

The Advertiser Wishes Its Readers A Happy New Year

FORTY THOUSAND SCHOOL BOYS
TO ATTEND SUMMER CAMPS

Minister of Militia Arranging for Big Scheme of Annual Training for Cadet Corps and Boy Scout Organizations of Canada. Physical and Military Training To Be the Features.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The Globe tomorrow will print the following special dispatch from Ottawa: Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Undertaken by the recent criticism of Mr. Bourassa and the ultra-militarism of the militia department, Hon. Col. Hughes is arranging a radical new departure in regard to the military training of Canada's future citizens. A scheme has been approved by the Government providing for the military training next July of forty thousand school boys in all parts of Canada at instructional camps. The Minister of Militia, after consulting with his cabinet colleagues, has embarked on a comprehensive development of the cadet movement in Canada, believing that on this depends to a large extent the future efficiency of the militia forces, and that when rightly understood it will meet with general approval as being justifiable not only on military but also because it will conduce to the physical, moral and mental efficiency of the youth of Canada. Provision will be made in the estimates for the coming fiscal year for the uniforming of some forty thousand school cadets, and for one week's training for them during the holiday season in July at regimental or district headquarters camps.

One Week's Drill.

Each school or municipality will be asked to send a detachment of boys to the local district training camp for one week. Instruction this year will be in the elements of military and physical drill, the instructors being either the school teachers or qualified

teachers, non-commissioned officers or men now in the militia service. The expense, which, it is expected, will be comparatively light, will be borne by the Government.

District Camps.

For the most part the district camps will be at some central point within each county, possibly the county town, though details have still to be worked out, and the size and location of camps will vary according to varying requirements. The cadets will be furnished with tents or other suitable sleeping accommodations, and with complete camp equipments. A serviceable but inexpensive uniform will be given to each cadet. The ages of the boys eligible for attendance at the camps will be from 10 or 11 years to 16 or 17 years. Boy Scout work, which is now becoming worldwide in popularity, will, of course, be one of the features of the work this summer.

Hon. Col. Hughes is a firm believer in the value of military training for every boy in the country, as fitting him not only for service if required in the defence of his country, but also making him a better citizen in every way, disciplined, alert, upstanding and patriotic. It is expected that the scheme above outlined will give an immense impetus to the cadet movement throughout the Dominion. Later on it will be followed by training in rifle shooting and in a more practical and thorough organization of the whole militia service, with a view to promoting actual efficiency in the field under conditions of actual service.

Extra! The Baby New Year Is a Suffragette!

TERRIBLE OUTBREAK OF TYPHOID
CAUSED BY BROKEN INTAKE PIPE

Believed That Passing Steamer at Sarnia Tore Away a Thirty Foot Length and Diver Finds Both Ends of It Filled With Sand—There Are 120 Cases in Town at Present.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 31.—A special meeting of the council was called late last evening to deal with the typhoid outbreak, and the members decided to have the Reid Company commence work at once putting in a temporary strainer in the intake pipe from which the town is receiving its water supply. A diver also discovered that a length of pipe measuring 30 feet is missing, and it is supposed that this was torn out by a passing boat or by an anchor dragging. This accident has probably been the cause of the whole trouble. Both ends of the length torn out were found to be filled with sand. At the present time there are 120 cases of typhoid raging here, and today a number of the patients are in such a critical condition that their recovery is doubtful.

The funeral of Mrs. Brown, wife of Canadian Emigration Officer Brown, and of Ralph Laidlaw, the two latest victims, were held this afternoon at Lakeview Cemetery, and were largely attended.

The chlorination plant is now in

full swing, and is doing great work in purifying the water. In addition, as an extra precaution, every citizen of Sarnia is boiling the drinking water. It is believed here that the worst of the danger from the water is now over. In the last few weeks only six new cases have developed. This is a much better record than for a long time.

While no definite steps have as yet been taken toward getting a new source of supply from Lake Huron it is expected that some proposition along this line will be one of the first things the new council will deal with. In Point Edward, which gets its supply from Lake Huron by pumping there is not a single case of the fever, and in Petrolia, which also gets its supply from a similar source, there has been only one case in a year.

There is a strong feeling among the residents of Sarnia that as soon as possible the source of supply should be changed, as it is pointed out that the accident which happened the intake pipe is liable to occur at any time again, with so many big boats passing up and down.

A DOUBLE FUNERAL
AT MOUNT BRYDGES

Whole Countryside Turned Out When Railway Victims Were Buried.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Mount Brydges, Dec. 31.—Nothing that has occurred in this vicinity in recent years has cast such a gloom over this village as the terrible fatality at the Grand Trunk crossing which resulted in the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, and the double funeral, which was held this afternoon from their home, only a few hundred feet from where they met their death, was attended by hundreds of friends.

The victims of the accident lay side by side in the parlor at their home all day today, and people from all over the district gathered to witness the funeral. Rev. Mr. Jewett, formerly of Lambeth, conducted the service, and his remarks were of a most impressive nature. Interment was made in Mount Brydges cemetery, and the cortege was an unusually long one. The whole countryside turned out to witness the funeral.

Yesterday afternoon the jury, which under Coroner Dr. Wood will investigate the accident, viewed the body of Mr. Miller, and then adjourned until 7 o'clock Tuesday evening. The jury was composed of C. W. Dingman, foreman, E. B. Bond, A. Humphrey, William Kettlewell, Isaac Farrow, John W. Galt, W. Dingman, F. Toles, James Fisher and Ed Northcott.

Coroner Dr. Wood stated to The Advertiser on Sunday that several witnesses who will be called will give evidence that the alarm bell at the crossing was ringing, and that just before the tracks were reached Mr. Miller's horse became unmanageable.

CHAUFFEUR GUILTY OF CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE

Man Who Was Run Down Will Be Disfigured For Life.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Frank Kelly, who, while driving an auto north along Simcoe street on the evening of Oct. 12, ran down and badly injured William Fellman, was convicted on a charge of criminal negligence by Judge Winchester in the county criminal court on Saturday, and he will come up on Wednesday for sentence.

Dr. Edmund E. King stated that Fellman would bear permanent disfigurement for life, the right ear at the time of the accident being cut almost in two, and the left ear being also badly torn. Besides these, there are a number of scars on the face.

Election Bulletins

Readers of The Advertiser are invited to make use of the special telephone service for election returns tonight.

It is probable that the first returns will be received at about 7:30 o'clock. A fifteen-minute bulletin will be compiled for those calling.

Up to 10:30 o'clock call 3670 for all connections.

After or before that time call 3670, 3671, 3672 or 3673.

As usual the returns will be fully bulletined at The Advertiser Office.

THE WEATHER.

TODAY—DECIDEBLY COLD.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Since Saturday morning an "important disturbance" has developed in Mississippi Valley and moved northeastward to the Lake Region, accompanied by snow and rain. Very cold weather prevails in the Western Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 24 below—22 below; Victoria, 32—34; Kamloops, 4 below—2; Calgary, 26 below—12; Edmonton, 32 below—6; Moosejaw, 27 below—10 below; Prince Albert, 44 below—18 below; Port Arthur, 2 below—6; Parry Sound, 12—32; London, 24—40; Toronto, 18—39; Ottawa, 6—16; Montreal, 4—22; Quebec, 6 below—12; Halifax, 12—20.

Forecasts.

Western Ontario—Strong winds and gales, westerly to northwesterly; decidedly colder; light local snowfalls or drizzles, but partly fair.

STRUCK BY ENGINE
ON WAY TO LONDON

Mrs. McNab, of Walton, Thrown Clean Off the Rails at Stratford.

Mrs. James McNab, of Walton, Ont., while on her way to London to take a train for Bad Axe, Michigan, where she intended holidaying, had a close call from being killed at Stratford late Saturday afternoon. As she was crossing a set of tracks to board the London train, she was struck by a yard engine. Fortunately she was struck in such a manner as to be thrown clear of the rails, or she would have been instantly killed beneath the wheels. As it was she escaped with a severe shaking up. She got on the train and was attended on her arrival here by a local physician. She was able to go to Bad Axe later in the evening.

PAINFULLY INJURED

J. McIntyre, of St. Marys, Struck in Face by Engine Crank.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Marys, Dec. 30.—J. Milton McIntyre, of Peel street, was struck below the eye by a crank of a gasoline engine yesterday afternoon, and was rendered unconscious by the force of the blow. The crank weighed about 15 pounds, and it cut deeply into his face. It was some time before he recovered consciousness.

VICTIMS OF LEVEL CROSSING ACCIDENT



MR. CHARLES MILLER.



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SING "LEAD KINDLY LIGHT"
AS HYDRO FLICKERS OUT

One Congregation Suddenly Became Very Much Aware of "the Encircling Gloom"—Trouble Between London and Falls Assigned to Failure of "People's Power."

There was more trouble along the transmission line last night, and Niagara power went off six times. The total duration of darkness was about half an hour altogether.

At the Horton street station The Advertiser was informed that the local plant was working "satisfactorily," but there was trouble somewhere between London and the Falls. Definite information as to where the difficulty was could not be obtained.

"There has been some trouble on the transmission line," said Mr. E. V. Buchanan, assistant to Superintendent Gault. "We do not know where the trouble is, but it is not at our station."

A large number of lights were blown out when the power was shut off suddenly, as was the case last night. There were many defective lamps seen on the streets.

Out Shooting Insulators.

Of course the wind was blowing strongly when the trouble occurred. A week ago it was stated that some person was playfully shooting insulators to pieces, but an engineer in the employ of the Hydro-Electric Commission stated that the difficulty is altogether due to defective insulators. When the wind blows the swaying of the wires causes them to break, making a short circuit. He ridiculed the idea that any person was shooting the insulators to bits. The churches were all holding services when the lights went out, and the worshippers were considerably inconvenienced. Some funny incidents are told.

At New St. James' Church the choir and congregation were singing "Lead Kindly Light" when the power was turned off, leaving the place in total darkness. At another church the people were singing "Jesus Hides Us Shine" when the lights went out.

EARLY MORNING BLAZE
IN LONDON SOUTH

Overheated Furnace Starts Fire That Proves Difficult to Handle.

The home of Charles Carrothers, on Tecumseh avenue, South London, was badly damaged by fire, which was discovered about 2 o'clock this morning. The family were awakened by the smoke, and it was found that the fire had made great headway in the central part of the building. It had apparently started from an overheated furnace pipe. Mr. Carrothers, wife and children were taken out safely. The fire made great headway, and the firemen had great difficulty in saving the house.

SIR JOHN GIBSON;
SIR EDMUND OSLER

Two Prominent Torontonians Are the Recipients of King's Birthday Honors.

BOTH MEN ARE POPULAR

Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario Becomes Knight Commander and Mr. Osler a Knight Bachelor.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The announcement that the King's birthday honors, among titles for other Canadians, includes those of Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George for Lieut.-Gov. Gibson, and Knight Bachelor Sir E. B. Osler, M.P., caused considerable favorable comment in this city this afternoon and evening. Both men are extremely well liked in Toronto. Osler's frank denunciation of the mad scramble of his fellow-Conservative members and workers for office following the Dominion elections, enhanced his popularity with those who are not bitterly partisan Tories. Sir John M. Gibson has always been popular in Toronto. Sir John and Sir Edmund (as they now are) are receiving many congratulations.

DECISIVE OPINION
ON CHURCH UNION

St. Andrew's Congregation Gives an Overwhelming Majority When Vote Is Taken.

FEW ADVERSE BALLOTS

Dr. Ross Says Osler Did Mankind a Service in Stirring Up the Good Old Men.

By an overwhelming majority the congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church has declared itself in favor of church union, the results of the recent voting on the question being announced from the pulpit by Rev. Dr. Ross Sunday.

The figures show that 567 communicants voted, and 500 were in favor of church union, while 33 voted against it. Of the adherents, 24 were for church union and 5 against; 472 members voted for the basis of church union and 34 voted against it; 32 adherents were in favor of the basis of church union, while 68 were opposed to it.

Dr. Ross announced that perhaps a few ballots were not handed in yet, but the majority of them had been, and the count that was taken showed the representative feeling of the congregation in the matter.

Life Needs Decision.

Quite a large congregation turned out for the morning service. Rev. Dr. Ross taking as his subject a passage for the 12th verse of the 90th Psalm, "Numbering Our Days." In referring to the dawn of a new year, Dr. Ross said: "Today, on the last of the old year, it is only fitting that we should consider this side of things. We do not count our life by days, but by hours, and this enforces upon us the lesson that life needs decision. The hours of this year are few in number, but they are amply sufficient for the decisions that effect immortality. Our brief space of life demands diligence. Many business men do not need this advice, rather do they need the brakes applied to them. But there are many boys who need it. There are many boys who are going to do this thing and that thing, and accomplish great things, but they merely waste themselves in talk."

Now, Not Then, the Time.

"Tomorrow is often the enemy of today," said Dr. Ross. "Now is the accepted time, not only for the salvation, but for concerted effort. Our need in life should lead us to the best things. The average successful man, we are told, extends power, but the truly great man gathers power as he goes. Paul gathered power as he went. When he was most unsuccessful, he strove on. This appeals strongly to the men whose hair is gray. They are strongly inclined to give up. They think that old men are not needed, but they are. I do not believe in Osler's theory. In fact, Osler himself does not believe in it, as he only said it as an after-dinner joke; but it has accomplished a great deal of good in stirring the old men up."

PREMIER BORDEN MADE PRIVY COUNCILLOR

Only Six Baronets Created, One of Them Rider Haggard the Novelist.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

London, Dec. 31.—The many honors conferred by the King during the durbar have left this year's list shorter than any with the memory of the oldest members of the court. Robert Borden, the Canadian premier, becomes a privy councillor, and the new peers are: Samuel Hope Morley, ex-governor of the Bank of England; Sir Alfred Thomas, former leader of the Welsh party in the House of Commons, and Sir Thomas Gibson-Carmichael, governor of Madras. Only six new baronets are created, one of them being H. Rider Haggard, the novelist.

FALL FATAL TO
CONDUCTOR'S WIFE

Mrs. George Anderson Expires in Hospital After Apparently Recovering.

MARRIED FEW MONTHS

Husband on Run When Wife Fainted and Plunged Down Cellar-way.

Mrs. George Anderson, of 372 Princess avenue, succumbed yesterday morning at Victoria Hospital from the effects of a fall at her home twenty-four hours previously.

The fatality was particularly pathetic in that Mrs. Anderson only a few months ago became the wife of George Anderson, a C. P. R. conductor, the couple having been married in June last.

She had formerly resided at the village of Waldmere, where her parents are still located. The body will be shipped at noon today on the C. P. R. to her former home, where interment will be made.

Mrs. Anderson was at her home on Saturday morning with her sister, Miss Lovell, of Waldmere, and was about her household duties in her usual good health. As she approached the stairway leading to the basement she was suddenly taken with a fainting spell, and plunged headlong to the cement floor below.

Severe Scalp Wound Found.

Miss Lovell ran to her assistance, but when she reached her Mrs. Anderson had recovered sufficiently to walk up to her room, although she required assistance. An East London physician was called and dressed a deep scalp wound, but the patient then appeared to be in no very serious condition.

At noon, however, she lost consciousness and two other surgeons were called, who ordered her removal to Victoria Hospital. An operation was performed, and pressure relieved from the brain by removing a portion of the skull, which had been fractured at the base. Despite this, Mrs. Anderson never rallied and death occurred on Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, about twenty-four hours after the accident.

She was a daughter of Mr. James Lovell, of Waldmere, and was but 26 years of age.

Husband Out on the Road.

Mrs. Anderson was out on a run on his train when Mrs. Anderson met with the accident, and did not arrive home until one o'clock yesterday morning. His wife did not rally after she was taken to the hospital.

NEED NOT WALK
TO VOTE TODAY

Scores of Vehicles Are Chartered by the Mayoralty Candidates.

