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COACILMEN SPLIT \$45,000 GRAFT This Was for Passage of One Ordinance—Some Pittsburg Aldermen Were Appraised as Low as \$5.00.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 23.—Pittsburg was shaken from end to end today by thunderbolts of sensational testimony in connection with the newly disclosed municipal legislative scandal.

The troubles of San Francisco are popularly declared to be tame in comparison. Furthermore, it is stated, the developments to-day are mere preliminaries to subsequent steps against additional councilmen and business men.

At the request of the directors both of the bank officials refused last Saturday. They were held in bonds of \$1,000 each.

Record Bible Transactions. Mr. Wilson's testimony was sensational. He admitted an agreement to sell to Wilson engaged a room in a local hotel and cut holes in the door and walls of an adjoining room.

During these conferences, Councilman Klein had a great deal to say regarding how complete councils were controlled by the accused men, the detective said.

Five Dollar Fine. Councilman Wilson testified, said that the councilmen had different prices. Some councilmen Klein told him wanted \$100, some \$75, some \$50 and some \$25.

Attorney Convicted. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—John A. Healy, an inventor of York, Pa., was acquitted, and Henry E. Evenden, a lawyer of Philadelphia, was convicted of conspiracy, forgery and destroying public records, growing out of the patent office scandal, which revealed the fraudulent handling of specifications on an electric light invention.

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56 LIVES LOST ON RAILWAYS IN NOVEMBER OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—(Special.) The extraordinary number of fatal accidents have been reported for the month of November to the labor department.

A YEAR IN JAIL SEVERE OR GOMERS Mitchell and Morrison Get Lesser Terms for Contempt of Court in Disregarding Anti-Boycott Injunction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The famous contempt case of the Bucks Stove and Range Company against President Gompers, Vice-President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, was decided today by Justice Wright of the supreme court of the District of Columbia.

C.P.R. NEW LINE NORTH OF LAKE Improvement Deemed Necessary Owing to Extra Hauling Power of Grand Trunk Pacific.

MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—There is a report going the rounds here that the C.P.R. will have to build a line around Lake Superior, say from North Bay to Port Arthur, so as to be able to compete in hauling capacity with the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Tone of Labor Market Stronger Than in 1907 More Satisfactory Conditions Prevail, Tho Wages Are Somewhat Lower.

OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The Ottawa Gazette states that apart from seasonal causes the general tone of the labor market during November was more satisfactory than during October and considerably more satisfactory than during the same period of 1907.

CATHOLIC CHURCH BURNED Sixty Thousand Dollar Structure at Coteau du Lac in Ruins. MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—At 10:20 to-night fire broke out in the parish church of Coteau du Lac, forty miles west of Montreal on the main line of the C.T.R.

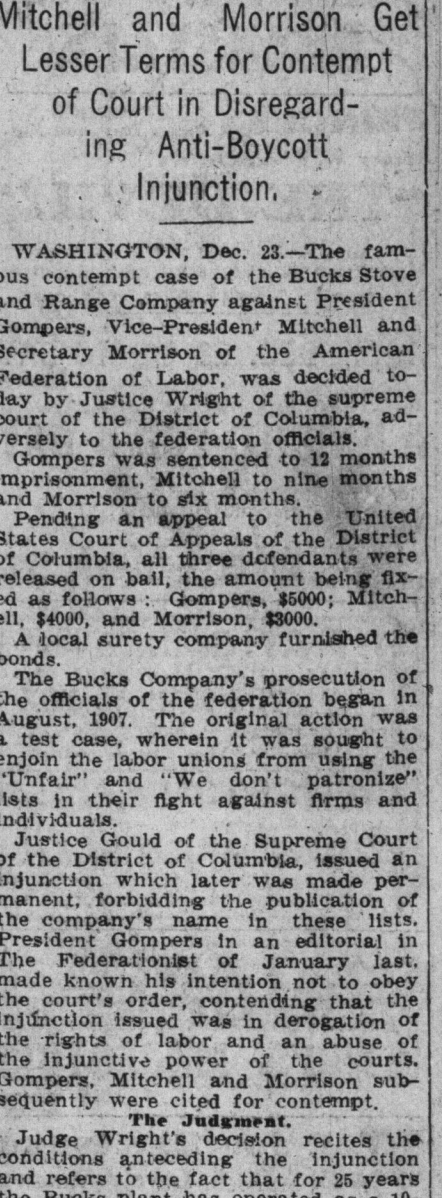
LEMIEUX CONFIDENT. OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, postmaster-general, returned to Ottawa this afternoon from his mission in Europe, where he had been in consultation with the imperial authorities regarding a cheaper cable service.

Died at Telephone. BRANTFORD, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—G. A. Elliott, a prominent citizen and well-known company promoter, died suddenly this evening. He was talking over the telephone and was seized with attack of acute indigestion.

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SANTY FIELDING: You bet you, them campaign spellbinders wouldn't have promised so much if they'd had to deliver th' goods.



HALF BILLION DOLLARS VALUE OF FIELD CROPS OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—An important statement regarding the quantities and values of field crops and the condition of live stock in Canada was given out to-day from the Census and Statistics Office.

Table with 4 columns: Crop, Acres, Bushels, Value. Includes entries for Fall wheat, Spring wheat, Oats, Potatoes, Hay and clover.

HAD TO TELL THE STORY THO RULES FORBODE IT ASKED LOVER TO GET JOB STABBED WITH STILETTO

THE BAIRNS' BANQUET MASSEY HALL Dinner and Christmas Tree WE WILL GET THERE Additional subs. since last report: Mrs. Goodwin \$25.00, Mrs. G. G. G. \$20.00, etc.

BURNS-JOHNSON BATTLE. The result of the Burns-Johnson twenty-four hour fight for the championship of the world will be known in Toronto at midnight Christmas or soon after.

TAKE THE PLEDGE OR CHEAP POWER Both the Mayoralty and Many of the Aldermanic Candidates in Hamilton Announce Themselves.

The cause of Cheap Power is bound to triumph, tho it may be held in check for a time. The Hydro-Electric Commission raised its interest in the municipal campaign, especially in Hamilton, Brantford, Galt and Chatham.

HAMILTON, Dec. 23.—(Staff Special.)—To two gentlemen in particular Hamilton has to attribute all the delay and litigation and abortive negotiation which has followed the twice repeated vote and intention of the people to obtain cheap electric power from the hydro-electric commission.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A million and a half men, women and children thronged the country, including 125,000 in Greater New York City alone, will be supplied with dinners, and upwards of 400 destitute New York children will be given toys suited to their ages, on Christmas day from the proceeds of this year's Salvation Army "kettle" contributions.

VALUABLES SENT BY CROWNED HEADS STOLEN FROM THE CATHEDRAL OF ROSKILDE. COPENHAGEN, Dec. 23.—The cathedral at Roskilde, the burial place for centuries past of the Danish kings, was looted by burglars last night and large numbers of costly and silver treasures, urns and shields were carried away.

TOMB OF DANISH KING LOOTED BY BURGLARS. The tombs of both King Christian and Queen Louise were robbed of all the valuable gold and silver memorials by the crown thieves of Europe and the cities of Denmark.

BE AT DINEEN'S TO-DAY. For Christmas Eve Shoppers the Fur and Hat Store Will Keep Open Till 1:30 p.m.

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**DOG SCARES POLICE FORCE WASN'T MAD, JUST HURT**

Exciting Chase Thru Streets Culminates in Arrest of Harmless Canine.

HAMILTON, Dec. 23.—(Special)—The antics of an innocent-looking dog created turmoil in the downtown streets this afternoon and culminated in the arrest of the harmless canine. The rumor went around distributed by the mad and people ran in all directions to escape it. Constables Halliday and McKay took up the alarm and with mace batons undertook to capture it. The dog led them a merry chase up and down James-street, in and out of office buildings until it was finally corralled in front of the Spectator Building. A long rope was secured and the constables tried to lead the dog away, amidst the boisterous laughter of the onlookers and the most stubborn resistance of the animal, which refused to be "took." As a last resort the patrol wagon was called on and the dog was placed under arrest and taken to No. 4 police station. It developed that the dog was not mad at all, but was suffering from injuries which made it snappy.

**Christmas Entertainment.**

A Christmas entertainment was held in the Twentieth-Century Clubrooms last night under the auspices of the clerks and a number of well known men living in the vicinity. A large number of gifts were distributed to the children. Bay Hill, the popular entertainer, was presented with a rocking chair in appreciation of the many kindnesses rendered to the club. W. Lameroux made the presentation.

**Nine Months With Leashes.**

This morning Judge McKee sentenced Joseph Gross, an Italian about 30 years of age, to twenty lashes and nine months in Central Prison. He was convicted of a horrible offense, the complainant being a five-year-old boy.

J. W. D. McKee was this morning acquitted of a charge of obtaining cash and goods by fraud.

Mrs. D. S. Gillies will distribute 300 copies containing a horrible offense, the complainant being a five-year-old boy.

Chief Smith, after an illness of two weeks, was able to be back in his office to-day.

John Carruthers, ex-chief of police, celebrated his 52nd birthday on Christmas morning in the division court for \$2.42 in fines.

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each ward it is impossible until after the nomination to indicate their standing. But there will be enough pledged cheap hydro-electric power of every complexion to enable every voter to cast his vote on the main issue without any confusion on other lines.

**Majority Candidates Clear Spoken.**

Already both the majority candidates show their knowledge of public feeling and are enthusiastically in favor of a cheap power policy in the interests of the city.

Ald. Wm. G. Bailey, the Conservative candidate, declared he had always been a hydro-power man ever since the movement started, and he intended to be so. It would be best thing for the city by giving competition. He saw no reason for complaint in the Catearact Company. If they had their own power and used it the Catearact Company would be both-ered. They would sell just as much power as they did now. The city did not want to cut into their business, but only to do its own.

As long as the Catearact Company uses the power right the city does not want to interfere with them. If they do not use the public right then the people can deal with the city," he said.

Ald. John I. McLaren, who is the Liberal majority candidate was even more emphatic in his declarations in favor of cheap power. He had only the desire to keep the city's interest in mind. The Catearact Company told the city quite plainly if they did not want lamps at \$60 they could do so. The Catearact Company had its own arrangements. Afterward the Catearact Co. came begging for the contract at a price, and he considered their action most unbusiness-like and unreliable. The offer of 10 per cent under the price of some other people somewhere else was no guarantee at all, and the city never could be certain of their position unless they had their own means of production.

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The remarkable exhibit made by this firm is a surprise in its magnitude, and only after a careful examination is one able to grasp the extent of the efforts which have been put forward by the firm to meet the increasing business demands made upon them.

The stall occupied by the firm at the southeast corner of the market extends on two sides to the foremost line, nearly 100 feet and from floor to ceiling the whole area is occupied by the various meat carcasses such as would be difficult to exceed in any other market in the civilized world.

Messrs. Brown Bros., recognizing their position in the poultry department of butchers in the City of Toronto, have endeavored to excel all their previous efforts at this season, and the exhibition easily verifies this fact.

It is unnecessary to enumerate the various qualities of meats and poultry which are offered on the display at the Christmas season, but in passing it might be said that there are no less than 50 carcasses of beef, among which are the prize winners of the best stock ever raised in Ontario.

Among the lot also are 19 of the best steers put out by the Harris Abattoir Co. for the Christmas market, and 21 heifers and steers from Alexander Levo.

In addition to these there are also 150 Southdown lambs, a number of sucking pigs, English pheasants, numbers of guinea fow, and an unending supply of turkeys.

One of the features of attraction in the exhibit consists of four spring hams, specially raised for Brown Bros.' Christmas clients.

An enormous business was done by this firm yesterday of the poultry department. Large numbers of the finest turkeys, chickens and geese were sold during the day, and the stock of some of the principal hotels in the city.

Mr. R. Brown, the business head of the firm, said to The World yesterday that he had no regret in having his supply of meats and poultry exhausted during the holiday season, and that seeing the advance in the price of turkeys he had contracted for a large supply from a point in eastern Ontario sufficient to meet all the demands which could be made upon him.

**WOMAN AFTER BROKER.**

Charge of Theft of \$450.25 Dismissed by Magistrate.

The stock ventures of Mrs. Emily Lines came to public notice in police court yesterday morning when she came to press a charge of theft of \$450.25 against her broker, Mrs. Lines said that the deal opened in November, 1907, when she paid \$50 to purchase Northern Pacific on a 5 point margin. She paid on calls up to 185 for this. She drew out \$488 and claims a balance of \$450.25 still due. The magistrate assumed surprise, and Crown Attorney Corry explained that the "bambale" had gone her way. The lady objected to the word "bambale," but Mr. Corry stuck to his line of talk.

