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COUNCIL'S SURPLUS \$17,000 MAYOR AND ALDERMEN BEJOICE

Year Was Finished Well Within the Limit of Expenditure—Some Committees and Boards Had Overdrafts, However—Hospital Trust About \$2,000 to the Bad.

The city council will finish the year with just \$20 to the good.

This, of course, does not include the surplus from the water commissioners, which will give the council a total surplus of over \$17,000.

This is a remarkably good showing in view of the fact that there were a large number of extra expenditures not estimated upon. Every committee had a number of these, and as a result every committee has an overdraft.

The Finance Committee.

The finance committee will have an overdraft of \$1,834. Of this amount \$1,177 was for the consolidation of the city bylaws, for which there were no estimates. In addition, the printing bill was fully \$1,500 in excess of the estimates, and other bills ran up well. The law expenses and compensation for injuries was smaller than the estimates, some \$500, giving the committee a little leverage.

Board of Works.

The board of works also fell behind over \$2,000, or to be exact just \$2,092 81.

Three items made up more than this deficit. The committee went behind \$750 on streets and general improvements. They also went \$1,555 behind on their street cleaning account, and on the bridges, owing to the permanent repairs made on them, cost \$1,640 more than the estimates. On the other accounts they were somewhat ahead of the estimates, enabling them to finish with a trifle over \$2,000 in arrears.

No. 3 Committee.

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Conservative Slate Has Been Named Ex-Ald. R. F. Matthews for Mayor

Names for the Ticket Were Decided Upon at a Meeting Saturday Night.

With nominations just a week away, the aldermanic candidates have commenced to come out of seclusion and announce themselves.

At the meeting of the Conservative Association Saturday evening a slate was considered, and after much argument it was brought down to the following:

A Conservative Slate.

For Mayor—Ex-Ald. R. F. Matthews.
For Aldermen—A. J. Morgan, Harry Wallace, A. A. Wilson, W. Hymers, W. Wyatt, Josh Garratt, Neil Cooper, J. L. Flannigan, Benj. Noble, C. M. R. Graham, Ald. Rose, Ald. Beattie and Ald. Parsons.

Of this number there are certain nominees who will not go on the slate. Ald. Beattie and Ald. Parsons are two. They will run for office, but will have nothing to do with a ticket.

India Is Seething With Sedition So Says Rev. Dr. Brown of Toronto

Affairs There Are in a Most Serious State, He Told a London Audience.

A practical and most interesting address on "The Present Unrest in India" was given in the Tabbot Street Baptist Church yesterday morning by Rev. Dr. Brown, of Toronto.

"There is no question that the affairs of India are in a most serious state," said Dr. Brown. "The country is literally seething. All classes are affected. The unrest is not alone political, but is intellectual and social as well as religious. The outward aspect is one of rebellion against the English Government. What is making these people restless? They are dissatisfied at being dominated by a western power. The war between Japan and Russia fanned this fire of unrest. Just think if China was to come over here and take our country and try to force on us their customs and institutions. We wouldn't like it and the people of India do not like it. India has never forgotten that England got the country largely by trickery and stealth through the East India Company.

The Indian Idea.

"Indians have the idea that their great and rich country is being used to make England richer and more powerful. The very excellency of the Government that England has given India is responsible for much of the unrest. India is the best-governed country in the world. It has been the recruiting ground for some of England's greatest statesmen. Before England took hold of India the people were greatly divided and were allowed to go pretty much as they pleased. They long for the old times

again and are not used to the splendid police system.

There has never been any sympathy between government and governors in India, and the people feel this. The caste system is a most wonderful institution. There are four classes and no one class will intermarry, or have dealings with the other. So great is this feeling that if a Brahmin were starving and a rajah or prince were to ask him in to his palace to dine, the Brahmin would be highly insulted and would refuse. It is a wonderful thing to see how caste is breaking up in India through education. The young Indians are attending the universities in thousands and their western science is most radically opposed to the learning of the older Hindus. This has been responsible for the spread of Democracy and the birth of a national consciousness. India is seething with social movements. The people regarded the war between Japan and Russia as the East against the West and the yellow against the white, and they naturally rejoiced when Japan won.

What They Believe.

"They think they could do the same thing if they were united and had a chance. India wants self-government like Canada, and it is a lucky thing for England that she has John Morley and other statesmen in Parliament who understand the situation. Hinduism is making a desperate struggle against progress, but it might as well try to stem the tide of Niagara. India has awakened and must and will be given self-government."

Lisbon's Scandal.

Lisbon, Dec. 21.—The newly-elected municipal council has unearthed a big scandal in the city's accounts. Over \$2,000,000 has disappeared. The former municipal councillors admit the irregularities, but lay the blame upon the Government, which, they say, illegally took the city's money.

SIR THOS. CLEEVE DIES IN IRELAND

Was a Brother-in-Law of Canon Dann, of London.

WELL KNOWN IN FOREST CITY

Largely Interested in British Columbia Salmon Fisheries.

Canon Dann, pastor of St. Paul's Cathedral, received word on Saturday advising him of the death of his brother-in-law, Sir Thomas Cleeve, in Limerick, Ireland.

Sir Thomas was known by a number of Londoners, having visited this city on different occasions.

He was a cousin of Lord Aylmer, and was born in Canada.

He had very extensive interests in the salmon fisheries in British Columbia, and was a keen business man. He took the greatest interest in the welfare of Ireland, and did a great deal towards establishing many of the most successful business enterprises in that country.

For his services in connection with work of this nature he was knighted four years ago by King Edward.

At last evening's service in St. Paul's Cathedral, the "Dead March in Saul" was played by the organist, Mr. George B. Sippi, out of respect to Sir Thomas.

A SMALL WOUND RESULTS IN DEATH

Mr. William McDonnell, of 779 Simcoe Street, Dies of Blood Poisoning.

Mr. William McDonnell, of 779 Simcoe street, died yesterday of blood poisoning resulting from a wound received about a week ago, when a splinter of a steel cable entered his left hand at the stores department of the Grand Trunk carshop.

The wound, not thought to be more painful than a cut, was called in. Mr. McDonnell gradually grew worse, death resulting yesterday.

He is survived by his wife and one little daughter, Josephine. The funeral will be held Wednesday morning at St. Mary's Church, where mass will be celebrated. Interment will be made in St. Peter's Cemetery.

TWENTY DOLLARS FOR POOR OF LONDON

Mayor Stevely Receives an Annual Christmas Donation.

There is one friend of the poor, who never fails them, and this year he has "come up" as usual.

This morning Mayor Stevely received an anonymous letter containing a crisp \$20 bill, with instructions that \$5 was to go to the Salvation Army Rescue Home, \$5 to the "Kiddies" in the Shelter on the Wharfedale road, and \$10 to the poor of the city. The letter also asked that the police and postmen be asked to keep an eye open for cases of poverty.

It is needless to say that the money of the unknown donor will go for the purposes intended.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLS SISTER.

Halifax, Dec. 20.—A shocking accident occurred at Marston Bay this morning, whereby Ruby, the 14-year-old daughter of Capt. Benj. Ham, lost her life. Her 8-year-old brother was told to take a supposedly unloaded shotgun upstairs, and in passing through the room pointed the weapon at his sister. The hammer of the gun caught in his clothing and he fell, causing the discharge of the gun, the contents of which struck Ruby in the right cheek, tearing a gaping hole and lodging in the brain, causing instant death.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLD.

TOURISTS.—Toronto, Dec. 21—8 a.m. Fresh to strong northwesterly winds; light local snowfalls or flurries, but mostly fair and cold.

TEMPERATURES.	Today.	Yesterday.
London, Saturday	25	30
London, Sunday	22	31
London, Monday	32	27
Calgary	20	25
Winnipeg	6	2
Port Arthur	6	0
Perry Sound	24	14
Toronto	34	26
Ottawa	10	12
Montreal	4	8
Quebec	8	28
Father Point	2	12
Dawson	-12	-4
Vancouver	27	27
Kamloops	22	30
Edmonton	23	34
Battleford	20	28
Prince Albert	24	24
Moos Jaw	25	35
Qu'Appelle	24	25
Halifax	16	35

Minus (—) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The pressure is now highest in the middle Pacific States, and another shallow depression which has travelled with great rapidity from the northwestward is centred in the Ottawa valley.

Snow has fallen throughout Ontario to a depth of five inches.

Shortest Day of the Year.

According to the calendar, this is the shortest day of the year.

Also according to the purse of the head of the household this is the shortest day of the twelfth month.

There is less sunshine today than any day during the year. The sun sets after 4 o'clock, and it is not particular when it rises.

Breakfast is hardly over until it is time to sit down to lunch. A man just nicely gets through with his noon-day smoke, when he has to go home to dinner.

The nights look about a week long, and the boulder goes home at 10 o'clock, fondly imagining that he has spent a night out with the boys.

This is the shortest day all right.

Auditor-General as Cassel Witness Says Spain Puts in Wrong Claims

Asked for Travelling Expenses When Holding Court at Montreal.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—The auditor-general took the stand at the Cassel's inquiry this morning, and the accounts of Commander Spain, of the marine department, were gone into. Some time before the inquiry opened Commander Spain made a refund of from \$800 to \$900 to the marine department. The auditor-general believed the commander put in claims for travelling expenses, when he was sitting in the court of marine inquiry. He quoted cases where Commander

Spain charged fares to Quebec, Toronto and Fort William, when he was holding court in Montreal.

Commander Spain took the stand and wanted to read a written statement he had prepared. He was not allowed to do so. To Mr. Watson he stated that the time in his accounts for travelling expenses must have been wrong.

He made the trips all right; for instance, the auditor questioned a charge for a trip to Fort William on the ground of time.

Commander Spain said the time might have been wrong, but he made the trip, and only charged for one trip.

Mr. Watson wanted to see the time book, and Commander Spain has sent it to get it.

Some Comparative Hospital Figures

Alderman W. J. Stevenson in speaking to The Advertiser regarding Victoria Hospital expenses, made the statement that for six weeks he was the only physician who had a case in the contagious hospital.

The case was that of a little Hebrew, a non-paying patient, and it cost the citizens of Lahn just \$10.50 for the maintenance of that one lad during the six weeks he was there.

Dr. Stevenson has been looking into affairs at St. Joseph's Hospital and

states that the cost of maintenance per patient there is 97 cents per day, as against nearly \$2 at Victoria Hospital.

At St. Joseph's Hospital they are paying from \$3,000 to \$5,000 a year off their debt, while at Victoria, the debt is increasing at a tremendous rate.

Dr. Stevenson states that Victoria Hospital takes more money from the taxpayers than is paid by Toronto taxpayers for their six hospitals.

HAINS PROMISES SOME SURPRISES

Says He Has a Strong Defence, Which His Counsel Will Bring Out.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 21.—The trial of Thornton Hains was resumed today, and District Attorney Darrin continued the presentation of testimony that is designed to prove the author a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter C. Hains, in the killing of William E. Annis, the publisher. It was not unlikely that the week will be taken up in the presentation of the state's case.

"I am satisfied with the developments of the trial so far," said Thornton Hains today, "and believe that I will be acquitted. Only the state has been heard, and the evidence developed shows more than a reasonable doubt, and which in itself would acquit me. There will be some surprises when the defence unfolds itself."

The prosecution plans to call Mrs. Annis on the stand either today or tomorrow. Through her testimony the state expects to prove not only that Thornton Hains drew his revolver when his brother first opened fire, and by so doing prevented anyone from saving Annis' life, but that the brothers went to the Bayview Yacht Club in search of the publisher, Mrs. Annis was in the stage going to the club when the Hains brothers drove by, and it is said that when the brothers saw Mrs. Annis a remark of "We've got him now" was overheard by the wife of the publisher.

Tests with a revolver similar to the one with which Annis was killed show that it can be discharged with extreme rapidity, or the shots can be fired singly. Major John Hains conducted the tests.