LOOKS LIKE A BIG VOTE

Women, Fifteen Hundred of Them, Are Expected to Exercise Franchise for School Trustees.

The electors need not walk to vote today.

Every available rig and automobile in the city is hired for the day. All three mayoralty candidates have secured vehicles, large numbers of them, while some of the candidates for the council and board of education have some carriages to haul the electors.

From present indications there will be a large vote cast. More than ordinary interest is being taken in the contest, and if the weather is tolerably fine, the voters will all be out.

It is expected that many women will vote today. Much interest is being taken in the election of school trustees. There are more than 1,500 ladies on the list, and from present indications more than 50 per cent will exercise the franchise. Any woman receiving an income is entitled to vote for the board of education.

SCHOOLS WILL OPEN
WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Teachers Are Anxious That All the Pupils Be Certain of Attendance.

All the schools of the city, Collegiate Institute, public and separate, re-open after the Christmas holidays on Wednesday morning. All staffs will be complete and the officials and teachers are anxious that the scholars attend from the time of commencement.

DECEMBER'S WEATHER

Comparative Figures, Showing the Rainfall, Snowfall and Temperature.

The month of December, 1911, when compared with the same month in 1910, is chiefly characterized by its rainfall. The following figures show the corresponding records for the two years:

	Dec. 1910.	Dec. 1911.
Rainfall.....	2.44 inches	10.5 inches
Snowfall.....	46 inches	10.5 inches
Maximum heat.....	35.5	55.3
Minimum heat.....	(Dec. 18)	(Dec. 10)
	9 below	4 above
	(Dec. 28)	(Dec. 4)

INDIA WILL SOON GOVERN ITSELF

Moving of the Capital to Delhi From Calcutta First Step.

LORD CURZON'S BLUNDER

Action of King George Will Strengthen Ties With Great Britain's Empire in the East.

London, Dec. 31.—In spite of anything Lord Curzon may say, who sees the present Government by a single action undoing all the long work performed by himself during his Indian viceroyalty, there can be little doubt that the new British policy, which was outlined by King George in his speech at the Delhi Durbar, will prove very beneficial to India and will serve at least to put off the day when that great empire will tear itself loose from British rule, even if it does not result in uniting the two countries permanently.

The King's speech at Delhi came as a great surprise to everybody in England, and it was evidently taken as a personal insult by Lord Curzon. But, after all, there was no real reason to be surprised, for the Liberal Government is only going to try to pacify India, whose inhabitants hate everything British at least as heartily as did the Boers. Once more the Government has given practical proof of its faith in home rule, though home rule for Ireland is preceded by home rule for India.

The Government has moved the capital of India from Calcutta to Delhi, a step which the people of India have already greeted with delight, but what is far more important, they have reversed Lord Curzon's division of Bengal and thus undone the greatest political blunder ever committed by any British viceroy in modern India, and following up this they have foreshadowed a system of autonomy which will in a few years practically make India a self-governing country. When one remembers that India, with its three hundred millions of people has hitherto been governed by an almost autocratic bureaucracy, represented by a council that sits in Calcutta to advise the viceroy, and another council that sits in London to advise the secretary for India, it is small wonder that the people of India have learned to hate a people who treated them like ignorant savages.

The people of India have of recent years been deeply stirred by the great unrest in all parts of the east. They have seen Japan becoming a powerful, independent civilized state with a voice that commands respect all over the world; they have seen Turkey shake off her corrupt despotism and become a constitutional state, and they are now seeing China awakening from her long sleep.

The action of the present Liberal Government may have saved India for the British Empire, for of late there has arisen in India a huge class of native wealthy merchants and educated Indian University men, who are in many respects as proud of their position as are the leaders of wealth and thought in Europe, and who are not content to be treated as ciphers. Ignored and neglected by the official Government throughout Lord Curzon's reign, they organized themselves into a great national congress which represents a rival government in the eyes of the people of India, and without the reforms which have now been granted, it would very shortly have become a rival Government in fact as well.

The haughty Tories in England are silent at present, as they say themselves, "because of the presence of the King in India," but when he returns their criticism will break out in full force.

FREIGHT BURNED.
Wilmington, Del., Dec. 30.—About one-half of the large freight house of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at the foot of Shipley street, this city, was destroyed by fire early today, together with nearly all the freight in the building. The quantity of freight was not large, and is covered by the railroad company's insurance system.

If you are in favor of commission form of government vote for Aid, Morgan.—(Adv.)

NO CHANCE FOR MORSE.
Washington, Dec. 30.—The report of the special board of army surgeons, detailed by President Taft to make a physical examination of Charles W. Morse, the convicted banker in Atlanta penitentiary, is said to support previous reports which have been made to the President, and it is understood therefore to be unfavorable to the prisoner's immediate release.

COMPLETELY CURED OF DYSPEPSIA

By Na-Dru-Co Dyspepsia Tablets

We are continually hearing from grateful people who have had experiences like that of Miss Alice E. Cooper, of Niagara Falls, Ont., who writes: "I wish to express my gratitude to you for the benefit I received from your most wonderful Dyspepsia Tablets. Having taken other medicines without having received the slightest relief, I heard of your Na-Dru-Co Dyspepsia Tablets and thought I would give them a trial. I have been completely cured of dyspepsia. I feel only too pleased to advise any one troubled with dyspepsia to give them a fair trial."

Na-Dru-Co Dyspepsia Tablets not only give the immediate relief from heartburn, flatulence, acidity of the stomach and biliousness, which is so much needed, but if taken regularly for a few days or weeks they completely cure the most aggravated cases of stomach trouble. When for 50c you can get a box from your druggist, why go on suffering? National Drug and Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited, Montreal.

NEW AND GIANT SHIPPING MERGER

A British Combination That Will Rival All Other Competition.

UNIONISTS CRITICIZED

The London Globe Declares That a Large Section of That Party Are Non-Effective.

London, Dec. 31.—It has caused something of a sensation in shipping and commercial circles to hear that Sir Owen Philipps has managed to secure for the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, practically the whole of the ordinary shares of the powerful Union-Castle Line. This move brings the chairman and managing director of the former company into control of what is now, perhaps, the greatest shipping combination of the day. Here are some of the chief associated companies, with approximate particulars of their authorized capital where figures are available.

	Authorized Capital.	Authorized Debit.
Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.	\$10,500,000	\$6,000,000
Union-Castle Line	10,000,000	3,000,000
British and African Steam Co.	5,000,000	4,000,000
Elder, Dempster & Co.	4,500,000	5,000,000
Elder Line	5,000,000	3,000,000
King Line	2,500,000	1,000,000
St. Thomas Dock Company	1,250,000	
Lampert Holt Co.		

In addition Sir Owen Philipps is a director of the London and South-Western Railway Company. He is an imperialist, and has already cut into the trade of the east, upon which great German firms were getting ahead of us at one time. The 1904 charter of the Royal Mail Line contains a stipulation that no foreigner shall be qualified to act as director, or to hold any of the chief offices of the company. And another clause is so drafted as to regulate the transfer of shares, and to prevent the acquisition of stock by foreigners or foreign corporations. The above are not the only moves in the transportation game which Owen Philipps is credited with contemplating, and he has already proved that the son of a canon of the church can become a Colossus of the shipping and mercantile world.

Here's a Big Apartment House.
Some of our more cautious friends, who have watched with apprehension the rapid growth of state-controlled social reform, will welcome a new privately-organized experiment that is being organized for South London. The proposal is to build in the neighborhood of one of the great working-class residential centres a self-contained covered-in departmental store, or market, in conjunction with a range of dwellings in flats suitable for those who earn weekly wages of limited amount. The market is to be in a sub-basement, over it there will be a huge store, and over both, suites of rooms from two to five each in number, with three hundred bachelor tenements of a single room each. Upon the item of cost it is estimated that such a centre, to accommodate 1,000 persons, can be created and fitted for less than a million dollars.

London Globe's Proposition.
Some Unionists are commencing an agitation to get rid of a number of their colleagues. Under the heading, "The Non-Effectives," the London Globe opens the campaign as follows: "The party contains at present quite an unreasonable proportion of members, who, by reason of age or physical infirmity, are altogether unable to discharge their parliamentary duties. . . . They have done their work and done it well. Let them make arrangements for their places to be taken when the next session begins by men who are still able to face the inevitable conditions of the House of Commons in modern circumstances."

Workers' Conditions Must Improve.
The decision in the coal, cotton and cartage industries, and of the railway employees will not be known before this mail leaves. But there are very ominous signs that the spirit of revolt may prevail and that all those industries, with others associated, may be thrown idle during the next week or so. The report of the miners' constitution board is the only hopeful feature in the situation at the moment of writing.

What is to be done? Is the question that puzzles thoughtful folk. And the only answer that occurs to me is for the employers as a whole to form a national board of conciliation, with sectional committees, and a wholly independent president, and for the workers to form a similar organization to meet and confer with them. The men in all industries are resolved upon a large measure of improvement in every department of labor, and unless, and until that is conceded, there will be no abiding peace. Of course this will mean a general diminution of profits on industry in the aggregate, and a general increase in prices and cost of living. That has got to be faced, and I believe the public would face it without serious complaint. The feeling is growing that, whatever else happens, the producers and distributors in our great industries must be afforded regularity of employment, and a higher standard of subsistence than has hitherto prevailed.

STOLE SMALLPOX BED.
Freeland, Pa., Dec. 30.—The traditional thief who "stole the penny from a dead man's eyes" was discounted here last night by thieves, who stripped the pthoshouse of the Freeland Hospital of its furnishings. The bed upon which a smallpox patient died recently was among the furniture taken, while the thieves even took the door and windows from their fastenings.

IN FEAR OF BEING EATEN MANY TIMES

Missionary Tells of Quarter of Century's Work Among African Cannibals.

SLAVE TRADERS ACTIVE

Although, Since the Introduction of Christianity, Conditions Have Improved Very Much for Natives.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—"When I first went out to Africa, some 26 years ago," said the Rev. Dr. W. T. Currie to the press, "the natives were quite frank in telling me that I was an arrant fool to settle there and not trade in slaves as they were doing; and that the Supreme Being must have sent me there to be food for them. I settled among them, nevertheless, and in my 25 years' stay among them managed to keep from being eaten."

Dr. Currie is revisiting Toronto after his quarter of a century among these savage tribes.

"At that time," he continued, "nearly all of the tribes I came in contact with were cannibals, and more than once I was threatened with being served up in the form of a stew or hot meat pie for some native chief's dinner. On one particular occasion a number of my tribe and myself were captured by some Congo River natives, and we thought our last hour had come. The Congo River men were short of food and the chief ordered all prisoners to be eaten. We talked it over with the chief and in the end he refrained from boiling me and my own immediate following."

Hard to Get Supplies.
Speaking about the difficulty of getting supplies and even the necessary food from the natives, Dr. Currie said that there were often days at a time when he could neither buy food from the native women nor get supplies from the coast because of war parties, eager for human food, prowling about his camp. The only way of getting food from the coast was by native caravan, the natives having to walk some 325 miles to Bengala, the nearest coast town, on the Western African coast, and then carry in on their backs or heads the pack of food or trade stuffs. This meant a straight walk of nearly a month in length, as Dr. Currie had found on his first trip, his mission station at Chisamba Bibe.

"Until the last couple of years," he continued, "it was a common sight to see caravans containing hundreds of slaves and white man's caravans at that—on the march to the coast. These slaves were either bought or stolen in the interior, and failing a sufficient supply, the white traders themselves led expeditions against neighboring tribes, slaying those who resisted and capturing and carrying off into slavery the remainder. The efforts of such men as Cadbury have much improved these conditions, but there is still quite an active traffic in slaves carried on, slaves being used extensively on the coffee and cocoa plantations."

Improved Conditions.
"Conditions have improved considerably since the introduction of Christianity. We have now in our Western Africa Congregation Commission Schools some 16,000 pupils and several large churches with from 100 to 800 members. The people only laughed at me when I first preached Christianity to them; but like all Africans, they also listened; and the first daily prayer-meeting among the natives was started by themselves, during my temporary absence burying a missionary in a distant part of the field. My people no longer deal in slaves, and refuse to buy from any shape or form of slave trade for goods. They have learned to raise vegetables and grow fruit trees, and to make various parts of household furniture required by the white people now pouring into the copper mines of the Tyanza district; and have developed from a slave-trading people into an agricultural and industrial people. This does not, of course, apply to all the people, for there are still cannibals and slave-trading among them, but to quite a large section which Christianity has reached."

STARR BACK; FINDS OLD KOREAN TEMPLE

Buddhist Statues Similar to Carvings Found in Yucatan, Chicago Professor Declares.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 30.—Dr. Frederick Starr, professor of anthropology at the University of Chicago, who has returned from a scientific mission to Korea on the steamer Sudo Maru, found at a deserted semi-subterranean temple on the southeastern sea coast of Korea Buddhist statues and carvings remarkably similar to the carvings discovered in Yucatan and on the Southern Mexican border.

He is bringing forty negatives, with which he intends to prove the theory held by some American anthropologists that Buddhist tendencies are shown in the temples found in Yucatan and on the Southern Mexican border.

He considers that the origin of the famous Buddhist of Nara and Kamakura are due to the suggestions brought by Buddhist monks from this little temple, now fallen into decay and abandoned. Professor Starr will urge upon the Japanese Government the suggestion that this place be restored.

Professor Starr is also bringing extensive studies of Japanese tattooing, the investigation of which has resulted in his theory that a Polynesian strain is mixed with the Malayan-Japanese ethnological origins.

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A FAMOUS WATER IS TO BE EXPLORED

German Expedition Under Noted Scientist to Investigate the Dead Sea.

Jerusalem, Dec. 31.—An expedition, the purpose of which is to thoroughly explore the Dead Sea and its environs, under the leadership of Dr. Bruhl, of the University of Berlin, has just arrived from Europe and continued to the scene of its future operations.

The motives of the expedition, so it is emphatically averred by Dr. Bruhl, are purely scientific, with absolutely no elements of commercialism entering into its ultimate object. Its members are, with the exception of a man from Copenhagen, and possibly another from Sweden, all German scientists and engineers.

The expedition was organized in Germany several months ago and seems to be most thoroughly equipped, scientifically and otherwise. It is financed by private subscriptions, a few members defraying their share of the expense, while among the contributors several leading Zionists figure very prominently.

Look for Fish.
The work of exploration will consist in the major part of sounding the depth of various sections of the lake, as well as analyzing the unique and complex composition of its waters, studying its shores, investigating the nature of the different minerals that are said to abound in that region, exploring as far as is possible the channels of the many rivers and hot water streams, apart from the Jordan, which flow into the sea from both the eastern and western mountain ranges that hem its shores, examining and classifying the varieties of fish that exist in large numbers only in the extreme southeastern section of the lake, which consists mainly of shallows and marshes.

It must be remembered in this connection that it has always been firmly maintained by those who visited the Dead Sea and wrote treatises about it long ago that no fish of any kind can make their habitat in any part of it and this long-established belief was given the death-blow only recently by a pleasure party of Americans long resident in the country who visited the southern end of the lake and discovered fish.

Will Study Water.
So it remains for the members of the German expedition to arrive at the curves which undoubtedly must be due to varying conditions of chemical composition of the water that make it possible for fish to live in certain sections of the lake and not in others; and, in short, to find out everything about this strange body of water from scientific standpoints that is worth knowing.

In order the better to facilitate its operations the expedition has chartered a little steam vessel for the space of three months with the proviso that at the option of Dr. Bruhl the lease may be extended for an indefinite period.

What ultimate political or commercial motives, if any, underlie the surface of the enterprise time only can show.

This is by no means the first attempt to explore the Dead Sea region. Indeed the honor of priority in this direction belongs to the doughty Lieut. W. F. Lynch.