Mr. Corry said that he had known nothing of a letter written by W. D. McPherson, the woman's solicitor, to the broker threatening criminal action in default of payment, saying also that he had known the case only because he had known that the case was dismissed.

**Not There.**

When called upon to answer a charge in Judge Wincho's court yesterday of seduction of a 14-year old girl, J. Lumbert, a street car conductor, did not appear, and the bench issued a warrant.

**Business Difficulties.**

Charles H. Forster, gent. furnishings, 438 College-street, has assigned to Richard Tew. The liabilities are over \$7000.

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10—H. C. Pearce.

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**A WINTER LOVE SONG.**

By Robert Burns Wilson, in the January Metropolitan Magazine.

The sad fields veiled in falling snow—  
They are not sad to me:  
Not chill to me the winds that blow,  
However chill they be.  
The edging flakes that speed away,  
With music they drift down,  
Thru myriad, lacing branches gray,  
On dead leaves crisp and brown.

No bloom upon the whitt'ning hill,  
No leaf upon the tree;  
The music is sad music—still,  
It is not sad to me.  
For song, with my heart's muffled might  
Keeps measure, blow for blow;  
My love's sweet breast is warm and white,  
And softer than the snow.

**Effect of Colors on Many People**

"Oh, don't let's have lunch at Smith's. They have red shades on the lights, and red always makes me sick."

The rest of the party laughed at their comrade who was so susceptible to color influence. They agreed, the others, that red shades on electric lights were pretty things to look at. But the girl insisted that they made her nervous, and "positively ill, really." So the crowd went somewhere else.

Meanwhile, one of the others remembered a friend of hers who "couldn't stand anything purple." She said purple velvet put her "in bad humor for a week." Another, a business girl, declared laughingly, that no matter how industrious and "hard-headed" she might look, she always felt like an art student if she wore a lavender bow at her neck, says The Philadelphia Press.

As a matter of fact, colors do have a curious strong effect, often, upon the nerves, and the disposition. It is even quite true that there are many persons who become nauseated at the sight of scarlet, or green, or peacock blue, or royal purple. Various thin, possess a rosy temperamental influence over various persons.

The first thing a famous nerve specialist did upon being called to treat a certain patient, who had been given up as incurable, was to order the bedroom paper changed to a deep cream color.

Yellow rose is a good shade, and yellow, certain reds, and a few of the greens go well with it. It is rich, however, and requires correspondingly fine furniture to be in keeping.

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is artistic and since it has the warm tinge of reddish brown, with the softening light of yellow, it is practical. With it is harsh, but there are many shades of cream that may be used. Light paper has the stamp of fashion drawing rooms, of old houses. Blue and white lead appearance of lofts. Plain papers or two-toned effects increase the apparent size of a room; stripes increase the height.

It must always be borne in mind, when making a selection of wall paper, that it should be merely a background with precisely the same relation to furniture that the background of a picture has.

**In Society.**

A host of friends thruout Canada of John Stanton will regret to hear that he is seriously ill in Whitby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Matthews, St. George-street, have returned from England. Miss Anderson, an English friend, has come out to spend the winter with Mrs. Matthews.

The May Court Club will give a dance at the Racquet Court in Ottawa, on New Year's Eve.

A small telephone dance will be given by Mrs. A. E. Kemp, at Castle Frank, on Dec. 28.

Yesterday afternoon, in St. Thomas' Church, the marriage was solemnized of Laura, daughter of Mrs. Walker of Sussex Court, and the late Colonel Walker of London, Ont., to Rev. William James Dixon of Boston, Mass. The ceremony was performed by the pastor of St. Thomas' Church, Rev. C. Ennor Sharp. The bride, who was given away by W. H. Rowley of Berlin, wore a bridal gown of white duchess satin adorned with some beautiful Brussels lace. Her tulle veil was arranged over a wreath of orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss Ethel Hespeler of Waterloo acted as her bridesmaid in a charming empire gown of white crepe de chine and lace with large pale blue hat and bouquet of pink roses. George Hutchinson of London, Ont., supported the groom and J. Holmes and J. Laing of Toronto were the ushers.

At the residence of the bride's brother, Harry E. Matthews, Lansdowne-avenue, Miss Rosetta Robertson was yesterday married to Arthur Norman Turritt, son of the late John W. Turritt of Toronto. Rev. H. Brown of Wyeale, Ont., the uncle of the groom, performed the ceremony. The bride wore a dainty princess gown of cream crepe de chine and tulle veil arranged over orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss May Turritt, the groom's sister, attended her as bridesmaid, gowned in pale blue silk with bouquet of pink carnations and carrying a pearl crescent presented to her by the groom. Hugh Maxwell was best man. The couple left for London, Detroit and Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Bergh of Philadelphia are in town. Mr. Bergh will receive with her sister, Mrs. Eastmaire of Pembroke-street, on Monday afternoon next.

upon purveyors at this season of the year an unusual amount of sucking pigs and other incidentals in connection with Xmas fare are held in large quantities by the firm.

**Local Option and the Police Court.**

OWEN SOUND, Dec. 22.—"The Children" is the title of the newspaper which is being issued by the anti-local optionists during the present campaign. Will L. Litty is editor. Under the caption "Facts Not Fiction" the records of the police court clerk for the past several years are given as follows:

Under license law, 1903, cases of all kinds 106 (including 13 drunk and disorderly); 1904, cases 91 (drunks 22); 1905, cases, 104 (drunks 10).

Under license law, four months, and local option, 8 months, 1906, cases, 171 (drunks 57).

Under local option, 1907, cases, 488 (drunks 131); 1908 (to Dec. 15), cases 428 (drunks 127).

**Single Fare To-Day.**

To-day and to-morrow return tickets between all stations will be on sale in Canadian Pacific ticket office at one-way fare, good returning until Monday, the 23rd Christmas travelers may depend upon the C.P.R. for a fare and thoroughly comfortable journey.

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**HUNDREDS GLADDENED BY XMAS CHARITIES**

Various Societies and Institutions Look After Wants of the Unfortunates of Toronto.

Hundreds of English, Irish and Scotch persons in humble circumstances residing in Toronto will be accorded a Christmas good cheer as a result of efforts put forth by the various national societies.

The number of "good cheer" tickets distributed among the needy English by St. George's Society will, this year, exceed any previous season. Last year 1825 persons were attended to by this society.

The distribution of tickets, which are negotiable on demand at any provisioner's store, was begun yesterday, and exceeded any previous first day's demand by 55.

On Christmas Day, in the morning, St. George's Hall will look like a pure food show. All the proceeds of the tickets will be bulked in the auditorium to be separated into parcels and sent in family lots by special attending clerks.

The Scotch and Irish. St. Andrew's Society and the Caledonian Society are looking after the Scottish in need. The latter, not so much on Christmas as New Year, when they will discreetly distribute several hundreds of dollars. The St. Andrew's Society look after a long list of pensioners in monetary straits, otherwise as the occasion demands.

For the Irish, the I. F. B. S. is looking after them, good and plenty. From 2 to 5 p.m. to-day each applicant at Room "C," Yonge-street Arcade, will be given an order on a grocery butcher, coal man or somebody, for an amount to bring cheer into the family. The Irish poor had been visited personally by Miss E. E. Balle, who goes out each morning on a canvassing tour, and it is estimated that an average of 32 per cent of the Irish poor are provided for. Last year help of this nature was given to 313 individuals.

For the Christmas dinner of the 200 inmates of the House of Industry about 100 lbs. of plum pudding, 150 lbs. of turkey, 3 cases of oranges, 3 pairs of candy, 100 lbs. of nuts and 2 large cases of figs, besides their regular dinner will be provided. All the extras have been donated except the turkey. Cole's bakery has donated the pudding, T. Eaton Co. the oranges and candied Davidsons, Hay & Co. the nuts, Perkins, Ince & Co. the figs and Slimmers, the seed man, will give the holly and greens for the decorations. The inmates will be the only ones fed on Christmas Day.

The Salvation Army will gladden the hearts of about 700 Toronto, by supplying a basketful of eatables on Christmas Day. The size of the basket will depend on the size of the family and will contain tea, bread, potatoes, roast meat, oatmeal, sugar and fruit, consisting mainly of oranges.

The baskets will be delivered by the caterer as the recipient had purchased the goods.

In addition to the baskets the Army will give a dinner on New Year's Day at four o'clock to 600 of the poorest children the investigating officers can find. The Salvation Army is very anxious to find employment for needy men. Those wishing to employ men can get information by ringing up M. 6853.

**The Haines' Banquet.**

Then, to-morrow several hundred children will be given a banquet and a concert at Massey Hall, thanks to the enterprise of Rev. J. M. Wilkinson.

The inmates of the jail, prison and reformatory, charitable refugees, hospitals and homes will all be given "treats" to-morrow. This is nearly altogether due to the donations of kind-hearted individuals.

The British Welcome League, which last year fed 800 men and women and 600 children, on Xmas Day, and distributed relief during the winter to 5000 persons, will be pleased to receive donations of various kinds for current uses.

Quite a number of the big places around town will be closed on Saturday, but a good number of them will be open. These include the T. Eaton Co., Massey Harris Co., Gordon, McEwen & Co., J. W. Ellis Co., Robertson's Confectionery Works, Warwick Bros. and Rutter, and Polson's Iron Works.

**EST \$10,000 IN TOMATO CAN.**

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Dec. 22.—P. K. Sullivan, an ice wagon driver, found a \$10,000 bill in the bottom of an old tomato can which he picked up in an alley in the residence part of the town.

**THE AMBULANCE SERVICE.**

Editor World: I would like very much to corroborate every word that "Medicine" recently said in your columns in regard to the respective ambulance services of Toronto and Montreal. It has been a puzzle to me as to why Toronto should have continued for so many years its antiquated, antiquated, cruel and deadly ambulance system, as no doubt many serious and fatal results must have followed as a result thereof. The system here is exactly as stated, and, once seen in operation, cannot but be admired when one realizes how quickly and without any questions or red tape, the ambulance speeds on its errand of mercy. I sincerely hope Toronto will speedily adopt the system in use here, with any improvements that may be added to make it even a better one. Humanity.

Mary King has issued a writ against Horace M. King of Toronto, in which she asks for \$1000, with interest amount of \$10 a week.

In connection with the winter carnival and a second one that he had proclaimed for Feb. 17th, His Excellency, Earl Grey, is taking great interest in the event.

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**Public Amusements**

The time-honored English custom of holding a Christmas pantomime will be observed at the Imperial Opera Company's presentation of "Jack and the Beanstalk," commencing with a matinee on Saturday, Dec. 26. "Jack and the Beanstalk" is the old story of the poor boy who killed the cannibal giant, and later became a great prince by rescuing the princess from his dungeons. It is set to music, and Jack, Mother Hubbard, King Cole, the Forty Thieves and a host of others will be represented in many comical situations and magical scenic effects will ensue throughout the piece. Those who have seen it at the Drury Lane in London know that it has attracted thousands of people. Numerous specialties will be given through the action of the piece by the principals of the company, and there have been many additions to the chorus.

A fine exposition of feminine intoxication is said to be one of the big amusing situations of "A Knight For a Day," the musical comedy of 20 members, headed by Miss May Vokes and Walter Perkins, which will be seen at the Princess during New Year's week. "May Vokes" is said to be one of the neatest bits of drill acting seen on the stage in a long time. The sale of seats is now on.

The plan of the big popular concert to be given in Massey Hall on New Year's night, will be opened at the hall on Saturday morning next at 8:30 a.m. Not more than 20 members, headed by Miss May Vokes and Walter Perkins, which will be seen at the Princess during New Year's week. "May Vokes" is said to be one of the neatest bits of drill acting seen on the stage in a long time. The sale of seats is now on.

For Harry Lande's final concert on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Jan. 6 and 7, the sale of seats will begin next Thursday, Dec. 24, at 8:30 a.m. Not more than twelve seats will be sold to any one individual. The house will be divided into right and left halves and there will be two boxes on the first day's sale so as to divide the rush. There will be a change in the programs of all the acts, except the immitable Vasco. Mr. Lande himself has a repertoire of 80 songs.

The New Year's week bill at Shea's Theatre has been prepared by Manager Shea with great care. It will include Estelle Westworth, the favorite prima donna soprano, Valerie Berger in her new playlet "The Prairie Flower", Ed. Wynn, at the head of a great "girl and boy" extravaganza, "Busybody", the bounding Gordon Willette Whitaker, assisted by F. Theatre Bill, Lawrence, Amelle Rose and the kinetograph completes the bill.

