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FATE OF 165 BARS TO BE DECIDED TO-DAY

61 Places Seek to Carry Local Option and 31 to Repeal—St. Catharines Has Reduction Issue.

One of the greatest local option fights ever fought in Ontario will be decided at the polls to-day.

In Kingston the petition of the Social and Moral Reform League asking for a reduction of liquor licenses in the city is now in circulation, and reports say that it is being very largely signed.

The temperance workers of Toronto and vicinity will gather in room 103, Confederation Life Building, this evening, where the results of voting upon local option throughout the province will be bulletined.

There are in Ontario 492 municipalities under liquor license, representing about 2300 licenses.

Where Voting is...

Table with 2 columns: Municipality, Licenses

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FORTY MUNICIPALITIES VOTE ON POWER BYLAWS AT TO-DAY'S ELECTIONS

Power bylaws will be submitted and voted upon in a large number of western municipalities to-day and those which are in the same neighborhood are almost as interested as those which are actually voting.

The construction of a line to Windsor from Niagara interests every municipality on the way, and every farmer and tradesman within range of power will be influenced for weal by the distribution of this great substitute for coal in their district.

Among the leading points are Windsor, Sarnia, Walkerville, Sandwich, Amherstburg, Highgate, Newbury, Blenheim, Ridgetown, Bothwell, Wheatley, Cottam, Tilbury, Comber, Thamesville, Gosfield, Belle River, Merca, Anderton, Rochester, South Colchester, Leamington, Kingsville, Wallaceburg, Dresden, Oil Springs, Petrolia, Glencoe, Chatham, Alvinston and Strathroy.

There are about 40 places altogether in which bylaws are to be voted upon, some of these further east, as at Stratford, where the question is to be laid before the people once more.

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ON THE SCALES



JACK CANUCK: You'd have mighty little weight, my friend, without that coat. Take it off.

PEACE OF CHINA IS THREATENED

Dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai, Friend of Foreigners, on Flimsy Excuse, Causes Dismay.

PEKING, Jan. 3.—Following the dismissal from office yesterday of Yuan Shi Kai, grand councillor and commander-in-chief of the forces, and the appointment of Na Tung as grand councillor, an edict was issued to-day appointing Liang Tun Tet, customs official on the foreign board.

Will Drop Ice Palace If Railways Subscribe

Promoters of Winter Carnival Hope to Destroy Main Objection to Project.

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 3.—The promoters of the carnival have asked the railways to subscribe liberally, stating that if this be done they will abandon the idea of an ice palace, thus destroying the main objection to the project.

TRouble at BLUEFIELDS, YANKEES SEND GUNBOAT

Reports of Expeditionary Movements in Central America Closely Watched by U.S.

HAVANA, Jan. 3.—The United States gunboat Dubouche sailed to-day on telegraphic instructions from the navy department at Washington for Bluefields, Nicaragua, by way of Key West.

CHEQUE FOR \$10,000

Generous Donation of J. Ross Robertson to Sick Children's Hospital.

BOYCOTT AT HONGKONG

British Goods May Be Barred as Measure of Retaliation.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—A boycott against British goods is threatened at Hongkong, owing to the severity of the Hongkong Government in attempting to stop the boycott against Japanese goods by Chinese of the colony.

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KING AND QUEEN QUIT SHAKE AREA

Many Looters in Devastated Districts of Southern Italy Killed in Conflict With Police.

ROME, Jan. 3.—Having done all that it was possible to do in the districts laid waste by the earthquake, the king and queen of Italy are returning to Rome.

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29TH YEAR

C. P. SECTION MAN MURDERS WIFE WITH POKER

Walter Blythe Gives Himself Up to Police, Confessing Killing, Which Followed Family Jar—Had Been Drinking.

Agincourt, a little village situated about 12 miles north of Toronto, was the scene yesterday evening of a particularly brutal murder, the perpetrator being Walter Blythe, a section hand on the C. P. R., and the victim his wife.

Blythe, who has been drinking heavily for some time, had previously threatened his wife's life, and only a month ago County Constable William Hobbs, who yesterday effected his arrest, had to caution him.

The victim, who was only 35 years of age, presents a terrible appearance. Her body is a mass of bruises and her head is badly cut, the implement used being a common poker.

Bound to Be Master. The motive is apparently a purely domestic one. Blythe, it appears, has for a long time labored under the delusion that the deceased had tried to "boss" him, and he told one of our representatives he had fully made up his mind to be "master of his own house."

Enquiries show, however, that the prisoner is the possessor of a very morose temperament, and even when out of drink, had constantly ill-treated his wife. Indeed, it is stated that Blythe, who came to this country about six years ago, from England, so badly ill-used her in the early married days that her first babe was still-born as the result of his brutality.

The dead woman leaves behind her two children—a boy and girl—whose ages are, respectively, 6 and 2 years.

Gives Himself Up. Immediately after the crime had been committed, Blythe went across to a friend named Malcolm Walker, and stated that he thought he had killed his wife. He afterwards quietly submitted to arrest, being brought to the Toronto jail at an early hour this morning by Police Constable Hobbs.

The prisoner, who is a sullen-looking man of about 40 years, was not handcuffed, and appeared to be quite on friendly terms with his captor. He looked, however, in a very dazed condition, and did not seem to realize his position in the least. He bore evidence of drink, and from what he said he had partaken very heavily of drink yesterday. A representative of the World questioned him as to the crime, but apart from the fact that he said he wanted to be master of his home, he would not commit himself in any way.

