspector's fees;Donald McPherson, $22 33, for gravel; Ben Kennedy, $1, for cleaning ditch; F. A. Kennedy, $2 50, drawing tile; E. Oldham, $7 36, for tile; E. Howlett, $1, for storing grader; E. Howlett, $5, two-thirds value of sheep killed by dogs; Walter Evans, $1 50, cleaning ditch, etc.; Thos. H. Kennedy, $2 66, for material and work on bridge; C. Weylor, 50c, valuating sheep killed by dogs; R. Paul, $1, overseeing gravel; Robt. Paul $1 valuating sheep killed by dogs; Ryckman Brothers, $1, for drawing plank, etc.; H. Scott, $3 90, for tile; W. Fowler, 75c, cleaning ditch; J. J. Marr, $1 10, for posts; Peter Pulford, $4 75, for going after plank; Wm. Vickery, $3, repairing culvert; W. Burt, $2, material and work on bridge; Alex. Herron, $3 60, cleaning ditch; S. Hawes, 50 cents, repairing lights in town hall; H. McLoy, $16 20, digging ditch; Thomas Glassgow, $28 75, work on drain; Thomas Glassgow, $4, township portion of Gough drain; Thomas Glassgow, $30, work on Craig portion of Kennedy drain, to be charged to Mr. Craig's land; Henry Janes, $16 54, for tile; Neil Campbell, $3, cleaning ditch; Mr. Gough, $2 65, drawing tile; E. North, $12 82, concrete tile; The London Advertiser, $4, advertising the date of posting up of voters' list; F. W. Farncomb, $16 25, expenses on Kennedy drain, chargeable to Mr. Craig's land; John McEwen, $25, balance of fees; John Switzer, $15 75, fees; Duncan Gordon, $17, fees; A. E. Monteith, $22 25, fees; J. H. Johnstone, $20, fees; J. W. Laing, $25, grant on Oneida bridge; R. Hooper, $27 50, half-year's salary as treasurer, and 48 cents for postage, etc.; Hugh Orman, $12 50, half of grant in support of imbecile brother; J. H. Matthews, $40, half-year's salary as clerk.

Adjourned to meet on Jan. 11, at 10 a.m.

J. H. MATTHEWS. Clerk.

THE ONLY HOUSEHOLD SURGICAL DRESSING.

DR. PORTER'S ANTISEPTIC HEALING OIL for Burns, Old Sores and all Hurts, whether slight or serious. Druggists refund money if it fails to heal. 25c.

The netting or shooting of plovers is severely discountenanced by two classes of men in England whose power in a matter of this kind is not small. Farmers look on plovers as friends; they do perhaps more than any other birds to keep down that costly pest the wireworm. The "crop" of a plover has been found to contain many scores of these rather indigestible worms. The plover has the merit of preferring this sort of food to grain. In the Cheshire potato lands especially the plovers are useful, and, unlike the rooks, who are also great consumers of wireworms, they do not eat the young potatoes.

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As Dr. Darwin was walking one day in his garden he perceived a wasp upon the gravel walk with a large fly, nearly as big as itself, which it had caught. Kneeling down he distinctly saw it cut off the head, and then, taking up with its feet the trunk, or middle portion of the body, to which the wings remained attached, fly away. But a breeze of wind acting on the wings of the fly turned around the wasp with its burden and impeded its progress. Upon this it alighted again on the gravel walk, deliberately sawed off first one wing and then the other, and having thus removed the cause of its embarrassment, flew off with its body.

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NEW YEAR'S EXCURSIONS

Between all stations in Canada at

SINGLE FARE

Good going Dec. 31, 1908, and Jan. 1, 1909, return limit, Jan. 4, 1909.

Fare and One Third

Good going Dec. 28 to Jan. 1, 1909, return limit Jan. 5, 1909.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC

New Year's Rates

Return tickets between all stations at

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A New Year's Resolve

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SARNIA TUNNEL TO SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND TORONTO.

Arrive from the east—*3:40 a.m., 10:56 a.m., *11:12 a.m., *11:23 a.m., *6:30 p.m., *8:00 p.m., 10:10 p.m.

Arrive from the west—*12:09 a.m., *3:35 a.m., *11:22 a.m., 1:10 p.m., *4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.

Depart for the east—*12:14 a.m., *3:40 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., *11:38 a.m., 2:05 p.m., *4:25 p.m., *6:53 p.m. (Eastern Flyer.)

The trains leaving at 7:30 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. stop at all stations.

Depart for the west — *3:50 a.m., 7:40 a.m., *11:18 a.m., *11:35 a.m., 1:40 p.m., *8:18 p.m.

The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.

Arrive — 10:25 a.m., 4 p.m., *6:50 p.m. (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m.

Depart—6:35 a.m., *11:27 a.m., 2:20 p.m., *8:10 p.m. (International Limited.)

STRATFORD BRANCH.

Arrive—*3:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:33 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:25 p.m.

Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:26 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE

Arrive—10:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m.

Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.

Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday.

PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.

Depart—5:40 a.m., *7:10 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 2:30 p.m., *3:40 p.m.

Arrive—8:45 a.m., *12:20 p.m., 1:50 p.m., 4:40 p.m., *9:20 p.m.

* To and from Walkerville without change. Trains not "starred" to Port Stanley.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Arrive—From the east *11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., *10:52 p.m. From the west—*4:30 a.m., **8:35 a.m., *5:20 p.m.

Depart—For the east—*4:40 a.m., 8:43 a.m., *5:28 p.m. For the west—*11:38 a.m., **8:10 p.m., *11:00 p.m.

Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday. **From Chatham only. ***Runs only to Chatham.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 9:50 p.m.

Depart—7:15 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 5:35 p.m., *10:25 p.m.

* Runs through to Waterford.

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The Wabash has now on sale round trip winter tourist tickets at very low rates, from all stations, to points in the south and southwest, including Texas, Old Mexico and California. Tickets are good going and returning via all direct routes, with stopover privileges.

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Perhaps nothing is calculated to worry a pessimist more than the noise made by people who shout for joy.

LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD OF SPORTS

The O. H. A. Season Opens Thursday

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Secretary Hewitt announces that the O. H. A. championship season will commence on Thursday night of this week with a Junior game at Stratford.

On Friday (New Year's Day) there are two intermediate and four junior games scheduled.

Friday, Jan. 1—Intermediate — (Afternoon)—Seaforth at Stratford; Markdale at Wiarton.

Junior—Peterboros at Whitby; Cobourg at Port Hope; Waterloo at Guelph; Mount Forest High School at Listowel.

Saturday, Jan. 2—Intermediate—Eurekas at T. A. A. C.

The Oshawa O. H. A. Hockey Club's colors are black and yellow.

The Sailors Get In.

Goderich has been admitted to Group No. 7, intermediate O. H. A., upon the consent of all the clubs.

The following players were registered today with the O. H. A.:

Intermediates.

Stratford—James L. Rankin, E. P. Edmunds, D. W. Forbes, Wm. Easson, A. McCallum, Walter Hern, F. Simpson, Austin N. Killer.

Simcoe (Intermediate)—Weber Piett, Frank Coates, Jay R. Thompson, Geo. Andrews, Ed Oatman, Carl Rocher, Wm. Pym, Jack Laplant, Claire Misner, Arthur Cribb, Lorne Craft, John H. Brown.

Niagara Falls (Intermediate)—Joe B. Wade, E. Jackson, Frank Sills, Arthur Broadfoot, Alva Westcott, Thomas Smithers, George Reeves, Ralph Reid, John McKenzie, E. Murray, Dan McLeod, Fred Phillips, Walter Hawthorne, Geoffrey Hamilton.

Markdale (intermediate) — L. R. Munshaw, Wm. Hill, George Bansley, Albert Dillon, James A. Dillon, R. J. Gilfillan, W. D. Mercer, W. G. Bowsers, Wilfred Burnside, M. E. Kelly, Pat Kelly, A. Littlejohns.

Juniors.

Stratford (junior)—Bert H. Dorland, D. C. Bradshaw, Basil A. Dillon, Jas. Simpson, Scotson C. Easson, Mac. McCallum, F. G. Rankin, A. H. Sarvis, G. B. Killer, James Barlow, James Preston, Wm. Richards.

Oshawa (junior)—Donald Hawkes, Leo Brockman, N. Wilkson, Frank M. Germond, J. H. Hawks, George Bray, Percy Canning, J. E. Frick, Charles Elliott, Frank Kemp, Reg. Thomas.

Coverpoint's Philosophy

The Eel is in Toronto and will give the Queen City horse-racing fraternity an opportunity of looking at a real one.

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Edmonton will not have the opportunity of even looking at its hockey team, as the boys will not be back. And just to think they mortgaged the whole town to send the outfit east.

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There is a gent shoving a wheelbarrow 9,000 miles in 400 days. The Bricklayers' Union will likely get him for working overtime. If this chap would do this work for 20 cents an hour he would have no chance of being heard of. He thinks this business will get him something.

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It looks as if T. Phillips is out of the game for the season. He is just repeating what he said some time ago, but a broken ankle reminded him keenly of his promise.

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With one game gone and T. Phillips in the hospital, that Edmonton hockey team will go down in hockey history as the worst bit of fuzzy finance since that bunch of Nova Scotia hockey players were beaten to death in Ottawa a few short years ago.

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With all th enoise about a boy-wonder jockey at Los Angeles, and all the rest of it, somehow the Yanks do not enthuse over the racing game. It looks like a dead one for a few years at least.

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Dr. Roller, physician, "rassler," foot-ball player, wants to be a champion pugilist. He should know something of knockout drops. He will be matched with the winner of the Kauffman-Barry go.

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There is some talk of a combine against J. Johnson. We do not know whether it is from fear of contamination with the colored person or whether they are afraid to get what Burns got. There is certainly not a man in sight who could beat the black chap now.

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You simply have to hand it to Tom Flanagan. The way he has handled the Indian got him big purses, and then a testimonial, and now put him in a position to earn many thousands of dollars, which will be invested properly, is simply immense. And he stayed with him while the knockers made more noise than a boiler factory. It is well that the Red Streak had a good angel like the curly-headed Irishman.

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The way some of those New York athletes travelled from one meet to another reads like the coming of the king. And yet they were amateurs. Boss Sullivan has started a little investigation into the business, because somebody commenced to talk real loud, and he could not get away from it.

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If that cold wave from the west only hits us, we may have winter yet.

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The hockey match on New Year's night with the Galt intermediates should be a good workout for the locals, and give them the confidence necessary to go through this group like a summer's vacation.

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A Chicago Marathon promoter wants an Indian to meet Corey, the Windy City Marathoner. It is quite likely that Fred Simpson, the Peterboro redskin, will fill in for the race, as he has shown a disposition to go after the real shekels. The red men are some in the athletic world just now.

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It looks as if the western teams will battle it out next year for the American League bunting. With Moriarity and Bush, Detroit will be some stronger, while St. Louis and Cleveland will be in better shape for the struggle. The eastern teams do not look any stronger than last season.

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That San Francisco gent who put $4,000,000 in his wife's stockings on Christmas probably was rewarded by a 50-cent tie of fearful hue.

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Now the season of "resolution" approaches. Uncle Sam will swear off racing in some spots, and will slough the booze in several other quarters. Canadians will attempt to swear on a few good habits just to be in the swim.

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And now Jack Johnson is willing to take a crack at Jim Jeffries, or, rather, at the purse a fight with the burly Californian would bring. This reminds us that Johnson once challenged Jeffries for the championship, when the latter was in his palmy days. "All right," was Jim's reply. "We'll go into a cellar and lock the door, and the one that turns the key and comes out again is champion." Johnson was afraid to go home in the dark.—Toronto Telegram.

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Now Mike Schreck and Marvin Hart are going to fight for the near heavyweight championship. If you don't think the fighting game is degenerating, take one short, sharp slant at this second helping of lunch.—Chicago Tribune.

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A negro is the champion pugilist of the world. A red Indian holds the supremacy in Marathon running. The little Japs are cocks-of-the-walk in the Pacific. The brown, yellow and other dark-colored peoples of the earth are threatening to play the mischief generally with the civilization of the white man.

Is the Caucasian played out? Are the races we have been calling inferior about to demonstrate to us that we must draw the color line in everything, if we are to avoid being whipped individually and collectively?

Japan's triumph over Russia has set all Asia aflame with ambition to emulate its overthrow of the white conquerors. Evidence, however, is lacking to show that Asiatic people elsewhere are copying Japan in the branches of development that have put her on something like an equality with the Occidentals. The spirit of rebellion has been aroused, but with it there seems to be no preparation, no education, no evolution. Without them, the colored peoples will still be subject peoples.

If Johnson and Tom Longboat could stimulate their fellows to ambition for something more than physical achievements, their recent victories might have more of hope for their own races and of importance to the white man and the world generally. But the opposite is likely to be the resulting tendency.—Detroit Free Press.

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Mr. Geo. G. McCormick has kindly donated a special prize for the best specimen of toy dog or bitch shown by a London resident at the coming dog show, held by the London Canine Association, in the City Hall, Friday Jan. 8, 1909.

