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AN INTERESTING WEEK!

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We have laid out a splendid assortment of the most correct weaves, including French Cheviots. Satin Cloths, Canvas Cloths, Armures, Eolines, Etc., and have divided them into four prices 39c, 59c, 69c, 98c. Each price represents a saving to you of 25 per cent. and more.

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ALD. SCULLARD ENTERTAINS

Members Of The Council And Newspaper Men Are Banquetted

A PLEASANT EVENING

Last evening after the Council meeting, Ald. Thomas Scullard banqueted his colleagues at the Board and the reporters at his home on Victoria avenue. The invitation to partake of the genial alderman's bounty, coming as it did after a strenuous evening's work on the part of all concerned, was hailed with much joy. The brisk walk over to Ald. Scullard's house against the fresh breezes, further tended to sharpen the appetites of the municipal celebrities, who with two or three equally as hungry newspaper men, to take care of them, covered the distance in very creditable time indeed.

Arriving at their destination they were met and made welcome by Mrs. Scullard. The spread prepared was a most satisfying one, and after all the courses had been served, the inner man was left with no causes for regrets. Incidentally, it might be remarked, that a note was taken of the ease and exceeding grace with which Ald. Scullard carved the turkey. None other but so deliberate a gentleman as Ald. Scullard, could do the job with so much satisfaction to his guests, and honor and glory to himself. And the turkey—alas, no Christmas bird brown from the oven, ever disappeared with greater alacrity. Oysters and cake were among the many other good things provided, and it must be conceded that Ald. Scullard and his good wife make an ideal host and hostess.

After the courses had been all served, and the haze of the Havannas had crowned the festive board, there was speechifying—such eloquence as only the members of the 1906 Council are equal to—and after the host had been many times thanked and congratulated on a very pleasant evening, the guests departed for their homes in the wee small hours this morning.

Those present were Mayor Marshall and Ald. Austin, Edmondson, Stone, Thompson, Potter, Bensen, Massey, City Clerk Merritt, and the reporters for the local press.

BANK WAS BURNED

Cashier Jumps Through Window and is Badly Hurt and Burned.

Duck Lake, Sask., Dec. 27.—The Bank of North America here was completely destroyed by fire Tuesday night, all the books being burned and the ledger only being saved. The condition of the safe cannot be ascertained at present.

Cashier Adam was asleep when the fire broke out and was only awakened by the crackle of the flames as they ran up the bed curtain. He jumped through the window, but is badly hurt and burned.

Manager Robinson is away on his holidays in Fredericton, N. B.

Lawless Bands In Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 27.—United States Secretary of War Taft has received advice from Governor Magoun at Havana indicating that a more or less unsettled condition of affairs exists in certain parts of Cuba and that in Santa Clara Province some lawless bands are operating and pillaging. Therefore, at the governor's instance, Gen. Bell has ordered a considerable reinforcement of the garrison of American troops in that province.

Wm. Vance Loses His Life.

Bloomfield, Dec. 27.—Early yesterday morning William Vance was burned to death in his residence, which was destroyed by the flames as he was on fire, and, with scarcely any clothing, the family managed to get out. Vance went back to the burning building and was unable to return. Not even a chair was saved.

THE SINARD STRIKE

The latest sensation in the Tilbury oil fields is the rich strike made by the Central Oil and Gas Co., on the Augustus Sinard farm, on lot 3, concession 6, Tilbury East. This is one of Mr. Peter McNaughton's leases.

Oil was struck in the Sinard well when a depth of 1,445 feet was reached, and the well has since been gushing at the rate of from fifty to sixty barrels an hour. It is yielding both oil and gas. The Sinard well is farthest north of any well yet completed.

The well on the Murphy farm, just south of the Sinard gusher, started to flow Monday, and in making a very good showing. It is expected that this well will produce 100 barrels and upwards a day after it has been shot.

The Chatham and Tilbury Oil and Gas Co.'s well on the Purdy farm and the Central Co.'s well on the St. Peter's Church property are both showing very good indications, and it is likely that favorable reports will be heard from the direction in the course of a few days.

POISONED BY GAS FUMES

Whole Family Inhaled Deadly Carbolic Acid Gas

DIED IN FAMILY CIRCLE

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 27.—From inhaling the poisonous fumes of carbolic acid gas as they sat in a circle before the family hearth yesterday afternoon, four members of the family of James Harris, the father, mother and two children, are dead, and the sole remaining member, a girl of 8 years, is not expected to live.

James Harris lived in a little rough-cast cottage on Ferry street, at the south end of the city. At about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon little Lucy Campbell, the 11-year-old daughter of O. F. Campbell, and niece of Mr. Harris, had been skating on the sidewalk and went into the house of her uncle to get warm. Sitting in his chair in front of the natural gas stove was her uncle, apparently asleep. That was her first impression, but not finding her aunt on the floor with arms outstretched toward the door, and the little baby girl, Gertrude, aged 5, both dead, and her cousin, Myrtle, lying on the floor unconscious and gasping, and smelling the strong gas and feeling herself becoming partially overcome, she dragged the limp form of her cousin Myrtle out of the house, dropping her body on the snow. She then gave the alarm to a linesman working across the street.

The man rushed into the house, followed by others and found the father sitting in his chair cold in death, his wife and two young children both dead on the floor and a gas flame burning high up into the little living room, with two jets of the gas burner turned full on and a lid off the top of the stove.

Sick Boy Also.

In the next room lay the lifeless form of Arthur Harris, a 13-year-old son, in bed, where he had been confined sick. He had breathed the poisonous fumes and slept away in his sick bed unconscious of what was going on in the next room with his door open, through which the fumes entered his room.

Mr. Harris came here from Whitby about nine years ago and was employed as night furnaceman at the Vermillion Works on the American side. He got up each afternoon at 4 o'clock and evidently was enjoying the companionship of his wife and little 5-year-old daughter, playing with her Christmas toys on the floor when the poisonous carbolic gas fumes from the burned natural gas from the open lid of the stove gradually stole on the little family group unawares.

The little girl Myrtle was taken to her uncle's home. A thorough search was made of the premises by Mr. Smith, superintendent of the Provincial Natural Gas Co., and an expert, whose pipes supplied the house. He says there was no free gas or unburned gas visible and claims the family died from breathing air from which the oxygen had been burned and charged with carbolic acid gas from the open flame.

The Dead.

The dead are: James Harris, father, 44 years; Ella Harris, mother, 36 years; Arthur Harris, son, 13 years; Gertrude Harris, daughter, 5 years. Myrtle Harris, aged 8 years, is not expected to live.

Mrs. Harris was a Miss Warner of Whitby. A room has been cast over the entire city by the calamity that has befallen the little happy family.

The only explanation why Myrtle had not succumbed to the fumes as readily as the others is that she probably had been out doors and coming into the house and finding the family unconscious completely collapsed.

MORE EARTHQUAKE

Half of the Town of Arica, Chili, Shaken Down, and Other Places Nearby Badly Damaged.

Santiago, Chile, Dec. 27.—Half of the Town of Arica, in the Province of Tacna, has been destroyed by an earthquake, and other towns in that neighborhood have suffered more or less severely. The seaport of Iniquique, 120 miles south of Arica, was not damaged.

With the recollection of the August disaster fresh in their minds, the people in the earthquake zone are greatly alarmed.

Tacna is in the northernmost province of Chile, and borders on Peru. It has an area of 8,000 square miles. It is mainly a rainless desert, crossed by scanty and intermittent streams. Earthquakes are frequent. Arica is on the sea coast. It was formerly a much more important place than now. The population, once estimated at 30,000, is to-day about 3,000.

In August of this year, when a disastrous earthquake visited Santiago and Valparaiso, severe and numerous shocks were experienced in Tacna province.

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JOHN LIDDY SPEAKS UP

He Gets A Stall In The Market And Says A Few Things Too

ALD. MASSEY ATTACKED

Ex-Ald. John Liddy attended last night's meeting of the City Council. John sat in the auditorium during all the earlier portion of the evening, quite meek and unassuming. But John had his fighting clothes on. He wasn't looking for trouble, but when trouble came his way he took occasion to see that there was lots of it, and his own were not the only feelings hurt before he got through. John won a reputation for repartee during the plying days when he sat at the Council Board, and he proved last night that a few years of retirement from the aldermanic field has not in the least impaired the fiery Celtic eloquence with which he was wont to wither an opponent.

Ald. Potter reported to the Council last night that he had rented the corner stall in the new market front to Mr. Liddy for the sum of \$15 a month. Ald. Potter believed that he had made a good bargain for the city in this deal, as this was the highest amount offered for the stall. The report passed through without comment, and was adopted by the Council.

Later in the evening, when the clock was on the home stretch for the eleventh hour, and after Ald. Austin arose to move adjournment, Ald. Massey referred to the matter of renting this stall. He said that he had entirely forgotten about certain points when Ald. Potter's report was adopted. He said he was not clear on some features of this deal, and he asked that Ald. Potter explain to the Council what Mr. Liddy intended to use the stall for. He was told that Mr. Liddy intended to use it as a barber shop.

Ald. Massey questioned the legality of the deal. He said that he was sure an injunction would be issued against such proceedings.

Ald. Potter remarked that Ald. Massey was a little belated in his remarks, and he said that he did not think that any injunction would be issued. The right-thinking ratepayers would uphold the Council in trying to make the best bargain they could for the city. Anyway, he said the City Solicitor had been consulted by the Council, and he had advised that it was quite within legal bounds for the city to rent these stalls, under certain conditions. These conditions had been lived up to in the leasing of the market stalls.

Mr. Liddy was given permission to address the Board. "I intend to run a legitimate business in that stall," said he, "just as respectable a business as Ald. Massey runs. I don't see why the aldermen should question me about the matter. He should know as well as I do that I am not going in for any skin game on the city. I am going to run a barber shop there, and I am going to try to make an honorable living out of the business the same as Ald. Massey is doing. I am paying a good rent, and I don't see why there should be any kicking about the matter. While we are on this point, I would like to ask Ald. Massey how much he is paying for the use of a portion of the market as a store-room. I understand that he is using a part of the building for that purpose, and I would like to have him explain how much he is paying the city for the use of it. The Council knows how much I am paying; now let Ald. Massey explain if he will, how much rent he is paying for the part he occupies."