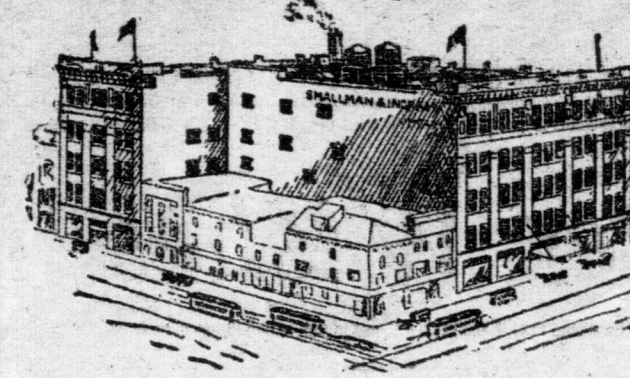
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We begin tomorrow, where 1911 leaves off, hoping that (profiting by each year's experience) during the year 1912 we will render our patrons the best service in the history of this store, to all of whom we wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Quilt and Blanket Sale Tomorrow

Tuesday we will make a clearance of all odd lines and soiled Blankets. All sample pairs which have been used in selling during the season, others soiled from display in handling, will be cleared tomorrow at great reductions. About 70 pairs in all. Also about 20 Marseilles Quilts, slightly soiled, to go, too, at special prices.

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YAT SEN'S CABINET
A San Francisco Chinaman May Be Called to Office.

[Canadian Press.]
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30.—A cablegram to the Chinese six companies from Dr. Sun Yat Sen, president of the new Chinese Republic, contains the names of four men who will be members of the president's cabinet. Among them is Fung Chi Yue, of San Francisco. The others are Wong Hing Li Yung, Heng and Wu Ting Fang. The news confirms predictions made by Chinese here several weeks ago.

ANOTHER MARRIAGE CASE

Montreal Lady Asks for Annulment on the Grounds of Consanguinity.

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal Dec. 30.—Another marriage annulment case came up before the court yesterday afternoon when a petition was presented before Mr. Justice Lauradeau by Dame Marie Anne Menier for permission to enter suit in forma pauperis in order to have her marriage contracted in 1905, annulled by the civil tribunals, on the grounds of consanguinity. The respondent in the case is Francois Blanchet, and the marriage was solemnized in St. Bridget's Church. As the two contracting parties were relations of the third degree of consanguinity in the collateral line, petitioner represents that, both being members of the Catholic Church such consanguinity constitutes an impediment according to the Catholic Church; and that such an impediment is indorsed by the civil law.

TRUST COMPANY CLOSES.
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 30.—As a result of an order issued by the state banking department, the American Union Trust Company of this city, closed its doors today. Officers of the bank say the three thousand depositors will be paid in full.

The American Union Trust Company was formed Jan. 11, 1911, and started

with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000, of which \$250,000 was subscribed and \$125,000 paid in.

The bank never had gained admission to the Kansas City clearing house. Its deposits were all in small individual accounts.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Blown twenty yards by an explosion of dynamite, J. Michaud was conveyed to the Notre Dame Hospital, apparently badly injured. After being examined, however, he was found to be only bruised. He was watchman over a shack belonging to the city, which contained dynamite and was somehow exploded. The windows in houses for hundreds of yards around were broken.

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Births, Marriages and Deaths.

DEATHS.

SPEARIN—At his late residence, 168 Factory street, on Saturday, Dec. 30, 1911, George Spearin, aged 64 years. Funeral from above address on Tuesday, at 2 p.m.; service at 1:30. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

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Sugar and Cream, 50c; now 25c; 59c, now 29c; \$1.00, now 50c; \$1.25, now 63c; \$1.50, now 75c; \$2.00, now \$1.

Cake Plates, 89c, now 45c; \$1.25, now 63c; \$1.50, now 75c.

Tea Pots, 50c, now 25c; \$1.25, now 63c; Fern Pots, 75c, now 38c; \$1.50, now 75c; \$1.75, now 88c; \$2.00, now \$1.00; \$2.75, now \$1.38.

Vases, \$1.25, now 63c; \$1.50, now 75c; \$2.00, now \$1.00; \$2.75, now \$1.38.

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THE NEW YEAR.

"A whisper shoots from the west,
 add this to the rest," here dies an-
 other year, half 1912!

The old year has been, like other
 years, momentous as its hours hasten-
 ed. Perhaps the events of largest im-
 port have taken place in Asia. There
 for the first time a British sovereign
 has appeared before his Indian sub-
 jects in coronation array, and the an-
 nouncement has been made of provin-
 cial self-government in the near fu-
 ture under a light supervision by the
 Imperial administration at Delhi.
 Mutterings have been heard of German
 intentions in the Euphrates valley.
 Close by has arisen a situation of the
 most critical nature in the Russo-
 British occupation of Persia, a danger-
 ous problem bequeathed like a mort-
 gage by the old year to the new.
 Eastward, the vast tracts of Mongolia
 and Chinese Turkestan have been
 broken from the celestial empire and
 become virtually protectorates of Rus-
 si. The Slav Colossus is on the move
 again, and the earth shakes beneath
 its tread.

But the great earthquake of the
 year has been the human upheaval in
 China itself. The revolutionary
 France the long subject nation
 "stamped her strong foot and said she
 would be free." She shook off the
 Manchu and is celebrating the new
 year by a sort of offering of pistols
 to the top-knotted ancestors of old.
 Will the Chinese Revolution be the
 French Revolution of Asia? Will there
 be a "reign of terror"? Will a Napo-
 leon arise? It is unlikely that other
 states will provoke such eventualities
 by ill-judged interference.

If the twentieth century is to be
 Canada's, China, India, and Japan
 will also play a distinguished role.
 Perhaps the rise of the Asiatic powers,
 making the Pacific highway of traf-
 fic, will be an important factor in the
 building of Canada, which has the ad-
 vantage of fronting three oceans. No
 doubt there are dangers in store for
 our Pacific provinces, and that calls to
 mind again the Canadian navy.

The advance of Asia, which has been
 creeping on with each year since 1894,
 rushed forward like a flood in 1911. So
 it was with the progress of political
 reform in Great Britain. When the
 election of December, 1910, had put a
 veto on the talk of using a royal
 veto in defence of the peers, the decks
 were clear for action. Premier Asquith,
 balked of one reform after another
 since 1906, now put through with mas-
 terly skill his Parliament Bill, which,
 while leaving consultative and sus-
 pensive powers to the Upper House,
 drew the teeth of the reactionary min-
 ority who had dragged the dual coach
 across the path of liberty and
 progress. The woman suffragists at
 once seized the opportunity, and ob-
 tained from the Premier of promise of
 facilities for a measure of partial en-
 franchisement which is almost certain
 to be passed in some form this year.
 The Insurance Bill and other measures
 make 1911 the opening of a new era
 in social reform legislation. Only the
 steady character of the British people
 has prevented the year from being not
 only critical and sensational, but one
 of violent revolution. As it is, it ranks
 with 1832, and not with 1868. It com-
 pleted the work of the Reform Bill,
 and at last the Government of the
 United Kingdom is truly democratic.

In America the most interesting
 political events have been overthrow
 of the Diaz tyranny, and the establish-
 ment of a genuine republic of Mexico,
 and the defeat of the Laurier Govern-
 ment on the reciprocity issue.
 In many countries the past year
 has seen great disturbances and de-
 velopments in the economic sphere.
 Great Britain has recovered from the
 seamen's strike, the dock laborers'
 strike and the general railway strike;
 the year closes darkly with an im-
 mense lockout in the Lancashire cot-
 ton mills. France has witnessed riots
 owing to the high price of foodstuffs,
 an economic condition that has be-
 come worldwide. In New York the

garbage strike last November ended in
 failure. But the real sensations of the
 economic world were the McNamara
 trial and conviction, and the prosecu-
 tion and dissolution of some of the
 great American trusts. It remains to be
 seen what results will flow from these
 events.

While the year was rife with wars
 and rumors of war, particularly the
 Moroccan entanglement, a notable ad-
 vance was made by the cause of peace.
 President Taft, seconded by Sir Ed-
 ward Grey, endeavored, by treaty, to
 make war impossible between the two
 English-speaking nations. Though
 both peoples are plainly strong for the
 ratification of the treaty, the American
 Senate is still hesitating to put the
 final seal upon it and upon a similar
 treaty with France. Morally, however,
 Mr. Taft has done much to end war.

Science has made its chief advance
 in the conquest of the air. The pro-
 gress has been most decided. In the
 arts there were possibly greater losses
 than gains, the abstraction of "Mona
 Lisa" from the Louvre, and the death
 of Israel and Abbey being fresh in
 mind.

The death roll was as heavy as
 usual. Glibert (drowned), Fogazzaro,
 Higginson, Mrs. E. S. Phelps Ward
 were some of the authors lost. Among
 the deceased politicians are the names
 of Sir Charles Dilke, Sir Robert Hart,
 Sir Eldon Gorst, and Premier Stolypin,
 of Russia (assassinated). Warriors
 dead are General Cronje, of Paardeburg
 fame, and Mrs. Carrie Nation. Pro-
 fessor Shimose, the inventor of the
 high explosive used by the Japanese
 in the war with Russia; Thomas Hall,
 an inventor of the typewriter, and
 Joseph Pulitzer, the great American
 newspaperman, are among the dis-
 tinguished dead of 1911.

And now the year itself is dead. A
 moment at 12 o'clock and the date
 had changed as quickly as one stereo-
 type slide is substituted for another.
 So it is almost with the life of a man.
 He flashes into birth, shines or glim-
 mers for a moment, and passes again
 into the dark. A thousand years fare
 no better in the long run than one.

A thousand years in thy sight
 Are like an evening gone.

So runs the old hymn. And yet if the
 past year seem short enough even to
 us, the coming year looks long ahead,
 affords scope for countless achieve-
 ments, welcomes the burdens shuffled
 upon it by the ages and ages gone be-
 fore, and smilingly beckons to be used
 and enjoyed.

SINGERS PROFIT BY PHONO-
GRAPH.

[Popular Mechanics.]
 If Caruso, the great tenor, happens
 to lose his voice or become incapacitated
 because of such illness as has
 kept him off the operatic stage the last
 half of two seasons, he will feel con-
 soled by the knowledge that his royalties
 from a phonograph company will
 exceed \$100,000 a year for many years
 to come, while Madame Tietz is grati-
 fied that the same company has re-
 fused to pay her \$1,000 five years ago
 for the very same effort that they are
 now paying her \$25,000 a year for. Then
 the diva is willing to take the lower
 figure outright for her records, but a
 year ago she demanded a bonus of
 \$25,000 besides the royalties, and she
 got it.

THE PRESENTS OF YESTERDAY.

[New York Herald.]
 O where is the present from father,
 The razor that never would razor.
 The neckwear from sister, and mother
 To those patterns of Pileone days?

O where are the books without number,
 The volumes in vellum bedight,
 The inkstand that never would open,
 The filigree pen that won't write?

O where is the pipe made of meerschaum
 (its merit lay only in looks),
 That was sent by a friend who was taking
 A twenty-four day trip with Cook's?
 And where are the trinkets of silver,
 The trinkets resembling real gold,
 That have journeyed from each joyous
 season
 To gladden since days of old?

I have them, arrayed in their ribbons,
 These little attentions abhorred,
 And I'll send them again on their errands
 To others as friendship's reward.
 And so they shall travel forever,
 And never again shall we meet,
 Unless fortune grow mean and vindictive,
 And lay them again at my feet.

HE WAITED.
 [Chicago Record-Herald.]
 There was work of importance he thought
 he would do,
 But he waited awhile,
 And another, perceiving the chance, one
 day,
 Got busy and carried the honors away
 In a praiseworthy style.

HE SAT IN A CORNER AND PITIED HIMSELF.
 For he thought it unfair,
 That another had done what he might
 have done
 And had honor and profit that he might
 have won,
 But the world didn't care.

PESSIMISM.
 [Chicago Record-Herald.]
 A pessimist is one who receives a pair
 of gloves as a Christmas present, and
 worries because they will soon wear out.

RAN IN THE FAMILY.
 [Judge.]
 Mrs. Jenks—Mr. Billington is such a
 nice man, and not at all shy, that I really
 can't understand why he remains a bach-
 elor.

Mrs. Tolker (absentmindedly)—Oh, I
 presume it is hereditary. His father and
 grandfather before him were bachelors,
 probably.

THEIR DESTINATION.
 [Judge.]
 Child—Mother, where do autoists go
 when they go on a "joy ride"?
 Mother—Most of them go to the hospi-
 tal, my dear.

ARE THEY ALL HERE?
 [Victoria Colonist.]
 A correspondent sends us the follow-
 ing list as his selection of the most
 famous women in history: Semiramis,
 Cleopatra, Hypatia, Sappho, Esther,

Virgin Mary, Joan of Arc, Madame de
 Maintenon, Queen Elizabeth, Mary Queen
 of Scots, Catherine of Russia, Catherine
 de Medici, Georges Sand, George Eliot,
 Rosa Bonheur, Charlotte Bronte, Eliza-
 beth Barrett Browning, Florence Night-
 ingale, Madame Curie, and the Dowager
 Empress of China.

BY THE WAY.
 [Christian Intelligencer.]
 "What broke up the suffragette par-
 ade?"
 "A shopkeeper hung out a sign an-
 nouncing 5s silks at 1s 11d."

UP IN THE AIR.
 [Life.]
 First Aviator—How far is it to the next
 gasoline reservoir?
 Second Aviator—Two graveyards and a
 spiral slide to your left, old man.

A CRITICAL SITUATION.
 [Brantford Expositor.]
 The Borden Government will make no
 attempt to amend the tariff during the
 present parliamentary session. And yet
 Canada, according to Tory argument, is
 being drawn closer to the United States
 by five million dollars' worth every
 month. How can Hon. Col. Sam Hughes
 sit in his seat and calmly behold such a
 process of subtle absorption?

A MELANCHOLY TRUTH.
 [Ed Howe.]
 When you go back to your old home
 after an absence of ten or fifteen years,

don't expect people to be glad to see you.
 After people haven't seen a man for ten
 or fifteen years, they don't care much
 if they never see him again.

DESPERATE MEASURES.
 [Windsor Record.]
 Before the cost of living can be re-
 duced there must be more intelligent and
 more intensive farming. Right here in
 Essex there are to be found whole fields
 of shocked corn exposed to the elements.
 The weather has been so bad that the
 farmers have not been able to get this
 corn husked and marketed. Hundreds of
 bushels of grain were allowed to lie
 on the ground until they were ruined by
 the frost. Out in the west millions of
 bushels of wheat have not been threshed.
 This is nothing short of rank careles-
 ness. Either the farmers are attempting
 to till farms that are too large for them
 to handle, or they employ wasteful meth-
 ods.

INDISPUTABLE.
 [London Chronicle.]
 "If you stand with your back to the
 south, what have you on your left hand?"
 asked the teacher during the geography
 lesson. The small boy thought, consid-
 ered his hands, and gave the right
 answer. "Fingers, sir," he replied.

News from Western Ontario

FINE LARGE RINK
OPENS AT INGERSOLL

Mayor and Other Prominent
 Officials Spoke at Big
 Gathering.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
 Ingersoll, Dec. 31.—Public appreciation
 of Ingersoll's new skating and hockey
 rink was evidenced to a striking degree
 at the formal opening last night. The
 skaters, of whom there were several hun-
 dred, many from outside points, were de-
 lighted with the large ice area and the
 building generally, as were also the
 scores of spectators. Capable of furnish-
 ing accommodation for three thousand
 persons, the rink is believed to be large
 enough for all requirements, and with
 over in the past, immense crowds are ex-
 pected during the season.

In the course of the speeches last night,
 the proprietor, Mr. George Massey, was
 complimented for his enterprise and
 heartily cheered by those present.
 In those who spoke during the evening
 were Mayor Mackay, Reeve Fleet, Deputy
 Reeve Walley, T. R. Mayberry, M. L.
 A. and Commissioner George Sutherland.
 The rink will be very brightly lighted for
 hockey purposes, and the current was
 turned on by Mr. Sutherland for the
 electric power and light commission.