Mrs. Claudia Libby Hains, wife of Captain Peter C. Hains, jun., involved in the shooting of William E. Annis, and looked upon as an important witness in the trial of Thornton Hains now on trial as a principal in the murder of William E. Annis, was not at her father's home today, but her mother refused to state where the daughter had gone. Mrs. Annis declined to answer any questions bearing on the supposition that Mrs. Hains had been summoned to New York in connection with the trial.

A sensation was caused in court today, when it became known that District Attorney Darrin, angered at the comments made on his conduct of the case, prepared to withdraw from the trial, and tender his resignation last Saturday. He was dissuaded by his friends, and his resignation was torn up.

Mr. Darrin said: "I wanted to withdraw summarily from the case, because of the comments made by the court, press and public on the fact that I have handled the case, but I have been persuaded to continue the prosecution, and not resign from office, as I intended."

The district attorney has at this

BRUTAL MURDER AT WINNIPEG OF TWO CHINESE LAUNDRYMEN

Found Literally Cut to Pieces by Knives and Hatchets and Robbed of Their Money—Crime Committed While Many Were Passing Place.

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—Two Chinamen, named Cumb Po and Cheong Leong, were brutally murdered on Saturday in a laundry at 214 Jarvis street, and were literally cut to pieces with knives and hatchets, after which the murderers robbed the place of all the money they could find, leaving a number of checks, which were in the till.

The tragedy occurred between 11 o'clock and midnight, almost at the corner of Main street and Jarvis avenue, while numbers of people were passing along the street, but not a thing was known of the murder until a man went in for his laundry near midnight, and on opening the door discovered the mutilated bodies lying on the floor.

The police have been unable to effect any arrests, and although the while force of detectives is working on the matter, there is not the slightest clue to the identity of the murderers. The party who first discovered the bodies has not been located.

There is every indication that the murder was planned in all detail, and was committed by parties who were familiar with the interior of the building. The murdered Chinamen had a number of trunks upstairs over the laundry, and these were ransacked and an amount of money taken, while the till, with the receipts of Saturday evening, was also robbed. The exact amount taken is not known.

King Closes the British Commons Mentions Wales' Canadian Reception

Refers to Balkans and United States Fleet in the Pacific.

London, Dec. 21.—King Edward put an end to the present session of the British Parliament today. Only a small number of members were present to attend the brief proceedings.

The King's speech made especial reference to the recent visit of the American battleship fleet in Australian waters, which his majesty said "evoked warm feelings of cordiality in my dominions in that quarter of the globe and was a source of gratification to myself and my Government."

Referring to the conclusion of "several important agreements, which by eliminating causes of contention, must tend to the consolidation of peace," the King says: "Among these may be mentioned the treaties with the United States for general arbitration, and for regulating certain questions between the United States and Canada; and an agreement for the maintenance of the existing territorial status of the regions bordering on the North Sea."

Referring to the Balkans.

Continuing, his majesty expresses gratification at the visits to England of President Fallieres of France, and

the King and Queen of Sweden.

Referring to the events in the Balkans, "calculated to disturb the provisions of the treaty of Berlin," the speech says:

"There is reason to hope that wise and conciliatory counsel will prevail, and that an amicable settlement will be reached, with the consent of the powers who are parties to the treaty."

Mention is made also of the copy-right convention to the assumption of sovereignty of the Congo by Belgium, and the decisions of the international naval conference now in session in this city. With regard to the results of this conference, his majesty says: "It is hoped that they will command general assent."

In a paragraph on India, deep regard is expressed at "a conspiracy of evil-disposed persons against the lives of my officers and the continuance of British rule," and the earnest wish is set forth that the measures to enlarge the share of the Indians in the administration of the country, "will be re-velled in the spirit of mutual trust and good will in which they are proposed."

"The affectionate reception given the Prince of Wales by all classes," during his presence in Canada on the occasion of the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the founding of Quebec receives especially cordial mention. The remainder of the King's speech is devoted to domestic matters.

A Long-Lost Liner Turns Up O. K.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—What threatened to be another mystery of the sea was cleared up today when word was received at the offices of the Shipping Federation that the steamer Kristiana, whose whereabouts were a source of anxiety for two weeks, had been found, and will load a full cargo of pulpwood for a British port.

Two weeks ago a vessel reported to be the Kristiana was spoken inside the

Straits of Belle Isle. Since then all trace of her movements was lost, all the lower gulf was swept by fierce gales, and it was feared that she had sunk with all hands. The Kristiana is the first boat to attempt to conduct winter navigation in the St. Lawrence, and will load a full cargo of pulpwood for a British port.

Seven Islands is 700 miles away from the ocean.

Canadian Northern Gets Into Duluth

Duluth, Dec. 21.—Official announcement of the new \$20,000,000 lumber merger, known as the Virginia and Rainy Lake Company, was made public Friday by Edward Hines, president of the corporation. The new company is the amalgamation of the

Edward Hines Company, the Weyerhaeuser interests and the Virginia Lumber Company.

In the amalgamation, what is known as the Duluth, Rainy Lake and Winnipeg Railway will become the property of the Canadian Northern Railroad.

An Overdraft for Board of Education

The board of education will probably have an overdraft of from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

There is some difference of opinion as to this, however. Chairman Graham figures that they will break even, while one of those in close contact

with the affairs of the board, insists that there will be an overdraft of the sum mentioned above.

The Collegiate Institute account will be over \$500,000, perhaps \$500, while the public school account will be overdrawn about \$1,000.

Big Day for the Christmas Shoppers

Saturday was a great day for the Christmas shopper.

They were out in large numbers, of both sexes with some youngsters. It was easily the best day of the season for the merchants, and pleased them greatly.

The volume of trade done is considerably in excess of last year, and the end is not yet.

Today there is some business doing.

The last-minute shoppers are getting in their ready work, and although the number is not quite up to former years, nevertheless there is quite a number of them.

The merchants are happy, because the volume of trade has exceeded their anticipations.

With good sleighing the Christmas of 1908 will be one of the cheeriest for some time.

A MINISTER SUICIDES.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 21.—In the presence of the young woman who had just refused to marry him, Rev. W. Woodfolk, aged 22, last night shot himself through the heart, and fell dead across the couch on which the terrified young woman had been reclining.

Woodfolk called upon the young woman at the home of C. M. Nevitt, his cousin. Mrs. Nevitt had just left the room, and Woodfolk renewed his suit, having been rejected previously, and, again refused, he drew the weapon and fired once, his body falling limp at the feet of the girl.

JOSIE CARR REFORMED.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 21.—Josephine Carr, the young Toronto girl, who

was quietly removed from the penitentiary here last week, was taken by bus to reside with them in Boysland, Alberta. This is the girl whose murder of the baby she stole from a Young street shop entrance stirred Canada several years ago. She has developed into an attractive girl of 17 years, and is said to be quite reformed. The trial judge sentenced her to the penitentiary for an indefinite period, or until it was safe for her to be at large again. The Minister of Justice agreed to her removal, provided the nuns who asked for her, would keep her in charge. It is understood she will take the veil when she becomes older. Her removal was kept a secret, and took place at night, but the information leaked out.

BAD LEGS

One of the after effects of the recent summer is the serious sores and Bad Legs brought on through scratching the heat blains or insect stings. Few people realize the danger of a scratch. It often ends in blood poisoning and death, but invariably in a life-long BAD LEG. CUROL will prevent either, for immediately it is applied to a sore or wound, it gets busy and destroys the disease germs with a rapidity which is wonderful. There is no need for any one to suffer from bad leg, ulcers, and irritating, annoying skin troubles when the CUROL treatment will remove them. CUROL is a pure HEALING BALM, free from injurious minerals and rancid animal fats, and is absolutely pure. CUROL is a wonderful HEALER, and in long standing cases goes to the root of the difficulty with a determination which is simply marvellous. It first of all eradicates every particle of disease and foreign matter. Having accomplished this, the healing is often only a matter of days. THE HEALING DONE BY CUROL IS WELL DONE, for it positively will not heal until the wound is clean and free from impurities. 25 CENTS BOX. Sold by all druggists and stores, or post paid from CUROL SALVE CO., SPADINA AVENUE, TORONTO. 6 boxes \$1.25



ARGUMENT FOR SUNDAY CARS

Letters From Clergymen in Different Cities Where Cars Are Operated.

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of going anywhere except on Sundays, should be able to do so, as well as the wealthier man, who owns horses and automobiles. Sunday cars also enable doctors and the clergy to visit promptly when they are needed.

Rev. J. McLean Hallard, rector St. Anne's Church, Toronto, Ont.—By Sunday cars you get the greatest amount of convenience for the least amount of labor.

Canon W. A. St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, Ont.—I should be very sorry to see Sunday cars stop in this city.

Rev. M. A. Morine, rector St. Mark's, Halifax, N. S.—I hear no complaints from the street car men. Their duties do not prevent them attending divine worship at least once a day.

Rev. C. B. Kendrick, rector St. Philip's, Hamilton, Ont.—To object to Sunday cars seems to me a not very sensible proceeding.

Rev. Fred C. Piper, St. John's Church, Thorold, Ont.—I do not think people are breaking the Lord's Day who enjoy an hour in the park on Sunday afternoon if they put religious duties first.

Rev. E. J. Etherington—Sunday cars make it possible for friends to visit the sick in distant parts of the city, and give busy and hard-working people a taste of country and country air.

Rev. J. J. Bogert, St. Albans, Ottawa, Ont.—I opposed and voted against the running of Sunday cars, but I do not think that I would do so again.

Rev. Christopher Burnett, First Baptist Church, Victoria, B. C.—I am surprised that London has not got Sunday cars already.

Rev. F. Robertson, rector of St. George's, New Glasgow, N. S.—The Sunday car service here is conducted quietly and does not interfere with the peacefulness of the Lord's Day.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Advantages of a Quiet Sunday.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

One of the reasons given for Sunday cars is that they would bring London up in line with live American cities such as Detroit, Buffalo, etc.

There are other things to be found in such cities which London has not—Sunday baseball, theatres, horse races, etc.

London has several other things which these cities have not. One of these is our quiet, restful Sunday, a great thing in this strenuous age.

London is a city of homes. In no city in America does as large a proportion of the people own their own homes as in the Forest City. I live on Elmwood avenue.

One Sunday this last fall I visited Dundas Street Methodist Sunday School. I walked and found it good exercise. On my way I went through the southern part of the city.

The houses were mostly small, evidently the homes of workmen. It was a fine, warm day, and at the door of house after house was to be seen the father in his Sunday clothes sitting with his wife and the older members of the family, while the younger played around.

Sunday cars would not tend to promote such ideal conditions. Instead, we should have the older members away on some excursion, the father, if he did take his wife and younger children with him in the midst of a noisy, hustling crowd, struggling for places in the street cars.

Home life is the foundation of society, and anything that tends to break it up should receive no support from anyone who desires to see the citizens of London continue to be a noble, upright and moral people.

ALEX. MACQUEEN.
London, Dec. 19, 1908.

For Sunday Cars.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Having come across a pamphlet, entitled "Origin of the Sunday Movement," the arguments advanced are the latest I have yet seen against Sunday cars, but appear to me to be simply an attack upon Rev. Victor Gilpin, whose broadness of view upon civic and religious questions has been commended. I clearly recollect the rebuff the delegation received when they asked the city council to leave that question to a vote of the people, when a prominent clergyman, who had been referred to them as being in their "swaddling clothes." Well, it must be admitted that those clothes have grown rather short for them now when everybody is tumbling over one another to express their views in the daily papers.

Their claim in this pamphlet that the workmen of France are grown weary in body and soul, seem to imply that Sunday cars don't run within a thousand miles of London. I would say the men of Toronto or Windsor? A vote favorable to Sunday cars won't oppress anybody; they are simply a necessity in these modern days. Sunday cars will give every man an extra dollar or so, will put more bread and butter in his larger, and there will be very few that will rebel against the new conditions. Compare on the other hand, the arguments advanced by the other side, who say that many of the simply hard cold facts that will appeal to any right-thinking man—letters from business and professional men. Their attitude on this question is indorsed by men of high integrity in this city, men who occupy high offices in the state, yet some have attempted to show that they haven't a leg to stand on.