The discussion would probably have lasted quite a while longer, had not Mayor Marshall reminded the Council that there was a motion for adjournment before them, and that this must be considered before any other business could be taken up.

The motion for adjournment carried on a majority vote, and the matter was dropped.

COMING OUT

During his address at Ald. Scullard's banquet last night, Mayor Marshall, while referring to things municipal, said it had come to his ears from a very reliable source, that despite their previous resolution not to run for civic honors this year, Ald. Austin and Bensen had been besieged by friends who were bound to have them come out. He said that he hoped that the two gentlemen referred to would give in to the requests of their friends, and he was sure that if they did so, both would be elected.

Ald. Austin in replying, said that he had to confess that his friends were urging him to stand. He stated that he was not yet in a position to speak definitely about the matter, but he would give the subject his serious consideration between now and nomination day.

Ald. Bensen did not make any definite statement about coming out, though he also owned up to the fact that it was rather hard to refuse the persistent requests of his friends, who are very anxious to see him in the fight.

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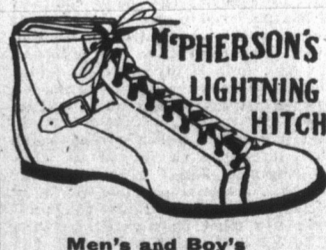
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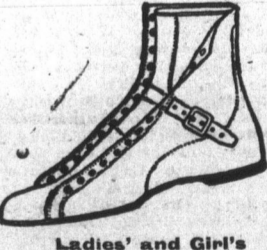
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THIS PICTURE AND THAT.

The dealings of the Whitney Government of Ontario with the resources of Cobalt is in striking contrast with that of the Laurier Government with the greater resources of the Dominion in the Northwest, or with its gold fields in the Yukon. While the Whitney Government encourages investment and development at Cobalt, it takes care that the people at large get their share of the wealth which has been brought to light. By the sale of limits, the royalties, and the operations of mines that have been reserved from sale, the Ontario Government will receive millions of dollars to be used in extending the railway to meet the Transcontinental line and for other public purposes. The Dominion Government is giving equal or greater opportunities for private speculation to get rich quickly out of grants and concessions of lands, timber and minerals in the West. But the share that ought to go to the whole people is handed out freely to the favorites and associates of ministers and members of Parliament, and probably ministers themselves. While the Whitney Government may gain for the public a million or two by the sale after open competition of certain mining rights, the Laurier Government by a private sale gives a group of capitalists a chance to make a million or two by simply turning over their bargain to real investors, the political middlemen spending no money at all.

POLICE COURT

Alex. Kennedy, an old man 80 years of age, was arrested Tuesday evening for being drunk and disorderly. He was taken to the police station, and this was the holiday season, Judge Houston allowed him to go without a fine. He is not a regular offender and this also counted in his favor.

A young man who has been living on the other side for a few months, was arrested when he came back to spend Christmas at his home. The complainant was a young girl with whom the young man used to keep company. She demanded that the young man marry her, and Judge Houston upheld her in her claim that this was the only thing to do. The man in the case deposited \$100 with the Chief and he will draw it down as soon as he and the girl are made one. He left the station with the girl with the very best of intentions, and it is likely the money will be drawn down shortly.

A FAMILY REUNION

The annual family reunion of the Purser family and relatives was held at Mr. and Mrs. John Collins. To do justice to the elaborate spread of sumptuous festivities on Christmas day, the parlor was beautifully decorated with evergreens and holly, and in one corner stood a beautiful Christmas tree laden with gifts. After dinner Mr. Fred Collins acted in the capacity of Mr. Santa and a varied program was indulged in by the children.

The members of the family present were Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Spashett, of Pontiac, Miss Annie Ferguson, Miss Ena Spashett, and Mr. Albert Purser, of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Cumming, Miss Bessie Cumming, Master Laverne Cumming and Miss Erma Cumming, of Chatham; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Collins and sons, of Chatham, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ferguson, Miss Leda Ferguson and Miss Freda Ferguson, of St. Thomas, Mr. Fred Bedford, of River Road, Harwich. Festivities kept up until a late hour, and after a vote of thanks to the host and hostess the company dispersed.

A CLOSE CALL

Mr. and Mrs. Walker, West street, had a narrow escape from having their house and its contents destroyed by fire, and their two children perhaps fatally burned Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Walker had gone down town to do some Christmas shopping, and the children were safe in bed when they left the house.

Shortly after the parent's departure, the children got up, and whilst moving about the house with a lighted candle, they accidentally set some of the contents of a clothes closet on fire. It was a most fortunate circumstance that Mr. Wm. Fisher was working in the lower portion of the house at the time, doing some papering. When he discovered the fire, he hustled the children out of danger, rang in the alarm to the fire department, and ran to get some neighbors to assist him in putting out the fire. Owing to the promptness with which Mr. Fisher acted, the damage was slight, and the children were uninjured.

Christmas and New Year's excursion return tickets will be issued by W. E. Rispin, City Passenger and Ticket Agent, 115 King St., to all points in Canada, also Detroit and Buffalo, Dec. 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, and Dec. 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st, 1906, on Jan. 1st, 1907, at fare and one-third, good returning Dec. 26th, and on Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good returning Jan. 2nd, at single fare; also to non-resident pupils and teachers, Dec. 21st to Dec. 29th, good returning Jan. 14th, at fare and one-third.

Deliacies are what we can't eat on account of our indigestion.

THE WATER WORKS BYLAW HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN

Several Explanations Made At Council Meeting Regarding Ill-Fated Measure—A Busy Meeting Night

The by-law authorizing the expenditure of \$41,000 for extensions to the municipal waterworks and electric light plants has been withdrawn by the City Council, and as a consequence will not be voted on by the electors at the coming municipal elections.

Ald. Potter, who brought the matter up at last night's meeting, explained where he stood on the question. He had been blamed, he said, by some people for the drawing up of this by-law, whereas he was only acting on the urgent suggestions of the Water Commissioners and the City Engineer, who had led the Council to believe that a new waterworks and electric light station was an absolute necessity in this city. The members of the Council were not to blame for the foisting of this by-law on the people. He as chairman of the Property Committee had been given to believe that the water pressure at the local works was not sufficient for proper fire protection. When the recent test was made of the pressure, he had been agreeably surprised to find that the fears in this respect were quite unfounded. The pressure on the occasion of the test had ranged from 80 to 90 pounds to the square inch, which pressure would prove quite satisfactory to the underwriters. "I since had a consultation with the Commissioners and the Superintendent," continued Ald. Potter, "and it was finally decided that it would be the wisest idea under the circumstances to withdraw the by-law. I feel that they did not consider this matter thoroughly enough before coming to us and asking us to submit a by-law, and I think that they should not have asked for it." He moved, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the by-law be withdrawn. The Mayor and Ald. Potter much as though the Water Commissioners and the City Engineer had gone about something that they did not know much about at the time. He thought it would be wrong to put the people to the expense of submitting the by-law under the present circumstances.

Ald. Scullard said it was quite plain that Ald. Potter was not to blame for the drawing up of the by-law. The Water Commissioners had come before the Council and made certain representations about the state of affairs at the municipal plant, and as the Council had no other source of information at the time, they had no other alternative than to act.

Ald. Stone also believed that no blame should be attached to Ald. Potter in this matter. He had been led blindly into it on the advice of the Water Commissioners, who in turn had been led blindly into the belief that the waterworks was in awful shape by the advice of the City Engineer. Ald. Stone lamented the fact that Chatham has no Board of Trade. Had there been a Board of Trade, this by-law would never have been submitted, as the matter would have been thoroughly looked into before it ever reached the Council. If Chatham had a Board of Trade who would meet regularly and discuss local topics, and pass resolutions thereon, it would save the city much money.

Ald. Potter's motion to withdraw the by-law, when put to a vote, was carried.

The by-law regarding natural gas was not finally dealt with, although Mr. J. G. Kerr, solicitor for the Symmes Company, made a strong plea for the final reading. Some changes have been made in the wording of the by-law, and the aldermen thought it wise to take no action till the City Solicitor has been consulted with. At present that gentleman is out of town. A special meeting of the City Council has been called for Monday evening to deal finally with the matter.

Ald. Austin, chairman of the Industrial committee, brought in a resolution to the effect that the city be not responsible to either the Water Commissioners or the Dowsley Company for the one-tenth reduction in water rates granted to the latter on the condition that they live up to their agreement, the said company not having lived up to the agreement in employing the required number of hands. The resolution was adopted.

Ex-Ald. John Liddy moved that about a defunct electric light on Colborne street.—Referred to Property.

Ratepayers on Queen street south wrote stating with regard to what Ex-Ald. John Liddy moved about it costing 75 cents per foot to re-lay the porous tile sewer in that end of the city, that they were willing to have the tile re-laid if the city would make them a grant of 25 cents per foot.—Referred to Board of Works.

The Warren Bituminous Company asked that the contracts for paving Colborne street and King street west be forwarded to their office.

Ald. Potter, from ratepayers on Johnnie street, asking for bituminous pavement, was received. The petition was sufficiently signed, and the Engineer will be asked to report on it at once.

Fire Chief Pritchard notified the Council of some repairs needed to the fire engine. The engine was damaged while repairing a broken water main in the city.

Mr. E. J. MacIntyre forwarded the contract for the installation of the new city clock. The contract was received and will be signed by the Mayor and Clerk.

The Bank of Montreal gave notice that all payments for wiring done by Barfoot and Braddon in the new market front, must be made through them.

Mr. W. E. Rispin notified the Council of an error in the assessment of the G. N. W.—Finance.

J. P. Dunn, secretary of the Separate School Board, wrote asking that the Board be handed over the balance

due them on account of taxes for the current year.—Granted.