From the appearance of the house in which the crime was committed, it would appear that the death struggle took place immediately after supper, the time being about 6 o'clock. The body was discovered lying upon a bed, and the room was upset in such a manner as to indicate that the victim had offered a stout resistance in defence of her life.

Blythe was last night taken before the local magistrate, John Milton, and he was remanded until Jan. 11, on the charge of the wilful murder of his wife.

The inquest will be held to-day at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Coutts, coroner, was summoned and made an investigation of the room where the woman's body lay. He will conduct the inquest to-day.

Blythe has always been considered an inoffensive neighbor and a steady workman.

Elevator Burned. (Special.)—In a raging gale this evening the fire department waged a winning fight against a fire which did \$200,000 damage and threatened several saw mills and other industries located in the immediate neighborhood. The wheat elevator of the Vancouver Milling Company was totally destroyed. The blaze was confined to the main elevator, the packing plant a few feet away being saved.

Drowned at Tilbury. (Special.)—The Harlowe Refrigerator, which was totally destroyed by fire on Christmas Day, will be rebuilt. The council has furnished temporary quarters to the firm.

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PATTERSON THE DEAD

Canada's Greatest Lacrosse Player... Patterson, one of the points and team captain...

ling Scores

Table with columns for scores and names, listing various sports results.

Best Match

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League

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Yuri and Honest Billy Winners At Dufferin Park Saturday

Yuri Won Race in Straight Heats, While Ideal Beat Honest Billy in Opening Heat - Results.

Excellent racing marked the second day's meet of the York Riding and Driving Club Saturday at Dufferin Park...

There will be racing on Monday, and on Tuesday the big sport will open with the race of the year...

Harness Horse Gossip

The excellent racing Friday and Saturday last week, during the York Riding and Driving Club's winter meeting...

Canadian Rugby Union

Final Game Brings Out Several Proposed Amendments.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Rugby Union for the election of officers...

Toronto and District Football

A general meeting of the Toronto and District Football Association...

Indoor Baseball

One exhibition game was played in the armory Saturday night...

Dog Show To-Night

The Ontario Kennel Club is giving a dog show to-night at 556 College-street...

Ex-Jockey MERPHY

125 Bay Street Big Special Goes To-Day

READ THIS OVER: Boys, all you know that the spring races will soon be here...

To-Day

Is the day to start with me, and I will guarantee to make you a big winner...

To-Day's Horse

The horse that I am going to give you to-day will win sure and will be the best price...

To-Day's Entries

- Los Angeles Card. 2-Entries for Monday are as follows: FIRST RACE- Selling, 4 furlongs...

JACK LONG

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Jack Sheehan

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MAX GAY

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Reliance Athletic Club

The Reliance C. will hold their regular weekly stag athletic party to-night...

St. Peter's C.Y.M.A. hockey team

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TO-DAY 6-1

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O.H.A. REGISTRATIONS

Many Players Register With Secretary Hewitt Saturday.

O.H.A. SUB-COMMITTEE MEET

The sub-committee of the O. H. A. Messrs. J. Ross Robertson, Dwight Turner and W. H. Hewitt met yesterday...

BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS.

LONDON, Jan. 2.-Following are the results of to-day's play in British football leagues:

Garrison Indoor Baseball Schedule for Coming Season

Many Teams Are Entered in the Different Series - Season Opens This Week - Schedule.

The Garrison League, although not as strong in teams as last year, is far superior in players and the season about to commence promises to be the best in the history of the league...

BOYS' UNION HOCKEY

Schedule Drawn Up in Senior, Intermediate and Junior Divisions.

The Boys' Union Hockey schedule has been arranged in detail, and junior divisions (west and east), and junior divisions, as follows:

Senior - Jan. 7-Norways at Grenvilles, 8 to 9. Jan. 7-Metropolitans at Excelsors, 8 to 9.

Intermediate - Jan. 14-Norways at Excelsors, 8 to 9. Jan. 14-West End Y.M.C.A. at Grenvilles, 8 to 9.

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VOTE FOR PUBLIC POWER.

To-day a number of cities will vote on the supreme question of the hour—whether they are to associate themselves with the hydro-electric power scheme of the provincial government or set themselves up to one or other of the two great electric monopolies, which, so it is reported, contemplate a merger of their undertakings. These financial rings, whose ambitious designs to make the industries and the people of southwestern Ontario subservient to their own profit, are attempting to induce the electors to throw over the plan of the hydro-electric commission by the offer of rates slightly lower than those submitted by its expert advisers. Their object is patent, but there is far more for the cities interested in the government scheme than is contained in any concession which has been temporarily forced from them. Public power is safe from future manipulation, it will never be supplied at other than a straight cost basis, its management will be under the care of a board of independent and competent officials whose only interests it will be to make the service as cheap, as efficient and as extensive as possible. The people will have immediate control of the scheme thru a government directly responsible to them, and there will be no conflicts such as are certain to arise between the public and corporation franchise holders. To be allied with the hydro-electric commission means security and fair treatment; to be subject to the tyranny of a monopoly holding combination means a constant struggle to obtain approximation towards a square deal.

