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GOVERNMENT WILL NOT ASSIST UNEMPLOYED

ONTARIO WILL NOT HELP MEN LACKING WORK

Hon. F. C. Biggs Informs City Official of Government's Decision.

PROBLEM NOT ACUTE

Feeling Prevails That Municipalities Are Able to Care for Jobless.

The province of Ontario declines to render the city of London any financial assistance this winter with respect to unemployment. Official notification to this effect was received this morning by City Engineer H. A. Brazier from the Hon. Frank C. Biggs, minister of highways.

The latter's communication is in response to the inquiry that went forward to Toronto several days ago from the city hall, as to the government's attitude this year, and Mr. Biggs explains that after a thorough consideration of the situation throughout the province it has been decided to take no action.

"The government feels that the unemployment situation is by no means acute," he stated, "and does not justify any expenditure at the present time by the government. Any expenditure incurred by the municipalities must be borne by them. If serious developments occur, of course, it will then become a question of further consideration."

The minister of highways explains further that the issue has also been taken up with the authorities at Ottawa, when it was learned that the federal government is of the same mind. It is felt, from all reports, that conditions have materially improved throughout the Dominion and that there is no real hardship anywhere that cannot be overcome by the separate communities.

This does not mean, of course, that London will halt such work as was commenced early this week for the express purpose of providing employment for such bona fide citizens as were out of work. This work will continue as scheduled, the city engineer reports, and as much work as possible will be offered. "We will employ just as many as we can and split the work up among them, as in other winters," he is proud to say.

City hall authorities explain that one of the features of the past year was that Mayor Wilson and his associates provided in the estimate just such a contingency, and the sum of \$30,000 is available. This amount will do much toward alleviation of the local situation.

Last winter both the federal and the provincial governments shouldered a big share of the expense for a similar undertaking, which relieved the city materially. London received this money two or three months ago, as arranged.

In any event the city's unemployment problem is not considered by any means serious, and everything bids fair for a much better winter season than since before the war.

CITY OF LONDON BILL LIKELY UNESSENTIAL

So Says Dr. Stevenson, M.P.P., With Regard to Sewer Debentures.

There seems to be a broad diversity of opinion as to whether the new council will be able to weather the storm of 1923 without the assistance of the City of London bill.

Dr. Hugh Stevenson, M.P.P., has a suggestion to offer with respect to the North London sewer debenture issue. While acknowledging that he is not positive upon the point, he believes that this matter can be satisfactorily dealt with by an appeal to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

The member for London gave assurance to The Advertiser today that he would institute definite inquiries in Toronto upon this phase, and would have a reply within a brief period. He believes that by recourse to this body, the city could dispense with the services of the City of London bill, and not a considerable saving.

ANNOUNCE EXTRA TRAINS FOR NEIGHBORING TOWNS

Local officials of the Grand Trunk announce the following extra trains, which will be run today to accommodate the holiday traffic: Extra No. 16, leaving Windsor at 4 p.m. and running through to Toronto, No. 33, running from Hamilton to London, leaving the former city at 3:08; extra No. 172, leaving London at 4:30 for Ottawa.

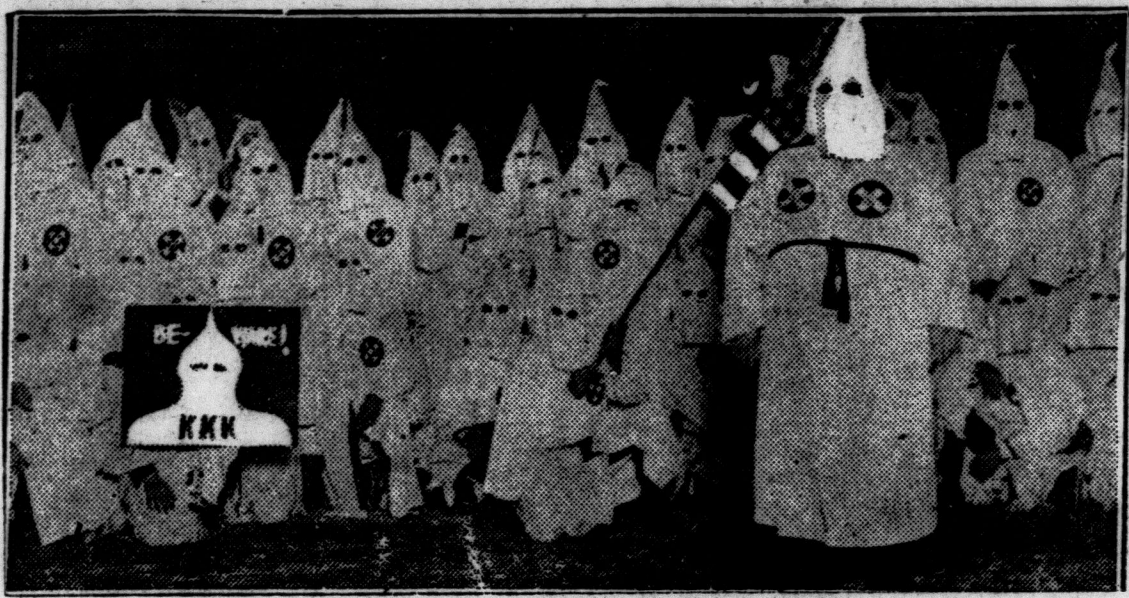
The second section of No. 16 will be run on Monday as well as today.

DECREASE IN FAILURES REGISTERED IN CANADA

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Failures in Canada for the week ending Dec. 22 totaled 76, as compared with the like period of 1921.

is pleasing Christmas news that week's failures are less than those posted upon the Toronto board for only the second week in the history that this has been the case. Week's failures were distributed as follows:

Quebec 20, Manitoba 5, Saskatchewan 10, British Columbia 8, Nova Scotia 5, Newfoundland 5.



"BEWARE SIGNS" CARRIED BY KLU KLUXERS.

Now that the movie colony is shifting from Hollywood to Miami, the Florida Klu Kluxers are making ready to preserve the local morals. This picture of the Miami klansmen was taken just before a midnight parade through the streets of their city en route to Homestead.

CONTINUE TO HUNT FOR HOODED BAND

Additional Troops Search Gloomy Swamps For Clue to Crime.

Special to The Advertiser.

Mer Rouge, La., Dec. 23.—Additional troops converged today upon Moorehouse Parish, where, in a region of muddy lakes and gloomy swamps, the authorities of the law are gripped with a mystery hooded organization with power of life and death over its victims. Another Michigan gun company is en route from New Orleans, and two companies of infantry are on the way. They will be posted in every public building along every road and trail, while federal agents run down the hooded terrorists.

As the troops assembled to reinforce those who are already on the ground, the decomposed torsos of the hooded band were found lying in pine caskets in a lodge room here, awaiting examination by surgeons.

The bodies were disengaged from the bottom of Lake La. Poudre by a terrific explosion early yesterday after they had lain in the mud and ooze there since last August. The men had been bound with wire and thrown into the lake. It is believed members of the hooded mob that killed them dislodged the corpses by setting off dynamite in an attempt to hide them elsewhere.

ORDER OF CRUSADER NEW BRITISH CLUB

Society Similar to Ku Klux Formed in Old London.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

London, Dec. 23.—A secret society similar to the Ku Klux Klan of America and the Fascisti of Italy, is springing up in England, the Daily News declares today. The organization is called the Order of Crusaders. It was founded two years ago, and recently launched an intense recruiting campaign.

Its total strength, however, is kept secret. The garb of the order consists of crimson robes, with a large cross blazoned on the front of the gown. Interviewed, the grand seigneur declared he knew a little of the Ku Klux Klan and the Fascisti, but asserted, "I am not prepared to answer questions as to our relationship until I consult our committee."

"I think the Fascisti would be a good thing for England. Names of the officers of the crusaders are not a secret."

ON ERRANDS OF MERCY. SEARCH CAR FOR BOOZE

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—While out on errands of mercy last night delivering Christmas parcels to the poor, two prominent society women had their car stopped by a man giving his name as Albert Fox, and stating that he was on the provincial police force sent was searching automobiles for liquor. The owners of the car refused to permit a search by Fox, but called the police and drove to the police station, where a search was made. No liquor was found.

HOLIDAY SHOPPERS BREAK ALL RECORDS

New York, Dec. 23.—Holiday buying in New York has broken all records, and \$250,000,000 has been spent by the shoppers here, it was estimated today in business quarters. This sum represents an increase of from 15 to 20 per cent over last year.

Nearly every line of Christmas trade has reported an increase in sales, and more persons than ever have been required to handle the business. In the 5,000 drygoods stores alone nearly 200,000 persons have been employed.

RESUME WORK ON DOCK.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 23.—Resumption of work on the Esquimaux dry dock was formally ordered by Hon. J. H. King, federal minister of public works on his arrival here yesterday. The work is expected to be completed about June, 1924, and will cost a total of \$1,500,000. Tenders for \$500,000 worth of operating plant and equipment will be called for soon.

Lloyd George's Article on Ireland Is On Page Four of This Edition

Lloyd George is writing thirty articles for The London Advertiser—his own views on what has happened and what may happen to the nations of the world. He is telling what he knows, with all the brilliancy, fire and perception which he alone possesses.

Two of these articles have already appeared on the last two Saturdays. The third has now been cabled and is published in this edition on page five. It will also appear on Monday morning.

Today's article deals with Ireland—the drama of her fight for freedom from the days of Gladstone to the signing of the treaty in 10 Downing street a year ago. It is less history than a series of vivid pictures and impressions.

Lloyd George's articles to The Advertiser will appear also on the next three Saturday afternoons and Monday mornings. Thereafter they will be published each second week.

LLOYD GEORGE'S ARTICLES ARE IN THE ADVERTISER ONLY.

OFFICIALS EXPECT MERRY CHRISTMAS

But All Say the Public Can Get in Touch With Them in an Emergency.

Most of the city officials anticipate a quiet Christmas and they will all be within easy call of the city hall should their services be required in the case of an emergency.

None of them will be out of the city. City Building Inspector Piper gives assurance of a quiet time and adds that if the strain becomes too great (two holidays in succession) he may be located at his usual desk in the city hall. "I can get busy on those city hall plans, you know," he commented, "if I get tired of the easy life."

City Engineer Brazier will also spend the day as quiet as possible and can be easily located, he said, should anything develop that would require his attention at once.

The city treasurer, "Jim" Bell, is another who will take advantage of the double holiday and enjoy a period of relaxation, content to leave all questions as to a possible city of London bill to be decided Tuesday morning.

Sam Baker, city clerk, anticipates a real old-fashioned Christmas day, with Christmas tree, everything. There will be a host of relatives and friends at his place, he says, and a real good time is expected.

FRENCH SOCIALIST WILL VISIT CITY

Another International Figure, Eugene Longvaj, May Address London Labor.

London, Ontario, is rapidly assuming a position of no mean importance. It is quickly becoming a regular stop for figures of national importance who visit America from time to time.

The next visitor expected in the near future is Eugene Longvaj, leader of the Socialist group in the French parliament, who is now in New York City. He will visit certain of the more prominent Canadian communities, it is assured.

In regular session last night the members of the local branch of the Canadian Labor Party commented upon his presence on this side of the Atlantic, and it was determined to extend him an invitation to address a public gathering in this city.

Mrs. Ford, who was in a highly nervous condition when she appeared in night court, collapsed when Judge Charles Bartlett announced her release.

TWO PERISH IN FLAMES.

Randolph, Miss., Dec. 23.—George Fausch and John Shea were burned to death when Fausch's shack, on the outskirts of this town, was destroyed early today. Their bodies were found in the ruins. There was nothing to indicate how the fire started.

CANADA BIRTH RATE INCREASED IN 1921

Statistics Show Infant Mortality on Decrease During Same Year.

There were 2,240 more births in the eight provinces of the Dominion, exclusive of Quebec, in 1921 than in 1920, according to vital statistics recently sent out by the Dominion bureau of statistics at Ottawa.

The total for 1920 was 166,739, as compared to 168,979 in 1921. Saskatchewan led the other provinces with a percentage of 30.1.

The records of infantile mortality show that more than 10 per cent of all children born in 1920 died in the first year of life. In 1921, the proportion dropped to 8.3 per cent, or 14,883 deaths in a total of 168,979 births. Deaths of children under one year of age constituted 21.9 per cent of the total in 1920, as compared with 21.4 in 1921. In nearly every province the infantile death rate per 1,000 living births was lower in 1921 than in 1920.

In 1920 there were 59,344 marriages and in 1921 only 51,073, a decrease of 8,271.

The total deaths, all ages, in a population of 6,415,000, is placed for 1921 at 67,722, being a crude death rate per 1,000 of 10.56, as compared with a total mortality of 77,722 in a population of 6,296,000, and a rate of 12.3 per 1,000 in 1920. A decrease in both total numbers and rates as shown for every province.

SAYS DEATH OF BAR IS GOOD CHEER OMEN

Abolishment of Open Saloon Sufficient Reason for Christmas "Cheer."

Washington, Dec. 23.—"Be of good cheer" is the wish of Prohibition Commissioner Haynes in his Christmas message today to "Friends of the eighteenth amendment," in which he declared the success obtained in prohibition enforcement "gave every reason for hopefulness, gratification and congratulations."

"Do not be dismayed," said Mr. Haynes. "There is a nation-wide program of misrepresentation, constituting as it does the most pernicious, most pernicious propaganda to undermine enforcement since the enactment of the amendment."

Citing the abolishment of the open saloon as sufficient reason in itself for "good cheer," other reasons Mr. Haynes said were more impartial observance of the law and greater respect for the constitution by all classes, greater activity of state and other enforcement agencies, reduction in the available beverage supply of bonded liquor and liquor selling, and the fact that the "home brew fad is taking final gasps."

WOODSTOCK PUBLISHER BUYS CHATHAM PAPER

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 23.—The announcement made this morning that the good-will and plant of the Chatham Daily News, along with the weekly Banner-News, together with job printing and bindery, has been acquired by W. J. Taylor, publisher of the Woodstock Sentinel-Review. The formal transfer will take place January 1. The retiring proprietor, A. G. Woodward, has been identified with the News for more than 22 years.

Mr. Taylor will continue his Woodstock publications, but will devote much time to his Chatham interests.

HYDRO RADIALS CAUSE BIG STIR AT HAMILTON

Battle Grows Bitter On Question of Expenditure of Six Millions.

BECK ATTACKS THORNTON

Intimates Head of National Railway and C. P. R. Joined.

Special to The Advertiser.

Hamilton, Dec. 23.—The campaign here over hydro radicals is beginning to warm up. Three meetings were held last night in different parts of the city, two addressed by the pro-radial, and one by the anti-radial speaker.

Sir Adam Beck covered the same ground and produced the same arguments in favor of municipally owned lines as he gave last evening at the I. O. O. F. Hall.

Both meetings were only fairly well attended, many empty seats giving indication of only moderate interest. An incident, which took away any dullness at one gathering, was a passage at arms between two old political antagonists, T. J. Stewart, M.P., and W. O. Sealey, former M.P. here. It grew out of a challenge of Mr. Stewart, who is strongly opposed to the bylaw, issued to Mr. Sealey to point to one radial railway in Canada that was paying. The outcome was a disagreement, which did not have a decided Christmas tone. Mr. Sealey failed to name any road which is making dividends, and Mr. Stewart found no reason for cooling in his opposition to Hamilton's venture for over six millions.

Attacks Thornton.

During all his addresses Sir Adam continued to devote considerable attention to Sir Henry Thornton, and last night, perhaps through a slip of the tongue, he said the head of the National Railway and the C. P. R. were joined. He was thrusting in all directions against possible enemies to radicals, and declared that opposition to this scheme was coming from the C. P. R., and that Sir Henry Thornton seemed unable to realize that he wasn't any longer in the service of private railway companies, but in that of public ownership.

The statement of the new president of the nationals, linked with the imaginary influences of the Canadian Pacific, caused a unit of some form or other in Sir Adam's mind, which the hydro knight didn't make clear enough to amplify or make clear.

He waited the speech of the radical, and he stopped and there a figure breathlessly. As he came nearer they saw he was smiling broadly. In the middle of No Man's Land he stopped and yelled, "Merry Christmas, Canadians."

Enemies Are Friends.

In a moment the enemies had become temporary friends.

"Happy Christmas," gaily wished the men from the Dominion.

"Proches Welcomes and glad wishes New Year," replied the affable foe.

Schooners of good German beer were extracted from bulging pouches, cigarettes lit, and presents exchanged. Both Hun and Canuck, however, remained as wise to their own line as possible. Bully beef was tossed to Henle, and tobacco thrown to the Canadians.

"Here's to you, Fritz," said one young Canadian captain, who was fortunate enough to have traded a plug of chewing tobacco for a pint of beer. "Here's to you—drinking, and may we both be back in our home towns next Christmas."

About Harvey O'Higgins.

Harvey O'Higgins, noted Canadian writer, spent his early years in this city. One Christmas morning when he was a young man the postman came to his door with three envelopes. O'Higgins looked at the address on two of them, saw they were from friends, opened the flaps and withdrew two Christmas greeting cards. The third envelope had the name of a well-known New York publishing firm on the corner. Mr. O'Higgins gazed at it delightedly. No doubt it was a check for that short story he had written. He had never been able to sell a story up to this time, and as the manuscript had not arrived with the letter, he presumed it was acceptance of his story in the form of a substantial check.

He opened the envelope with great gusto and a rejection slip fell out. The embryo writer wept crestfallen.

Chagrin and disappointment spread over his face. His Christmas was ruined.

To make things worse, he had



HEIR TO SPANISH THRONE.

The heir to the Spanish throne, the Prince of Asturias, is shown here (left, front rank) marching in the corporal's position in the Royal Regiment. This photo was snapped as the regiment passed the Royal Palace in Madrid after returning from battle manoeuvres.

Unusual Christmases Told By Soldiers and Civilians

Recalls Days of War in France, When the Enemy Became a Friend, With the Exchange of Cigarettes and Yuletide Gifts.

From the time that flint-haired old Scrooge had his Christmas dream to that frigid day when heroic Captain Scott, alone in a vast Antarctic waste, scribbled the last words of his diary, the Yuletide has been fraught with odd experiences.

Londoners can tell you a thing or two about Christmas. Right here in the prosperous homes of merry citizens, the festival does not pass without leaving memories of rollicking comedy and often sombre drama. Memories of sorrow, too, for some, and thoughts of dreary adventure in lands where cheer and sadness stalk arm in arm.

Diffident persons dislike telling the story of the "most unusual Christmas" they ever had. But the reporter, displaying commendable persistency, managed to extract from them some peculiar tales of past Christmas.

Yuletide in Ireland.

In 1918 it was thought in Ireland that the yuletide spirit would prohibit the possibility of bloodshed.

Michael Mulcahy, now trainman in London, was arranging a Christmas tree in his mother's home in Dublin.

He had affixed electric bulbs to the branches, and expected a fine old time for the children. That evening they poured into the house and gazed with startled eyes at the myriad array of good things appended to the tree.

While gifts were being distributed a crash of shot and gunfire proclaimed the approach of republicans. The bullet struck an electric fuse, and the lights were extinguished. The children were promptly sworn eternal allegiance to the rebels, and the allotment of the gifts was allowed to continue uninterrupted.

"But we were terrorized," said Mulcahy. "Because every single one of us were antagonistic to the republic. That's why crossed the pond to spend my Christmas in Canada."

Awoke in France.

In 1917, said Col. Eric Reid to The Advertiser, the boys awoke in France on Christmas Day. Now, the Canadians were ever noted for their sobriety overseas. But on Christmas everyone was given a large portion of rum. The officers and men visited each other, and in honor of the day, received tumblers of sparkling wine from the various O. C.'s of the unit. We were to entertain the general that day, and our colonel would not allow the band to take any alcohol, because he wished them to play in the general's honor. Six o'clock arrived, and the general with it. The feast was all set. The band was asked to play the National Anthem, but all that appeared was a lone clarinet player, the others having disappeared. A cache of rum and, taking advantage of the spirit of fellowship, had participated not wisely, but too well. Ordinarily, they would have been court-martialed, but the yuletide spirit prevailed, and they were allowed to enjoy their lark unpunished.

South African Tales.

Tales worthy of the most sensational fiction have been told of incidents on Christmas Day. In the city are veterans of the South African war, who entertained themselves killing off Boers on Dec. 25, 1900. Interviewed today, many recalled past yuletide adventures, but all look forward to Christmas of 1922 beside a crackling grate fire at home.

Christmas carols shall be dispensed with, and that the figure of an angel may not be displayed on a Christmas tree appearing in public.

Instead, the celebration plans call for torchlight processions, masked balls, dinner parties and gay theatre performances day and night, together with various other forms of amusement designed to suppress and offset any religious ceremonies. The young communists contend that Christmas legends have fooled children and their elders long enough, and that everyone should know better.

Canadian Press Cable.

Moscow, Dec. 23.—Santa Claus is said to find Christmas little to his liking in the principal cities and towns of Soviet Russia this year; in fact, to the young communists he will be "person non grata."

Members of that organization contending that Christmas and St. Nicholas both are worn-out myths, have announced that the celebration of the Russian Christmas, beginning Jan. 8, will be marked by a series of elaborate carnivals, in which Santa Claus will be assigned no part. They have further decided that the singing of

POLICE BOARD LOWER BUS FEE TO \$5 A SEAT

Action Taken at Special Meeting Last Night by Commissioners.

WENIG'S SUGGESTION

Bus Operators Must Take Out \$15,000 Liability Guarantee, Says Council.

Police commissioners, at a special meeting last evening, reduced the omnibus tax of \$10 per seat to \$5 a seat. None of the other clauses of the bylaw, which was passed at the November 21 session, were amended or deleted.