TILLSONBURG.
 Tillsonburg, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Ed
 Young and daughter, Ada, of Oshawa,
 visited recently with Mr. Merritt Cross-
 street.

Mrs. (Dr.) Holbrook, of Hamilton,
 is the guest of her parents, Mr. and
 Mrs. H. P. Ostrosky.

Mr. R. Middleton, of St. Thomas, was a
 Tillsonburg visitor recently.

Mrs. W. C. Brown is spending a few
 weeks with relatives in London.

Mrs. R. Hawthorne spent the holi-
 day with friends at Hagersville.

Bob Vance, of Toronto, visited Till-
 sonburg friends recently.

Miss Jennie Thompson is the guest
 of her parents, Mayor and Mrs. J.
 Thompson.

Detective M. Heenan, of St. Thomas,
 was here recently.

Mrs. E. Vance, of Toronto, has re-
 turned after spending a few weeks
 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H.
 Denton.

Miss Audrey Denton is the guest
 of friends at Simcoe.

Fred McIntosh, of Detroit, is the
 guest of friends here.

Miss Ida Haxton, of Toronto, spent
 the holiday with her parents here.

Mr. Spence Reid, of Toronto, is the
 guest of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J.
 B. Reid.

Mr. Duncan McCallum, of Gladstone,
 spent a few days as the guest of his
 daughter, Mrs. C. N. Dewey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hare have re-
 turned to Comber after a few days'
 visit here.

Mr. Charles Kerr, of Toronto, is
 spending the holidays with his par-
 ents, Rev. and Mrs. Kerr.

Donald Sutherland, M. P., of Ingersoll,
 was a Tillsonburg visitor yester-
 day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Flynn, of Toronto,
 are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert
 Ward.

Mr. Albert Jeffrey, of Simcoe, was
 the guest of friends here recently.

W. W. Davis, of Toronto, is the
 guest of his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hogarth are
 spending New Year's with relatives in
 New York.

Norman Harrison, of Cobalt, is the
 guest of his mother, Mrs. H. Harri-
 son.

Miss Charlotte Sanders, of Orillia, is
 the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
 W. H. Sanders.

BOTHWELL.
 Bothwell, Dec. 30.—Miss Mabel Wade
 is spending a few days with her sister,
 Miss Gertrude, of Petrolia.

Wesley Ellwood is visiting in De-
 troit.

Keenest Contest Ever Known in
District Being Fought Out
at Ridgeway.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
 Ridgeway, Dec. 30.—The greatest
 excitement prevails regarding local
 option, and the municipal election.
 Everyone is confident of victory. In
 the township the race for reeve is very
 keen.

Mr. E. D. Brien, an old ex-
 perience municipal man, and known far
 and wide for his thoroughbred
 stock, and William E. Galbraith, one
 of the best-known farmers in Kent,
 also government inspectors of fisheries
 along the lake front here, are both
 making a strong run.

The canvassing factory bylaw is of
 special interest, as it means the ex-
 penditure of about \$45,000 here by the
 Dominion Canners in the next two
 years. This is in itself of sufficient
 interest to arouse attention.

However, it appears that almost all
 these are overshadowed by the keen
 fight between the liquor interests and
 the temperance people. With all the
 above-mentioned interests, together
 with the echo of a past election
 securely died out, it is difficult to
 forecast the results.

Mr. Galbraith is holding campaign
 meetings in all parts of the township.
 The local option people had a mass
 meeting last night in the opera house,
 when ex-Mayor Peterson, of Leamington,
 was the speaker. The house was
 filled. On the other hand, the hotels
 are full today, and the interests of
 their position. Two convictions for
 drunkenness were secured before
 Squire McKinley Friday.

PLAINTIFF WON IN
ACTION AT AYLMER

Judge Ermatinger Gives Decision
in Case Over a Coal
Stove.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
 Aylmer, Dec. 30.—The only case of
 importance at the division court was
 that of Mrs. Georgia Webster vs. Mar-
 shall A. McArthur, an action for the
 price of a coal stove. Plaintiff and de-
 fendant are residents of South Dor-
 chester. Plaintiff, whose former resi-
 dence was at St. Marys, removed to
 Dorchester early in 1910, and acted as
 housekeeper for Mr. Clark McArthur.

When driving to Springfield with the
 defendant in October of that year for
 the purpose of going to St. Marys, the
 plaintiff claimed that the defendant
 purchased her stove for \$35.

The stove arrived via the M. C. R.
 in December and was taken by defend-
 ant to his house. Shortly afterwards
 the plaintiff asked the defendant if he
 could uncrate and set the stove up,
 when he replied that he did not think
 so. Plaintiff then went to his house
 and set up the stove and asked de-
 fendant to put up the pipes, but he did
 not do so. The stove remained as de-
 fendant's house from December, 1910,
 until early in December, 1911, when
 defendant, without notice to the plain-
 tiff, sent his hired man with the stove
 to plaintiff's home and she refused to
 accept it, and told the man that de-
 fendant had bought the stove and
 he must pay for it. The stove was
 promptly taken back by the defendant
 and left in to yard adjacent to the
 barn and it was remained there.

Plaintiff then sued the defendant for
 the price of the stove and for \$2 for
 making a dress for defendant's niece
 at his request. Part of the evidence
 was conflicting, but Judge Ermatinger
 decided that the plaintiff was entitled
 to recover and gave judgment for the
 amount of her claim with costs. E. A.
 Miller appeared for plaintiff, and W. H.
 Barnum for defendant.

STRATHROY.
 Strathroy, Dec. 30.—Mr. and Mrs. A.

F. Brock, of Birmingham, Sask., are
 spending the holidays at their par-
 ental home here.

Miss Helena Frank, of Detroit, is
 visiting at her home here.
 Miss Florence Roe, of Detroit, is
 spending the holidays with Mr. and
 Mrs. Jas. C. C. C.

Orval Smith, of Nanton, Alta., is
 visiting friends and relatives here.
 Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Morrow, of
 Caledonia, are holidaying at their
 home here.

Mrs. W. J. Curry and daughter, of
 Detroit, are visiting with Mrs. Brod-
 ley, Richmond street.

The marriage will take place on
 New Year's Day of Mr. Gordon Small
 and Miss Margaret McLean, both of
 Strathroy.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Edgar (formerly
 Miss Carrie Lenfestey), are visiting
 at the home of Mrs. Edgar's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bishop, of Law-
 son, Sask., are here on an extended
 visit with friends and relatives.

John E. McIntyre, of Swift Cur-
 rent, Sask., is home for the holidays.
 Mrs. C. L. Thompson has left on
 an extended visit to Grand Rapids.

Dr. B. Weir, of Auburn, is visiting
 his sisters, the Misses Weir.

Mrs. Wm. Williams, of Toronto, is
 spending the holidays with her par-
 ents, Mr. and Mrs. John Newton.

Cadet Arthur Lindsay, of the Royal
 Military College, Kingston, is home
 for the holidays.

Miss Mamie Campbell, teacher, of
 Essex, is visiting her grandmother,
 Mrs. Mary Campbell, Front street.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Minchiner, of
 Owen Sound, are visiting friends here.
 Robert McAlpine is visiting with
 friends here.

Misses Margaret and Helen Berdan
 are spending the holidays with their
 aunt, Mrs. Hugh D. Ross, in Williams.
 Mr. A. Demaray, who has been very
 ill from the effects of a paralytic
 stroke, is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Menish have re-
 turned from their honeymoon trip,
 and have taken up their residence on
 Front street west.

Alex. McIntyre, of Calgary, is visit-
 ing his mother.
 H. S. Truman is home from the
 west.

Mrs. James Cameron is receiving
 for the first time since her marriage
 at her home "Inverness Place," on
 Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Miss Zella LaMorte, nurse-in-train-
 ing, of Battle Creek, is spending the
 holidays at her home here.

Miss Ethel Cox, of Detroit, is hol-
 idaying at home.

Music and Drama

Splendid Attraction Today.

Since the days of "The Private Sec-
 retary," "Jane," and "Charles's Aunt,"
 the theatregoers of America have not
 been presented with any product of
 the pen of English farce writers to
 compare with "Dear Old Billy," which
 is the starring vehicle of that eminent
 English character actor, William Haw-
 trey.

One of the best character actors of
 the day. He appears twice today and
 also Tuesday evening at the Grand, in
 "Dear Old Billy."

WILLIAM HAWTREY.

One of the best character actors of
 the day. He appears twice today and
 also Tuesday evening at the Grand, in
 "Dear Old Billy."

Allice Lloyd, in the Sparkling Musical
 Play, "Little Miss Fix-It."

Allice Lloyd, the dainty singing com-
 edienne, who is known in this country
 only as one of the biggest drawing
 cards in high-class vaudeville, will
 make her first appearance in London
 in the kind of role in which she has
 achieved her greatest success in Lon-
 don and the British provinces, at the
 Grand Opera House, on Friday even-
 ing next, Jan. 5, as the star of Messrs.
 Werba & Luescher's musical gale,
 "Little Miss Fix-It." During the action
 of the play Miss Lloyd will present
 her famous vaudeville specialty, slug-
 ging all of her latest songs and making
 her remarkable lightning changes. She
 will also take part in the latest society
 dance craze, "The Newport Turkey
 Trot." Seats tomorrow, 9 a.m.

"The Chocolate Soldier."

When "The Chocolate Soldier" comes
 to London for the first time Saturday
 next, Jan. 6, matinee and night, this
 vivacious opera of Oscar Straus will
 be interpreted by the best company,
 according to Mr. Whitney's own state-
 ment, that he has ever got together. In
 it there are several singers who orig-
 inated their roles in the States, prin-
 cipal among them being George Tal-
 man as Alexius, and Francis J. Boyle
 as Massakroff, who while here will
 have sung their respective roles more
 than eight hundred consecutive times.
 There is also George O'Donnell and
 Mildred Rogers. Alice Yorkie, who
 made such a strong impression in the
 prima donna role last season, will be
 heard, and alternating with her will be
 Vivian Weldon. Juanita Fletcher has
 the brightly role of Mascha. The seat
 sale opens at the box office Wednes-
 day at 9 a.m.

Allice Lloyd in New York.
 [Special to The Advertiser.]
 New York, Dec. 31.—Tonight the
 Allice Lloyd "Little Miss Fix-It" Com-

By its QUALITY

Stephens' Ink

has for 79 years
 held the home
 market and has
 FORCED its way
 through every
 Tariff abroad.

W. G. M. SHEPHERD, MONTREAL, SOLE AGENT FOR CANADA

flow of gastric juice and gives tone to the whole system.

Big Bottle. Ask YOUR Doctor

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THE PARROT CHATTERS.

Mr. Noah Brings Him Out of the Ark To Tell His Own Story to Girls and Boys Who Read The Advertiser.

"Polly wants a cracker!" People often hear me say this and many, many other things. I am a fine mimic. I can imitate a bird talk English? I have a good hearty laugh, too. I can't my plumage gorgeous? We parrots live in the warm countries, where we can find buds, leaves, seeds and fruit for our dinner. Here the trees and grass are always green. We build our nests in the tall trees.



We have short, hard, round bill, hooked at the tip. Our feet each have two toes in front and two behind. We use our feet and bills for climbing trees, and we also use our feet as hands to hold and carry food to our mouths.

There are hundreds of different kinds of parrots. Some are as small as the sparrows that hop around your house and others are three feet tall. I have known of some parrots living to be 100 years of age. Do you know any person as old as that?

We love tricks and fun as much as you do. People say we have a bad, quick temper, but we are affectionate, too.

That's all I can tell you today. Polly wants a cracker!

VENEZUELA SECURES \$80,000 FROM FRENCH

The Special Session Called for A Bankers' Benefit Proves a Joke

Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 1.—The special session of the Venezuelan Congress has closed, after perpetrating what is regarded here as the best joke since President Castro was notified that he might continue his vacation outside that country indefinitely.

The joke was on the French bankers who defrayed the expenses of the special session convened purposely to approve legislation which, in the final days of the meeting, was rejected.

Early last summer the Government granted a concession for the establishment of a new bank with the exclusive right to issue paper money to the extent of 20,000,000 bolivars.

The concession was approved by Congress, and, unfortunately, Congress had just adjourned and would not meet again in regular session for a year. In the meantime Castro might reappear and upset the whole plan. Accordingly the French interests made their acceptance of the concession conditional upon the agreement of President Gomez to call Congress in extraordinary session. Gomez was agreeable, but could not see why Venezuela should be put to the expense involved, which, for salaries and travelling expenses, he estimated at \$80,000.

The French bankers thought it over and notified the Venezuelan executive that they would stand the expense. Gomez, however, having had some experience with Congress, and perhaps in doubt as to how the expected legislation would turn out, cabled Paris that it would be necessary to have the cash in advance.

The money was received at Caracas and the congressmen assembled.

They deliberated for a month, and then, instead of approving the bank concession, passed a new banking law, under which the old one, and making the issuance of depreciated paper money impossible. Congress also decreed the coinage of 7,000,000 bolivars of silver currency, and 3,000,000 of gold. The members then left for their homes, having much enjoyed their stay at the capital, and more than ever impressed with French generosity.

Most of the credit for the reaction against the paper money danger is given to Gen. M. A. Matos, minister for foreign affairs, himself a wealthy banker. For days and days meetings were held nightly at Gen. Matos' home in his attempt to convince the other members of the Government of the danger of the new concession. He was ably seconded by Dr. Jose Gil Portou, minister of education.

The projected revolution of Gen. Jose Manuel Hernandez, who has thrown down the gauntlet to President Gomez from Porto Rico, has now lost its battle cry of "Down with paper money and bank concession." Gen. Hernandez was a member of the council of state, and is the head of the conservative party in Venezuela. He has led innumerable revolutions, and has been beaten in all. He will probably join forces with Gen. Alejandro Rivas Vasquez and Gen. Aristides Telleria, and use Trinidad as a base of operations.

DIARY OF DYING.

Lyons, Dec. 31.—A tailor's cutter, 53 years of age, who killed himself here by inhaling charcoal fumes, left the following diary of his sufferings as death approached:

2:40—Wind up watch and begin to note impressions.
3:50—Already feel pains in the head.
4:00—Feel my temples throbbing.
4:15—Am stifling; breathe with difficulty.
4:30—Head confused and am turning giddy.
4:40—Slight going.
4:50—Can hardly see now, and my body is becoming numb.
5:00—Please say good-bye to my friend—of 16 Rue de l'Épée.

All the entries, with the exception of the last, were written in a firm and clear hand.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box.

DR. KNABE SLAIN CORONER DECIDES

Indianapolis Official Disregards Suicide Theory of the Woman's Death.

LIGHT ON PRIVATE LIFE

Just Before Murder She Sent Letter to Friend Saying She Had Broken Off Engagement.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 31.—Disregarding theories which advance suicide as the explanation of the death of Dr. Helene Knabe on the night of Oct. 23, Dr. Charles O. Durham, coroner, filed Saturday his verdict in the mysterious case, finding that the death was due to murder.

The verdict contains no reference to indicate the official has suspicions as to the identity of the murderer. It contains several pages of review and special findings in the case, believed by the coroner to be essential to the verdict because of the mystery surrounding the death and the need of clearing up circumstantial evidence obtained in the inquiry.

The manuscript was filed with the county clerk today. It contains fifty typewritten pages and the records of examination of twelve witnesses. The coroner regards it as the most exhaustive and important investigation of his term of office.

Credits Statements of Women.

It is evident from the coroner's discussion of the case that he gives full credence to the statements of Miss Katherine McPherson, office assistant to Dr. Knabe, who found the body with the throat cut, and Miss Augusta Knabe, the cousin, who was the next person in Dr. Knabe's rooms after Miss McPherson.