Everywhere throughout the United States and Canada cities and towns are suffering from the operation of public services for the purpose of securing illegitimate and unfair profits. These services have been misused and abused in order that they might be loaded with excessive capitalization, a practice which makes them merely milking machines to draw revenues out of the public thru the manipulation of stock and bond issues. And once franchisees are suffered to pass into the hands of huge corporations over whom no efficient control is possible, the process of stock watering is repeated with every new issue of capital stock, with every merger and combination, in all the innumerable ways devised by the modern high financier. Southwestern Ontario stands in the shadow of a monopoly of this kind, already vast quantities of water have been injected into the stocks of the various electric and electric railway companies that have been grouped together, and once the chain is effectively riveted upon the people, escape will be impossible. The Whitney-Beck power policy provides the only way of escape, and no city or town should hesitate for one moment in seizing the opportunity. Newspapers in these cities, known to be owned or controlled by the electric companies, are posing as friends of the government offer. Let the electors beware of them. They are not disinterested, their advice is tainted at its source. Only one thing remains for every municipality to do that has its future at heart and that is to support at the polls the Whitney-Beck power policy.

PURE FOOD.

One must indeed be simple-minded who doubts that he is every day consuming a quantity of food, more or less adulterated. Perhaps it is because we are all of us still alive, that we are so little disposed to think or care about it. It by no means follows that all adulterants are poisonous, or even perceptibly injurious to all people. Pepper is quite frequently adulterated with plain black dirt, and almost anything will do for mustard. Glucose, which figures in honey and syrups, fresh from the laboratory, is hardly poisonous, and the hotel-keeper who contents himself with merely adding purgative to his whiskey is but forestalling the consumer. Even the admitted use of poisonous substances, in small quantities, does not seem to do the injury to the consumer which might be anticipated. French peas obtain their bright green from verdigris, and the honest housewife, in a crude way, attains a similar result when she uses a copper kettle for preparing foods, strongly acid. The popular taste demands a yellow butter all the year round, and it is usually gratified—apparently without much harm be-

ing done—by coloring the butter with some aniline dye.

Still if it is worth while to have pure food laws, they should be enforced, and there can be no efficient enforcement without publicity. As it is, the inspector takes up samples, they are analyzed by the analyst of the inland revenue department, and the merchant is quietly requested to pay the fee of the analyst—five or ten dollars, perhaps. The bulletins of the department show that hundreds of samples of adulterated food are taken up every year, quite a number in Toronto. The retailer is usually innocent of any intentional harm, and he can hardly be asked to keep an analytical chemist in his employment. The same is true of the wholesaler. But who can recall any manufacturer being prosecuted? We have practically no pure food prosecutions in Canada, tho we have pure food laws of punitive quality.

But were the law enforced more rigorously and with publicity, the retailer would require a guarantee of purity from the wholesaler, and the latter would soon find a way to see that only pure goods went to his customers.

THE THREE CENT FARE.

The Detroit News urges the recently appointed committee of 50* to go slow before deciding that the experiment in Cleveland has demonstrated that the street railway company can not earn a fair return upon its investment by charging a three-cent fare. It is pointed out that the Cleveland company had much to contend with. General dishonesty seems to have prevailed among its employees, and when an effort was made to correct this, according to The News, a long and expensive strike followed. The reduced fares were also tried during a period of unusual financial stringency and industrial distress. The fact is that under a more businesslike administration, the receipts of this company have increased 15 per cent, and there is reason for the conclusion that a universal three-cent fare would pay in Cleveland even with the present waterlogged stock issues. The News, which advocates municipalizing the D. U. R., is confident that in Detroit ten tickets for a quarter, good all hours and with universal transfer, would provide sufficient revenue. The company actually tried this experiment two years ago, and while it announced in a general way that it "did not pay," no specific figures have ever been published. Indeed, it is now understood in Detroit that the D. U. R. will be glad to get a new franchise upon the basis of ten tickets for 25 cents.

COMMONS AND LORDS.

British public opinion is being considerably exercised over the proceedings to ensue upon the opening of the next session of parliament. Altho there is apparently to be no immediate and direct attack on what is called the main question of the house of lords' veto power, it is generally regarded as certain that a conflict possibly entailing momentous constitutional amendments will arise over the annual budget. This is the one real weapon thru which the government can hope to impose the will of the house of commons on the hereditary chamber, and it is looked on as certain that the budget will call for higher license duties and the taxation of land values. With this in view, the campaign on both sides will be conducted with the utmost care, there will be jockeying for position, there will be strategy in the preliminary manoeuvres, and there will be close attention to tactics when the battle is finally joined. Already constitutional authorities are discussing the true relative position of the representative and hereditary chambers, and how far they can be considered bound by custom, or by an understanding which may be taken as amounting to custom, but which has neither statute nor exact precedent behind it. And if there have been assertions of authority on the part of the commons, the lords, even when yielding, have not failed to protect themselves by reservation. The magnitude and acuteness of the

You can't buy a purer, more delicious beer than

O'Keefe's Pilsener Lager

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Issue cannot be estimated until the nature of the budget proposals are seen. The government have unquestionably the right to increase materially the license duties, and the point where additions could be held to become unreasonable is not easily determined. This much appears to be meandering assumed, that the peers will not venture to assert the right to amend the budget, but on the other hand their right to reject is generally conceded. As against this possibility some speculation has arisen over the suggestion that the government might advise the sovereign to pass the budget without reference to the attitude of the house of lords. While it can scarcely be said to be probable that the King would out the Gordian knot in this way, there are other means by which the financial necessities of the country could be met at least for a time. To go to the country over the budget would at once admit the point so strongly protested against by the prime minister when he declared that the right of the peers to compel a dissolution would under no circumstances be admitted. But if a final deadlock should arise, a reference to the people appears to be the only solution, and the result occurring at a period of ministerial unpopularity might easily strengthen the unyielding claims of the peers.