When the bus operators were first given copies of the bylaw, early this month, they at once called a meeting of protest, and were unanimous that the tax the commissioners sought to levy was prohibitive. They engaged counsel, and placed the matter before the council. The aldermen suggested that the tax be cut in two.

Mayor-Elect George Wenig, Ald. Albert Judd, and others, declared at the time that a fee of not more than \$5 a seat was sufficient.

The bylaw will go into effect January 1.

Friday's session was the result of the vigorous protest registered by the bus men and by various civic officials.

Operators will be required to file a bond with the city treasurer before obtaining their licenses. They must take out a guarantee liability of \$15,000 for the protection of the traveling public, and of \$1,000 for damage cases.

The commissioners decided not to alter the clause, which provides that only passengers for whom seats are provided can be carried.

Under the bylaw, as it now stands, the buses are only allowed to stop for the purpose of letting off or taking on passengers.

BURIES WIFE ALIVE IN OZZING LIME PIT

Chauffeur Kills Mother of His Children to Marry Another Woman.

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 23.—Abraham Becker, chauffeur, tried on a charge of slugging his wife and burying her alive in a lime pit, was found guilty of first degree murder by a Bronx jury early today.

Becker, in which convicted Becker is alleged to have killed the mother of his two children so he would be free to marry another woman.

Mrs. Becker's body was discovered in the lime pit on Nov. 29 by a detective seeking to solve the mystery of her disappearance last April.

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DEMANDS DRIVER OF AUTO APPEAR

Brantford Jury Refuses To
Act Until Witness Is Pro-
duced by Crown.

SIFT TOPPING FATALITY

Road Foreman Claims Car
Bore Ohio License—
Travelled Slowly.

Special to The Advertiser.
Brantford, Dec. 23.—The jury empaneled to inquire into the death of Albert E. Topping, cannot present our finding until the crown produces the person who drove the car that inflicted the fatal injuries to Topping. We would suggest that this inquest be adjourned until Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1923, and that the crown make an effort to have the driver present at that time.

So read the verdict of the coroner's jury empaneled to inquire into the cause of the death of Albert E. Topping, who was struck by a car on the Hamilton-Brantford highway on Saturday of last week. Many witnesses declared that the driver was entirely blameless for the accident, and that he had made every effort to avoid the accident.

The first witness called was William Madden, Brantford Township, foreman of the new Brantford-Hamilton highway.

Driver Called Out.
He stated that he was working on the side of the road, and that he heard some one. He presumed that it was the driver of the car calling to Topping and telling him to look out.

This was on Dec. 16 about 10 a.m. When asked where this he stated that it was in front of the Lang farm at Langford. He saw the car strike the deceased as the latter stopped in front of the car. The car was not traveling fast. He thought that the man was struck by the windshield.

"How far was the car from the scene of the accident when it stopped?" asked W. M. Charlton, K.C., of the witness.

"About 20 feet," was the reply.

"Did you get the name of the driver of the car and the number of the car?"

"Yes, I got it, but I gave it to Fred Kerr, witness affirmed."

"What was the name of the driver?"

Name Was Depew.

"Depew, or something like that."

"What license did the car bear and what was its number?"

"It had an Ohio license."

Witness stated that the driver of the car gave him (witness) the name of the car and the address on it was 173 East 8th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

"Did you see any wounds around the deceased?"

"Yes, he had a gash over the left eye and some bruises on the face."

"Any others?"

"Not that I saw."

Car Stopped.

Witness stated that the driver of the car stayed around for an hour after the accident and assisted in every way possible. It was impossible for the man to be removed further than the house of Lang, where he was taken after the accident.

Plewes was called after the accident. The injured man was taken to the hospital.

Dr. Plewes, attending physician, stated that he had examined the deceased, and that he was suffering with a fractured skull and a number of superficial lacerations. Deceased never regained consciousness. He died at the hospital on Dec. 19, this year.

R. G. Ireland stated that the accident was unavoidable, as the driver of the car had done all he could to avoid hitting Topping, but that deceased stepped in front of the oncoming car.

S. Palmer thought that the deceased was struck by the luggage carried on the left hand of the car. He was not sure.

E. R. Long stated that all was done in an effort to avoid hitting Topping, as the car had gone right to the edge of the gully. If it had gone any farther it would have hit the car.

A number of other witnesses corroborated the above evidence. The jury was as follows:

James T. Whitaker, foreman; Lorne Drake, H. Gould, A. J. McCann, Albert Plewes and Thomas Ion, D. C. Bissette, presided.

Highgate Widow

SUES M.P.P., \$25,000

Breach of Promise Action

Commences Against W. A.

Crockett, Member for

Hamilton.

Special to The Advertiser.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 23.—Breach of promise proceedings were instituted today against William A. Crockett, M.P., of Hamilton, by W. L. Laker, of this city, on behalf of his client, Cordelia W. Wilkins, widow of Highgate.

The writ claims damages to the extent of \$25,000. No facts are available, but it is reported that the plaintiff alleges that arrangements had been completed for the wedding to take place on Jan. 1, after having been engaged for some time. It is also alleged that recently the plaintiff received a long-distance telephone call from the defendant, during which he is reported to have stated he would not marry her, and was leaving for Georgia at an early date.

The defendant is a widower, and is employed by the American Can Company.

Find Six Half-Dead Men

IN LIFEBOAT FAR AT SEA

Steamer Picks Up Craft 1,000 Miles

From Land on Stormy Atlantic.

New York, Dec. 23.—Nearly 1,000 miles off the Atlantic coast, the freighter Menominee, ploughing its way through heavy seas, picked up

New York, found a lifeboat containing six men half dead from fatigue and lack of food, according to a wireless message received yesterday from the Menominee.

56 of the men, members of the crew of the fishing schooner George Rudge, capt. J. Johns, Nfld., abandoned their ship after a long and bitter fight with the storm on the return trip from last week.

The Menominee is due to arrive at New York today.

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What would you suggest for a rich uncle who is very feeble and walks with difficulty?"

"How about a few banana peels?"—Judge.

Wishes He Could Give Man 90 Years For Striking 73-Year-Old Mother

Detroit, Dec. 23.—Face old and furrowed and blacked by a hand that she gently fussed over and kissed so tenderly when it was smaller, Mrs. Minnie Hiesche, 73 years old, looked with timid eyes at a sign in Judge Hiesche's court today that may have cheered others but mocked her. It was a merry Christmas sign.

As she told the story of how her own son had knocked her senseless on her hands and knees on the cold ground until the kindly arm of a policeman had lifted her to her feet, she looked lifelessly at the Yule message.

She could not see it very clearly. One eye had a purple shadow and was almost closed, and the other was not much better. There was a scratch

across a cheek and what seemed like the mark of knuckles on the quivering chin. At times she pulled at the shawl about her head as if to draw it over the physical evidence of her trouble.

Mrs. Kischke lives at 5523 Grandee avenue. Paul, the son, came. He was drunk. He knocked her down and the snow bit at her hands. Another strike struck her in the face. He was pretty strong. He had been a patrolman at the Hunt street police station for four years.

"The best Christmas I can give you," said the court, "is the maximum sentence for this offense. 90 days in house of correction. My only regret is I cannot give you 90 years." Then they led the son back to jail. The mother trudged home on foot—alone.

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SYMPATHY WIDESPREAD

Five Catholic Edifices De-
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Quebec, Dec. 23.—From the top of the wrecked tower of the Basilica small spurs of flames were still stabling the darkness last night.

The city is only now beginning to realize the extent of the disaster in the destruction of the greatest cathedral Thursday night.

From all parts of the country have come expressions of sympathy and condolence. Even by those of the Protestant faith have help and sympathy been forthcoming.

The latest offer was received today from Dean Shreve, of the Quebec Anglican Cathedral, who offered the use of the edifice for the celebration of Christmas midnight mass.

The dean in his offer to local Catholic authorities reminded them that it is only in return for a kindness shown the Anglican Church many years ago by one of the Quebec religious orders when the English Cathedral was damaged by fire.

The Catholic clergy had already made arrangements to celebrate the midnight mass in the seminary chapel before the dean's offer was received, and it has therefore been declined.

As yet there is nothing definite on which to base an explanation of the cause of the fire, but the opinion generally held is that it was not of incendiary nature.

While no announcement has been made as to rebuilding the famous church, it is understood it will be proceeded with shortly.

This city seethed with rumors today, as an aftermath of the fire which destroyed the historic Basilica. Priests announced they had received letters containing threats to burn down ecclesiastical buildings.

Fire and police officials were not inclined to give much credence to arson theory as the cause of the fire, which destroyed the historic Basilica. Leclerc said he did not believe it was a case of arson. He had investigated recent fires in the district of Quebec and elsewhere, and in all cases discovered they were due to the usual causes.

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UNHAPPY IRELAND'S "BLOODSTAINED WILDERNESS" IS ALMOST THROUGH" SAYS LLOYD GEORGE, LIVING AGAIN THE DRAMA OF THE FREE STATE

Recalls the Fateful Hours in Downing Street When Treaty Was Signed.

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London, Dec. 23.—When a few days ago I was half way through a speech I delivered in the House of Commons on the land system, the faithful commons were summoned in the manner consecrated by centuries of tradition to the bar of the House of Lords to hear the royal assent given to the bill for the constitution of the Irish Free State.

Notwithstanding my preoccupation with my interrupted speech, two scenes came to my mind during my journey to and from the upper chamber.

First was the spectacle of the crowded House of Commons nearly thirty years ago. When doors were opened for prayers there was the unthought sight of a throng hustling; M.P.'s pressing through the swing doors to secure their seats. I need hardly say that this was not a symptom or outcome of any religious revival amongst our legislators. It was entirely due to the ancient custom that conferred upon a member occupying a seat at prayers the unchallengeable right to that seat for the rest of the sitting.

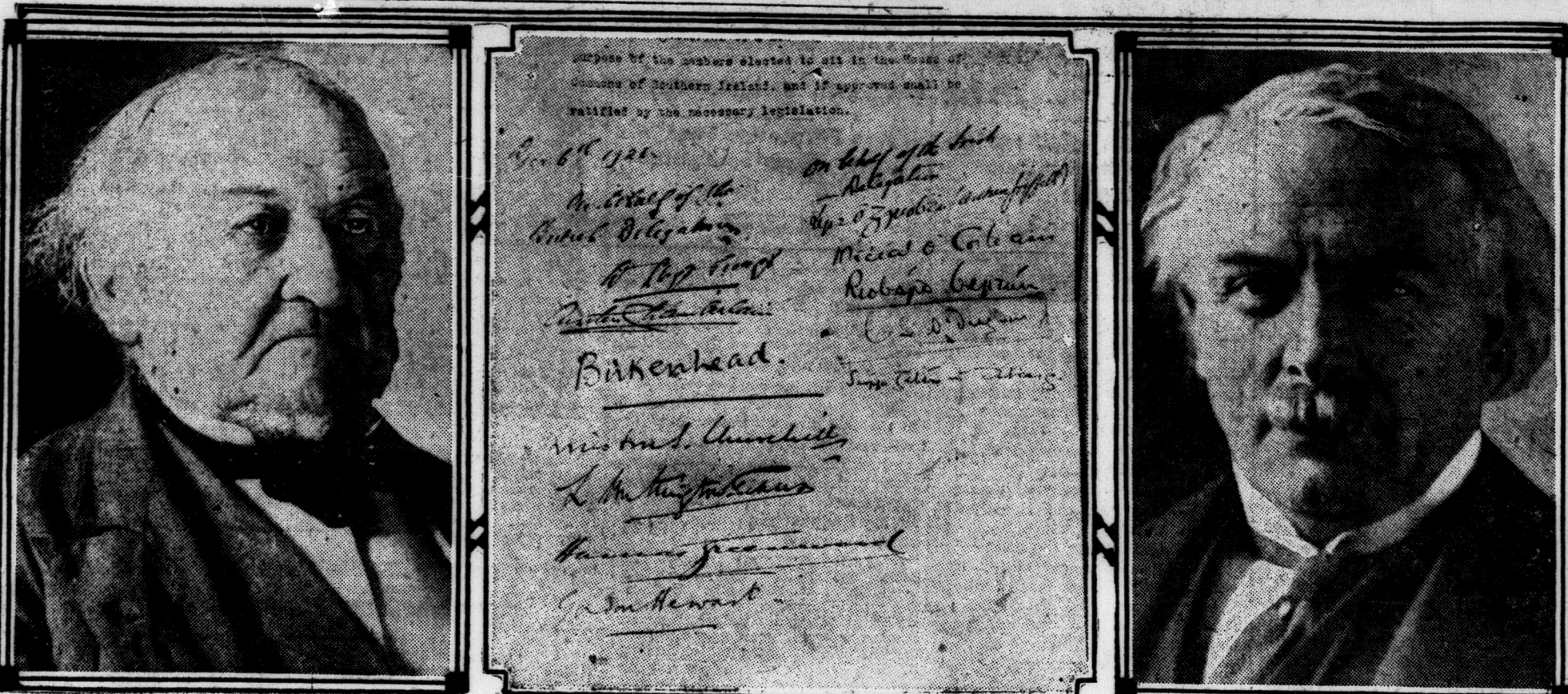
Rows of chairs were arrayed on the floor of the house. That was an innovation never since followed. What was it all about? There sat in the middle of the treasury bench, huddled up and almost hidden by more stalwart and upright figures, an old man of 83 years, to all appearances in the last stage of physical decrepitude and mental lassitude.

The Greatest Gladiators.
His name was William Ewart Gladstone, the greatest parliamentary gladiator of all time. The lifelong champion of oppressed nationalities was today to inaugurate his final effort to give freedom to the Irish race, trodden for centuries by ruthless force. The last remnant of his strength was to be consecrated to the achievement of Irish liberty, and hundreds of eager legislators, to whom Peel and Russell, Palmerston and Disraeli were but historical names, were avid competitors for seats from which they could better listen to the man who had sat in government with the first three and crossed swords with the fourth. It was a memorable sight.

Preliminary questions, which precede all parliamentary business, were postponed, and solemn silence, thrilled with expectancy, fell upon the hushed assembly as Mr. Speaker Peel, in his sonorous voice, called out: "The Prime Minister."

Gladstone At Bay.
The inert heap which was the centre of all gaze sprang to the table alert and erect figure. Decrepitude was cast off like a cloak—lassitude vanished as by a magician's wand, shoulders were thrown back, chest was thrown forward, and in clear, ringing tones, full of muscle and force, the proposed new Irish charter was expounded for three unwearying hours by the transfused octogenarian, rejuvenated by the magic of an inspired soul.

He had a seat just opposite the great orator, and I was one of the multitude who, that occasion listened with marvel to that feat of intellectual command and physical endurance. It was more than that. It was an unrivalled display of moral



THE SOWER, THE HARVEST AND THE REAPER.

The sower is Gladstone (on the left), who first championed Ireland's cause before the British Commons, as graphically described in the accompanying article. The harvest is the Irish treaty itself, the signatures of which are seen above. The reaper is Lloyd George, who expresses his pride in the part he has been able to play in the establishment of what he believes separates Ireland from "the squalor of the past" and the hope of the future.

courage rare in political conflict. Mr. Gladstone had only just emerged out of a general election, where, in spite of 60 years of his eloquent advocacy, the voice of Great Britain had declared emphatically against his Irish policy, and the poor parliamentary majority at his back was made up out of the preponderating Irish vote. He was confronted with the most formidable parliamentary opposition ever ranged against a minister: redoubtable in debating quality, still more redoubtable in its hold on British public.

He was 83 years of age, but he never quailed, and through the sultry summer months of 1893 he fought night by night with the mighty battle of Irish emancipation. He did not live to carry the cause through to victory, but he planted the banner so firmly in the soil that no assault could succeed in tearing it down, and this day when I stood with Mr. Bonar Law at the bar of the House of Lords, I saw this banner flourish in triumph from the steps of the throne by a Unionist Lord Chancellor. That was the first memory that flashed through my brain.

The Last Hour.
The next was of a dreary December night, just one year ago, when on one side of the cabinet table in 10 Downing Street sat four representatives of Great Britain, and on the other five Irish leaders. It was the famous room, wherein British cabinets have for generations forged their Irish policies. Cooperation and concession alike issued from that chamber. Pitt's act of union was discussed there, and so were Gladstone's home rule bills—the decision to use British soldiers to throw Irish tenants out of their houses with torch and battering ram, and equally the bill which made every Irish tenant the lord and master of his home all issued forth from this simple and unadorned council chamber.

And now came the final treaty of peace. Would it be signed? It was an anxious moment, charged with destiny for the two great races which confronted each other at that green table. The British representatives who were associated with me Chamberlain—I recall now how he sat by the side of this dauntless father, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, in 1893 during the famous night duel between him and Mr. Gladstone. How strange-

ly little thirty arduous years have changed his personal appearance—Lord Birkenhead, who in 1893 was carving for himself a brilliant career as a student at Oxford, and as a debater in the Union; Mr. Winston Churchill, who was then a cadet at Sandhurst, whilst his father was engaged in the last great parliamentary struggle of his dazzling but tragic career; Sir Gordon Hewart, now Lordewart, a man who has risen on the plinths of a powerful intelligence to the height of lord chief justice of England. My recollection is that the other two British delegates—Sir James Worthington Evans and Sir Hamar Greenwood—were stricken with illness, and were unable to be present.

The Climax.
After weeks of close investigation the climax of the decision had been reached. Britain had gone to the limit of concession. No British statesman could have faced any assembly of his countrymen had he assembled his signature to a convention that placed Ireland outside that fraternity of free nations known as the British Empire, to free her from that bond of union which is represented by a common treaty to the sovereign.

It is not easy to interpret the potency of this invisible bond to those who are brought up to venerate other systems. It is nevertheless inviolable. Would the Irish leaders have the courage to make peace on the only conditions under which peace was obtainable—liberty within the empire?

Opposite me sat a dark, short, but sturdy figure with the face of a fink, the most un-Irish leader that ever led Ireland, quiet to the point of appearing stolid. A man of laconic utterance, he answered in monosyllables where most men would have considered an oratorical deliverance to be demanded by the dignity of the occasion.

But we found in our few weeks acquaintance that his yes was yes and his no meant no. He led the Irish delegation. He was asked whether he would sign. In his abrupt staccato manner he replied: "Speak on my own behalf I mean to sign."

Michael Collins.
By his side sat a handsome young Irishman. No one could mistake his

nationality. He was Irish through and through, in every respect a contrast to his staid neighbor. Vivacious, buoyant, highly strung, gay, impulsive, but passing readily from gaiety to grimness and back to gaiety, full of fascination and charm—but also of dangerous fire. That was Michael Collins, one of the most courageous leaders ever produced by a valiant race. Nevertheless, he hesitated painfully when the quiet little figure on his left had taken his resolve. Both saw the shadow of doom clouding over that fateful paper—their own doom. They knew that the pen which affixed their signature, at the same time signed their death warrant. The little man saw beyond his own fall Ireland rising out of her troubles a free nation, and that sufficed for him.

Michael Collins was not appalled by the spectre of death, but he had the Irishman's fear of encountering that charge which comes so readily to the lips of the oppressed—that of having succumbed to alien will and betrayed their country.

Patriots who cheerfully face the tyrant's steel lose their nerve before that dread accusation. It was the first time Michael Collins ever showed fear. It was also the last time. I knew the reason why he halted, although he never uttered a word which revealed his mind, and I addressed my appeal to an effort to demonstrate how the treaty gave Ireland more than Daniel O'Connell and Parnell had ever hoped for, and that his countrymen would be ever grateful to him, not only for the courage which won such an offer, but for the wisdom which accepted it.

Hours of Waiting.
He asked for a few hours to consider, promising a reply by 9 o'clock. Nine passed, but the Irish leaders did not return. Ten, Eleven, and they were not yet back. We had doubts as to whether we should see them again. Then came a message from the secretary of the Irish delegation that they were on their way to Downing Street. When they marched in it was clear from their faces that they had come to a great decision after a prolonged struggle.

But there were still difficulties to overcome—they were, however, difficulties not of principle, but of detail. These were discussed in a business way, and soon after 1 o'clock in the morning the treaty was completed.

4 Great Men Who Are Dead Live Again In These Words

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A friendly chat, full of cheerful goodwill, occupied the time, while stenographers engaged in copying a draft so disfigured with corrections, interpolations and addition, each of which represented so many hours of hammering discussion.

Outside, in the lobby, sat the man who had used all the resources of an ingenious and well trained mind, backed by a tenacious will, to wreck every endeavor to reach an agreement—Mr. Erskine Childers. A man whose slight figure, whose kindly, refined and intellectual countenance, whose calm and courteous demeanor offered no clue to the fierce passions which raged inside his breast. At every crucial point in the negotiations he played a sinister part.

He was clearly Mr. de Valera's emissary, and faithfully did he fulfill the trust reposed in him by that visionary. Every draft that emanated from his pen—and all the first drafts were written by him—challenged every fundamental position to which the British delegates were irrevocably committed. He was one of those men, who, by temperament, are incapable of compromise. Brave and resolute he undoubtedly was, but, unhappily for himself, he was also rigid and fanatical.

Childers Was Sullen.
When we walked out of the room where we had sat for hours together, worn with tense and anxious labor,

Don't Be Like Andy Gump Get a Chin Right Here!

Dental Clinic Is Building Chins Every Day in London—How the City's School Children Are Being Repaired.

BULLETIN: FLASH! Stop press! Truth will out. It may never be known how the rubber-bombed Paris. There is little hope of any final judgment on who won the war, or why San Marino thought she could fight; but science working in a dental laboratory, has unearthed the reason of the crown prince's chinlessness—he sucked his thumb.