An engagement extraordinary is promised at the Grand New Year's week in the production of "The Time, the Place and the Girl," one of the biggest musical successes of the past season with brilliant dialog and catchy music accentuated by the presence of Arthur Dunn and an exceptionally pretty bevy of chorus girls, hand-gone and costumed. There is much genuine fun in the action, a bit or two of pathos and such music as is seldom heard in a play of this class. The production is one of the biggest musical comedy offerings of the season.

"The Cowboy Girl" offers a thoroughly interesting western stage story of true American life and incidentally there are many original bits of songs and original music are introduced. A chorus of pretty young girls assist materially. A splendid combination of melodrama, music and fun. "The Cowboy Girl" the attraction at the Majestic New Year's week.

Beginning with a matinee Monday next at the Gayety the Rose Hill Follies will enter upon a week's engagement with the comedy musical in three acts styled "The Knights of Red Garter," introducing Geo. W. Red Garter, the four Londoners, the black face comedy, John E. Co. & Co., Blanch Newcomb, in Buster Brown specialty, Mlle. Beatrice, toe dancer; Andy McLean, comedy musical monologist; Billy Chase, comedian, and the York Sisters, in classic poses.

The Star is this week handing out some real good burlesque to its patrons, and Wednesday night those attending will see some fun when the necktie show is pulled off immediately after the evening show. A favored few down front will be handed out neckwear by the young ladies of the chorus. Thursday night the chorus girls' vaudeville will take place, and the audience will be the judge as to the merits.

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**THORNTON HAINES' LETTER DUBBED ANNIS A RASCAL**

Declared in June Last He Had Him on a Criminal Charge.

FLUSHING, N.Y., Dec. 23.—Nearing the close of its case against Thornton J. Haines as a principal in the killing of Wm. E. Annis, who was shot down by Captain Peter C. Haines last summer, the prosecution to-day brought out a letter written by the defendant which opens the way for Thornton Haines' lawyers to bring out those incidents in Captain Haines' critical career which preceded and brought about the killing of the publisher.

The letter was written last June by the defendant to Julian Ripley, president of a publication of which Wm. E. Annis was manager, and in it the writer characterizes Annis as "a rascal and a scoundrel" and that he had him on a criminal charge for betraying his brother's wife.

"The introduction of the letter," said Mr. McIntyre to-night, "proves the best for us to show the events in Captain Haines' life with respect to Mrs. Claudia Haines brought about the estrangement with his wife and the shooting of Annis."

Policeaman Eugene Fallon gave a bit of sensational testimony this afternoon.

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when he said that Thornton Haines during the coroner's inquest turned to him, and after characterizing Annis, declared: "I would go down to hell to get him and kill him over again." District Attorney Darrin told Justice Crane just before the adjournment of court to-day that he hoped to finish his case either to-morrow or Saturday.

The flavor, fragrance, purity and deliciousness of "Salada" Tea compared it to the favor of every good tea. Every year has but served to demonstrate more emphatically its superiority.



Boxing

Opinions Differ

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Christmas Program

Bowling All the Scores

NOTE AND COMMENT

Several well-posted local followers of boxing were interviewed yesterday as to the result of the battle between Tommy Burns and Jack Johnson for the championship of the world, that takes place Saturday morning in Sydney, or at 8 o'clock Christmas night, Toronto time.

Of the ten men interviewed, four felt sure that Burns would win, while two expected him to get the decision. Three Johnson men are certain of their selection, while the fourth expects a close battle.

Owing to the loose change going for Christmas shopping these days there has not been much local betting, but what speculation done here was held at about 3 to 5 against Burns. Some Johnson men ask as good as 2 to 1 with no business.

Regarding Longboat accepting a match with Shrubbs, the Indian runner holds the same opinion as his manager, viz., that he is the champion Marathon runner, and willing to defend the title against all comers. There is every confidence in the camp that he can defeat the Englishman.

Ferris, North Bay, writes: "One-legged race: I challenge any one-legged man in Canada to run me a race five to seven miles on crutches for \$100 to \$500; race to take place in any Canadian city."

Burns Will Win or Johnson, According to Whose Opinion

Toronto Lovers of Boxing Are Divided on Result of Championship Battle in Sydney—A Letter From the Canadian.

The World-to-day presents the opinions of some of Toronto's best-posted followers of the many art of self-defense. The interviews with Messrs. George Graham, Ed Barrow and John F. Scholes are most interesting. They not only call the Canadian to win, but reason out the matter logically. Mr. Graham is most enthusiastic over the prospects of his former townman while Mr. Scholes points out that Burns is too bruiny and shifty to suffer a knock-out, and he has the skill to score the necessary points for the referee's decision. Ed Barrow gives Johnson little or no look-in. He does not think the colored man has a chance for

THEIR OPINIONS.

G. A. Graham—Burns, K.O. 10 rounds. J. F. Scholes—Burns, 20 round decision. E. G. Barrow—Burns, K.O. or decision. A. J. Small—Burns, sure. J. M. Macdonald—Burns, 20 R. decision. T. O'Rourke—Burns, close. J. F. Sina—Johnson, close. J. F. Mc Caffery—Johnson, sure. Tom Flanagan—Johnson, K.O., 15 R. L. Solman—Johnson, sure.

a knock-out, but a bare possibility to secure the decision. "GEO. A. GRAHAM of the Iroquois Hotel, formerly of Galt: 'Burns, K.O. before ten rounds. He will win to a moral certainty. He is a much better man than many of the smart ones who are deceiving him, think Johnson had it all over Marvin Hart till the latter sent in a telling wallop, and then the colored man practically quit. Burns has always made good. He has speed and hitting power with both hands, also is game, the fastest big men who ever wore a glove, a battle the dopsters generally forget. Burns will win easily on points if he falls Burns played lacrosse in Mr. Graham's home town."

ED. G. BARROW: "Burns in twenty rounds. Johnson is not set up right to the champion who will walk and win. Burns has worked himself honestly to the front and has always been on the level. Burns could make victory sure by going at the body. Johnson has his advantage in reach and size. He has no chance to knock out Burns, but he may win the points in twenty rounds. Burns is shifty and hard to set at."

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L. SOLMAN of the Royal Alexandra Theatre: "Johnson will win, sure."

The following by the turf editor of the Sydney Herald, who is one of the most popular of the champion in Australia:

As a range of only six inches, Burns could hit with those short-arm jolts as hard as a mule can kick with the full swing of his leg. Make no mistake about Tommy Burns. He has worked his revolution in fighting, as any good man who uses his brain-box to guide him is sure to do, and he is only real champion-to-day, for Jim Jeffries' only real trainer into the proper form to beat him, was Burns. And Burns is a good man who has proved that a boxer can still remain a gentleman and a sportsman in the very best society. Tommy Burns is a gentleman, and a sportsman, and a good man who has proved that a boxer can still remain a gentleman and a sportsman in the very best society.

Michigan Trotting Circuit. KALAMAZOO, Mich., Dec. 23.—The members of the reorganized Michigan Detroit, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Benton Bay, City, Cadillac, Alpena, Kalamazoo, and possibly two others.

Over twelve weeks of steady racing will be furnished, and the purses offered will have the added advantage of laying a bet on their favorites when they so desire.

Kalamazoo has been accorded dates in the great western circuit, and the Engelman will attend the meeting of the Grand Circuit stewards, who will meet in January and ask for the same. Tom-Kerker says that he will compete again next summer in the English championship games, and will visit Canada and the United States afterwards.

HOCKEY GOSSIP. The following are the practice hours at Mutual-street rink to-night, 7 o'clock to 9 o'clock. T.R.C. 8.30. Osgoode 9.30.

Andy Kyle is playing hide and seek with the various clubs out last night with his first love, Eureka. Allen of Belleville, was also out.

Eureka and St. Miquels play an exhibition game at Mutual-street Saturday night.

At Oakland, Cal., John T. Fay, husband of Anna Eva Fay, the mental telepathy specialist, committed suicide by shooting himself thru the head.

At Baltimore, Md., Harlem Park, M. E. Church was burned, loss \$50,000.



Tommy Burns.

Opinions Differ in N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Several local sporting men who do not like the idea of a championship battle in Australia, favor the negro Johnson to win. The little baseball Napoleon added that he was once told by Jeffries that Burns would be foolish to ever take on the negro, and as a consequence McGraw looks for Johnson to score a clean knock-out.

Tom Sharkey picks Johnson, and bases his opinion on the fact that the negro is twenty-five pounds heavier than his opponent, is five inches taller, and that he is the form of savior's opinion, the cleverest big man in the ring to-day.

John Constance, who has correctly called other big fights in past years, likes Burns. Constance says: "If the battle is a tough one, Burns will win, as he is by far the gamer of the two, and will force the negro to quit in a grueling fight."

Harry Tutthill, trainer of the New York Giant, and prominent in local ring circles, declares that he is in the fight. "I like Johnson. Burns has never beaten anyone of real class, and he should prove easy for the big negro," Tutthill forgets Jack O'Brien.

Bob Fitzsimmons cables from England that Johnson will surely defeat Burns, and that Burns will win. White takes Marvin Hart as a basis for comparison, and compares Burns' fight and Johnson's match with the same glove artist.

John J. McGraw, the manager of the Giants, declares that he will back Johnson. The little baseball Napoleon added that he was once told by Jeffries that Burns would be foolish to ever take on the negro, and as a consequence McGraw looks for Johnson to score a clean knock-out.

When Mike Donlin and Christy Mathewson were asked for their opinions, they were intent on a "championship" game of billiards. Donlin summed up the question by stating: "I like Burns; he is the better man, and I look for him to defeat Johnson. Mathewson claimed complete ignorance of the subject."

George Conditine said: "Johnson by a wide margin—that is, if the fight is on the level. But there is no trusting the negro."

Alex. Smith, the former Giant catcher, looks for Burns to win, as he is always in fair condition, while he does not believe that Johnson takes the best of care of himself.

Joe Humphries said: "Johnson will win. He is heavier, cleverer, speedier, and has a harder punch. Jeffries retired to dodge the big negro."

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How Shrubbs and Longboat Compare

New York papers are getting busy on Shrubbs and Longboat, who race at Madison Square Jan. 24. Their records, according to the press agent:

ALFRED SHRUBBS. Nationality—English. Age—32 years. Weight—136 pounds. Height—5 feet 7 inches. Stride—4 feet 2 inches.

TOM LONGBOAT. Nationality—Canadian Indian. Age—20 years. Weight—145 pounds. Height—5 feet 11 inches. Stride—5 feet 6 inches.

Shrubbs' Best Performances—Five miles, 21m. 33.5s.; ten miles, 50m. 40c. November, 1907, beat relay of Tom Meyers, Sam Williams and Frank Kanally, distance, ten miles.

Bob Fitzsimmons cables from England that Johnson will surely defeat Burns, and that Burns will win. White takes Marvin Hart as a basis for comparison, and compares Burns' fight and Johnson's match with the same glove artist.

John J. McGraw, the manager of the Giants, declares that he will back Johnson. The little baseball Napoleon added that he was once told by Jeffries that Burns would be foolish to ever take on the negro, and as a consequence McGraw looks for Johnson to score a clean knock-out.

When Mike Donlin and Christy Mathewson were asked for their opinions, they were intent on a "championship" game of billiards. Donlin summed up the question by stating: "I like Burns; he is the better man, and I look for him to defeat Johnson. Mathewson claimed complete ignorance of the subject."

George Conditine said: "Johnson by a wide margin—that is, if the fight is on the level. But there is no trusting the negro."

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FROM FOUL LINE TO HEAD PIN

The Oddfellows' Bowling League averages show Frank Johnson of Prospect Lodge off to a flying start, with an average of 210 for six games. Eddie Sutherland is next, with 185 for nine games, and Harry Williams is high of those having played every game, with 178.

The following are the averages of those who have bowled six games or more:

Table with columns: Name, Games, Average. Includes Johnson, Prospect (210), Sutherland, Rosedale (185), Williams, Integrity (183), etc.

The following is the list of the high rollers for the turkeys at the T.C.C. alleys in the different leagues:

Table with columns: League, Name, Score. Includes Business League (E. C. Thompson 684), Oddfellows League (W. Adams 610), etc.

Wishing all the bowlers a Merry Xmas, Sidlights hits the trail for home, street home, this morning on a week's vacation.

In Class B, City League last night, on Cuts' alleys, Junction Colts won three from Ontario. Scores:

Table with columns: Team, Score. Includes Ontario (720), Junction Colts (719), etc.

The Dominion League last night, on Cuts' alleys, Junction Colts won three from Ontario. Scores:

Table with columns: Team, Score. Includes Dominion (901), White & Co. (898), etc.

White & Co. won three from Sellers' in the Business Men's League last night. Scores:

Table with columns: Team, Score. Includes White & Co. (948), Sellers-Gough (948), etc.