Not long ago The Observer, a Unionist weekly in close association with the Chamberlain section of the Unionist party, declared itself in favor of a plan by which the effective arbitration of the nation itself should be established over both houses. Its plan is the referendum, which it is convinced the next Unionist government ought to place upon the statute book with precautions to ensure that it should not be hastily or too frequently invoked. The Observer instances women's suffrage as involving such a revolutionary change that before a single irrevocable step towards it is made a national referendum ought to be taken. This suggestion may be of the nature of a laiton d'essai, but in any case the idea will not be palatable to the Radicals, who are insisting that the house of commons should be invested with substantially single chamber power. Nor are they prepared to accept any reform of the lords which would have the effect of increasing their representation in order to decrease the waste and extravagance of women, whose love of silks and ribbons as surely leads many to the police court as love of whiskey leads some men there. Worship of Bacchus intoxicates men's senses, but who shall say that worship at the shrine of Fashion does not intoxicate women's senses and dull their sense of honesty? Two chiefs of labor over the border were imprisoned for publishing the declaration that "We do not patronize" certain firms. Yet the temperance organization in Toronto says with impunity: "We do not patronize" certain places, and adds, "and neither shall you," which is infinitely worse than the offense of the American labor leaders. Now that Mr. Spence is out of action, I would suggest that he be appointed license commissioner in place of Mr. Dunn. He has so often declared that there are forty unnecessary hotels in the city that he should have no difficulty in locating them. He would thus be of great assistance to his colleagues, and would gain a knowledge of the conduct of hotels, which he is now apparently lacking.

RE LICENSE REDUCTION.

Editor World: Now that the struggle is over and forty citizens have been despoiled of their businesses by a vindictive organization, it should be in order to agitate for the compulsory closing of a number of millinery establishments in order to decrease the waste and extravagance of women, whose love of silks and ribbons as surely leads many to the police court as love of whiskey leads some men there. Worship of Bacchus intoxicates men's senses, but who shall say that worship at the shrine of Fashion does not intoxicate women's senses and dull their sense of honesty? Two chiefs of labor over the border were imprisoned for publishing the declaration that "We do not patronize" certain firms. Yet the temperance organization in Toronto says with impunity: "We do not patronize" certain places, and adds, "and neither shall you," which is infinitely worse than the offense of the American labor leaders. Now that Mr. Spence is out of action, I would suggest that he be appointed license commissioner in place of Mr. Dunn. He has so often declared that there are forty unnecessary hotels in the city that he should have no difficulty in locating them. He would thus be of great assistance to his colleagues, and would gain a knowledge of the conduct of hotels, which he is now apparently lacking.

Home Burned.

While the family were visiting in Hamilton, the home of Edward Williams, 154 Rhodes-avenue, was burned Saturday night. The damage is about \$100, with insurance of \$700.

Theft From Front of Store.

Peter McGinnes, 88 Defoe-street, was arrested Saturday night, charged with stealing a piece of pork from the front of the Wm. Davies store at Queen and Clarendon-streets.

NEW YORK STATE PLANS TO DEVELOP WATERPOWER

Big Revenue is Likely From Scheme to Impound Running Waters—Would Help Manufacturers.

ALBANY, N.Y., Jan. 3.—Plans involving the expenditure by the state of a total sum said to be larger than that to be spent on the Barge Canal, will be presented to the legislature by the water supply commission early in February. The commission has been engaged for several years upon an elaborate plan of water storage in the Adirondacks and at various other points in the state.

In a general way the commission recommends the impounding of streams in huge reservoirs at points where the maximum amount of power can be obtained. These dams, some of them of enormous extent, are to be erected by the state, and the water power is to be rented to private concerns, a plan which, it is claimed, will net the state a handsome profit on the investment. Engineers of high standing have been employed by the commission for some time in perfecting these plans, which have been carefully gone over and the cost of each dam figured out. The commission has also secured a list of every manufacturing plant using over ten horse power, together with its location, and is prepared to show that a large percentage of these are so situated as to be able to use the power now running to waste in the streams. In addition, the impounding of the water will prevent disastrous floods in the spring and low water during the summer. The whole plan, which is said to be one of the most important economic measures proposed in many years, has been worked out to the smallest detail.

IN THE LAW COURTS

IN THE HIGH COURT.

Osgoode Hall, Jan. 2, 1909. Party Sound sittings—The time fixed for holding the spring sittings at Party Sound is changed from the April 15, 1909, to April 20, 1909.

Master's Chambers.

Before George M. Lee, registrar: Head v. Parsons—H. H. Bicknell, for plaintiff, moved for leave to issue a concurrent writ for service out of the jurisdiction, for leave to serve it and statement of claim in Cleveland, U.S.A., and to shorten the time for defence. Order made and shortening time for defence to 21 days.

Single Court.

Before Latchford J.: Re Foster and Knapp—R. G. Fisher (London) for vendor, W. R. Meredith (London) for purchaser, T. P. Reits, K.C., for Mary Wagner. Application by William Foster, the vendor, to have it declared that the reassessment regulation on title has been satisfied.

The widow of Charles Foster, who remarried, and a new Mary Wagner, the plaintiff, in the interest which her first husband had in the lands and the only question for the opinion of the court is whether the vendor has the right to convey free from this claim. Judgment (B).

Her right to dower arose in 1885, on the death of her husband. She has been absent from Ontario about twenty years. The statute provides that no action of dower shall be brought but within ten years from death of husband of doweress.

Had Mary Wagner been in actual possession of the lands either alone or with her husband, the petition within which her action could be brought would be computed from the date when her possession ceased. But there is no pretence that her possession, if it ever existed, did not cease when she went to the United States. Her husband died in 1885, and she was brought to Ontario in 1907 for dower, and the vendor is entitled to convey the lands in question free from the claim asserted by the widow Charles Foster. The vendor should pay the costs other than those of Mary Wagner, who is not entitled to any costs.