The police in attempting to establish suicide believed the women might have hidden a weapon before the arrival of physicians or the authorities, but the women denied that they had done so.

A final paragraph in the discussion of the case by the coroner contains perhaps the most significant feature of the document. In this the coroner refers to "happenings, complications, and misunderstandings" in the life of Dr. Knabe, which he asserts might easily have prompted motive for murder. He regards this feature of the case as being of far greater importance than any evidence uncovered that might tend to show a reason for self-destruction.

Coroner Durham was asked about the paragraph and declined to state specifically the evidence regarding the dead woman's affairs to which he refers.

Evidence Regarding Private Life.

It is known, however, that the coroner, the police, and others who investigated the Knabe death, are in possession of information which has never been made public regarding the woman's private life.

No denial is made by the police or the coroner that they learned of quarrels and other intimate affairs of Dr. Knabe that promised to throw light on the mystery. That much of this investigation is evidenced by the coroner's statement that a motive for murder "might easily have been prompted." However, he says, information regarding these matters is not sufficiently definite to justify him in making it public.

One of the matters brought out by the investigation, and which never reached the public, was that Dr. Knabe was said to have written a letter to a friend just prior to her death, telling of her engagement, which she said, had just been broken off.

That she ever entertained a desire for wedded life was denied by many of her closest friends, with whom detectives and the coroner talked, and the same friends professed great surprise when informed of the letter. The man whose name Dr. Knabe mentioned denied that he had even paid attention to Dr. Knabe. The police have a copy of the letter.

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE HAS THROAT TROUBLE

Afflicted With Disease That Killed Grandfather and From Which Kaiser Suffers.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Berlin, Dec. 31.—That Crown Prince Frederick William is ill of the same strange throat affliction which carried off his grandfather and from which the present Emperor is suffering, has finally become known despite efforts to keep it secret.

There is a possibility, not too vaguely remote, that the next three years may see a boy on the throne of Germany.

Crown Prince Frederick William has three children, his being Prince William, at present aged five.

Should this unfortunate circumstance come to pass it is inevitable that the German Emperor must feel the loss of the warning of much of his ancient prestige.

Without the iron hand of Emperor William to guide the German ship of state the empire would lack its strongest prop.

LINCOLN'S AIDE DEAD.

New York, Dec. 30.—Major William Gourlay, who, during most of the civil war was in charge of the federal secret service, and in that position acted also as chief aide to President Abraham Lincoln, is dead at his home in Glendale, Long Island, aged 71 years.

UNDERWOOD BETTER.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The condition of Mr. Underwood, who is suffering from an acute attack of intestinal trouble, is improved, and unless complications set in there will be no necessity for an operation for appendicitis, as was feared. Mr. Underwood will be out by Wednesday.

FLAYS MONEY HOGS AND MONEY MADNESS

"I Get Millionaires, Worn Out, Dissipated, Crazy by Rush for Wealth," Says Muldoon.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—"The American race is degenerating with frightful rapidity," said William C. Muldoon, the famous trainer and conditioner of men, today. He had concluded consultation with Drs. S. Weir Mitchell and J. Madison Taylor.

"Money hogs and money madness are the twin causes of the decay," he said, spiritedly. "The corroding influence of this greed for wealth has been felt in every walk of life. Take the millionaires who achieve wealth. I get them, lots of them, worn out, dissipated, crazy by their perpetual struggle for money. They are burned out body and soul, and their children are worse. The younger generation loses its vitality, its ambition, its morals and its reputation. They are no good to themselves and no good to anyone else. And all this is the result of too much money."

Speaks As An Authority.

Sitting half-way in a chair, inadequate for his big frame, Muldoon gave the results of his observation of the men of today. He spoke as one with authority, for thousands of men, including cabinet officials, ministers, famous actors, doctors, lawyers, brokers, bankers, members of "the idle rich," and nondescripts, have passed through his hands and been stronger and better for it. Tall, straight, dignified, he carries his 65 years well.

"It is impossible to see where this degeneration will stop," he said. "Every man I get worse. The race is becoming every minute more hotly contested, and men are driving themselves at a greater pace. Then comes the inevitable collapse, for men can only go at a certain pace and then break down."

Broken in Mind and Body.

"I get patients from all over the country. I get unlicked cubs, sons of rich men, who come to my place with automobiles and servants and valets, and the rich youngster stays or not just as he decides. He may be broken down mentally and physically, but the former is the more important."

"Nearly all my subjects are neurasthenics, their nerves ragged, their digestion gone, and suffers from insomnia. Now, when this young man, probably afflicted with a nervous breakdown, comes to me, I treat him the same as I do my other patients. He must learn to do everything for himself—take his own bath, dress himself, and walk instead of motoring. If he is a snob he gets no special consideration."

PROBABLE EFFECT OF LOOSENING WAR DOGS

European War Would Impair Working of Finance—British System Is Not Ready.

London, Dec. 30.—A remarkable note in connection with the present political uncertainty in Europe is contained in an article on British and German banking, published in the banking columns of The London Financial News of recent date.

The writer in the course of discussion of the oncoming development between Britain and Germany, says that there can be no responsible doubt that the peace of the world was gravely endangered during the summer, and now that immediate risk is happily averted, it is, at least, interesting, and possibly useful, to speculate on the position of the British banking system in war time.

The subject may be considered under three heads: First, from the national standpoint, as to the ability of our banking machinery to furnish the Government with funds for the conduct of the war; secondly, what is likely to be the attitude of customers towards their bankers; and, thirdly, what is likely to be the attitude of bankers towards their customers.

It is commonplace that the shock of war is likely to impair, or even prevent, the working of the delicate machinery of international finance. But, so far as domestic trouble is concerned, it is evidently held that the magic formula "suspension of the Bank Charter Act" will be in itself sufficient to exercise all malades towards the banking system. That the suspension of the act might, and probably would, be necessary in the early days of a first-class war few will be found to doubt; but it is permissible to think that other remedies will have to be thought out and applied.

The German Empire is usually credited with minute preparations for every eventuality likely to result from a state of war, and it is believed that their preparations are no less complete on the financial than on the military side. They have a complete code of emergency laws ready to be proclaimed in case of need. These laws probably provide for a moratorium, either partial or complete, and no doubt deal specially with the maturities of current acceptances. Probably it will be found that the bourse will be closed during the discretion of the Government, and, in general, every expedient dictated by experience will be applied to lessen the inevitable shock to credit.

It is almost certain that the Government of having any well-considered policy on such matters, and no doubt the city would be left to muddle through without much assistance from Westminster. This is, or will be, all the more surprising because the Government itself, through its savings bank, will, in the complete absence of liquid resources, probably be the first unit of our banking system to feel the strain of altered conditions.

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ENGLISH MARQUIS IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Head of Paget Family Is Considered Fine Matrimonial Possibility.

London, Dec. 30.—The Marquis of Anglesey, whom the late King Edward singled out as a possible husband for Princess Patricia of Connaught and who is the most eligible young man in England from a matrimonial point of view, is lying seriously ill at Beaufort, one of the family places in Staffordshire. The young marquis is the head of the famous Paget family and in character is entirely unlike his eccentric cousin, the late Welsh sear, who turned the chapel of his Welsh seat at Bangor into a theatre and lavished jewels on hundreds of low acquaintances.

This same eccentric, hated Beaufort, one of the loveliest homes in England, and never slept under its roof. Instead of living in it he sold some of its greatest treasures, and not long ago part of the old house was demolished by fire.

The last Marquis of Anglesey who lived there was the famous hero of the battle of Waterloo, who died in 1854. He kept great state and entertained on a lavish scale. Later on the Duke of Abercorn rented it for several years.

This great Staffordshire property came to the Anglesey family by the marriage of the Anglesey family to Sir Nicholas Bailey, created Earl of Exmouth in 1784. The present young marquis owns the greater part of Burton-on-Trent, where all the famous breweries are situated, and he is, in spite of his late cousin's extravagance becoming a richer man every year. In ten years time he will be one of the four wealthiest peers in Great Britain, so that his health is of considerable importance to those schemers, royal and otherwise, who are trying to get him married.

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TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

BRIDIAN AND TORONTO.
Arrive from the East—8:27 a.m., 10:59 a.m., 11:12 a.m., 11:28 a.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 10:20 p.m.
Arrive from the West—12:00 a.m., 4:43 a.m., 8:50 a.m., 11:55 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.
Depart for the East—12:14 a.m., 3:48 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 6:35 p.m.
Depart for the West—3:32 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 11:18 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 8:20 p.m.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.

Arrive—10:28 a.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:50 p.m., 11:05 p.m.
Depart—8:35 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 8:10 p.m.

STRAITFORD BRANCH.

Arrive—11:12 a.m., 1:33 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:35 p.m.
Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:20 a.m., 12:35 p.m., 2:45 p.m., 1:55 p.m.

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Arrive—10:00 a.m., 6:10 p.m.
Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:40 p.m.
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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Arrive from the East—11:28 a.m., 6:10 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:52 p.m.
Arrive from the West—4:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 6:32 p.m., 8:30 p.m.
Depart for the East—4:38 a.m., 7:45 a.m., 12:45 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
Depart for the West—8:00 a.m., 11:25 a.m., 7:48 p.m., 11:00 p.m.
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Arrive—7:04 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 9:55 p.m.
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LONDON'S FRANCHISE TANGLE AIRED BEFORE NEW PRESIDENT

Mr. J. P. Fitzgerald Hears Both Sides of the Matter at Enlivened Meeting—Claims as to Status of Manager Are Discussed, Pro and Con—Decision is Reserved.

President J. P. Fitzgerald, of the Canadian Baseball League, presided over a rather stormy session of the directors of the London Baseball Club, held at the Tecumseh House Saturday evening, for the purpose of untangling the puzzle as to whom the London Canadian League franchise rightfully belongs.

Owing to the fact that several necessary papers and some correspondence were not included in the evidence, President Fitzgerald was unable to arrive at any decision in the matter, and it must now wait until he has secured these documents before his judgment can be handed down.

Those present at the meeting were: S. Stevely, George H. O'Neill, Dr. Reason, P. C. Buzzell, A. Somerville, J. R. Minihinnick, Thomas Gillian and President Fitzgerald. Ex-President Donald Ferguson was called in later in order to relate the circumstances surrounding the organization of the local club.

Up to the President.

The whole matter was threshed out, somewhat heatedly at times, but in minute detail, and it is now up to President Fitzgerald to find out just who has a claim to the franchise, and who has not. He expects to arrive at a decision about the end of this week, and will at once notify the local club and newspapers.

"As far as I can see," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "it is a question of whether Mr. Minihinnick has a right to a share of the franchise or not, and that is what I am going to decide. When I get the minutes of the London club's meetings from Secretary Robinson, together with an affidavit from Mr. Minihinnick, that he was not engaged by the London club as manager at a monthly salary of \$100, but was appointed manager with the understanding that he would get his expenses, I think that that will be all I will need in order to decide this dispute. Unfortunately, I was not aware that Secretary Robinson had the minutes in his possession, or I might have brought them on my way back, and will let them on just as soon as I have arrived at a decision in the matter."

It is now certain that the franchise matter will be straightened out, either one way or the other, and after that it remains with those most concerned as to just what action will be taken in the other matters dealing with the club. As far as these are concerned, President Fitzgerald has no authority whatever, and it is between the directors of the club and Mr. Minihinnick. According to the sentiment expressed at Saturday night's meeting, the decision relating to Mr. Minihinnick's expenses will find its way into the division court, to be settled by law.

Mr. Minihinnick's Statement.

The first thing that President Fitzgerald did on Saturday evening was to find out the details of the organization of the London club. The question was whether Mr. Minihinnick was manager or a salary, or appointed to manage the club with the understanding that he was part owner and would just pay his expenses. Mr. Minihinnick claimed that the agreement was that he should manage the team and be liable for all expenses in this connection. His travelling expenses were to be paid by the club, and a bonus was to be given him at the end of the season if the club came out right financially. He stated that he made the arrangements with Joe Keenan to manage the club, and was instrumental in practically getting the proposition boosted in the city. When "Knotty" Lee first came to him and asked him to be manager of the team, he said he consented, providing the citizens did their share. Two or three meetings of organization were held, but very few turned out, and it looked as though the citizens were not enthusiastic about it. He then consulted with President Ferguson, and it was agreed that he (Minihinnick) would announce his resignation from the whole affair in both newspapers. This would arouse the people who were anxious to see the city have a Canadian League team, and some steps would be taken to form a club and solicit financial backing. The resignation was to be only temporary in order to awaken interest.

The Directors' Claim.

The directors of the London club, including Messrs. Stevely, O'Neill, Buzzell, Gillian, Somerville, and Reason, claimed that Mr. Minihinnick was engaged by them at a monthly salary of \$100 and expenses. This was arranged after the club was organized, and after Mr. Minihinnick had announced his resignation. They also stated that he had been reluctantly brought into the proposition in the first place, and had only decided to act as directors after being pressed by Mr. Ferguson, who had been elected president of the league. Mr. Stevely was elected president of the club, and Mr. Minihinnick was secretary-treasurer and business manager. He had consented to accept the position after the club was organized. The matter of his salary was left in their hands, and one evening in the Travellers' Club President Stevely, in company with Mr. Ferguson, questioned him in regard to it. They stated that Mr. Minihinnick told them that he would accept \$100 and his expenses.

This was agreed to, and was understood by all the directors of the club. His salary was to be paid on the 15th of each month, starting with May, according to the directors, and he was to receive the first two months and his receipt for the money was taken. The third month, they said, he refused to accept the money, and at the end of the season put in a bill for \$565. The bill was not itemized, and the directors stated they refused to pay it. They also stated that the management of the team had not been conducted in a businesslike manner, and that great extravagance resulted. The London team had receipts of \$14,000, and the expenditures were larger than that. The club would show a deficit of about \$300 when everything was settled up.

The evidence of the different directors occupied more than an hour and was broken up by frequent arguments. Ex-President Ferguson had little to say other than asking a few questions from time to time.

Ex-President Ferguson told the story of the way the London team had been organized. "I sincerely hope that your experience as president of the league will be more harmonious than mine," said Mr. Ferguson, in addressing Mr. Fitzgerald. "I may say," he continued, "that I have had the honor of being president of the London T. & C. Association for twenty years, but being president of the Canadian Baseball League was the toughest proposition that I ever tackled. I was reluctantly brought into it in the first place, more to boost the city than for any personal benefit, and I may say that I got my fill of it. I was called up on the Travellers' Club one day last spring and asked if I would take the presidency of the Canadian Baseball League. It was explained that I would not have to do any work, but just act as president of the club, and I thought that was all right. I decided to take it in order to help it along. I was told that Mr. Minihinnick was to be manager of the local team, and that the local situation was in first-class shape. I did not want to have anything to do with the local franchise, as I think that an officer of the league should not have any interest in any of the clubs. After I had been elected president of the league I was considerably surprised one day to read in the papers that Mr. Minihinnick had resigned as manager. I called him up over the telephone immediately and asked him what was the matter. He said that he was busy with the affairs at the Grand Opera House, and expected to go to New York during the summer, and that he would not have time to look after it. I then, as president of the league, went to several of my friends and explained my predicament. I got Dr. Reason, of the board of trade, to bring the matter up before a meeting of that organization. He did as I asked him and the board of trade adopted a resolution recommending the organization of a Canadian League team in London as a good way to boost the city. I then went to Mr. Stevely and some of these other gentlemen, and although it was hard work, finally obtained their consent to act on a board of directors if elected. I then inserted a notice in the papers, asking everyone interested in London having a baseball team to come out to a meeting to be held in the Tecumseh House. Seventy-five prominent citizens turned out at that meeting. We organized the London Baseball Club and elected the officers and directors. Mr. Minihinnick was appointed manager and secretary-treasurer. Mr. Keenan was also there that evening and he accepted the position of playing-manager. Nothing was said about Mr. Minihinnick's salary that evening, but a few evenings later he consented to take \$100 a month and expenses. I was present at the time when he made the salary."