Gowans-Kent won two from Eaton's in the Mercantile League last night. Scores:

Table with columns: Team, Score. Includes Gowans-Kent (572), Eaton's (572), etc.

Advertisement for Score's clothing featuring an illustration of a man in a suit and the text 'THE HOUSE THAT QUALITY BUILT'.

Large advertisement for Score & Son, 'LADIES! DO YOU WANT TO KNOW What would be nice to give a Gentleman as his Christmas Gift? LOOK!' listing various clothing items and a store address.

Advertisement for Fisher Tube Skates, 'BUY THEM TO-DAY \$5 Fisher Tube Skate for \$3.50' with an illustration of a skate and contact information for T. Eaton Co.

Advertisement for Bancroft collars, 'BANCROFT Newest Collar for Fall and Winter' with an illustration of a collar.

Advertisement for Underwood's Gold Medal Typewriter, 'USE UNDERWOOD'S GOLD MEDAL TYPEWRITER RIBBONS AND CARBONS'.

Advertisement for T.A. Ambridge & Co. sales agents, 'T. A. AMBRIDGE & CO. Sales Agents, 43 Victoria St.'

Advertisement for Rigord's Specific, 'RIGORD'S SPECIFIC The only Remedy for BLOOD DISEASES.'

Advertisement for Sidlights, 'Sidlights. The wholesale cutie men of the West-T. B. C. yesterday in preparation for their annual handicap tournament, which takes place next Wednesday.'

Vertical sidebar containing various small advertisements and notices, including 'FAVORITE', 'Please at Angeles', 'OAKLAND', 'LOS ANGELES', 'The', 'Wor-Mar', 'K.O.-Jim', 'K.O.-Jack', 'K.O.-Jew', 'K.O.-Bill', 'K.O.-Jim', 'K.O.-Pete', 'K.O.-B.', 'K.O.-Bob', 'K.O.-Jim', 'C. Co.', 'turkeys in', 'Pie. C.', 'Pie. A.', 'Pie. J. W.', 'Xmas', 'Dice B.', '101 M'.



FAVORITES SUCCESSFUL ON OAKLAND TRACK

Please at 2-1 Wins at Los Angeles—Estella C Second at Oakland at 12 to 1.

OAKLAND, Dec. 23.—Favorites were successful 16-day. The weather was foggy and track muddy. Summary: FIRST RACE, 5 furlongs, selling: 1. St. Francis, 11 (Mentry), 1 to 2.

SECOND RACE, 7 furlongs, selling—Fazio Daughters, 10 (Butler), 3 to 5. 1. Cowen, 10 (Keogh), 4 to 1.

THIRD RACE, 1 1/4 miles, selling: 1. Fulletta, 10 (Taphin), 7 to 5. 1. Beechwood, 20 (Keogh), 11 to 1.

FOURTH RACE, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling: 1. Captain Kennedy, 108 (Walsh), 7 to 2. 1. Estella C, 106 (Butler), 12 to 1.

FIFTH RACE, 1 1/4 miles: 1. Katie Powers, 102 (Glasner), 8 to 1. 1. Mear, 107 (Mentry), 15 to 1.

SIXTH RACE, 5 furlongs: 1. Bubbling Water, 106 (Keogh), 5 to 2. 1. Lapooro, 108 (Mentry), 11 to 1.

SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Madeline Musgrave, 102 (Treubel), 11 to 5. 1. Philo, 102 (Shilling), 2 to 1.

EIGHTH RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Ampedo, 115 (Powers), 18 to 5. 1. Merrill, 109 (Page), 5 to 1.

NINTH RACE—Seven furlongs: 1. Fazio Daughters, 10 (Butler), 3 to 5. 1. Angelus, 106 (Shilling), 8 to 1.

TENTH RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Huskey, 106 (Miller), 20 to 1. 1. Little M., 112 (S. J. King), 4 to 1.

ELEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Madeline Musgrave, 102 (Treubel), 11 to 5. 1. Philo, 102 (Shilling), 2 to 1.

Twelfth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Ampedo, 115 (Powers), 18 to 5. 1. Merrill, 109 (Page), 5 to 1.

Thirteenth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Huskey, 106 (Miller), 20 to 1. 1. Little M., 112 (S. J. King), 4 to 1.

Fourteenth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Madeline Musgrave, 102 (Treubel), 11 to 5. 1. Philo, 102 (Shilling), 2 to 1.

Fifteenth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Ampedo, 115 (Powers), 18 to 5. 1. Merrill, 109 (Page), 5 to 1.

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Seventeenth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Madeline Musgrave, 102 (Treubel), 11 to 5. 1. Philo, 102 (Shilling), 2 to 1.

Eighteenth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Ampedo, 115 (Powers), 18 to 5. 1. Merrill, 109 (Page), 5 to 1.

Nineteenth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Huskey, 106 (Miller), 20 to 1. 1. Little M., 112 (S. J. King), 4 to 1.

Twentieth RACE—Six furlongs: 1. Madeline Musgrave, 102 (Treubel), 11 to 5. 1. Philo, 102 (Shilling), 2 to 1.

EX-JOCKEY MURPHY

Toronto Office, 125 Bay St. Yesterday's horse lost.

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Room 15, 84 Victoria St. Yesterday, Billy Fullam, 5-1, third.

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So make and get this one, boys. Terms: Guaranteed \$1 per day. Three-horse wire, \$1 per day, \$5 weekly.

Smallwood and Dorado.

Percy Smallwood, the long-distance champion runner of Wales, will have a chance to show the sporting public that he can go the Marathon distance when he meets Dorado Pietri, the Italian Marathon runner, at the St. Louis Coliseum on Jan. 11.

Indoor Baseball.

G. C. champions of the Garrison Indoor Baseball League, play the Central M. C. A. Saturday night at the armories. The following are asked to give: Thomas, McWilliam, Miller, Black, O'Brien, Lutz, Darling, Lettice and Sinclair.

Mike Kelley Gets Jimmy Murray.

Jimmy Murray, the Buffalo outfielder, in a letter to Jack White yesterday, states that Buffalo has sold him to the St. Paul team managed by Mike Kelley.

Xmas Suggestions That Will Be Appreciated

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Driving Clubs Are Giving Joint Races To-Morrow—Three Well-Filled Events.

Christmas Day promises, with good weather conditions, one of the best days for harness racing of the season.

As the races are all mile heats, and the horses in the races are those that will likely go down the ice circuit, some extra fast ones will no doubt be tested.

Toronto is practically the home of matinee racing in Canada, and the success that has attended the efforts of those who are lovers of a good harness race, many other cities in the Dominion have copied the example by Toronto, and now there are progressive, successful driving clubs in Winnipeg, Hamilton, Montreal, Ottawa, Guelph, Preston and several other towns of less importance.

THE WORLD'S SELECTIONS

Class A—Planet (J. McDowell), Fox Pugh (J. Noble), Stonewall (W. Dundas), Frankie Gayer (A. Lawrence), King Henry (S. McBride), Fritz Burger (J. Swartz), Class B (special)—Theresa, Smith, Hester Schuyler (J. W. Curran), Walter S. (C. Veeman), S. D. C. (J. O'Brien), William C. (J. Allen), A. Allan (A. Lawrence), Prince Medium (A. E. Kemp), Payne (O. B. Sheppard), Lady Belmont (J. F. Hill), Harry (A. Noble), Honest Billy (J. Ward), Archie (G. B. Hancock), Class B—Gertie Hunter (J. Bailey), Fanny (R. Patterson), Sparkle (R. Scott), Emma L. (E. Being), Bel (P. McCarthy), Wallace W. (P. McCarthy), Trinker (J. Marshall), Shaun Ritchie (J. O'Halloran), Belmont (W. G. Mead), Forest Point (Arnold Bias), R. J. McBridge (W. Wood), A. B. Clark, W. J. Atkins and Dr. Black, Timers (J. McFadden), Geo. May, Starters—R. J. Patterson and P. Callen, Clerk—W. A. McCullough.

THE AMERICAN'S CUP RACE THE TIME LIMIT PASSED

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—According to a cable from Glasgow there is no prospect for an America's Cup race in 1910, as the time limit for entering a challenge has been passed.

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STILL AVOIDING THE ISSUE.
It has further been clearly shown that the extent of drinking and drunkenness depends largely upon the extent and the general distribution of drinking facilities. If the barrooms were 110 instead of 150, there would be less drinking and less drunkenness.—The Star.

When, where, by whom and in what manner has this been shown, clearly or otherwise? Not during the discussion of the license reduction bylaw; not in the columns of any newspaper; not by any of the advocates of reduction; not by statistics taken from official records. There have been assertions from pulp and platform; in the columns of newspapers, and in the reductionist campaign literature. Plenty of this; quite too much of it. But bald unsupported assertion is not sufficient to clearly show anything.

The World has over and over again asked the Star and the advocates of license reduction to give the statistics of the Toronto police court, which show the records of arrests for drunkenness before and since the last license reduction. These figures were tabulated and published by the reductionists during their last campaign. They have the figures. Why are they kept from the public now? Will the Star deny that it and its reductionist fellow workers are concealing these statistics because they prove the exact opposite of what it says has "been clearly shown"? Will it say that the official records do not show that there was not less but more drinking and not less but more drunkenness after the last license reduction? Will the Star say that it does not know that there were no less than 5000 more arrests for drunkenness in Toronto in the first four years after the last license reduction than there were during the preceding four years?

The extent of drinking and drunkenness depends largely upon the extent and general distribution of drinking facilities. Does it? Let us see. Toronto with a population of say 290,000, and 150 barrooms, or one to each 1933 of its population had last year 7570 arrests for drunkenness or one for each 33 of its population. Buffalo, Detroit and Rochester, with an aggregate population of 861,820, have 3309 barrooms, or one to each 260 of their inhabitants. The arrests for drunkenness in these cities were 13,264, or one to each 64 of the population. That is, with more than seven times as many barrooms in proportion to population these American cities have hardly more than half as many arrests for drunkenness. These figures are as available to the Star as they are to the World. Why does it not give them? They are at the command of the license reductionists. Why do they conceal them? Will the Star say that the people in these American cities are naturally more temperate than ours, or will it suggest any reason for our worse showing than the concentration and concentration of the licensed liquor traffic which Toronto has unwisely consented to?

Academic disquisitions upon the economic aspects of the manufacture and consumption of intoxicants such as the Star indulges in and with which it seeks to bedazzle the issue and confuse the electors, may be enjoyed by those who like that kind of literature, but they could better supply any craving they may have for it by perusing Sigmund's school books of the temperance variety. But such disquisitions have no bearing upon the question now before the people of Toronto.

That question, stripped of all verbiage, is simply this: Shall forty men be put out of business and the money they have invested, legally, be confiscated, and shall the business and commercial interests of the city and its industrial progress be hindered and placed in jeopardy in order that we may again try an experiment which past experience has shown is almost certain to increase intemperance? That is the question the people are asked to vote "yes" or "no" upon.

A FEEBLE APOLOGIST.
The Star tries to be jocular regarding The World's charge that the interjection of the license reduction issue is simply a plot conceived in the interests of the corporations who are trying to get a strangle hold on the city. It holds that this is absurd, because it was not Mr. Spence but Mr. Hocken, who moved for the submission of the question to a popular vote, and because Mr. Spence opposed its submission. Not so fast. The submission of the question to a vote of the people will have the effect and was

A Business Man's View

Commercial Side of Reduction Question Graphically Depicted.

Major J. A. Murray, of W. A. Murray & Company, who was a member of the first Board of License Commissioners appointed by the Whitney Government for Toronto, was firmly of the opinion that the arbitrarily cutting off of 40 hotel licenses would be little short of an outrage. "I am a firm believer in temperance and moderation in all things," said the Major, "but I cannot conceive how any good purpose is to be served by the enactment of the License Reduction Bylaw. It is a very well known fact that in the busy seasons, when conventions and other gatherings are being held in the city, the hotel accommodation is quite inadequate to the demands. I am also quite sure from my knowledge of the subject that any radical reduction in the number of hotel licenses would inevitably lead to the multiplication of 'Blind Pigs' with all the attendant evils."