A READER.

The Workingmen and Sunday Cars.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Being much interested in the movement, I have read many of the letters in the press on Sunday cars. Sometimes on both sides the arguments are not very much to the point, but I think, for utter absence of argument, two letters appearing in The Advertiser of Dec. 17 take the medal. I refer to those signed B. G. H. Wright and C. B. Keenleyside. The former gentleman asks, "Who wants Sunday cars?" As one who knows whereby he speaks, I can tell Mr. Wright that he will learn on election day that 75 per cent of the intelligent workmen of London want them. In the factory I am with, not more than four or five out of a total of about seventy are opposed to Sunday cars. On the contrary, they are anxious for their coming, and I am in a position to know that the feeling is the same in many other factories. Mr. Wright's unsupported assertion, that the laboring men in London do not want Sunday cars proves only how far he is out of touch with their desires and opinion. He also mentions the Ministerial Association. Let me read the letters in The Advertiser of Dec. 16, from over a dozen Baptist, Anglican and Presbyterian ministers of Hamilton, Windsor, Victoria, Halifax and other cities. These clergymen live where Sunday cars are in operation, and know what they are talking about, and frankly indorse them.

If we had a few ministers in this city with the same liberality and humanity, they would be more likely

to have the confidence and co-operation of intelligent workmen.

Mr. Wright is once again Mr. Wright in his mere statement that Sunday cars "deteriorate" the labor of the "mechanics." I know personal experience in Canadian towns where Sunday cars operate that this assertion is not true, but I can further tell Mr. Wright—beg pardon, Mr. Wright (with a "W" in such a position) that the "mechanics" in such neighboring cities as Hamilton, St. Catharines, Sarnia, etc., "the lid" is on just as tight as it is here. Their Sundays are as model as ours are, and preachers and prominent men don't hesitate a moment to

Mr. Keenleyside's whole argument is N. G. and false, because it is built up entirely on his ignorance of the attitude of those he patronizingly calls "the poor." As I spend six days a week in a factory, and come in contact with many workmen in the evening, I claim I am in a far better position than Mr. Keenleyside to say what their views are, and I believe my word is at least as good as his. I can tell him that an overwhelming majority are in favor of them, and will give him "evidence" to the effect on the only occasion they have, namely, when they vote. These gentlemen talk of writing anonymously. What's the harm, if the reasoning is sound? Workmen may not always speak too plainly, as they may individually be made the victims of the intolerance of a certain class of people. Why, then, these gentlemen write again, let them speak for themselves, or their own class, and not presume to speak for the workingmen altogether, whose point of view on this question they certainly fail to comprehend.

I would call Mr. Wright's attention to a circular issued by the Sunday car committee, containing letters from clergymen and others, setting forth the convenience and value of Sunday cars in their respective cities, and testifying that the abuses prophesied here do not fall on Sunday cars.

At the bottom of this circular are the names of 23 men, comprising the citizens' Sunday car executive. I'll venture that even Mr. Wright and Mr. Keenleyside will admit that these are all public-spirited, broad-minded, and honorable citizens, and men who will not repudiate their signatures. I want Sunday cars? Well, you'll be surprised in a couple of weeks to learn how many want them.

ROBERT JURY.
London, Dec. 19, 1908.

A PLEA FOR QUIET SUNDAY

Rev. W. G. Hanna's Sermon in Adelaide Street Baptist Church.

"Six days shalt thou labor, and on the seventh shalt thou rest."

He was strenuously opposed to any violation of this kind on the Lord's Day, and sincerely hoped that public sentiment would be unanimous in quelling the present agitation.

Mr. Hanna opened his address by pleading for the operator of the cars.

"These men," he said, "who toil incessantly and diligently six days in the week, who hold lives at stake, and combat with nerve-racking incidents every hour of the day, where great pressure of mind must be displayed, in order to emerge unscathed—should these men be deprived of their entitled day of rest? No. It was a dire imposition, that the car company was forcing upon them, in asking them to comply."

"I speak without fear of contradiction when I say that 90 per cent of your local car men are not in favor of this heathenish move," said Mr. Hanna, "and yet they dare not voice their grievances emphatically for fear of dismissal. It is in this instance that the car company is the oppressor of the people. The car company, in this commercial age, could not only disturb the conditions of the country, but could also influence and ignore the house of God. If the carmen are compelled to work, it just means that there are that many more who are lost to Christianity. We may expect naught but deterioration in the religious elements of man if we allow Sunday to become a day of frivolous recreation."

"Some like-warm Christians support the cars as a necessary convenience, but is an insidious argument, when the population of London is considered, churches being accessible within a few minutes' walk of any part of the city. Probing the matter deeply, it would be nothing but a detriment to the house of God, and would degrade the young."

The warm weather, with the cars running, he declared, would become a place of monotony, and people would be lured away to amusements, and the house of God would waste.

"At the conclusion of Mr. Hanna's powerful address, the pastor, Rev. T. F. Shields, expressed himself in a few words, by emphasizing the enormity and pernicious influence that, he alleged, Sunday cars would have on the church."

"It was a drastic move for London," he said, "and if passed, would mean the elimination of religion in this city, in time." He spoke of the literary pamphlets that the car company were distributing, and criticised the weight of the composition therein. He thought "it was written regardless of the truth. But, of course, this was just a personal opinion, and it would take time to demonstrate the proof of his assertions." He declared that all the sincere Christians would support Mr. Hanna's contention. If they were convinced, it would be impossible to do otherwise.

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We feel at Christmas time the public have a certain claim on this store, being in a different position than other stores as regards keeping open at night. OUR POLICY IS EARLY CLOSING, which is carried to effect by closing on Saturday, the same as other days, during the year at 5 and 6 o'clock, but at Christmas time an exception is made to almost every rule or law of nature, and we feel we owe it to our customers to make the exception. And while most everybody will be down town at night Christmas week, everybody cannot come on one night, and to give all an opportunity to visit this store once a year at night, we will be open tonight and every night until Christmas Eve, from 7:30 to 10 o'clock. Store will close at 6 and open at 7:30.

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Pretty Net Dresses

Do you know someone who would like a pretty dress, without the trouble of having it made? Send "Her" one of these. We will box it prettily.

Embroidered Net Dress, Princess style, made over white silk, collar and yoke of valenciennes insertion, sleeves, girdle and front of skirt trimmed with baby Irish insertion and folds of duchess satin. A dainty and charming party dress. Price \$39.00

Dress of Pink Messaline

Princess Style, with yoke and collar of insertion; waist and skirt trimmed with Dresden insertion. A very dainty style. Price only \$28.50

Headwear for Opera or Evenings

Ice-Wool Fascinators, each 25c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 85c, \$1, \$1.50

Wool and Chenille Fascinators, each 40c, 50c, 75c to \$1

Silk Shawls, in cream and black, finished with lace. Each \$1

Silk Fascinators, in brocade and fancy silks, finished with lace; in white only. Each \$2.50

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BLACK CHIFFON TAFFETA—75c quality. A dress length (15 yards), for \$8.85; or, by the yard, any quantity, only 59c

Extra fine quality (wear guaranteed), Black Chiffon Taffeta Dress Silk, Special, 15 yards—a full dress length—for \$10.35

15 yards Black Beau de Soie Dress Silk, reversible, Swiss make, rich finish. For \$12.75

Figured Black Chiffon Taffeta for odd waists, in small spot and floral patterns; six designs to select from. Only, yard \$1

Pompadour Silks, \$1.75 Yard

In dainty, embroidered designs and colorings, for evening dresses. Be sure and see these handsome color combinations; pretty also for evening waists. Yard \$1.75

CHARMEUSE or SATIN CASHMERE—48-inch, light grey, delft blue and pink, now in stock—the new material for reception or evening dresses; 48 inches wide. A yard \$2

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Dundas and Richmond Streets.

GOOD WORK OF HIGH CONSTABLE

Alleged Thief Was Nabbed in Boat Going to Detroit.

A very pretty bit of work was carried through by High Constable Hughes yesterday, when Robin Forrest was arrested on the charge of stealing \$33 from his employer, John D. Dwyer, near Nafrn.

Forrest came up before Squire Chittick last night, and was remanded till Tuesday at 2:30.

The theft occurred about 8:30 Saturday morning. It is alleged that the prisoner took the money from his employer's pocket, and then vanished.

High Constable Hughes was at once notified, but no trace could be found of the missing man.

Nothing daunted, Mr. Hughes started in to investigate Forrest's character and habits. In very short order he ascertained the fact that Forrest's home was in Chicago. That gave a clue, and knowing if he meant to succeed he must act immediately. Mr. Hughes notified Constable Wigle, of Windsor, in connection with the canal purchase.

At once the police were put on Forrest's trail. He was found on the ferryboat being taken across to Detroit, when he felt the officer's hand on his shoulder. The arrest was a very prompt bit of work, and Mr. Hughes deserves great credit for his alertness in the matter.

PULITZER FOR PANAMA

World-Owner to Investigate Alleged Panama Canal Scandal Personally.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 21.—Joseph Pulitzer, publisher of the New York World, accompanied by a party of friends and several staff writers, arrived off Old Point Comfort today on Mr. Pulitzer's yacht Liberty. It is stated that he is on his way to Panama to investigate into the conditions prevailing in the canal zone, and probably to secure evidence in connection with the purchase of the canal property by the Government. According to information obtained at Old Point, the yacht will make the trip by easy stages, the publisher desiring to reach Panama about the time set for the arrival there of President-elect Taft.

Mr. Pulitzer's trip is of special interest on account of the attitude of President Roosevelt in demanding that Congress have Mr. Pulitzer and other publishers prosecuted for criminal libel for publishing articles attacking the administration.

GRiffin MAY GET IT.

Hamilton, Dec. 21.—The latest talk in political circles is that Dr. Griffin will be the next postmaster of Hamilton, to succeed Adam Brown, when that veteran official is superannuated.

Dr. Griffin was the Liberal candidate on two different occasions, and suffered defeat both times.

William Thompson, of Windsor, charged his son with assault, and when the case was tried the father was found to be in fault, and fined \$3 and costs.

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Deaths.

CHURCHILL—On Dec. 21, 1908, Mary Jane, dearly beloved and youngest daughter of Mary and the late Frederick J. A. Churchill, aged 8 years, 5 months and 21 days.

Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 2:30 p.m. (service at 2 p.m.), from 708 Lorne avenue; interment at Mount Pleasant cemetery. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

Deaths.

YOUNG—In this city, on Dec. 20, 1908, George W. Young, in his 65th year.

Funeral private, from his late residence, 26 Kent street, on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 p.m.; interment at Mount Pleasant cemetery. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

Deaths.

KELLY—In this city, on Dec. 20, 1908, Roy Owen, dearly beloved and infant child of Valmer and Annie Kelly, aged 3 months and 11 days.

Funeral from his grandfather's residence, Mr. John Kelly, 50 Regina street, on Monday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Woodland cemetery.

Deaths.

KENNEY—In this city, on Dec. 20, 1908, Walter Charles, dearly beloved and infant son of James and Florence Kenney, aged 13 months.

Funeral from the parents' residence, 105 Mary street, on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Mount Pleasant cemetery.

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MEETINGS.

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR the office of R. C. separate school trustee will take place at noon at St. Peter's school, on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 12 o'clock. Visitors welcome. J. H. Wilson, P. J. Murphy, barrister, returning officer.

MEETINGS.

WESTMINSTER NOMINATION A meeting of the electors of the Township of Westminster will take place for the nomination of candidates for the offices of reeve, deputy reeve and councillors, at noon on Monday, Dec. 23, at Masonic Hall, Lambeth. Taken this 20th day of December, 1908. George Riddell, clerk.