The Collegiate Institute Board asked for the approval of the payment of \$400 for September salaries.—Approved.

A Mr. Blakely asked for a license for a moving picture show for six months or a year.—Referred to City Clerk.

W. D. Sheldon complained of a mistake of \$3 in his tax slip.—Rectified.

John James Shaw complained of being assessed \$7 for a business tax. He claimed that he had not been living in the city since July, 1906.—Referred to Finance.

Ed. Reardon's complaint re taxes was referred to Finance.

The Humane Officer's report was received. The officer stated that he had stabled 16 horses during the year, 21 horses with sore shoulders were taken in, one man was prosecuted and convicted, a number were warned, and four horses and sixteen dogs were destroyed. The report was received.

LITERARY

Keith's for January is one of the most attractive of recent issues of this sterling publication for the home builder.

The leading article is the first in a series on domestic architecture in the southwest and the glimpses of comfortable homes amid their semitropical foliage, look good to the northier at this season.

An interesting article on "Entrances" forms the first of a series of "Little Journeys with the Architect." And as to the "porch," it is beautifully illustrated.

"Fireproofing our Homes" is an instructive article on a subject that deserves close attention on the part of home builders.

Seven new house designs with floor-plans and complete descriptions are presented in the January number, and the departments of Decoration and Furnishing, answering questions on these subjects are especially full of good material and come at a time now when plans can be laid for northier at this season.

Altogether, this is one of the best numbers of Keith's Magazine. Published at Minneapolis, Minn. All new subscribers, 15 cents.

The Life of Mary B. G. Eddy, the leader of Christian Science, is given in the January number of McClure's Magazine. "Reminiscences of a Long Life," by Carl Schurz, is continued, taking up the period between 1859 and 1859.

"The Great Jewish Invasion," by Burton J. Hendrick, tells of the Jewish population of New York. In addition to these there are numerous stories and light articles, all of which combine to make a most attractive number.

PARTING GIFT TO TEACHER

It was with much regret that the scholars of School Section No. 5, Dover East, parted with their teacher, Mr. John Boland, on Friday last. Although the weather was rather unfavorable, the school was well filled. During the afternoon a good program of songs, dances, speeches, etc., was thoroughly enjoyed. Mr. Shaw, of Prairie siding, presided and proved a very capable chairman. At the close the teacher presented each pupil with a handsome souvenir card and the scholars presented their teacher with an excellent address and a handsome pair of gloves, after which Mr. Boland made a very suitable reply. The well-wishes of all in the school followed Mr. Boland to his new field of labor in Mr. Carmel, where he has been engaged to teach. The following is the address:

Dear Teacher,—We feel that we cannot let our last day together pass without expressing to you the deep regret that we feel in learning of your decision to sever your connection with us as teacher.

We know that during the seven years you have been with us, we have very often, by lack of application to our studies, by thoughtlessness and carelessness, taxed your patience to the utmost and in consequence we thank you for the great patience you have had with us, and for the kind manner in which you have overlooked our blunders and mistakes. We thank you for the untiring zeal that you have always displayed in your efforts to instill into our young minds not only the lessons that are found in our course of study, but also principles which will tend to make of us in the future more useful men and women.

We ask you to accept as a small token of our appreciation of you this pair of gloves, and each time as you wear them may you think kindly of the pupils here, and may you always remember that with this gift goes the best wishes of every scholar in School Section No. 5, Dover East, for your success in your new field of labor.

Signed on behalf of the school:
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When you want BLACK silk,
you don't say "a spool of silk."
When you want WINDOW Table
Sak, say so—WINDSOR.

Fortune may find a pot; but your own industry must make it boil.

ALDERMEN ARE COMPLIMENTARY

They Overlook No One In Distributing Words Of Praise

MAYOR MAKES A REPLY

Last evening was Bouquet Night with the City Council, when the members took occasion to commend His Worship Mayor Marshall, City Clerk Merritt, and the gentlemen of the press with compliments and words of praise.

During the transaction of New Business the Mayor was asked to exchange seats with Ald. Austin, the latter acting as chairman over the proceedings which followed.

Ald. Stone was first on the floor to congratulate the retiring Mayor on the praiseworthy manner in which he had conducted the duties of First Magistrate during the past year. It had been a great pleasure to sit under Mayor Marshall, said Ald. Stone. He was always most kindly and courteous, and he had been very reasonable and lenient towards the members of the Board on all occasions.

Chatham was losing in Mr. Marshall one of the best Mayors she had ever had—one who had always at ended to the City's business, even when his own business demanded a large portion of his time. He, for one, was sorry to learn that the city was about to lose the services of Mr. Marshall, and he felt sure that if Mayor Marshall had been in a position to devote another year to the city, that he would have been offered another term with no opposition.

City Clerk Merritt also came in for some kind words from Ald. Stone. He was one of the best clerks in the Dominion in Ald. Stone's estimation, and his old knowledge of municipal affairs, and his ever courteous and obliging manner made him especially valuable to the members of the Council. And as to the reporters, concluded Ald. Stone, "they have acted very kindly and justly with us. The newspapers have been unbiased and impartial, and I must say that the Council meetings this year have been reported by the local press in the best shape I have ever known them to be."

Ald. Scullard followed up Ald. Stone's remarks with quite a few more neatly turned compliments. He was sure everyone appreciated the eloquent words of Ald. Stone, though he had hopes that it was Ald. Stone's valedictory. Perhaps Ald. Stone would think the same.

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THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

At the Brisco Opera House—Ernie Marks Co.—Dec. 25-29. Return of Morris-Thurston Co. New Year's week—Dec. 31 to Jan. 5.

MORRIS-THURSTON CO.

The following clipping from last week's Peterboro Examiner speaks well for the ever popular Morris-Thurston Co., which will be at the Brisco Opera House all next week. "The Grand Opera House last evening, before a large and appreciative gathering, the Morris-Thurston Co. presented 'The Mysterious Mr. Raffles.' This is a production seldom essayed by small troupes, popular prices, but the Morris-Thurston Co. need not feel abashed over its effort. The presentation went heartily and was interesting and absorbing throughout. Mr. W. B. Morris as Mr. Raffles was clever and shrewd while Mr. Leighton Stark as the detective did excellent work. The support was good.

"This evening the company will close its week's engagement in Peterboro by the presentation of the comedy drama 'The Man from the West.'"

Better Than Spanking

Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box W. 4, Windsor, Ont., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her to-day if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child; the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

DISTRICT

TILBURY

Tilbury, Dec. 26.—Miss Agnes Duddy, spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Frank Hamill in Windsor.

Dr. Geo. Richardson, of Chobogan, Mich., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Richardson, of Tilbury, and Mrs. Herb Hornick left Monday to visit relatives at Hamilton.

Albert Keith, of Wyandotte, Mich., spent Christmas with his parents in this place. Carley Wellwood, of Chatham, is spending a few days at his home here.

J. H. Dennis spent Christmas at his home in Chatham.

Just Three More Days

This year is drawing to a close—just three more days for business and these will be stirring days at this busy store.

We do not believe in dull times between seasons—we do not intend to have any. During the remaining days of the year prices on many lines of goods will drop to the lowest possible point. Here is the way we are dealing with goods and prices:—

Clean Sweep in Chinaware.

25c cups and saucers for 19c 35c cups and saucers for 25c
50c " " 75c " " 57c
\$1.00 " " 75c " " 95c
\$1.50 cups and saucers for \$1.10.

Fine Linoges and Austrian Plates

25c plates 19c; 40c plates 25c; 50c plates 35c; 85c plates for 65c; 1.00 plates for 75c; 1.25 plates for 95c; 1.50 plates for 1.10; 2.00 plates for 1.50; 3.00 plates for 2.25; 15c porridge dishes 11c; 25c porridge dishes 19c; 35c porridge dishes 25c; 45c porridge dishes 33c; 65c salad bowls 49c; 1.00 salad bowls 75c; 1.25 salad bowls 95c; 1.50 salad bowls 1.10; 2.00 salad bowls for 1.50.

Cream and sugar sets, bon bon dishes, trays, pitchers, and etc., all at big reductions.

Dolls Reduced.

20c dolls for 15c; 25c dolls for 19c; 35c dolls for 25c; 50c dolls for 39c; \$1.00 dolls for 75c. One only dressed doll regular \$5.99, clearing at \$3.98.

25c Cushion Tops for 19c.
15 only Fancy Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, regular 75c for 49c.

50c French Flannel Waists for 39c yard.
50c All-wool Delaine Waists, 39c.

50c French Embroidered Waists, 39c.
50c All-wool Charlie Waists, 39c.

2 Pieces Heavy Tweed Coatings, 36 in. wide, regular \$1.50 for 95c.

Lot Silks.—Plaids, checks and plain colors, regular 60c, 65c, 75c and 85c a yard, clearing at 46c.

Beautiful Silk Waists Reduced.—\$2.50 silk waists, cream or black, all sizes, for \$1.98.

\$3.50 Silk Waists for \$2.89.

\$5.00 Silk Waists for \$3.48.

Ladies' Coats, handsome styles, regular up to \$13.50 for \$9.99. Regular up to \$17.50 for 12.90.

Ladies' Skirts, stylish tweed and plain cloth skirts, worth up to \$6 each for 3.89.

Silk Petticoats, regular up to \$6, clearing for \$3.95.

Millinery About Half.

\$3.50 Trimmed Hats for \$1.89; \$4.50 Trimmed Hats for 2.89; \$6 Trimmed Hats for 3.48; 7.00 Trimmed Hats for 3.79; 8.00 Trimmed Hats for 4.48; 9.00 Trimmed Hats for 4.89; 10.00 Trimmed Hats for \$5.89; 11.50 Trimmed Hats for \$6.89.

All Furs and Fur Coats Greatly Reduced.

Ladies' Mocha Mitts, wool-lined, for 75c.
Girls' Mocha Mitts, lined for 50c.

Ladies' Mocha Mitts, wool-lined, dome fasteners, at a pair \$1, 1.25, 1.50, 1.74 and \$1.90.