Major Murray further said that it was idle to blink the fact that a certain percentage of the city population desired alcoholic stimulants and the reduction of 40 hotel licenses would not minimize this desire. He did not wish to enter into any academic discussion of the problem, but he felt that there were plenty of channels open to the churches which were not now being utilized whereby the evils of intemperance might be reduced. The formation of anti-treating clubs and organization along other lines of moral persuasion would, in his opinion, be much more productive of results than in any lowering of the number of hotels. Cutting off uptown hotels would only mean that those desiring drink would come downtown to obtain it. The Major said he had other views in respect to Hon. Mr. Hanna's edict regarding the "Keeping of hotels," but felt that this opened out a subject beyond the purview of the question before the electorate of Toronto. There was no doubt that the bylaw, if carried, would reduce the revenue of the city, without any corresponding decrease in intemperance, lower an accommodation now conceded to be inadequate, and increase what, with present restrictions, was now a growing monopoly.

intended to have the effect of taking the question out of civic politics, and that this is just what the corporation interests did not want. They wished to have it kept in the council as a bone of contention which would divert public attention and the attention of anti-corporation aldermen, while the schemes of the corporations were surreptitiously advanced. Mr. Spence says he believes the majority of the people of Toronto are in favor of license reduction. If he is telling the truth, if he really believes this, he would gladly have supported Mr. Hocken's motion, unless, for some reason, he did not want the question settled. Now will the writer in The Star—and if The World is rightly informed he can tell Mr. Spence's inmost thoughts—tell us what object Mr. Spence could have for opposing Mr. Hocken's motion other than the one The World has suggested? We assume the writer in The Star will not ask us to believe that Mr. Spence is an untruthful man and that when he tells us that he believes the majority of the people are in favor of license reduction he is drawing a long bow. Another thing The Star points to in order to show that there is no plot such as The World suspects, is that whereas last year Mr. Spence and his following kept license reduction under cover, this year they are fighting in the open. But if they are fighting in the open it is because Mr. Hocken's motion drove Mr. Spence and his friends from cover. It was by no act or wish of his that he is fighting in the open this year.

Assuming that Mr. Spence is an honest man, an honest temperance man, sincerely desirous of having the number of licenses reduced, and assuming when he says that he believes the majority of the people favor license reduction, will The Star advance some reason, other than the one The World suggests, for his doing all in his power to prevent the submission of the bylaw to the people?

Will The Star tell us of any reason for the holding of that secret meeting in the Bloor-street doctor's office, except that a plot was on foot to get a majority into the council who would support something to which the majority of the people were opposed? If Mr. Spence is telling the truth, that something was not merely the election of a reductionist majority, for if the people favored license reduction, flinging that banner to the breeze would have secured the election of a reductionist council. What was that something then? The World believes it was to get a majority in the council who would support Mr. Spence in getting the attention of the council diverted from the schemes of the franchise-grabbing corporations. If The Star does not believe this, will it tell us what in its opinion the something was?

TOM JOHNSON.
Those who rejected at the financial fall of Mayor Johnson and the defeat

of cheap street railway service for the people of Cleveland, did so prematurely. Mr. Johnson suffered severe financial loss, and it is not the fault of the corporations and their satellites that he has not been punished with penury for having neglected his private affairs in his devotion to the public good. His enemies are now stating ruefully, almost reproachfully, that he has something like two million dollars left. They know moreover that he will not hesitate to imperil this estate should it be needed, to demonstrate that a three cent fare upon the street railways of Cleveland is feasible and just, and that he has the courage, brains and backing to become a multi-millionaire again, if he wishes.

THE NEWS of his misfortune has brought to his side an army of friends, and from all over the continent, there have poured in upon him offers of assistance and expressions of good will. It seems to be settled that he will continue to be the mayor of Cleveland until he has won his struggle for cheap and efficient street car service.

ed that his labors and sacrifice had not been in vain. Compared to his fellow townsmen, Mark Hanna and John D. Rockefeller, he may be poor in dollars and cents, but "He is rich in honor; in integrity, he is wealthy; and, in brains, he is a millionaire."

THE SPOTTER—HAVE YOU SEEN ONE?
Editor World: I am reading Carly's 'Frederick the Great' under great diffidence. I have just finished vol. 8, and when I went to the library to get vol. 7 I found it was out. It has been out for two days. Print this notice not perhaps it will hasten the reader of vol. 7. Besides, it's a pretty cheap library that has only one copy of Carly's masterpieces.

Editor World: Knowing that you are interested in anything which affects the citizens of Toronto, I would like to call your attention to a new species of insect that is at present infesting our city. It is commonly known as the "spotter," or human bug, and is usually found in and about crowded street cars. A wingless insect, and as yet never having been known to bite (although several people have been stung by it), is nevertheless an exceedingly irritating bug when aroused, and is possessed of mandibles capable of discharging an incredible volume of wind, which some people swear produces a sound not unlike the crude attempts of a Matsewan parrot to imitate the yelping of a dog.

Most living things have a natural aversion to certain other creatures, and this crawling thing is no exception to the rule. The minute this "spotter" is introduced into a room, it is at once attracted to "spots" or bare-dodger, it stiffens itself on its hind legs, and extending its ripper horizontally in the direction of its enemy, commences to howl, and keeps up an incessant yowling until the victim produces a colored ticket, which seems to have powerful and powerful influence in instantly pacifying the bug.

As this insect has never had a scientific name applied to it, many of our citizens have christened it in figurative language to suit their own individual tastes. Those who have christened it call it "Fleming's Spotter," thus giving undying fame to the naturalist who had the distinction of introducing it here, but those who have been personally made victims of its insidious sting apply sundry other epithets to it, which, although most of them are perfectly applicable, I will not mention here for a very plausible reason. There was a slight mistake recently about the name given to it by a certain man, and the matter was referred to Magistrate Richardson, who is somewhat of an expert on entomology and a student of entomology, and after due deliberation, decided that although the phrase used to the insect might not have been scientifically correct, still it was perfectly permissible.

Having personal reasons for being interested in the destruction of this insect, I beg to state that I am prepared to pay a fair price for one or more well-killed specimens, which on account of their size and habits would be fitted to take a place of distinction in a collection of natural history. I am not for the fact that the total absence of ordinary animal sensibilities, relative to pain, is the lowest species of animal intelligence known to man. Anyone having specimens for sale kindly address the undersigned, care of The World office.

WHITAKER'S ALMANACK.
The 41st annual issue of Whitaker's English Almanack has been re-issued and value this handy almanack. It is replete and up to date with its varied mass of information. Its scope is vast and its index comprehensive. It contains more than 6000 references. Nearly 100 pages are devoted to statistics and the latest news of the world. New articles deal with the land and sea forces of the crown, aerial navigation, radio-telegraphic convention, new patent laws, and the financial result of the new death duties as compared with those of other countries. It contains the Olympic games winners, progress of world industry, etc.

THE LIVE TWINS.
Maughan and Rose are two of the five wires in the C.P.R. passenger car, for a party in this city. They have issued a bright little Xmas card that is worth a bright idea. The card is "It is better to have the good wishes of others than to wish you had." The crest is a wishbone and the piece of resistance is portrayed as a woman and Rose. They are the live twins.

Toronto Council C.O.C.P.
Toronto Council 24, C.O.C.P., has elected the following officers: Past councillor, H. N. Brown; chief of staff, Hart; recorder, Miss H. Atkins; assessor, Mrs. Sanderson; treasurer, W. Marshall; marshal, J. Beamish; warden of Cleveland were in turn held up to public ridicule and execration because, on behalf of the public, they resisted the aggressions of franchise-holding corporations, a resistance so effective, because they were all of them men of wealth, and, in Johnson's case, doubly effective, because he had cleared up some \$15,000,000 himself from street railway franchises and knew the business from A to Z.

When Tom Johnson first became mayor of Cleveland, the "federal plan" was in vogue. The mayor appointed what corresponds to our board of control and each controller presided over some great department like public safety (police and fire departments) or public works. He appointed and removed all officials and had the power to veto any ordinance or bylaw passed by the council. This gave him a chance to do things, which the mayor of Toronto, for example, does not possess. To curb his powers, when it was found that he could not be beaten for re-election, a new charter was imposed upon all the cities of Ohio, but he was able to elect his own supporters to the various offices and to retain control of the city government. Since then he has had an uphill fight, during which he carried many reforms to victory, and those who know him best have no fear but that in the end he will win his contest for cheap fares and repair his personal estate.

But if Tom Johnson lost every dollar, if his people, for the time misled, deserted him, he could rest assured

Single Fare Now in Effect
Grand Trunk Railway System, between all stations in Canada, also to Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., Buffalo, Black Rock and Suspension Bridge, N.Y. Good going to-day and to-morrow. Return limit Dec. 23. See for re-election, a new charter was imposed upon all the cities of Ohio, but he was able to elect his own supporters to the various offices and to retain control of the city government. Since then he has had an uphill fight, during which he carried many reforms to victory, and those who know him best have no fear but that in the end he will win his contest for cheap fares and repair his personal estate.

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via De Chigo, Union Pacific and Northwestern Lines. Three trains daily. The Los Angeles Limited to Southern California and the Overland Limited to San Francisco and other points are considered by travelers as the finest and most comfortable trains in the world. Leaving Chicago. Only three days en route. Rest and personally conducted sleeping car parties illustrated literature and rates on application to B. H. Bennett, general agent, 2 East King-street, Toronto. D.9,12,24,27,32

EATON'S DAILY STORE NEWS HOLIDAY CLOSING NOTICE

Store remains closed from 5 o'clock this evening until 8 o'clock Monday morning

TO-DAY IS BARGAIN DAY
Something Unusual in Bargain-giving Going On. COME
THE T. EATON CO LIMITED 190 YONGE ST. TORONTO

IN GRIP OF WINTER.
Twenty-Two Below Zero in the Adirondack Region.
PLATTSBURG, N.Y., Dec. 23.—Upper New York State and particularly the Adirondack region is in the grip of one of the most severe cold spells it has ever experienced so early in the winter. The mercury at Lake Placid registered 22 degrees below zero to-day, while at Upper Chateaugay Lake it stood at 19 below and at other nearby points from 12 to 15 below.

Six Below at Kingston.
KINGSTON, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Kingston had the coldest snap of the season to-day, the thermometer registering six degrees below zero, and ice forming on the lake.

A "BOSTON" INNOVATION.
The Boston Shoe Store, in closing a most magnificent Christmas footgear trade, wish all their patrons, friends and customers all the joys of the Yuletide season, and they wish to say that their announcement as a climax to the greatest of all their sales, that on the stroke of o'clock this evening—for the store will remain open till 10 o'clock—regardless of the low prices at which they have been selling goods, the price of every pair of Christmas slippers and other Christmas lines, such as leggings, spats, moccasins and what not else will be cut in half; and that will mean here are some big surprises in store for the people early in the new year.

SCOTTISH CLANS' OFFICERS.
The society known as the Scottish Clans officers in the Labor Temple as follows: Chief, J. C. Graham; past chief, Jno. Keith; vice-chief, Wm. Miller; trustees, John Keith, J. Innes; financial secretary, G. Hay; treasurer, T. Thomson; inner guard, J. Scott; outer guard, J. Munro; chaplain, D. Forrest; secretary, A. H. Thomson and Alex. Simpson. The society's annual at home will be held in Lakeview Hall Jan. 1th.

Church Congregation Riot.
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 23.—Warring factions of a Catholic congregation in Homestead last night engaged in a riot in which four persons were slightly hurt. Twenty-five of the participants have been arrested and warrants are being prepared for at least one-half of the 500 others.

Boy Drowns.
CORNWALL, Dec. 23.—Joseph Lashambe, the 12-year-old son of Angus Lashambe of Cornwall, was drowned while skating on a bay of the St. Lawrence, near Fraser's Point. The lad broke through at a thin point where the water was only three feet and a half deep.

To Defend a Murderer.
MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—It was announced to-day that Judge Choquette has been appointed to act as a commission to secure evidence in Ireland and England in the sanity trial of James Smith, who shot and killed Constable Shea and wounded Chief Carpenter last spring.

Every Box of Michie's Christmas Crackers is a box of concentrated mirth and merriment. Everyone enjoys them, and they are the delight of the children. Each box contains 12 Crackers with prices beginning at 20c box, and hundreds to choose from at 40c to 75c a box.

Michie & Co., Ltd., 7 King St. West

The Dominion Permanent Loan Company, 12 KING STREET WEST. DIVIDEND NOTICE.

POSTAL DEPT. SURPLUS.
\$1,052,000 in the Excess Reported in Mr. Lemieux's Department.
OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—The 1908 report of the postmaster-general shows that in spite of expansions in the postal services, including the establishment of 442 new post-offices, the year closed with a net surplus of \$1,052,000. It is estimated that 396,011,000 letters were posted in Canada in the twelve months ended March 31st, an increase of 3,118,000 letters.

A GREAT START.
Fairweather's report the great estate-adjusting sale a great success. It could hardly be otherwise when one knows the reputation of this very reliable firm, and it's not to be wondered at that the inspiration of such a sale in furs and other reasonable things course, everything will be in a hurry and there'll be rapid buying, and the benefits you can get down to take the want to give as presents to the holiday trade.