MEETINGS.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF ST. JOHN'S LODGE, 203 A. F. and M. will be held in the Masonic Temple this (Monday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock. First degree. Visitors welcome. J. H. Wilson, W. M.; J. E. Keenleyside, secretary.

MEETINGS.

ODDFELLOWS NOTICE—HEREAFTER Brooks, Forest City and Dominion Lodges, the Encampment and the Daughters of Rebekah will meet in their new hall over Bank of Nova Scotia, Richmond street, commencing Monday, Dec. 21, R. K. Cowan, secretary.

MEETINGS.

WANTED—MAID FOR GENERAL housework. Apply Mrs. Chapman, 255 Dundas street.

MEETINGS.

WANTED, EXPERIENCED GENERAL housework. References required. 764 Talbot street.

MEETINGS.

MALE HELP WANTED. WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED GENERAL housework. References required. Apply Mrs. F. P. Drake, 371 Wellington street.

MEETINGS.

GOOD, RELIABLE GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. References required. 420 Craig street.

MEETINGS.

SHOES REPAIRED QUICKLY AND neatly, and promptly returned. The Famous Shoe Repair Store, 304 Dundas street. Phone 227.

MEETINGS.

WANTED—CASHIER AND ADVISING newly salesman. Apply Box 29, this office.

MEETINGS.

YOUNG MEN TO QUALIFY FOR POSITIONS. Apply to Mr. C. P. R. and G. T. R. agents, operators, freight and ticket clerks, baggage men, send for circulars, college or mail courses, winter term, 1909, at College, January, 1909, road College, London.

MEETINGS.

FOUR CANVASSERS WANTED. APPLY between 8 and 9, Alfred Taylor, 353 Clarence street.

MEETINGS.

LOST—RUBBER STAMP, WITH WORDS "Wah Lee, 204 Dundas street, London, Ont." Finder return to above address.

MEETINGS.

LOST ON SATURDAY—LOCKET SET with brilliant stones (one missing). Keenleyside. Please return to Advertiser.

MEETINGS.

LOST SATURDAY NIGHT—TAN LEA THER bag, containing today's gold watch, cigar, money, etc. Liberal reward at this office.

MEETINGS.

LOST—VALUED PENDANT—Two topazes and two pearls, with chain. Saturday, on Dundas street, in Smallman and Ingram's, Chapman's, Grafton's, and Ingram's. Liberal reward if returned to Talbot street.

MEETINGS.

LOST OR STRAYED, ON WEDNESDAY night, from lot 75, East Talbot road—dark brown coat, right hind foot white. Any information leading to recovery of same will be rewarded. I. A. Foot, 420 Craig street.

MEETINGS.

LOST—BRINDLE BULL TERRIER, four white feet; collar attached. Reward for return to 9 Oxford street. 41c

MEETINGS.

WANTED. GOOD-SIZED PONY OR LIGHT DRIVER in exchange for work or delivery horse. Must be suitable for lady to drive and sound. W. L. Spittig, 250 Hill street.

MEETINGS.

WANTED FURNACES TO ATTEND. Apply H. R. Dickson, 132 Hyman street.

MEETINGS.

WANTED—HURON AND ERIE AND Ontario Loan Companies' shares. John Smith, 214, Masonic Temple.

MEETINGS.

SOUTH AFRICAN VETERAN WILL pay highest cash price for your war relics. P. S. Robb, 428 College street, Toronto.

MEETINGS.

SEE OUR SHOW WINDOW—CHRISTMAS and wedding cards. Big Bell Book, 214, Masonic Temple.

MEETINGS.

BUTLER'S, 233 DUNDAS—HAIR GOODS, hairdressing, face and scalp treatment. Superb hair removed.

MEETINGS.

OSTEOPATHY. DR. WHITE, GRADUATE LOS ANGELES College of Osteopathy, Ontario and American Osteopathic Association. Acute and chronic diseases. Telephone 232. Office, 212 Dundas street.

MEETINGS.

HEDLEY V. CATON, OSTEOPATHIC physician. Consultation free. 554 Richmond street. Phone 187.

MEETINGS.

HOUSES, ROOMS, TO LET. FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET, SEVEN rooms, bath, convenient. Apply Room 26, Bank Toronto building. 41c

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STORAGE FOR FURNITURE, PIANOS and pictures—Separate rooms, clean and dry. Rate reasonable. John J. Diggs, 77 Carling street.

CHINESE LAUNDRIES.

WONG WOO—THE HAMILTON ROAD Laundry. All hand work. Goods called for and delivered promptly. 139 Hamilton road.

DENTAL CARDS.

WOOLVERTON & BROWN, DENTISTS, 215 Dundas street, over Calneous & Lawrence. Phone 523.

DENTAL CARDS.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST—Specialty, preservation natural teeth. 163 Dundas. Phone 976.

DENTAL CARDS.

DR. BENTLEY, DENTIST, OVER Sovereign Bank, Dundas and Adelaide. Phone 245.

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LONDON, MONDAY, DEC. 21.

THE IMPENDING STRUGGLE IN GREAT BRITAIN.

The first session of Parliament under the premiership of Mr. Asquith closed today. The next session, to open in February, will be a notable and critical one. It is expected to sound the trumpet for a great constitutional struggle. Today the Government with an enormous majority in the House of Commons at its back, is practically stalemated by the House of Lords. Three of its principal measures, the licensing bill, the Scottish land act, and the bill to abolish plural voting, have been contemptuously thrown out by the peers. The British people must soon decide whether the responsible or the irresponsible chamber is to rule. This supreme issue has swallowed all others for the time being. It is generally believed that the Government will dissolve Parliament after the next session. Another session is absolutely necessary to demonstrate the Government's ability to finance old age pensions and other policies of its own creation; to complete its programme and fulfill its promises by measures dealing with unemployment, the reform of the poor law, and the vexed question of education; and to "fill the cup" of the Lords by passing up to them again the bills which they have rejected. The London Nation, which speaks with authority for the advanced wing of the Liberal party, tells the Government that it must "fight or abdicate." The Lords, it says, by cutting themselves off from the moral support of society, in rejecting the licensing bill, have written their own doom. They have made the question of their power a life or death issue for democracy. It warns Liberal ministers and members that what will now be expected of them is action, not speech, adding:

"Futile anger is the most contemptible of human emotions, and the obligations of Liberal members who would not risk the sacrifice of place, Liberal members who would not risk the loss of seats in an encounter which has been challenged for two years, merely move the laughter and contempt of the electorate. The best thing the parliamentary party can do is to recognize in silence that by repeatedly turning the other cheek to the smiter it has brought this insult on itself, and recognizing this, to lay its plans without delay for vindicating its own position as champion of the principle of self-government. It must first recognize that it is no longer possible for the present Parliament to run its full course. It must admit that in a democracy nothing falls like failure, and that the cup which it fills by continuing to pass abortive bills will be not the cup of wrath against the Lords, but the cup of ridicule for its feeble meanness. It is, in short, impossible that the present situation can continue, and from this moment onwards preparations must be made for the appeal to the people."

The Nation admits that the next budget must be put through, and says that the Government's proposals for the adjustment of the relation of the Houses should be embodied in a bill, which the King must pledge himself to support. "While the cause of democracy and responsible government is advancing through the world," adds the Nation, "the Mother of Parliaments finds herself entangled in the web spun by long-past history. She will win free, though not, it may be, without many a struggle and made a sacrifice. But one thing is certain, that the position is one in which it is only the party which will sacrifice much, only the leaders who will risk all, that can count on the sustained loyalty and devotion of the people to whom they owe their strength."

Perhaps Great Britain will fall back upon the referendum as a solvent for her constitutional difficulties. In the event of a deadlock between the two chambers, a reference to the people of the disputed question would be a democratic policy, which would not impair the usefulness of the House of Lords as a revising chamber.

TURKEY'S NEW PARLIAMENT.

The second Turkish Parliament is now in session in Constantinople, with a much better prospect of stability than its predecessor of over thirty-two years ago, which existed but a year. There is still room for doubt as to whether constitutional government is firmly established in Turkey, but there is reason to hope that the developments of the past five months have vastly improved the prospects of the Ottoman reformers. The "bloodless revolution," as it is called, has been attended with little disorder. With trifling exceptions the troops have supported the new cabinet, and the elections have passed off peacefully. There are grave and difficult problems, internal and external, confronting the ministry and parliament, but those in power appear confident that they will prove equal to the task. The revolution which has brought about the changed conditions, was simply a revolt of manhood against oppression and corruption, and with equal laws, reasonable freedom and honesty in administration, it should not be difficult to reconcile the conflicting claims and interests of the heterogeneous races and nationalities in the empire. It is fortunate for the new regime that there is little likelihood of foreign aggression, further than the acts accomplished by Austria and Bulgaria. For the encroachments of these countries on Turkey's sovereign rights, money compensation is proposed, and this will probably be one of the chief subjects of consideration by the new parliament. There is reason to believe that such a settlement of these international complications will not meet very strong opposition. So long as their regular pay is forthcoming the troops stationed in Macedonia, absolutely beyond the Sultan's control, will support the new government. But there is a deficit of about \$32,000,000 in the current budget, which can only be met by accepting the indemnities offered as a quid pro quo for Austria's seizure of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Bulgaria's declaration of her independence, or through a foreign loan. The latter would not be easily procured unless the former were accepted.

Whether Sultan Abdul Hamid is sincere in his expressions of satisfaction with the new order of things is by no means certain. It is true he recently declared that "all the nations are members of the committees of union and progress, and I am their president—let us live together, and make the country prosperous." But it was the same Sultan who in 1876 said that "the welfare of the Turkish empire lies in the full and sincere application of the constitution," and who has for over thirty years ruled as the cruellest despot of modern times.

NATIONALIZATION OF ELEVATORS.

The agitation in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in favor of the governments buying out and controlling elevators, appears to be gaining strength, and it is not unlikely that as a result of a conference of the premiers of the three provinces interested, held during the present year, an attempt will presently be made to solve the question. There are difficulties in the way. The farmers secured the right to ship grain from railway sidings direct into freight cars, thereby preventing extortionate elevator rates, only after much effort, and while it is generally conceded that Government-owned elevators would prevent extortionate charges, it is thought that, even with the buildings under Government control, many farmers would continue shipping direct from sidings into cars, unless that method were prohibited by statute. They cherish a privilege which has been secured by a long struggle, and would be loath to give it up even for the sake of the boon of Government-owned elevators. Moreover, there are those who seem to fear that managed by the state, elevators might become subject to political patronage. This objection could be overcome by the appointment of commissioners who would be free from political or other influence or interference. The commissioners might also be given power to decide in the matter of weights and grades.

This is the week of weeks. Certainly things have been somewhat at sea in the marine department.

The municipal party slate has made its appearance, but the staunchest party men are not bound to regard it.

The Canadian West is reported to be flush of money. And western money flows eastward through the channels of business.

A Toronto clergyman is much disturbed over Hon. Sydney Fisher's call upon the Pope. The average Protestant on a European tour would consider it a privilege and honor to meet the Pope, or any other celebrity. The criticism of Mr. Fisher is puerile, and unworthy of a minister of the gospel.

The Stratford Beacon says the Niagara power bylaw, if adopted, will lay a heavy burden on that city for 20 years, and it doubts whether a single manufacturer would take power at the cheapest price at which the municipality could afford to sell it. The fact is that the power project is all right, and it may not. In the municipalities irrevocably committed to it, citizens may well hope for its success, and help it along from self-interest, if nothing else.

HIS IDEA OF BONANZA. (Pick-me-up.)

A certain man had a disastrous experience in gold mine speculations. One day a number of colleagues were discussing the subject of speculation, when one of them said to the speculator:

"Old chap, as an expert, give us a definition of the term 'bonanza.'"