NEW GIANT IS FOUND BIG MEASUREMENTS

Peter McCullaugh, Originally of Ireland, Is 6 Feet 10 Inches Tall, and Weighs 276 Pounds.

London, Dec. 28.—Among those who embarked for New York is an Irish giant who has been a conspicuous figure on the Strand for a year. His name is Peter McCullaugh, and he goes to New York to stand in front of the new Maxine Elliott Theatre and open carriage doors. He is 6 feet 10 inches tall, is only 29 years of age, and weighs 276 pounds. He is quite big enough to open a carriage door."

McCullaugh is a member of the corps of commissionaires, which is made up entirely of one-time non-commissioned officers in the English army. They number some three hundred and are under the supervision of a lieutenant-colonel in the army, who is detailed by the war office for that purpose. Each man puts up a bond of $500 and none except those with exemplary records are taken. They wear a distinctive uniform of dark blue and retain their service chevrons and decorations.

On account of their training and trustworthiness they are eagerly sought for by theatres, hotels and restaurants, for doormen and linkmen, as they call the carriage men here. McCullaugh was formerly stationed in front of the Gaiety Theatre. When the season opened at the Aldwych Theatre this fall Mr. Levering, the manager, went to the commissionaire colonel and asked to have a boy detailed for the theatre.

The "boy" turned up in the shape of McCullaugh, 6 feet 10 inches high. He proved to be very valuable. If traffic was blocked he would lift a truck out of the way. Once he picked up an offensive van driver who would not move out for the carriages to approach the theafre entrance, and threw him into the van as if he had been a doll.

When the season at the Aldwych closed McCullaugh was out of a job. George Appleton, Miss Elliott's manager, heard of McCullaugh's unusual size and hired him to go to America and ornament the front of the new theatre. McCallaugh was formerly a corporal in the Guards.

Burns Blames the Police.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Tommy Burns has at last found an excuse for the beating he received at the hands of Jack Johnson. A cablegram received here from the defeated man yesterday says:

"Johnson's seconds influenced the police in stopping the contest. I was coming strong and had as much chance as Nelson did with Gans in the Goldfield fight. Johnson was fast tiring. The pictures of the fight will show everything."

Burns expressed his willingness to fight Johnson again and is confident that he can beat him.

Fast Game Sure for New Year's Night

There will be ice for the hockey match on New Year's night. The expected cold wave from the west is on its way, advices from Medicine Hat, where weather is manufactured, stating that it will be the real thing in cold waves for the season.

The local hockey boys are in great form now, and the match should be one of the best of the season.

Galt is bringing up a good team, including the veteran, Bill Twalts. The Princess rink should be filled to capacity for the boys.

BOWERMAN USED UNDERHAND WORK

Joe Kelley Brings Accusations Against New Manager of Doves.

Boston, Dec. 30.—There is more trouble brewing in the ranks of the Boston Nationals. First, Joe Kelley is unconditionally released from the Doves, despite the fact that he had a two-year contract, only one year of which has been finished, and Bowerman was chosen manager.

Then Kelley comes along with the statement that he was going to bring suit against President Dovey, of the local team, and there was more smoke in the air.

The former Baltimore star, it is alleged, makes the accusation that Frank Bowerman, who has succeeded him as manager of the Doves, used underhand work in getting control of the nine.

Bowerman is as indignant as can be. He declares that he always was on the level with Kelley, and that he thinks that Joe should treat him on the square. Furthermore, the ex-Giant avers that he always played his best for Kelley, and is willing to stand by the testimony of the fans who saw him play.

Here is Bowerman's letter of indignation:

"I cannot understand Mr. Kelley's accusations, as there is not the slightest truth in them. I worked hard for the success of the Boston baseball club under Mr. Kelley, and the Boston public knows it well. I do not have to tell them that. I will answer any specific charge that Kelley will make. I never did an underhanded thing in baseball in my life, and also I never criticized the management of Mr. Kelley last season in any shape or manner.

"FRANK BOWERMAN."

EXPECT HOT WAR IN THE A. A. U.

Suspension of Six Prominent Athletes Being Severely Criticized.

New York, Dec. 30.—Heated controversy is expected to follow the action of the registration committee of the Amateur Athletic Union last night in suspending six prominent athletes on charges of professionalism. None of the men concerned had issued any statements last night, but P. J. Conway, president of the Irish-American Athletic Club, is quoted as follows:

"That's a fine way to do business—hang a man first and try him afterward. The A. A. U. is persistently preaching fairness and here they go and put the ban on half a dozen athletes because someone with a grouch writes or reports any old kind of a charge against them. So far as our men are concerned I will see that they get what is their due—no more, no less."

Melvin W. Sheppard, Charles Bacon, Harry F. Porter and George V. Bonhag, who are among the athletes suspended, are all members of the Irish-American Athletic Club.

COMISKEY TO ERECT FINEST BALL PARK

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Charles A. Comiskey, president and owner of the Chicago White Sox, yesterday purchased the estate of "Long John" Wentworth, known as the "Brotherhood Grounds" for the fancy figure of $150,000, as a home for his team. The grounds are located between Thirty-Fifth street and Wentworth and Shields avenue, and Comiskey is intending to make it the finest ball park in the land, with a seating capacity of 35,000. The park is to be ready for the season of 1910. There are certain sentimental reasons for Charles Comiskey choosing this property. Eighteen years before he had played in these grounds as captain and manager of the Chicago Brotherhood Team, and now having reached affluent circumstances, he has purchased his old playing grounds for the use of his team.

INVENTS NOVEL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Alfred de Rothschild Provides a Circus for Holiday Guests.

London, Dec. 28. — Honorable Alfred Charles de Rothschild, the multi-millionaire brother of Lord Rothschild, entertained in as novel a way as has ever been known in England a party of friends on Christmas Eve at his country house, Halton Towers, Hertfordshire. After dinner he took his guests to the winter garden, which, to their astonishment, they found had been transformed into a tanbark circus, where for a couple of hours performing horses, dogs, donkeys, ponies and cats went through their acts.

One of Mr. Rothschild's principal stable hands was ring master, while another servant made about as funny and original a clown as the famous Marceline. There was music by the famous Blue Hungarian Band, and the evening was voted a great success and a welcome change from the conventional yuletide party.

Many Long Rehearsals.

All the animals that performed were the personal property of Mr. Rothschild. Rehearsals for the performance were held daily for several months, during which time hardly a week passed without a troupe of dogs or educated ponies arriving at the neighboring village of Wendover. The owners of these animals put them through their paces, and if they pleased Mr. Rothschild the steward was instructed to purchase them.

The pride of the Rothschild menagerie are three South African monkeys, which waltz, sit at table and do several other tricks. One pack of dogs knows thirteen tricks, which conclude with a statue scheme.

This is not Mr. Rothschild's first circus by any means. In fact, training animals to perform is his hobby. He spends Sundays usually with his circus. Many of his purchases have resulted from seeing performances at the theatres. His stables and kennels are luxuriously appointed. They have steam heat, electric light and ventilating shafts. Nothing is too good to feed the animals.

Hobbies of the Family.

The hobbies of several members of the Rothschild family are on natural history. Hon. Lionel Rothschild is devoted to zoology, on which he is an authority, and he has an extensive zoological garden at Tring. Lord Rothschild is a master of stag hounds, but the hobby of Hon. Nathaniel Rothschild is the most curious of all. He is an authority on entomology. He collects bugs, of which delightful odoriferous insects it is his proud boast that he has got the finest private collection in the world.

PROPHET DUCKS WORLD ROLLS ON

Spangler Announces Immediate Translation, But Departs To Escape Arrest.

Nyack, N. Y., Dec. 29. — The end of the world, which was to have occurred today just on the dot of high noon, and with the resultant disturbance centred just above and below Nyack, was indefinitely postponed at 12:05 o'clock, because of the unexpected translation to another sphere of the prophet who had projected this day of doom, Lee J. Spangler, of York, Pa.

There happened to be a warrant out for the arrest of Prophet Spangler as a public nuisance contemporaneously with his announced migration to a higher plane than that upon which Nyack stands, and the warrant has not bet been served, in Nyack, at least.

Dog Fight All They Witness.

Despite the absence of the prophet, which he had previously accounted for on the Elijah hypothesis, fifteen or twenty women and little girls, dressed all in white as befitted the brides of the Lord, awaited the crack of doom in the Oakhill Cemetery, high up on the snow-cumbered slopes of South Mountain, back of Nyack, at noon today. There was a dog fight, one of those which had faith and much weight fainted because of the steepness of the grade, and that was all.

Although Spangler had told Mrs. Henrietta Murdock, the high priestess of the saints who had gathered in Nyack to await the rolling up of the sky as a scroll, some time near midnight Saturday, that the Lord had called him, and that he was going to go right up to heaven in advance of the general cataclysm, the truth is that he went right out of the back door of Mrs. Murdock's house, over the back fence, and into a buggy.

Faith Badly Shaken.

Later Mrs. Murdock announced that if the earth did not come to an end, or if Prophet Spangler in the flesh did not return to Nyack by 6 o'clock in the evening, she was going to become an infidel and remain such to the end of her days.

A concurrence of prophecy which had hit upon President Roosevelt as the glorified being armed with a bow and astride the white horse of Revelations, the past forecast of a dead prophet and the enthusiasm of two living ones, all combined to bring about today's procession of saints to the graveyard at Nyack and their return, still as saints militant, to their homes. At a late hour Friday night Mrs. Murdock standing in her night-gown and with a brass lamp in her hand, explained how it all was to happen.

Roosevelt the Conqueror.

Her father, Jesse Abrams, who lay buried in Nyack's cemetery, had been a first-class prophet, said Mrs. Murdock. By his close reading of Revelations he had determined that Theodore Roosevelt, who was reported at the time to have ridden up San Juan Hill on a white horse, and who subsequently had been conquering—as all admitted—was the one spoken of in Revelations, vi., 2: "And I saw and beheld a white horse, and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him and he went forth conquering and to conquer."

Jesse Abrams had swung many more significant bits of testimony into line before he died. Mrs. Murdock continued, and he left her as a heritage, and the solution of the riddle, which he had built up.

FRENCH SAVE A BILLION A YEAR

Average Wealth Throughout the Republic Given as $1,000 Per Person.

Paris, Dec. 28. — Although general trade conditions in France, as in other European countries, suffered in 1908, largely because of the reduction in American demand, following the financial crisis, figures submitted by M. Leroy-Beaulieu and other statisticians at the end of the year, regarding the wonderful wealth of the French people, demonstrate the imposing strength of France's financial position and her right to the title of "the world's banker." France's fortune is growing steadily as the result of an annual saving of $1,000,000,000, much of which must seek investment abroad.

M. Leroy-Beaulieu's figures show that France now receives $360,000,000 as an annual income from foreign holdings, which are principally Government stocks, the amount having been almost doubled in the last fifteen years. He estimates the present wealth of the French people at $45,000,000,000, or more than $1,100 for every man, woman and child, and as the estimate is based upon declared succession taxes it is admittedly much below the real figures.

In addition M. Leroy-Beaulieu takes no account of the vast amount of gold and securities which the French, especially the peasants, keep in concealment, and which probably rivals the hidden treasures of India.

During the last fifteen years $521,400,000 in gold was loaned abroad, yet the excess importation amounted to $785,800,000. In 1908 the gold holdings of the Bank of France increased by $200,000,000; they now stand at $700,000,000, the largest in the history of the bank. The other banks hold $833,800,00.

The balances of trade, which in 1893 amounted to $14,000,000 against France, are now in France's favor. Increased taxation, however, keeps pace with the increased wealth. The budget of 1909, owing to the purchase of the western railroad and extraordinary expenses in connection with Morocco, being the highest in the history of the country.

DORANDO MATCHED.

Chicago, Dec. 29. — Albert Le Cory, winner of the last Illinois A. C. Marathon, and Dorando Pieri, an Italian runnner, have been matched for the Olympic Marathon distance, 26 miles and 385 yards, the match to take place in Chicago, Jan. 22, on a dirt track. Dorando has announced that he will come here ten days before the race to complete his training. In entering into this match Cory sacrifices his standing as an amateur.

WINNERS YESTERDAY.

Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—Winners here today: Howard Pearson, 7 to 1 Black Mate, 13 to 5; Tony Bonero, 13 to 6; Gloria, 2 to 1; Ben Trovato, even; Queen's Grove, 2 0to 1.

Oakland, Dec. 29. — Winners here today were: Capt. John, 10 to 1; Woolen, 8 to 5; The Vicar, 13 to 1; Sempronium, 15 to 2; Loughrey, 7 to 5; Raconteur, 4 to 1.

KAUFMAN FAVORITE FOR TONIGHT'S BOUT

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—Because of the possibility that the winner will be deemed to be the logical man to have the next try for the championship against the new champion, Jack Johnson, the 45-round fight to take place tonight between Al. Kauffman and Jim Barry at Jeffries' arena in this city, is attracting a great deal of attention. Kauffman weighs 195 pounds, and Barry 188. The odds have hovered around 6 to 10, with Kauffman on the long end. Charlie Eyton will referee.

BELMONT.