Nature didn't cheat him. There are enough chins to go round. There are chins for everybody; good shapely chins; dimpled, distinguished chins for ladies; bold, aggressive chins for men. Chins that furnish props for stern expressions like second lieutenants ought to wear.

If you have your chin, well and good; use it lots and use it right, and it will never be outdone as a profile feature by your Adam's apple. If you haven't just the chin you feel you ought to have, trust to orthodontia; trust and strive in your own behalf for to have your chin; you must chew your chow.

All of which is a proven truth. But to return to the crown prince's thumb. Probably the best thing that could ever have happened him would have been to suck in infancy and bite his thumb off, for that selfsame bite would have bit the hand of many a venomous neutral or allied cartoonist who in later years found ample warrant for picturing his imperial chinlessness with all the manifold deficiencies of Andy Gump.

And as far as Andy is concerned, if he goes about it right, he can get his chin back—or not so far back—too. London's Dental Clinic.
London Board of Education during recent years has been operating an important new department, a dental clinic in charge of Dr. Fuller with assistants, Dr. Moore is an expert in orthodontia, which is just another way of saying "correct teeth." The services of the clinic do not extend to the children of the poor, but can be done and sent off to their own dentists there to seek the benefit of this extraordinary new art.

Amazing results have been secured in cases whose records are preserved



HOW CHINS ARE MADE IN LONDON.
The girl above with the bandage around her eyes is a pupil in one of London's public schools. Nature deprived her of a proper chin. The dental clinic of the London board of education took her in hand and gave her a fine new chin, as shown in the plaster cast. This girl is only one example of the work which is being done, as described in the accompanying article.

In plaster models of upper and lower jaws, and in facial masks of children made "chins" are made. Take the case of a boy who came to the attention of the dental clinic with a protruding front tooth. He is the son of a prominent business man, and a sturdy little chap, whose one shortcoming was a receding chin that was acute to the chin at all times.

The expert in orthodontia, knew without being told that the boy in babyhood and early infancy for many a day sucked his thumb. With the face of his thumb against the back of the two upper front teeth, and the knuckle pressing inward on the lower front teeth, he pulled the chin off any baby if he stays at it long enough. Undoubtedly, he was born with a good chin, but when he grew up he had his face made over, so that the upper teeth were thrust forward, raising his upper lip, to a more pretentious position. Children suffering from congested nasal passages are given good breathing apparatus by the simple process of increasing the width and depth of the right and left rows of upper teeth, so that the roof of the mouth spreads with the jaws, and is so lowered.

But the big, startling fact of the whole procedure is that dentists have taken to growing chins, and they are needed for the industry, too. The need for this generation people are not eating the coarse foods of their forefathers, and so the special aids of science, through means on to utter chinlessness, are given while away a decided career on oatmeal and sweet tarts, yet free from wars and works that men with chins have made.

Chins Are Growing.
Others, including the little girl shown in the accompanying photos, have had their features similarly re-molded and today under the magic of orthodontia chins are growing all over London.

The method is quite a simple one. In such cases the dentist anchors a mechanical contrivance firmly to a sturdy back tooth on each side of the

No Coal, So Wealthy Go South To Be Devoured by Mosquitoes

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New York, Dec. 23.—Still another plangent phase of the coal famine has just developed. It is nothing less than an epidemic of mosquitoes. Coal is so scarce that people are carrying it home by the bucketful. The forty coal stations opened in Manhattan by the coal conservation director are besieged from morning till night by frantic householders, many of them with invalids to care for, who have not coal enough to keep the kitchen stove going, to say nothing of starting the furnace fire.

As in the coal famine during war times, people from suburban districts who have been unable to lay in enough fuel, or whose carefully hoarded fuel piles have been seized by the fuel administrators, are moving into city hotels, where they feel reasonably sure of a sizzling radiator and a mind free from care. Other people unable to afford either coal or hotels, or unable to get enough coal at any price, have been driven to various substitutes.

One of these substitutes, of course, is coke. Many householders, especially many landladies in the semi-fashionable districts of New York city, have had their furnaces overhauled so that they may burn coke therein instead of coal. In New York, as in Montclair, N. J., a fashionable suburb, where, by the way, Princess Anastasia, formerly Mrs. Wm. B. Leeds, is spending the holidays.

A CAMPAIGN AGAINST BOOTLEGGING ORDERED
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Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—A campaign against bootlegging in the United States capital building, the home of the prohibition amendment, has been ordered by Senate leaders.

The catual police, in view of the recent activities of bootleggers, have been warned to use all their powers to break up any attempt to purvey booze within the capitol or the Senate or House office buildings.

The order was issued by Senator Curtis, Republican whip, because of printed reports that senators had been solicited by bootleggers in the Senate lobby.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS NORTH CHILDREN

Patron Saint of Christmas Arrives in Halleybury to Distribute Presents.

750 LITTLE ONES BENEFIT
Hundreds Gather Around Huge Tree Placed at High School.

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Halleybury, Dec. 23.—Santa Claus has not forgotten Halleybury, which suffered so much during the fire that swept over a large portion of the north country last October.

The little children of the fire sufferers who were told that Santa Claus might not pay them a visit this Christmas were overjoyed beyond description when the jolly old gentleman drove into town this afternoon and distributed presents to some 750 children.

Thanks to the generous donations and gifts sent by various organizations and private individuals throughout the province, the little kiddies' dreams of the visit from Santa, loaded with toys from his candy-made country, came true.

Besides the presents that have been sent to the town, the committee that is looking after the distribution of these gifts has received \$1,400 which has not been drawn upon, but is being used in supplying gifts to other stricken areas.

A heavy snow storm, and a cold, raw wind did not prevent hundreds of children from lining the streets when the patron saint of Christmas

drove in a sleigh through the town, behind a fine team of prancing horses. Several barrels of apples were thrown among the assembled children, as he proceeded on his way to the high school, where a big, gaily-decorated Christmas tree stood ready to be distributed.

Observes Fire Team.
While Santa was driving through the streets, one little chap pulled at his mother's skirts, and with a look of disgust pointed at his team of bay horses. "Why, that is the fire team that belongs to the town. Is that really Santa Claus?"

The mother quickly assured him that it was, and carefully explained to the little chap that Santa had had an accident and was forced to leave his reindeers behind.

Seven hundred and fifty little hearts were made happy this afternoon and evening, when the Christmas tree was depleted of its load and the presents that were piled high around its base were distributed.

He was pointed out to The Advertiser that it was only the children that would have no visit from Santa Claus otherwise that benefitted, and that great care was taken to see that none of them were missed. Skating and sleighing will be a popular pastime with the children here this winter, for among the presents received are 150 pairs of skates, and some 200 sleighs.

Sixty-two families are still being supplied with provisions from fire relief committee, and gradually the sufferers are getting on their feet and able to look after themselves. From the first to the fifteenth of the month 307 families have been materially cut down as the heads of families receive employment. Only men who cannot get incapacitated by sickness are receiving help.

Retain Cheerful Spirit.
These Northern people still retain their cheerful, undeniable spirit, and words of complaints are

never heard. On the contrary, they express glowing terms their thankfulness for the efficient manner in which the relief work has been carried on.

Even since a month ago, the town has changed almost beyond recognition along the main streets. The old residences are disappearing, as new stores are being erected. A prominent bank that a short time ago carried on business in a small garage that occupied the corner, is now comfortably situated in a corner brick building of up-to-date type.

Most of the town's small relief but of sixteen feet by twenty, to the latest in Hollywood bungalows.

In some sections of the town, the builders have been experimenting by building their homes after the Spanish style of flat roofs and rough-sidled sides. One day a man is seen hammering away at a few boards, and a few days later, as one resident put it, smoke is seen curling out of a new chimney. And the proud possessor of a home built by himself returns to the town that they so hurriedly left during the fire of last October.

ALBERTA PROGRESSIVES CONTINUE CONFERENCE

Edmonton, Dec. 23.—A conference between the Progressive members of the House of Commons continued yesterday after a late session Thursday night. They were discussing the wheat board, the western grain route and the natural resources, and such interests, common to both the provincial government and the Dominion. All the Progressive members representing Alberta in the Dominion House are present, with the exception of D. M. Kennedy, of Peace River.

MUST HAVE LIVED 12 MONTHS IN CITY

Year Residence Clause Aimed to Insure Work for Married Men.

Whether the city council believes that charity begins at home or not, they instituted a much-needed reform in connection with the work of being done by the city, in the opinion of Mr. Spence of the government employment bureau, when they put into force the twelve months' residence clause.

This clause specifies that all men who are employed on work undertaken by the city must have a record of continuous residence in the city of not less than twelve months, and it requires that these men must also be householders. It insures the employment of married men. A good deal of weeding out has been done since this restriction came into force, about eighty men having been struck off the city pay roll because they failed to come within the requirements of this clause.

The government bureau has been brought to a good deal of trouble lately with men who come in demanding work on the ground of residence, only to find on investigation that this residence may have been temporary or intermittent and may even be confined to a few weeks in the summer or a period of military training during the years of the war. The city's work at present is restricted to the construction of sewers, and for each man for three days a week, but the officials regard it as a step in the right direction, which will to a certain extent, ease the situation and tide things over until the spring

STUDENTS HONOR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

W. W. Althouse Recipient of Suitable Christmas Gift From Staff.

Principal M. W. Althouse of Rectory Street School was happily surprised on Friday evening on the occasion of the closing concert of the senior grades by a presentation made from his own class, Grade 8. On behalf of the grade, Vernon Keen presented him with a combination pen-knife and pair of scissors. Mr. Althouse replied, expressing his warm appreciation. Irene Sinclair followed with "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," the whole audience joining in singing.

The Mothers' Club took a prominent part in the entertainment, Mrs. R. Sinclair, the president, acting as chairman, and serving at the close of the program, ice cream, cake, and oranges, the last donated by Charles Keen.

In the afternoon, the junior pupils were also entertained by the Mothers' Club at the close of their interesting program. Prizes were offered for contests by the club, Iva Croie winning in the afternoon an amusing game "Uncle Wiggley," and Leslie Round in the evening, "Pollyanna."

ARREST SARNIA RESIDENT ON NON-SUPPORT CHARGE

Sarnia, Dec. 23.—Ernest De Lang, Belgian, was last night arrested by county police on a charge of non-support preferred by his wife. He will be tried at an early date.

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The Wonder of Christmas.

By DYSON HAGUE.

Once more unnumbered millions turn their hearts to the manger, where an infant lay upon the Virgin Mother's breast. Long centuries have passed since then. The Kings of a hundred thrones have gone by. The great ones and the mighty ones of the ages have sunk into the sea of oblivion. But Time, the great Destroyer, has failed to quench the ever-glowing brightness of that marvellous Birth. Still, once a year the busy Western world turns with awe to face the Mystic East, and greet the Day-spring from on high who came to visit us. O, the wonder of Christmas Day! The bells of a nation peal when a prince royal is born, or the birthday of a nation's independence is celebrated. But at Christmas-time the bells of a hundred nations and the songs of a hundred races ring out the world over. The ghastly cleavage in the Christian world for the nonce disappears. Protestants and Catholics, east and west, the sunny south and the wintry north, monarchies and republics, conjoin in one great harmony of friendly joy to celebrate the glorious day with gifts and greetings and generous deeds.

And the wonder of it is it never wanes. More stockings than ever are hung, more festive lights are lit and candles, more Christmas trees and presents are given year by year. There are more loving gifts and laughter, more generous charities, its echoes roll from soul to soul, and its glory can and never fade. Ever and ever as the Birthday of Birthdays comes again there are new loyalties of youth, new cadences of maiden songs, new carol voices of old and young. Again are kindly offerings of gold and frankincense and myrrh, from the opened treasure boxes of loving hearts, laid down before Him. The gladness of friendship, the old and forgiveness new, are known by a myriad names. Once more mysterious impulses, open purses and unlooked sympathies for the sorrowing, the needy, the aged, the widowed, the orphan, and the poor. Once more the happiness of the few becomes the happiness of many, and the Evangel of many-the possession of more. And the day that He was born becomes once more Mother's Day and Children's Day and Father's Day and Gift Day and Home Day and Peace Day—the happiest and gladdest of all the days of the year.

And the wonder is that He that was born that day was Jesus, the Savior who is Christ the Lord. The host that followed Alexander and Caesar and Alaric and Napoleon have long since passed away; but today an army that no man can number, clothed in the garments of love and joy and peace and faith and hope and meekness and sacrificial love, are following Him.

But the greatest wonder of all is a Christmas Christmas: that in a so-called Christian land thousands should live and give and be glad at Christmas-time without a thought of Him who so loved the world that He gave the Gift of gifts. For the best of all the Christmas news is this, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. Let every parent heart and every heart of loving child prepare a throne on which the King may take His seat. Let every voice prepare a song, and let all remember that the Christ of the cradle became the Christ of the Cross; and the Christ on the throne, and the Christ on the throne is the Christ who is coming again.

One day in north France as the heavy rains were booming on each side of a lonely farmhouse the firing suddenly ceased. A strange stillness fell, and there crawling on its knees was a little babe. He laughed as he lay and clutched a flower; not a shot was fired; the inferno became an oasis. Suddenly a soldier ran to the cooling child, lifted it with tender arms and carried it to shelter, and along both lines there rang out a mighty cheer. Would that the birthday of the Prince of Peace might so bring peace and good-will to the clashing and warring lines of men today.

National and Hydro.

Sir Henry Thornton says he believes it possible to electrify certain sections of the National Railways. Sir Adam Beck at once replies that he must do no such thing because the Hydro Radial Commission of Ontario are sole proprietors of all such matters.

Sir Adam asks: "Why should the National, already carrying a heavy financial burden, shoulder itself with this additional expense?" Right at the outset, let us get one point cleared up. Sir Adam draws a line between the National lines and the Hydro radials. In fact, they are different, in management they are, but they are owned by the same people.

The National lines we have. Events made it necessary for the

Dominion government to step in and take over this vast enterprise, worth at least \$1,600,000,000. The people of Ontario are vitally interested in this enterprise by reason of the density of population in this province, on which basis Ontario is called upon to pay the heavier share of any deficits. The government is pledged to do its utmost to give the National lines a fair chance—not only a fair chance, but the very best chance—to make good. With that end in view it has secured the services of the best railroad man available. Sir Henry Thornton has had a wide experience; he has operated lines that reported to electrification to meet certain phases of rapid transport, and it is because he had that practical knowledge that he was chosen for the important position he now holds. He is in charge of a system that is here, waiting for improvement, waiting for changes that will make it more flexible and better suited to cater to local conditions, and waiting for an opportunity to shake off the reputation of being a prolific producer of deficits. The people are responsible for the National lines. If they fail, the people stand to lose; if they succeed the people can expect better service and cheaper rates.

Against that we have Sir Adam Beck and his Hydro radial schemes. The people who will be called upon to build these lines are the same as those now financially responsible for the success and support of the National lines. It makes no difference under what name the liability is incurred, National or Hydro radial, it rests on the same shoulders. Many of the proposed Hydro lines will compete with existing National lines, and run through the same territory. Which, then, has the prior claim, a line here, already in operation, owned by the people, or a line not constructed and doubtful of successful operation when finished?

If Sir Henry Thornton decides that certain sections of the National lines will lend themselves to successful electrification, surely he cannot have his hands tied by Sir Adam Beck because he was planning to run a new electric line in that certain section.

Must a steam road remain a steam road simply that we may pour millions into the construction of an electric road to compete with it? And if a steam road is electrified, and owned by the people through the medium of the National lines, must we be committed to the policy of building another electric road to compete with it?

Surely it stands to reason that no Hydro radial commission can stand in the way, and say to the National management "You cannot electrify this line or that line because that is our special business."

If the National management have good reason to believe that the electrification of certain existing lines is going to help in their operation, and is going to increase revenue as the result of a better service, then it is their plain duty, as trustees of the people, to go ahead and do the thing. It is certainly not the desire of the people to have interference with this work coming from any source.

The people of Ontario are ready to give Sir Adam Beck full credit for the service he has performed in the production and distribution of electricity for power and light. The rates at which these commodities are available are in themselves a tribute to his energy and vision on behalf of the people of this province. It does not follow, though, that this recognition of service in this field is going to lead the people to tolerate a course dictated by Sir Adam Beck, that the Hydro commission and no other is to touch the business of electrifying railroads in this province.

It is well that this matter should come to a head right now, in the early days of Sir Henry Thornton's connection with the National lines in Canada. The people own these lines just as truly and thoroughly as they can own anything, and they are tremendously interested in their successful operation.

What Money Cannot Buy.

An exchange speaks of the salaries paid to officers of the Salvation Army, probably because an announcement was made recently that the pay of officers in Canada was to be reduced \$1 each a week if single, or \$2 a week if married. During the war some slight increase was made, but with an era of lower prices these wartime increases are being taken away, and these faithful workers are obliged to revert to their old-time standards of pay.

The lowest grade in the army is that of cadet, who receives only board and lodging for his work. A single woman who is a Lieutenant receives \$11, and a single man \$12 a week. If a woman is married she forfeits her pay, and a man is not permitted to marry until he is above the rank of Lieutenant. The rate of pay is increased about \$1 a week for each grade advanced, and furnished quarters are provided for all officers. After an officer has served seven years as a captain he is eligible for appointment as an ensign. He receives 50 cents more in this grade and must spend the first four weeks of his increased salary in this grade. Right at the outset, let us get one point cleared up. Sir Adam draws a line between the National lines and the Hydro radials. In fact, they are different, in management they are, but they are owned by the same people.

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their mission. The majority of workers are not recruits, but sons and daughters of Salvation Army people who have learned that service to others is the path to contentment.

Western Grain Rates.

Comparative shipping rates for grain in United States and Canada show an advantage for Canadian points, using as a basis Fort William for a Canadian point and Duluth for the same purpose in United States.

Tables given here quote rates per 100 pounds of grain. Of course it is not possible to show points with exactly the same mileage on both sides of the boundary, but they come close enough to prove the contention of the Canadian railways that rates for the Canadian west are more favorable than those given the American west.

ALBERTA POINTS.	Miles.	Rate.
Calgary	1,243	26
Pasadena	1,259	28
Macleod	1,209	26
Bassano	1,165	25
Grassy Lake	1,125	25

Montana Points.	Miles.	Rate.
Columbia Falls	1,183	48
Bombay	1,083	45 1/2
Viridian	1,041	43
Kremlin	953	39 1/2

SASKATCHEWAN POINTS.	Miles.	Rate.
Maple Creek	1,013	23
Swift Current	929	22
Moose Jaw	818	20
Regina	776	20
Broadview	684	18
Estevan	710	20

U. S. Points South.	Miles.	Rate.
Malta	846	37 1/2
Glasgow	783	35
Poplar	710	31
Berthold	526	23 1/2

MANITOBA POINTS.	Miles.	Rate.
Viridian	600	18
Bolshevik	602	16
Greta	489	15
Winnipeg	420	14

Dakota-Minnesota.	Miles.	Rate.
Rugby	443	22 1/2
Hannah	422	19 1/2
Grand Forks	297	16 1/2
Erskine	240	16

Bassano, as a shipping point, has a rate of 25c for a haul of 1,165 miles; Columbia Falls, Montana, 1,183 miles, pays 48c for head-of-stakes delivery. This difference is maintained at other points. Coming east into Saskatchewan, Moosejaw has a mileage of 813 and a rate of 20c per hundred; a corresponding point in Montana, Malta, has 846 miles to go, and pays 37 1/2c. In Manitoba, Winnipeg has a 14c rate for 420 miles, while Hannah, in North Dakota, pays a 19 1/2c charge for 422 miles farther. These points are the nearest in mileage that can be found, 420 against 422, with a difference in rate favorable to the Canadian shipper of 5 1/2c per hundred pounds.

The wheat-growing country of United States is farther east than in Canada, so the volume of trade has a shorter haul. This is offset by the more favorable rate the Canadian farmer receives.

Note and Comment.

The Turkish situation is getting more acute. It is touching us to the extent of 45c per pound.

No doubt the Ku Klux Klan in Canada will feel they must spell it Canadian Konstitution.

Mayorality candidates who get a second year without a contest naturally imagine that one good term deserves another.

One of the finest monuments that can be raised to our soldier dead is assurance that those who survived the war are getting a square deal.

The police have looked in vain for Clara Phillips, the escaped murderer, so the Los Angeles Times suggests she may have hidden in a store that does not advertise.

In Denmark eggs are stamped, dated and numbered, so if there's anything rotten in the state of Denmark they can soon aim the firing squad in the right direction.

Now the ladies in some of the States are organizing under Ku Klux ideals. Mercy, are they going to get out and walk around in their nightgowns like the men K. K. do?

People in the city do not think much of rain in winter, but right now our country friends are badly in need of it. Wells in many places are dry and difficulty is experienced in watering stock.

Jack Dempsey and Jess Willard are talking back to each other in a real wicked way, and if some promoter can be found who will hang up about the president's salary for four years they may come to blows.

When Canadians are told in plain, understandable English that there will be very little hard coal sent over here for some weeks, it's high time to look around for substitutes. May we not look for a few loads of wood on the market now at a fair price?

The mayor of Toronto, when he heard that Sir Henry Thornton was in favor of electrifying certain portions of the National system, hustled off a wire, which read in part:

"Are you joining with the C. P. R. in opposing Hydro Radials?" If that is not plain, unvarnished impertinence, what is it?

At a nomination meeting held in Toronto one candidate used the words: "While the lamp holds out to



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burn the vilest sinner may return." Then all at once a Toronto heckler objected to them quoting Scripture. And yet Toronto used to be so well versed in Bible lore and such things that it owned up to the title "Toronto the Good."