"A 'bonanza,'" replied the experienced

man, with emphasis, "is a hole in the ground owned by a champion liar."

THE LAST STRAW.

(Boston Record.)
A young lady who wears one of this season's big hats has endured all the frowns and frowns cast at her chignon in dignified silence. The last straw, however, was the remark that a frigid makes every time he meets her. "Come out from under that hat," he calls. "We all know you are there!"

THE REVOLVER HABIT.

(Minneapolis Journal.)
Will the time ever come when the revolver will have had its day in America and be relegated with the sword, the dagger and the bludgeon? The revolver argument settles nothing but the contestants. It is a perpetual non sequitur, as childish as it is frightful, and as frightful as it is childish.

THE LAST THING HE DID.

(Exchange.)
The Powder Manufacturer—Fancy old Bill, of all people, going into the gunpowder shed with a lighted candle. "I should have thought that that would be the last thing he'd do."

GOOD PREVENTIVE.

(Chicago Tribune.)
"My washerwoman," Mrs. Lapsing was saying, "used to lose ever so many of my sheets and pillow cases, but she doesn't now. I mark them all with indelible ink."

AN ENJOYABLE WEDDING.

(Catholic Standard and Times.)
"Here I am, home again," said Mrs. Nagget, removing her wedding veil. "I was in plenty of time for the wedding, and I enjoyed it immensely."

THE MATRIMONIAL PROCESS.

(Boston Transcript.)
Youngley—Did you ever notice that the matrimonial process is like that of making a call? You go to address, you ring a bell, and you give your name to a maid.

MECHANICAL ILLNESS.

(Harper's Weekly.)
"Is this Dr. Smith?"
"Yes."
"Well, this is Mrs. Jones. I wish you would come over as soon as convenient; my cuckoo clock has a little throat trouble."

A GOOD REASON.

(The Father.)
Jack—"Uilo, Arthur, out of a job again?"
Wot's the matter at yer last place?
Arthur—Why, they kept a cash register.

A HOGTOWN JOKE.

(Toronto News.)
A man was seen late last night running furiously out of London (Ont.), pursued by a vicious and highly excited dog. He had called the River Thames a creek.

TRUE TO LIFE.

(Lustre Week.)
Photographer to young man—It will make a much better picture if you put your hand on your father's shoulder. The Father—Huh! It would be much more natural if he had his hand in my pocket.

HER REASON.

(Philadelphia Record.)
Nell—So she married that foreign nobleman, eh?
Belle—She didn't. She married him for a title.

PARLIAMENTARY BULLS.

(The Bice.)
Quite recently an Irish member in a speech concerning the housing question, declared that in Ireland at the present time "no fewer than 20,000 people live in one room." Several members suggested that "perhaps the honorable member could provide the dimensions of the one room referred to," while a general titter went round the House. In the House some months ago an enthusiastic M. P. made reference to the poor law and declared "that it was most unfair to send young men to the front, where they got shot, and then expect them to live on sixpence a day." The right honorable member well was running dry, and yet he thought that by setting to work with a pruning knife to bring grist to the mill.

POINTED.

(Pick.)
First Drummer—My firm made half a million in 1907.
Second Drummer—My firm made more than ten millions.

THE FLIGHT OF TIME.

(Pick.)
She was flattered by the remark.
"Oh, dearest," she faltered, clinging to him, "papa vows if you come here again I will kick you into the middle of next week."

A LOST OPPORTUNITY.

(Exchange.)
Mrs. Rytap—It just goes to show how youngsters of this generation neglect opportunities.
Mr. Rytap—What now, Mandy?
Mrs. Rytap—Why, when Zeke was home I used to try to make him take the mop and bucket and scrub up the hall. He wouldn't pay no heed, and now he writes that he is on a scrub team up at college, and I bet he doesn't know a thing about scrubbing.

"ALWAYS LOOKING AHEAD."

(Madrid Billo.)
We are so impatient nowadays, we live in such a fever of excitement and restlessness, that the word "future" is constantly recurring in our conversations. We never mention the past, we seldom speak of the present. It is always what we will do and what shall happen.

PROOF LACKING.

(Pick.)
Johnny—It didn't seem a bit like Christmas.
Mother—Why not?
Johnny—I didn't have a stomach ache.

ABILITY'S MEASURE.

(Washington Star.)
Cardinal Logue, during his visit to Ponticillo Hills, was asked how many sermons a preacher could prepare in a week. Smiling, Cardinal Logue answered:

"If the preacher is a man of extraordinary ability, he can prepare one sermon; if a man of average ability, two; if a blockhead, ten or twelve."

LOCAL COLOR.

(Toronto Star.)

The Emperor of China's private image of the god Shang turned up in Montreal. The deity may be pardoned for looking at the condition of the streets and thinking he was in Pekin.

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150 Pairs Ladies' Fine Vici Kid and Patent Colt, Hand-Turn Slippers, 1 to 8 straps, Regular price \$1.75 to \$2.75. Grover's prices \$1.23, \$1.39, \$1.49, \$1.69, \$1.89 and \$1.98.

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Ladies' Rubbers 47¢
Boys' Rubbers 67¢
Men's Rubbers 73¢

500 Pairs Ladies' Vici Kid, Velour Calf, Dongola and Patent Colt, Straight Lace and Blucher Cut. Regular prices \$1.50 to \$4. Grover's prices, \$1.19, \$1.39, \$1.49, \$1.69, \$1.98, \$2.19, \$2.29, \$2.49, \$2.89 and \$2.98.

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Letters Received by the Sunday Car Committee of London.

The citizens' Sunday car committee publishes the following from Toronto: Mayor Oliver—No abuses have resulted from Sunday cars in Toronto, and there is no serious objection to them.

H. J. Grassette, chief of police, Toronto—No abuses have resulted, and those persons who opposed them now use them extensively.

T. A. Lytle, alderman, Toronto—I was opposed to the introduction of Sunday cars, but I changed my mind and consider them as a distinct advantage. If the people were asked to vote on the question again the verdict would be almost, if not altogether, unanimous in their favor.

Ald. T. L. Church, Toronto—I worked against the introduction of Sunday cars here, but am forced to admit it was an error of judgment. I hope you will be successful.

Daniel Chisholm, alderman—The citizens of Toronto would be very loath to go back to the days of no Sunday cars. They are used for attending distant churches, visiting the hospitals, parks, etc., and are a benefit and a blessing.

Charles Bonnick, manager Ames-Holden Company—The men who operate the cars seem satisfied. They have their days off for the Sundays they work.

W. R. Brock, Toronto—I do not know one citizen in Toronto who is not favorable to Sunday cars. The prodigious number of evil results have gradually disappeared.

H. R. Richardson, manager Bank of Nova Scotia—The sentiment in favor of cars is overwhelming. Doctors use them instead of employing their own carriages. The mites of the city, men and horses, and clergymen find them a great convenience. Their operation entails the minimum amount of cost of Sunday labor.

J. W. Bengough, Toronto—I was strongly opposed to Sunday cars and voted against the proposition every time. I do not see that the traffic is attended with any marked evil.

Ald. Bredin—I have not heard of a single claim being made that any abuses have arisen as a result of Sunday cars. I opposed them at first.

Rev. Dr. Macklem, provost Trinity University—Sunday cars, by serving all classes, provide a maximum of convenience at the minimum of work.

R. R. Caldwell, pro-manager Royal Bank—When the subject was first brought up here some years ago, many were of the opinion that it would lead to Sabbath-breaking, but I believe all prejudice has been removed.

Editor Willison, the News—No abuses have resulted. Where there are congested centres, access to the parks for poor people, on the one hand, and the week, surely cannot be opposed by any convincing argument.

H. P. Sharpe, general agent Dominion Express Company—Knowing London as I do, I think that once the people of that prosperous city secure Sunday cars, they will wonder why they have been so long without them.

A. S. Vogt, conductor Mendelssohn Choir—Sunday cars are a great convenience. Before their introduction I was opposed to them, and voted against the proposition.

Canon Welch, St. James' Cathedral—I should be very sorry to see Sunday cars stop in this city.

Rev. Wm. Briggs—Multitudes use them for reaching their places of worship.

Rev. J. McLean Ballard, St. Anne's Church—By Sunday cars you get the greatest amount of convenience for the least amount of labor relatively.

CAMPBELL-STOVER
An Ex-Londoner Leads Sombra Lady to the Altar.

The home of Mrs. Joseph Stover was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Dec. 17, when her youngest daughter, Braude, was united in marriage to Dr. J. F. Campbell, formerly of London. Rev. C. W. Downs, of Port Lambton officiating.

At 12:30 o'clock, to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Mrs. W. W. Stover, the bride, accompanied by her brother, Capt. W. E. Stover, who gave her away, descended to the parlor. The rooms were decorated with palms, ferns, smilax and yellow and white chrysanthemums. Little Belle Martin, of St. Clair, Mich., dressed in white net over yellow silk, carried the ring in a large calia lily.

The bride wore a director's gown of white satin, trimmed with rose point lace, and hand embroidery and lilacs of the valley in her hair. Her travelling costume was green, with black hat

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David J. Hanbury of San Francisco Enriches His Wife.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The record Christmas gift of the season was made today, when David T. Hanbury turned over to his wife, property valued at \$4,000,000. Although Mrs. Hanbury assumes legal possession of the vast holdings, she will not exercise absolute control until after the death of her husband. Every effort was made to keep the transaction secret, but the facts became public.

The Hanburys figured prominently last spring in connection with a divorce suit, but just as the climax had been reached, after days of bitter charges and recrimination, they forgave and forgot, and decided to begin life together again. Mrs. Hanbury, at one time a telephone girl, has now become one of the wealthiest women in California.

A six-course dinner was served by Mrs. Henderson, of Sarnia.

"The Cowboy Girl."

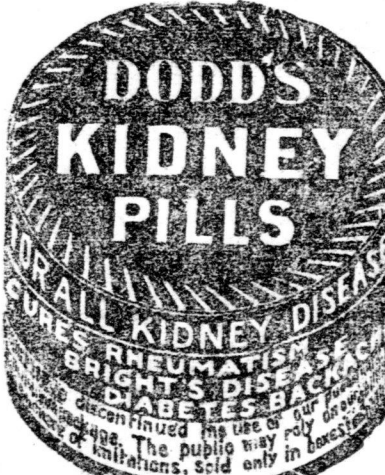
What is called the most novel and attractive kind of a theatrical performance is the play called "The Cowboy Girl," which comes to the Grand Opera House tomorrow. The costumes are bright, fresh-looking and colorful. The scenery is picturesque and the cast is said to be all that can be desired. There are seven original song hits, introduced by a brilliant chorus of pretty girls.

Bennett's New Pictures.

The feature picture today and tomorrow at Bennett's will be "The Call of the Wild," a moving picture play based on the great Indian play, in which Robert Edson starred "Strongheart." The balance of the bill consists of some of the very best motion pictures and illustrated songs ever given in this city.

"Brewster's Millions."

There were fair-sized audiences on Saturday, matinee and evening, at the Grand, to see "Brewster's Millions." As on the Friday performance the audience was greatly pleased with the play, which is one of the most wholesome and delightful seen here this season. With Manager McLeish's guarantee attached it could not but suit. Mr. Edward Abeles, as Monty Brewster, again made a good impression.