Divisional Court.

Before Meredith C. J., MacMahon J., Teeter J.: Western and Northern Lands Corporation v. Goodwin—R. McKay for appellant, H. L. Drayton, K. C., for respondent. Appeal by the plaintiffs from the award of the mining commissioner on question of compensation to them for surface rights under the statute.

Appellants contend that the land in question was not open for staking out or recording as a mining claim. Judgment in favor of the plaintiffs from the view of the mining commissioner as to the proper construction of the section under which he made his award is right. To give section 109 the meaning ascribed to it by the appellants would enable the mining districts to be covered with paper claims, the existence of which, on paper only, would prove a handicap to prospecting and exploring the areas which they embrace. We are unable to attribute any such intention to the legislature as would mean that the owner might exclude the prospector or miner, while holding in his own hands the power at will to wipe out his sub-division, for that might do, so a plan had been registered as to the whole sub-division, if no lots had been sold according to the plan, and as to practically all except the lots which had been sold, had lots been sold, in our opinion the appeal fails and should be dismissed with costs.

Writs Issued.

J. S. Dignam has issued a writ against the Connell Anthracite Mining Company, Limited, also of this city. Mr. Dignam claims \$850, "damages for breach of a certain contract for the sale of coal screenings to the plaintiff."

Alexander Elliott and Company of Toronto is suing J. Frank White of Blind River to recover \$38,75, "for goods sold and delivered."

John James Menear of Toronto is suing Nicholas Meyschien of Davisville. The plaintiff's claim is for \$200, said to be due on a house built for the defendant by the plaintiff.

Collection for Sufferers.

MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—An appeal was received from Archbishop Bruchesi, now abbot, the administrator of the archdiocese, has asked that a collection be taken up in all the churches next Sunday in aid of the sufferers in Italy.

EATON'S JANUARY SALE Bigger, Better and Stronger Than Ever Before

THE JANUARY SALE for 1909 starts off with a boom to-day, and unquestionably is going to be the greatest selling event that has ever been recorded for January. Every day will be full of surprises new to those thoroughly acquainted with our always remarkably low prices. Come Tuesday—come every day. Watch for sale price tickets.

Men's Fur Lined Coats \$57.50

12 MEN'S FUR-LINED COATS—All wool English beaver cloth shell, fast black, expertly tailored in the loose dressy style, Canadian Spring muskrat lining, evenly matched, full furred skins, choice dark otter storm collars, worth one-third more; January Sale price 57.50

Men's Fashionable Black All-Wool Overcoats \$10.95

Cut in newest 46-inch Chesterfield style, with velvet collar and "bluffed" edge lapels; of a black cheviot Winter weight and pure wool. The body is lined with fine twilled Italian cloth, the sleeves with fancy striped glassage; in all points a desirable, handsome and serviceable coat; January Sale price 10.95

Men's Heavy Reefers \$2.69

Black frieze-cloth, lined with grey tweed, double-breasted, high storm collars with tab for throat, sizes 36 to 46, January Sale price 2.69

Fancy Vests .49

Striped English flannels, in medium and light grey shades, fancy flap pockets, pearl buttons, good linings, sizes 35 to 40; January Sale price, 49c.

Rare Savings in Boys' Overcoats

BOYS' OVERCOATS—Made from heavy all-wool English nap cloth, in double-breasted long reefer style; also Russian style Overcoats, in a pretty grey cheviot, velvet collars, buttoned close at throat, red serge and Italian linings, emblem on sleeve, sizes 21 to 25; January Sale price 3.79

Clearing Men's Neglige Shirts

MEN'S FINE NEGLIGE SHIRTS—(Seconds) meaning slightly imperfect, but not enough to hurt the wearing qualities. In the lot are a few laundered bosoms. The materials are fine quality Madras, Cambric and Fancy Percales; also fine American cords. Also some fine White Shirts, mostly with evening dress bosom. Don't miss the saving opportunity; January Sale50

Men's Winter Underwear 33c

MEN'S FLEECE-LINED UNDERWEAR—Balances of the special lines we have been selling this Winter and clearing now at a price that will do it. They are sanitary wool fleece-lined, finished with pearl buttons and saten facings; shirts 34 to 46, and drawers 32 to 38; January Sale price, each, only33

And This Good Norfolk Suit Value

BOYS' NORFOLK SUITS—Made from a very dark olive tweed, with grey stripe, plain double-breasted style, with belt in loops, strong Italian linings, knee pants, sizes 29 to 33; January Sale price 3.89

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Men's Cuffs 10c

IMPORTED LINEN CUFFS—Band shape, round or square corners; sizes 9 1/2 to 11 1/2; January Sale price, per pair 10

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PASTOR SCORES SOCIETY.

Rev. J. E. Starr Says Money is Only Qualification. Rev. J. E. Starr, pastor of Berkeley-street Methodist Church, got after the society "butterflies" in his New Year's discourse on Sunday. "This," he said, "should not be a money-getting life or a mere society life. There was a fierce struggle going on to get 'into society,' and when you do get there what do you find? Nothing but jealousy and envy. There was nothing so contemptible as the society man who spends his time in killing attitudes of his counterpart, the society butterfly. Then Mr. Starr asked what qualifications were necessary to get into society. Not intelligence or good morals. The only necessity was money or the show of money, more frequently the show than the real thing. Once they lost their money they are dropped like hot potatoes.