The Woodstock Sentinel-Review editor, after pacing the floor for a few tense minutes, sat down in front of the pine table and wrote:

"A contemporary complains that the average kiss in the movies is too lingering. The usual complaint about the mistletoe variety is that it isn't sufficiently lingering. Much depends, perhaps, on whether you are taking part or merely looking on."

Oxford county is probably the leader in Ontario for cheese production, making almost 9,000,000 pounds of cheese per year. One of the problems is to get people to use more of it. At present the per capita consumption of cheese in Canada is hardly three pounds, against nine pounds in United States. There is a good opportunity here for cheese producers to come together on a scheme for co-operative publicity on the value of cheese as a food product.

The business community received quick consideration from Ottawa on the receipts tax. Counter sales slips and cash register coupons, being merely memoranda of cash sales, require no stamp unless they acknowledge or imply acknowledgment of the receipt of money. Letters sent by mail acknowledging the receipt of money also are not subject to the tax. With cash sales, mailed letter receipts, and all sums under ten dollars excepted, the worst features of the tax may be said to be removed.

The Railway Association of Canada issues a very reasonable appeal to the shippers of the Dominion to use their best efforts to see that cars are released quickly, and also that they should be loaded to capacity if possible. Railway operation in United States was severely hampered by the recent strike there, and at present there are at least 24,000 more Canadian box cars in United States than there are U. S. cars of a similar class in Canada. This is certainly a very lopsided arrangement, and caused direct representations to be made to Washington to secure release of these cars.

These shepherds are no safe afraid. Tao hear about another king? But a brave angel told them: 'Glad news untill a folk I bring!' Tao God let his glory be! Re-echoes frae ilk hill an' glen; Whyles zephyrs waft in sweet strains: 'Peace! Peace on earth! Goodwill to men!'

Your Health

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M.D., Commissioner of Health, New York City. U. S. Senator-Elect From New York State.

MERRY Christmas! What did you find in your stocking this morning? I hope you discovered good health. But somehow we grow up—well or ill—have the wisdom of the morning of the day.

Year to forget about ourselves. We rightly think only of the children.

Thinking of some special message for Christmas Day, I remembered that recently I had heard an interesting talk on child health. The speaker emphasized the importance of recording in a public way the weight of each child in a schoolroom. She spoke of the "games of health," and described several features of these interesting contests.

There is no surer evidence of physical well-being in a child than progressive increase in weight. Unless there can be a pair of scales in every household, I believe there should be in every schoolroom. The speaker pointed out that it does little good to weigh the child and record the result in a book where it is never seen. When we get older, we are just as anxious to take off flesh. I have heard most animated discussions over methods and speed of reduction.

It is as a certain author used to say, that is another story. Here are some facts you should know to keep the cheer of Christmas all the year in your home. There can be no doubt that the nourishment of the child's body is indicated by the amount of flesh. We do not want the youngster to be fat and flabby, but we do want him to gain steadily in muscle and bone. His immediate welfare and his re-

Your Health

distance to disease are dependent on good flesh.

There should be steady gain in weight and height. Every parent must be observant of the growth of the child. Should it be retarded, there must be an immediate inquiry to discover the reason. It is worse for a child to be thin and skinny than it is for an adult to be more or less like a living skeleton. In a sense, the adult may have become accustomed to his frailness, but the poor little puny child is the ready victim of accident and disease.

Thinness in a child does not prove that he is eating too little. Indeed, many skinny children seem to be made that way by carrying around such loads of food.

It is not the lack of food alone, but the lack of air that causes lack of development. A furnace will not burn without free circulation of air. Food will not burn and furnish nourishment unless the lungs are fully filled and regularly fluffed.

Deep breathing will do more to develop some bodies than will increase in the quantity of food. Bear this in mind.

Bear in mind, too, that children must have an abundance of rest and sleep. Keeping your child up late for work or pleasure two or three times a week is bad business. This may be the cause of his lack of development.

By all means, weigh your child regularly, and make sure that he increases steadily in weight. MRS. T. F. M. Q.—My breasts are very large. I have been advised to use a pump to reduce them. Will you kindly advise me what is best to do?

The use of such a preparation as you mention causes little, if any, improvement. It is almost impossible to reduce one particular part of the body. If you care to obtain full particulars regarding general weight reduction kindly send a self-addressed envelope and restate your question.

Dr. Copeland will answer for readers of this paper questions on medical, hygienic and sanitation subjects that are of general interest. Where the subject of a letter is such that it cannot be published in this column, Dr. Copeland will, when the question is a proper one, write the subject of a letter to you personally. If a self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed. Address ALL INQUIRIES to Dr. R. S. Copeland, in care of this office.

The Daily Story

JUGGERNAUT OF THE HILLS. By Martha McCulloch-Williams.

Bad Moran, destined for second thought he would never have taken a chance. Then there might have been a story, but certainly not this one. It began then and there in a whimper, breathless crying, hardly more than a whisper: "Help! Help! Help! Help!"

The crying came from the blackest patch of pines. Peering through their dimness Moran saw a straining figure in homespun, bare of head and feet, braced against an outcropping boulder, curiously crumpled in the tops of slim pine saplings. As he rushed toward it the cry came again, fainter, more breathless, the voice of extremity. Struggling up to its level he understood something of the human stood between deadly peril and the living freight of the railway train, all but due. The road ran on the steep, the straining figure, hindered this Jugger-naut of the hills.

"Strike work!" said Moran's mind, his teeth clenching, his frame thrusting with all its might up the hill-face. He knew a desperate mine war was on—there had been bloodshed, arson, many killings, but nothing to match this. The train in peril was taking the responsible heads of the men, along with high authorities into the heart of the troubled region. Whoever had planned this wholesale destruction of it had craft and cunning of the wickedest sort.

"Rocks! Big one! Scotch it quick!" the figure panted at sound of Moran's approach, but without turning his head. He wrenched up stones he would in cold blood have thought twice beyond his strength, flung them before the tumbling mass of the train among them a stout, fresh-cut stake, lying ready to his hand. Still the figure did not turn, nor turn its head—in a rapid sibilant whisper it ordered: "Ketch hold—on the tail of that little rickety—go—it's the key!"

"It's coming," Moran said in a low voice, curious, but he felt turned to molten steel that had suddenly come in contact with ice. How half-human minds can operate under such a strain, he was not sure. But, silently he obeyed orders, swung all his weight upon the tattered top that interlaced with stouter tops made the restraining net for Jugger-naut.

The slow-moving train seemed to him to be running over his heart. It was past—he drew a catching breath—with a lurching bound the engine swept forward, twitching the pine top from his hands so violently the skin burned, then went crashing, bounding, rebounding, and came to a halt through rails and roadbed as though they were toys, and landing with a reverberant splash in the pool below. Moran looked for the train's savior—he saw nothing alive. Instead, instead, insensible, face downward, one arm upturned above a crooked head, showing muscles still knotted from the strain, something human in homespun, the very moral and pattern of death.

Kneeling he turned the face to view—with a sick pang he saw it was a girl's face, sun-bronzed yet pallid, with the pallor of supreme exhaustion. He knew the look—he had seen it on the football field, when men had won on courage against all right odds. He lifted the hand too large for grace, but perfectly modeled though caloused with work. A well-made creature—big, tall rather than stout, heaped him by a full inch, though he stood near six feet. Glancing reverently along her gracious lengths, he saw a faint stirring of breath. Instantly his task was to her lips, its contents trickling gently down her throat, the while her head was pillowed in the hollow of his arm.

So she lay for minutes—they seemed years to Moran. Blood began to show through her deadly pallor. Presently with a gasping sigh she sat up, saying simply, almost apologetically: "I lost in time you come. I'd put all I had in holding it."

"How long?" Moran asked huskily. "Ever since there was need," the answer came.

"Tell me why you did it," Moran asked still lower.

She flashed upon him the lightning of the deepest blue eyes, said: "My Pap never believed in murderin'—no more do I. Happen he'd lived, this wouldn't a-been."

"You know who did it?" from Moran.

She nodded, her brows drawing together. "Tell me! You must!" he demanded.

She sprang upright, shaken with white anger. "Safe job 'o murderin' and get paid for it! See you damned first!"

"You—you don't mean that you are above such criminal contriving—"

Moran began. She cut him short with a scornful laugh and away to day after day, ten strides he overtook her. She was still uneasy on her feet.

"You have done the noblest thing I ever knew!" Moran cried. "I can't spell it. Tell what you know; it may be the means of ending all this bitter trouble."

"The foot of the gallow's!" the girl flung, for he eyes flashing blue sparks. "Young fool, I'd rather not hurt ye; but unless ye listen to reason I'll have to!"

"What do you mean?" he asked. She smiled almost compassionately. "I'm giving you a chance," she said. "You ought to do just—let it be thought the rock fell right by itself. My word passes, there'll be no more sech devil traps, and done—and let it go at that. Is it a bargain?"

"No!" Moran cried, seizing hold of her arms. "I hate to take advantage of my man's strength, spent as you must be. But you must come with me and speak the truth to my father. He was on that train. When he knows he owes you his life you can ask of him almost anything."

"You're fixin' to owe me your death," the girl said quietly. "Braggin' of man's strength. Look! And feel!" clutching him around the middle and swinging him upon her shoulder. "EE you holler, I'll have to break your neck before I drown ye. I could do it for most any mountain man—you play football, I've heard tell—but what head back that old rock caved in on you?"

A minute, two, five, Moran writhed and strove. He could not free himself—manhood forbade striking even this Amazon who had shown so much a conscience. He said smotheredly, the words coming hard: "I agree, but listen. For what you did today I shall do my best to see that you strike settled without more hurt to anybody. If that happens—when that happens—I am coming back to find you—then I'll ask your name."

"'Twouldn't do you any good—I'm changing it mighty shortly," the girl said with a slow smile. "You quiet things down the right way, and I'll give ye a bid to the wedding. Will you come?"

"Sure," said Moran, adding to himself: "If for nothing else than to see the man brave enough to marry you."

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WRITES DELICIOUS CHILDREN'S VERSE

Margaret Clarke Russell
Makes Readers Chuckle
Over "Take Every Night" Series.

"Take one every night before going to bed," is the palatable advice which appears on the flap of an envelope a number of friends have been lucky enough to receive for Christmas from Margaret Clarke Russell, talented London poetess, who holds the position of poet laureate of the London Women's Press Club.

Excellent readers the Press Club and Londoners have to be proud of this gifted woman, as the contents of the envelope prove to be a little bundle of deliciously illustrated cards, containing children's rhymes by Margaret Clarke Russell herself, bits of whimsical poetry of the kind to make grown-ups and little folks alike gurgling with delight.

Eugene Field and Robert Louis Stevenson must share their halos with a woman who can give us such a wealth of everything so delightfully fresh and young, so genuinely humorous and understanding as this:

My Teddy Bear won't bite or steal,
He sits beside me every meal,
And when we've said our prayers at night,
We hug each other very tight.
And cuddle up beside the wall,
So out of bed we will not fall.
But in the morning he's not to be,
I've kicked him on the floor some-where."

A procession of sheep skips across the black curtain, upon which appears in white lettering this advice for the poetess to the green cowpans, who down at the bottom, a wee girl, who simply can't go to sleep:

A little child who can not sleep
Should shut her eyes and picture sheep,
One and two and three and four
And five and six and more and more,
Fifty-one and two,
A hundred more or less will do
To put a little child to sleep.
Curly, cuddly, woolly sheep."

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH CHORAL HONORS RETIRING OFFICIAL

Sydney G. Martin, Organist, and
Bride-Elect Miss A. C. Arnold,
Presented With Gifts.

Last evening at the conclusion of the weekly rehearsal of the choir of St. John the Evangelist held at home in honor of the church organist, Mr. Sydney G. Martin, and his bride-to-be, Miss Annie C. Arnold, who for some time has officiated at St. John's organ. A number of congratulatory addresses were made, and one behalf of the choir Mr. H. B. Archer presented Mr. Martin with a steamer rug, and Miss Arnold with a beautiful umbrella. Refreshments were served, and a delightful evening spent. The wedding will be celebrated in the church by the rector, Rev. A. L. G. Clarke, and shortly after Mr. Martin and his bride will take up their residence in Cardiff, Wales.

HEARING MAYOR JAN. 3.
Rectory Street School Mothers' Club had a busy day Friday entertaining the junior pupils following their concert in the afternoon, and the seniors in the evening. Ice cream, oranges and cake were served to the 600 pupils, under the supervision of the club president, Mrs. R. Sinclair. The club is having Mayor-elect G. A. Wenige to speak at the first meeting of the New Year on Wednesday, Jan. 3rd.

Holeproof Hosiers

Give a box of
Holeproof
for Christmas
and you can't
go wrong

MADE IN CANADA

Home-made, but Has No Equal for Coughs

Makes a family supply of really dependable cough medicine. Easily prepared, and available to all.

If you have a severe cough or chest cold accompanied with a sore throat, throat tickle, hoarseness, or difficulty breathing, or if your child wakes up during the night with cough and you want quick help try this reliable old home-made cough remedy. Any drug store can supply you with 2½ ounces of Pinex. Pour this into a 16-oz. bottle and fill the bottle with plain granulated sugar syrup. Or you can use clarified molasses, honey, or corn syrup, instead of sugar syrup, if desired. This recipe makes 10 ounces of really remarkable cough remedy. It tastes good, and in spite of its low cost, it can be depended upon to give quick and lasting relief.

You can feel this take hold of a cough in a few minutes. It loosens and raises the phlegm, soothes throat tickle and soothes and heals the irritated membranes that line the throat and bronchial tubes with such promptness, ease and certainty that it is really astonishing. Pinex is a special and highly concentrated compound of genuine roseway pine extract, and is probably the best known means of overcoming severe coughs, throat and chest colds.

There are many worthless imitations of this mixture. To avoid disappointment, ask for 2½ ounces of Pinex with full directions and don't accept anything else. Guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money promptly refunded. The Pinex Co., Toronto, Ont.

Mothers and Their Children



The Young Citizen.
My boy has been thinking to think that the public waste box is to be used just as the waste basket in our living-room would be. So he helps keep the city clean.
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KEEN TO TAKE PART IN GRAND FESTIVAL

Keen interest has been awakened locally by the announcement a few days ago of the Ontario Musical Competition Festival to be held in Toronto during the week beginning Monday, April 30, 1923.

Already chorists, teachers and their conductors, and teachers and their students are eagerly awaiting the syllabus in order to begin preparations at once to qualify for entry.

A copy just received by The Advertiser contains the list prepared of competition numbers in the choral, vocal duet and solo, piano, organ and orchestral instruments sections, as well as competitions for schools, colleges and girls' organizations, such as the V. W. C. A. Girl Guides, etc. Folk dancing and competition are included.

In the "Foreword," George E. McCann, L.L.D., president, says: "Perhaps the outstanding result of the competitive festivals in the Old Country is the fixing of certain ideal of good music in the minds of the young and the gradual, through certain and uniform raising of the standard by encouraging proper methods of production. In our own Dominion we have witnessed the remarkable progress of a better class of musical work throughout the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan, which were the pioneers in Canada of the competitive festival idea. There has also been noticed a very marked improvement along this line in our neighboring province of Manitoba, where such festivals have been organized for some five or six years.

"The keen endeavor shown each year in the various competitions held at the Canadian National Exhibition tends to convince us that the enthusiasm which is demonstrated by those directly interested in music only needs to be organized and directed along the right lines to produce definite results. It is the hope, therefore, of those organizing the competitive festivals in Ontario, that the inestimable benefits which have accrued to other parts of the Dominion will be enjoyed in this province, and we bespeak the co-operation of all who have any musical inclination whatever, in this enterprise."

Mr. Harry Plunkett, Greene, the eminent singer, and Mr. Harry Bantock, the English composer, organized as two of the leading adjudicators in musical competition in the world have been secured as chief adjudicators.

NORMAL CLASS RETURNS FOR REUNION BANQUET

Graduates of 1922 Rally From All Parts of Ontario—Honor Dr. Deane.

From all parts of Ontario, all the way up to the recently fire-swept northern states of the London Normal School of the 1922-23 class gathered in the city Friday evening until 100 and more had assembled for the reunion dinner held at 8 o'clock in the Tecumseh Hotel. Happy greetings were exchanged in the banquet hall, gay with yuletide decorations, music of the Excelsior orchestra lending added festivity.

Dr. John Deane, popular principal of the Normal School up to the occasion, and included in the invitation list were the present principal and members of the of the occasion, having acted on a committee with Mr. Tom Thompson, Miss Nellie Tutt and Miss Joanna McArthur in making the arrangements for the reunion.

Many expressions of regret were heard over the fact that Mr. Thompson, who carried the chief responsibility, owing to the fact he was resident in the city, was obliged to leave before the party, in order to reach his home in Manitoulin Island in time for Christmas.

Dr. Deane, the chief speaker, expressed his delight over the large attendance and the opportunity thus afforded of again looking into the faces of so many of his former students. He also heartily congratulated the committee on the efficiency with which they had carried through arrangements.

Continuing, he talked for a short time on the life lessons learned during their course of study by young teachers, offering them inspiring counsel and his good wishes for their future welfare and success. The evening wound up with dancing.

KNIT FOR GREENFELL.
Lobo Women's Institute, meeting in the Masonic Hall this week, decided to knit for the Greenfells. A paper on "The Ideal Canada" was read by Miss Jessie Irvine, and Miss Williamson favored with an instrumental. Mrs. John Keep answered the question paper. The next meeting will be held in the Masonic Hall, Lobo, Jan. 17.

FOR IMMEDIATE WEAR.
For immediate wear, designers are providing us with some effective costumes of cloth or silk, with novel treatments of the bandanna handkerchief as trimming. The colors are apt to be a dark shade of blue, brown or black.

CAN'T GET MARRIED AND LIVE IN PEACE

London Bridegroom Walks Into Cleverly-Concealed Advertising Trap Laid For Newly-Wed.

A certain young London man, bridegroom of a few weeks, was hit in the funnyness the other day by an absolutely new (to him) advertising dodge.

He came through the mail a long, impressive, official-looking envelope. Inside he discovered a sheet of note paper containing a letter, and, in addition, a second sealed envelope bearing the inscription, "Please do not break the seal until you have read the letter."

Obedient instructions, he turned with curiosity to the type-written sheet with the heading of a well-known life and accident insurance company.

The letter read as follows:
My dear Jones:
Up until last month you would have made any insurance man "spar for time," and perhaps you did not have any need for insurance, but NOW

the one best reason in the world is in the attached envelope; will agree with me I am quite sure.

Through the medium of life insurance you not only carry out your pledge "until death do us part," but even after death you continue to "provide for your own."

I hope to have the pleasure of calling on you within the course of the next few days and explaining our estates and capital protection policy, etc.

With assurances of our very best wishes,
Yours very truly,
Special Representative.

What the sealed envelope contained was a correspondence card on which was type-written in bold red letters, "Congratulations," and beneath in black "The Reason," as a leading for a clipping from a local paper some weeks back, the marriage announcement of the bridegroom.

Fashions by Wire

Special to The Advertiser.
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Paris, Dec. 22.—White cloth and black velvet is a favorite combination in the latest fashions. The black velvet is applied in wide, horizontal bands as a rule and added as a finish to neck and sleeves.

NEW COLLAR STANDS UP.
Paris, Dec. 22.—The latest of upstanding collars is seen on some of the blouses today. The neck is rounded and comes up as high as the base of the throat. This demureness is offset by a saucy collar at the back of the neck not over four inches high.

EARRING BALANCES HAT TRIM.
London, Dec. 22.—On many of the smaller hats shown here at present, the trimming goes from the back to the front, and often consists of a single ribbon bow, or a single right side. The bow completely hides the face, upon the left side. The proper silhouette is formed by a fluff of hair and a long earring.

TAILORED SUITS.
London, Dec. 22.—Tailored suits ornamented with lozenge shaped stitching in very wide bands often are being worn today over blouses whose pattern reflects the lozenge ornament. A heavier brown suit with lozenge stitching in nigger brown worn over a tan blouse with lozenge stitching in gold.

STOCKINGS IMPORTANT.
New York, Dec. 22.—Stockings are an exceedingly important bit of dress these days. A plain black costume, with which patent leather colonial pumps were worn, was redeemed from the commonplace by a pair of unobtrusive but distinctive silver gray stockings, with narrow black stripes.

LINGERIE MATCHES EYES.
New York, Dec. 22.—Lingerie to match the eyes is the latest notion of fashionable designers. Hazel eyes are the hardest to match, he admits, and for hazel-eyed customers he has a shimmering silk which, like their eyes, is neither brown nor gray, but a blend of both. It is trimmed with a delicate design in gold thread.

BEAUTY GRACES RAINBOW GOWN.
New York, Dec. 22.—The rainbow gown seems likely to be in evidence at Christmas parties. It is a white gown trimmed half way up the skirt and half way down the bodice with horizontal rows of silk ribbon in the primary rainbow shades. Only the very young and the very lovely may wear this pretty but exacting costume.

CLUB NEWS

REPRESENT SCHOOL AT HOSPITAL.
South London Collegiate will be represented by Mr. Burns and Mrs. Carrington of the faculty, and Miss Tempelin, president, and Dona Gracey, vice-president of the Literary Society, at the Christmas entertainment on Saturday evening at the Westminster Hospital. The school is particularly interested in the hospital, having filled 60 gaily-decorated boxes with fruit, nuts, candies, games and handkerchiefs tucked in each for 60 soldier patients.

GRACE CLUB RAISES \$40.
The Grace Country Club of Plumstead held a very successful bazaar the past week, when an elaborate display of home-made cooking and sewing was soon disposed of.

Several donations were received from friends of the club. The proceeds amounted to over \$40.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, December 28, at the home of the Misses Mackay, twelfth line.