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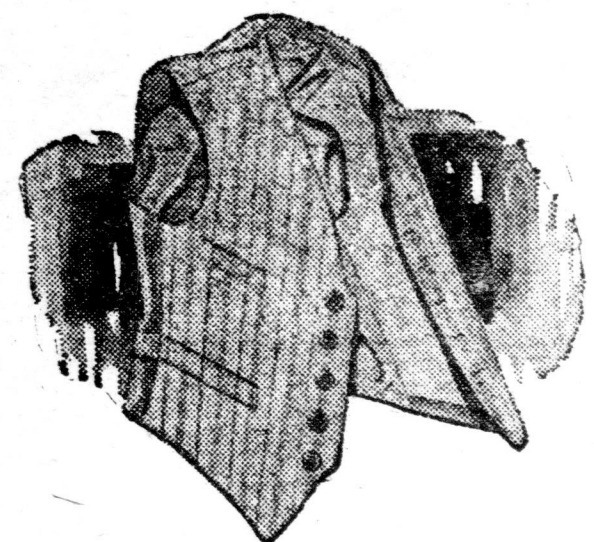
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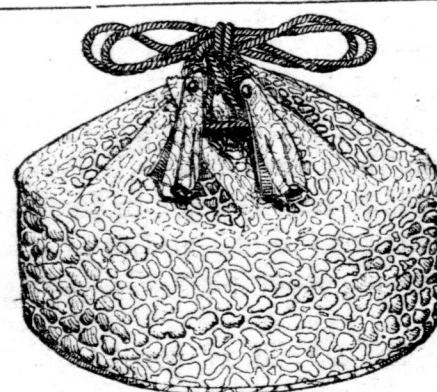
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EXPERT URGES STUDY OF SOUL

Professor Muensterberg Says Colleges Must Teach Practical Psychology.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Psychology practicalized and applied expertly in every walk of life was advocated and predicted last night by Hugo Muensterberg, professor of experimental psychology at Harvard University in addressing the Commercial Club members at their banquet in the Congress Hotel. Professor Muensterberg declared that the time was fast approaching when every university in the country would be forced to establish psychological laboratories and conduct expert classes in the subject which he considered of vast importance.

"Scientific psychology," he said, "would be of great benefit to the teacher, the physician, the lawyer, the businessman, the artist, the laborer, the manufacturer, and, in fact, men in every sphere of human existence. Experi-

mental laboratories and the benefits already attained from discoveries made have been underestimated in the professor's opinion, and he sought to convince his auditors of the great importance of the subject.

Sees Danger in Misuse.

The dangers of misuse of psychology by men not scientifically familiar with the subject, Professor Muensterberg emphasized, and to safeguard against abuses, the mistakes of Christian Science in applying mind over matter, of other mind cures and "clap-trap" hypnotism, he urged the necessity of experimental scientific laboratories where men and women can be trained to thoroughly understand the subject.

"That thousands of persons are cured of indispositions and disease by Christian Science and other mind cures there is no doubt," said Professor Muensterberg. "But all these diseases are pathological. Mental suggestion cannot cure organic disease. Only such disease as mentality can affect can this be cured. Even pain can be cured and an organic disease remain. Pain is mental effect and can be overcome by suggestion according to the suggestibility of the patient. In this way there is danger in that the functional is not differentiated from the organic disease. Scientific psychology will lead to proper diagnosis of such cases to determine how the patient should be treated.

"For example, I have never in all my experiences seen a case of stammering that was cured by hypnotism, because the disease is both functional and organic. Another thing that is dangerous is overuse of suggestion, which, while curing one disease, will produce another. Reckless use of mental suggestion may produce hysteria and mental disturbances that are disastrous.

"From the religious point of view in which clergymen resort to the use of mental suggestion without a proper and thorough understanding of psychology, there is danger, because if the patient hopes for cure only in religion and is not cured he loses his religion. On the other hand, the clergyman, apt to realize that, resorts of hypnotism, to charlatanry and other clap-trap suggestion, which results disastrously, and threatens the peril that religion is drawn down to a low standard."

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WOMEN TO VOTE MAY BE SOLDIERS

Suffragist in France Willing to Serve in the Army to Obtain Desire.

Paris, Dec. 19.—In English-speaking countries the only opposition to women's suffrage has been popular tradition and a certain immaturity of the women's part for civic responsibilities. But in France, aside from the usual Gallic conservatism that greets any attempts at feminine emancipation, there is another barrier. That is the compulsory army service which every voter must undergo as a component part of his citizenship.

Dr. Madeleine Pelletier, president of the Women's Solidarity League, who recently attracted considerable attention by hinting in a vague sort of way that she was ready to do military service in exchange for a vote, has followed up that statement by giving a complete exposition of her views on the interesting subject.

"Of course, the conscript service is

a logical necessity if women are granted the right to vote," she explained. "Although I am the first to proclaim my willingness for such service, there are many French women who would do likewise, only they aren't courageous enough to say so.

"I know the idea sounds ridiculous at first, but that is mainly because of its novelty. Naturally I don't mean to advocate army service without any qualifications. I don't expect women to serve in the rank and file—at least, at present. However, only two-thirds of the army is given over to active field work. The other third have much more passive duties. These duties women could perform as well as men. For instance, they could help in the manufacture of army supplies, could make uniforms and shoes. The provision department could be turned over to them and they could work in the stables and kitchens, could act as orderlies, and, of course, serve on the medical staff. Later, when popular opinion had grown more accustomed to the idea, women could serve regularly in the infantry, cavalry and artillery. They could wear uniforms like zouaves.

Would Make It Optional.

"Naturally the majority of French women, however great their civic zeal, will prefer to renounce their pretensions to the vote rather than serve. I would overcome that difficulty in this way. The vote would be granted only

to those who were willing to do their service and, as a compensation for their public spirit, certain privileges would be granted them after their term of service was over. For example, women who had served would be assured positions in the Government with a pension after so many years. They could be postmistresses, could be given charge of the tobacco shops which are under state control or could be employed as Government clerks.

"Believe me, there are many women of the lower classes—and, of course, these privileges would hardly appeal to the smart set—who have to work any way and who would be glad to serve one year with the prospect of an assured income afterward."

According to reports submitted to the State Board of Charities it is estimated that the business depression of the past year involved an increased expenditure on that part of New York State for charitable purposes of over \$2,000,000, a sum largely in excess of that of other years.

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LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD OF SPORTS

Coverpoint's Philosophy

A. Shrub, prize orator of the athletic world, will be given a match at the Marathon distance in the spring. In the meantime, the speeches we must enjoy.

The Rochester yacht will sail over the Canada cup course this summer all by their lonelines, and will claim the championship of the inland waters by this remarkable feat. Great!

Borondo and Longboat will run in Buffalo on New Year's Day, and the game little Italian will have another opportunity to "pluga da foot" for the edification of his compatriots.

We will know all about the Burns-Johnson embroglio late Christmas night or early Saturday morning. There is a difference in the time of about 15 hours, and that will allow us to hear the results at least on Saturday.

Alfie Shrub was in Boston when Flanagan was in New York, but as soon as Flanagan moved out the Detroit orator went to New York and commenced to orate. Alfie generally arrives late.

The Italians of New York would have done better to have placed that diamond medal in Dorando's stocking rather than taking a chance with the Indian.

The Frieside League have reported few deals during the past few days. Detroit fans are still shouting for Moriarity.

Lily Langtry, who has been racing horses for some time, will write notes for excitement. It should be the best seller of the year.

While one is talking of the merry-go-round race tracks at Fort Erie and other places, the racing of itself is not so bad, but the retinue that follows it causes trouble, and will eventually put it on the eternal blink. It's time to get busy.

That Turk "rassler," Yousoop Mammoth, is winning them all easily in Chicago, Ill., and will soon come through with a match with Gutch.

The local hockey players are in good trim and are just waiting for the bell to start. London should have a good team. They will be well trained and well coached.

The Princess Rink is in much better shape to handle hockey crowds than ever before. A fine gallery has been erected at the south end, capable of seating a couple of hundred. The north gallery has been enlarged, and the sides improved greatly for the spectators. The ice surface has been shortened perhaps six feet, but it is still quite large enough. There will

Moriarity Sold to Detroit Tigers

New York, Dec. 21.—George Moriarity will not be with the Highlanders next season. He has been sold to the Detroit team, and will be the regular third baseman on the American League two-time championship team next season. The deal has been pending for a long time, but Owner Farrell and Manager Stallings could not get the first offers made by the Detroit team.

The first one was an even trade for Bill Goughlin, the veteran third sacker of the Tigers, who is about all in a player. Nothing doing in that trade. Then Jennings came through with an

CANADA CUP RACE OFF

Attempt To Patch Up Differences by Detroit Conference Fails.

Detroit, Dec. 21.—Determined efforts to end the controversy between Rochester, N. Y., Yacht Club and the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto and to restore the prospect of a Canada's Cup race in 1909 came to naught Saturday at a meeting of the council of the Yacht Racing Union held at the Hotel Cadillac in this city. Aemillus Jarvis, of Toronto, explained the attitude of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club and Commodore T. B. Pritchard, of the Rochester Yacht Club, spoke for the Rochester yachtmen.

The Canadians stood firmly on their contention that the yacht Seneca, having been built on salt water and once owned at India Harbor, N. Y., was not entitled to compete for the Canada Cup, which they asserted was aimed to provide an exclusively fresh water trophy similar to the America's Cup on salt water. The Canadians also charged that the Seneca did not comply with the sailing restrictions now in force in the union. But they held this to be a secondary point and had withdrawn their challenge when the Rochester Club in agreeing to arbitrate the sailing point of controversy, Commodore Pritchard said at the meeting that Mr. Jarvis, owner of the Seneca, ordered that boat built primarily for a Canada Cup contestant and had a perfect right to take her to salt water for other contests. Commodore Pritchard argued that the membership of Mr. Jarvis in the Rochester Club fixed the eligibility of his boat regardless of any races she might have entered elsewhere.

At Saturday's meeting several amendments to the rules of the Yacht Racing Union were adopted to bring the rules on the Great Lakes into uniformity with those in effect on the Atlantic Coast.

Three M. C. R. crews, laid off at St. Thomas, owing to the embargo on cattle, have been put back to work. Increased freight business is the reason.

WELCOME ACCORDED VICTORIOUS INDIAN

Toronto Admirers Give the Great Indian a Rousing Ovation Saturday Evening.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—A crowd of perhaps two hundred faithful gathered last night at the Union station to welcome home the greatest of all long distance runners, Tom Longboat.

At 8:20 the train from Buffalo slipped into the Union station, and the people immediately crowded around. As Tom Flanagan and Tom Longboat stepped on the platform they were swamped with congratulations. The crowd surged toward the exit and the train shed echoed and re-echoed with cheers and cries of "Dear old Longboat," and "the dear old boy" was soon hoisted to the shoulders of his admirers and was carried well beyond the station to the carriages in waiting.

Arrival at Riverdale.

Exactly at 9:56 there was a commotion at a dark entrance to the Riverdale Hotel, and everyone was on edge. Harry Peters and Eddie McHugh were just preparing for a bout, but they hastily removed their gloves and stepped out of the ring. All necks were craned toward the dark corner, and about half a dozen policemen were seen bobbing in and out.

A minute later big Tim O'Rourke stepped into the glare of the mercury light, and was given a rousing cheer by the two thousand or more present. Then Claude Pearce strode in, while his Worship Mayor Oliver and Alderman Tommy Church crawled through the ropes on the other side of the ring.

Longboat Arrives.

Tommy, the hero, came next, his face wreathed in the only Longboat smile. In an instant the crowd was on his feet and were wildly cheering for their idol. Up into the ring he climbed, and was given a rousing cheer by the two thousand or more present.

"There is no need to introduce Tom Longboat," said Lou Marsh, and then the crowd broke again at the mention of his name, and it was several minutes before Mayor Oliver could speak.

The Mayor Talks.

"On behalf of the city of Toronto," said his worship, as he grasped Longboat's hand, "I take great pleasure in welcoming you. It is always a pleasure to welcome winners in every class of sport, but the return of the long-distance champion of the world is a great occasion indeed. I hope you will live long and enjoy the honor."

Flanagan to Shrub.

"I'll tell you what we are going to do," he said. "We want you to race Tom Longboat on New Year's Day for the distance of 35 miles and 33 furlongs. If you win, we are willing to race him at the Woodbine or Exhibition grounds, where there is lots of room, tomorrow or any time for the Marathon distance for a side bet of \$5,000, but never at Madison Square Garden."