Belmont, Dec. 29.—The anniversary of St. James' Church, Yarmouth, is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 3, when Rev. A. Blair, of Nassagaweya, will preach at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. On the Monday following a musical and literary entertainment of unusual merit will be given, when Mr. Ruthven McDonald, the celebrated baritone, formerly of London, and Miss Jean Robb, soprano vocalist and elocutionist, of London, will take part.

DORCHESTER STATION.

Dorchester Station, Dec. 29.—R. H. Banks was elected reeve of North Dorchester by acclamation. Messrs. Joseph Morris and G. W. Chittick are in the race for the deputy-reeveship, while Messr. T. W. Morrison, G. W. Faulds, Seth Cline, Frank Boyes and John Ruddick are contesting the municipality inch by inch for the councillorship.

LYONS.

Lyons, Dec. 29.—Messrs. J. J. Mitchell, and George Smith are aspirants for the reeveship of South Dorchester. Messrs. J. A. Charlton, D. D. Finch, Edward G. Legg, Philip P. Andrew, W. R. Teskey and J. A. Moore are in the field for the position of councillor.

CLACHAN.

Clachan, Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. Abram Bingly and son spent Christmas at the residence of the former's father, Mr. Bingly, of Clachan.

Charles MacKay is home from Leamington for the holidays.

Gordon Myers, who spent Christmas at his home here, returned to St. Thomas yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nickles spent Christmas week at the residence of their daughter, Mrs. Herbert Meyers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Scott spent Christmas at the residence of Duncan Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and Mr. Patterson's mother spent Christmas in Bothwell.

Mrs. Henry Ellwood spent Friday and Saturday with friends in Bothwell.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wright were Christmas visitors at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George.

Mrs. McNish, of Montreal, who was here to attend the funeral of her father, has returned home.

Mrs. John Ashton has returned to her home in Highgate.

Mrs. Alex. Graham visited with Mrs. Smale on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McPhail enjoyed the holiday at the home of Mr. Duncan McPhail.

PORT ALMA.

Port Alma, Dec. 29.—Miss Wismer is visiting Mrs. George Winger.

Miss Gunn, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Winger, left for her home yesterday.

Word has been received that Mr. Lem Coffell is very ill with typhold fever at Macleod, Alta.

Born—Dec. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Cinnamon Barr, a daughter.

Miss Patterson, of Wardsville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dawson spent Christmas at the latter's father's, Mr. Campbell, in Newbury.

Mr. D. Dawson spent Christmas at Blenheim and Chatham.

The oil drillers spent their Christmas at their several homes, and are back to work again.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charlton celebrated their wooden wedding on Thursday, Dec. 24.

Miss Nora Howard has recovered from an attack of scarlet fever and the quarantine will soon be removed.

The scholars made a presentation to Mrs. Harvey at the closing of the school

In a guessing match at Pittsburg, Pa., as to how many grains of corn a 37-pound turkey could eat in a week, the prize was won by a guess of 2,802, the actual number being 2,863.

An old "telegraphic" contest took place last week between members of the Y. M. C. A.s of Crawfordville, Ind., and Oak Park, Chicago. Each team ran its races on its own floor, under rules agreed upon by both, and the results were telegraphed to the other, the team that scored the highest in the events being declared the winners.

A farmer of Whitneyville, Me., while plowing the other day turned up a gold thimble lost more than 50 years ago by Ella Maher, a gift from the sweetheart whom she later married. It has been sent by the finder to Philadelphia, where she now lives with her son.

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New Year's Day Sport at Y. M. C. A.

An afternoon of sport, diversified enough to keep the interest unflagging, will be held at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium on New Year's afternoon. The Senior Leaders' Gymnasium Corps will give an exhibition of gymnasium work under the leadership of Physical Instructor Brent, following that will come the basketball game between the seniors and a team composed of players from the McGill and 'Varsity teams, now holidaying in the city. The game promises to be a strenuous contest, and will likely call forth a good deal of amusement as well.

Mr. Butterworth will give an exhibition of fancy swimming at the close of the game.

LONDON ITALIANS WORRIED OVER RELATIVES IN SICILY

Many Local Men Have Relatives in the Vicinity of Messina and Other Places, Where the Recent Earthquake Wiped Out About One Hundred Thousand Lives.

The terrible disaster that has involved Calabria and Sicily, and cost the loss of thousands of lives, has brought a great deal of sorrow and painful suspense into the lives of many of the large colony of Italians who have their homes in this city.

While most of the Italian residents of London come from the Lipari Islands lying in the Tyrrhenian Sea, to the north of Sicily, a district which has not so far been affected, still these islands lie less than sixty miles from the centre of disturbances, and to many the two cities of the Straits of Messina are well known and well loved, while many have friends or relatives in these localities.

Mr. Joseph Logandice, of 133 Fullarton street, has a brother, an officer in one of the large banks in Messina. Mr. George Logandice, the brother, lives in the suburbs, and it is hoped for this reason that he may have escaped the terrible fate that has overtaken so many. Efforts to get word by cable have so far bene unavailing.

Mortolo Latella, of 127 Fullarton street, comes from Reggio, where his mother and father and brother still reside, and he is as yet unable to discover anything regarding their probable fate.

Brother of a Londoner.

Professor Luigi Fenech, lecturer on astronomy and director of the Astronomical Museum in the University of Messina, is a brother of Mr. F. Fenech, 380 Richmond street. Mr. Fenech has cabled Messina, but could get no reply He has now cabled another brother, John Fenech, an officer in the Italian army stationed in one of the northern provinces, and is hoping soon to get word through him. Mr. Sansone, of the firm of Catalano & Sansone, is at present somewhere in that locality, as the firm have large interests in that district. Word was received from Mr. Sansone, dated from Messina, Dec. 10, saying that he was leaving the city immediately. No word has been received since, but his many relatives in the city are hopeful that he is not in the danger zone.

Another one-time resident of London, who is supposed to be in Messina, is Antonia Muscaro. Muscaro was suffering from consumption and the doctor stated that the only hope of saving his life was by sending him back to Italy, so some time ago a subscription was raised, and Muscaro returned to Messina. His home is supposed to be in the suburbs, but very grave fears are entertained regarding his safety.

Other Families.

The Paladinos, Loguidices, Benenatis, Lombardos, and all families largely represented in London, come from the Lipari Islands, and though no word of disaster has been heard from that quarter, many an anxious question greets the inquirer, as to whether there is any more news, and here and there one will say, "It can't be true, do you think? It can't be as bad as that. I know Messina, It is a beautiful city. It can't be gone!"

Most of the fruit vendors come from the region around Palermo, directly across the island from Messina, while the Cortese family hail from Naples. Everywhere among the Italian residents there is a feverish excitement, and a hunger for more news. "What is the latest news?" is the question that greets one everywhere, and the thing that seems impossible to all is that it should be the Italy they know that is lying in desolation.

Two Parsons In the Municipal Field

Ald. Parsons is in the field for alderman again.

In many quarters it was thought that it was he who was opposing Mayor Stevely for the mayoralty, but such is not the case.

"I have served one year on the council, and I am willing to serve again," said Ald. Parsons to The Advertiser. "I have no aspirations for the mayoralty at this time, but will be content to serve as an alderman. My record is before the citizens. I am out as an alderman. My record is before the citizens. I am out as an independent candidate, and will be an independent in the council. I want it understood that I am not a candidate for the mayoralty."

During the year, Ald. Parsons served on the finance committee, where he did good work.

ENTERTAINMENT AT KNOLLWOOD PARK

First Held in the New Presbyterian Church.

The first entertainment to be held in the new Knollwood Park Presbyterian Church took place last evening, a large crowd attending. Tea was served by the ladies at 6 o'clock, after which a splendid programme was given.

The programme was as follows: Opening address, the chairman, Rev. T. H. Mitchell; recitation, Carl Schinyeck; solo, Miss C. Decker; recitation, Mary Medge; speech, Dr. Nixon, Hyde Park; solo, Miss Millie; recitation, Cora Schinyeck; solo, Miss Straitch; recitation, Nellie Gough; recitation, Melfort Fox; duet, Mr. and Miss Guy; solo, Miss Decker.

Santa Claus then appeared and made sixty children happy by distributing among them presents from a decorated tree.

A letter of regret was received from Rev. Dr. McCrae, of Westminster, who was unable to be present.

REV. MR. BOOTH ISSUES A WARNING

Individual Is Unlawfully Collecting for Ottaway Avenue Mission.

An individual who claims that he is authorized to collect subscriptions for the new edifice to be erected by the members of the Ottaway Avenue Christian Workers' Church, is, according to the pastor, a fraud, as there is no person collecting with authority.

The person in question has called at a number of houses, and in a number of cases has been given large amounts. It was announced some time ago that a new church would be erected, and the fellow has evidently taken advantage of this to gather in some cash.

ANNUAL CANTATA IN ALL SAINTS'

Choice Programme Carried Out in East End Church Last Night.

The annual cantata of the members of the Sunday school of All Saints' Church was held last evening, and was decidedly successful. Rev. T. B. Clark, pastor of the church, presided.

The first half of the programme took the form of a cantata entitled the "Star of the Nativity," in which the following members of the Sunday school choir, under the leadership of Mr. Wm. Bedford, took part: Misses H. Bason, D. Kidner, E. Parsons, L. Craig, M. Craig, Gladys Phillip, B. Gould, Gertie Allen, Annie Kidner, Pearl Dibsdale, May Harrison, Violet Scott, Lizie Pope, Gertie Spencer, A. Gennette, D. Ross, Lulu Steen, Thelma Secord, Harry Kidner, Jas. Allen, Beatrice Beadle, Bruce Clark, Edgar Westby, Wallace Parsons, Beatrice Parsons, Alice Thompson, H. Slade.

Second Part.

The second part of the programme was as follows:

Piano Solo—Miss Telma Secord.

Dialogue—Members of Miss Kidner's class.

Recitation—Master Harold Slade.

Mandolin Solo—Miss Lizzie Pope.

Christmas Song—Members of Miss Dibsdale's class.

Recitation—Wallace Parsons.

Recitation—Bruce Clark.

Recitation—Miss Alice Thompson.

At the conclusion of the programme Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Oakley, Mr. Harry Watson, Miss H. Bason and Miss Ross were presented with Christmas tokens by the members of their classes.

Presentations were made to the members of the rector's class for attendance. First prizes were secured by Miss Annie and Lizzie Oakley, as they attended every Sunday of the year.

Those who missed but once, and who secured second prizes were Edgar, Richard and Lawrence Westby, Harry Kidner, John Walton and Walter Dowell.

Ronald Clark and Raymond Ryckman missed twice during the year and secured third prizes.

Ella Ross and Bertha Risler failed to attend three times only and were awarded third prizes.

NOT THIS JOE.

Mr. Joe Davies, of Muir street, an employee of the G. T. R. roundhouse, wishes it understood that he is not the Joe Davis connected with the recent grain stealing case. Mr. Davies is the owner of a horse and rig, and many persons may be under the impression that he is mixed up in the affair. But it is hoped after this notice that his many friends will understand that he is not the man.

COURT ORIENT INSTALLED OFFICERS

Men Who Will Rule Destinies of Foresters Lodge for Another Year.

At a postponed meeting of the members of Court Orient, No. 331, Canadian Order of Foresters, held in Forester Hall, East London, last evening, the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Past Chief Ranger, Mr. T. J. May.
Chief Ranger, Mr. C. Beaumont.
Vice-Chief Ranger, Mr. T. J. Singleton.
Chaplain, Mr. Geo. Hooper.
Physician, Dr. MacArthur.
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Junior woodward, Mr. W. J. Wilkie.
Senior beadle, Mr. C. Dengate.
Junior beadle, Mr. H. Miles.
Auditor, Mr. T. J. May.

About forty members were present, the meeting being a very enthusiastic once. The new officers will be installed on Friday, Jan. 8.

A BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A number of friends of Mrs. C. Summers, of Marshall street, gathered at her home last evening to celebrate her birthday. The evening was spent in an enjoyable manner, the members of the party indulging in games and music, after which a luncheon was served. Mrs. Marshall received many beautiful gifts.

LETTERS AGAINST THE SUNDAY CARS

Citizens' Committee Make Public All Which Have Been Received by Them.

The Sunday car committee submits the following for publication:

"The citizens committee, according to their promise, publish today a list of letters against Sunday street cars.

"Generally speaking, these letters do not attempt to answer the list of questions that was sent them. In the case of Toronto ministers' letters this is singularly true. We believe that the spirit of Sabbath observance is just as strong in this city as it is anywhere else, and is so highly respected that it is not going to 'slip' out of our fingers because people can see more of their friends, go to a greater variety of churches and in the summer time have better access to the open country. In this list of letters which we are sorry to say do not throw a great deal of light on the situation, we have tried to be as representative as possible as to the character of the letters."

The following are the letters:

Dear Sir—Personally I prefer taking for my guide the inclosed clipping, Isaiah, 59, 13 and 14 verses, together with God's own command to his servant Moses, whilst he talked with him face to face on the Mount, and was then written on tables of stone and has never since been revoked. "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." Sincerely yours,
REV. R. C. VAUGHAN, Toronto.