RAISE \$20 FOR MEMORIAL.
Simcoe Street Mothers' Club substituted a home-cooking sale for the December meeting this month, under the supervision of Mrs. M. J. Foster. Over \$20 was raised for the memorial boulder fund of the school.

C. E. F. CHAPTER CATERERS FOR BALL.
The C. E. F. returned Chapter, I, O. D. E., will cater for the Sergeant's Dance in the Armories Jan. 5, as the first big piece of work undertaken since reorganization. Plans in the connection were held at the December meeting held this week in the Y. W. C. A., presided over by Mrs. J. Dunlevy, recently elected regent.

Permission has been obtained by the chapter to sell chocolate bars, nuts, etc., at the boxing tournament of the Garrison Athletic Association to be held in the armories on Dec. 29. The chapter is sponsoring the War Memorial Children's Hospital.

PERSONALS

Mr. George Thomas of Galt, will be a Christmas visitor in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Carroll, of Detroit, are spending the Christmas holidays in London.

Miss Helen Gunn has returned home after spending the past eight months abroad.

Sir Adam Beck, Miss Marian Beck and Mr. Horace Beck of Toronto will spend Christmas at "Hedley."

Dr. Edward Abbott of Toronto will spend Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Abbott, Queen's avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bottoms of Toronto will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Bottoms, Cynthia street.

Mr. Duncan McArthur and daughter Mary of Kingston are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Williams of Wingham will be Christmas guests with Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Stephens, the Base Line.

Rev. G. Q. Warner is planning to be present at some of the sessions of the National S. C. M. Conference in Toronto next week.

Mr. Thompson, of the city teaching staff, has left to spend the Christmas holidays at his home in Manitoulin Island.

Mr. R. A. Delaney of Port Huron, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Delaney, Central avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Maine and family are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Maine's mother, Mrs. Towle, of Chatham.

Miss Bullen of Victoria, who is attending school in Quebec, is spending the Christmas vacation with Miss Harris, Colborne street.

Mr. Adam Beattie has arrived home from New Ontario to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Beattie.

The many friends of Mr. Richard (Pop) Stanley of Winnipeg, formerly of London, will be glad to hear that he suffered a stroke last week.

Mr. Bland McCormick, who is attending Toronto University, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. T. P. McCormick, Talbot street.

Major Harris, N. Howden, John I. A. Hunt, John Bridge and O. H. Gilday were recent arrivals from London at the King Edward, Toronto.

Miss Nellie Tutt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tutt, who has been teaching the past autumn near Ingersoll, is holidaying at her home.

Miss Hazel Stet, Paquette, near Windsor, has arrived home to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stet, 93 Sackville street.

Principal E. A. Miller, of the London South Collegiate, and Mrs. Miller are spending the Christmas holidays at Mr. Miller's mother, Smith's Falls.

Miss Carol Brown, who is attending Macdonald College, St. Annes, Que., is spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Little, Central avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lee and three children of Detroit are Christmas guests with Mrs. Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Southcott, Maryboro Place.

Mrs. Ray Lawson is entertaining next week in honor of her sister, Mrs. Duncan McArthur, who is entertaining in honor of her sister, Mrs. Miss Edith Greer, a bride-elect this month.

Charles Stephens, 190 Wellington street, and Robert Patterson, 199 Grey street, have recently arrived home from Queen's University for the Christmas holidays.

Dr. Rebecca and Dr. Marie Harkins left on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with their father in their old home in Blairsville, Pa. They return to the city Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Townsend, Ridout street, are leaving in the new year to spend the Christmas holidays in Preston, where Mr. Townsend will be accountant in the Bank of Montreal.

Mrs. J. J. Tierney of Windsor, has arrived in town to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Capt. B. J. Dunlevy and Mrs. Dunlevy. Mr. Tierney will join the house party later.

Invitations have been sent out by the 1920-21 class in the London Normal School for a reunion dinner to be held Wednesday, Dec. 27, at the Tecumseh Hotel. Miss Edith Martin, of Denfield, is the secretary.

Mr. Charles Tutt, B.A., lecturer in Columbia University, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tutt, in Chesley avenue.

Mr. Tutt is completing his post-graduate work in the Romance languages.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tuke and four children, of Halleybury, Northern Ontario, are expected in town before the end of the holiday season to visit Mrs. Tuke's parents, Dr. John Deane and Mrs. Deane, Marley Place, London South.

Florence Herbert, a talented young first year student in the London South Collegiate, has been awarded one of this year's prizes offered for drawing by the Ontario Safety League. The competition was open to students all over the province.

Mrs. G. R. Williams of Pontiac, Mich., and Mrs. A. E. Yokom and small son, both of Detroit, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simpson, Mr. Williams and Mr. Yokom are coming later, and will also spend the Christmas holidays in London.

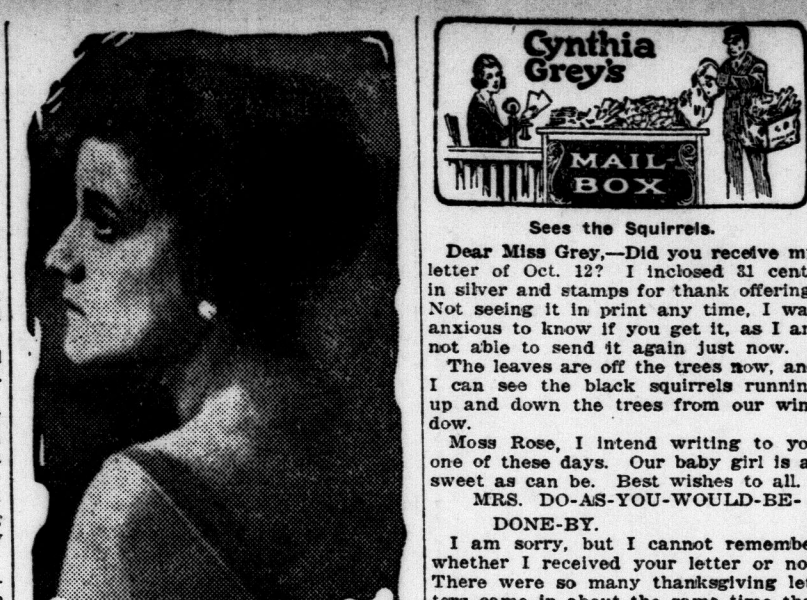
In honor of her son Palmer Mrs. T. P. McCormick was the hostess of a charming dinner party Friday evening. The range and the table later to the dance at the Highland Golf Club, given by Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Abbott in honor of their daughter, Miss Loraine.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Robertson arrived from Toronto Friday evening to join a house party which Dr. G. A. Routledge and Mrs. Routledge, the range and the table later to the dance at the Highland Golf Club, given by Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Abbott in honor of their daughter, Miss Loraine.

Next week's hostesses who are entertaining in honor of Miss Edith Greer, whose marriage to Dr. H. H. Plaggemeyer takes place this month, include Mrs. Richard Ivey, who is entertaining at her home on Wednesday, Mrs. Ray Lawson, Thursday, and Mrs. Wilson Purdon, Friday evening.

Mrs. E. Albright of the Western University arts faculty and Miss Besse McCamus of the Staff London Collegiate staff are among the Londoners who will attend the first National Students' Christian Movement Conference, to be held in Toronto Dec. 28 to Jan. 2. The women delegates will be housed in Annesley Hall and the men in Knox College, as far as accommodation in these residences will afford room.

Complimenting Miss Edith Greer, a much-feted bride-elect, Mrs. George Little entertained at the tea hour Friday at her home in Central avenue. The tea-table, adorned with crimson flowers, was presided over by Mrs. W. H. Kippen. Among the guests were Mrs. W. G. Pells, Mrs. Mortimore Hunt, Miss Jeanette Wil-



PAYS CHRISTMAS VISIT.

Mrs. Hector C. Connolly of Montreal, formerly Miss Isabel Coles, a bride of November, has returned for the holiday season, and is staying with her parents, Col. W. G. Coles and Mrs. Coles, The Beeches, South London.

son, Mr. R. C. MacKnight, Mrs. Richard Ivey, Mrs. Eric Reid, Mrs. Jessie Turner, Mrs. W. E. Robinson, Mrs. Hugh McCrimmon, Mrs. S. V. Cooke, Mrs. Kent Campbell, and many others.

A jolly affair of Friday evening was the dance for the night at the Highland Golf Club by Dr. C. N. Abbott and Mrs. Abbott in honor of the addresses of the Two Country House-buds. I want to get some of the bulbs they have offered. I was delighted over the Thanksgiving donations, Miss Greer. You neglected putting in my name for the donation, as I had mine in with A School Kid's. The total was 65 cents.

JOHNQUIL.
I am sorry that I neglected putting your name on the Thanksgiving page. I must have overlooked your name. I am mailing you the addresses of the Two Country House-buds. Many thanks for the inclosed hospital "plaster."

"Calamity Ann's" Message.
Dear Miss Greer.—Will his squint down on the back of my neck and talk atcha all for a phew minutes.

Here be five silk flags for the lady wot wanted some—and I have some more of these little satin patches, with all sorts of flowers on, which readers may have "fteen" for "tin clints" (money for kink buk und). We needs some good receipts; so get busy, folks. Let 'em kum fast an' furjus. Yours, before-behind,

JOHNQUIL.
Thank you for the flags, "Calamity Ann." The recipes are not coming in very fast, are they; but after Christmas, when everyone gets back to normal after the bustling and hustling of the Yuletide season, I think they will start arriving fast and furious.

Helps S. A. H.
Dear Miss Greer.—Have you room in your cozy corner for another newcomer? I have been reading the letters for some time, but never seem to have time to write, as I am a busy mother on a farm, with a family of nine to care for. I am inclosing a self-addressed envelope, and will you please send me the address of S. A. H. I saw that she was in need of a little child's coat. I have a coat and cap of brown beards, nearly as good as new, that she can have. I will pay postage on same, and if she feels that she can afford it, she can send the same for the hospital fund. Am inclosing a mite for the cot.

It must keep you GABRIELLE.
GABRIELLE.
It must keep you taking care of nine babies, besides doing the work on the farm; but you never are too

Fashions Forecast

Annabel Worthington

1542
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1542—Ladies' and Misses' Middy Blouse. Cut in sizes 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Size 36 requires 2-5/8 yards 36-inch material with half yard 36-inch contrasting and 4-3/4 yards braid.

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1559—Ladies' Apron or House Dress. Cut in sizes 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. Size 36 requires 3-1/4 yards 36-inch material with half yard 36-inch contrasting and 6-1/2 yards binding.

1560—Misses' and Girls' Dress. Cut in sizes 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years. Size 8 requires 2-1/4 yards 36-inch material with 5-1/4 yards braid.

1551—Ladies' Dress. Cut in sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure. Size 36 requires 3-3/4 yards 40-inch material with 2-3/4 yards binding and 4 yards ribbon for sash.

ALL PATTERNS 15 CENTS. In stamps or coin (coin preferred).

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No. 1550—Misses' and Girls' Dress. Cut in sizes 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years. Size 8 requires 2-1/4 yards 36-inch material with 5-1/4 yards braid.

No. 1551—Ladies' Dress. Cut in sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure. Size 36 requires 3-3/4 yards 40-inch material with 2-3/4 yards binding and 4 yards ribbon for sash.

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busy to help those in distress, are you, Gabrielle? It is very good of you to offer to help S. A. H. also to send such a generous gift for our fund. S. A. H. will be delighted to receive the beards coat and cap for her child. We will be pleased to hear from you again some time.

THORNDAL PROVIDES DINNERS FOR TWELVE

Thorndale has again this year proved most generous to the Christmas welfare work of the W.C.T.U., supplying no less than 17 Christmas dinners for needy families. All packed up ready for the distribution the "dinner" arrived on Thursday.

"And I wish you could see what wonderful dinners they are," exclaimed the social worker, Mrs. Ida Harrison.

Each parcel contained plump fowl, vegetables, butter, pies, cakes, oh, such a number of filling and wonderfully good things for Christmas. A large share of thanks for this donation is due to Miss Duffin, a Thorndale teacher, who has supplied herself one Christmas dinner.

Twelve dinners came from a Bible class in the Methodist Church Sunday School, which she teaches, and three from the continuation class in the public school. One is from her own class in school.

Onions
By BERTHA E. SHAPLEIGH,
Usually, onions are boiled to be served at dinner, and butter, salt, pepper, and occasionally, cream, added.

Onions, baked, are very good, and a change from the boiled ones. 12 medium-sized onions, 4 tablespoons butter, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon paprika, 1 teaspoon sugar.

Peel and parboil onions 10 minutes. Mix butter, lemon juice, paprika and seasonings to a paste. Place onions in a baking dish and divide the butter mixture, placing a little on each onion. Add ½ cup water to dish and bake slowly for one hour. Keep dish covered until 10 minutes before onions are to be taken from the oven.

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CANADA KEEPS UP
IN SPEED SKATINGFigure Skating Also Has Large
Number of Devotees.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—For many years Canada has provided champion speed skaters. The success of Canadians in competition with the best from other countries, notably the United States, has been most remarkable. Such names as Fred Robson and Miss Gladys Robinson, in particular, will go down in the world's speed-skating records.

Enthusiasm is now manifesting itself in quarters heretofore uninvolved. For many seasons the knowledge of speed skating was learned only through the perseverance of youngsters on open-air surfaces. When they showed exceptional speed they were generally taken in hand by a trainer and tested in a series of races. But times have changed. Today speed skating is being fostered by many individual amateur organizations. And most of the past Canadian artists on the polished steel blades are devoting considerable time to coaching the future champions. Girls' clubs, as well as men's clubs, have been given stimulus. The well-known successes of Miss Gladys Robinson of Toronto in attaining the title of the world's champion woman speed skater, and the unprecedented stimulus among Canadian girls, in Toronto alone three large athletic clubs are vying for the leading position.

All of the leading skaters in Canada are preparing for the coming championships in the United States. The leading men are: Russell Wheeler of Montreal, E. Gorman, John B. B. Eddie Gloster, Toronto, and Emory Stevenson, Toronto. From Wheeler and Gorman much is expected. Three years ago Mike Goodman of Winnipeg (the Prairie Prober) was regarded as one of the finest speedsters ever developed. But Goodman insisted on also playing hockey, and his speed skating career was ended. He was a member of the Winnipeg Falcons of 1919, world's hockey champions at the Olympics.

The itinerary prepared for Miss Gladys Robinson, the pride of Canada's skating feminity, would make a traveling salesman jealous. The fat-haired speeding marvel has been practicing daily on artificial ice for a month in preparation for all the skating championships listed in the States and Canada. Basil Cosgrave, her trainer, and a good skater himself, says Miss Robinson is in the best condition of her meteoric career. "Better than ever she was," is his statement. Last winter in defeating Elsie Miller of New York and Rose Johnson of Chicago, besides others, and winning the silver skates derby and other championships, the Canadian girl made sporting history. She is not yet 23 years of age—and a world's champion.

Laudation must be given Fred Robson of Toronto, the grand old veteran of the game. Robson has put in 20 years of actual racing. Lee Roe, Piper and Cody are three others of the old Canadian school of speed skating. Last winter, a ter being away four seasons, Robson returned and won the Ontario championship and hurdles at Ottawa and had two seconds. When he quit racing he held nine world's records and two Canadian skating records. They nearly all stand today. So many prizes has Robson won that he doesn't know their actual value or number. He estimates his collection at about 250 medals and 250 trophies. When pinned onto his skating apparel he appears to be wearing a suit of armor. Robson is now coaching a recreation club, and believes he has several skill skaters who are near champions.

Figure skating has always been popular in Canada. It has even made more remarkable strides than the speed variety, considering its limitations. Figure skating is now a special department of the Amateur Skating Association of Canada in addition with the International Skating Union of Europe. The Minto Skating Club of Ottawa, the Winter Club of Toronto and the largest, with smaller clubs in Hamilton, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver.

Every governor-general of Canada has been personally interested in figure skating. It has been a picturesque feature of entertainment at the Governor's House, Ottawa. Among the members of vice-regal households who have become accomplished figure skaters are Lady Dukes of Devonshire, daughter of the Duke of Devonshire. With a view to encouraging the development of figure skating, the four past governor-generals of Canada have presented trophies. The Earl and Countess of Minto presented the Minto Cup, emblematic of Canada's figure skating championship. The Duke of Devonshire presented the Devonshire Trophy for the champion woman skater of Canada. Another cup is called the Minto Challenge Cup for the champion skater in "fours." Earl Grey offered the Earl Grey Challenge Trophy.

And it remained for the Duke of Connaught (Oreland) to offer the Edward VII. of England) to offer an international trophy, open to any figure skating team from Great Britain and ladies and two gentlemen. The New York Skating Club sent a team of four accomplished skaters to compete for the Connaught Cup in 1921. With many distinguished visitors as spectators, the Connaught Cup was won by the Winter Club of Montreal. The New York team was second and the Minto Club of Ottawa third.

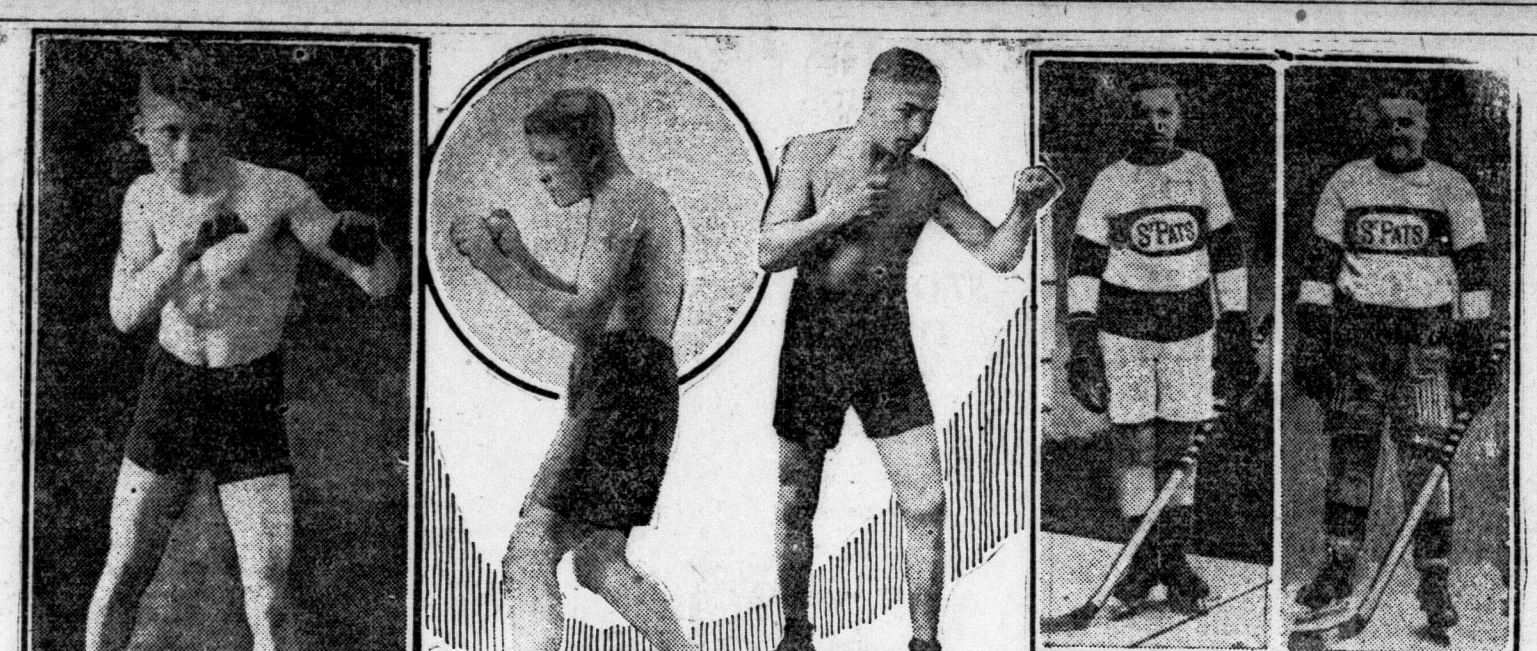
The Minto, Grey, Connaught and Devonshire cups, emblematic of championships in different classes, are now all held by Montreal or Ottawa skaters. Incidentally, the Toronto Skating Club is the only association in the world devoted exclusively to figure skating that has an artificial ice surface of its own. A beautiful clubhouse and a large rink, with necessary equipment, were completed at a cost of \$25,000. The amount being raised by subscription from the members. In two weeks the necessary capital was over-subscribed. For five months of the year, from Nov. 1 to April 1, the Toronto Skating Club members may have the rink for their recreation. And it is predicted that at a not far distant date Toronto is likely to assume the leading role in Canada's figure skating world.

As instructor, in an effort to make a bid for the coveted vice-regal trophies, the Toronto Skating Club has engaged O. B. Haycock of Ottawa, former figure skating champion of Canada. The assistant instructor is Ferdinand Chaitte, former instructor of the Minto Skating Club, Ottawa. Special attention is being given to children, for it is among the rising generation that champions must be sought. The club devotes its activities exclusively to figure skating in the international style, and beginners are always taught to grind away on the "school figures," which are the sound basis of success.

Great initiative was exhibited in erecting the Toronto Skating Club. A site was bought next to a large ice cream freezing plant, and the members were soon made whereby part of the ice cream freezing plant, instead of lying idle, was put to use. The rink would pump its brine over to the club, a distance of about 150 feet. The rink's skating surface is 150 feet by 75 feet, or 12,000 square feet. By securing the aid from the adjoining plant, it saved the heavy expense of installing freezing machinery. There are around 1,300 members in the Toronto Skating Club, and of these about 700 are active figure skaters.