Ladies' Mocha Mitts, lined or unlined, a pair \$1, 1.50, 1.75 and 2.00.

Fur-lined Mocha Mitts at a pair \$2.90 and 2.25.

A Clean Sweep Sale On All Lines of Handkerchiefs.

The Northway Co., Ltd.

Special Christmas services were held in St. Francis Church yesterday morning, which were largely attended.

Miss Annie Miller and George Gregory spent Christmas with Detroit friends.

Mrs. Jean Lemire spent Christmas with her mother at St. Mary's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson spent Christmas with relatives in Blenheim.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgecomb left Monday to visit relatives at Stratroy.

Alex. Hornick and daughter Ina left on Saturday to visit relatives at Owen Sound.

Complaint is made about young men smoking in the gallery of the Brisco Theatre. The offence is punishable by fine, and it is the intention to see that the rules are strictly enforced from now on. Fire Chief Pritchard says that all those caught smoking in the gallery hereafter will be prosecuted.

WANTED

WANTED—Two dining room girls. Apply at Hotel Merrill.

WANTED—A good girl in family of two; no washing. Apply Box 21.

WANTED—Girl for general housework; no washing or ironing. Apply Mrs. Rispin, corner King and Laurox streets.

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework; modern conveniences. Apply Mrs. Wm. Gordon, No. 6, Riverside Terrace, Chatham.

WANT—A few honest canvassers. My goods will make friends and regular customers for you. No capital required. Alfred Tyler, 355-7 Clarence St., London, Ont.

TEACHERS WANTED.

WANTED—Teacher for S. S. No. 1, Dover, male or female; duties to commence January 1st. Apply John Bagnall, Chatham, P. O.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 8, Tilbury East Township. Apply stating salary and experience, to H. S. Lloyd, Glenwood, Ontario.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 18, Township of Chatham. Duties to commence January 1st, 1907. Apply to Fred Chapelle, Dresden.

WANTED—Assistant teacher S. S. No. 2, Harwich, duties to commence January 1st, 1907; salary \$300.00; state qualifications. Apply to Wm. Richardson, Jr., Sec. Treas., Kent Centre, Ont.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 4, Raleigh; duties to commence Jan. 1, 1907. Apply, stating salary expected, to A. Shewee, Sec. Treas., or to Trustees G. F. Saiter or Alexander Rice, Chatham, P. O.

WANTED—Teacher, male or female, for S. S. No. 19, Camden, three miles from Thamesville; duties to begin January, 1907; applicants state salary. Apply to J. W. Stewart, Secretary, Box 264, Thamesville, Ont.

WANTED—Teacher for S. S. No. 4, Township of Chatham, duties to commence in January. Applications, stating qualifications, will be received up to Dec. 26th. Address E. W. Hardy, Secretary-Treasurer, Kent Bridge.

WANTED—Teacher for Union S. S. No. 2, 1-2, Harwich and Raleigh, for junior room; duties to commence in January. Applications, stating qualifications and salary, will be received up to December 26th. Address Walter Knott, Secretary-Treasurer, Charing Cross.

TEACHER WANTED—For School Section No. 14, Dover Township; one who can teach both French and English, and who can talk French fairly well; holding first or second class certificate; references required. Salary \$400. Apply to Napoleon Brown, Secretary, Big Point, Ont.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT

FOR SALE—Stores for sale at the Rankin House.

TO RENT—Furnished Rooms for light housekeeping; centrally located; conveniences. Apply Box 10, Planet.

TO RENT—New house, modern improvements; rent moderate, or will sell cheap. Thos. M. French, Ursuline avenue.

TO RENT—In the Glenn Block, William Street, suite of rooms, with modern conveniences. Apply to Samuel Glenn & Son.

FOR SALE—One yearling shorthorn bull, roan color, reasonable price. Apply to Geo. Wilson, Gravel Road, Harwich.

FOR SALE—Desirable lot on Victoria avenue, for sale, next to the residence of W. R. Landon. Apply to Thos. Scullard or The Planet Office.

GOOD FARMS FOR SALE—Prices right.—130 acres, part lot 24, 7th concession, Dover, owned by Grant Bros.; 96 acres, corner 5th concession and Baldoon Road, Dover, owned by Lucian King; 100 acres, part lot 3, 17th concession, Chatham Township, known as the Robert Hastings estate; also several other farms for sale. Money to loan. Henry Dagneau.

DR. W. CLAYGONE,

CHIROPDIST.

Who is in the city for a limited time, give special attention to the treatment of Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, and Callous Spots. He can be consulted at Room 12, Hotel Garner, or will be pleased to attend those who suffer from their feet, at their homes if preferred.

WANTED TO RENT.

We will rent your property whether vacant or not and COLLECT THE RENT for you. Call at our office, 39, King-street, opposite Mountier's Bakery, or see one of our City Agents.

MONEY TO LOAN

FIRE INSURANCE. PHONE 520
W. A. WINTERSTEIN & Co.

O TICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the present session thereof, by The Huron and Ontario Railway Company, for power to build branch lines: (1) from a point on the Company's line between the villages of Shelburne, in the County of Dufferin, and Tottenham, in the County of Simcoe, in the Province of Ontario, westerly through the counties of Simcoe, Dufferin, Peel, Wellington, Waterloo, Perth, Huron, Middlesex, Lambton, Kent and Essex, all in the Province of Ontario, to London, Stratroy, Parkhill, Wallaceburg, Sarnia and Windsor; and (2) from near the village of Shelburne, in the County of Dufferin, north-westerly through the counties of Dufferin, Grey and Simcoe, to the town of Collingwood, on Georgian Bay, and for an extension of time for the commencement and completion of the Company's lines and branches. Dated at Toronto this 22nd day of November, 1906.

T. H. KILGORE,
Secretary.

Confederation Life Building, Toronto, Ont., for the applicant company.

Minard's Liniment for Rheumatism.

DECEMBER 31st

To participate in the 100 per cent. bonus being offered by the Western Oil and Coal Consolidated it is necessary that your order be in by December Thirty-first.

If you haven't a prospectus write me.

JOHN N. LAKE

Resident Director

114 KING ST. WEST - - TORONTO

District.

OUNGAH.

Owing to the recent rains the roads are in bad condition.

Miss Sadie Fisher is visiting her uncle, Mr. Robt. Pollock.

Our local merchant, Macrae and Hudson, are doing a rushing business these days.

Mr. A. Pollock had a very successful wood bee last week.

We are pleased to learn that our popular teacher, Miss E. B. Doyle, is to remain with us another year.

George Cumming, our local fisherman, reports this excellent weather for fishing.

Miss Alice Cumming spent Saturday and Sunday calling on Maple City friends.

Mr. T. Everitt is visiting his cousin, Charles Fewster.

CLEARVILLE.

Miss Annie Wood is visiting in Rodney.

Arthur Helmur is moving to Duart this week.

Miss Campbell, of Ridgeway, was

the guest of Mary Bell, Ferguson, on Sunday last.

Wm. Newhouse has hired with Ferguson Bros. for the winter.

John Sherman Wood is expected home from North Bay about Christmas.

George Henry and family, of Detroit, are here on an extended visit.

James and Walter McDonald are in Thamesville attending the funeral of their father, Peter McDonald.

Our School Trustees have engaged Miss Stinson, of McKay's Corners, for the coming year.

BEAR LINE.

Mr. Shem. Hind has purchased a new Cambridge buggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Desow, Mr. and Mrs. J. Foy and Mr. and Mrs. McGregor visited at John Bishop's on Sunday.

Mr. W. Harris is putting down a well for Mr. W. Chapple.

Mr. J. Laprise has rented his farm on the 6th concession and moved on the Baldon Line.

Mr. N. Rhunke has rented his farm to Mr. McLennan, of Chatham township.

Mr. David Hind visited at Mr. G. Foy's, Sunday evening.

Henry Foy, who has been ill, is improving.

SENTENCED TO DEATH

Vice-Admiral Nebogatoff And Three Other Commanders

OTHER OFFICERS TRIED

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—The court-martial which has been trying Rear-Admiral Nebogatoff and seventy-eight officers of his squadron in connection with the Japanese at the battle of the Sea of Japan on May 28, 1905, has handed in its decision.

Vice-Admiral Nebogatoff, Commander of the coast defense force, was sentenced to death, but in view of the extenuating circumstances and the long and otherwise blameless careers of these officers, the court will petition the Emperor to commute their sentences to 10 years' imprisonment in a fortress.

Four other officers are sentenced to short terms.

The sentences passed upon Rear-Admiral Nebogatoff and the three commanders are similar to those handed down in the cases of the naval officers who were condemned by court-martial for surrendering the torpedo boat destroyer Bedovi to the Japanese.

The Government prosecutor, in his closing address, declared that the infliction of the death penalty under these circumstances was out of harmony with the spirit of the times, but he declared that the guilt of the officers in question found no example in history. Rear-Admiral Nebogatoff, he averred, could have transferred all his commands to one battleship and then sunk the rest of his squadron. The rear-admiral made an emotional reply, in which he dwelt upon the ignorance of the prosecutor who, he said, has worn the uniform of the navy for only one year.

BRAVED DEATH WARNINGS.

Count Ignatieff, Half an Hour Before Death, Said He'd Face His Danger.

Tver, Russia, Dec. 26.—The Archbishop of Tver, in the course of his requiem sermon to the memory of the late Count Ignatieff, who was murdered here three days ago, told his congregation that Count Ignatieff visited him half an hour before his murder, and said he had received three death warnings, one of which was couched in the following terms:

"If you do not leave the meeting you will be killed."

Count Ignatieff said to the archbishop: I fear nothing; I will face the danger.

A Colonel Killed.

Lukov, Poland, Dec. 26.—Col. Obrotch, commander of the 81st Infantry, has been killed on his estate near here by an unknown man.

Russ-Jap Negotiations.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—The last conference before the Christmas festivities on questions pending between Russia and Japan was held at the Foreign Office yesterday.