"No More of It," Says Pres. Fitzgerald.

"Well," said President Fitzgerald, "they will never beat an umpire while I am president of the league. I intend to protect the umpire by every possible means, and he will be the boss."

Mr. Ferguson also stated that he did not know much about the management of the team after the playing season opened, but one or two things were brought to his notice as president

of the league. He did not say what they were.

The Case of Sammy Smith.

Mr. F. C. Buzzell asserted that Mr. Minihinnick and Manager Keenan had taken it upon their own shoulders to release Sammy Smith. According to Mr. Buzzell, Mr. Minihinnick came to him one day and said that Smith was causing trouble among the players and that he would have to get rid of him. "I told him," said Mr. Buzzell, "that Smith was the best drawing card the team had and that it would not be a wise thing to let him go, as many of the fans came to the game just to see the big pitcher perform. I also stated that the directors would never consent to Smith being released. Mr. Minihinnick then told me that Keenan was kicking about Smith and was threatening to release him. A little later it was announced that Smith had been released and given his money. The directors never consented to Smith's going, and there was a row when it was known that Mr. Minihinnick had released him."

Mr. Minihinnick had left the meeting before the case of Smith was referred to, so that his version of it was not given.

It was discovered that Sammy, who is now reported as signed with some team in New York State, is still a member of the London team and can be prevented from playing with any other team if the local directors so decide. The report that Smith has signed with another team will be investigated.

Fitzgerald Says He'll Be Boss.

Shortly before the meeting broke up Ex-President Ferguson remarked to President Fitzgerald that what the league required was a president who would be absolute boss. "That is just what I intend to be," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "and what I say goes. I accepted this position with that understanding, and I want you to know that I am going to be the head of this league."

"I guess I was a sort of figurehead," said Mr. Ferguson. "I wrote to Secretary Robinson regarding certain matters, but could get no reply. After sending a number of letters and kindly asking him to at least acknowledge them, he sent me a letter back telling me that he wanted me to understand that he was not my hired servant."

"You can depend upon it that I will never stand for anything like that while I am in office," said President Fitzgerald.

"We will back you up in everything," chorused the directors of the London club, and the meeting broke up.

It now remains to be seen what decision President Fitzgerald arrives at in the franchise matter. Little is being done in regard to a Canadian League team here for 1912 until it is decided.

GOOD SUNDAY CARD OFFERED AT JUAREZ

Four Favorites Come Home Winners—Big Crowd Witnesses the Races.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Juarez, Dec. 31.—An exceptionally good Sunday card was offered at the Juarez track and a big crowd turned out to witness the races. The talent had the best of the argument by landing on four favorites. Summary:

First race, six furlongs—Mandadero, 102 (Molesworth), 2 to 1, first; Skillette, 105 (Borel), 3 to 1, second; Florence A., 110 (Warner), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.5. Yvonne, Penang, Errant Lady, Leigh, John R. Clay, Hazel C. and Homesick also ran.

Second race, one and three-sixteenths miles—Wolferton, 110 (Small), 7 to 5, first; Round and Round, 103 (Selden), 6 to 1, second; Frog, 106 (Borel), 5 to 1, third. Time, 2:00.2.5. Yankee Pool and Port Arlington also ran.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Roy Junior, 112 (Estep), even, first; Thistle Belle, 107 (H. Garner), 6 to 1, second; Florence A., 107 (Gross), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:25.4.5. Butter Ball, Louise B. and Nimbus also ran.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Light Knight, 108 (Molesworth), 5 to 1, first; Angelous, 108 (Keogh), 3 to 1, second; Gello, 110 (Gross), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:13.2.5. Hex, Marie Hyde, Hidden Hand and Ed Keck also ran.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Bill Anderson, 107 (Molesworth), 6 to 5, first; McAlan, 110 (Borel), 3 to 1, second; Flying D'Ore, 110 (Denny), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Plum Creek, Lawn, Droml and John Heck also ran.

Sixth race, 5 1/2 furlongs—Americus, 108 (Keogh), 15 to 1, first; Annal Interest, 110 (Denny), 5 to 2, second; Ballela, 104 (Buxton), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:08.4.5. Fern L., Golden Ruby, Serenade, Zulu and Keisling also ran.

Tom Andrews Fight Gossip

[By Tom Andrews.]

Canada has produced few fighters of note since the day of Harry Gilmore, but in Billy Allen, a product of Ontario, Canadians may boast of as promising a lightweight as has appeared in years.

Allen is making his home in Syracuse, N. Y. He has participated in more than 60 fights, losing but two and has a long string of knockouts to his credit.

During his career to date, Allen has twice met Knockout Brown, the New York lightweight. He won the second encounter and fought a draw with Abe Attell, besides fighting such tough boys as Tommy O'Toole, Patsy Kline, Jimmy Walsh, Tommy Kilbane, Billy Ryan and Pat Brown, the Minnesota lightweight who was one of the two to defeat him.

Allen fought some hard battles in 1911, his last being with Grover Hayes, a 10-round whirlwind, in which a draw would not have hurt either.

Allen was a star as a featherweight and as a lightweight promises to be as much a sensation. He has made no wild claims but expects to meet Joe Mandot at New Orleans and if won will seek the high flyers among the 125 pounders.

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TOM LONGBOAT IS BROKE IN LONDON

Indian Runner Wires Friends In Toronto But Only Gets Sympathy.

WILL TEACH HIM LESSON

Is the Way His Friends Put It—Will Now Have to Hustle for Him-self or Starve.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Tom Longboat is "fat" in the heart of a great city. He cabled yesterday from London for a hundred "in a hurry," and "all he got was sympathy."

"Oh what a difference a few months make!"

The last time he was over there the Irish-Canadians and Tom Flanagan footed the bill, and Tom didn't even have to dig down for bus fare. He was lionized, but he didn't know when he was well off. Then he grew wild, and finally jumped across the pond on this wild trip to the Powderhall Marathon to be run Monday, and went broke in London. Just to teach him a stern lesson for his own good, those he cabled to decided to let him hustle for himself for a while. He will not starve—that is safe betting—for he must have a few shillings, but he is pushed so close to the limit that his experiences will be worth much to him.

Runs Well When Gaunt.

Tom Flanagan says that an Indian never runs as well as when he is half starved and lean as a bound. He says that if Longboat is gaunt with hunger and has to win to get his next meal that he will run the race of his career.

However, the Indian's chances are slight in this big race, unless local experts are all wrong on his condition. He is far from being in hard shape, and in addition to Bonchard and Linet, the Frenchmen, Gardner, the Englishman, and Holmer and Cameron, the Canucks, he meets the best Marathoners in the world, and in addition to all the other European and British runners who are after the prize.

Imagine all this bunch after a measly \$500 prize. Two years ago it was a \$10,000 "jersey," and runners had to be coaxed to come in.

Methodist League Schedule Adopted

The Methodist League schedule for the intermediate and senior series has been drawn up and adopted. The games will be played in the Simcoe and Westminster Rinks. The schedule is as follows:

Senior Series.

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Jan. 8—Dundas Centre vs. Askini Street, Westminster Rink.

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Team That "Goldie" Producers Plays On Easily Defeated.

WHERE WAS "GOLDIE"?

His Name Does Not Appear on Line-up, Nor is He Mentioned in Dispatches.

Quebec, Dec. 30.—Wanderers sprung an unexpected surprise upon Quebec last evening, when the locals were defeated by a score of 9 to 5, in the first N. H. A. match of the season.

For a time it looked as if the score would be doubled by the visitors. However, the blow of the whistle, which ended the game, also ended a very serious proposition for the Quebec team. The betting was 2 to 1 that the Wanderers would win as the locals have been on the ice for weeks ahead of the other teams in the "Big Four."

The Wanderers, while they have not been skating very much, have been taking other means of making themselves physically capable, and with their usual rush they had Quebec at their mercy at the end.

There was no question as to the better team. Wanderers won out in generalship, and their victory was conceded to be well gained by the Wanderers, and the crowd was a big one. Sir Francis Langelier, lieutenant-governor of the province, was unable to be present, owing to a bad cold, but was represented by his A. D. C., Captain Victor Pelletier. Hon. Senator Choquette, president of the club, also followed the game with deep interest.

The main factors in the win of the Wanderers were Broughton, a new man, who put up a game that Horn could not improve upon. With Art Ross in front of him, and with Running Ernie Russell, who never failed to be ready to take up the running with the man with the puck, even if the referee had not noticed him to be offside, the trio proved a whole team in themselves. It did not matter how the goals were scored, but they were scored, and it was generally due to better generalship that they were.

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Straight Talks to Live People

This is the 1st of January, 1912, and we wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and may you enjoy many of them. By tomorrow you'll be through with the last scrap of your turkey, and will be getting down to the eternal hustle for dollars again. As usual we're right on the same job. We want the money out of the balance of our winter stock, so are preparing for a clearance. Watch for it in one week. In the meantime we'll give you a liberal cut on any winter garment.

The Live Oak Hall

SIMCOE PLAYS WITH INGERSOLL TONIGHT

Postponed Exhibition Game Will Be Played—Formal Opening Wednesday.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Dec. 31.—The postponed exhibition hockey game with Simcoe will be played Monday night. Simcoe will send up a strong team, the pick of the town and as the Ingersoll line-up will also be carefully selected, the fans are counting on witnessing a fast game.

Drumbo intermediates are scheduled to play here Wednesday night, when the formal opening of the rink will take place. The O. H. A. executive will attend, and will be tendered a banquet at the McMurtry House.

FAMOUS SKATES.

Wherever hockey is played, whether in Canada or the United States, the leading players of the senior leagues will tell of their successes in winning with "STARR" Hockey Skates.

The Starr Mfg. Co., Ltd., of Dartmouth, N. S., have the honor of being skate makers to the royal house of Spain.

Doings in City Amateur Hockey Circles

Dundas Centre has three teams in the Methodist League this year. Senior, intermediate and junior.

George Jewell and Eric Neiles, of the Huron and Erie, will play on the London Life team in the Huron's league, the Huron and Erie team having amalgamated with the latter.

Jerry McKelbert, who played on the Collegiate team last season, will be found on the L. C. I. lineup again this year. He will likely hold down the point position.

Wilson Smith has been appointed manager of the No. 8 club hockey team, the senior team of Dundas Centre Church. Walsh, who played for St. George's, will be in the lineup.

Peter's last season in the United Sunday league, is reported as trying out with Askini Street team in the Methodist league.

George Baker, who played for Hill Street in the Methodist league last season, will likely hold down centre position for that team again this season.

Tom Brodwin, who has achieved local fame as a long distance runner, will play hockey this winter on No. 36 club, the junior team of Dundas Centre church entered in the Huron's league.

George Copeland, captain of last year's Dundas Centre team, champions of the Methodist league, will be on the lineup of the team again this year.

The intermediate Dundas Centre team will be in the lineup of the No. 8 club this season. Fred Asplund will likely play goal for No. 8 Club this season.

Now that Manager Lamont, of the Westminster rink, has called off the game scheduled for next week in his rink, some of the teams will be able to get in a few practices.

The game scheduled for next week will have to be postponed and played off at the end of the season.

BASEBALL HAPPENINGS DURING THE YEAR 1911

Jan. 2.—Major league schedule committee decides to open 1911 baseball campaign April 12.

Jan. 3.—Garry Herrmann re-elected chairman of national commission.

Jan. 12.—Thomas Chivington re-elected president of the American Association at annual meeting in Chicago.

"Matty" McIntyre purchased from Detroit club for White Sox by Charles A. Comiskey.

Linen Sale

Our January campaign of value-giving starts on Tuesday morning with a special sale of Linens, Sheetings, Pillow Cottons and Embroideries. We've planned months ahead for this event, and have values to offer that will make the dollars go farther.

8-4 BLEACHED SHEETING FOR 25¢ 10 pieces of Bleached Sheet- ing, heavy round thread, two yards wide. January Sale price 25¢ 27-INCH FLOUNCINGS— REGULAR 50¢ VALUE. JANUARY SALE PRICE, 39¢ Beautiful patterns, firm edge, 27 inches wide. Good value at 50¢. January Sale price.. 39¢ 9-4 ENGLISH SHEETING, SALE PRICE, 35¢ Extra quality English Sheet- ing, linen finish, in plain only, 2 1/4 yards wide. January Sale price 35¢	45-INCH EMBROIDERY FLOUNCING FOR 75¢ One carton of Fine Embroid- ery Flouncing, assorted pat- terns, 45 inches wide. Dollar value. January Sale price.. 75¢ HUCK TOWELS, SPECIAL, 98¢ DOZEN. Twenty-five dozen Huck Towels, size 16x34. Special sale price, dozen..... 98¢ 40-INCH WHITE LAWN. SALE PRICE, 10¢ Ten pieces of Fine White Victoria Lawn, very sheer. January Sale price 10¢	EMBROIDERY EDGING AND INSERTION, WORTH UP TO 10¢. JANUARY SALE PRICE, 5¢ Ten cartons of fine quality Cambric Embroidery with good firm edge. Values up to 10¢. January Sale price 5¢ HUCK TOWELS, JANUARY SALE PRICE, \$1.50 PER DOZEN Twenty dozen Huck Towels, with colored border and hem- med edge. January Sale price \$1.50 per dozen
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AFTER

The rich and scrumptious fare of the last few days, something a little more nourishing would kind of straighten things out.

PETERS'

Boston Brown Bread

Is wholesome and delicious. Large loaves, each.....7¢

Peters' Cake and Candy Shops

ELEVEN MORE DEATHS IN BERLIN POISONING

Total of Those Killed by Tainted Food Has Reached Sixty-Eight.

[Canadian Press.] Berlin, Dec. 30.—Eleven more deaths have occurred today on poisoning, bringing the total up to 68 since Dec. 26, when a large number of the inmates of the municipal night shelter for the homeless were suddenly affected by the eating of tainted fish. Thirty additional cases of sickness are also reported and the problem is becoming more mysterious as among the victims one at least was never in a public shelter, and a number of others did not partake of the suspected fish. The official experts continue to insist that the sickness was brought about by ptomaine poisoning, but they cannot ascertain where the poison came from.

STRAW HAT PRICES DUE FOR A SOAR

Chinese Rebels Burned Millions of Rolls of Straw Intended For Export.

[Canadian Press.] New York, Dec. 30.—Next year's straw hat will cost more than this year's, and the price will be still higher in 1913, owing to a shortage in the importations of straw, most of which comes from the Province of Shantung, China. Word reached the New York importers this week that millions of rolls of this straw had been seized and burned by the Chinese rebels. This means, it is said, that the importation of straw from China will be practically nil, and that there will be nothing to manufacture the straw hat of 1913 from except paper mache.

ORDERED BACK TO ZION.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Four thousand members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, who live outside of Zion City, Ill., have been commanded to dispose of their property and return to Zion City.

The order was issued by General Overseer Wilbur Glen Voliva, successor to the late John Alexander Dowle, who said yesterday that in order to retain control of the city, it was necessary to have the votes of all these persons now non-residents. "They are scattered from the coast to coast, and control property valued at nearly \$100,000," said Voliva. "The money realized from the property would be invested in the industries of Zion City."

The Dominion Savings and Investment Society

Total assets **\$2,243,608.71**
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CONS. CHEERED GREY AND LIBERALS LAW

Unusual Scene in British House When Parties Cheered State-ments of Opposite Leaders.

London, Dec. 31.—In a speech to his constituents in East St. Pancras, Joseph Martin, M.P., formerly of Canada, gave expression to rampantly radical views on the question of Britain's foreign relations.