Longboat's "Speech."

Longboat tried to step over the ropes, but the crowd called on him for a speech. Two or three minutes he said a word, but he refused. He requested Lou Marsh, however, to say for him that he was proud he was a Canadian.

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SATURDAY'S SOCCER FOOTBALL RESULTS

League—First Division.

Manchester 2, Aston Villa 0. Woodwich 4, 0, Manchester U. 1. Notts C. 0, Bradford 0. Newcastle U. 2, Blackburn R. 0. Bristol City 1, Chelsea 0. Preston N. E. 1, Sunderland 0. Middlesbrough 4, Nottingham F. 0. Liverpool 2, Sheffield U. 1. Sheffield Wednesday 4, Bury 2. Leicester Fosse 0, Everton 2.

League—Second Division.

Birmingham 1, Glossop 2. Bolton W. 2, Clapton Orient 0. Bradford 0, Tottenham Hot. 2. Burnley 1, Hull City 0. West Ham U. 2, Reading 1. Gainsboro T. 2, Chesterfield T. 0. Grimsby Town 2, Blackpool 1. Oldham A. 6, Leeds City 0. West Brom A. 2, Stockport C. 0. Wolverhampton W. 2, Barnsley 0.

Southern League.

West Ham U. 2, Reading 1. Brighton 2, Norwich City 0. Crystal Palace 3, Watford 1. Brentford 2, Bristol R. 2. Luton 6, Coventry 1. Swindon 4, Southend 2. Portsmouth 2, Millwall 0. Exeter 1, New Brompton 2. Plymouth A. 0, Northampton 2. Leyton 3, Southampton 1. The Australians, scored 5 to Newport's 2.

INGERSOLL SHOOTERS MEET NEW YEAR'S DAY

The Ingersoll Gun Club will hold its annual shoot on New Year's Day for the W. J. Elliott trophy. The event will take place at the Ingersoll Gun Club grounds. This is the third year of competition for the trophy, and has done much to improve the scores of the members of the club. New Year's Day promises to witness a very close contest.

THE TURF.

Los Angeles, Dec. 21.—Saturday's winners were: Raconteur 3 to 2, Yankee Daughter 13 to 5, Nagazan 4 to 1, Restigouche 13 to 5, Logistilla 9 to 2, Fajortilla 9 to 2.

There were only six cases of scarlet fever in Ingersoll during the year and little other contagious disease. It was one of the healthiest years on record. The Stratford majority will be conducted along strictly political lines, it is said.

JENNINGS GLAD HE DIDN'T WIN

Is Looking to the Future and Wants To Land Three Flags in a Row.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Several days ago Hughey Jennings found himself the centre of a group of friends and admirers. They were congratulating him on his success in winning the American League pennant two years in succession and offering their regret that the Tigers were defeated by the Cubs as many times, and here is Hughey's reply:

"I thank you for your kind expressions, but really I'm not sorry. It's a great honor, I admit, but I am looking to the future. I must confess that the Cubs are the greatest club in the world, the greatest today, as I think some of the old-timers, Baltimore and the Cleveland Spiders, for instance, had something on the present world's champions."

"I fully realize that it would have been a feather in my cap had the Tigers won the world's title, but had we defeated the Cubs I do not think that we would have won the 1909 American League pennant, and that is my ambition."

"Over-confidence would have lost us the pennant—not the lack of ability. At the state of last season, the greatest of the season, when we were imbued with confidence, they were intoxicated with their success of a year before, and they did not awaken until we were gracing, or rather disgracing, last place."

"Again, later in the season, when we returned from the final eastern trip, the boys appeared to lose interest in their work. They felt that the pennant had already been won and did not put forth their best efforts. Every baseball fan recalls the close shave the Tigers had, and had my boys not awakened just when they did either Cleveland or Chicago would have won the pennant."

"Had the Tigers won the 1909 world's championship, the chances are we would not have a look-in at the American League pennant next season and I surely want to make it three in a row. The White Sox won a little over success. The Chicago Cubs won the world's championship in 1907. Everybody knows how they nosed out a winner in the National League in 1905. The White Sox won the world's title in 1906, but could not win the American League flag the year following."

"My boys are only human, and, of course, they would have crowded loud and did not put forth their best efforts. They would have wanted every body to realize that they were cooks of the walk and monarchs of all baseball. Therefore I am glad we did not win from the Cubs."

SWORD PIERCES NECK IN FENCING CONTEST

New York Physician, by Breaking of Foil, Nearly Kills Opponent.

New York, Dec. 18.—That Dr. Calvin T. Adams, a prominent physician of 34 East Thirty-third street, nearly slew his opponent in a fencing match in the New York Athletic Club Wednesday, when he ran him through the throat with a broken foil, and then saved the man's life, was learned today. The wounded man is Robert Miller, a master of the foils, and assistant to James Murray, jun., head of the fencing school of the club.

Instructor Miller had fenced with Dr. Adams on many occasions. They got together in the fencing rooms on Wednesday afternoon when there was no one there. For an hour they fought desperately to touch each other and then, in a powerful lunge, Dr. Adams, with a broken foil, ran his opponent through the neck with the point stood out behind.

Without a cry Miller sank to the floor, clutching spasmodically at the foil. Dr. Adams, fearing that he had killed his man, shouted for help, and pulling the broken blade from Miller's throat, picked him up and rushed downstairs to the washroom.

Dr. Adams made a hasty examination, and finding that there was no danger of death, deftly cleaned and dressed the wound, and the injured man was taken to his home. If the thrust had been half an inch more to the right it would have severed the great veins of the neck and Miller would have bled to death.

Miller was at the athletic club today for the first time since the accident. His neck was still in bandages and he was unable to turn his head.

WARRIOR-POET PRINCE

Nicholas, Ruler of Montenegro, in a Warlike Mood.

London, Dec. 19.—The Daily Mail Corbin correspondent telegraphs an interview with Prince Nicholas, the ruler of Montenegro, who is described as a picturesque figure in native dress and with a pistol in his belt, looking like a warrior, and talking like a statesman or a poet. Prince Nicholas spoke bitterly of the dashing of the Montenegro's hopes, and said one day the Slavs' ambitions would be realized, and the provinces they had conquered would be restored to them. He declared that only the cessation of the territory would satisfy his people's needs. He had undertaken to regain his people until the international congress determined their fate, but if this last hope failed, he said, he must resign himself to their wishes.

"I know the expense we would have in war, but we would rather end our 500 years of glorious independence in battle than die a miserable, lingering death."

The prince intimated that he would be satisfied with the possession of Spessia, and the granting of autonomy to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In the singular appearance reported to a Paris medical society by Drs. Chaffard and Vidal, a man and his wife were taken with pneumonia within a few hours of each other, and the disease ran an almost identical course in each case. Their illness began on a day in June following one on which they drank much cold water from a well. On cold not have taken the disease from the other, as is usual in family epidemics and common unfavorable surroundings could hardly have had a simultaneous effect. The pneumonia germs from the well water inculcated the patients seemed to be the only solution possible.

VICTIONS OF A PICTURE.

The note on the vicissitudes of Leonardo's "Mona Lisa" picture, "Last Supper," reminds a correspondent of the strange experiences of Holbein's "Field of the Cloth of Gold," which may be seen any day at Hampton Court palace. After the downfall of Charles I. Cromwell, in order to raise funds, proposed the sale of certain pictures, this among the number. The bargain was already made, but when the would-be purchaser came to inspect Holbein's masterpiece he discovered that the head of Henry VIII. had been cut from the canvas. He naturally withdrew his offer, and the picture was preserved to the nation. On the restoration of a nobleman confessed to having committed the theft for love of art and his country, and he returned the missing head, which now occupies the original position in the canvas. The nobleman made the knife is still plainly visible—London Chronicle.

PLEADED IN VAIN WITH NIGHTRIDERS

Col. Taylor on Stand Tells of the Brutal Murder of His Companion.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 21.—By the evidence of Col. R. L. Taylor, who was with Capt. Quentin Rankin at the time he was murdered by night riders at Reelfoot Lake, whose story was told on the witness stand Saturday, and that of Frank Fehring, who will be placed on the stand this morning, the state expects to weave a net around the eight alleged men now on trial that will mean their conviction.

Through the evidence presented to the present the state has been able to identify only three of the eight, Garrett Johnson, T. D. Burton and Roy Ransom, but upon Fehring it expects to identify the others.

Through Fehring, it is expected the oath, signs, passwords and ritual of the night riders will be revealed. Fearing that a demonstration may be made against Fehring the authorities have prepared to take unusual precautions to prevent such while he is testifying. Fehring says he was present at the time the murder was committed and knows the name of every man who was present.

The defense will depend solely upon alibis and for that purpose has summoned nearly a hundred citizens of the Reelfoot Lake district to testify as to the whereabouts of the indicted men on the night of Oct. 19.

The evidence of Col. Taylor was to the effect that he and Capt. Rankin went to Reelfoot Lake to attend to some legal business regarding land in that section. They retired that night at the village hotel.

Late in the night Colonel Taylor said that a mob of masked men, heavily armed, came to their room and the mob of night riders commanded them to get up and dress. The night riders separated Taylor from Rankin, and Taylor did not see Rankin from the time they left their room until he saw Rankin murdered. They told Taylor they proposed to kill him. Some distance from the hotel they halted Taylor and marched Rankin to the foot of a tree. A rope was adjusted and thrown over a limb. A night rider said: "Give him time to pray."

"I have attended to that," was Rankin's quiet reply. Some of the masked band seized the rope and drew Rankin up until the toes scarcely touched the ground. Col. Taylor said to the mob: "Gentlemen, I am an old man. I cannot expect to live many years more. By killing me you will not be cheating me of much. But Captain Rankin is a young man with many years before him. Do not kill him."

The leader curtly replied: "Shut up!" From the lips of the swaying figure of Rankin came the muffled appeal: "You are choking me, gentlemen, I pray you to let me down."

Then one of the riders fired a shot into the body of Rankin. Instantly there was a fusillade. The body was riddled. Taylor suddenly jumped into the slough nearby. Instantly the firing was renewed. Taylor dove, but heard the bullets striking the water. He swam to the water to a log. From the bank came yells and shots. The bullets struck the log like hail, but they gradually ceased. For two hours the aged veteran of many battles lay in the water grasping the log and when all sounds had ceased he swam to the opposite side and took to the woods. He wandered many hours. His eyesight began to fail, and he suffered fearfully from thirst. Then he heard the sound of a gun. He saw masked men in every thicket. Finally thirst drove him out of the woods and into the arms of his friends.

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PLUMAGE HUNTERS WERE MAROONED

Four Japanese Picked Up From Lonely Isle After Months of Suffering.

Midway Island, Pacific Ocean, Dec. 19.—Stress of weather which compelled the Commercial Pacific Cable Company's schooner Florence Ward to deviate from her course from Honolulu to the cable station here, and run to Leachman Island for shelter, was the means of bringing about the rescue of three marooned Japanese plumage hunters from further torture, and probably from death from disease and starvation.

Originally there were four men of the party, but one of them died. The schooner which landed the men on the island, and was to have returned for them, is supposed to have been lost.

The Florence Ward, commanded by Capt. Piltz, was bringing supplies here from Honolulu, when a heavy gale broke, and she was compelled to seek shelter at Leachman Island, 30 miles southeast of Midway. Distress signals were observed on shore, and Capt. Piltz sent a small boat to investigate. Three Japanese sailors were found. Two of them were suffering from scurvy. The other man also was in bad shape. The Japanese were immediately taken aboard the Florence Ward, where they were given food and fresh clothing. Through an interpreter one of the Japanese told a pathetic tale of their trials on the island.

He said that for three months they had been without any food except fish and the flesh of sea-birds. No fresh water was obtainable and they were compelled to drink crudely distilled sea water.