Dear Sir—I may say regarding the running of street cars on Sunday that I opposed their introduction in Toronto because I did not consider them a necessity. Were I a citizen of London I should feel that the necessity was still less apparent on account of the size of your city.
REV. ELMORE HARRIS, Toronto.
P. S. There seems to be at present no opposition to their running here.

Dear Sir—In reply to yours of the 8th., re Sunday street cars, allow me to say briefly if you desire to be true to the best interests of the people and true to the God of the Sabbath, keep your streets free from such Sunday traffic. REV. R. J. TRELEAVEN,
Pastor Methodist Church,
Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Sir—I am a believer in one day's rest in seven and that the Sabbath or Lord's Day should be kept as a day of worship.
THOMAS CRAWFORD,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir—I only know that the running of street cars on Sunday is a gross violation of the command, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." REV. W. S. GRIFFIN,
Toronto.

Dear Sir—From observation, I would judge the running of Sunday cars is an evil that has no redeeming point, when taken in connection with the fourth commandment. I hardly need draw your attention to those promises of God in the Old Testament which make the prosperity of the people depend on the right observance of the Sabbath Day. REV. MARK JUKES,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir—The whole family gradually falls away from the church, and all outward religion, as a result of street cars. Sabbath desecration is encouraged in the way of park parties etc., etc., and a secular tone is imparted to the life of the community.
REV. J. H. DUSTAN,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir—Personally, as a representative of the Lord's Day Alliance, I am opposed to Sunday cars. It has a tendency to take people out of the city on the river, where they learn to worship pleasure rather than worship God. I hope that you will not spend much energy in securing Sunday street cars in London. J. SLINTON,
Windsor.

Dear Sir—In my opinion this city would be better without Sunday cars. In the summer they disturb the churches, and I believe have a tendency to make the Sabbath Day a pleasure. The street cars are a temptation to become church tramps.

In conclusion, let me say that if you are the —— whom I used to know on the S.—— circuit, you might be better employed. Yours truly,
J. W. AIKENS,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir—Personally I am opposed to Sunday cars. I suggest that no cars shall run during church services.
Yours truly V. TARMER,
Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Sir—Whatever may be said as to the use which is made of Sunday cars by church-going people, I have been informed that 90 per cent of their patrons use them for purposes outside of church-going. If this be thought to be too large a percentage, it is very evident that thousands use them for their own comfort. This must mean much neglect of the church services by many persons, and a consequent decadence of character, not only in individuals but also to a greater or less extent of the community life.

As I did not reside in Toronto in the days before the cars were run on Sundays, I would not personally be able to make any intelligent comparison. REV. H. F. PERRY,
Toronto.

Any Prescription

you may have written for you can be put up here. You have a perfect right to bring prescriptions written on other druggists' blanks to us, and the doctor who wrote them will undoubtedly be glad you came here. He surely will be if he is acquainted with our methods. All compounding in our Prescription Department is done by competent, registered pharmacists, and only pure, potent drugs are used.

Strong's Drug Store
184 Dundas street.

Strong's Baking Powder—used once, used always. Try it.

Dear Sir—In any line of life and work, carried on merely for pleasure or gain is an abuse of the Lord's Day. Sunday cars in Toronto are run for gain and mostly for the convenience of pleasureseekers. As to church attendance I cannot speak with certainty, but many who ought to be and some, who, perhaps, would be in church on Sunday evening in the summer time, spend their time in the park, carried there by Sunday cars.

The present opposition to Sunday cars in Toronto cannot be ascertained because the question is neither up nor open for discussion. My own judgment is against Sunday cars, as we have in this city. Respectfully yours,
REV. A. B. CHAMBERS, Toronto.

Dear Sir—We are a mixed community in Ottawa, and certain sections do abuse the Sabbath going to picnics and getting out of the city on the Sabbath. Others go to band concerts and spend the Sabbath at Britannia or Rockcliffe Parks.

Regarding the churchgoing, it has decreased a great deal since the Sunday cars have been in operation. I did not hear of any opposition, but Sunday cars were only carried by the casting vote of our mayor, who was a Frenchman, and the aldermen who voted for it were in the majority Catholics. Trusting it may be satisfactory,
BREARY SLINN, Ottawa, Alderman.

Dear Sir—Church attendance has decreased by the running of cars through our town on the Lord's Day. Christian people here would rather see the running of cars on the Lord's Day done away with. The cars running on the Lord's Day through Thorold gives, especially young people, a restive feeling. They want to go some place, and hence many of them instead of being in Sunday school or church, are either seeing what is to be seen in St. Catharines, or at Niagara Falls.
REV. F. M. MATHERS,
Methodist Minister.

Local Items

—Superintendent Gillen, of the G. T. R., was in the city for several hours last night en route from Detroit to Toronto.

—Three carloads of Italian emigrants en route for the Western States, went through on Grand Trunk express No. 1 at noon today.

South London Liberals.

A very important meeting of the South London Liberal Club will be held this evening. All Liberals are asked to be present.

Motion Dismissed.

At Osgoode Hall yesterday in the town of Wiarton vs. Canada Furniture Company.—A. R. Cochrane, for third parties, the Canada Furniture Manufacturing Company, moved for order changing venue from London to Walkerton. W. H. Irving, for personal defendants other than McIntyre, supported motion. Featherston Aylesworth, for plaintiffs, contra. Upon plaintiffs undertaking to pay extra costs of trial at London, to other parties in any event, and to admit certified copies of all documents relevant, motion dismissed. Costs in cause. Leave to appeal on Thursday if so advised.

ANGLICAN CONCERT AT POTTERSBURG

Interesting Programme Pleased Large Audience Last Night.

A highly successful concert was given by the members of the Anglican Church at Pottersburg last evening, the edifice being crowded to the doors. The affair was one of the best ever given in the suburb, and every person enjoyed it immensely.

The opening address was delivered by the chairman, Rev. Wm. Lowe, of St. Matthew's Church, after which a chorus was given by the member of the school. The following was the programme:

Recitation by Miss Alma Steele; "Lullaby Song," by four girls; recitation by Geo. Neil; recitation by Lottie Garrett; chorus, "A Christmas Dream"; dialogue by the new scholars; recitation by Knox Garrett; chorus, "Happy Little Children"; Acrostic, by ten girls; reading by Miss Langford; recitation, by Marguerite Richardson; chorus, by the scholars.

A number of interesting limelight views were given by Messrs. Light and Haines. Santa then appeared and distributed presents from the Christmas tree as well as candy, oranges and nuts. Every scholar received something.

The building was filled to the doors, and the collection amounted to over $7.

COBALT MINING STOCKS.

Noon quotations on Cobalt mining stock, telegraphed The Advertiser by Edward Cronyn & Co., members of the Toronto Stock Exchange:

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Noon quotations were: Beaver, 24; Green-Meehan, 20; Rochester, 20; Chambers-Ferland, 87; Kerr Lake, 7.50; Scotia, 61; Reserve, 2.52; La Rose, 6.50; Silver Leaf, 12; Cobalt Lake, 18; Little Nipissing, 43; Silver Queen, 59; Coniagas, 6.50; Nipissing, 10.25; Temiskaming, 1.58; Foster, 41; Otisse, 46; Trethewey, 1.44; Peterson Lake, 3.00.

THE LONDON WATERWORKS

TO THE CITIZENS OF LONDON:

In presenting the waterworks extension bylaw, the commissioners desire to call attention to the following information concerning same:

(1) The additional water will be entirely from springs. The advantages of a supply of spring water, which London has enjoyed for many years, will be continued.

(2) The amount of water which will be obtained will be 30 per cent. of the present supply. This will meet the increased needs of the citizens for many years. It is confident that the visible supply to be added under this bylaw will be materially increased by process of developing the springs to be purchased.

(3) An auxiliary pumping station will be provided. This will be located at the north end of the city, that will furnish a guarantee against possible disaster, such as would result in the event of an accident to the present main from Springbank.

(4) This north end pumping station will be equipped with machinery capable of giving immediately, at any time, a fire pressure of one hundred pounds. The pressure will be under direct control of the engineers of the department, and may be increased to a pressure for fighting fires or reduced for ordinary domestic and other uses.

(5) The springs and pumping station at the north end will be of sufficient capacity to supply the city, by means of storage reservoirs, for any considerable period, during which repairs to the Springbank system might be necessary. All the advantages of a duplicate system are obtained.

(6) The bylaw does much more than add to the supply of water. It provides for material strengthening of the system of distribution. However great the amount of water obtainable for fire or other purposes, it is impossible to give an adequate pressure at all points, owing to the size of the present mains. To overcome this difficulty the bylaw proposes that a twenty-inch main shall run from the reservoirs on the north side, along Richmond and Clarence streets to Horton, with large, new mains feeding from this main into the present system, on Central from Richmond to Adelaide; on Queen's from Park to Adelaide; on Horton from Ridout to Adelaide; on Nelson from William to Rectory; on King from William to Queen's Park; on William from Central to Nelson; on Ridout from Carling to Elmwood; on Queen's and Carling from Ridout to Park; on Oxford from Talbot to Richmond; on Ann from Richmond to Carling Brewing and Malting Company's; on Pall Mall from Richmond to Waterloo.

(7) The new mains will be in direct connection with the north end pumping station, forming circulating belts, and connected at the street intersection with the present mains, thus insuring an adequate and uniform pressure at all points.

(8) Since 1890 the Water Commissioners have handed to the city $400,000 surplus revenue, over and above operating expenses, interest and sinking fund on all debentures issued for waterworks purposes. The net surplus revenue of the past year was over $27,000. The revenue that was formerly received from the Grand Trunk Railway Company, street watering and lawn services, amounting to over $12,000, will again be available. The natural increase of the revenue from domestic services should amount to over $3,000. Therefore, the additional cost of operating expenses, interest and sinking fund on the proposed additional debenture issue may be paid for with the surplus revenue received from water rates, without increasing the charges to present water takers.

WILLIAM JONES, Chairman. F. J. DARCH, Commissioner. S. STEVELY, Mayor

Dec. 8, 1908.

STOCK MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 30.

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m.
Amal. Copper	83⅝	84⅛	82¾	84⅛
American Sugar	131½	..	..	..
Amer. Locomotive	58	58¼	57¾	57⅞
American Foundry	49¼	50¼	49¼	49¾
American Refining	82¾	83½	81¼	83
Atchison, com.	100⅝	100⅝	100	100½
Baltimore & Ohio	110⅞	110⅞	110¼	110⅝
Brooklyn Transit	67½	67⅞	67½	67⅞
Canadian Pacific	176⅞	177⅛	176⅞	177⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	57½	57½	57¼	57½
Chicago & G. W.	12⅝	12⅝	12½	12½
Col. Fuel & Iron	40½	40½	39½	39⅞
Chicago & N. W.	183½	184⅛	183½	184⅛
Distillers	37⅜	..	..	..
Erie, com.	34⅝	34⅞	34¼	34½
Erie, pfd.	50½	51	50½	51
G. Northern, pfd.	146¾	147½	146⅝	147⅛
Illinois Central	147⅛	148⅞	146⅞	148½
Inter-Metropolitan	18¼	18⅝	18	18¼
Inter-Met, pfd.	46½	46⅝	46	46⅝
Kansas & Texas	42½	42⅞	41¾	42⅞
Louisville & Nash	124	124¼	123¼	124¼
Missouri Pacific	66	66⅞	65⅝	66
New York Central	122⅞	123¾	122⅛	123¾
Northern Pacific	142¾	143⅜	142¼	143⅜
Norfolk & Western	85½	..	..	..
National Lead	78¼	78¼	77¾	78
Ontario & Western	46⅝	46¾	46⅝	46¾
Pacific Mail	36½	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	131¼	132¼	131⅛	132⅛
People's Gas	104½	104¾	104½	104¾
Pressed Steel Car	43½	..	..	..
Reading	141	142½	140¼	142½
Republic Steel	25¾	..	..	..
Rock Island	24⅝	..	..	..
Southern Railway	26⅝	26¾	26⅛	26½
Southern Ry., pfd.	62½	62½	62⅛	62⅛
Southern Pacific	121	122½	120⅞	122⅜
St. Paul	150¼	150⅞	149⅞	150½
Texas Pacific	35¾	37	35¾	36½
Union Pacific	183½	184¼	182¾	184⅛
U. S. Steel	54⅝	55	54½	54⅝
U. S. Steel, pfd.	113	..	..	..
Wabash, com.	19⅜	19⅜	19¼	19¼
Wabash, pfd.	49¾	50¾	49⅝	50⅜
Western Union Tel.	68½	69¼	68½	69¼

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Dec. 30.