Some of his striking passages were as follows: "Sir Edward Grey took occasion to justify the late Tory Government in entering into a secret treaty with France. I do not agree with the idea that the foreign policy in this country should be continuous. I think it is possible for the Tory party to go wrong in foreign affairs. Sir E. Grey is a Tory, and impregnated with Tory and Whig ideas, and yet he has been placed in this position, although I say nothing against him personally. His statement was entirely satisfactory to the Tory party, who are always looking for war."

Liberals Cheer Law. "When Sir Edward Grey made his statement and whenever he told what the Government had done with regard to relations with Germany his speech was punctuated with ringing Tory cheers, but mutterings of dissent from the Government. When Mr. Bonar Law spoke he devoted the first ten or fifteen minutes of his speech to a remarkable statement of what ought to be the relations between this country and Germany, taking strong grounds that this country's safety lay in friendship with Germany. These remarks received from the Liberal side the same hearty cheers which Sir Edward Grey received from the Tory party. It is a most unfortunate fact and something that the people of the country ought to know, that Sir Edward Grey's speech was most unsatisfactory to the majority of Liberals in the House."

"Why was it that the Liberals did not like Sir E. Grey's statement? I think I can say this: I know that it was received with dissatisfaction by a large number of Liberals and by the Liberal party in the country."

No War Over Morocco. Continuing, Mr. Martin said: "There is no reason in the world why two nations should be otherwise than friends. I believe that if two great nations go to war it is the fault of both or of one. I'd rather see the whole of Morocco sunk ten thousand fathoms deep in the sea with all British interests there than this country should go to war with Germany. The proper course in foreign affairs is to have no alliances, no special friends."

"I say when Sir Edward Grey admitted that the declaration of Lloyd George, made without excuse or reason, came near to bringing about war with Germany, it is a terrible thing to consider."

WOMEN PAINTERS GET ALL HONORS

Miss Williams, of Barry, Captures the Highest Honors of Royal Academy.

London, Dec. 31.—The award of the Royal Academy's gold medal for an historical painting (which carries with it a travelling studentship of \$1,000), to Miss Williams, of Barry, has been announced, and is an instance of the manner in which women students have this year swept the board at the academy's prize-giving. Their other successes include: Landscape painting, "Storm Clearing off the Skirts of a Wood"—Turner gold medal and £250 scholarship, Gladys Kennedy, daughter of the rector of Exhurd, near Guildford. Landscape painting, "A Look on the River or Canal"—Creswick prize, £25 and silver medal, Joan Joshua. Design for the decoration of a portion of a public building, "Winter"—First prize, \$150 and silver medal, Margaret Williams; second prize and bronze medal, Florence Walden. Design in monochrome for a figure piece.

CHESLER RAILWAY BILL WITHDRAWN

Turkish Government Proves Stumbling Block to Proposed Railway Extension.

Constantinople, Dec. 31.—The Chesler railway project has been withdrawn from consideration by the Turkish Parliament, and in its present form is regarded as having no chance of success. The Grand Vizier withdrew the bill after it had been the subject of considerable debate. The stumbling block to the acceptance of the plan by the Government is twofold. The minister of public works favors a normal gauge line against the narrow gauge proposed by the Chesler group. The promoters are prepared to undertake the construction of the broader gauge, but want a state guarantee in that event. The other point is that the Government wishes to secure the same right of option as that enjoyed by the Chesler group; that is, to possess the right to withdraw the concession after the expiration of the two years granted for the purpose of making the necessary surveys, the Government paying the cost of the surveys and plans.

Outside of a small group of deputies the Chesler enterprise has never been popular. It was introduced into the Chamber, owing to the mining interests involved, and that distrust exists to a certain degree after the full explanations made in the chamber.

German diplomacy, which views with interest the possible establishment of competitive railways in the regions adjoining the sphere of the Baghdad line, has all along thrown cold water on the American project, and is largely responsible for its virtual failure.

UNHAPPY JOHN

New Year Has Cheerless Outlook for ex-President of Standard Oil.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 31.—The new year has a cheerless outlook for John D. Rockefeller. Since he lost his job as president of the Standard Oil Company, one misfortune after another has befallen him. First he lost his lake, then the village of Tarrytown turned down his contract for oiling the roads; yesterday the Y. M. C. A. called on him for \$37,000 for a new building, and the greatest blow of all fell today when George Ferguson, the Rockefeller ice man, told him his lake was leaking, and even if zero weather should come this winter the ice crop would be small and prices would have to advance next summer.

Ferguson lives on the Rockefeller estate, but Rockefeller doesn't control his business. Last summer Ferguson's lake started to leak away and the superintendent wrote Mr. Rockefeller in Cleveland that a new dam was needed. Mr. Rockefeller wired back: "Don't know what kind of a dam Ferguson wants, but do anything to stand in with the ice-man."

YAT SENS TROUBLES. London, Dec. 30.—The correspondent at Tokyo of the Times says public opinion there is pessimistic over the prospect of a Chinese republic. It is believed, he says, that it will take several months to organize the elections, and in the meantime there will be great difficulty in preserving peace and order.

Ald. Morgan has always advocated commission form of government. If you favor the idea, vote for him.—(Adv.)

The tobacco fields of Siam embrace 6,000 acres. Including all kinds of horses over 4 years old that can carry harness or saddle, Great Britain has three million head.

NINE INDICTED AT LOS ANGELES

Federal Probe of the Great Plot Bears Fruit—Three Are Nabbed.

SEVERAL ARE AT LARGE

Great Sensation Comes as a Result of the Confession of Ortie McManigal.

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—The expected and long awaited sensation in the federal investigation of the dynamite plot here, light on which came through the confession of Ortie McManigal, burst today in the return by the grand jury of indictments against nine other members of organized labor, three of whom were arrested before the close of the day.

The indictments, which charge the illegal transportation of dynamite, were returned against Ortie McManigal, Anton Johansson, J. B. Munsey, E. A. Clancy, Ortie McManigal, M. A. Schmidt, David Kaplan and John J. and James B. McNamara. Tietmoe, Johansson and Munsey were arrested as they sat in the witness room of the grand jury which found the indictments, waiting to be called on to testify.

Tietmoe is secretary of the California Building Trades Council, and head of the Asiatic Exclusion League; Munsey is the business agent of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, of Salt Lake City, and Johansson is state organizer of the Building Trades Council.

Today's indictments, returned secretly to Judge Olin Wellborn, of the United States district court, are based on alleged violations of the federal statutes governing the transportation of dynamite from one city to another for an illegal purpose. The indictments were drawn up on the strength of the confession of Ortie McManigal, to the effect that James B. McNamara brought dynamite from Riverside, Cal., to Los Angeles, in 1910. The dynamite of any specific building or structure was not mentioned in the indictment.

Clancy Gets Away. Clancy, who had been in Los Angeles several days as a witness before the grand jury, could not be found this afternoon, and is supposed to have gone to San Francisco. The authorities of that city have been notified to arrest him. Kaplan and Schmidt have been fugitives from justice for about a year. McManigal is in the county jail here, held on a county indictment, and it is understood that the true bill against him will not be served.

The McNamaras are in San Quentin prison. In order not to disclose its heart until the men are brought into court for arraignment, the Government took Tietmoe, Munsey and Johansson into custody on bench warrants returnable before Judge Wellborn today.

These warrants later were changed to read before United States Commissioner Olin Wellborn at 10 o'clock. Judge Wellborn fixed bail at \$5,000 on the bench warrants and informed the accused men that he would allow that amount to stand on the indictments.

Freeman, Johnson and Munsey engaged Joy Harriman, former McNamara attorney, and later socialist defendant, for mayor of Los Angeles, to defend them. Harriman immediately began scurrying about for bail to keep his clients from going to jail.

Johansson is Unmoved. While this was being done the prisoners were held in the office of the United States marshal in the federal building. Johansson was the calmest of the three. He appeared to be entirely unmoved. "I don't think anything serious will come of this," said he with a smile. "Anybody wanting me to answer any questions will have to ask my lawyers, not me."

Johansson, however, declared that their arrest was a "frame-up," and that the Government had nothing on him. "I've got nothing to say regarding the charges," said Tietmoe. "We are innocent of any conspiracy or crime, and hope to prove it quickly."

Tietmoe has been active in the work of the exclusion league for years, and he played a prominent part in the activities against the Japanese, which placed the United States Government in an embarrassing position several times. He is a friend of P. H. McCarthy, the labor mayor of San Francisco.

Imprisonment and Fine. Tietmoe has been suspected of connection with the McNamaras, and it was learned after his arrest that he has been followed by secret service agents for many weeks. It is alleged that Johansson and Munsey knew James B. McNamara personally, and were cognizant of the blowing up of the dynamite building.

After returning the batch of indictments the grand jury adjourned, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when, according to an announcement, it will resume the dynamite probe. The offices of the indictments allege is termed an "overt act against the peace and dignity of the people of the United States in transporting high-powered explosives on a common carrier, namely, a passenger train."

This offense is punishable by two years imprisonment or a fine of \$10,000, or both.

"DIAMOND MINE" IN AN ASH BARREL

Men and Boys Fight for One Hundred and Fifty Brilliants Thrown Away by Accident.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—The discovery today of a "diamond mine" containing about 150 small but perfect stones, in an ash barrel, in front of the jewelry store of Charles Kranich, No. 2466 Kensington avenue, almost caused a riot and resulted in the sale of the stones in that section of the city by boys, at prices generally asked for the cheap glass imitations.

Mrs. Kranich saw a number of men and boys fighting for possession of the barrel. Several boys caught hold of the feet of a man and pulled. The latter fell and the boys trampled on him and fought for his place. Mrs. Kranich did not have any idea what they were fighting for, but became alarmed and called her son-in-law, Miss Bessie Kranich, and her sister-in-law, Miss Bessie Kranich. The three soon discovered the diamonds. Mrs. Kranich recognized them as part of her Christmas stock and asked the boys to return them.

The boys ran away, the men returned 44, and those missing are said to be worth \$1,500 at wholesale prices. According to Mrs. Kranich, the diamonds were thrown into the ash barrel after some tissue paper in which they were wrapped had been knocked off the counter by accident.

ASSASSINS AFTER REPUBLICAN HEADS

The Chinese Peace Conference Thrown Into a State of Wild Excitement.

CABINET OF DR. SUN YAT

Minister of Finance and Minister of Justice Both Graduates of Yale University.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Shanghai, Dec. 31.—The Peace Conference in session here was thrown into a state of high excitement today by a telegram from the revolutionary headquarters in Peking stating that a number of assassins had been dispatched to Shanghai by Princes Tsai Hsun and Tsai Tao to assassinate the Republican leaders. The delegates disclaimed any knowledge of such a conspiracy. Scores of revolutionaries are awaiting the arrival of the assassins at the railroad stations.

The Chinese cabinet formed by President Sun Yat Sen was announced today as follows:

President, Dr. Sun Yat Sen; Gen. Li Kuan Hung, vice-president; premier or minister of war, Huang Hsin, the home organizer of the revolution; foreign minister, Wu Ting Fang; minister of finance, Chen Chin Tao, a Yale graduate, formerly of Yuan Shi Kains' cabinet; minister of justice, Wong Chung Hui, a Yale graduate and a minister in the Middle Tonkin; navy, Chang Pi Kawong, commander of the cruiser Pai Chi; commerce, Chang Chien, formerly of Yuan Shi Kains' cabinet; education, Tsai Yuan Pol; vice-minister, Chang Yi Chi, formerly of Yuan Shi Kains' cabinet.

The delegates to the peace conference today voted \$200,000 to the revolutionaries for the relief of residents in the famine districts.

The commander of the Lang Cho troops today telegraphed that 5,000 men wished to join the revolutionary army.

ECUADOR APPEARS NEAR REVOLUTION

Gen. Montero Proclaimed President by Troops, Names Cabinet—Two Other Contenders.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 30.—The troops stationed in this city last night proclaimed Gen. Pedro Montero as president of the republic.

Gen. Montero today formed a provisional government, the portfolios being distributed as follows: Minister of finance, Juan Borja; minister of foreign affairs, Modesto Chavez; minister of public instruction, Alfonso Arzuze; minister of war and navy, Francisco Martinez, Acquire.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—Ecuador is drifting toward a three-cornered revolution as a result of the sudden death of President Estrada on Dec. 22. The government was left in charge of Senor Saldumbide, pending elections to be held next month to select a successor to the presidency. Advances to the state department today declared the troops in Guayaquil have proclaimed Gen. Montero supreme chief of the republic. Meanwhile formidable movements are organizing in favor of Gen. Plaza, a former president, while Flavio Alfaro, a nephew of a former president, also is a contender.

THRILLING RESCUE OF DESTROYER'S CREW

Giant Waves Sweep Over Craft When Sailors Were Being Transferred.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 30.—Fighting her way out of the harbor and through tempestuous seas against a forty-five mile gale, the revenue cutter Onondaga was careening early in the morning answering the "S O S" wireless call of distress that had come from the U. S. torpedo boat Warrington, which was crippled in a collision about fifteen miles northeast of Cape Hatteras.

The Warrington had been struck by a schooner that swept upon the low-lying torpedo boat unseen in the darkness of the fierce winter storm. The stern of the warship was badly wrecked and smashed and the huge waves that at times all but completely submerged her, poured perilously into the ship's after hold.

Fearful She Would Sink. For a time it was feared that the Warrington would sink before help arrived. And after the Onondaga had made her plucky run against the power and stress of the storm and arrived within speaking distance of the Warrington, the torpedo boat officers decided that the men of the Warrington should be transferred aboard the cutter, save only a small working crew to remain aboard the torpedo boat and share the imminent danger of death rather than abandon the ship entirely.

The transfer of forty-five of the Warrington's sailors in the life boats of the Onondaga made a thrilling and gallant spectacle of the sea. Giant waves tossed the lifeboats, but the brave and nerve of the sailors, and the gallant boats steadily forward to the side of the Warrington. The bitter cold of the driving winds struck mercilessly at the faces and hands of the rescuers, and when the boats returned to the Onondaga the rescued sailors were, many of them, so benumbed that they had to be drawn aboard by means of ropes slipped around their bodies.

But in spite of the tremendous difficulties the transfer of the sailors from the wallowing, water-logged torpedo boat was effected without the loss of a man or a boat. Despite the injury of one of them, the storm so fact that the hour of rescue was long after the time of dawn, the storm so blackened the atmosphere that the rescues were performed by searchlights.

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NAT AND LILLIAN
Goodwin Thinks He and Miss Russell Would Make Hit in Vaudeville.

New York, Dec. 30.—A well-built man, who, from his figure might have been 30 or 50, sat in an apartment at a local hotel tonight and perused a newspaper clipping. A smile overspread his features as he scrutinized the headlines: "Lillian Russell Weds in May; Husband No. 4 is Alex. Moore."

In May they won't be able to call me "Natty Nat," unless they want to call her "Looney Lillian," laughed Nat C. Goodwin, for it was he. "Let's see; for me it's been Edna Weatherly, 1877 to 1888; Nell A. Baker, 1888 to 1891; Maxine Elliott, 1891 to 1905, and Edna Goodrich, 1905 to 1910. And for her it will be Harry Abraham, 1879; Edward Solomon, 1881; John Chatterton, 1894, and Alexander Moore, 1912. That makes four wives, and that's why they can't call me 'Natty Nat' without casting aspersions on the most beautiful woman in America."

"But say, honest, I'm glad to hear Lillian is engaged. I feel almost like becoming engaged myself."

It was suggested to Goodwin that he and Miss Russell would prove an ideal couple, providing they could procure a parson this side of Salt Lake City to marry them.

"Well, we could make quite a hit on the vaudeville stage together," he replied. "Everybody interested in love and marriage—and what person above the age of 10 (months) isn't interested in those subjects?—would flock to see us. 'But it really makes me feel young to know that a young thing like Lillian has laid four of 'em away in camphor balls and law journals; but remember, there are four full moons between now and May day, and it's just possible—but she is destined to remain a bachelor for the rest of his life.'"