Dr. Motono, the Japanese Minister, is going to Paris to spend the holidays, and the conferences will be resumed on his return and a detailed report of the progress of the negotiations for the conclusion of a Russo-Japanese commercial treaty and fishery convention is expected to appear shortly.

Russ General Dismissed.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—Gen. Subbotich, ex-Governor-General of Turkistan, has, by an imperial order, been discharged from his post, further punishment for all round laxness displayed by him as Governor-General of Turkistan, from which he was removed Oct. 29.

Assassin Is a Student.

Tver, Russia, Dec. 26.—The assassin of Count Ignatieff has been identified as a student named Fidler, who was one of the leaders of last year's insurrection at Moscow. At that time he was bound over in \$5,000 bail for good behavior and this sum will now revert to the treasury.

Death From Exposure.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—An inquest will likely be held on the body of Stephen Duggan, who expired while being taken to the Western Hospital in the patrol wagon early yesterday morning.

Duggan was found by a constable in a shed in the rear of 700 Dundas street about 11.30 on Monday night and taken to St. George's. The constable's hands were frozen and he died on the way to the hospital.

Ice Formed Rapidly.

Kingston, Dec. 26.—The ice made very rapidly Monday night and yesterday. Willard Card of Wolf Island crossed from the island to the city with a horse and sleigh. Monday steamers were running, though they had to cut through ice. The stage line will be opened as soon as possible to Cape Vincent, N.Y., crossing over Wolfe Island.

Grey's Service to Canada.

London, Dec. 26.—(C. A. P.)—E. B. Osborne, in a two-column article in The Morning Post, eulogistic of Earl Grey, says that Grey's speech at the Pilgrim's dinner in New York did more to convince the American people that Canada "had come of age and must be treated as a self-respecting nation than all that has been said on that subject in Canada in the last 20 years."

Carnegie Gives \$100,000.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 26.—The College of Physicians in this city yesterday received a Christmas present from Andrew Carnegie of a \$100,000 donation to help build a home and library. The offer is contingent upon the college being able to raise a like sum, of which \$50,000 has already been subscribed.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Genuine

Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Must Bear Signature of

Wm. Carter

See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

Very small and as easy to take as sugar.

FOR HEADACHE, FOR DIZZINESS, FOR BILIOUSNESS, FOR TORPID LIVER, FOR CONSTIPATION, FOR SALLOW SKIN, FOR THE COMPLEXION.

Price 25 Cents. Purely Vegetable. *Wm. Carter*

CURE SICK HEADACHE.

Treating Wrong Disease.

Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous exhaustion or prostration, and they are all treated there, and in this way they all present alike to themselves and their easy-going doctors, a common and general disease, a disease which is not a disease at all, but a symptom of some other disease, a disease which is not a disease at all, but a symptom of some other disease, a disease which is not a disease at all, but a symptom of some other disease.

The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, encourages this practice, and the patient, feeling that the suffering patient gets no better, but grows worse, by reason of the delay, wrong treatment and consequent complications.

A proper and effective treatment is the Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the cause, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and restoring comfort instead of prolonged misery. It has been well said, that "a disease known is half cured."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific medicine, carefully devised by an experienced and skillful physician, and adapted to woman's delicate system. It is made of native medicinal roots and is perfectly harmless in its effects to any condition of the system.

A powerful invigorating tonic "Favorite Prescription" imparts strength to the whole system and to the organs distinctly feminine in particular. For overworked, "worn-out," "run-down," debilitated teachers, milliners, dressmakers, seamstresses, "shop girls," house-keepers, nursing mothers, and feeble invalids, generally, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the greatest earthly boon, being equalled by no other medicine in its restorative tonic.

As a soothing and strengthening nerve "Favorite Prescription" is unequalled in its value in the treatment of nervous excitability, irritability, nervous exhaustion, nervous prostration, neuralgia, hysteria, spasms, chorea, St. Vitus's dance, and other distressing nervous symptoms commonly attendant upon functional and organic disease of the system. It induces refreshing sleep and relieves mental anxiety and despondency.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorates the stomach, liver and bowels. One or three doses. Easy to take as candy.

Threaten to Burn Town.

They threaten to burn the little town and the white people are alarmed. The whites all around the country have armed themselves and one party of fifty armed persons have arrived there from Columbus, Miss.

Two negroes, Tom and Jim Simpson, are reported to have been killed by whites Monday afternoon before the arrival of the troops.

At 3.30 yesterday morning firing was heard near the centre of the town, but after a few scattering shots quiet was restored and no explanation has been forthcoming.

Col. McCants announces that he will place a Gatling gun in position, and use it if necessary.

Wahalak is 25 miles south of Meridian, on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad.

The Negro Problem.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 26.—Dr. Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee, at a banquet Monday night, speaking of the situation in the south, said: "We cannot expect to win our battles in the south or north by a policy of antagonism."

"Civilization soon tires of a race, as of an individual, that continually whines and complains. And, likewise, the country will not tolerate any element in the population abusing and cursing the chief executive."

Disorders In Cuba.

Havana, Dec. 26.—In consequence of complaints of many depredations by armed bands of ex-insurgent negroes in the province of Santa Clara, which the rural guards have not been able to run down, four troops of the 11th Cavalry and two companies of the 27th Infantry will leave Camp Columbia today for Santa Clara to reinforce the 15th Cavalry stationed there and thoroughly scout the disturbed district. The orders are to continue operations until there is a complete restoration of order and confidence in the province.

Rumors were recently in circulation of an impending uprising in Santa Clara province, and it is not yet known whether the bands are revolutionists or merely bandits.

Minard's Liniment cures Colds, etc.

PAT PUZZLED

Pat—Who goes there?

Officer of the day.

Pat—Thin what? The devil are you doing out here at night?

Every time a man smiles, and much more when he laughs, he adds something to his fragment of life.

SAFEGUARD OF CANADA

Population That Will Make Invasion Too Dangerous

ON "TARIFF REFORM"

London, Dec. 26.—(C. A. P.)—"Tariff reform," in The Times, referring to the Newfoundland fisheries dispute, asks "why should we always play so feebly and undignified a part in all our negotiations with the United States? The answer is very simple, if not very satisfying. We cannot, without grave risk, play any other part."

The writer points out there can be no permanent improvement. Our diplomatic relations with the United States have no real friendship, but are based on mutual respect. Till the balance of power on the Canadian and American frontier has been made somewhat more even, trade rivalry will raise questions between us in every part of the globe. There can be no satisfactory solution to these questions, and no possibility of avoiding friction that may lead to a disastrous war unless we can secure for Canada a population and an industrial strength which would make an invasion too dangerous a matter to be thought lightly of by any power.

Foreigners In Canada.

Mrs. Count Peter Vay, a well-known Hungarian prelate, addressing the Hungarian Geographical Society on Hungarian settlement in Canada, said the agricultural settlers retain their Hungarian character in the first generation, but their children are already more English than Hungarian, and feel themselves Canadian citizens.

Aylmer Maude, who helped to organize the emigration of Doukhobors to Canada, writing The Times, says Peter Verigin's visit to Russia, says Verigin is an able politician and quite aware that, in negotiation with the Canadian Government, it would be a strong card if he can show he has an invitation to return to Russia on terms which the Canadian Government would refuse, viz., on terms of semi-independence for the Doukhobor community. It will, however, be a case of pure bluff for the Doukhobors are far too well off in Canada to wish to leave it, and are well aware that any promises Premier Stolypin may make them are quite likely to be disregarded by his successors. Further on, Maude says: "Whatever concessions tend to maintain his prestige among his followers, and, on the other hand, his control over them tends to make the Canadian Government considerate of his demands."

"An Englishman," writing in The Standard from Manitoba, says he has met Englishmen endeavoring to conceal their nationality in order to improve their chances of obtaining employment.

BATTLESHIP A SMUGGLER.

U. S. Customs Officers Search "Ohio" and Take Possession.

New York, Dec. 26.—Customs officials in charge of Special Agent Clayton are guarding the United States battleship Ohio, in drydock at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, and every one leaving the ship is closely watched for smuggled goods. The big warship, in from the far east, was found to have aboard costly ornaments from China and Japan, together with fine silks, cigars and wines of rare vintage.

It was declared that the kit and bunk of every one of the 734 men and the 75 marines were searched; also the cabins and effects of the 24 officers. The agents went far enough to discover the biggest lot of smuggled goods that ever came over on a Government ship, so far as the public has been informed.

Gives \$50,000 to Employees.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 26.—H. K. McHarg, who recently sold his Virginia & Southwestern Railroad to the Southern, handsomely remembered all his officials and employees Monday.

He ran a Santa Claus special over the entire length of the road, "Santa Claus" being the conductor. To every employee, who had been in the company's service for one year, "Santa Claus" gave one month's salary as a Christmas present. Other tokens were presented to other employees.

To the head officials of the road Mr. McHarg presented one year's salary each. The gifts to subordinate employees alone aggregate over \$50,000.

Sixteen Drowned.

Kingston, Jan. Dec. 26.—A sailboat with 25 persons on board was overturned Monday morning near Montego Bay. Sixteen of the passengers were drowned. A heavy norther during the past two days has caused serious damage in the banana districts, especially on the plains. The wind is still blowing strongly, but no further damage is expected.

A Christmas Record.

Fort William, Dec. 26.—For the first time in the history of the port, a steamer entered the harbor on Christmas Day. The Woods yesterday morning was towed without difficulty by the tug Weyland from Port Arthur to Fort William.

Traffic Through Soo Canal.

Detroit, Dec. 26.—The annual report of traffic through the Soo canal just issued shows that the total tonnage for the season was 51,761,000 tons, the heaviest in its history. There were 14,523 lockages.

Snow In Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—A snowstorm of great severity raged over Montreal and district yesterday. In fact, it was the worst storm for a long time, and many of the trains were delayed.

Hard Coughs

Have you forgotten that family history of yours, with its tendency to weak lungs? Your doctor has not, if you have. He will tell you the special danger of hard coughs in your case. Then ask him what he thinks about your taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. If he says it is a good medicine, why not take it? We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines! J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

HARWICH COUNCIL.