HUGHES DECLINES OFFER
TO BECOME N.H.L. REFEREE

Montreal, Dec. 22.—W. P. Hughes, well-known hockey player and coach, has declined an offer to become a referee in the National Hockey League. Hughes, who has been playing for the Montreal Canadiens, has been offered the position of referee for the 1923-24 season. Hughes, who has been playing for the Montreal Canadiens, has been offered the position of referee for the 1923-24 season.



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Flyweight Champion, who won this Month.

BABE DYER
Amateur Ball and Hockey Star who Made Good as Pro with Buffalo and St. Pats.

Every year the professional ranks absorb their share of amateurs. Above are pictured a few of the amateurs who have made good the last two years in professional athletics of all kinds. Hockey, of course, leads, as it is more generally played.

Never before in the history of athletics have the returns from professionalism been so large. Conacher, one of the greatest in Canadian football, if not the brightest star ever developed in the game, has been tempted with big offers to turn pro in hockey. He has so far stood out against the temptation.

JEFFERSON PARK RESULTS.
First race, all ages, 5 1/2 furlongs—Zoono, 10 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1, won; Billy Connor, 8 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1, second; Reform, even, third. Time: 1:09 1/5. Fifth race, 5 1/2 furlongs—May Mauley, 24 to 1, 12 to 1, 6 to 1, won; Purose, 12 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, second; Anna Regina, 12 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, third. Time: 1:43 2/5. Sixth race, 5 1/2 furlongs—May Mauley, 24 to 1, 12 to 1, 6 to 1, won; Purose, 12 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, second; Anna Regina, 12 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, third. Time: 1:43 2/5.

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NEXT WEEK SEES
O. H. A. JUMP OFFAll Three Series Will Start On
Way During Week.

The O. H. A. season will be in full swing next week, games being scheduled in all three series. Argonauts and Varsity start the seniors off on Wednesday next, while the first games in the Toronto Junior group will be played on Thursday, when Argonauts meet Toronto Cane Club. St. Mary's runners-up to Aura Lee for the junior title last season, swing into action on Friday, Dec. 29. Games scheduled Dec. 22 to Jan. 1, inclusive, follow:

O. H. A. GAMES.
Tuesday, Dec. 26.
Intermediate Series.
Galt at Stratford.
Kitchener at Preston.
Wednesday, Dec. 27.
Senior Series.
Argonauts at Varsity.
Intermediate Series.
Gloucester at Watford.
Albion at Stratford.
Junior Series.
Niagara Falls at Hamilton.
Thursday, Dec. 28.
Intermediate Series.
Shelburne at Port Hope.
Hamilton Beavers at Beamsville.
Grimby at Burlington.
Junior Series.
Grimby at Oakville.
Argonauts at Toronto C. C. Arena, 8:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 29.
Intermediate Series.
Colborne at Port Hope.
Downsview at Oakville.
St. Catharines at Port Colborne.
Hagersville at Watford.
Glenora at Jarvis.
Brantford at Paris.
Preston at Galt.
Stratford at Kitchener.

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NATIONAL HEAD
FINES ST. PATSToronto Club Must Pay For
Late Arrival at Ottawa Game.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—President Frank Calder of the National Hockey League announced today that he had decided to fine the St. Patricks club of Toronto for their late arrival at Ottawa on the occasion of the game against the Senators on Wednesday evening, when a crowd of 10,000 was waiting for the three-quarters of an hour. He has notified the Toronto club to this effect. If warned St. Patricks about taking the noon train to the Capital, President Calder stated, "and as they took no notice of the warning, the only thing to be done is impose a stiff fine."

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St. Mary's, Hamilton, 6, Grimby 5.

EXHIBITION GAMES.
Preston Juniors 6, Kitchener Union, 1.
Kitchener Intermediates 6, Aura Lee, 1.
Burlington Intermediates 3, Milton Intermediates 2.

DIES AT AGE OF 105.

Brookville, Ont., Dec. 22.—Patrick Smith, the oldest resident of the township of Front, of Escott, is dead there at the great age of 105 years. He was a native of Ireland.

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WITH THE PUCK CHASERS

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Verny Forbes vs. "claiming" 1. Back with the rest of St. Patricks and Hagers as added attractions, seems to be the sole topic of hockey conversation in the streets today, says the Star. They are the two smallest goaltenders in the game, but the best and the public will have a good chance to compare them in tomorrow night's pro game at the arm.

With Forbes in goal and a couple of husky, hard-checking defence men like Corbett and Reise, the boys who wager that many goals will be scored had better be careful.

In Ottawa Wednesday. When asked the reason this morning he stated that he was saving them up for Verry Forbes tomorrow.

HUBERT PRUETT.
Is size necessary to achieve greatness as major league pitcher?
The American League last season boasted such physical pitching giants as Walter Johnson, Elam Van Helder, Carl Mays, Walter Hoyt, Warren Collins, also many other six-footers.
On the staff of the St. Louis Browns last year was a dinky looking kid named Hubert Pruett.
Pruett, in a most convincing manner, refutes the argument that to be great you must be a big, husky athlete. The story is thus: Hubert Pruett, in the nation-wide fame by striking out Babe Ruth in 10 of the first 13 times the latter swung against him, tantalizing the fadeaway southpaw slants.
Owing to an injury to his precious left hand in mid-season, Pruett was unable to join the rest of the pitching regulars, having fought in only 120 innings, and four complete games. However, officially he participated in 39 contests for Lee Fohl's St. Louis Browns.
His earned run average of only 2.32 is crowded by Urban Faber's record of 2.81, Faber's being high for the regulars. Pruett's strikeout total is 70 in 120 innings, which is an average of .58 per inning, which is an average of .58 per inning, which is an average of .58 per inning.

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EMPLOYEES HONOR SARNIA MANAGER
Retiring Superintendent of Imperial Oil, Limited, Receives Gifts From Various Departments.

Special to The Advertiser.
Sarnia, Dec. 22.—William J. Gilchrist, superintendent of Imperial Oil Limited, who retires from office at the expiration of the year, to be succeeded by Charles B. Lever of the Montreal refinery, was signally honored Thursday afternoon at the conclusion of the day's work. Hundreds of employees gathered to witness the presentation to him of a gold watch, inscribed, and a golfing set on behalf of the staff and employees, and a humidor presented for the board of directors, along with a letter from C. C. Stillman, Toronto, president of the company.

The presentations were made by Thomas Montgomery, chief engineer, at the refinery, with an appropriately worded address. At the close of the ceremony the employees gave three hearty cheers for the retiring superintendent.

Testimony of a notably successful year, both from an academic and athletic standpoint, abounded at the commencement exercises of the Sarnia Collegiate Institute held in the school assembly hall tonight.

In addition to the distribution of certificates, there were the awards won against outside competition, notably the oratorical trophy of Western Ontario won by Theodore F. Newton, and the chess trophy donated by the Sarnia Board of Education.

The Ontario inter-scholastic rugby trophy was presented to the rugby team along with a cup donated by W. T. Goodison.

The trophy for the Western Ontario girls' basketball competition, donated by The London Advertiser, was presented to the girls' team by Miss Anna Oakes.

The senior and junior trophies to the team winners of the Western Ontario Athletic Associations were presented to the teams by Dr. A. N. Hayes, along with the senior and junior individual trophies won by Orville Johnson and George Simpson.

The athletic record of the Sarnia Collegiate this year is unequalled for many years in the scholastic records of the province.

BRACKIN DECLARES RUMOR UNFOUNDED

Refutes Report That He Will Be Nominee of Essex Liberals.

DECLINES TO STATE STAND

West Kent Member Declares Actions Will Be Governed by Convention.

Special to The Advertiser.
Chatham, Dec. 22.—R. L. Brackin, M.P.P. for West Kent, when interviewed yesterday on his return from Windsor denied all knowledge of the report that he is likely to be the nominee of the Essex Liberals at a future Liberal convention to succeed Major J. C. Tolmie, the present member for Essex in the Ontario Legislature.

"No representations of any kind have been made to me," stated Mr. Brackin today. "I don't know anything about the rumor, nobody has ever approached me or made the suggestion to me in any shape or form."

When asked to give a statement as to what would be his attitude in the event of an election, Mr. Brackin could give no intimation. "What I am expected to do and what I will do will be determined by a convention of the Liberals of Kent county," were his only remarks in reply to several questions.

Fire Chief R. F. Fritchard declared this morning that he would have a special report to hand to the city council at its next regular meeting about the use of the pulmotor at the recent electrocution of a young man by a member of the city fire department.

In an interview he declared that he had nothing to say at the present time regarding the alleged inability of members of his department to operate the same efficiently. "I promise to make reply to the criticism to the city council at the next meeting," he declared.

R. T. Stratton, local manager of the Bell Telephone Co., expressed indignation over the report of the jury which was made public concerning the alleged delay in getting a doctor at the fire hall following the accident.

In a statement issued to the local press he declared the first call was for the police, but continued saying did not secure any response from the station. Later on the police chief was placed on the line, and the trouble was made known to him.

He immediately called up the fire department, who sent the pulmotor out to the scene of the accident. In view of the efforts which were made and the trouble that the calls involved, Manager Stratton thinks it is unfair that the local exchange should be criticized in the manner it was by the jury.

CANADA AND U. S. SIGN POSTAL PACT
Convention Effective January 1 Gives Effect To Agreement Reached At Parley.

Special to The Advertiser.
Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Word has been received here from Washington that the new postal convention which gives effect to the decisions reached at the international postal conference between United States and Canada, held at Ottawa on the 4th and 5th of the present month, has been signed by Postmaster-General Work and by President Harding.

The convention was signed in Ottawa Wednesday, December 20, by Hon. Charles Murphy, and is now complete. The terms of the convention will become operative on January 1.

The postal convention is an artistic document done in script on pages of vellum and illuminated by J. F. Champaigne of the state department, Ottawa.

HARDING SIGNS.
Washington, Dec. 22.—The postal convention recently negotiated between Canada and the United States was signed today by President Harding and Postmaster-General Work, and thus becomes officially in force January 1.

P. T. Murphy, private secretary to the postmaster-general of Canada, who brought the engrossed copies to Washington after they had been signed by Canadian officials, left for Ottawa today, so that the successful conclusion of the negotiations may be announced in Canada Christmas Day.

Many new mail facilities between Canada and the United States are provided for in the new convention.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONCERT ENJOYED BY METHODISTS
Grace Methodist Sunday School Christmas concert on Thursday evening, Dec. 21, in the new church building on the corner of Hamilton road and Glenwood avenue.

The concert was assisted in the program by the Ridout street orchestra, Miss Johnson's class and Master Harold Barnes from the Ridout Street Sunday School.

The program, which was given to a capacity audience, consisted of songs, recitations, drills and orchestra selections. The scholars of the new Sunday school, which was organized only eight weeks ago, showed remarkable ability in the way they presented an excellent program.

The pastor, Rev. A. R. Stone, was the chairman of the evening.

Santa Claus made his appearance shortly after 8 o'clock, and made the children happy by distributing the presents from a loaded Christmas tree. A very successful and pleasant evening was enjoyed.

FRENCH SHOW INCREASE OVER PRE-WAR EXPORTS
Paris, Dec. 22.—(Canadian Press Cable).—The French customs return for eleven months of this year show that the exports were slightly higher than in the corresponding period in 1913.

Alsace-Lorraine commerce figuring in the present returns, which, of course, was not the case the year before the war. This, considering the loss of trade in the devastated areas, still produces a favorable comparison. The imports have increased by 11,000,000 tons.

WILSON CROCKETT, Labor member of the Ontario Legislature for South Wentworth, is named in a writ alleging breach of promise filed by Mrs. Cordelia Wilkins, widow, of Highgate. Damages of \$25,000 are asked.

CLERK AT GODERICH WILL APPEAL FINE
Hotel Employee Assessed \$200 and Costs For Breach of O. T. A.

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Goderich, Dec. 22.—Police Magistrate Fred imposed a fine of \$200 and costs on Gordon Sutcliffe, clerk in the Bedford Hotel, who was charged with having liquor in other than a private dwelling.

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POLICE HOLD FOUR IN MURDER CASE
Prisoners Will Be Charged in Court With Helping Winnipeg Slayer.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Four persons, three men and a woman, will be arraigned before Sir Hugh Macdonald in the police court tomorrow morning on a charge of aiding and abetting John Stanton, an ex-convict of many aliases, for whom an arrest warrant has been issued on the charge of murdering John Penny, aged 75, last Monday night or early Tuesday morning.

A reward of \$500 has been offered for Stanton's arrest. Annie Selman, who, according to the police, lived at 527 Young street, where Penny was murdered with a claw-hammer, is one of the four charged with aiding and abetting.

Dick Searle, and the two others known as "Happy" Horton and G. R. Mitchell, will face the same charge, police officials stated tonight.

MARITIME COLLEGES MAY BE FEDERATED
Presidents of "Bluenose" Universities Conclude Conference on Question.

New York, Dec. 22.—Presidents A. S. MacKenzie of Dalhousie University, Halifax, N. S.; Stanage Boyle, King's College, Windsor, and Rev. E. C. Borden, Mount Allison, Sackville, N. B., yesterday concluded a conference with officials of the Carnegie Corporation concerning proposed federation of the universities and colleges of the Canadian Maritime Provinces.

They planned to leave New York today for their homes. Officials of the Carnegie Corporation refused to state whether any decision had been reached as a result of the conference, claiming that no information could be given until after the Canadian university heads had reached their homes.

The general plan for the federation of the maritime universities was for a central university in Halifax, outside institutions to move there and become affiliated with the central body.

WISHES POSTMEN MERRY CHRISTMAS
Hon. Charles Murphy Sends Seasonal Greetings To Workers Throughout Dominion.

Canadian Press.
Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Hon. Charles Murphy, postmaster-general of Canada, has sent the following Christmas message to the postal workers of the Dominion:

"At this season of the year the public realizes that it is through your devotion to duty and your unremitting toil that the spirit of the age-old message 'Peace on earth, good will to men' is diffused throughout the land. Allow me, then, to give voice to the gratitude of your fellow Canadians by wishing each of you a Merry Christmas, and with all of you let me join in repeating the words of Tiny Tim: 'God bless us every one.'"

CONVICTED OF WIFE KILLING.
New York, Dec. 22.—A jury yesterday convicted Abraham Becker, a chauffeur, of the murder of his wife, Jennie, missing since last April, whose body recently was found buried in the auto repair yard of Becker's friend, Reuben Nordkin.

EX-PRESIDENT IMPROVES.
Washington, Dec. 22.—Chief Justice Taft yesterday continued to show improvements from the effects of his recent operation. Beginning today, he probably will be able to devote some time to the writing of supreme court opinions at his home here, but his doctors have recommended that he do little work during the next ten days.

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Prisoners Will Be Charged in Court With Helping Winnipeg Slayer.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Four persons, three men and a woman, will be arraigned before Sir Hugh Macdonald in the police court tomorrow morning on a charge of aiding and abetting John Stanton, an ex-convict of many aliases, for whom an arrest warrant has been issued on the charge of murdering John Penny, aged 75, last Monday night or early Tuesday morning.

A reward of \$500 has been offered for Stanton's arrest. Annie Selman, who, according to the police, lived at 527 Young street, where Penny was murdered with a claw-hammer, is one of the four charged with aiding and abetting.

Dick Searle, and the two others known as "Happy" Horton and G. R. Mitchell, will face the same charge, police officials stated tonight.

MARITIME COLLEGES MAY BE FEDERATED
Presidents of "Bluenose" Universities Conclude Conference on Question.

New York, Dec. 22.—Presidents A. S. MacKenzie of Dalhousie University, Halifax, N. S.; Stanage Boyle, King's College, Windsor, and Rev. E. C. Borden, Mount Allison, Sackville, N. B., yesterday concluded a conference with officials of the Carnegie Corporation concerning proposed federation of the universities and colleges of the Canadian Maritime Provinces.

They planned to leave New York today for their homes. Officials of the Carnegie Corporation refused to state whether any decision had been reached as a result of the conference, claiming that no information could be given until after the Canadian university heads had reached their homes.

The general plan for the federation of the maritime universities was for a central university in Halifax, outside institutions to move there and become affiliated with the central body.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER TODAY
Roast Turkey and Plum Pudding.
11:30 to 2, 65c
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Bedtime Stories—the Christening of Santa Claus

ONCE UPON A TIME, there lived a very little, old man who loved children, and was always very kind to them. He went about all the time trying to do good, and was only happy when he was helping someone, but his kindness was extended more particularly to children, who grew to be very fond of him.

At the time this story was written, this dear old man was very ill. It was feared he would die, and the whole community felt very bad, as they did not know how they would get along without their dear old friend.

A good angel came along one day and bargained with him, telling him that if he would change his name and spend all his time looking after all the children in the world, making them happy and good, his life would be spared, and he would live forever. Imagine the joy of this dear old man to be given the whole world as a field for the work he loved so well, and that joy to last forever.

The little old man rose from his bed, the good angel christened him "Santa Claus," and he is still carrying on his mission among his good children in all parts of the world.



Santa Claus Will Come On Christmas Eve

and he requests that when you have heard your bedtime stories that you go to bed very early and do not stir until morning—but you may get up just as soon as daylight comes—and don't forget to hang up your stockings.—A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

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COMMERCE BANK SHOWS BIG PROFIT
Toronto, Dec. 22.—Profits of the Commerce Bank of Commerce for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1922, were maintained, as is shown by the annual statement just issued.

The total was \$3,062,345, as compared with \$3,116,136 the year previous. As the balance at the credit of profit and loss account brought forward from 1921 was \$1,946,745, the total amount for various appropriations was \$4,949,150. Dividends at the rate of 12 per cent per annum and a bonus of one per cent absorbed \$1,950,000, while government taxes took \$225,000, and the sum of \$400,000 was written off bank premises.

After transferring \$176,687 to pension fund account, the balance carried forward into the current year was \$2,097,562, as compared with \$1,946,745 the year before.

FINED FOR ILLEGAL STRIKE.
Canadian Press Cable.
Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 22.—The industrial court has fined the New South Wales divisions of the Federated Iron Workers, Assistants and the J. Alchemers 2220 each on the ground that they participated in an illegal strike.

PLAN PROTECTION OF IRISH RAILWAYS
Government To Build Block-houses Along Tracks, One Mile Apart.
London, Dec. 23.—In view of constant train-wrecking in Ireland, the Irish government will establish along the railroads a system of blockhouses similar to those erected by the British during the South African war, according to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Dublin. The blockhouses will be a few miles apart. Each will be garrisoned by from fifty to one hundred men who will patrol the territory intervening between them. The dispatch adds that orders have been issued that any unauthorized persons in the neighborhood of the railways henceforth shall be shot on sight.

NEW M'MASTER HEAD FORMER GALT PASTOR
Special to The Advertiser.
Galt, Dec. 23.—H. P. Whidden, E.A. L.L.D., the newly-appointed chancellor of McMaster University, Toronto, and for the past ten years president of Brandon College, is a former pastor of South Water Street Baptist Church.

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BIRTH OF CHRIST CHILD
SPLENDID INSPIRATION

Christmas Church Services Tomorrow Take an Added Beauty—Thousands Rejoice as Did Wise Men of Past Ages.

LIGHT STILL SHINES BEFORE MEN

Silver star in sapphire heaven! The shadowy outline of a manger and three wise men with frankincense and myrrh!

The first Christmas service! Fullness of expression of the gladness of the Christmas season must find itself in the service of worship, conducted since that first Bethlehem night for two thousand years in cathedral and cottage, in waste and wilderness.

With all its splendid inspiration, comes the thankful rapture of Christmas song, with its caroling note of gladness and in the solemn remembrance of that divine birth is imparted the grateful sincerity of the service of prayer, more beautiful than at any other season since it knows only the gladness of the coming of the Lord.

So it is that church services Sunday and on Monday, the first of the year, takes on an added beauty and solemnity. As did the three wise men in the Bethlehem manger, who kneel in the city churches, devout in praise and rejoicing in the birth of Him who brought salvation.

AT WORTLEY ROAD BAPTIST.

The beautiful Christmas cantata "The Manger Prince" by E. L. Ashford, will be rendered on Sunday evening at Wortley Road Baptist Church by the choir and soloists, assisted by Douglas Featherstone, violinist. This choir, under the baton of E. E. Werner, has already won laurels in London and vicinity by the successful production of the cantata seasons of W. Rhye-Herberts masterly cantata "Bethany."

The soloists taking part in "The Manger Prince" are: Miss Myrtle Keene, soprano; Miss Myrtle Jones, contralto; and little Ruby Werner; Messrs Walter Chalkcraft, baritone, and Wm. McFadden, tenor. Douglas Featherstone, who has a beautiful obligato solo in the cantata score, is well-known to London music lovers. The new pastor of the church, Rev. J. Murphy, B.Th., will occupy the pulpit for morning and evening services, and will present the gospel message of Christmas in the words of the "Prince of Peace" and "The Night of the Incarnation."

AT CRONYN MEMORIAL.

Last Sunday was observed in the church school as "gift Sunday," when the scholars brought fruit, books and toys to be distributed to their less fortunate brothers and sisters. The gifts were received by Miss Hilda Keene and Miss Myrtle Jones, who then served lunch. On Christmas Eve there will be a carol service at 7 o'clock, after which the choir, under the leadership of Clarence E. Gilmour, will visit Victoria Hospital and sing their Christmas carols. On Christmas Day there will be a service of the Holy Communion at 7 a.m. and 9 a.m., with a choral service at 11 a.m., when the preacher will be the rector.

On Wednesday in Christmas week the annual Christmas tea and entertainment for the children of the school will be held, and this will be followed on Friday by another tea and entertainment for the primary department. Sunday, Dec. 31, will be observed as "Christmas Day," when the parents and friends of the scholars will be cordially welcomed. The program will consist of carols and an illustrated Christmas story entitled "One Night in Bethlehem," and selections by the orchestra under the leadership of Mr. Douglas Featherstone.