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VEGETABLE GROWERS HOLD BIG MEETING

Boy Drowned at Balm Beach— Fine Concert at Woodbridge — Blaze at Norway.

WEST TORONTO, Jan. 3.—The election fever has already abated and the city is now settled down to its last few months of single blessedness before union takes place with the City of Toronto. In the meantime, the truce, in the shape of special legislation, will have to be prepared and all the annexation negotiations brought to a satisfactory conclusion. Mayor Baird will finish his work.

There were large congregations at both services to-day in Victoria Presbyterian Church. Solos were given by Donald McGregor, the newly-appointed choir-leader. Miss Millicent Armstrong of Toronto also gave a solo at the evening service. Rev. Dr. Pidgeon preached.

NORTH TORONTO, Jan. 3.—A. J. Brown, mayor-elect for 1909, is busy formulating his policy and plan of action for the year, and has already stated that he wants to have property organization of the council to expedite the business during the year. He proposes to appoint an executive committee and special committees so selected that the members of the different committees reside in different parts of the town under the following names:

Finance and executive committee, consisting of four members; board of works committee, four members; fire and light committee, four members; relief committee, three members; legislative committee, four members; parks and recreation committee, four members; revision committee, four members; an annexation committee and a committee for the promotion of better railway facilities. Each of the last two committees shall be the council as a whole.

UNIONVILLE. Young Lady Organist is Kindly Remembered at Close of Year. UNIONVILLE, Jan. 3.—A most successful entertainment in connection with the Presbyterian Sunday School was held on New Year's Eve. An excellent program was rendered by the school, consisting of choruses, solos, recitations, dialogues and pantomime entitled "The Holy City." The church, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, was filled with a large and appreciative audience.

THE LICENSE REDUCTION

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and you have been ever faithful and prompt in your attendance, and untiring in your labors, and as a small token of appreciation we ask you to accept this cocoa set and ask you to treasure it, not for its intrinsic value, but for the love and esteem which goes with it. We wish you every success and hope that our pleasant relationship may be long continued.

RICHMOND HILL. Local Meetings Sunday All Had Reference to Temperance Measure.

RICHMOND HILL, Jan. 3.—Great interest centered in the services here to-day. Rev. H. S. Magee, field secretary of the Department of Moral Reform of the Methodist Church, spoke at Headford in the morning, at Paterson in the afternoon and at 4 o'clock to-day in the Conger Coal Co. yards on Vine-street. The firemen were on the scene promptly and found a car of coal on fire. The damage was slight. For being drunk and disorderly Jas. Munro, 30 East Annette-street, was arrested on Friday evening by P. C. Hughes. Police Magistrate Ellis allowed him to go on suspended sentence.

SCARBORO JUNCTION. Happy Event in Which Scarboro Young Couple Flounce.

SCARBORO JUNCTION, Jan. 2.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas was the scene of a grand wedding at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening, Dec. 30, when their eldest daughter, Miss Della Thomas, was united in marriage to Obadiah Peacock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. McArthur of Agincourt. The bride entered the drawing room carrying a bouquet of white carnations and was given away by her father, Mr. W. Thomas, sister of the bride, Miss Ida Thomas, sister of the bride, was her attendant, while Jacob Adams was best man. The happy couple received a number of useful presents. Among those who were present were Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas, Boxgrove; John Thomas, Markham; Mr. and Mrs. William Twiss, Scarboro Junction; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Carr, Aurora; Mr. and Mrs. George Carr, Scarboro; George Bishop of Toronto and others. After a short honeymoon the bride and groom will take up their residence in Little York.

VEGETABLE GROWERS MEET. Enthusiastic Meeting of Members at Albion Hotel on Saturday.

The Toronto branch Ontario Vegetable Growers' Association held their regular monthly meeting at the Albion, President Thos. Delworth in the chair. A. McMeans, O.A.C. Guelph gave a very interesting address on "Profitable Greenhouse Crops for the Vegetable Grower" and was given a hearty vote of thanks. McInnes, London, spoke on growing Dutch set onions. An executive committee to Hamilton and other places was named for the annual banquet in February. Members are very enthusiastic of the year's program and a large increase in membership is expected. About 20 new members were introduced to the secretary, F. F. Reeves, and paid their fees.

WEXFORD. Organist of St. Jude's Church is Pleasantly Surprised.

WEXFORD, Jan. 2.—A very pleasing event took place at the residence of William White on the York town line on Wednesday evening when the members and choir of St. Jude's Church paid a surprise visit for the purpose of acknowledging the valuable services of Mrs. White as organist in the church. An appropriate address, accompanied by a present of silverware, was presented to Mrs. White as a token of appreciation of the zeal and fidelity with which the latter has fulfilled the duties of that position. A delightful evening was spent by all present.

BOTH ARE CONFIDENT. Disagree as to Terms, But All Tending to Annexation.

The World is in receipt of a letter from W. T. Pearson, 20 Lansford-avenue, in which the latter objects strenuously to the attempt on the part of a section of the Chester and York county newspapers to secure a fixed assessment from the city. Mr. Pearson declares that all the district in-city is anxious to come into the union unconditionally, taking their chance with the others. Representations have likewise been made to the World by a number of property owners, stating that the petition now in circulation asking for special terms is being largely signed and will be presented to the municipal board in due time. The latter petition suggests the same terms as the Avenue-road district.

EAST TORONTO. Pending the re-organization of the choir of the Hope Methodist Church, the musical portion of to-day's services was furnished by a special choir. There was a reunion of the "old boys and girls" of the choir under the leadership of J. E. Zeman, a former leader of the choir. Some 45 attended and rendered Sunday Miss Murray of Tillsonburg will assume charge of the organ and the new choir.