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	$1 07⅞	$1 08⅞	$1 07⅝	$1 08⅝
July	99⅝	1 00⅜	99⅜	1 00
Corn—				
May	61⅝	61⅞	61½	61¾
July	61⅝	62	61⅝	62
Oats—				
May	51⅞	52⅛	51¾	52
July	46¾	46⅞	46⅝	46⅞
Pork—				
January	16 17	16 32	16 17	16 32
May	16 40	16 55	16 40	16 55
Lard—				
January	9 42	9 47	9 40	9 47
May	9 60	9 70	9 60	9 70
Short Ribs—				
January	8 27	8 32	8 27	8 32
May	8 60	8 67	8 60	8 67

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 30 1908

	Asked.	Bid
Bell Telephone Co.	140	..
Can. Converters	48½	48
Canadian Pacific	176¾	176½
Detroit Electric Railway	56	55
Dominion Coal, com, xd	..	55
Dominion Iron and Steel, com	19⅝	19½
Dominion Iron and Steel, pref	69½	68⅞
Halifax Electric Railway, xd	107	106
Havana Electric, com	40	39
Lake of the Woods	99	98⅞
Lake of the Woods, pref	..	114
Laurentide Paper, com	111	108
Mackay, com	75⅝	75½
Mackay, pref	71	..
Mexican Light and Power	74	73½
Minneapolis and St. Paul	134	132½
Montreal L., H and Power	111¾	111⅞
Montreal Street Railway	203	202
Nova Scotia Steel and Coal	57	56
Ogilvie Milling, com	113⅞	113⅝
R. and O. Navigation Co	77	76
Rio de Janeiro	..	80¾
Sao Paulo	154	..
Toledo	13	..
Toronto, xd	108½	108¼
Twin City	97	96½
Shawinigan	80½	78⅞
Penman, xd	46⅞	46¾
Bank of Commerce	172	171¼
Eastern Townships Bank	..	154
Merchants Bank	165	..
Molsons Bank, xd	210	204
Montreal Bank	247	244
Quebec Bank	..	120
Royal Bank, xd	229	..
Asbestos	..	69¾
Textile com, xd	66¼	66
Canada Colored Cotton	53¼	51¼
Dominion Tex. pfd	107¼	107
Montreal Cotton	120½	120
Reserve	259	245
Dominion Coal Bonds	..	94
Dominion Cotton Bonds	102	..
Dominion Iron & Steel Bonds	..	80
Halifax Tramway Bonds	100½	..
Montreal Street Railway	..	100
N. S. Steel and Coal Bonds	..	109⅞
Nova Scotia Con. Bonds	102½	..
Textile, Ser. A	100	66
Textile, Ser. B	98	96
Textile, Ser. C	96¼	96
Textile, Ser. D	100	96
Windsor Hotel	98	95

Morning Sales: Penman, 25 at 45⅞, 281 at 46, 20 at 46½, 100 at 46, 375 at 46½, 25 at 46Z, 200 at 47, 75 at 46½, 75 at 46¾, 25 at 48⅞, 175 at 47, 50 at 46 3-4, 5 at 46½, 50 at 48 3-4, 50 at 46 3-4, 25 at 46⅞; Textile, com, 125 at 65½, 15 at 66, 50 at 66½, 200 at 66 3-4, 250 at 67, 160 at 66 3-4, 10 at 67, 25 at 66½, 25 at 66¼, 25 at 66⅛, 300 at 66; Rio, 50 at 80; Pacific, 50 at 177; New Stret, 1 at 200; Tex bds, 3,000 at 96¼; Power, 1 at 111, 250 at 111¼, 10 at at 111⅜. 1 at 111½, 25 at 111⅜, 60 at 111¼, 260 at 111½, 15 at 111⅜, 100 at 111¾; Reserve, 1,000 at 274, 30 days, 500 at 273, 30 days, 500 at 263, 500 at 272, 30 days, 500 at 262, 1,000 at 270, 30 days, 1,000 at 268, 30 days, 500 at 258, 500 at 255, 500 at 250; R. and O. 41 at 77; Twins, 25 at 96¾, 25 at 97, 25 at 97⅛, 100 at 97; McKay Preferred 100 at 69½; D. Cotton Bds. 30,000 at 101 Toronto Railway, 1 at 108¼; 50 at 108⅜. Illinois, 50 at 92¾; 25 at 2½; 175 at 92. Ogilvie, 50 at 113⅞. Mexican, 50 at 73½; 200 at 74. Havana, 60 at 39. Trl, preferred, 50 at 83½. Soo, common, 10 at 132¼. Iron, common, 125 at 19½. Converters, 30 at 48; 20 at 48¼; 30 at 48. Detroit, 75 at 55; 100 at 55½; 125 at 55½; 75 at 55¾; 10 at 55¼; 25 at 55¾; 10 at 55¼. Woods, common, 7 at 98¼; 50 at 98¾; 8 at 98¼. Nova Scotia, 25 at 55. Halifax Railway, 1 at 107. Shawinigan, 1 at 81; 10 at 80. Textile, preferred, 2, 10 at 107; 25 at 107. Royal Bank, 12 at 230. Penman, preferred, 1,500 at 85. Merchants Bank, 4 at 164. Union Bank, 50 at 134¼.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 30—Noon.

	Asked.	Bid.
Canadian General Electric	104½	..
Canadian Pacific Railway	..	176½
Canada Northwest Land	105	..
Consumers' Gas	200	..
Crow's Nest Coal	120	197
Detroit Railway	..	54
Halifax Railways	117	..
International Coal	..	61
Laurentide Paper, com	112	109½
Laurentide Paper, pfd	75¼	74¾
Mexican Light & Power	..	73½
Minneapolis & St. Paul	..	132
Niagara Navigation	126	..
Northern Navigation	104½	..
Nova Scotia Steel, com	58	56
Rio de Janeiro Tram	..	81
Sao Paulo Tram	154¾	153¾
La Rose	..	6.40
Toronto Electric Light	135	132
Twin City Railway	97	96
Shredded Wheat, com	30	..
Shredded Wheat, pfd	..	96
Bank of Commerce	..	171
Dominion Bank	242	241
Bank of Hamilton	203	199
Imperial Bank	234¼	234
Merchants' Bank	166	..
Bank of Montreal	248	244
Bank of Nova Scotia	..	275
Standard Bank	..	232½
Bank of Toronto	..	227
Union Bank	135	..
Agricultural Loan	..	120
Canada Landed	..	127
Canada Permanent	141	140
Central Canada	160	..
Colonial Investment	..	66
Dominion Savings	..	70¼
Hamilton Provident	120	118
Huron & Erie	..	178¾
Landed Banking	..	120
London & Canada	110	108
National Trust	..	150

Morning Sales: Mackay, xd., 25 at 75¼, 45 at 75¼, 10 at 75¼, 2 at 75¼, 25 at 75⅛, 10 at 75, 5 at 75, 15 at 75; do, preferred, 1 at 69¾, 4 at 69¾; Shredded Wheat, 125 at 30⅛, 25 at 30⅛, 50 at 30⅛, 10 at 30¼, 50 at 30¼, 80 at 30⅜, 100 at 30½, 50 at 30⅝, 100 at 30¾, 100 at 3¾, 100 at 30⅞, 50 at 31, 5 at 31, 50 at 31, 5 at 31; Bank of Hamilton, 7 at 199, 3 at 199, 5 at 200; Colonial Loan, xd., 100 at 66, 25 at 66, 15 at 67, 10 at 66; Sao Paulo, xd., 25 at 154, 25 at 154, 25 at 153⅞, 75 at 153⅞; Rio, 100 at 80, 50 at 80, 25 at 80¼, 1 at 80, 25 at 80¼, 25 at 80¼, 25 at 80½, 10 at 81, 1 at 80½; do, bonds, 1,000 at 91⅝; Northern Navigation, 10 at 104, 25 at 104, 10 at 104; Canada Permanent, xd., 40 at 140, 40 at 140, 62 at 140, 100 at 140, 100 at 140⅛, 10 at 140; General Electric, xd., 37 at 104; R. & O., 25 at 77; Twin City, 25 at 96½, 5 at 96½, 25 at 96½, 10 at 96⅝, 10 at 96¾; Toronto Railway, xd., 25 at 108¾, 1 at 108¾, 25 at 108¾; La Rose, 10 at 6.50; City Dairy, 10 at 15.

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Ontario Loan	133
Ontario Loan, 20% paid	85
Toronto Mortgage	113
Dominion Steel, bonds	112
Electrical Development, bds.	79
Laurentide Paper, bonds	82½
N. S. Steel, bonds	106
Rio, bonds, 1st mortgage	100
	92 91¾

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE MARKET

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

The rain was the cause of a small attendance today.

Only one load of hay was offered, and it sold for $10 per ton; the best quality of hay will bring $11 per ton quite readily, and a good demand may be expected tomorrow.

No oats offered; they will sell quickly when offered.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

Last week there was a large quantity of poultry offered at the market. So far this week the supply has been light, and as prices were the highest in years, it would indicate that there is very little held by the farmers. Turkeys were the principal fowl required, and at Tuesday's market they sold as high as 20c per lb wholesale. Geese, ducks and chickens were also sold at considerably higher prices than a week ago.

Grain—Oats are firmer, as the supply of late has been small; prices range from $1 10 to $1 18 per cwt; barley sells at $1 15 per cwt; wheat steady, at 91c per bu.

Hay and Straw—Hay is steady, at $10 to $11 per ton; the demand is fairly brisk. Straw is in fair demand, at $6 50 and $7 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—There is no change in the price of butter; sales are made at 23c to 24c for crocks and rolls in wholesale lots. Fresh-laid eggs sell at 30c per dozen wholesale; cold storage stock at 25c per dozen in crate lots.

Apples—During the week there was a brisk demand and prices were firm, at $3 50 per barrel for choice Spies, while Greenings and Baldwins sell at $2 50 per barrel; prices by the bag range from 80c to $1 50, according to quality.

Potatoes—Trade is dull at present in this line; prices are steady, at 60c per bag wholesale and 65c retail.

Poultry—Turkeys are selling at 19c to 20c per lb wholesale; geese are higher, at 11c to 12c per lb; ducks, 11c per lb; chickens, 9c per lb alive, 11c dressed; old fowl, 6c per lb alive, 8c dressed.

Dressed Hogs—Trade is slow at present, and will likely continue so until the butchers have disposed of the bulk of their supply, which they laid in before Christmas; prices at present are $8 and $8 25 per cwt.

Live Hogs—There was no shipment from here on Monday, as the packing companies are overhauling their plants; it is expected that a shipment will be made from here next Monday, and from present indications the prices will be about $5 75 or $5 85 per cwt.

Butchers' Meats—Beef dull, at $6 to $8 per cwt; veal, $8 50 to $9 per cwt; lamb, 10c per lb; pork, 9c for forequarters and 10c for hindquarters.

Hides—Prices are unchanged, at 8c for No. 1, 7c for No. 2, and 6c for No. 3 grades of cow hides; calfskins, 11c per lb.

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COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 29.—Cotton—Futures closed steady. Closing bids: December, 9.07c; January, 8.72c; February, 8.76c; March, 8.81c; April, 8.87c; May, 8.90c; June, 8.86c; July, 8.88c; August, 8.80c; September, 8.66c; Otober, 8.68c.

Spot closed steady; middling uplands, 9.30c; middling gulf, 9.55c; sales, 3,400 bales.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 30.—Cotton—Futures opened steady; December, 9.08c; January, 8.72c; February, 8.77c bid; March, 8.84c; May, 8.87c; July, 8.93c; August, 8.84c; October, 8.69c.

SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 29.—Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining, 3.17c; centrifugal, 96° test, 3.67c; molasses sugar, 2.92c; refined quiet. Molasses—Quiet.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Sugar—Firm; Montreal granulated, per cwt, in barrels, $4 50; yellow, $4 10; in bags, 5c less; Acadia, in barrels or bags, $4 40; Ontario beet, in barrels or bags, $4 40; No. 2 granulated, in bags, $4 20.

OIL MARKETS.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Dec. 29.—Credit balances, $1 78.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—Oil opened and closed at $1 78.

DAIRY MARKETS

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 29.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 22c to 32c; dairies, 21½c to 25c. Cheese—Firm, 14c to 15¼c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 29.—Butter—Steady; receipts, 11,758 packages; creamery, held, common to special, 23c to 29½c.

Cheese—Quiet and unchanged; receipts, 1,464 boxes.

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Frank S. Evans & Co.

BANKERS AND BROKERS,

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PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Business is still affected by the holidays, but the trade expects a brisk market over the year. The country roads have not been very good, and stocks at country points are probably getting low. Local dealers' quotations are:

Wheat—Ontario No. 2 white, 93c to 93½c outside; No. 2 red, 94c to 95c; No. 2 mixed, 93c to 93½c; Manitoba wheat, spot, No. 1 northern, $1 08 to $1 08½; No. 2 northern, $1 05 to $1 05½; No. 3 northern, $1 03 to $1 03½, on track at lake ports; all-rail, No. 1 northern, $1 13 to $1 13½; No. 2 northern, $1 10 to $1 10½, delivered at Ontario points.

Barley—No. 2, 53c to 55c; No. 3 extra, 52c to 53c; No. 3, 50c to 51c outside.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white, 38c to 39c outside; No. 2 mixed, 37c to 37½c outside; Manitoba No. 2, 43c, on track at lake ports.

Corn—Old, 68c, Toronto freights, for Nos. 2 or 3 yellow; American new No. 2 yellow, 67c; No. 3 yellow, 65c to 65½c, Toronto freights; Canadian No. 2 yellow, 63c.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 56c to 56½c outside.

Peas—No. 2, 85½c to 86c.

Rye—Dull; No. 2, 69½c to 70c.