Painters' New Officers.
Painters and Decorators' Local Union No. 3 elected the following officers: President, A. Willis; vice-president, G. Lord; recording secretary, W. A. Harman; financial secretary, F. Evans; treasurer, J. Hodson; warden, Charles Adams; trustees, A. Gadsby and W. J. Harman; treasurer, W. Ayers; delegates to the painters' district council, Rogers, W. J. Harman, F. Hodson and F. Evans.

Divide \$1200 Between Them.
The Toronto Musical Festival Association has disbanded and the sum of \$1200, made up of \$670 profit from that time, was divided between F. H. Torrington, conductor, and John Earle, secretary of the association.

Ayer's Hair Vigor
Falling Hair Dandruff
Ayer's Hair Vigor promptly destroys the germ that causes falling hair. It nourishes the hair, restores it to health. The hair stops falling out, grows more rapidly, and keeps clean and in a healthy condition. We wish you to positively and distinctly understand that Ayer's Hair Vigor does not affect the color of the hair, even to the slightest degree.

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USEFUL PRESENTS
HANDKERCHIEFS
SPECIAL LADIES'
LADIES'
GENTLEMEN HANDKERCHIEFS
DAINTY
SOFA CUP
EMBROIDERED BED LINEN
TOWELS
TOWELS
EMBROIDERED
BLOUSES
SILK BLOUSES
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Handkerchiefs, pure linen, hemstitched, with a large initial in the center.

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**GENTLEMEN'S INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS**  
Pure linen, hemstitched, script letter, with a large initial in the center.

**DAINTY SHAWLS**  
"Greenburgh" (imitation Shetland), with a large initial in the center.

**DOWN QUILTS**  
Light and warm, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.00.

**SOFA CUSHIONS**  
Best down filling, all grades of hand-sewn down covers, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00.

**EMBROIDERED BED LINES**  
Handworked Irish Peasant Work, Quilts for all sizes of beds, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00.

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All the dependable makes, in fine, medium and heavy grades, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00.

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Splendid quality Linen Huckaback, damask ends, hemstitched, shown in full range of initial designs.

**BLouses**  
Lace and Silk, Plain Silk or Net, from \$5.00 to \$30.00.

**SILK BLOUSE LENGTHS**  
Stripes, Polka Dots, Plain Colors, at \$2.00.

**DELAINÉ BLOUSE LENGTHS**  
Attractive patterns, neatly boxed, \$1.25 the length.

**UMBRELLAS**  
Gents', \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7.00, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.50, \$9.00, \$9.50, \$10.00.

**FOR THE SCOTSMAN**  
Any article produced in the Scottish Highlands, as follows: Tartan, \$1.00; Tartan Smoking Vest, at \$5.00; Tartan Smoking Jacket, at \$10.00; Tartan Dressing Gown, at \$15.00; Tartan Traveling Rug, at \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00.

**LADIES' COATS**  
At \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00, \$40.00, \$45.00, \$50.00, \$55.00, \$60.00, \$65.00, \$70.00, \$75.00, \$80.00, \$85.00, \$90.00, \$95.00, \$100.00.

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H. Ruthven McDonald has resigned his position as solicitor in First Church of Christ Scientist, to take effect after Sunday, Dec. 27.

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(Yonge and Adelaide Streets)  
Delicious Chocolates and Bon-Bons. Novelties in great varieties. Japanese Tea Room.

**SPECIAL LUNCH**  
Every day, 12 till 2, for busy people.

**THE WEATHER**

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, Dec. 23.—The disturbance which was off the coast of Carolina last night has since moved out to the Atlantic, and pressure is low over the northwestern portion of the continent. Decidedly cold weather has prevailed to-day from Eastern Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, whilst in the western provinces it has been fair and in most districts moderate to mild.

**THE BAROMETRICAL**  
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11 a.m. 31.5 100.5 10 N.  
2 p.m. 31.0 100.0 10 N.  
5 p.m. 30.5 99.5 10 N.  
8 p.m. 30.0 99.0 10 N.

**TO-DAY IN TORONTO.**  
Dec. 24.  
The day before Christmas.  
Noon. High temperature—McCauley-street Synagogue, 8.  
Midnight. High temperature—Church of Our Lady, 10.15.

**STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.**  
Dec. 23. At  
Knox.....New York.....Antwerp  
Birna.....New York.....Lisbon  
Liguria.....New York.....Genoa  
Doric.....New York.....Bremen  
Merion.....Liverpool.....Philadelphia  
Counsell.....Southampton.....New York  
North America.....New York.....New York  
Princess Irene.....Genoa.....New York  
St. George.....New York.....New York  
Kaiser W.D.G.....New York.....New York  
Noordam.....New York.....Rotterdam

**CEMENT VAULTS**  
More sensible than monuments, prevent the repulsive conditions that follow intrusions in steel or wooden shells, will not rot, and are fireproof. The Canadian Vault Co., Phone M. 273. Rear 525 Queen-st. W.

**BIRTHS.**  
CALDWELL—To Mr. and Mrs. Boyd A. Caldwell, a daughter, at 133 Beverley-street, Toronto, a daughter.

**DEATHS.**  
CHAPMAN—At his late residence, Holland Landing, on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22nd, 1908, Frederick J. Chapman, J.P., in his 33rd year.  
Funeral on Saturday, 26th, at 3 p.m. to Church of St. Mary, Toronto.

**DEATHS.**  
DROHAN—At Texas, Rear Edward Richard Drohan.  
Funeral will leave St. Basil's Church Thursday, Dec. 24th, at 10.30 a.m. to St. Charles, Toronto.

**DEATHS.**  
GILLESPIE—On Tuesday, Dec. 22nd, 1908, at Spruce Lawn, Cannington, Ont., Dr. James G. Gillespie, in his 70th year.  
Funeral Saturday, Dec. 26th, at 2 p.m. MYERS—Ann Catherine, dearly beloved wife of W. A. Myers, died at 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd, at 230 p.m. from 525 Queen-st. West, Detroit place.

**DEATHS.**  
REYNOLDS—At Lario, Ont., on Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1908, George Randall, in his 77th year, beloved father of Mrs. W. Chalmers, Bedford-road, Toronto.  
Funeral on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

**DEATHS.**  
WILSON—At his late residence, 138 West 14th-street, New York City, on Sunday evening, Dec. 22, 1908, Joseph Albert Wilson, of Toronto, aged 52 years and 3 months.

**DEATHS.**  
Funeral from his brother's residence, 516 Dufferin-street, on Thursday, Dec. 24, at 2 p.m. Interment in Humblyvale Cemetery.

**"CHEERFUL NEWS."**  
There are thru various reasons a large number of people who have no friends to welcome them at the festive season. This fact has prompted the "S. Charles" to prepare a special Christmas dinner which will be served from 5.30 to 8 p.m. Francis Gratton has prepared an appropriate program for our orchestra, which will be given at the evening's enjoyment. Grill open from 8 a.m. to midnight.

**Fire Cause of Death.**  
PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The body found in the debris of the fire which destroyed a small stable in the rear of Vickers Shear Lumber Co. plant Sunday night was identified as that of a small child, who had been missing from his boarding house for two days.

**At the Inquest this afternoon** evidence was adduced that the death was caused by fire, tho there was nothing to show why the man could not have escaped from the burning shack.

**C. N. R. at Port Arthur.**  
PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 23.—General Manager McLeod of the Canadian Northern, in the city to-day, stated that the company would make large additions to its terminal facilities here. Some were definitely arranged and others were in contemplation.

**Increased freight storage capacity** at the docks a shed is now being built over the steel dock. A new dock is to be built south of the present dock, and on it work will be started as soon as possible.

**Ten C. P. R. employees** have been dismissed in the past month for violation of rules, while 66 received demerit marks.

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**MORITZ PROBE FISHED**  
**COMMANDER IS TWISTED**

**Officials' Traveling Expenses Under**  
**Glare of Judge Cassels' Spot Light**

OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Judge Cassels' inquiry into the marine department was formally closed at 5.30 this afternoon. Judge Cassels will now frame his report for presentation to parliament.

There were some interesting developments at the final sittings, especially in respect to the expense accounts of Commander Spain.

Thomas McConkey of the government vessels at Quebec and Halifax was called in his expense account. He told G. H. Watson, K.C., that he had received \$200 from Davis & Son when he was superintending a work being done by that firm on a ship at Lewis. It was for work done on surveys of ships, etc., outside of departmental hours.

Commander Spain then proceeded with his interrupted evidence as to his connection with the late Frank Polson of the Polson Iron Works, and his challenged expense accounts. Mr. Watson produced the record of attendance at the department to show that Spain was at the department seven days in August, 1904. He wanted an explanation of the witness' statement that he had refunded \$500 received from Polson when he returned from British Columbia about Sept. 15. Witness said he left on Aug. 19 and returned Sept. 18. He returned via Toronto, where he gave \$500 to Mr. Polson at his residence.

**Spain's Traveling Expenses.**  
Turning to his expense accounts Mr. Watson asked witness what he had to say about the auditor-general's accusation that he had charged traveling expenses between Quebec and Montreal on dates when he was holding courts in Montreal.

Commander Spain said that it was usually necessary to go to Quebec to witness, and the date of an engagement was put down as the date on which he commenced his make an investigation.

The charge for traveling expenses to Fort William during 1907, and had charged for only one. There was a good deal of confusion as to what was meant by the real or Quebec from June 8 to 1907, in connection with the Montrose investigation.

Commander Spain said he was in Quebec on July 3, 9, 10 and 11, arriving in Montreal on July 12.

"But here is a copy of the evidence taken in Montreal on July 8, 9 and 10. Do you say this is all false?"

"You have nothing further to say about that, I suppose?" said Mr. Watson.

"No," replied the witness.

Mr. Watson produced records to show that traveling expenses had been charged by the witness when sitting in court in Montreal on Aug. 30. When the expense account indicated that Commander Spain was in Quebec on Dec. 3, 1907, witness said that he was on a "solute" enquiry at Toronto there were charges for traveling expenses from Toronto to Montreal, and on August 25, 26 and 27, 1904, when an enquiry was going on in Montreal there were expenses charges which indicated that Capt. Spain was in Halifax.

Commander Spain did not offer any explanation, except that there was confusion as to dates.

Counsel for Col. Gourdeau underwent a friendly examination by Senator N. C. Belcourt. Col. Gourdeau said that J. F. Fraser was allowed to see the departmental files in April last to look up the matters referred to in the "Grenvy" article. He said that he did not know anything about files having been altered or added to.

**Discrepancies in Evidence.**  
Taking up the contract with Holiday Bros. for the steamer King Edward, Mr. Belcourt was able to show that a good deal of the corresponding in respect to the increase from \$125 to \$200 was written by H. L. McGehe, the acting deputy on behalf of Col. Gourdeau, who was absent in British Columbia.

Col. Gourdeau said that as a consequence of a closer study of the records, he was convinced that he was wrong in fixing June 15 as the date on which the second contract was made.

To Mr. Watson, Col. Gourdeau admitted that the evidence was in conflict with what he had said on Saturday. No other witnesses were called.

**Equally Closed.**  
After consultation with the presiding judge it had been decided, Mr. Watson said, to close the enquiry. He believed the committee had carried out its instructions from the government. The work had been arduous and a great deal of material had been gathered. The details of every document touched on had perhaps not been developed, but to do this would be to make the task interminable.

Judge Cassels, in response to Mr. Watson's remarks, expressed similar views. All the agencies of the department, except those in Prince Edward Island and British Columbia, had been investigated. In view of the large expenditure which a trip to the coast would involve, he did not think it was desirable to prolong the enquiry till the coast agency could be visited.

Judge Cassels said as the result of the ruling he had made at the beginning of the enquiry, that all contracts must be investigated and prices verified. The work had been made much heavier than the terms of the commission issued by the government would indicate. He complimented Messrs. Watson and Perron for the capable manner in which they had performed their task, and also made a word of praise for Dr. Charles Morse, deputy registrar of the commission. He acted as secretary for the commission.

**Files Removed.**  
At the morning session W. Stumbles stated that he did not know of any files being taken from the records office after the royal commission was appointed.

"My information is that certain files of the department were taken from their proper place to that store room, and there, after the departure of Mr. Fraser, Col. Gourdeau and yourself, destroyed," said Mr. Watson.

"That is absolutely incorrect. It never happened."

"Is it not a fact that after this commission issued, J. F. Fraser got certain files to go over?"

"It is."  
J. E. McCleaghan, clerk of records of

**A YEAR IN JAIL**

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value of the good will of its business) without due process of law, and interfering with trade among the several states.

4. Restraining commerce among the several states.

As to Secretary Frank Morrison, the court declared that he had full knowledge of all that was being done, taking part in the preparation and publication of the American Federationist of April, 1908.