WOODBRIDGE. A meeting of the Woodbridge branch of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Agnes Cameron, Pine-street, on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 3.30 p.m. The members of the Western and Lambton branches are expected to give the program. Tea will be served. Everyone welcome.

Camp McLean Sons of Scotland held their annual concert on New Year's night, when a packed house greeted the artists, who rendered one of the finest programs ever given in the village. The talent, consisting of Harry Rich and a number of well-known artists, among whom were Miss Bertha M.

Railway Discrimination Opinion of Commissioner Mills in Weganast Case.

The recent decision of the Dominion Railway Commission in the suburban service case, which came on for hearing upon the application of F. W. Weganast for an order requiring the G.T.R. to cease its discrimination against Brampton and Oakville was not unanimous. Commissioner Jas. Mills did not concur in the opinion and judgment handed down by Judge Mabee, chief commissioner. His dissenting opinion reads as follows: "The Grand Trunk Railway Company admits that it has been and is now discriminating against the Town of Brampton as compared with the Town of Oakville in the matter of commutation tickets.

"Discrimination in tolls, or rates, against any person, commodity, or locality, is prima facie unjust, and should be disallowed by the board of railway commissioners, unless facts are stated and reasons given which are sufficient to prove that, under the special circumstances and conditions of any case in question, the difference in treatment is justified. In this case, the evidence in favor of an unjust preference or an unjust discrimination (Railway Act, section 77). 'In every case of a lower toll given to one person, commodity, or locality than is given to another person, commodity, or locality, under substantially similar circumstances and conditions, the burden of proving that such lower toll or difference in treatment does not amount to an undue preference or unjust discrimination shall lie on the company.' (Railway Act, section 77).

"A great deal of so-called evidence was given in this case; but very little of it bore even remotely upon the point at issue, viz., whether or not the admitted discrimination against Brampton as compared with Oakville in the matter of commutation tickets is just and reasonable. The railway company made an effort to justify this discrimination, but its failure to do so was, in my opinion, most signal and complete. The only witness called in defence was Mr. J. J. Bell, general passenger and ticket agent of the company.

"Mr. Bell went at length into an explanation of the reasons why the company discriminated against Brampton and other places for a number of years, and why it had not been taken advantage of, and Mr. Bell testified that the company had drawn on account of a demand, backed by a threat, from the business men of the town, because so many Brampton people were waiting to purchase the commutation tickets to purchase goods in Toronto. Note Mr. Bell's evidence: 'When you were given the traffic got so large that it alarmed me and I was afraid to put a pistol to your head.' Answer by Mr. Bell: 'It got enough for them to get excited, but the adds and the danger of the rate was put in to cultivate. It was people doing business and living

Crawford, Miss Bella Thompson, Miss Eva Cuthbert and Miss Clara Metcalfe, delighted the large audience, in song and elocution, and were each and all cheered again and again. Miss McLean in all long and successful career has never given a more successful or pleasing annual.

RULING WAS REGULAR. BRACONDALE, Jan. 2.—John Edwards, chairman of the Braconda school board, is anxious to correct a misconception which has arisen relative to the election of public school trustees in that section.

The election took place, were held in the statutory manner on Wednesday last. The nominations were by Mr. A. Stephenson and H. Bromley. When the vote was taken it was found that each of the candidates had received 17 votes, and the chairman, Mr. Edwards, declared the vote in favor of Mr. Stephenson, the latter is duly elected.

Mr. Edwards as chairman took this course, and his ruling can only be upset by the proper authorities.

CARD OF THANKS. To the electors of the Town of North Toronto. Ladies and Gentlemen: It gives me indeed great pleasure to convey to you, thru the public press, my heartfelt thanks for the noble support you gave me at the polls on New Year's Day, when you elected me as your chief magistrate for the Town of North Toronto. There was no uncertain sound as to whom you desired to administer the affairs of North Toronto. In return for this confidence I not only promise you, but will strive to the best of my ability and with due diligence, to promote the interests of this fair town of ours, and the trust reposed in me by you shall not be a misplaced one. With best wishes to all my fellow-citizens, I remain, yours, truly, A. J. Brown, Mayor-elect. North Toronto, Jan. 2, 1909. SATURDAY NIGHT BLAZE.

Efforts of Neighbors and Firemen were a Big Blaze. A fire which broke out on Reid-avenue, near Gerrard-street, on Saturday night utterly destroyed the two-story residence of T. Wildfang, and seriously threatened a number of adjoining residences. An alarm was at once telephoned to the Bolton-avenue and Beach fire brigades, and two lines of hose were laid from Queen-street, but the distance was too great from the nearest hydrant, and the firemen turned their attention to the burning building. The wind, which was blowing strongly from the west, was favorable toward saving the houses. The neighbors rendered valuable assistance, but the fire has emphasized strongly the great need of protection, and will materially aid in the desire of adjoining residents to \$1500, and on the contents to \$800. The amount of insurance, if any, is not known.

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er number of people who need not travel, but will do so for a consideration—an inducement offered in the way of rate reduction, combined with the possibility of a greater variety of goods and better bargains in buying and selling; but no one can avail himself of the benefit, or supposed benefit, of the cheaper ticket until he has paid the company \$7.15, which is sure income to the company, whether the purchaser makes the whole or only a small portion of the trips within the month covered by the ticket; and so for each succeeding month. Hence it seems almost certain that the use of commutation tickets such as the above, on ordinary trains, without any additional expense for equipment or service, would pay the company better than the use of the ordinary return-trip ticket; and I think this is true wherever the traffic may be from surrounding towns and villages to Montreal, Quebec, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Ottawa, Kingston, or any other important business center. I am satisfied that it would increase the revenue of the railway companies.