Flour—Manitoba first patents, $5 80; seconds, $5 30; strong bakers, $5 10; Ontario winter wheat patents, $3 65 to $3 70, in buyers' sacks outside.

Millfeed—Bran, $19 50 to $20 50 per ton in bags, outside; shorts, $22 to $23 in bags, outside.

COBALT

Stocks bought and sold.

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LEATHER MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Leather—Sole leathers continue active, but harness leathers are very dull. Local quotations are:

Spanish Sole—No. 1, for jobbing, 27c to 29c; No. 2, 26c to 28c; No. 1, for manufacturing, 25½c to 27c; No. 2, 24½c to 26c; No. 2, 22½c to 24c.

Oak Sole—No. 1, 27c to 29c; No. 2, 26c to 28c; No. 1 oak sole bends, 43c to 45c.

Slaughter Sole—Heavy, 29c to 30c; medium, 28c to 29c; light, 28c to 29c.

Harness Leather—No. 1 union oak, 34c to 35c; rejected, 32c to 33c; No. 2, 31c to 32c.

Hemlock Country Harness—No. 1, 28c to 30c; No. 2, 25c to 28c.

Upper—Heavy, 40c to 47c; light and medium, 43c to 50c; grained, 15c to 17c; kip skins, French, 75c to $1; veal kips, Canadian, 55c to 70c; hemlock calf, 60c to 75c; imitation calf, $1 19 to $1 49.

Splits—Light and medium, 22c to 24c; heavy, 22c to 24c; junior, 20c to 22c; enamel cow, per foot, 20c to 22c; pebble grain, 12c to 14c; buff, 14c to 17c; colored buff, 17c to 19c; russets, extra heavy, per dozen, $12 to $13; shoe russets, per lb, 50c to 55c; russets, No. 2, all grades, 35c to 40c.

ALL GOOD COBALT STOCKS

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BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Dec. 29.—Beans—Spot, $2 15 asked; January, $2 15 asked; May, $2 20 asked.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Baled Hay and Straw—Trade is very quiet and prices have not varied much during the week, but are rather easy. Prices in car lots on track here are:

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $11; inferior, $8 to $10.

Straw—The range is from $7 to $7 50, according to quality.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—It was another small market today, with only 31 loads all told of stock offering, and including only about 580 head of cattle. Trade, however, was quite brisk, and everything cleared out at firm prices. There is not so much demand for the choicer quality high-priced butcher cattle as there is for a medium class of useful butcher stuff at moderate prices. The demand is good for butcher cows, and a few good export steers and bulls are wanted. The Christmas trade has evidently been good, as the wholesale butchers are steadily coming into the market again and their buyers are receiving orders to get busy.

Exporters—While there is only a small amount of vessel space available, what there is must be filled, as it is held by contract. To this extent there is a good demand for a few loads of export cattle, steers and bulls. A good load of steers, about 1,300 lbs, sold at $5 35. A small lot sold at $5 25. Export bulls are firm, at $4 25 to $4 50. Medium quality bulls, $3 75 to $4.

Butchers—There was a fairly active demand for butcher cattle, both choice and medium. The small supply was soon cleared out.

Lambs—Steady and unchanged.

Sheep—Unchanged.

Hogs—Steady and unchanged.

The run all told was 11 loads, with 207 head of cattle, 628 sheep and lambs, 27 hogs and 3 calves.

Butcher Cattle—Market firm.

Lambs—Firmer.

Export Cattle—Steady.

Hogs—Market steady; select hogs, $5 75, f. o. b.; fed and watered, $6.

Milch cows and Springers—Market was steady to firm for good stock, but easier for poor quality.

Feeders—Steers and good short-keep steady to firm, at $3 to $3 80.

Stockers—Market quiet, but prices were steady for best stock.

Common Butcher Cattle—Steady.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000 head; steady; beeves, $3 65 to $6 75; Texans, $3 60 to $4 45; westerns, $3 60 to $5 65; stockers and feeders, $2 70 to $4 80; cows and heifers, $1 50 to $5; calves, $7 to $9 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 50,000 head; generally 10c lower; light, $5 to $5 70; mixed, $5 30 to $5 90; heavy, $5 30 to $5 90; roughs, $5 30 to $5 55; good to choice heavy, $5 50 to $5 90; pigs, $4 to $5; bulk of sales at $5 45 to $5 80.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000 head; strong; natives, $2 75 to $5 25; westerns, $2 75 to $5 25; yearlings, $5 25 to $5 75; lambs, natives, $4 50 to $7 85; westerns, $4 75 to $7 05.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 30.—Cattle—Steady; prime steers, $6 50 to $7. Veals—Receipts, 850 head; active and 25c lower, $7 to $9 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 15,300 head; slow and 25c to 35c lower; heavy and mixed, $5 85 to $6; Yorkers, $5 50 to $6; pigs, $4 to $5 50; roughs, $5 25 to $5 40; stags, $4 to $4 75; dairies, $5 50 to $5 75.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 12,000 head; sheep active and steady, lambs slow and 40c to 50c lower; lambs, $5 to $7 60, closing at $7 50; yearlings, $6 to $6 25; ewes, $4 25 to $4 50; sheep, mixed, $2 to $4 65.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Dec. 29.—Canadian cattle are at from 12c to 13½c per lb; refrigerator beef, 10c to 11c per lb.

ENGLISH MARKET.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 30.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 11d. Futures steady; December, 7s 11¾d; March, 7s 7½d; May, 7s 7⅛d.

Corn—Spot, new American mixed (via Galveston), steady, 5s 5d. Futures quiet; January, 5s 3⅛d; March, 5s 2⅞d.

Hams—Short cut dull, 43s.

Bacon—Long clear middles, light, easy, 46s; do, heavy, dull, 45s; clear bellies, easy, 54s 6d.

COBALT STOCKS WERE IRREGULAR

Several Ups and Downs in List of Mining Shares Yesterday Morning.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Cobalt mining stocks on the Toronto Stock Exchange curb were quite active and steady this morning. On the Standard there was a manifest gloominess caused by the sudden death of the secretary, Mr. George Dunstan. Before adjourning the members of the Standard passed the following resolution:

"That the members of the Standard Stock and Mining Exchange, being now in session, desire to express their deepest sympathy with Mrs. Dunstan and the members of the family of the late George Dunstan, who for many years was secretary of the exchange, and the members wish to place on record their appreciation of his faithful work and energy in guarding the interests of the exchange.

"The exchange has sustained a loss not only as a corporate body, but the individual members will feel a personal loss of a great friend."

Toronto, Dec. 29.—The closing quotations on the Standard Mining Exchange today were:

	Asked.	Bid.
Amalgamated	12	11½
Beaver Consolidated	25	24½
Buffalo	3.70	2.50
Chambers-Ferland	87	85
City of Cobalt	2.55	2.50
Cobalt Central	54	52½
Cobalt Lake	17	16½
Coniagas	680	6.50
Crown Reserve	2.61	2.59
Elkhart	23	15
Foster	42	40
Gifford	19	18
Green-Meehan	25	19
Hudson Bay	350.00	240.00
Kerr Lake	8.62½	8.25
La Rose	6.45	6.25
Little Nipissing	42½	42
McKinley-Darragh	1.00	97
Nancy Helen	80	70
Nipissing	10.50	10.12½
Nova Scotia	61¾	61½
Otisse	47	45
Peterson Lake	34½	34¼
Right of Way	4.00	3.00
Rochester	21½	20½
Silver Leaf	12¼	12
Diamond Vale	16½	14

THOUSANDS ARE BURIED ALIVE

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connection with the rescue work. The rescuers had to contend with a superstition, so deep-rooted in the Sicilian mind, that in many instances injured men and women clung to crumbling walls, refusing to let go their hold and seek a safer position.

Palace and Hovel Gone.

As further facts concerning stricken Messina become available, they corroborate in every detail the worst fears heretofore expressed. The cathedral, municipality buildings, the barracks, and the prisons, are all destroyed, and presumably all the smaller buildings shared the same fate. Of two hundred and eighty railway employees in the station at Messina, only eight are known to have survived, while at Reggio the silence of death leaves to the imagination the terrible havoc wrought by the catastrophe, with the horrible inrush of the sea, the swallowing up of boats, the crushing of ships, and the destruction in bridges and walls. The sea became almost instantly covered with debris after the upheaval, containing refuse of every description, dotted with human bodies.

Shore Line Changed.

When day dawned, the entire shore line of the surrounding country was utterly changed in appearance. The coast line was almost entirely altered, while of all the magnificent houses along the shore only a few tottering ruins remained. From these ruins from time to time there sprang jets of flame, and smoke.

King Victor Emmanuel and the Queen, who left yesterday for the scene of the disaster, have won the heartfelt thanks and golden opinion of their subjects, by continuing in this novel manner the traditions of the house of Savoy, which makes the sovereign actually share in all the sufferings of his people, no matter how risky they may me.

People with tears in their eyes assisted in the departure of the King and his devoted wife, while a veteran, pointing to his majesty, said: "This is worthy of the son of King Humbert, who, I remember, risked his life amid the ruins of Casa Micciola when it was destroyed by an earthquake, and stood at the deathbed of Neapolitans when, during the cholera epidemic of 1884, the victims in Naples amounted to a thousand daily, and later personally directed the rescue work during the floods at Denezia."

Messina Completely Destroyed.

Rome, Dec. 30. — The Premier has received a telegrom from Signor Felice, a deputy at Messina, summing up the situation as follows:

"Messina is completely destroyed and razed. The victims may be numbered by tens of thousands. The conflagration, which is still raging, is completing the destruction of the city. Salvage implements, firemen and soldiers, must be sent instantly. The disaster exceeds the wildest imagination."

Mad With Terror.

News reached Catanzaro from the outlying districts in Calabria indicates that 35 towns and villages have been wiped out, with the number of dead in that district alone exceeding 30,000. The few survivors are mad with terror and have fled to the forest-clad mountain slopes, where they are subsisting on roots and the bark of trees.

Stromboli Active.

The volcano Stromboli is active, and the seas around the island are very agitated and dangerous to navigation.

The Pope has telegraphed the archbishop at Palermo a large sum of money and instructed him to proceed to Messina immediately and help the survivors.

From the latest estimates today it is feared that the total number of victims in Sicily and Calabria will reach more than one hundred thousand, while the damage to property will be several hundred millions.

LATEST BULLETINS OF THE DISASTER

Paris, Dec. 30—The Matin's Naples correspondent says that several torpedo boats were destroyed in the harbor at Messina by the tidal wave incident to the earthquake disaster.

Giving further details, the dispatch says that between Messina and Catania, many of the pretty villages where Theocrites laid the scene of his tenderest idylls are terribly ravaged.

The Matin estimates the total number of earthquake victims at 75,000.

A National Fund.

Rome, Dec. 30. — Taking prompt action in the name of Italy's earthquake sufferers a great national committee has been formed to collect funds for their assistance. The committee is headed by the Duke of Aosti, and include the presidents of the senate and the chamber of deputies, the mayor of Rome, and all prominent men in the leading towns. The subscription list has been opened with $40,000 contributed by King Victor Emmanuel. All banks, clubs, civic and commercial associations, and the newspapers have opened subscriptions.

The lord mayor of London has telegraphed that subscriptions have also opened in British colonies.

Rome, Dec. 30.—The latest news concerning the earthquake disaster from Reggio says that several hundred soldiers and members of the police perished, while many others are injured. At Palmi three hundred bodies have been taken from the ruins, while several hundred more are buried at Segnara.

Relief Train Blocked.

Palermo, Dec. 30.—A relief train, dispatched toward Messina in the hope of aiding the earthquake sufferers, was forced to return here, being unable to go further than within twenty kilometres (about ten miles) of the stricken city, on account of demolished tracks. The engineer said that all houses along the route showed effects of the earthquake.

Paris, Dec. 30.—A Palermo dispatch says that a torpedo boat which went to Reggio has returned, being unable to locate the site of the city, and reporting that nothing remained but ruins.

Morgan Gives $10,000.

Rome, Dec. 30.—J. Pierpont Morgan has sent $10,000 for the relief of the earthquake sufferers.

MR. SAUNDERS ON THE TITUS SCHEME

Ex-Water Commissioner Replies to Dr. H. A. McCallum.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Some of the figures and statements made in an interview with Dr. McCallum recently published, are so wide of the mark that perhaps I may be permitted to reply. He makes a valid criticism of the figures I used, and while he does not produce correct ones himself, those that I used were not correct, either. I took as my basis the commissioners' recently published statement that $200,000 would be the cost of the spring water scheme, and that the rest was for mains, etc. This figure, as I supposed, was approximate, the actual sum being $211,000, but the pumping station, amounting to $55,000, must be added, in order to make the system comparable with the Titus scheme. This makes $266,000 as the total cost. Dr. McCallum says $311,000, but he includes the reservoir in the spring water scheme, and not in the Titus proposition, which is manifestly unfair.