Concerning Mitchell, the court pointed to various acts by him which, he said, placed him within the pale of the law. He quoted from Mitchell's book "Organized Labor," certain passages wherein Mitchell declared that it was the duty of all patriotic and law-abiding citizens to resist or disregard injunctions when they forbade the doing of a thing which is lawful. Mitchell also was credited with signing "with full knowledge of the oratorical appeal which accompanied the twenty-seven thousand or more circular letters to the several states, and with full knowledge of their contents, counseling their distribution and with the same purpose as to print and publish."

**Injunction Not Valid.**  
Continuing, the court said: "In defense of the government, it is no defense to offer these. That the injunction (1) infringed the constitutional and law-abiding citizens to resist or disregard injunctions when they forbade the doing of a thing which is lawful. Mitchell also was credited with signing 'with full knowledge of the oratorical appeal which accompanied the twenty-seven thousand or more circular letters to the several states, and with full knowledge of their contents, counseling their distribution and with the same purpose as to print and publish.'"

In reference to the freedom of the press, the court declared that the constitutionality of the law in question was not to be determined by the fact that it was a law which interfered with the freedom of the press, but by the fact that it was a law which interfered with the freedom of the press, and that it was a law which interfered with the freedom of the press.

"It guarantees," said he, "only that in so far as the federal government is concerned, it shall not abridge the right of the regulation of the several states which it belongs. No right," the court said, "to publish or to publish, is added, to 'publish' either the libel or the slander can be sustained, except upon theory of a right to do wrong."

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**High Park Hills Will be Crowned on**  
**Holiday.**  
From present indications it looks like a big day on the High Park slides Christmas morning, afternoon and evening.

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**UNITED STATES FRIENDLY**  
**WITH VENEZUELA AGAIN**

**Sends Commissioner to Report on**  
**Ability to Maintain Stable**  
**Government.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—After an interval of eight months the United States has resumed friendly relations with Venezuela and Wm. I. Buchanan has left this country on the cruiser North Carolina as a special commissioner to report upon the situation.

The question whether the United States will accord formal recognition to the new government will depend largely upon Mr. Buchanan's report as to its ability to maintain a stable institution and to fulfill treaty obligations.

It has not yet been fully established that the Gomez government will remain in power without trouble, for there remain adherents of President Castro. A possibility that disorder may arise is indicated in a request for an American warship at La Guayra, to which wish the United States government has promptly responded.

Secretary of State Root was pleased when he announced to-day that President Gomez wished to settle all international questions. He has felt all along that the situation in Venezuela would work itself out, if the Venezuelans were left to their own devices. The significance was at first attached to the fact that Mr. Root had referred to Gomez as a president in his statement to the press, and this was taken to show at once an indication of the attitude of the government. It was explained that such reference had been made in the communication which came to the department thru the Brazilian officials.

It is expected that the Dutch warships will be withdrawn from Venezuelan waters and that the diplomatic relations between Holland and Venezuela will be resumed or a commissioner will be dispatched to Caracas.

**INGENUOUS THIEVES**  
**GET PARS WORTH \$3000**

**Cut Hole in Floor Above and Descend to Store by Rope**  
**Ladder.**

A daring and ingenious burglary made upon the premises of Wagner, Brazer & Co., 122 Bay-street, in the early hours of yesterday morning, netted the thieves about \$3000 in milk and seal pelts.

To reach the spoil the men gained entrance thru the street door of the building to the north, ascended to the first floor and then crossing thru an inside door to a spot above the first store, they cut a hole in the flooring and lowered one of their number by means of a rope to the shop beneath. Securing the pelts they escaped as they had entered.

The police have no clue to the identity of the thieves, save a plan of the building left behind by them and which outlined their method of entry.

"The outer door to the north is said to have been left unlocked, the building being vacant save for a tailor shop on the second floor, which was there were 3000 milk skins and 30 seal pelts taken, which the Brazer firm values at \$2700.

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**DR. PUGSEY ADMITS**  
**BOOKKEEPING LOOSE**

**Was Unable to Give Satisfactory**  
**Explanation of Central**  
**Railway Affairs.**

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Hon. Dr. Pugsey, minister of public works, was the chief witness before the Central Railway Commission this afternoon.

He underwent a somewhat grueling examination by Mr. Powell, in regard to an item of \$2000 for which Pugsey is alleged to have given no satisfactory account to the province.

During the election campaign Provincial Secretary Fleming openly accused Pugsey of misappropriating this money.

This afternoon Dr. Pugsey was examined about the money lent from personal accounts to operators of the New Brunswick Coal and Railway Company, and when pressed by counsel admitted that book entries of these transactions had never been kept.

The examination then adjourned until to-morrow to allow Pugsey to look up papers bearing on Central Railway matters which he had promised to produce. There were many hot passages between the minister and Mr. Powell, who asserted several times that the whole railway management was "conducted in a rotten manner."

To prove this he produced the company's ledger, a book of the largest type, but which contained not more than half a dozen accounts, all of which Mr. Powell said had been hurriedly scribbled over.

A. B. Copp, M.L.A., was the first witness in the morning. He told of the work he had done for the committee since while a member of the legislature, for which he received payments amounting to \$1475.

Mr. Powell if he did not think the expenditure by the government of nearly a million had been made in a proper manner, he would have asked the legislature, the people of the province, to pay for it. He said that he had not considered it a proper question to put to him as a member of the legislature. The people of the province had no right to know his conduct, and that satisfied him, and ought to satisfy Mr. Powell.

Mr. Powell then asked Mr. Pugsey if he was not very well satisfied with what he did.

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS**  
**EXPLAINS I.C.R. DEFICIT**

**Says Meals Were Too Lavish and**  
**Rates Too Low—Canada's**  
**Transportation Prospects.**

Speaking of the Intercolonial Railway at the Commercial Travellers' banquet in McConkey's last night, Hon. G. P. Graham said he was prepared to say what was to be done with it. He explained the deficit, from the fact that the company had put on top excellent service at ridiculously low rates. Last year, on account of the lavish meals provided, \$200,000 had been lost. If rates comparable with other Canadian railroads had been demanded, the deficit would have been \$1,000,000.

The minister of railways also touched on the improved waterway question. He said that the government was not going to stop improving until this was realized. He said that the government was not going to stop improving until this was realized.

Speaking generally of the transportation problem, Mr. Graham said that while passengers and shippers were very prone to find fault with the railways, he was prepared to say that the railways had done more for the country than any other industry. He said that the government was not going to stop improving until this was realized.

The marvel of the country in railway development was the expansion of the Canadian Northern Railway, which had only two men behind it. Now that Canada was to have another transcontinental railway, it was a matter of course that goods could be carried from ocean to ocean equally as cheap as they were in America. Up to Dec. 1st there were 27,722 miles of railway with over 400,000 miles under construction. This had cost the country \$900,000,000, but this was the best investment the people could have made. From 1899 to 1908 freight traffic had increased 100 per cent. and the manufacturers had more than doubled their trade, which was largely due to the enterprise of commercial travelers.



# Nominations for Mayor, Controllers, Aldermen, Board of Education

## EX-ALD. THOMAS DAVIES OUT FOR MAYORALTY

### His Candidature Was the Only Surprise at Civic Nominations—Attendance and Interest Small.

The looming up of ex-Ald. Thomas Davies as a majority candidate was the only surprise at the civic nominations for mayor, board of control and board of education in the assembly room of the city hall yesterday morning. The proceedings were slimly attended, only about half the seating accommodation being taken up, while there was noticeable a lack of interest, amounting almost to apathy, in the civic issues discussed.

Mr. Davies, when seen afterwards said that, although he had cards out announcing his aldermanic candidature in the third ward, he fully intended staying in the majority race. The reason was that a number of his friends who could not vote in that ward had told him they could vote for him if he ran for mayor. He believed he had done more for the city during the years he represented the second ward than had Mayor Oliver. He emphatically denied that he was the candidate of any interest. He was adverse to license reduction because he thought it would only increase the evils of the treating system.

**Tea Controller.**  
While there are ten controller candidates only seven are to be recognized with a really serious factor. Thru a technicality James Simpson's property qualification was found insufficient and he will seek consolation as a board of education aspirant.

The board of education aspirants number 23, there being the usual sprinkling of Socialists. All the candidates must file their qualifications with the city clerk before 9 p.m. to-day.

**The Preliminary.**  
After City Clerk Brough had been appointed chairman it was decided to allow the majority candidates 10 minutes and the appointed board of education aspirants 5 minutes each.

Ex-Ald. Davies' nomination papers having been the first deposited he was permitted to let loose the flood gates. He admitted that his entry was somewhat surprising to those who had expected his opponents might also be surprised at the vote he would get. He declared that he had done as much for the city as anyone else and that he had inaugurated the local improvement system. He assailed water filtration as an impractical scheme and favored closing up the eastern gap. Mr. Davies thought the city required more rather than less hotel accommodation.

**Mayor Well Received.**  
Mayor Oliver, who was well received, supported the temperance cause. The trunk sewer scheme had been brought to a final issue, and the filtration plant was under way. It was people didn't want him again who would return to his business, said his worship concluding a very brief speech.

W. A. Brough, who was appointed tax collector, while the audience looked slightly bored.

Joel Marvin, who made a speech which can best be described as unimpressive. He advocated popular hand concerts in the city hall during the winter and the appointment of Joe Wright, the ex-arsenals, as steam-boat inspector.

James Lindala, who was the candidate of the workmen, said that 90 cents a day. If elected the Socialist party he represented would order an investigation.

**Should Re-Elect Old Board.**  
This finished the majority list, and Controller Hoken next spoke. He thought the whole next deserved support for completing the city's share of the power supply. He was applauded for his declaration that he would bow to the people's vote on license reduction.

Ald. Hales was quietly received. While in favor of reduction he didn't intend to make a force of the people's vote. He advocated clean streets and pure water.

Mr. Hubbard attacked the board's record. Although an overstatement of only half a mill at the start, an increased assessment of 20,000,000, the tax rate was kept up, why he didn't know. The civic debt had been increased by \$5,000,000, and there would be an increase of \$188,000.

G. R. Geary, the warmest reception of any of the candidates, pointed out that he had always strongly supported license reduction. Mr. Geary charged the board with having opposed the reorganization of the parks department in favor of the commission idea. It was necessary to put in for a filtration plant until the effect of new water tunnel was seen. He declared he would absolutely support the people's vote on reduction.

James O'Hara, referring to the proposed grant of \$200,000 to the hospitals, declared that the city's credit was exhausted.

**"Lie," Says Spence.**  
Controller Spence branded as "absolute lies" statements that he advocated temperance because he was paid outside corporation. As to the street railway problem, the reasonable thing was to give the city its rights.

Controller Harrison avowed that he wasn't ashamed to be called the father of the filtration project. The legislature should give the city power to control the street railway traffic.

Controller Ward asserted that the city council had wasted five million on the reduction question. He proposed the raising of civic workmen's pay from \$1.00 an hour to \$2 a day.

Post Sabine assailed the works department and termed Mr. Rust a thimble. F. H. Sangster, Socialist, was nominated.

James Simpson, Socialist, views, Wilfrid Gribble: Views on Socialism.

## LUCKY NUMBER RUN IN WARD 4 FOR COUNCIL

### Thirteen Candidates Nominated—Old Town of East Toronto is Represented.

**FOR MAYOR.**  
JOSEPH OLIVER, 688 Sherbourne-street, lumber merchant, nominated by James Ryrie and John I. Davidson.  
THOMAS DAVIES, 56 Wellesley-street, gentleman, nominated by Dr. Robert R. Armstrong and David Smith.  
WILLIAM ALEXANDER DOUGLASS, 220 Wellesley-street, accountant, nominated by Robert R. Armstrong and Thomas M. Smith.  
JOEL MARVEN BRIGGS, 24 Melville-street, canal builder, nominated by James O'Hara and Andrew K. Lauder.  
JAMES LINDALA, 23 Wickson-street, tailor, nominated by Phillips Thompson and James Simpson.  
ROBERT BUIST NOBLE, 40 Harbord-avenue, gentleman, nominated by Mr. Noble at once retired, but announced that he would be a candidate for the Board of Control.