The Sisters of Service, who have given much time and labor to the decorations of the church, are to be congratulated on the beauty of their work.

ROBINSON MEMORIAL.

"Does Salvation Need to Advertise?" will be the subject of discussion at the usual 10 o'clock meeting of the brotherhood in the Robinson Memorial Church on Sunday next. The speakers will include W. J. Line, W. J. Wray, George Chapman and John Petherborough. The brotherhood, who always welcome friendly criticism and will be glad to have the members of any other brotherhood join them on Sunday morning. Special Christmas sermons and music will feature the regular services of the church.

AT WELLINGTON STREET.

A special open session of the Wellington Street Methodist Sunday School, Christmas Day, will take the form of "White Gifts for the King," the scholars bringing gifts for distribution to the needy of the district. Special musical numbers by the orchestra, under direction of Wm. Cresswell, will be the feature of the services, which will also include special Christmas messages from the pastor.

AT ASKIN STREET.

Special Christmas services have been arranged at Askin Street Methodist Church, where Rev. Cosby Morris will preach inspiring Christmas messages. Dr. Smith, organist, has prepared a very fine musical program, which follows:

At the morning service: Prelude, Christmas offertory (Grange), anthem, "Christians Awake, Salute the Happy Morn" (Mauder), offertory, "The Chimes of Dunkerque" (Turpin), carter), postlude, "The Christ Child" (C. W.); postlude, "Fanny Lemmens."

At the evening service: Prelude, "Andante Allegro" (Bache); anthem, "The Child of the Star" (Wentholm); offertory, "Caprice" (Cadman); duet, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Sprague); anthem, "Behold I Bring Glad Tidings" (Sprague); anthem, "The Angel Gabriel Was Sent From God" (Smart); postlude, "March of the Magi" (Smith).

The soloists will be Miss Campbell and Cullis, and Messrs. Ballantyne, Wilmer and Spence.

At St. Andrew's.

MOUNTAIN HIGHWAY
TO OPEN NEXT JUNE

Last Link of 6,500-Mile Western Tour Nearing Completion.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The official opening of the Banff-Windermere motor highway through the Canadian Rockies has been set for June 30, 1923, it was announced today by the commissioner of Canadian National Parks. On that date the last link in the great 6,500 mile tour through Western Canada and the United States will be thrown open to traffic, making the transcontinental parks of the two countries accessible for motorists from Mexico to Western Canada.

The opening ceremonies will take place at Vermilion Crossing, a point on the road midway between Banff, Alberta, and Windermere, B.C. The road is built through the heart of the Rockies, 73 miles of it being through virgin mountains and forest country and crossing the mountain passes. The main range of the Rocky Mountains is crossed via Vermilion Pass in which an altitude of 8,600 feet is reached. The grades, however, are stated to be remarkably low, the average being 3 per cent, with the maximum of 6 per cent. The new highway is 93 miles long, of which the 30 miles lying in Rocky Mountain Park had previously been constructed by the Canadian government. The road gives a standard wheelway of 16 feet surfaced with crushed gravel, built by the parks branch, was \$7,700 per mile, though in the heaviest construction, which included rock cuts from 40 to 80 feet high, the cost reached \$27,000 per mile.

With three celebrations of holy communion at 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. At the 11 o'clock service the choir will attend and render the festival music.

AT ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL.

The services at St. Peter's Cathedral on Christmas, the great Feast of the Nativity of our Saviour, will be of a most solemn and impressive character. A solemn pontifical mass at midnight on Christmas Eve will be celebrated by His Lordship Bishop Fallon. The sermon at this mass will be given by the bishop.

On Christmas morning masses will begin at 7 o'clock, ending with a solemn high mass at 10 o'clock. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 in the evening will bring this greatest of all Christian festivals to a close.

As in the past, the entire congregation will receive holy communion at the midnight mass or one of the masses on Christmas morning.

AT ALL SAINTS.

The new pipe organ will be used for the first time on Sunday. The recent fire destroyed a great number of the organ pipes, but heavy cooperation by the organ builders has assured the use of the organ by Christmas. They have worked night and day and have spared no effort to complete the organ. In addition to the special hymns for Christmas, "A Christmas Song" (Vander Water) by the choir, and "The Christmas Carol" (O. Night, Peaceful and Blest) by the choir, and the anthem, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" (St. Vincent), will be sung by the choir. Miss Irene Tingey taking the solo parts.

The choir has recently been completely reorganized under the direction of Eric A. Minnett, organist, and it is hoped that the increase in voice, which has been promised for the new year, will bring results. All ranks have been reorganized, and this increase, in addition to the new organ, will permit a musical service to be rendered.

AT DUNDAS CENTRE.

Dundas Centre Church is endeavoring to make Sunday a real Christmas Sunday—full from morning till night with remembrance and thanksgiving and praise. The pastor and choir and Sunday school have prepared special programs for each service.

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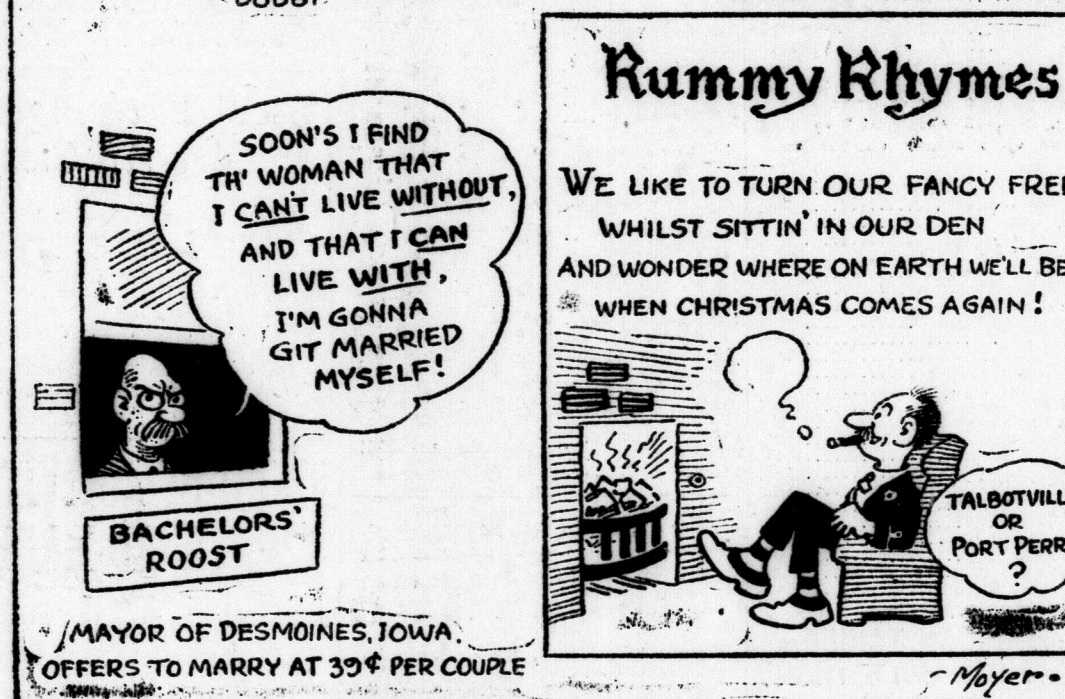
KEEPING UP WITH THE JONES.

DEAR FOLKS—ALOYSIUS P. KINGSLEY AND HIS FAMILY ARE A LONG WAY FROM YOU THIS XMAS, BEING IN CAIRO, EGYPT, BUT THEY HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN ALL THEIR FRIENDS AND WISH YOU ALL WERE THERE WITH THEM! PROHIBITION HAIN'T HIT EGYPT YET, SO THEY SURE OLD KING M'GINIS WOULD TREAT YOU RIGHT IF YOU WERE THERE AND HAPPENED TO RUN INTO HIM! CLARENCE EXPECTS TO BRING BACK A FEW ANTIQUES, WHO CAN TELL, ONE MAY BRING BACK A COUPLE OF PYRAMIDS OR OBELISKS—JUST TO BE DIFFERENT.

AT ST. ANDREW'S.

Christmas services in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church tomorrow will be of a special character.

DIBS AND DABS —BY HARRY MOYER



SAYS TERM 'EMPIRE' NO LONGER APPLIES

I. O. D. E. Will Soon Change Name to "Daughters of Commonwealth."

Special to The Advertiser. Ottawa, Dec. 22.—There is no intention in the capital that the government has been giving serious consideration to a proposal to change the official designation of the King George's realms from the British Empire to the British Commonwealth of Nations, but the idea would doubtless receive sympathetic hearing. In the Anglo-Irish treaty of 1921, the British states were officially described as the "British Commonwealth of Nations."

It was also noticeable that in the recent interchange of messages between Mr. Mackenzie King and Mr. Cosgrave, the Irish premier, the former used the term "Empire" and the latter "Commonwealth of Nations." Some years ago, Mr. Lloyd George declared that the term "Empire" was obsolete as applied to the aggregation of British states. The round table, which has been reckoned all ways as an imperialistic organization, steadily advocated the general use of the term commonwealth, and Mr. Philip Kerr, its late editor, who recently visited Toronto, has in the December number of the American quarterly, Foreign Affairs, a most interesting article entitled "From Empire to Commonwealth."

In it he describes with great clarity the nature of the transformation of the British Empire into a Commonwealth of Nations. He says that the British government in Britain initiates a movement for this change, and it comes to pass that the term empire is British from official vocabulary, some people are going to be faced with an awkward problem. How, for instance, can there be daughters of the Empire if the Empire ceases to exist? But, then, daughters of the Commonwealth, in a short time, sound equally well.

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MOTHER LOSING CHILD. FINDS IT IN MAIL BAG

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—Amid the hustle and bustle of a large crowd of Christmas shoppers in the main post office yesterday came the cries of a mother for her lost infant.

While the mother was addressing Christmas packages at a table in the lobby she placed the child in a market basket which she placed under the table. Her packages ready to be mailed, she looked for the baby. It had disappeared! The basket, with its contents, had been picked up by a postoffice employee and thrown into a mail sack. Cries from the child as the sack was about to be placed on a mail truck led to its discovery.

REPORT EIGHT KILLED IN RAILWAY ACCIDENT

Madrid, Dec. 23.—Reports that eight soldiers of the Vizcaya regiment had been killed and more than a hundred injured in a railway accident to a military train were received here today. Details, including information as to the scene of the catastrophe, were lacking.

BISHOP SENDS GREETING TO DIOCESE OF HURON

Urges People to Remember World Blessings of Christianity. Following is a Christmas pastoral addressed to the church people of the Diocese of Huron by Bishop Williams:

Dear Brethren.—It is a commonplace to say that Christmas Day commemorates not only a Christian, but a world event. The whole world was born in that day. It was a day of blessings for all mankind, in all places and in all times. How could it be otherwise when He, who was before all things, by Whom are all things, and in Whom all things consist, emptied Himself of His glory and became a creature, or created being, born to time, born to a woman, and to a unique, unparalleled event could not possibly end with itself. It must have a unique and unparalleled purpose—a purpose worthy of the event.

That purpose is clearly and variously expressed in Holy Scripture. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. "I am come in the name of the Father's name." "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth." "Thou shalt call His name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins." "He is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." "I am come that men might have life, and have it more abundantly." God's love for man, the revelation of things, witness to the truth respecting God and man, deliverance from sin and failure, the new way of life, the assurance in Him of the more abundant life in this world and in the world to come. All these blessings for all the whole race of man are involved in the event of Christmas Day. Is it any wonder that the heavenly host sang for joy when it first dawned upon the world? And then let us not forget these blessings, meant for all men, are appropriated individually, by each one committing himself to Christ as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Therefore let us not fail to celebrate our Christmas by renewed dedication of ourselves to Christ, so we may help to fulfill on earth the divine purpose of Christmas Day. Believe me, yours faithfully, DAVID HURON.

INGENUITY OF OLD TAR WINS HIM MILLIONS

Others Give Up Hope for Stranded Vessel—Grizzled Sea-Dog Buys San Francisco Giant Tanker for Song and Cleans Up Fortune.

SHOWS OTHERS "IT CAN BE DONE"

By L. C. OWEN. Special to The Advertiser. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—Sea tales of fiction, wherein the daring genius of the Jack Tar wins for him a million dollars, promise a parallel in real life here, in the salvaging of the big oil tanker Lyman Stewart, which lies hard aground amid the jagged rocks off the famous old Cliff House of San Francisco.

The giant oil tanker, one of the largest and finest playing Pacific sea lanes, and valued at a million and a half dollars, went high and dry on the Cliff rocks, when she was rammed by another ship on a foggy night as she was passing into the Golden Gate.

She is within 100 feet of the shore, and there is an 8-foot hole in her side below the water line. The big tanker was insured. The insurance company had a dozen tugs put lines on her, but ineffectually, in an effort to pull her off the rocks. Then marine engineers told the representative of the insurance company that there was not a chance in the world to float her. The only salvage offered, they said, was in wrecking her as she lay, and selling such parts of the big ship as could be dragged ashore.

Difficult Work. Even this was doubtful, for the tanker lay exposed to every vagrant storm that kicks up its heels off the Golden Gate. Also, the shore lines along which the vessel lies is one of precipitous cliffs, and pounding breakers, and dragging ashore any salvaged parts promised to be a difficult, hazardous and costly job. The insurance company representative called for offers from local salvagers, and he might have been waiting to try saving parts of the tanker. He offered to sell her as she lay—very cheap. The wreckers came, looked and shook their heads. There were no big cranes in the city.

Then along came Capt. T. P. H. Whitelaw. He doesn't answer the usual fiction recipe for sea tales like a million dollars on his ingenuity and young and handsome. Capt. Whitelaw is grizzled and gnarled, and a veteran of the seven seas. For fifty years he has been salvaging wrecked vessels in the far corners of the earth.

SAYS CLEAN WHEAT HELPS CAR FAMINE

An Educational Campaign, Preaching Elimination of Waste, Being Conducted.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Shipment of clean wheat to markets by farmers and country elevators would go a great way toward reducing car shortages and effect large savings in the cost of transportation of grain, Robert H. Black, in charge of the department of agriculture's grain cleaning investigations, said today.

During the 1920-21 crop year, the dockage of foreign material in wheat shipped to market was so great that 14,000 more freight cars were required to haul it to market than would have been necessary had clean wheat been shipped. Minnesota grain inspection records show that last October Minnesota received 11,322 cars of spring wheat, containing an average of 4 per cent dockage, or the equivalent of 450 cars capacity.

An educational campaign is being conducted among spring wheat growers looking toward the cleaning of wheat on the farm to reduce this economic loss.

STATES SEWER SYSTEM SAVED LONDON \$100,000

Mayor Wilson and City Authorities Explain Method Used in Doing Work.

Approximately \$100,000 was saved the city in the construction of the London West sewer system and pumping station, according to Mayor Wilson and city authorities.

Questioned on this point today, City Engineer H. A. Brazier stated that the greater portion of the task was undertaken by the city. The contract for the actual cleaning of the station was let while two small jobs were also given to contractors. The remainder of the work was accomplished by day labor, which accounts for the huge saving, he is positive, by reason of the fact that the contractors' profits were thus eliminated.

WOMAN BITTEN BY CAMEL.

Indio, Cal., Dec. 23.—Miss Eleanor Boardman, the leading woman of a motion picture company working here, was severely bitten by one of the camels being used in the production. Physicians say the loss of her right arm is probable.

BLOODY CHRISTMAS FEARED IN IRELAND

New Order Providing for the Shooting of Railway Trespassers May Precipitate Trouble.

By GEO. A. McDONAGH. Special Cable to The Advertiser. Dublin, Dec. 23.—Persons on railways property without authority were ordered shot on sight by the Free State today, as the result of free outbreaks of incendiarism and bombing by Republican insurgents. A bloody Christmas was feared, as the rebels ignored an ultimatum that four of their number now in prison, and condemned to death, would be executed if outrages continued. Free State troops continued to storm Republican strongholds, casualties resulting.

Eight civilians, including a mother and daughter, were wounded when insurgents in motor lorries raced through Cork, bombing the streets. One man was killed and two women and a Free State private were wounded when government troops attacked rebel in a Dorset street stronghold.

In the face of these disorders, the Free State took most drastic steps. The protest of the railways, which threatened a Christmas offensive to demoralize traffic.

Blockades of railway stations every two miles, and 200 troops were assigned to each. Rebels have raided trains at Four Corners in South Ireland in the last 24 hours.

The Free State was today reported ready to offer amnesty to insurgents, providing the latter had no oath not to again bear arms against the government, and accept the curfew order.

Many rebel leaders predicted this would be met by defiance by the men in prison. Refusal to lift the curfew for the holiday celebration was strongly protested by the rebels. The restriction would prohibit midnight Christmas meals, and the curfew declared it would be celebrated regardless.

RUSSIA MAKES OFFERS TO DOUKHOBORS IN WEST

Yorkton, Sask., Dec. 23.—Free land in a choice section of Russia, absolute religious freedom, exemption from military service, and the right to live as they choose, has been offered by Premier Nikolai Lenine, if the Doukhobors will again take up residence in Russia, according to A. Popoff, who recently visited Moscow and negotiated with the Soviet government on behalf of 385 families of independent Doukhobors, regarding the terms and conditions upon which the establishment of their people in Russia could be brought about. Popoff was accompanied by M. Terniak. The former stated that conditions in Russia were rapidly becoming normal, and that the country would be on its feet again with a couple of years, if the crops were good. He said he would be favorable to seeing the Doukhobors here return and once more make their homes in that country.

REPORTS ON STOCKS SHOW FEW CHANGES

German Reparations Question Overshadows All Other Subjects at New York.

By Canadian Press.

New York, Dec. 22.—The German reparations question overshadowed all other subjects of discussion in this week's financial markets. Attention was centred on this problem by the announcement of J. P. Morgan & Co. on Monday that they had notified the German government that no international loan to Germany could be considered or discussed until the reparations question was settled. The statement was issued to set at rest a flock of rumors that were making it embarrassing both for the administration and for the local banks. The main body of stocks showed few important changes although there were several interesting movements in individual shares. The most spectacular of these took place in American Petroleum, which opened Thursday at 22, advanced to 23 in sales of 100 shares lots and then dropped back to 20 for a net gain of 2 on the day. The stock of the company had been trading at 18 for some time, and the reason for the sensational rise, Baldwin also was active at rising prices, closing the week 10% above last Saturday's high. Several new high records for the year were during the week including Fisher Body, Ford Motor, General Motors, and Stewart-Warner. Business prospects continued encouraging. Weekly reviews of the iron and steel industry declared that year-end activity was unusually high and the seasonal shutdown in the motor industry will be the shortest in history. Lead prices reached new high levels for the year reflecting an increased demand for these metals. Wheat also sold at record prices during the week.

Additional evidence of the enormous loss incurred by the industry because of the shipowners' strike was seen in the action of the directors of the Great Northern Railroad in cutting the preferred dividend to 5 per cent from 7, a rate which had been paid without interruption since 1899. The unprofitable nature of the shipping industry during the last year was shown by a reduction of the semi-annual preferred dividend of international mercantile marine stock from \$3 to \$1.50, putting it at a 3 per cent annual basis instead of 6 per cent.

Money rates were slightly easier. Few important changes took place in the foreign exchange market, demand holding fairly steady around \$4.64, with other European rates showing slight improvement.

SUGAR

New York, Dec. 22.—The early raw sugar market was quiet and prices were unchanged, with spot and futures at 3 1/2c for central, equal to 100 for centrifugal. No sales were reported.

Trading in raw sugar futures was a holiday character, and prices for the day were unchanged to one point lower.

The refined sugar market was unchanged, at \$7.10 for fine granulated with a little better inquiry for prompt shipments.

HOPS

New York, Dec. 22.—Hops steady; spot, 1922, 15c to 16c; 1921, 13c to 14c.

WOOL

Boston, Dec. 22.—Dealings on the summer street wool market were small today in anticipation of the holiday period, but prices, if anything, were higher. A firmer tone with a tendency toward higher values. Mills are gradually becoming more active buyers, with the demand largely for half bloods and the lower grades.

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NEW INCORPORATION.
Authorized capital of \$12,000,000 is reported by company officials. Incorporations were reported to the corporation commission during the week ended December 15, 1922, 12,000,000 shares of stock valued at \$12,000,000.

APPOINT V. L. DAVIDSON
SHERIFF OF WELLAND
Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 22.—Victor L. Davidson of Chippawa has been appointed sheriff of Welland County, to succeed Sheriff James Smith, who is superannuated after 35 years of service in that office. The appointment takes place Jan. 1. Davidson is a well-known resident of Chippawa. He served during the war with distinction, having enlisted the day after war was declared, and was overseas for three years.

HUGE OIL TRANSACTION
REPORTED IN MEXICO
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 23.—The Los Angeles Times today reported an announcement from the promoters that a group of Los Angeles manufacturers and oil operators had obtained from the Mexican Government "what amounts to a blanket concession on all government-owned oil in the oil district of the east coast."

"It is by far the biggest oil transaction in Mexican history," the Times said, "and probably the most important deal of its kind in the world, for it involves 1,000,000 acres of land adjoining rich workings of the oil-established companies in the Tampico and Tuxpan districts."

MRS. HARDING'S ILLNESS
PREVENTS JOLLY XMAS
Washington, Dec. 23.—Christmas at the White House will lack much of the usual spirit of merriment because of Mrs. Harding's illness. There will be no house guests and no Christmas tree. The president's wife, Mrs. Harding, has been ill since Monday. She is now in bed, and her condition is such that she cannot leave her room.