The original Titus proposal was to merely deliver the water under pressure. This was subsequently modified to deliver it to the city limits, which is practically what the $266,000 does for the spring water scheme. Each system would require all the mains in the city that are provided for, and therefore this item may be omitted. The method of figuring adopted by Dr. McCallum is just as easy to use as a basis of comparison as the method I used. It is not, however, necessary to get an "expert accountant" to figure it out. Any schoolboy can do the sum in five minutes. Your commissioners in their estimate have provided for the pumping of 2,500,000 gallons per day, at a cost of $13,500 a year. Dr. McCallum asks that we take that figure in comparison with the Titus scheme; but it is manifestly unfair to ask the city's system to pump 2,500,000 gallons and compare it with the Titus proposition to pump 1,500,000 gallons. A fairer method of comparison is to demand equal amounts for each system. Of course, the doctor's idea makes quite a difference to the Titus scheme. It would compel the city to deliver one and a quarter billion gallons in the first five years more than Titus would deliver, which, at the rate of cost given by Titus, would cost him $26,000.

I expected that I was placing my figure too high, when I said $10,062 for one and a half millions a day. The commissioners say $13,500 for two and a half million. Starting with the estimated cost of $266,000, and adding 4 per cent per year for five years with $9,500 pumping expenses, and then for the following three years, changing the expense rate to $15,500, the city scheme will amount to $475,700 at the end of eight years, and these figures are for the delivery of the Titus quantity.

The Titus scheme, when capitalized at the same rate, allowing that payments would be made monthly, as, is probable, would amount to $446,700, at the end of which time we would have in the one case a two and a half million gallon, and in the other case a three million gallon system.

The doctor further states that I seem to be "ignorant of the fact that Mr. Titus offered to pump water for eight years." If he had read my statement through he would not have made such a careless blunder, as I showed my calculations for eight years, not for five, as he claims.

As regard the cost of pumping water by the Titus system, my recollection was that Mr. Titus had stated $21 per million. Engineer Moore tells me that Mr. Titus said $21 to $23, but Dr. McCallum is so anxious to discredit the spring water scheme that he not only demands that the spring water system shall provide one billion gallons more than the Titus scheme, but he even refuses to accept the figures furnished by Mr. Titus himself for the expense of pumping, and jeeringly says: Surely this expert should be able to pump water more cheaply than we can!

Perhaps he could, if we gave him the same job to do, but the doctor, in his anxiety to make out a case for his scheme, overlooks the fact that Titus has to pump the water out of the ground, and the city would surely refuse surface water and demand that it be brought from a depth of approximately 100 feet. Mr. Titus does this by the air pressure method which, while very good, is, admitably, expensive, and after he raises the water to the surface it must then go through another pump to be forced into the main, whereas one pumping is all the city has to do, and that is by the cheap method. Therefore, the figure stated by Titus does not sound at all unreasonable. Taking his lower cost, $21 per daily million, is $7,655 a year, whereas our cost would be at the outside not more than half that. Therefore, three million would cost $11,400 per year more by the Titus plan than by the Springbank plan, and this sum pays 4 per cent interest on a capital expenditure of $285,000. True, the city scheme is estimated to produce half a million less than the other, but the pumps provided are capable of doing much more work, so are the mains, and all that is necessary to add another million gallons is simply to run a pipe a mile or two up the river and collect some more springs, which will gravitate to the pumphouse. This would make the city scheme capable of providing more water than the Titus scheme, and at a cost less by $8,000 a year, forever.

In his fevered anxiety to make out a case, Dr. McCallum says that if Titus can produce three million he can produce thirty million. By the same astute method of logic, he can produce three hundred million, and as neither Titus nor the doctor, nor anyone else, knows the water capacity of the stratum beneath us, the conclusion is manifestly absurd.

All the above reasoning is made on a level basis, and is, therefore, disadvantageous to the city scheme. Titus would compel the city to buy so much water from him whether we needed it or not. It is well known that for many months of the year our water is pumped without the expenditure of a single dollar for coal, but we would have to buy in those months one and a half million gallons a day, and in th later years three million gallons a day, whether we wanted it or not. This is manifestly a great disadvantage in figuring the cost of the scheme. We will not need one and a half million gallons in 1909. The Kilworth scheme will probably last the city for several years, three at the very least. It costs only $125,000. If this is capitalized at 4 per cent, and $4,500 working expenses added, it amounts to only $154,655 in three years. If, at the end of that time, it became necessary to install another section, this could then be done, and at an expenditure of about $7,500 a year for running expenses, we could pump another million gallons for another three years, and add another half-million for the last two years of the period. We would find that the total cost capitalized at 4 per cent would be $413,700. This is, approximately, what would really occur, and it is only fair to the city scheme to keep this in mind.

Another thing which Dr. McCallum makes quite evident is that he is unable to properly compare the purity of the water provided by the two systems. He thinks the spring water should be filtered, but there is no necessity to filter the Titus water. Probably he thinks that the springs yield surface water, but this does not appeal to one's reason. At Springbank the water comes from the earth at perhaps 40 feet above the river and 200 feet below the top hill, which gives at least 150 feet of filtration before the water issues from the ground. Why does he consider this 150 feet inferior to the 100 feet which the Titus water would have? The fact is, that our spring water is not readily contaminated, and that it has stood every test successfully, except one, when samples were taken from a collecting tank, which had been overflowed by an extraordinary flood, the possible repetition of which has been prevented.

W. E. SAUNDERS.

The Late Duncan Graham.

The funeral of Mr. Duncan A. P. Graham, of Lobo, was held from his late residence, lot 14, con. 8, yesterday afternoon to Ivan Cemetery. It was one of the largest ever held in the township. Services were conducted at 1 p.m. by Rev. H. H. Lefferts, of Warwick, N. Y. The pallbearers were Messrs. D. L. Graham, J. Dewar, H. McIntyre, J. Smith, A. McGugan and R. Campbell. The late Mr. Graham was a veteran of the Fenian raid of 1866, having served during these troublesome times at Sarnia. He received a medal, but had not secured the land to which he was entitled, and at the time of his death negotiations were in progress for the procuring of the grant.

VOTE AGAINST WATERWORKS BYLAW AND RIVER WATER

In view of the apparent success of the test-well, which has been sunk by the Hon. Adam Beck on the city property at the foot of Horton street, and the efficiency of the artesian wells elsewhere, a meeting was hurriedly called by telephone to lay the facts, so far as ascertained, before a number of large ratepayers. After careful consideration this meeting came unanimously to the conclusion that, having regard to the probable success of the artesian well scheme, it would be most unwise to pass the bylaw for the expenditure of $441,000 at present before the electors.

The ultimate object of the bylaw appears to be to prepare for the USE OF RIVER WATER FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES. This is shown by the provision of pumps of 9,000,000 gallons capacity in the north end of the city, while the engineer estimates that not more than 800,000 gallons of spring water is apparently available on the north branch. No attempt is made to satisfy the underwriters. The undersigned, therefore, without desiring to have the appearance of dictating to their fellow citizens as to the course they should pursue, would respectfully urge them to defeat the bylaw.

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SUAVE MANAGER WALTZES AWAY

Rude Canadians at Chatham and Brantford Had Thrown Bricks.

Detroit, Dec. 30. — "The Female Drummer" has ceased to march.

Robert Wallace, the debonair young manager, with scarlet tie and coat of stylish cut, has decamped to Buffalo, with Mrs. Walters and the savings of the troupe; a dozen were lucky enough to reach their homes the day before Christmas, and another dozen the day after; three young and pretty girls dragged themselves into the Brush street station at 12 o'clock last night, to report that two unhappy damsels still await deliverance at St. Catherine's.

Miss Helen Valrae, the leading lady, is back in her luxurious home at Richmond, her Thespian ambitions renounced forever, and all others for the time being. It all happened in the last two weeks.

But, oh! that manager. He seemed so nice. He said he lived at the Pontchartrain, and that he had bought the costumes from a musical comedy of sparkling fame, but not a word did he mention about having canceled the order. He jollied so, and made love to all the girls when Mrs. Walters' back was turned. How was one to know?

He said he had managed Hilda Thomas and various other enterprises of standing, and foretold a huge success.

Walters regarded "props" as something easily dispensed with; costumes went in the same category. Well, Chatham was the first town played. The audience grew impolite—even the deadheads. The manager, not being impervious to certain hints, left his temporary vocation of ticket-seller momentarily, while he went in to inspect the house. Forthwith his attitude towards the performance lacked respect.

"Take that thing off this stage," he directed the urbane Walters, "or there'll be murder done here tonight." His prophetic utterance was almost fulfilled by the appearance of a brick hurled from unknown parts at the comedian, but which swerved slightly short of its circuit, alighting on the elbow of Miss Lola McNeil, pianist. Naturally, this put Miss McNeil out of business and brought the curtain down with a bang.

The Woodstock engagement was cancelled, and Brantford surpassed Chatham in flagrant want of tact. One or two prudent Thespians had already scented treachery in the wind and taken flight.

The last few days spent at the Grand Central Hotel by the heroines who held the St. Catherine's fort was "awful."

Stella Luzon, who replaced Helen Valrae in the leading role, was one of the three to come in last night; Lola McNeil and Yvonne May the others.

"We let all the other girls go first because we knew we could get money from home," said May Luzon, a decidedly attractive girl. "It seems almost too good to be true that we are going to have a night's sleep at last. My, it will feel fine. Not that we exactly starved. I simply made the advance agent pay our board bill because he had secured a petition from the mayor and collected something on it. He did cheat us as it was by getting transportation for ten and only letting us have enough for three.

"Mrs. Walters came into our dressing-room a few nights ago, and made an insinuation about her husband to me. I began to cry and Anna Webster was so sorry for me, besides being unnerved by all the trouble, that she went into convulsions, and they had to get three doctors.

"That awful Walters took money from each of us to get a pair of black silk tights apiece, and then gave us pink cotton. He borrowed $15 from me. The day he left he just walked out of the hotel, after borrowing $2 from the hotelkeeper, and said 'Goodbye, Margie' to the little girl. We never dreamed that he was deserting us."

HIDES, TALLOW, WOOL.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Hides—Toronto dealers are paying for city butchers' stock: No. 1 green inspected steer hides, 60 lb and up, 10c per lb; No. 2, 9c per lb; No. 1 inspected cows, 9½c per lb; No. 2, 8½c per lb.

Calfskins—Nos. 1 and 2, green, 12c per lb.

Sheepskins—Present kill, 85c to 90c.

Horsehair—Farmers' or peddlers' stock 30c per lb.

Toronto dealers are paying for country stock, laid down here: Hides—Cured, all weights, 9½c to 9¾c.

The prices for stock being paid by dealers at country points are 9c to 9¼c; calfskins, cured, 13c to 14c; sheepskins, present take-off, 60c to 85c; horsehides, No. 1, $3.

Tallow—Solid, in barrels, No. 1 stock, 6c per lb; cake, No. 1 stock, 6½c.

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City and District

—Mrs. Southen, 4 Leslie street, West London, begs to thank all those who so kindly helped her and family during her husband's illness, and for the pleasant and happy Christmas afforded.

—Mrs. J. McNab, King street, received Christmas greetings from her nephew, Rev. W. H. Sallmon, from Yale College, Shanghai, China. He purposes returning to America in the spring, and will take up work at Yale University, Conn. He will reside in New Haven.

Inquest Today.

The inquest into the death of the baby which was thrown from the window of the Sarnia express on the Grand Trunk, near Komoka, last week will be held this afternoon before Coroner Mitchell.

A Christmas Tree.

Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Hartle, of 463 York street, gave their Band of Love classes a home Christmas tree on Monday night. The tree was loaded down with presents. Mr. Jones, of Horton street, presided over the evening. All enjoyed a pleasant evening, and thanked Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Hartle, and wished them a very happy New Year.

Barbers Elect Officers.

The annual meeting of the Journeymen Barbers' Union was held the other evening, and the following were elected: President, H. Smith; vice-president, J. J. White; corresponding secretary, C. McCallum; financial secretary, J. E. Secker; treasurer, A. Link; guard, J. Pennicott; guide, J. Walsh; auditors, S. Palmer, J. Trotham, C. Macindoo.

Presentations at Webster & Kernohan's.

On Tuesday evening last the employees of Webster & Kernohan, coal and wood yard, on receipt of their annual Christmas gifts of fine turkeys from the firm, gathered together and presented Mr. Webster with a pair of gold cuff links, and Mr. Harry Mitcheltree with a handsome stickpin, beautifully engraved, also Mr. Samuel Clare, yard foreman, with a beautiful gold-mounted umbrella. Although taken completely by surprise, the recipients made a few happy remarks, and thanked their fellow workers for their kindness in remembering them in such a generous manner.

Annual Entertainment.

About 100 members of the primary classes of Wellington Street Methodist Church were present last night, when the annual entertainment was held in the schoolroom. The affair proved a most enjoyable one. There were two Christmas trees, and the little ones received many presents. During the evening a number of songs and recitations were rendered by the primary classes. The entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Alice Case, superintendent of the primary department. Rev. H. A. Graham gave a brief opening address.

Belmont Man Wedded.