When a fire was needed they were compelled to light it by concentrating the rays of the sun upon small pieces of tin under the crystal of a watch.

According to the story of the Japanese, the schooner Kioho Maru, of Shinagawa, Tokio, Capt. Singia, put into Leachman about July 1 and landed four men. From what could be learned the task of the men presumably was to collect the plumage of sea-birds. The Kioho Maru departed a few days later, leaving one month's provisions for the men on the island, intending shortly to return and take them off. She never returned.

Shortly after the departure of the schooner, a terrific storm broke, and huge seas swept over the island, carrying away with them most of the supplies and effects of the marooned men. On what was left they subsisted as long as it lasted and then were compelled to live on fish and sea-birds.

APPENDIX HAS ITS USE

Tube That Causes All the Trouble Useful to the Surgeons.

New York, Dec. 19.—A London dispatch to the Times says: The vermiform appendix, which has been looked upon hitherto as useless, and even a dangerous organ, has at last justified its existence, according to a statement made by the surgeon of a London hospital, where the appendix has been shown to be a great help in treating diseases of the lower intestines.

"One of the greatest difficulties of medicine," said the surgeon, "is to apply medicine to the lower intestines. The appendix has now been made use of as a short cut by which we can gain ready access to this part of the digestive duct."

The new operation is to cut down to the appendix, just as in an ordinary appendicitis operation; but instead of cutting out this organ, it is threaded through the various layers of muscles in the abdominal wall, and attached to the skin. It is then opened, and by a tube, passed through its lumen passage, any necessary medicine may be applied directly to the mucous membrane of the lower intestine. The appendix may with safety remain open in this position, for the muscles of the abdominal wall act as a sufficient guard.

This is a matter of importance since in ulcerative conditions of the intestines it is necessary to continue medication for weeks or months. This making use of the appendix does not lessen its danger as a favorite focus for ulceration, but it removes some of the stigma which has hitherto been attached to it by the profession.

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SURGEON MURPHY EXONERATES SEED

Does Not Cause Appendicitis, the Origin of Which is a Mystery.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Grape seeds and tight lacing as causes of appendicitis were eliminated by Dr. John L. Murphy in a lecture last night at the Public Library Building in the free course offered by the Chicago Medical Society.

"No one has been able to discover the cause of the inflammation of the appendix," he said. "Some people charge it up to rheumatism, others to measles. There are persons who believe that overfed people get it, others that underfed people are most liable to have the trouble, but no surgeon has ever discovered the real cause."

"But we do know appendicitis in all of its nature and in the destruction that it produces. It is more common in summer than in winter; it is more common among men than among women, in the ratio of about four to one; it is more common among boys than among girls, so that the old idea that light lacing was a cause seems to be dissipated. It is something that we cannot run away from, because it is found in all quarters of the globe. There are countries, perhaps, where they still call it inflammation of the bowels, but that is because they have not recognized it as appendicitis."

"There is no disease where the symptoms are more uniform, and it is one of the easiest of diseases to diagnose. First there is the pain, then the nausea, then the soreness due to local pressure, and, lastly, the elevation of the temperature. The appendix can float around in a large space, and while it is generally on the right side it has been found on the left side. Under the times when the pain entirely disappears and the patient may still be on the lightning express to death. The sudden cessations of pain are due to ruptures, which allow a discharge into free cavities, temporarily relieving the pressure."

"It is a dangerous disease, because the appendix can fill up and the patient die in thirty-one hours. Therefore, prostration is the cause of inflammation of the bowels, which was the name it was formerly known by, was an extremely fatal disease, and appendicitis would be just as fatal if it were not for the surgeon's skill in removing the appendix before it had an opportunity to rupture and send its fiery and poisonous discharge into the vital organs of the body. Some times nature protects life by causing a discharge into natural channels."

"The mortality rate with medical treatment alone is about 20 per cent, while it is less than one-fifth of 1 per cent under surgical treatment if operated on in its incipient stages. No surgeon has ever been discovered that will cause a cure."

According to official statistics over 700 forest fires occurred in the Adirondack New York State, this year. They burned over 177,476 acres and involved a property loss of \$643,986, apart from \$128,000 spent fighting them. If reasonable preventive measures had been taken, the loss would have been only a fraction of

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A Pittsburgh detective agency has sent out a circular offering \$2,500 reward to any person who will furnish positive information as to the present whereabouts of Mrs. W. A. Stone (Bertha May Stone), who left her home in Uniontown, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1908. The suggestion is that she was accompanied by or is now with Emory Martin, also of Uniontown. It is thought that Mrs. Stone is mentally unbalanced, and her estranged husband, W. A. Stone, earnestly desires that his wife be located and tenderly cared for until he can be notified.

No Criminal Charge.

There is no criminal charge pending against either of the missing parties. The motive of the husband in offering and pledging himself to pay the \$2,500 reward is to quickly locate his missing wife, whom he still loves and cherishes, and whose little children need their mother's care. It is thought that if he can be located, that Emory Martin can give information as to Mrs. Stone's whereabouts.

The Description.

Mrs. Stone is an American woman, 32 years old, about 5 feet 5 1/2 inches tall, and weighs 125 pounds. Her eyes are of a clear blue, and her hair chestnut brown. She is very fond of amusements, and likes to attend theatres. Mrs. Stone is well supplied with money, and the circular states that she is very likely to be found outside of the United States.

Emory Stone is a young American 30 years old, 5 feet 7 1/4 inches tall, and weighs 145 pounds. He is of slender build, smooth-faced, with brown eyes and very black hair, parted at the right side. During the Spanish war he joined the army at Connelleyville, enlisting in the Forty-first Regiment, and served in the Philippines.

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City and District**A Lucan Wedding.**

A quiet wedding took place in Lucan Wednesday when Miss E. Ida McFall, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McFall, was married to Cambridge W. Hawshaw, reeve of Lucan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. R. Stevenson, of the Presbyterian Church, Mr. Costelloe.

Sarnia Observer (Saturday): W. J. Costelloe, local manager for the Bell Telephone Company, is on duty again after a severe attack of illness. Mr. Costelloe arrived here yesterday from his home at London. His many friends are pleased to welcome him back to town.

R. L. Stratton, who has been acting manager during the illness of Mr. Costelloe, has returned home to Hamilton.

Late Mrs. Eedy.

The funeral of Mrs. J. W. Eedy was held yesterday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. From the family residence, 344 Grosvenor street. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. E. Malott. The pall-bearers were Messrs. C. F. Eedy, L. Harrison, A. Patterson, E. G. McRoberts, N. Bid-yea and V. Westman.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE

Presentation to Mrs. (Rev.) Holmes by Dorchester Ladies.

A very pleasant surprise was given to Mrs. (Rev.) Holmes on Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, at the Methodist parlour of Dorchester, when the members of the W. M. E. assembled and presented Mrs. Holmes with a life membership certificate in their society.

An excellent address was read by Mrs. E. McCann, expressing in warm terms their appreciation of her untiring efforts as president of the society since her residence among them.

Mrs. Holmes is much esteemed for her kindness, sympathy and lovable disposition, as well as for her zeal in the missionary cause, by the ladies of the society mentioned, and by all who have been and are counted among her friends.

Their kind hostess was taken completely by surprise, but replied in feeling terms of gratitude and affection.

Rev. Mr. Holmes followed with suitable words of appreciation, counsel and hope for future success of the society and church in general, speaking very highly of the work done by the ladies of the church since his pastorate there. This was followed by music and lunch, after which the ladies returned home, accompanied by the good wishes of their hostess.

SECOND OF SERIES**AT CONSERVATORY**

Recital on Saturday Afternoon Proved Very Interesting.

Following is the programme of the second of a series of Saturday afternoon recitals, being given at Conservatory Hall: "In Rank and File," (Lange), Miss Irene Simson; "Spinning Song," (Ellmenreich), Miss Jennie Weismann; "In Rank and File," (Lange), Master Wilfred Glenn; "Rustic Dance," (Gronest), Miss Carrie Bear; "Morning Salutation," (Barron), Miss Dorothy Thomson; "Love Song," (Nevin), Miss Barbara Brown; Valse in E flat, (Durand), Miss Dorothy Mitchell; "Sing On," (Denza), Miss Myrtle Hunt; "Melodie," (Faderewski), Miss Emma McCartney; Polonaise in A maj, (Chopin), Miss Helen Weid; Prelude, (Bach), Miss Lillian Chute; "Indian Love Lyrics," (Lehmann), Miss Mona Fitzgerald; "Hark, Hark, the Lark," (List), Miss Elsie Hedley; Sonata op. 15, (Beethoven), Miss Lillian Leach; Berceuse, (Chopin), Miss Kate Wilson.

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Mr. Francis A. Strauch's Lecture in the Auditorium on

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Mr. Francis A. Strauch, of Kalamazoo, Mich., spoke yesterday afternoon in the Auditorium before a crowded audience upon the subject of "The Modern Prodigal." The lecture was illustrated with stereopticon views.

Mr. Strauch made a strong appeal for what Miss Willard had called "The White Life," and showed how any compromise with sin was sure to lead downward. Sin was a deadly thing which touched, leaving nothing pure or holy or of good report.

Mr. Strauch told of many a downfall that had come under his own observation, all due to some slight loosening of the moral fibre. In closing Mr. Strauch made an appeal for a whole-hearted service on the part of the young men in the cause which they knew to be just and right, and paid a glowing tribute to the work of the Y. M. C. A. in caring and fostering a love of truth and right.

A POPULAR COUPLE**WEDDED IN TORONTO**

Marriage of Miss Isabella Neil to Capt. Porter of the Grenadiers.

At St. Peter's Church, Toronto, at 3 o'clock, the marriage was quietly solemnized of Isabel, daughter of Mr. John H. Neil, Captain of the city, formerly of London, to Capt. Charles H. Porter, of the Royal Grenadiers, Toronto. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Walter Greulich, of Brighton, brother-in-law of the groom, and Mr. Gurney was at the organ. As the bride entered the church with her father, she was escorted by the bridegroom, who was wearing a tuxedo with rose point lace and bands of satin.

Coronet of lilacs of the valley caught up her tulle veil, and she wore a pearl necklace, the gift of the groom, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Her sister, Miss Gora Neil, attended her as bridesmaid in an Empire gown of mauve silk, crepe de chene and beige Irish lace, with white beaver hat with plumes and gold trimming, her bouquet being of mauve orchids.

The bride's brother, Mr. L. H. Neil, of New Liskeard, and Capt. Adams, of the Grenadiers, acted as ushers, Major Darrell R. Warren being best man. Afterwards a reception was held for the immediate relatives, and later Capt. and Mrs. Porter left for New York, the bride wearing a taupe director's costume, with rose-trimmed hat and mink furs. They will reside at 13 Poplar Plains road on their return.

A TRIBUTE TO THE**LATE MISS BOOMER**

Rev. Mr. Rutledge's Touching Reference in the First Methodist Church.

At the morning service in the First Methodist Church on Sunday, Rev. Mr. Rutledge referred to the great loss the church had sustained in the sudden death of Miss Boomer. She had filled so large a place in the church life and work, as teacher in the Sunday school, leader of the musical service in the prayer meeting, and in many other department of church work. She had been so devoted a helper that her place would be almost impossible to fill. He also voiced the profound sympathy of the congregation with Mr. and Mrs. Boomer in their bereavement.

At the Sunday school, also, the pastor spoke to the scholars about the life of their teacher, who last Sunday had been in her place with her class. The influence of her beautiful and useful life would be an abiding blessing to them.

HIGH COURT DEALS**WITH LOCAL CASES**

The weekly sitting of the high court was held on Saturday, sitting under Mr. Justice Anglin.

The case of the John Kennedy estate, an action to determine the manner of the distribution of the estate among the widows and nephews, and for the payment into court of certain shares. The court directed that no order be made as to whether certain grandchildren should share in the estate or not, in view of previously decided cases. Subject to the opinion of the court.

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