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Same at Brampton. "In his evidence regarding the withdrawal of commutation tickets from certain places, Mr. Bell said: 'We took the view that it was right to continue to use commutation rates where the ordinary train service made it possible for people to live in the country and come into the city and do their business and go back again at reasonable rates.' Now, this is precisely the condition of things at Brampton. It was clearly proved at the hearing that the present train service on the Grand Trunk at Brampton is adequate, satisfactory, and that nothing more could be done to improve it. It would appear that Brampton should have commutation tickets.

"Hence, to sum up, I would say that, as I understand the case, the facts are as follows: (1) A complaint was made to the board by the applicant and other interested parties, alleging that the Grand Trunk Railway Company was discriminating in tolls, or fares, against the Town of Brampton as compared with the Town of Oakville.

(2) At the hearing of the complaint, the railway company admitted that it was discriminating against the Town of Brampton, but not unjustly—so maintaining that the discrimination complained of and admitted was just, fair and reasonable.

(3) The said railway company completely failed to justify the said discrimination, either by giving any evidence which, by the utmost stretch of imagination, could be said to prove that the difference in treatment of the Town of Brampton as compared with the Town of Oakville, is either just, fair, or reasonable.

"Therefore, my judgment is that the board is under obligation to take such action as may be necessary to remove the discrimination, either by ordering the restoration of commutation tickets to the Town of Brampton, or by simply directing the railway company to cease and desist from further discrimination against the said town as compared with the Town of Oakville in the matter of commutation tickets."

MRS. SCHWAB THREATENED. But Will Hold Reception Despite Mysterious Mischief.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Mrs. Henry C. Schwab announced last night that her monster reception for Jan. 6 would be held exactly as planned. This announcement followed a day of excitement, during which a score of private detectives were in vain to discover the identity of the person who, in a letter, threatened the death of the popular South Side society leader.

Mrs. Schwab has invitations out for a reception to be held Wednesday night at the Calk Hotel. Four hundred guests have been invited. The mysterious letter in his messages announced that before the guests were assembled Mrs. Schwab would be killed.

BARTENDERS WOULD PROTEST. Believe That Friday's Vote Was Not Fairly Taken.

At a meeting of the Bartenders' Union yesterday, it was decided to take steps to see that legal proceedings cannot be taken to restrain the passing of the license reduction bill. It was declared that irregularities at the polling booths prevented scores of qualified voters from registering their ballots.

AN ATTRACTIVE SIGN. One of the most attractive signs in this city, and one which has already caused a great deal of favorable comment is that of the Riverdale Lumber Company on Queen-street, a short distance west of Broadview-avenue.

The pictures, represented as they do the evolution of the raw material into the finished product, are marvelous in beauty, and represent a new and forward step in street signs in this city. Allen & Sons, the advertising sign painters who did the work, are deserving of the highest praise, while the Riverdale Lumber Company may fairly be congratulated on the happy blending of the artistic and practical.

THE ROBERT SIMPSON COMPANY, LIMITED. H. H. Fudger, Pres.; J. Wood, Man. Monday, Jan. 4.

Men's Fur Collars, Caps and Coats

January is the month to wear furs. January is also the month to clear fur stocks. These prices should interest you. Men's Astrachan, Lamb, Nutria Beaver, Wombat and Wallaby Fur Collars, made adjustable. Regular up to \$5.00. Tuesday... \$2.59. Men's Fur Caps, wedge, Dominion and driver shapes. Half Persian, electric seal and astrachan. Regular \$2.50. Tuesday... \$1.50. 24 Men's Black China Dogskin Fur Coats, full heavy fur, extra well lined and finished. Deep collars and 50 inches long. Tuesday... \$15.00.

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CARPETS made, laid and lined. CURTAINS made, fitted and hung. FURNITURE re-covered. CUSHIONS made and covered. Mantel, Window, Portiere Draperies, etc., etc., designed, made and fitted. In fact any work done by our Carpet and Curtain Department during the entire month—absolutely free. We made this offer last year for the first time and some people hardly realized what it meant. It seemed almost too good to be true. This year there was an immediate and overwhelming response to our first announcement of exactly the same offer for the present month. People know now. They pay only for materials used and nothing for the workmen's time. At the same time the work is guaranteed absolutely satisfactory, and first-class in every respect. You could get no better anywhere, no matter what you pay.

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During the month of January we make our annual offer of 25% discount off all picture mouldings and stock frames. Our stock includes all that is new in the framing world—especially does this apply to our stock frames, the designs and quality being of the highest possible standard. All sizes from 3 x 5 inch and at lowest possible prices. The fact that all our old experienced workmen remain with us is sufficient guarantee that your orders will be finished in first-class style.

Paper Your Houses Now

We are clearing out lines of wall papers, broken and short lots of good papers. See Tuesday's list. 2300 rolls Imported Papers, in greens, blues, creams and light shades, for parlors and dining rooms. Regular to 65c. Tuesday... 29c. 2340 rolls Dining Room and Hall Papers, in reds, greens, browns and their blends, imported lines. Regular to 35c. Tuesday... 17c. 10,000 feet Room Moulding. Reg. 2 1/2c. Tuesday... 1 1/4c. 1000 feet Plate Rail. Regular 10c and 12 1/2c. Tuesday... 9c. Buy now while prices are reduced.