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Just the other day I read of the death of the last remaining resident of a once prosperous town in the west. The town had, in earlier days, been of some size and importance, but the people gradually left for other parts and this one man alone remained. In reading between the lines it was not hard to reach the conclusion that this community was a "boom town"—its prosperity lasted for a few fleeting years and then faded entirely. Its fame had passed and now its name is but a memory.

Our own city of London has never been a "boom town." Its progress has been slow but certain, and the good things that have come to us from exterior points have remained to become part of our civic advancement.

I have before me a picture of Dundas street in 1840. The roadway is a meandering one and lined with stumps of trees which but lately have been felled. There are three Indians in primeval dress leading a pack horse up the road, and in the distance are rude log houses surrounded with rail fences.

Today on that very spot street cars go clanging on their way over the smoothly paved road; people are hurrying to and fro attending to their various business pursuits and the rush and noise of the trade of a great city has supplanted the quiet life of the little village of yesteryear.

By the first Canadian census London's entire capital invested in manufactures was only \$1,000,000, and the total value of manufactured products less than \$3,500,000 but today these figures have advanced to \$34,000,000 and \$42,000,000 respectively.

In 1911 the industrial output of this city was \$16,273,999; today it is \$41,930,921; in 1911 the number of factories in London was 180; today there are 424.

All of these facts are a striking indication of the continual progress we are making in building up our community into one of the most prosperous in Canada, and it is to be hoped that with the coming of the new year local commercial conditions will continue to improve as much as they have in the last two months.—A. M.

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The Saturday before Thanksgiving Day Johnnie went downtown with his father to bring home some things for dinner. Among these was a pint of cream for the coffee, and the little fellow was cautioned to sit in the back seat and hold the cream up straight so it would not spill. He did his best to prevent such a calamity, but when the machine struck a particularly bad bump on Richmond street the bottle slipped from his hands and spilled all over the seat. Johnnie's dad at once wiped the

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NO U. S. COMMISSION.
 Berlin, Dec. 22.—It was officially denied yesterday that the chancellor nor any other government official had suggested the appointment of a United States commission to investigate Germany's economic conditions.

GERMANY DENIES RUMOR.
 Berlin, Dec. 22.—An official denial was issued today that Germany had requested America to make overtures for a joint American allied commission to fix reparations.

ANGELICAN

St. Paul's Cathedral

Holy Communion, 8:30 a.m.
MORNING PRAYER, 11.
Proclamation—Hymn—74.
Psalm—118, 117, 113.
Chants—251, 252, 254.
Benedictus—Hymn—74.
Gospel—St. John—1.
Hymn—478.
Sermon—Preacher, Rev. D. Bright.
Offertory—Organ Solo—Noel-Henrichs.
Recessional Hymn—648.

AN ORCHESTRA WITH ORGAN WILL ACCOMPANY THE EVENING SERVICE.
Organist and Choir Director—Harry T. Dickinson.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Communion—7 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and at noon.
Proclamation—Hymn—74.
Psalm—118, 117, 113.
Chants—251, 252, 254.
Benedictus—Hymn—74.
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Cronyn Memorial Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1922.

8:30 a.m., Holy Communion. 11 a.m., Morning Prayer. 3 p.m., Church School.
Orchestra. Young Men's Class.
7 p.m.—Carol Service.
CHRISTMAS DAY—7 a.m., Holy Communion. 9 a.m., Holy Communion.
11 a.m., Holy Communion.
CHORAL.
The Rector At All Services.

St. James' Church (London South)

REV. W. LESLIE ARMITAGE, M. A., Rector.
8:15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Sermon—"The First Christmas," the Rector.
Psalm—Te Deum.
Offertory—Solo—"The Angels' Song," Miss Gertrude Clement.
Chorus—"O Thou That Tellest."
7 p.m.—Sermon, "The Word Made Flesh," Rev. Prof. Anderson, M.A.
Hallelujah Chorus.
11 a.m.—"Peace and Good Will," the Rector.
Te Deum.
Offertory Anthem—"O Thou That Tellest."
Soloist—Mrs. Barrow.

St. George's Church

Service at 11 a.m.; 7 p.m.
Christmas Music under direction of Mr. Humphreys.

Christ Church

Corner Wellington and Hill Streets.
C. R. Gurney, Rector.
Services Sunday, Dec. 24, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Special music in keeping with the festive season.
Services Christmas Day:
8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10:30 a.m.—Matins and Holy Communion. Appropriate music.

BAPTIST

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Adelaide St. Baptist Church

Adelaide and King Streets.
G. A. LEICHLITER, Pastor.

11 a.m.—Morning Worship. Subject:

"The Christmas Impulse"

7 p.m.—Evening Worship. Subject:

"One Man Against the World"

SPECIAL MUSIC.

Talbot Street Baptist Church

REV. BOWLEY GREEN, Pastor.

11 a.m.—Sermon by Pastor:

"UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN."

7 p.m.—The Pastor Will Preach:

"GOODWILL TOWARD MEN."

Baptisms at Evening Service.

"THE CHURCH WITH A MESSAGE."

Wortley Road Baptist Church

REV. R. J. MURPHY, Pastor.

Morning Subject:

"THE PRINCE OF PEACE."

Evening Subject:

"THE NIGHT OF THE INCARNATION."

The Sacred Christmas Cantata:

"THE MANGER PRINCE."

will be rendered by the choir at the evening service, assisted by

Mr. Douglas Fetherston, Violinist.

Maitland St. Baptist

Rev. Dr. Sowerby, Pastor.

11 a.m.,

CHRISTMAS SERMON.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC.

7 p.m.,

"THE LOVE THAT WAS

HIDDEN: WHY?"

Miss Lila Proctor, Soprano Solo-

ist, will assist the choir.

Come early. All welcome.

Trinity English Lutheran

577 Pall Mall St.

Martin J. Bruer, Pastor.

Dec. 24—11 a.m., Christmas Service.

Dec. 25—7:30 p.m., Children's Program.

Everybody Welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL

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First Congregational

Dundas Street.

REV. M. KELLY, Minister.

11 a.m.,

"GIVING AND RECEIVING."

7 p.m.,

"THE CHRIST CHILD."

METHODIST

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Askin Street Methodist

10 a.m.—Class Service. Brotherhood.

11 a.m.—Rev. J. T. Cosby Morris, B.D.,

"THE UNSPEAKABLE GIFT."

7 p.m.—Rev. J. T. Cosby Morris, B.D.,

"CHRISTMAS GIFTS."

Special Christmas Music at Both Services.

Centennial Methodist Church

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

10 a.m.—Class Meeting.
11 a.m.—"GOOD TIDINGS AND GREAT JOY."
MUSIC—Anthems, "The First Christmas Morn," and "The Light Is Come." Solo, "The Infant King," Mrs. L. R. Menzies.
3 p.m.—Sunday School.
6:30 p.m.—Rousing Song Service.
7 p.m.—"NO ROOM IN THE INN."
MUSIC—Anthems, "O Zion, That Bringeth Good Tidings," and "Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night." Solo, "The Angel's Song," Mrs. A. E. Heyward.
The pastor will preach at both services.
Everyone is very cordially invited.
A. E. M. Thomson, Pastor. W. C. Barron, Choirmaster.

Dundas Street Center

Corner Dundas and Maitland Streets.

REV. (CAPT.) JOHN GARBUTT, Minister.

11 a.m.—Subject: "The Children's Festival." Regular choir augmented by League of Young Workers.
2:45 p.m.—Special open session of Sunday School. Christmas music. Address by the minister.
7 p.m.—Subject: "The Song of the Angels, Good Will to Men."
"Christmas Overture" (Candle Light-Saens), by full choir and the following soloists: Mrs. W. B. Wortman, Miss Elizabeth Kunz, Miss Edna Purdy, Miss Margery Tanton, Mr. Wesley Roberts, Mr. E. N. Harding, Pianist, Miss Annie Ward.
J. Parnell Morris, L. Mus., Organist and Choirmaster.

First Methodist

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

10 a.m.—Class Meeting.
11 a.m.—"THE BIRTH OF THE KING."
7 p.m.—"IF JESUS HAD NOT COME."
REV. J. F. REYORAF.
3 p.m.—Open Session of the Church School.
A special Christmas program has been prepared, consisting of "The Christmas Story," to be given by Mrs. G. A. P. Brickenden.
Solo—By Luther Jackson.
Recitation—By Beth Harkness.
Chorus—"The Beginner's Department."
Chorus—"The Primary Department."
Leonard, Madeline, Beryl and Donald Crawford will appear in Chinese costume and sing Chinese music.
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC.
Mornings.
Organ Prelude—"Pastorale"..... Cesar Franck
Anthem—"Sing, O Heavens"..... Berthold Tours
Recit. and Chorus—"There Were Shepherds"..... Handel
Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem"..... Handel
Organ Postlude—"Hallelujah" Chorus..... Handel
Evenings.
Organ Prelude—"Christmas"..... Gaston Dethier
Anthem—"While Shepherds Watched"..... Joseph Barnby
Soprano Solo—"The Silent Stars"..... W. Loveland
Anthem—"Sing, O Heavens"..... Berthold Tours
Baritone Solo—"The Angels' Song"..... William Stickles
Solo—"O Night, Peaceful and Blest"..... Old French
Soloists—Soprano, Miss I. Brown, Miss M. Fickler; contralto, Miss B. Adams; tenor, Mr. C. Boyce; bass, Mr. J. Paak.
10 a.m.—Men's Brotherhood. John Jarvis will speak.
Soloist—Hilda McMillen, soprano; Ruth Betner, contralto; Carman Handel, baritone. Mr. A. D. Jordan, Organist.

Ridout Street Methodist

J. A. AGNEW, Pastor. Residence, 87 Windsor Ave.
11 a.m.—Subject: "THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS."
Anthem—"Sing Unto the Lord"..... Novello
Solo—"The Gift"..... Behrend
Mr. John Paak.
Anthem—"Christ is Born"..... Turner
7 p.m.—Subject: "THE DIVINE MAN."
Anthem—"While Shepherds Watched"..... Faure
Quartet—"See Now the Altar"..... Tours
Anthem—"Sing, O Heavens"..... Berthold Tours
Solo—"Glory to God in the Highest"..... Miller
Anthem—"O Little Town of Bethlehem"..... Miller
Soloists—Soprano, Miss I. Brown, Miss M. Fickler; contralto, Miss B. Adams; tenor, Mr. C. Boyce; bass, Mr. J. Paak.
10 a.m.—Men's Brotherhood. John Jarvis will speak.
Soloist—Hilda McMillen, soprano; Ruth Betner, contralto; Carman Handel, baritone. Mr. A. D. Jordan, Organist.

Wellington Street Methodist

REV. GEO. T. WATTS, B.D., Pastor.

10 a.m.—Men's Class Meeting.
11 a.m.—"A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE."
2:45 p.m.—A special open session of the Sunday School. "White Gifts for the King."
Morning—Christmas Anthem; duet, Mrs. W. Hulbert and Mrs. C. Way; solo, Miss Edna Skinner.
7 p.m.—Sacred Cantata, "The Nativity," rendered by choir of forty voices.
Soloists—Soprano, Miss Edna Skinner, Mrs. Edna Hulbert; contralto, Mrs. Watt; tenors, Messrs. Maplet and Parsons; baritone, Percy Q. King.
Mrs. King, Organist.
Special Christmas music by full choir and soloists under direction of Percy Q. King, Choir Director.

Colborne St. Methodist

Rev. S. Judson Kelly, Pastor.
Subject, 11 a.m.
"THE PRINCE OF PEACE."
Special Music.
Anthem—"Christmas Bells Are Ringing"..... Tremmell
Solo—Miss Grace Needham.
Anthem—"The New Born King"..... Neldinger
Soloist—Mr. J. A. Dickinson.
10 a.m.—Brotherhood. J. A. Dickinson.
7 p.m.
"THE PARTING OF THE WAYS."
Anthem—"Behold I Bring You Glad Tidings"..... Stevenson
Solo—"The Night Song in Bethlehem"..... Dudley Buck
Anthem—"Frank Webster"..... McKimney
Part Song—"Who Is the King of Glory"..... Handel
Violin Solo—Joseph Tiri.
Soloists—Soprano, Miss I. Brown, Miss M. Fickler; contralto, Miss B. Adams; tenor, Mr. C. Boyce; bass, Mr. J. Paak.
N. B. Adams, Organist.

Grace Methodist

Hamilton Road and Glenwood Avenue.
Alfred R. Stone, Pastor.
11 a.m.—"The Christmas Spirit."
2:30 p.m.—Sunday School.
7 p.m.—"Jesus, the Ideal Man."
CHRISTMAS SERVICES.
10 a.m.—The Brotherhood.
11 a.m.
"ENOCH ARDEN."
Illustrated with slides.
Special Anthems—Fred Crossley, Soloist.
I. H. Woodward, R. J. McCormick, Organist.

Robinson Memorial

Rev. W. L. Hiles, B.A., Minister.
CHRISTMAS SERVICES.
10 a.m.—The Brotherhood.
11 a.m.
"THE STORY OF THE WISE MEN."
7 p.m.
"A CHRISTLESS WORLD."

Empress Avenue Methodist

REV. G. W. DEWEY, Pastor.

10 a.m.—Class Meetings.

11 a.m.,

"His Name Shall Be Called

Wonderful."

2:45 p.m.,

"White Gifts for the King."

7 p.m.,

"What Then Will You Do With

Jesus?"

We Are Looking For the Blessed

Hope.

Hyatt Ave. Methodist

10 a.m.—Brotherhood—Open Session.

Rev. A. A. Rice will speak.

11 a.m.—"NO ROOM IN THE INN."
Christmas Anthem—Fred Callard, Soloist.
3 p.m.—Sunday School.
7 p.m.
"ENOCH ARDEN."
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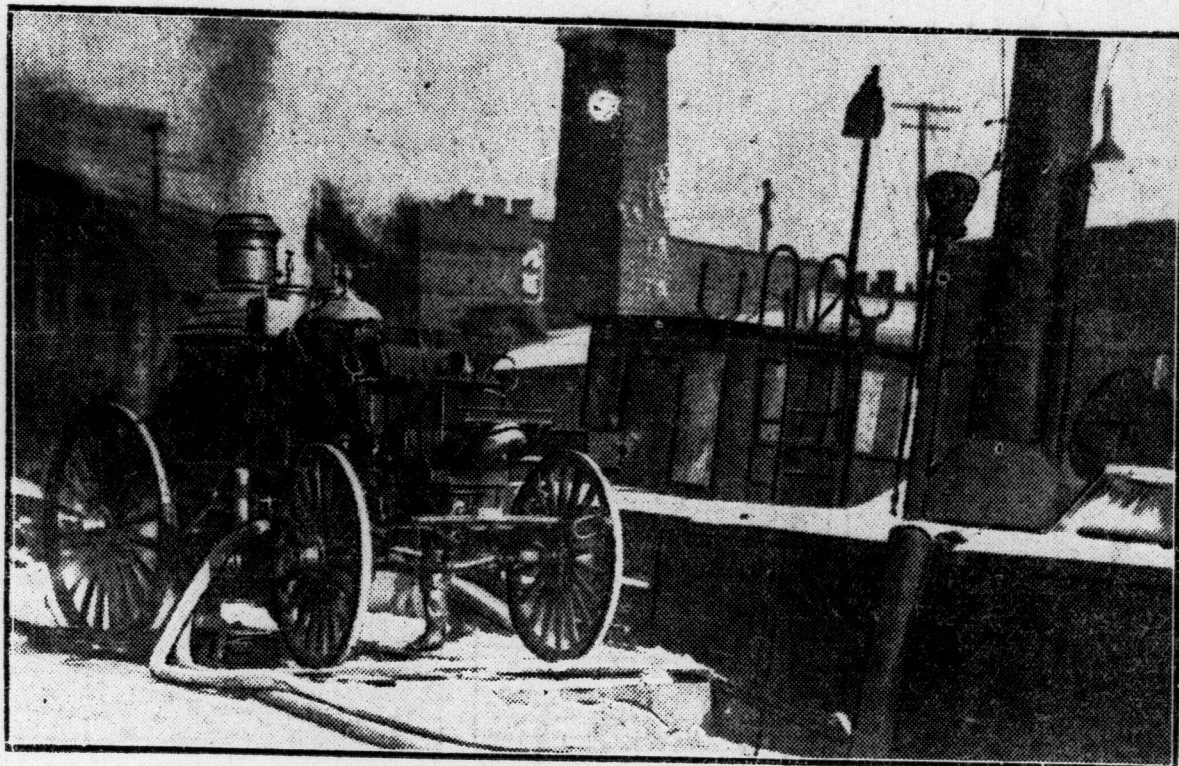
Dr. Beattie will speak at the morning service on the subject
"BETHEHEM THE WORLD'S TRYING PLACE."
His subject for the children's service will be
"SUPPOSE SANTA CLAUS SHOULD FORGET
TO COME TONIGHT."

The music for which the choir has been long preparing, will be as follows:
Chorus—"In Dulci Jubilo"..... J. S. Bach
Organ—"Pastorale"..... J. S. Bach
Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem"..... J. S. Adams
Chorus—"And the Glory"..... Handel
Organ—"Toccata"..... J. S. Adams
Organ—"Christmas Carol"..... Nicholas Le Blanc, 1650-1702
Organ—"Good News from Heaven"..... Pachelbel, 1653-1706
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Once every year, just before Christmas, some of Detroit's most prominent men appear on the streets selling papers for the Old Newsboys' Christmas Fund. These men are members of the Old Newsboys' Association, composed of those who once sold papers on the streets, and they attempt each year to see that no child in Detroit is without a cheerful Christmas. Governor Groesbeck of Michigan (right), though he had been ill and was advised not to go, took his old corner and sold papers as he did many years ago.



An old-time Toronto fire engine being used to pump water out of the tug, T. J. Clark, which sank at the Yonge street dock.



Gladys Robinson of Toronto, winner of the international amateur speed championship in skating last winter, who announces that she will compete again for the honor this year.



The shoebill is a new African bird at the London, England, zoo.



Robert M. Hutchins has been appointed secretary of Yale University at the age of 23. He graduated in 1921.



Countess Irene Di Robilant, daughter of the commander of the 4th Italian army in the great war, who herself served as an ambulance driver. She spoke recently in Washington at the conference on "public opinion and world peace."



Spring styles in hats. Left, one large flower placed high gives an unusual line to this hat. Right, turned up brim of milan straw with flowers and leaves as trimming.



Mr. Tim Healy, K.C., first governor-general of the Irish Free State, being filmed in his own garden at "Chapelized," Dublin, while chatting to a national army warrant officer.



Dick Turpin Inn. Haunt of the highwayman at Eltham has been closed and will be replaced with a modern inn.



Mussolini and two black-shirted attendants photographed during his recent visit to London, England.



Earl Carroll, a New York impresario, is wearing black soft collars these days. He says it's a change.



Gladys Cooper, who before her marriage to Captain Buckmaster was one of the most popular English actresses, has secured a divorce from her husband.



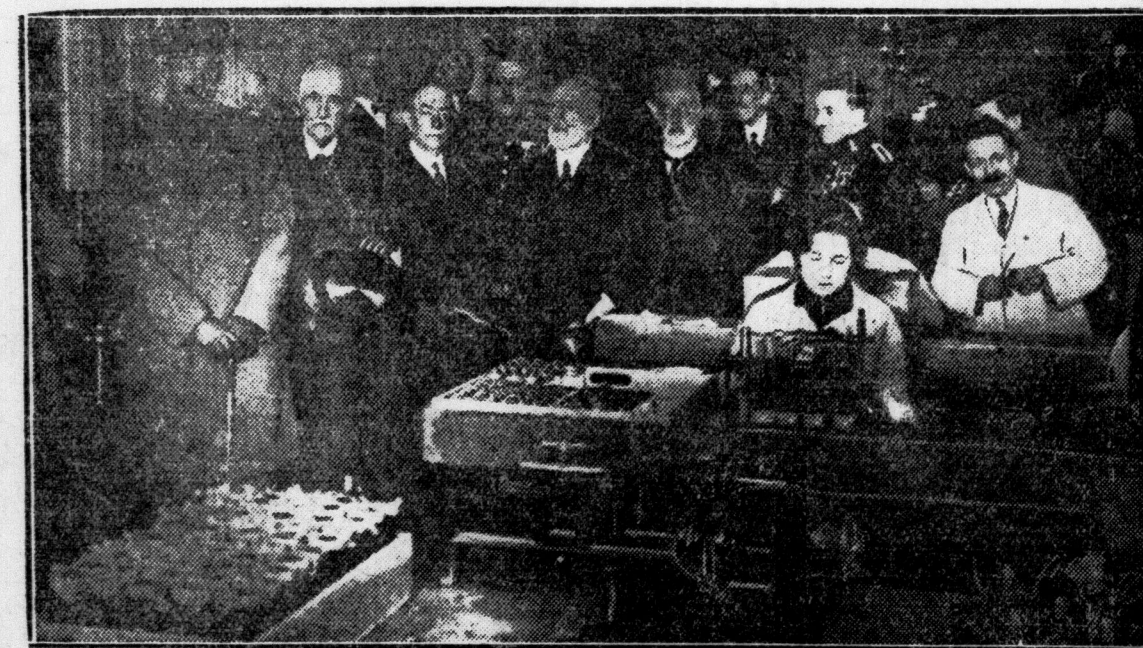
Berlin has lots of strikes these days. The latest is one of actors, including some of the most prominent in Germany.



The Knights of Columbus are distributing thousands of pairs of socks in forty New York hospitals for holiday cheer.



Herr Kermes, who remains as minister of finance in the new German cabinet.



King Alphonse of Spain (left), visits a radio manufacturing plant in Madrid.