The marriage took place in St.Paul's Church, Toronto, at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, Rev. Canon Cody officiating, of Miss Florence Emma Podmore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Podmore, to Dr. George MacIntyre Campbell, Navarre, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, Belmont, Ont. The church was decorated with Christmas wreaths and flowers. Mr. Podmore gave away his daughter, who looked extremely pretty in her beautiful wedding gown of embroidered Brussels net, made in empire fashion, over white satin, with directoire sash; her veil was also of the embroidered net, with wreath of orange blossom and white heather, and she carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses and white sweet peas; her present from the bridegroom was a handsome cameo pendant, surrounded with pearls. The matron of honor, Mrs. Wm. R. Frankish, wore an empire directoire gown of satin charmeuse, with Irish lace, large black picture hat with strings, and carried pink roses. Mr. Wm. R. Frankish was best man, and Mr. Ralph Yeolands and Mr. O. M. Ross acted as ushers. After the ceremony a reception was held at 159 Davenport road by Mrs. Podmore, who was wearing a princess gown of mauve satin, with Irish lace, and hat to match. The bride's table was decorated with pink and white roses. Dr. and Mrs. Campbell left for New York on their wedding trip, the latter wearing a becoming tailor-made gown of brown broadcloth, with pale blue picture hat. On their return they will reside at Navarre, Ohio.

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A SMALL MEETING IN EAST END HALL

Water Issues Were Discussed at Length by Two Speakers.

SMALL CROWD OF ELECTORS

Judging by the Meeting the People Are Not Very Greatly Interested in the Campaign.

Only about 75 persons were present in the East End Hall last night when the water bylaw which is to be voted on next week, was discussed.

The speakers were Mr. J. M. Parsons, candidate for the mayoralty, and Commissioner Fred. J. Darch.

Both dwelt exclusively with the water bylaw and some interesting information was given out. Mr. George Burdick was in the chair and called upon Mr. Parsons to speak first.

"I am sorry," said Mr. Parsons, "that Londoners are so indifferent to the important matters at stake We are, as it were, all members of a joint stock company. We are all interested and it is our duty to take an interest in our city. It is to be regretted that politics has been allowed to play such a large part in our city affairs. I am particularly interested in the waterworks bylaw. There have been two schemes voted on by the ratepayers and they both went down. The present bylaw is the old one that was voted on last summer with the filtration cut out. You did not want to take it then. I think the commissioners are too anxious and are spending too much money in trying to get you to take it now. The commissioners have overdone this policy.

Not Large Enough.

"The water scheme as presented is not large enough for London at the rate she is progressing. If the present scheme is adopted it will only serve for a short time and then will have to be done over. In Toronto where they have the lake at their doors their reservoir ran short even in the winter. That shows you that no matter how large your supply may be there is always danger as long as the water is wasted. There is only one cure for waste—that is to measure or meter it. People then pay for exactly what they get, and the man who has been wasting water will not long continue to do so. The fire underwriters have shown us that we have a natural reservoir for fire purposes in the Thames River. They urge us to adopt the high-pressure system. It has been said that the underwriters would not allow you to put river water from a high-pressure plant on your streets.

Benefit of High Pressure.

"I took the trouble to go down to Toronto and see the underwriters. They stated most emphatically that we could use the water on the streets. The difference in the rate to be given us in case we did this was very slightly more than if we used it for a high pressure fire system only. Wherever the suggestions of the fire underwriters have been complied with a substantial reduction in insurance rates has taken place. Messrs. Robinson, Little & Co., by putting in a fire sprinkler system, according to the underwriters' demands, have saved $5,000 a year on their insurance.

"The fire underwriters tell us that if we put in a high pressure system we will get a very substantial reduction. A citizen has a letter from them saying that the reduction will be 25 per cent. You may have noted that London is not getting so many factories as formerly, yet never before in Canada's history have so many factories been built in this country. It occurs to me that while we keep ourselves in the position we are today we are not going to get many new industries. Many of our factories are going outside the city limits. Why? To get cheaper taxes. I would like to see London in a position to say that we have the best fire-fighting and water system in the country.

Water Scheme Criticised.

"If we got a high pressure system, as the underwriters suggest, we would be able to say we have the best fire system in the country. The commissioners' system, as proposed, calls for an expenditure of $441,000. A high pressure system such as the underwriters ask will cost $150,000, and give you a better system at that. I am satisfied that if at the recent Westman fire we had a high pressure system we would have had Chief Clark with us now. It has been said that New York is dissatisfied with her high pressure system. If so, it must be owing to faulty construction due to grafting contractors. A true high pressure system is unsurpassable for fire protection. The model high pressure system is what is known as the unit system. We could have seven pumps. If one breaks, the others come to its rescue. We have this at Springbank. We have a pumping capacity of 10,000,000 gallons to pump 4,000,000 gallons of water for the city. The underwriters told me last week to tell Londoners to metre Springbank and put in a high pressure system, and all the trouble will disappear.

"The commissioners claim that since 1890 the council have received $400,000 from the commissioners, but I find that they have forgotten to tell you that every year there has been special legislation to spend sums on capital account. One year the commissioners took $50,000, another year $15,000, and so on. If you look up the figures you will find that nearly $400,000 has been taken away and spent. This is simply putting the money in one pocket and taking it out of the other.

"I think the commissioners made a good move in reducing the water rates, and they can reduce it more yet.

Comparison of Cost.

"Cleveland gets its water for 5 1-3 cents per thousand gallons, while we pay 20 cents for ours. I know that there is a cheaper and better scheme for solving London's water supply than that offered by the commissioners. Hon. Adam Beck favors the Titus scheme, and is shrewd enough to see that Titus has no patent on his scheme, and that we can do ourselves all that he can do. We would be foolish to pay Titus a large sum for what we can do ourselves. I ask you to vote the water bylaw down."

Cost of Metres.

Asked what would be the cost of metring London, Mr. Parsons said it would not cost one dollar of debenture debt. I have asked the commissioners to let me put in my own metre in my house, and charge me 10 cents a thousand gallons. The commissioners then will make more for the city than they are now making."

"Why should not the business men pay for the high pressure, and not the man with the dinner pail?" asked a voice.

"Did you ever think," said Mr. Parsons, "what happens to the workingman when the manufacturers are burned out? The workingman suffers and it is easier for him to pay the interest on $150.000 than on $441,000."

Commissioner Darch.

Commissioner Darch took exception to Mr. Parsons' statement that the underwriters would allow the citizens to use the high pressure system for street watering. The underwriters, he said, were at the time Winnipeg's high-pressure system was completed, completely satisfied with it. Now they are holding off giving a reduction in rates on a pretext regarding the street railway lines being a menace to the firemen. This is a trick of the underwriters, and they have been working it everywhere.

Until the underwriters give us a definite reduction it may not be wise for us to put it in. Mr. Darch had asked Mr. Howe if the water from the high-pressure system could be used for manufacturing or street watering. Mr. Howe said no.

The Water Rates.

The reason the water rates were not reduced this year was because the estimated revenue did not quite equal the estimated expenditure. He did not think it was fair to the consumer to ask him to pay a share of a high-pressure system which the manufacturers would enjoy and get a reduction in rates from. Until the underwriters give in writing a definite reduction nothing should be done. He thought if high-pressure were adopted special apparatus would be necessary to handle the streams. Mr. Darch advocated getting more fire engines. The Komoka scheme had been defeated, and the hydraulic pumping end of it was eliminated, but was put to the people again. It was defeated worse than before. Filtration, as straight filtration, was all right in some cases, but Londoners want spring water.

The Titus Scheme.

In regard to the Titus scheme, Mr. Darch said it was an expensive one. Mr. Titus was figuring on a basis of what the citizens are paying for water now. For thirty years the Titus scheme would cost London $135,000, more than the expensive Komoka scheme. Auditor Jewell figured it out and came to the same result. The cost to pump the water would be at least $18 per million gallons. It costs $10 per million gallons today at Springbank. If the people vote down everything else, the commissioners will have to submit a high-pressure system. The present scheme is the only one that will give spring water. New pipes must be laid to pipe the new supply. Only so much water can go through a pipe, and so no matter what system is installed $130,000 must be spent for piping. Titus must have thought he was not going to get water in the city, because the contract submitted by him practically says so.

As to Wells.

The commissioners had tried sinking wells unsuccessfully. Sulphur water had been found in practically every instance.

Mr. Darch did not think it wise to go ahead with all these schemes when there was so much spring water available. In Cronyn and White springs were 800,000 gallons. Many small springs might also be developed. At Kilworth there is much spring water. It was possible that 1,500,000 might be developed in the eastern springs. Mr. Darch contradicted Mr. Parsons' statement that while the commissioners had given the city $400,000 they had taken it back in another way. The total sum expended in this way was only $138,000.

The council had taken much of the money, and the commission could not help it.

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CADET CORPS HAD A MERRY TIME

Annual Banquet of Collegiate Lads in City Hotel Last Night.

The annual reunion dinner of the London Collegiate Cadet Corps which was held in the City Hotel last night, was an unqualified success.

About seventy-five of the students and their friends partook of the good cheer provided. The tables were tastefully decorated, and the walls draped with the Union Jack, which with the neat uniforms of the cadets, made a very bright and martial scene.

The students gave themselves up to enjoyment as has been the case with all students since time began, the enjoyment took the form of noise and all went merrily.

Then Dr. Downing made his voice heard above the clamor, calling for order. The type was changed, but the merriment of the evening flowed on unabated, and under the genial guidance of Dr. Downing, toast followed toast, each filled with happily-chosen stories and witty sayings, and there was not a dull moment in the evening.

The Toast List.

The toast list was as follows:

"The King," "God Save the King."

"Canada and the Empire," proposed by Major Beattie, M. P., and responded to by Hon. Adam Beck, M. P.P., and Sheriff Cameron.

"The Militia of Canada," proposed by Capt. Murphy of the Seventh Fusiliers, and responded to by Capt. Reason, of B Squadron.

"Our Instructors," proposed by F. W. C. McCutcheon, and responded to by Neil Gray and Capt. Gregory.

"The Corporation of the City of London," Mayor Stevely.

"Our Guests," proposed by H. E. Buttrey and responded to by B. C. McCann.

"Cadets, Past and Present," S. J. Radcliffe, Capt. Greer, ex-Capt. aYrker, ex-Capt. Dann, Lieut. McBride.

"The Ladies," proposed by Sergt. Stevely, and responded to by Color Sergt. Williams.

Many complimentary references were made to the Cadet Corps during the evening, which always called forth hearty applause. The evening was one that will be long remembered, not only by the Cadet Corps themselves, but by all who partook of their hospitality last night.

CHATHAM NOMINATIONS.

Chatham, Dec. 30.—Of the forty candidates who were nominated for council, it is expected that twenty will stand for election. The mayoralty contest is between Ald. John Edmonson and Ald. W. H. Westman, both of whom are working very hard for the honor.

Julius Primeau, aged 69, and one of the city's oldest and most respected residents, passed away at his home on Wood street yesterday afternoon. He had been ailing since last July from the effects of injuries which he received in the collapse of a building. He is survived by a wife and a large family. The funeral will take place Thursday.

The friends of Niagara power are making a strenuous effort to get it thoroughly before the electors before it is voted on next Monday. One fact is very apparent, however, and that is, that the virtues of Niagara power should have been thoroughly expounded earlier in the year.

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LONDON TOWNSHIP ELECTORS MEET

Reeve Kimball, Mr. Frank Glass and Others Address the Gathering.

At the meeting of London Township electors, held last evening in the Hamilton road schoolhouse, with a fair attendance of electors, Mr. Thos. Branton was chairman. The affairs of the township were discussed at considerable length.

Reeve Kimball spoke first, dealing with the financial policy of the past council. He pointed out that the expenditure of the township was growing, owing to the increase in school expenditure. About $45 were collected off each 100 acres, of which about $38 went for school rates. He spoke of the expenditure for St. Lawrence Ward, and thought that considerable money could have been saved there. He dealt with the Scanlon drain, and characterized that drain as a failure, not doing the work it was expected to do. He had not intended being a candidate this year, but many friends of his has interviewed him, and in deference to their wishes he had consented to again be a candidate.

Mr. S. Frank Glass followed, and spoke at some length. He dealt with the expenditure of St. Lawrence Ward, of which he had been commissioner. There was no doubt a large amount of money had been expended, but a large portion of it was commuted statute labor, and consequently did not come out of the funds of the township at all. The ward had grown by leaps and bounds, and had now the largest assessment of any ward in the township. The growing suburbs should be looked after. They paid their taxes, a considerable amount each year, and they were entitled to some consideration. Mr. Glass declared that he had introduced business principles in the operations in the ward.

Mr. R. W. Jackson, candidate for first deputy reeve, also spoke. He declared that at the request of a large number of ratepayers he had offered himself for election. He had served them before, and was prepared to give his best services to the people.

Mr. J. H. Hodgins, candidate for first deputy reeve; B. C. Brooks, candidate for second deputy reeve, and Mr. G. E. Hudson, candidate for councillor, also spoke briefly.

A CHILEAN LOAN.

London, Dec. 30. — A Chilean loan of $15,000,000 will be issued in this city next week under the auspices of the Rothschilds. The issue price is 96½, with interest at 5 per cent.

CHOLERA INCREASES.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 30. — The cholera has again increased in this city, owing to the cold weather. There were 26 new cases and four deaths for the 24 hours ended at noon today.

Baggage delivered to any part of the city. Hueston's Liveries.