Council met in Township Hall on Dec. 19, all members present. Minutes of previous meetings read and adopted.

Communications were received from the following:—

Jas. A. Bell, C. E., enclosing McCully award.

Geo. A. McCubbin, enclosing a report of inspection of part of Z. W. & Lutos drain.

M. J. Railway, stating a larger pipe had been ordered in by them south of Fargo, as per request of Council.

John Campbell, by solicitor, claiming he should not be taxed for W. W. award expenses, as same was set aside.

James A. Ball, C. E., reporting on work on vast Line bridge, recommending \$250 be retained until same Wm. Gardiner applied for a title loan.

as. Hoffman and 16 others, asking to be transferred to polling division 3, from 4.

Charles Euehanan, resigning as drain and creek commissioner. — Adopted.

Treasurer was instructed to accept over-draft of \$35 from Wm. Vinson.

S. B. McCully, A. S. Maynard, D. Campbell and J. Whittington, applying for position as auditors.

E. T. Walters reported sale of repair of Estlake drain to Ed. Chaney for \$266.80, to be finished by May 1st, 1907. He also reported sale

of trees, \$2.

Reeve reported work of Base Line bridge well done, but much delay in getting the iron, thus the bridge cannot be completed this year.—Reports adopted.

Reeve Farmer, of Dover, addressed Council re sending delegate to interview the Government to assist in preventing overflow of the River Thames in time of flood.

A skiving addressed the Council re tracks at Erieau.

On motion of Clark and Gerber, the Clerk was instructed to write P. H. Bowyer, M. P. P., to use his influence to have the School Act amended so as to exempt property in townships connected with towns for school purposes from paying the general rate, as previous to 1906.

On motion of Clark and Walters, Clerk was instructed to write owner of S. W. pt. 10, Con. 4, W. C. R. to lower the tile in the culvert across the Howard drain from the road way to said lot, as said tile are not low enough not to obstruct the water.

The Comr. of Ward 1 was allowed a special grant of \$300 to meet the current expenses.

A number of errors in assessment were rectified and the Collector notified accordingly, and refunds were granted.

A by-law was passed, appointing the same deputy returning officers and polling places as last year, except for Div. 7. Thos. Rorsch's house is polling place and Joseph Reesed Dep. Returning Officer.

A number of accounts were ordered paid.

Council adjourned.

G. W. RISEBOROUGH, Clerk.

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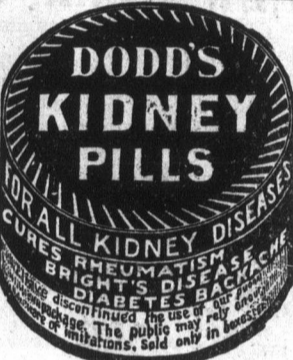
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Marks Bros. at the Brisco Theatre, at 8.15.
Hockey practice at the rink from 7 till 8.
Park St. Choir will meet for practice at 8.
Daughters of Rebekah, in their hall at 8 o'clock.
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Local Branch No. 21, Association of Steam Engineers, Eberts' Block, at 8 o'clock.
Park St. Sunday School entertainment in S. S. Hall; supper from 6 till 8, program following.

LOCAL

Smoke Lord Lake Cigar—10c.
Mr. Duncan McKellar, of Toronto, is spending Christmas in town.
Gold stamping on books or leather goods done at The Planet Office.
Miss Blanch Gillet is spending the holidays with Mrs. Robert Melitichie.
Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Spashett left yesterday morning for Pontiac, Mich.
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S. F. Gardiner celebrated his birthday on Christmas day. The event was marked by a small gathering in the evening for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Schlenker and baby Bessie spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Schlenker's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Colles, Wade street.

The local police were not forgotten this Christmas by their friends. They received boxes of cigars from John Glasford, Alex. VonGutten and others, for which they wish to publicly express their thanks.

If the person who advertised for a lost purse will call at The Planet Office she will be given the name of the person who found it, and who wishes to return it to the owner.

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John Fitzgerald has returned to Hamilton after spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. Geo. Boyes, Lucan street.

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Duncan Walker, Public School Inspector, Peterboro, is visiting his brother, J. A. Walker, Esq., Victoria avenue.

I am in the field for aiderman for 1907. Born and raised in this city, and if elected will do my utmost to keep down expenses. F. E. Baxter.

Mr. W. Smith McKenney, of New York, was a solo in St. Joseph's church Tuesday evening. Mr. McKenney is the guest of his mother, Mrs. W. J. McKenney, Wellington street.

For the best ice cream and sweet cream, place your orders with the Maple Leaf Creamery. Special attention given to Christmas orders. Phone 242. Prompt delivery.

Hurrah for Wallaceburg! To-night, Special Entertainment on Electric Car, 25c.

Car leaves Chatham at 7 p.m., returning after the concert.

A number of ice dealers visited Chief Holmes to-day with requests to cut ice on the river. It is early in the season to cut ice this year, but the ice men are hoping that the present cold snap will continue until they get their ice houses filled at least.

Miss Carmen Macintyre, Miss Lament, and Mr. Harold McDonald, of Chatham, are giving a concert at the Wallaceburg Hotel, To-night. Special Electric Car returns after the concert. Fare for round trip 25c.

Al. Scullard, Potter, Austin and the Mayor met the Gas Company and agreed upon the terms of a contract and by-law for supplying the city with natural gas. It is expected that the contract will be signed by both the company and the city authorities within a few days.

Christmas entertainment—Santa Claus has promised to be in Christ Church S. S. Hall to-morrow night. Beautifully decorated tree, Christmas songs, drills, etc. Admission 15c, two for 25c. Doors open 7.30. All welcome.

The Board of Examiners, Messrs. Park, Colles and Miller, are meeting to-day in Harrison Hall to examine the papers of the Model students. There is an extra large class this year and it is not likely the results will be ready for publication until the end of the week. They will likely be published on Saturday.

Christmas bells at Crumps at the following low prices—Small 5c, medium 5c, large 8c. Holly wreaths 15c. each, with possettias 30c. Order early, as quantity is limited. See our fine stock of fresh candies.

At the December meeting of the Executive of the London Diocese held in London, the Venerable Archdeacon D. McKenney, of Brantford, Matthew Wilson, of this city, and Charles Jenkins, of Peterboro, were appointed a committee to draft out a resolution of condolence to the family of the late Judge Woods.

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Men's Fur and Fur-lined Coats, great variety and great reductions.

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This week the Coat prices we quote are at their lowest ebb.
Think of respectable Winter Coats, sizes 32 to 36, were \$5 to 10.00, at 2.00 and 3.00.
And some \$10.00 and 12.00 values in this season's styles, tweed and kersey, at \$5.
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The finest, longest, warmest, and most stylish coats, our \$15 and 18.00 imports, 10.00 and 12.00.
To clear, a baker's dozen, Short Jackets for short little tots, 4 colors, each 50c.
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How About a New Skirt P

We were lucky enough, or the maker was unfortunate, but no matter which so long as you get good value, in this case you get more than good value. We bought them under price: we divide them into two prices.

50 Skirts, worth \$3.50 to \$5.00 for \$2.98.

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Women's Fleece lined Vests, shaped, button fronts, high neck and long sleeves. Reg. 50c for 39c.

Children's Vests and Drawers, 29c.

Heavy Ribbed Vests and Drawers, wool mixture, with a good proportion of wool, the usual price is 50c, for 29c.

Furs Must Go.

We can't say Furs have had their day, they are just having it, but the season has been bad for the fur business. We don't happen to have a large stock on our hands, but they will be sold for nearly half-price for the balance of the week.

Scotch Saxony Wool Blankets.

Beautiful woolly fleece. Will wear well and feel comfortable these cold days. The season is just right for an extra pair of wool blankets. We have a splendid lot bought for the holiday trade, but we bought too many of them. Good full sizes for small prices. \$3.50 4.00, \$5.00

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Men's Fancy Velvet Slippers, all sizes, 75c. to \$1.00.

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It's pretty hard to get along today. The world is getting rotten, don't you think?

I've heard a lot of people lately say That everything is going on the blink.

And so it's up to me to spill some ink On pessimism. That's the proper lay. For themes are scarce. I say it with a wink—

It's pretty hard to get along today.

"It didn't always seem to be that way. Life used to be a radiant, rosy pink. And now it looks to me like dappled gray. The world is getting rotten, don't you think?"

"Dame Fortune's given me the rinky dink. It's twenty-three for mine; me to the hay. Now, honest, wouldn't that drive you to drink?"

I've heard a lot of people lately say. They've said it; yes. But is it true? Nay, nay!

To Fortune! Come and let your glasses clink! For Fortune! Come and let your glasses clink!

Why, what a shine idea to convey— That everything is going on the blink! This is the last time that I'll ever tink—

Er with a rhyme like this. Hooray! Hooray!

It's done—except this last—this missing link—

Has ever done a rondeau redouble? It's pretty hard!

—Franklin P. Adams in Judge.

Anticipated Pleasure.



Chappeigh—I have just bought a spirited horse and I'm going for a long ride tomorrow.

Miss Guyer—How nice. I shall come and see you off.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

What He Needed to Know.

As the ocean liner was entering the narrow channel the president of the steamship company, a nervous, fussy individual, came up to the pilot, a whiskered old salt who had spent most of his many years on the sea.

"I suppose you know all the dangerous places in this channel," suggested the resident.

The pilot, looking straight out into the night, gruffly replied, "None."

"You don't!" said the magnate. "Then why on earth are you in charge of that wheel? What do you know?"

"I know where the bad places ain't," replied the old pilot.—Woman's Home Companion.

Practical Man.

The country clergyman was in his garden attending to his creepers when he noticed that a boy standing in the road was watching his every movement with great interest.

"Well, my boy," he said, "you'd no doubt like to learn gardening— you seem so interested in what I am doing."

"Tain't that," replied the boy. "I am waiting to hear what a clergyman says when he hits his finger with the hammer."—Pele Mele.

Words Versus Actions.

DeForem (time, 11 p.m.)—I believe in the chap who has plenty of push and go in his makeup.