OH! WHAT THE USE?
(St. Louis Republic.)
He was telling her about a book he had just read.
"The absolute sincerity and directness of the author," he said, "are above all things. I don't know when I've read a book that seemed so helpful, so uplifting, so purely inspiring."
She had been regarding him with a rapid countenance. Now she spoke.
"Gee!" she said. "I have just thought of a way to trim my winter hat!"

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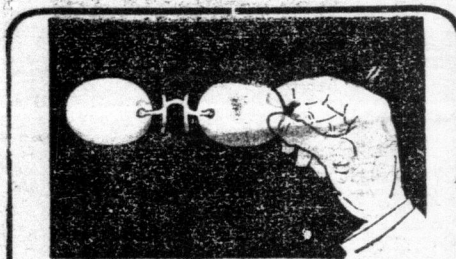
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LONDON AND DISTRICT

The fire brigade had a run to the
corner of Perry and Stanley streets
Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
Some unknown person pulled the box.
There was no fire.
Remembers Homes and Hospitals.
Just previous to Christmas the Mc-
Cormick Manufacturing Company de-
livered to the hospitals, both orphan-
ages, the Children's Aid Shelter, and
the Home for Incurables, a total of
about one thousand boxes of fine
candy and dainty assorted biscuits.

Death of Mr. Spearin.
Mr. George Spearin, of 164 Rectory
street, died yesterday morning at his
home, after an attack of Bright's dis-
ease. He is survived by his wife and
three sons, Luke, of St. Mary's, and
two others in New York city. The
funeral arrangements have not been
completed.

Services in connection with the passing
of the old year were held in St. James'
Anglican Church, South London, last
evening. Rev. Dean Davis preached from
the text Isaiah xxxviii, 12: "Mine age is
departed and is removed from me as a
shepherd's tent; I have cut off like a
weaver my life." Special music was ren-
dered by the choir, including a solo by
Mr. F. N. Harding.

Lady Fractures Wrist.
While walking on Chesley avenue
yesterday afternoon Mrs. James Dun-
lop, 103 Chesley avenue, slipped on the
icy sidewalks. Her left arm doubled
under her body, breaking it at the
wrist. Dr. W. J. Stevenson reduced the
fracture.

Wants Correction Made.
Ald. W. A. Wilson, who addressing the
members of the West London Improve-
ment Association, among other things
on probable sites for the city hall, de-
clared now that he has never been in
favor of any particular situation, and
that he has not as yet resolved to favor
any of the several locations which he has
in view. The statement published that
he endorsed the Dufferin avenue side of
Victoria park he declares to be erro-
neous.

Death of Mr. E. J. Courtier.
Mr. E. J. Courtier, of this city, died
on Saturday after a prolonged illness.
He was in his fifty-seventh year. The
funeral will be held this morning from
the undertaking parlors of Smith, Son
& Clarke, and interment will be made
at Woodland Cemetery. The services
will be conducted by Rev. W. T. Wright.

Orangemen Attend Funeral.
Mr. Alfred Hale, of 366 Grey street,
who died suddenly of heart disease a few
days ago, was buried on Saturday after-
noon at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The
services were conducted at his home
by Rev. H. A. Graham, of Well-
ington Street Methodist Church, assisted
by Rev. Mr. Hart, of Hill Street Church.

The Orangemen of the city attended in a
body, the pallbearers being the following
gentlemen: Wallace, Taylor, Murray, Tur-
field, Atkings and Fox.

**MR. W. M. GOVENLOCK
GOES TO THE WEST**

Becomes Manager of Northern
Life Insurance Company
at Winnipeg.

Mr. W. M. Govenlock, secretary of
the Northern Life Insurance Com-
pany at its head office in this city for
several years, will leave for Winnipeg
in a few days where he succeeds the
late T. L. Lewis, who was manager
of the company in Manitoba for sev-
eral years. As successor to Mr. Goven-
lock, Mr. O. C. Barrie, of Chicago,
comes to the city.

Mr. Govenlock will have the good
wishes of a host of friends, who will
congratulate him on his important ap-
pointment.

THANKS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dresden Woman Grateful for His Gift
to Her Boy.

The following letter addressed to Santa
Claus, care The Advertiser, has been re-
ceived from Dresden:

Dear Santa— I must thank you for your
generous Christmas gift to my little son
Robbie. When it came I showed it to
him, and he said: "We will keep it to
help mamma." But I got him a nice
little sleigh, and as it is snowing now
for the first time he is looking forward to
a nice time with it. He got a little wagon
for another little boy who could not have
anything. Again thanking you for your
kindness—it seemed as though God sent
it for the first time to have much.

May God bless you, Santa.

SPEND RECITAL TUESDAY.

Tuesday evening next the visiting
members of the Canadian Guild of Or-
ganists, who will be in the city holding
their regular business meeting, will give
an organ recital, open to the public, in
St. Andrew's church. A number of
prominent Canadian organists will take
part. Several favorites are also assisting.



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courage composition and the study of
sacred music.

**THE ORGANIZATION
OF POLITICAL PARTIES**

**Mr. H. B. Ames Thinks There
Should Be More Organizing
Between Campaigns.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Dec. 31.—If more attention
were paid to political organizations be-
tween election campaigns and financial
and other efforts were not reserved to
the thick of the fray, it would be well
for the country, in the opinion of Mr.
H. B. Ames, of Montreal, expressed in
the course of an address on Saturday
morning before the American Political
Science Association in the University
of Toronto. Mr. Ames delivered an able
address on the organization of
political parties in Canada, telling how
politics are framed, and campaigns
conducted, and showing the respective
advantages and disadvantages of the
Government and the Opposition.

Prof. George W. Wright, of the Uni-
versity of Toronto, gave an instructive
address on the relations between the
Legislature and the executive powers
in Canada, contrasting these with the
system in the United States. He point-
ed out the practical supremacy of the
Canadian House of Commons, the great
power of the Prime Minister, and the
facility with which the law may be
changed by Parliament.

He declared that though it may
seem a defect in the Canadian system
that there is no means of giving the
Premier such control over the finan-
cial and other departments of the
Government as may be delegated to the
Premier in the British Parliament, yet
the present system works well, and
avoids discussion as to inconvenient
changes, such as are taking place at
present in the United States.

Mr. Willis Chipman, of McGill Uni-
versity, gave a brilliant paper on
"Progressivism and Politics."

The association began its meeting in
Buffalo, and adjourned to Toronto for
its last day's session, to give the mem-
bers an opportunity of visiting this
city. The American Historical Associa-
tion, which was meeting in con-
junction with the Political Science As-
sociation, likewise held its closing
session in another city, going from
Buffalo to Ithaca, N. Y.

**Tickets for the
MILITARY BALL**

May be procured today between 3 and
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orary secretary, 231 Dundas street, or
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Admission—Lady and gentleman,
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Out-of-town guests (either lady or
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A very large attendance is assured.

Commission form of government has
been a success elsewhere. Vote for
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for London.—(Adv.)

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For the first time in many years the
building permits have gone over the
million dollar mark.

City Architect Nutter reports that
1,049 permits were taken out during
1911, for a total value of \$1,036,980.
Last year there were 882 permits
issued, for a total value of \$805,074. The
increase this year amounts to \$231,906,
about the amount the C. P. R. are ex-
tending in improvements in the city.

"I am well pleased with the show-
ing," said Mr. Nutter. "I expected to
reach this amount, and I am glad we
did. The buildings constructed are all
of a good style. I am looking forward
to a big year in 1912. There are a lot
of buildings under consideration. We
are hopeful that London is starting on
a great boom."

The permits for the month of De-
cember reached the sum of \$187,553,
the second largest during the year.

The permits month by month, com-
pared with 1910, are as follows:

	No.	Amount,	No.	Amount,
January	25	\$13,810	27	7,030
February	16	20,322	31	13,195
March	38	139,700	75	65,638
April	112	104,883	137	132,334
May	112	87,165	160	195,470
June	66	38,886	99	44,756
July	73	37,700	103	93,726
August	109	148,550	90	114,463
September	73	30,493	120	82,334
October	73	31,874	57	25,542
November	171	63,085	38	187,553
Totals	882	\$805,074	1039	\$1,036,980

**MORE BIRTHS IN 1911
AND FEWER DEATHS**

Vital Statistics for the Year In
Forest City Prove Very
Satisfactory.

The vital statistics for the year are
favorable from every standpoint. There
has been an increase in the number of
births and a decrease in the number of
deaths. The number of deaths has de-
creased in the number of deaths.

There were 932 births in 1911, as com-
pared with 973 in 1910, an increase of 20.
The story brought 100 in the first
months, March and August. In the for-
mer month there were 103 births and in
the latter 103. These months are re-
sponsible for the increase in the birth
rate of the year.

London was comparatively busy
during 1911, uniting 565 couples. This is
24 more than in the previous year, about
5 per cent increase. This is not extra-
ordinary, but at the same time it is en-
couraging. It indicates that times are
improving. Marriages, it is claimed, are
more frequent in good times, so London
must be prosperous.

Fewer Deaths.

There was a decrease in the number of
deaths, a most favorable announcement.
During 1911 there were 717 deaths, as
compared with 776 in 1910, a decrease of
59. The past year has been generally
healthy, no epidemics of any nature
claiming victims.

One of the outstanding features
was the great increase in the number of
deaths from tuberculosis. According to
the statistics, there were 41 recorded, as
compared with 29 last year, an increase
of 40 per cent. This is probably accounted
for by the fact that patients from Elgin
County and Middlesex County are sent to
the Sanatorium here. Many of them are
in the advanced stages of the disease, and
no cure is possible. The disease in the
city itself is not making any headway,
it was reported at the city hall.

There were more deaths from typhoid
fever than in recent years. Eight were
recorded at City Clerk Baker's office, as
compared with one in 1910. Many of these
were patients brought to the city from
outside points. Nevertheless half a dozen
cases have been reported in the city.

Diphtheria was responsible for two
deaths, as compared with 8 the year be-
fore. Scarlet fever caused the demise of
two children, but in the year previous
caused 10 deaths.

During the month of December there
were 59 deaths. Of these 16 were of old
people from 70 to 98 years of age.

Respiratory troubles and pneumonia were
responsible for the taking off of many of
these.

Nine children died, tuberculosis carrying
off 4, and pneumonia the same num-
ber.

There were 75 births, the year previous
being 77. The marriages numbered
35, four less than in 1910.

**THOSE WHO DEPARTED
WITHIN LAST YEAR**

Rev. J. Gibson Inkster Deplored Wars
and Great Disasters.

Rev. J. Gibson Inkster, of the First
Presbyterian Church, Sunday evening
conducted a memorial service for the
members of the church and others of the
city, who have died during the year.

After paying a tribute to well-known
people whose deaths occurred in 1911,
Rev. Mr. Inkster turned to the year
of life during the year through war,
accidents, fire and other calamities.
Reference was made to the burning
of the Triangle shirt factory in New
York, where entirely through the negli-
gence of employers, 150 girls lost
their lives. War was another unne-
cessary cause of death, and the great-
est loss of life through any cause
during the year was the human sacrifice
of the Arabs by the Italian soldiers last
month. It was a matter of regret that
even at the close of 1911 a great propo-
tion of the world's people were
still involved in war. It was to be
hoped that before many more years
had passed the nations would be will-

ing to settle their differences by arbi-
tration.

During the service a duet was sung
by Misses Cullis and McBride.

**DIRECT CHALLENGE
TO MR. GOMPERS**

The Dynamite Prober Asks
Labor Leader to Unseal
McNamara's Lips.

AND EXCISE THE CANCER

District Attorney Fredericks Says
Unionism Should Take Opportu-
nity to Repudiate the Dynamite-
men.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Los Angeles, Dec. 31.—Captain John
Fredericks, district attorney of Los
Angeles County, who in the course of
marshalling the evidence in the Mc-
Namara case acquired probably a more
intimate and thorough knowledge of
the ramifications of the operations of
the dynamite men than is possessed by
any other man in the country, just be-
fore the indictments were returned
against California by the federal
grand jury, issued a direct challenge
to Samuel Gompers, in the course of
an interview, to unseal the lips of J.
J. McNamara.

"If Gompers does not know of the
existence of this cancer in labor union-
ism," said Fredericks, "let him appeal
to J. J. McNamara, in the way he
best knows how, to unseal his lips and
disclose the extent and ramifications of
the disease, in order that it may be
rooted out for all time."

"A mere superficial public request
from Gompers to McNamara in San
Quentin Prison means nothing. Gompers
can open this man's lips. The result
will determine whether the at-
tempt was made in good faith."

The district attorney has received
numerous inquiries, both orally and in
letters and telegrams, as to what ex-
tent union labor was involved in the
dynamite plot, and as to what his per-
sonal attitude towards union labor is,
and his view on what ought to be
done by organized labor to remove the
stigma of the crimes of the McNa-
maras. Fredericks declared that the
seal of the dynamite men is hanging sus-
pended over union labor, and that the
movement will be indelibly stamped
with it unless union labor seizes the
opportunity presented to them to re-
pudiate the dynamite men and their
crimes.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Dinsmore, of To-
ronto, have returned after a week's
visit with relatives.

Dr. Grant T. Ellwood, of Buffalo, is
visiting with his aunts, the Misses El-
wood, of 742 Richmond street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Corbett, of Cochrane,
Ont., are spending the holidays with
Mrs. Corbett's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. J. H. Marsh, Nightingale avenue,
city.

Miss Lou Mundy, of Galt, is visit-
ing friends in this city.

Miss Jessie Johnson, of Detroit, and
formerly of this city, is spending the
holidays with friends and relatives
here.

Mr. Robert Brodson has returned to
his home in Toledo after spending
Christmas with his mother on Lorne
avenue.

Mrs. Ralph Decker, Ridout street
south, is visiting among friends and
relatives in Syracuse and Phoenix,
N. Y.

Mrs. George Jeffery, of Stratford, is
spending the holidays with her daugh-
ter, Mrs. Will Mountjoy, 172 Tecumseh
avenue.

Miss Rose Carl, of Hamilton, is visit-
ing Mrs. Galbraith, 191 Colborne
street.

Mrs. John Thomas, Tecumseh ave-
nue, is visiting relatives in Mount
Byrdes.

Mrs. E. J. Huchtenhausen, of Strat-
ford, is spending the holidays with her
sister, Mrs. W. J. Mountjoy, Tecumseh
avenue, city.

Mr. Charles L. Mountjoy, formerly of
London, but now of Hamilton, is visit-
ing his brother in this city, before
leaving for Pittsburgh, Pa., where he
will be stationed in future.

Mr. George Geoghegan, St. James
street, is visiting in Detroit.

Lee McIntyre, of Oxford street, is
visiting among friends in Detroit.

Duncan Martin and Gordon Taylor,
of Triangular class, Talbot Street
Baptist Church, are attending the boys'
conference in Orillia.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, McGill
street, are visiting in Detroit.

**HOLIDAY WEDDINGS
UNUSUALLY NUMEROUS**

Many Young People All Through
the District Celebrate
Their Nuptials.

A quiet but pretty wedding was
solemnized at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. John C. Mann, "Pine Grove
Farm," Glanworth, when their eldest
daughter, Miss Lila M. Mann, was
married to Mr. Alexander Simpson, of
Glanworth. The ceremony was per-
formed by Rev. H. H. Barnby, of Lam-
beth. Only the immediate relatives
were present.

The bride was prettily gowned in
apricot tulle, trimmed with crystal
and gold trimming to match.

The bride entered the altar on the
arm of her father amid the strains of
Lohengrin's "Bridal Chorus," played by
her sister, Lena Mann. She was un-
attended.

After a dainty wedding dinner the
bride and groom left on the evening
train for Chicago, where they intend
spending a couple of weeks.

The bride's going-away gown was
of navy blue cloth. On the residence
they will take up their residence in
their new home at Glanworth.

KOEHLER-ALLEN.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. John T.