Miss Cuttings (yawning)—So do I. But I'm afraid I'll have to get papa to give you a push in order to start you going.—Town Topics.

Her Desire.

"John, is it true that money talks?"

"That's what they say, dear."

"Well, I wish you'd leave a little here to talk to me during the day. I'm getting mighty lonesome for some of that conversation."—Houston Post.

Found Out.

"Young man, what's this sediment at the bottom of the milk jar?"

"That's the cream, ma'am. Our cream is so rich and heavy that it won't float. It sinks. How many quarts this morning, ma'am?"—Chicago Tribune.

His Thoughts Were of Her.

She—Father consents to our marriage, but he wishes us to wait four years. Oh, Carlo, don't look like that. You will be still young at that time!

He—My treasure, I was not thinking of myself.—Il Motto per Ridere.

The March of Progress.

"I flatter myself that my latest story does something toward bringing the art of fiction up to date."

"How so?"

"It begins with the divorce of the hero and heroine."—Judge.

A Feminine Discrepancy.

"How time flies! Who would think my little Emily was almost ten years old?"

"Yes, I can remember when she was born, just fourteen years ago."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Remarkable Work.

"May's husband is quite a bright fellow, isn't he?"

"He's nothing less than a genius. Why, he made her people like him from the very start."—Punch.

MILLIGAN'S AIDS

Toronto Police Arrest and Place in Custody Three More Suspects in Ward Pawnshop Robbery.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Charles Gang of this city, one of the best known hotelmen in Central New York dropped dead Monday night.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 26.—Gordon McDonald shot and killed Coley Cheney and Horschell Butler at Cochran, Ga., Monday, as a result of a quarrel.

Kingston, Dec. 26.—Shortly after 1 o'clock last night Thomas Mullyady aged 23 years, suddenly expired in the Hall, a Market Square hotel. He was a laborer and addicted to drink.

Price, Utah, Dec. 26.—Rio Grande passenger train No. 8, westbound, was wrecked at Mounds, 17 miles east of here Monday night. Engineer McGrath was killed and Fireman W. B. Vaughn seriously injured.

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Llewellyn Brower, aged 54 years, who lived two miles and a half south of Camden committed suicide yesterday by blowing off his head with a shotgun. No cause is assigned for the act.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—In addition to Milligan, arrested in connection with the attempted diamond robbery a Ward's pawnshop, the police have placed in custody, as Milligan's aids John Warren, Joseph Warren and Fred Marsh.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 26.—The United States cable and wireless service at Ketchikan Monday and established telegraphic communication with the outside world. A few days ago Wrangell was placed in the American which completes the chain of cities on the southeastern coast of Alaska.

GUARDS FIGHT STRIKERS.

Three Men Killed and Four Likely to Die as Result of Clash.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 26.—Three men were killed and four probably fatally wounded in a fight Monday night between guards employed by the West Kentucky Coal Co. at Sturgis Union County, and the striking miners at that place.

The fight occurred in a downtown street, about one mile from the mine but just what precipitated the fight is not known. It broke out suddenly and continued until about 25 shots were exchanged.

The members of the Miners' Union have been on a strike for the past year. The Coal Co. has been working non-union men under guards, and serious trouble has been expected. The fight caused a panic, and a reign of terror existed for an hour.

KINNEAR A BAIL JUMPER.

Indicted in Detroit For Working Get-Rich-Quick Schemes.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 26.—George F. Kinneer, who was found dead in a Toronto hotel, was indicted here on several counts for fraudulent use of the mails in connection with get-rich-quick schemes.

The case against him was settled by the payment of \$1,000 fine. He was released on \$1,000 bail in another case and jumped his bail. All trace of him was lost till it was learned that he was dead in Toronto.

Kinneer was known to Lord Leigh, an English nobleman. Kinneer's father was a noted Shakespearean scholar and critic, and his works on the subject can be found in the Detroit library. In Washington, Kinneer was formerly connected with The Washington Post. While in trouble here he was furnished with money by his family in England.

I.C.R. ROADBED DAMAGED.

Floods Down East Stop Freight Traffic—Conditions Dangerous.

Sydney, N. S. Dec. 26.—The heavy floods of the past two days, killed considerable damage to the roadbed of the Intercolonial Railway and seriously threatened it in several places, owing to the washing away of the dumps and approaches.

The ground has slipped away in many places along the Bras D'Or Lakes, and it will be necessary to remove the tracks further inward in order to insure safety to trains.

No freight was sent over the road since Monday, and none will be until the road is thoroughly safe. Express trains are being moved with great care.

Santa Claus Held Up.

Brantford, Dec. 26.—William Wilkinson, an elderly man, was held up by three men on his way home to Eagle place, and relieved of \$35 and several parcels of presents on Monday night. The robbers relieved Wilkinson of his goods at revolvers' point, blindfolded and gagged him and left him in a lane at the rear of the Massey-Harris works. It is the second affair of its kind within the last week.

Flood Damages.

Sydney, N. S., Dec. 26.—Reports received from different parts of the county indicate that the floods Saturday and Sunday played havoc with roads and small bridges. Scores of the latter have been carried away and the roads are badly cut up from the action of the water. The damage will be heavy.

Forty Buildings Burn.

San Salvador, Salvador, Dec. 26.—A fire which broke out Monday night completely destroyed forty of the principal buildings of Acajutla, including the market building. The wharf at the old port of Acajutla was completely destroyed by the storm.

Spring Weather At Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—This city yesterday enjoyed one of the merriest Christmas celebrations in its history. Beautiful spring-like weather favored the festival and throughout the day the spirit of Christmas actuated everyone.

Earthquake In Martinique.

Fort De France, Martinique, Dec. 26.—An earthquake shock occurred at 3 o'clock yesterday morning and continued for 20 seconds. No damage was done.

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Beaver Flour contains all the nutrient—all the blood, brain and muscle-building properties—of the wheat kernel.

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is a blend of the choicest Manitoba Spring Wheat and Canada Fall Wheat.

The grade of wheat selected for Beaver Flour—being the finest grown in Canada—requires no bleaching or electrical treatment. If you want ideal Bread, Cake and Pastry, just try Beaver Flour.

Your grocer will supply you. Dealers, write us for prices on Fresh, Clean, Pure, and Guaranteed Beaver Flour.



Why Canada Objects.

It might be expected from the brief reports that have appeared that United States authorities and United States publishers would be rather irritated by the proposal of the Canadian Postoffice Department to abrogate the convention under which it gave the convention under which second-class mail matter comes into Canada at special rates. Second-class matter is intended to include all legitimate periodical publications, and these are carried at the rate of one cent per pound. However, so far from being irritated, the general run of United States papers, in fact all that the writer has seen, look upon this abrogation as not only natural, but necessary under the circumstances.

The New York Journal of Commerce points to the cause of Canada's action thus: "It is well known that our second-class mail matter includes a great variety of publications. The rates on books, for instance, are considerably higher, hence publishers of fiction have issued their works in serial form, thinly disguised as a magazine, and thus have come within its provisions. The second-class has come to be a nondescript class, including nearly everything not otherwise specified. It has given the United States Postal Service much trouble than any other, and efforts are continually being made to get rid of it. No wonder then, that it has given so much trouble to the Canadian officials. . . . It is plain enough that what is needed to meet the requirements of this situation is a reorganization of our classification of mail matter."

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AT ALL DEALERS

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Chorus of Disapproval.

The late Lord Leighton, who was president of the Royal Academy, in London, once had a chance to learn something about himself that perhaps he would not have known. He came to him at a picture gallery, where his painting, "Helen of Troy," was on exhibition.

He joined a group of ladies who were standing before it just in time to hear one of the number say: "It's a horrid picture—simply horrid!"

"I'm sorry, but it's mine!" Lord Leighton exclaimed, involuntarily. "You don't mean to say you've bought the thing?" questioned the same lady.

"No! I painted it," the artist humbly replied. The critical lady was momentarily abashed; then she said, easily: "Oh, you mustn't mind what I say."

"No, indeed, you mustn't," another began, earnestly. "She's only said what everybody else is saying!"

Experience is the best teacher.

Housekeepers, who have tried them all, say WINDSOR TABLE SALT is the perfect table salt.

Swine Notes.

Feed influences the size of the litter. Variety in feed, and especially plenty of forage, or green stuff, will increase its size. An overaction of dry food will make it smaller and weak.

A pile of cobs burned and then sprinkled with salt makes a nice appetizer for hogs.

Pigs may try to become a little too familiar, but that is a good failing. It is better to have them too tame than so wild they cannot be handled.

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Premier Scott Recovering.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 26.—Premier Scott, who has been seriously ill for the past few days with pneumonia and complications, passed a better night, getting about two hours' sleep, but his condition is still very critical. His physicians, however, are sanguine of his recovery should no further complications set in.

Will File Injunction.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 26.—E. T. Young, Attorney-General for Minnesota, will file his papers in an injunction suit on the part of the state seeking to prevent the additional issue of \$60,000,000 in stock by the Great Northern Railway.

MEN AND WOMEN.

Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or alterations of mucous membranes. Pains, and not astrigent or poisonous.

Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper by express, prepaid, to \$1.00, or 3 bottles for \$2.50. Circular sent on request.

Disastrous Fire In Virginia Shipyards on Christmas Day.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 26.—A large frame and sheet-iron building, containing carpenter, sheet iron and pipe fitters shops and riggers' and molders' lots, was destroyed at the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Co.'s plant by fire yesterday.

The Old Dominion liner Jefferson, which is being repaired in the drydock, was damaged to the extent of \$10,000. It is estimated that the total loss will amount to \$200,000, and will be fully covered by insurance.

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In the carpenter shops were tool chests containing 200 ship carpenters' chests belonging to 200 ship carpenters. It is estimated that these men will lose in the neighborhood of \$10,000, and their loss is not covered by insurance.

RUNS ASHORE IN FOG.

Str. Beatrice on Cranberry Head, Near Sydney Harbor.

Sydney, N.S., Dec. 26.—In a dense fog Monday morning the steamer Beatrice ran on Cranberry Head, at the mouth of Sydney harbor, and will be a total wreck.

The steamer left North Sydney for St. John Thursday, but shortly after passing Sealby Island sprang a leak. The water gained very fast and Capt. Peters decided to put back to North Sydney, and while entering the harbor struck on Cranberry Head.

As she struck seven of the crew cut away a lifeboat and left the ship, leaving nine men on board. Subsequently they returned and took off the remainder of the crew.

The Beatrice was owned by Sydney parties, who purchased her last summer at a cost of \$36,000.

B. C. ELECTIONS

Assembly Is Dissolved and People Will Vote Feb. 2, 1907.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 26.—An extra of The British Columbia Gazette was issued Monday night after a full Cabinet meeting.

It contained a proclamation dissolving the Legislature and prescribing almost immediate general elections. Jan. 18 is named as nomination day, with elections on Feb. 2, and the new Legislature is called to meet for the despatch of business on March 8.

It is expected that the question of better terms from the Dominion will be made an important campaign issue, while the large surplus created by land sales and timber receipts (the largest surplus in provincial history) will be emphasized by the Government.

Candidates are already chosen in many constituencies.

Socialists will run in about 20 ridings and Labor candidates in perhaps as many more. Other nominations will speedily follow.

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REGENT STRIKES A SNAG.

Persia's New Assembly Doesn't Approve Revision of Constitution.

London, Dec. 26.—The Daily Mail's Persian correspondent says that the regent has come into conflict with the new assembly by proposing a revision of the constitution.

The proposal is for the creation of a Senate of 60 members, comprising an overpowering majority of Government and royal officials, to which the assembly should submit all proposed reforms.

The assembly received the draft of the proposal with much feeling. The religious party strongly opposed it.

Shah Is Weakening.

Tehran, Persia, Dec. 26.—The latest information from the palace shows that the Shah's reserve strength is gradually failing. He no longer rallies when given stimulants.

Marine Losses.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The report of General Superintendent Kimball of the life-saving service, for 1906, shows that the number of marine disasters was 849 in the waters of the United States. Of these 49 vessels and 29 lives were lost and 811 persons were secured at the various stations. The total value of property saved was \$12,266,100, while that lost was \$2,775,040. Of the disasters 5,320 lives were imperiled.

Riotous Soldiers.

Leavenworth, Kans., Dec. 26.—Several members of a squadron of the Ninth United States Cavalry, stationed at Fort Leavenworth, created a disturbance on a suburban electric car here Monday. They knocked all the windows out, beat the conductor and motorman, locked them in and raced with the car to Fort Leavenworth, where the rioters were placed in the guardhouse.

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A French flannel makes a warm, cosy, winter waist, our range of French flannel is particularly good for this time of year, at per yard 50c.

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STONE "THE HATTER."

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ALDERMEN ARE COMPLIMENTARY

Continued From Page Two.

thing while he (Ald. Scullard) was speaking. However, he felt that all the members of the Council would join with Ald. Stone in what he had said of Mayor Marshall. Mayor Marshall, said Ald. Scullard, had a very long and honorable municipal career. He was the oldest member at present on the Council Board, and during all the time he had held public office, he had enjoyed the unshaken confidence of the citizens of Chatham. Ald. Scullard also had many kind things to say of the City Clerk and the reporters.

In conclusion, he moved, seconded by Ald. Edmondson, that the Council now express its hearty appreciation of the services of Mayor Marshall during the past year, and to thank him for his ever courteous manner toward the other members of the Board.

This motion, when put by the chairman, was unanimously carried. Ald. Edmondson, Potter, Benson, Massey, Austin and Thompson all added their words of praise to those of Ald. Stone and Scullard.

The following is Mayor Marshall's reply in verbatim:

To Aldermen and City Officials, City of Chatham, Ont.:
Gentlemen,—The Municipal year of 1906 is rapidly drawing to a close and with its close my term of office as Chief Magistrate is nearly at an end, and it is with feelings of regret on the one hand, and with pleasure on the other that I look forward to the expiration of my term of office. I am particularly pleased to have for a longer or lesser period been associated, in the civic affairs of our beloved, up-to-date fair city; on the other hand, it is with pleasure that I step down and out from the tenure of office and am thus relieved of the great responsibility that rests upon the shoulders of all those who govern the destiny of a municipality.

The year 1906, although not particularly a red letter year in the history of Chatham, closes with the mark of advancement, progress and permanent improvements. During the last eight years that I have held office as alderman and latterly as mayor, it is with pride that I look back over this span of years, and can say that when I first was elected alderman that there was not a single yard of permanent pavement in the city, and now after this term of years, I know that we now have over eleven miles of the most modern and up-to-date pavements that can be found in any city in the Province of Ontario. It is quite true that our tax rate is indeed higher than it should be, but when we realize the fact that we are not only paying our way under the existing rate of taxation, but that we are paying a bonded indebtedness of three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, the half of which has been paid during the last fifteen years, we realize the fact that we are paying liabilities that were contracted by those who preceded us in office, and who are credited with a lesser rate of taxation, but who were not doing any permanent work, nor even paying their way, but who in their own good wisdom considered they were doing the best they could, therefore we must charitably overlook any act of our predecessors.

It is not necessary for me to call attention to the fact that we have one of the most progressive cities for its size in Canada, but I cannot help casually make this remark in my closing address to the Council of 1906, as well as citizens at large. You are all well aware of the fact that we are looked upon as being a progressive and enterprising lot of citizens, that we have many miles of pavements, walks and sewers, all of permanent type, that our schools are considered as being models for other municipalities, that we are well located as to situation and practically surrounded by a hub of railways second to none for its size of any other place in this fair Province of Ontario, in fact in the Do-

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minion of Canada, that we have many churches of different denominations, which are a credit to the people who compose the citizens of our city, that our hospitals and homes for those who find it necessary to utilize them, that are second to none, that we have numerous factories and manufacturing establishments, whose product is known all over Canada, and in fact known in almost every country over whose land the British flag floats. You are all as well aware of these facts as I am, and it is not necessary for me to say more.

Although our growth is not of the mushroom type, we steadily push upward, and with the advent of natural gas, now an assured fact, we can confidently look forward to a still healthier and faster growth than we have ever before experienced. With the great oil fields nearby, and with natural gas in our midst there is no doubt but that during the next few years our city will more than double its population, because the factories and manufacturers of to-day are heating and are bound to locate wherever an adequate supply of this, Nature's great fuel and power, is to be found. On

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this subject I will not say more, because you all are as well acquainted with the subject as I am. To those of you who are elected to the Council of 1907 and to new members who take the places of those who are now dropping out, allow me to say it is necessary for you to guard well the expenditures of the city, remembering that only by the strictest economy and guarding well the interests of the city in all its branches that in the course of a few years you will be able to say that we are gradually getting out from under a heavy bonded indebtedness, and then because of the permanent improvements that have been made, and will then have been paid for, and because of the fact that our city must have grown in population and progressiveness, that you will be able to say and point back with pride in after life to the time or times that you assisted in governing the city of Chatham.

To those of you who contemplate returning to office for 1907, I have this advice to give—now is the time to look around and assist in getting first class men to labor with you in the governmental affairs of our civic machinery. A departure is now being made in the management of our educational affairs—a Board of Education is to be elected for the first time in the history of the city. This is certainly a departure in the right direction; assist in seeing that first class business men are elected to this Board, which will help you very materially in managing economically this great spending branch of our administration.

To all of you who have labored with me, and who have so greatly assisted me in the work of the year, I must say that I very heartily thank you one and all. I also thank the officials of the city, who have so diligently and well assisted in the work, and in conclusion allow me to say that the year 1906 has indeed been a pleasant one for me, although my time was so greatly taken up directly with my business, and I only regret that my labors for the city were not greater than they really have been, and to the incoming Council of 1907, and to the citizens in general, I say, stand shoulder to shoulder in the good work for this spot we call home; work together as a unit; if there are any who cannot assist, then do not "knock." It is better to do anything than to do the latter, and by unity and faith in our circumstances, we are sure to, and are looking upon advancement, progress and prosperity in all our branches, and are building up a bright spot in Canada, which country is one of the brightest gems in the crown of Great Britain.

Again thanking you for the kindness that the Council of 1906 has shown me, and assuring you that if my business allowed it, nothing would suit me better than to fill the chair of Chatham's Chief Magistrate for another term, and thanking the citizens for the trust imposed upon me during the year 1906; I am, Yours faithfully,

W. S. MARSHALL, Mayor, Chatham, Ont., Dec. 26, 1906.

DISAGREED.

Oh, yes; the jury that tried Bill had disagreed. I thought they convicted him? Yes; but they disagreed awfully with Bill and his lawyer.

End of The Year Specials!

Saturday and Monday we will put on sale a line of fleece lined ribbed underwear—in two colors and all sizes—regularly sold in most stores at 75c our regular price 62½c per garment. Saturday and Monday we will clear them at 50c.

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All house coats, bath robes and dressing gowns from now till New Year's.

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As an inducement to quick buyers, we are clearing out everything in Fancy China, Ornaments, Vases, Jardiniers, Pedestals, Gold-Plated Mirrors, Photo Frames, Fancy Plates, Cups and Saucers etc., Toys, Dolls, Games and Purses at ½ off regular prices.



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Fancy Lamps, Table and Pocket Cutlery. Big cut in prices of Dinner sets, Tea sets, and Toilet sets and water sets.

10 Per. Cent. off any Stove in The Ark.

This will be a big business week at "The Ark." If you want to save money, come quick, we have the big stock. SPOT CASH.

H. MACAULAY

PHONE 159.

VEGETABLE SPIRITS.

He appears to be full of animal spirits to-night. Vegetable spirits, I should say. Eh? Either corn or rye.

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We find we have left on hand twenty first-class Fur Coats of all kinds—Coon, black and brown Russian calf, Galloway, wild cat, and dog skin. We are bound to clear them, all out at a big reduction in prices of from 20% to 30%.

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