**BOARD OF CONTROL.**  
HORATIO CLARENCE HOOKEN, 682 Eglinton-avenue, journalist, nominated by Frederick Dane and T. F. Monypenny.  
JAMES HALE, 4 St. James-avenue, barrister, nominated by J. A. Austin and T. F. Monypenny.  
WILLIAM PEYTON HUBBARD, 660 Broadview-avenue, gentleman, nominated by John Hamilton and William H. Lake.  
GEORGE REGINALD GEARY, 40 Ross-street, solicitor, nominated by W. K. McNaught, M. L. A., and William Burk.  
JAMES O'HARA, 221 Ontario-street, gentleman, nominated by Charles Millar and T. W. Barber.  
FRANCIS SPENCE, 554 Spadina-avenue, journalist, nominated by J. N. McKendry and Miles Vokes.  
WILLIAM SPENCE HARRISON, 32 Broadview-avenue, gentleman, nominated by Thomas Urquhart and J. N. McKendry.  
JOHN JOSEPH WARD, 54 Gwynne-avenue, merchant, nominated by Goldwin Smith and J. H. Kennedy.  
FRANCIS JOHN SABINE, 9 Woodbine-street, physician, nominated by James O'Hara and E. J. Humphrey.  
JAMES SIMPSON, 249 Brunswick-avenue, gentleman, nominated by Phillips Thompson and James Lindala. Mr. Simpson could not qualify for the office.  
ROBERT BUIST NOBLE, 40 Harbord-avenue, gentleman, nominated by R. N. Dowseley and Walter Cooke.

## EIGHT START IN FIFTH WARDINGS WERE NOT LIVELY

### Ald. Keeler Says He Will Not Bind Himself to Abide by the Reduction Vote.

The fusion of Ward 1 and East Toronto was happily consummated at the aldermanic proceedings in the R.C.E.C. rooms last night, when nearly a thousand representatives from the Don to Scarborough listened for two hours to the flow of oratory.

Thirteen candidates were placed in nomination and all will go to the starting post.

Capt. Vennels presided and had little difficulty in preserving order. All the candidates were well received, but the feature of the evening was the speech made by the retiring alderman, Ald. Keeler. He outlined a number of improvements among others the building of a car line along Danforth-avenue. All the candidates were in demanding better conditions for Ward 1, and a proposal to subdivide the ward at Carlaw-avenue was heartily endorsed.

## BIG FIGHT IN SECOND WARD SOME HOT ORATORY

### Prospect Hill Was Packed and Civic Affairs Came Under Searchlight.

Ald. Keeler expressed himself as being in favor of license reduction. He admitted even opposing the submission of the bylaw and did not propose to be bound by the vote, claiming the right of his own judgment on the reduction of licenses. He pledged his support to carry out the contract between the Hydro-Electric Commission and the city.

David Clark declared himself strongly a temperance man.

**Keeler's Expansion.**  
Ald. R. H. Graham referred to an annexing the suburban towns as an evidence of the city's growth. He said the filtration plant and pure water would soon be problems solved to everyone's satisfaction.

**Candidate's Money.**  
Candidate Gillies thought the people's money had not been spent to the best advantage. The question with him was not where the money would stand, but where did the money go.

Mr. May believed in extending all the streets in the ward where possible. He wanted to see supervised playgrounds for the children. On license reduction he would support the bylaw personally, but would stand by the vote of the people if elected.

**Whitlock Faces Issue.**  
Ald. Whitlock was opposed to license reduction and voted against it in the council because the people's money had been wasted on the street widening project.

**Boy Guilty of Murder.**  
TOLEID, 17-year-old boy, on trial for the killing of his mother, was to-night found guilty of murder in the second degree. He was accused of beating his mother to death with a hammer.

## SPRITED IN THE THIRD WARD 10 CANDIDATES REMAIN

### Ald. McBride Said Cutting Things About Ald. Bredin—Views on License Reduction.

OLIVER BARTON SHEPPARD, 104 Centre-street, manager, by Gerhard Heintzman and J. Edmund E. King.  
LOUIS GURUSKY, 113 West Queen-street, insurance agent, by J. G. O'Donoghue and D. J. O'Connell.  
STEWART NASSAU HUGHES, 85 Roxboro-street, contractor, by G. R. Geary and J. H. Kennedy.  
JOHN WILSON BENGOUGH, 65 Isabella-street, journalist, by David Clark and J. H. Kennedy.  
JOHN KIRK, 506 Yonge-street, merchant tailor, by E. W. J. Owens and W. W. Bigham.  
THOMAS YATES EGAN, 45 Jameson-avenue, manufacturer, by James Y. Egan, Samuel McBride, 251 Palmerston-street, contractor, by Noel Marshall and Geo. A. Case.  
CHARLES ALFRED MCGUIRE, 45 Dundas-street, insurance agent, by John I. Davidson and A. J. Gough.  
PAUL LEVI, 245 East George-street, contractor, by E. W. J. Owens and S. Goldenberg.  
W. H. HEVEY, 15 Johnston, Jacob Cohen, E. W. J. Owens, G. R. Geary and J. G. Ramaden were also nominated, but withdrew.

## MAYORALTY ELECTION—1909

### Election of the City of Toronto.

**Ladies and Gentlemen:**  
I desire to express to you my hearty thanks for the high honor conferred on me by your nomination to the office of Mayor. It is a great privilege to be entrusted with the management of the city's affairs during the year which is now drawing to a close. I have endeavored to the best of my ability to demonstrate to you my deep appreciation of that honor.

I am again a candidate for the office of Mayor. If the conduct of my affairs during the past year has been satisfactory to you, I trust you will give me your support. I shall be glad to receive the seal of your approval, and to witness a continuance of the economical and progressive policy of my administration. I shall be glad to receive the seal of your approval, and to witness a continuance of the economical and progressive policy of my administration. I shall be glad to receive the seal of your approval, and to witness a continuance of the economical and progressive policy of my administration.

Five Years for Bank Clerk.  
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 23.—Herbert W. Tier, formerly a discount clerk in the First National Bank, was sentenced to-day by United States Judge Young. Tiers embezzled \$51,000.

## FOURTH WARD QUIET TIME REDUCTION MAIN TOPIC

### Six Candidates Stay in Contest—Big String of Candidates Had to Endure Unmerciful Heckling at Crowded Meeting.

GEORGE McMURRICH, 105 Madison-avenue, insurance agent, by Fred Wild and Charles C. Ross.  
WILLIAM ROBERT JAMES, 88 Bellevue-avenue, printer, by John G. O'Donoghue and S. Levee.  
ROBERT CRAWFORD VAUGHAN, 688 Huron-street, builder, by Miles Vokes and William H. Lake.  
JAMES BRANDON, 189 Beverly-street, real estate agent, by William W. Bigham and J. H. Kennedy.  
ALBERT WELCH, 76 Grange-avenue, merchant, by Miles Vokes and Thomas Urquhart.  
THOMAS ALEX. LYTLE, 98 Huron-street, manufacturer, by James T. Scott and W. R. C. Bigger.  
W. R. C. Bigger, F. J. Sabine, A. E. Harker, J. H. Kennedy, G. R. Geary, L. S. Levee and A. R. Williamson were also nominated, but withdrew.

## WARD 4 1909

### Your Vote and Influence are respectfully solicited for the Re-Election of

**ALDERMAN R. C. VAUGHAN**  
ELECTION JANUARY 1st, 1909

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Thomas P. Ryan, a member of the greatest powers of the financial world, announced to-day that yielding to the advice of his physicians he had resigned from the board of directors of the National Park of Commerce and the American Tobacco Co.

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## SIXTH WARD ELECTORS WERE FIGHTING MOOD

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GEORGE GORDON MILES, 24 Rusell-avenue, manufacturer, by E. F. Flood and James Hunter.  
JAMES JOSEPH GYNN, 57 Marquess-street, merchant, by George G. Mills and J. D. Wilson.  
JOHN CHAMBERS, 800 Bay-street, real estate agent, by J. G. Mills and John J. Glyn.  
JAMES HENRY MCGUIRE, 27 St. Clarence-street, barrister, by J. H. McKinnell, M.D., and James Hunter.  
EDWARD MEMBRY, 24 Colahie, gentleman, by Robert Glyn and James Stearns.  
JAMES HENRY MCGUIRE, 27 St. Clarence-street, barrister, by J. H. McKinnell, M.D., and James Hunter.  
THOMAS G. MATHISON, mechanical engineer, by Gladstone-avenue, by W. W. Bigham and George A. Pringle.  
WILLIAM MYLES, 27 St. Clarence-avenue, clerk, by William King and J. Mackay.  
FRIDRICK G. MCGIBBIN, 100 Broadview-street, hardware merchant, by S. Walker and James E. Stewart.  
DR. JOHN HUNTER, 8 O'Hara-avenue, physician, by George A. Pringle and Edward Knecher.  
WILLIAM WASTELL, HODGSON, 100 Broadview-street, hardware merchant, by George A. Pringle and Samuel Mee.  
GEORGE A. PRINGLE and Samuel Mee, Esq., 8 O'Hara-avenue, were also nominated, but withdrew.

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# COBALT—Boston Will Take a Larger Interest in Cobalt Stocks—COBALT

## COBALTS POSSESS SUBSTANCE THAT PROVES INVINCIBLE

### New York and Boston Curb Taking Hold of Cobalt Issues on Merits.

World Office, Wednesday Evening, Dec. 23.

It has been pointed out repeatedly in these columns during the last month that it is with considerable assurance that the Cobalt stocks can be disposed of, but that purchases of the various issues are altogether a different matter. Professional operators in the market have endeavored by various means to depress each and all of the listed mining shares during the last month, and met with some success in their early operation, but totally misjudged the public's present attitude in regard to these securities, have placed themselves in direct opposition to the trend of the market. This was distinctly evident in the sharp upward movement in Temiskaming yesterday and was equally clear in the sharp advance in Little Nipissing to-day.

Similar movements are liable to occur in any other of the active shares in the market with the incoming of any new buying power. There were some purchasing orders in the market to-day, and it was only after considerable difficulty that transactions were effected, and even then it is questionable whether the sales represented real stock or only the undertaking of a professional to supply the shares when called upon.

An altogether different attitude in regard to the mining market is being taken in financial circles and a slump in prices was thereby anticipated early in the month. Altho this materialized to a certain extent, the force necessary to bring this about has subsided, and those who close to the market that the Cobalt shares have a substance which cannot be reduced by gossip.

Considerable inquiry for some of the Cobalts came from New York, Boston and other American cities to-day. Orders for Chambers-Perland were received from New York at 85, but the evidence of strong buying power in the market for the stock had the effect of warding off sales of the stock, and at the close none of the stock was available below 90.

It is understood that the buying of Little Nipissing to-day was for the purpose of putting the shares on the Boston curb. The idea of the American purchasers is that speculation and investment in mining issues will largely centre in Cobalt during the next few months, and that the copper stocks which have held steady at 100, and the New York for several years will be pushed to the background by the responsible Cobalt.

The one and important feature of the local markets for the mining shares is the difficulty of getting stock. Selling quotations are confined to what is made, but when actual buying develops in the market, these offerings are immediately withdrawn and it is only when those desirous of actually turning their stocks into cash appear that deals are forthcoming.

### LITTLE NIP IN BOSTON.

American Curb's Gathering to Them-selves the Cobalts.

The buying and operations in Little Nip to-day were probably inspired by the fact that it is to be placed on the Boston Curb at the first of the year.

It is well known that the Boston Curb is more popular for mining stocks than the New York, and on some occasions was the home of "coppers."

These issues had a notable run, but were finally sold down, and it is rightly presumed that Cobalt will take the place of the "coppers."

It is beyond the conception of those both in the United States and Canada, who have not visited the district to fully appreciate what is there, and to one knows how much more there is to be discovered and developed.

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## O'BRIEN CONCENTRATOR LARGEST IN THE CAMP

### Model Concentrator Will Be in Operation at the O'Brien Mine.

COBALT, Dec. 21.—(From the Man on the Spot.)—Zero weather has only prevailed in Cobalt for two or three days so far this winter, neither has there been very much snow, but enough has fallen to make good sleighing.

The new bridge over the railway track from the Town of Cobalt to the La Rose mine is about completed. This means that one of the worst hills and the worst piece of road Cobalt has and one which was feared to be avoided and a trip from Cobalt down into the Township of Coleman as far as the Cochrane mines can be expeditiously made.

On the new bridge new buildings are erected or additions being made to old ones.

Supt. Culbert, of the O'Brien, has in his charge one of the spruce silver properties in the world, and development on any part of his 150 acres invariably results in rich discoveries.

Working from No. 2 shaft, at the 100 foot level, the other day an enormously rich vein was encountered. It has a width of several inches and the ore has very high silver values. This O'Brien vein runs into the La Rose parallel to the No. 2 vein, and will be worked by the latter property from their No. 3 shaft.

The new concentrator at the O'Brien will probably be in operation by the last of March and will be one of the largest and best concentrating plants in this camp. It will treat 100 tons of ore a day. This does not mean it will have capacity of 100 tons, but will treat that amount of ore daily. The foundation was completed before the cold weather set in and the framework is now up. Like everything else done on this property the work will be of the best, and a model concentrator will be in operation here by the spring.

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One hundred and twenty-five men are steadily at work at the Temiskaming, and the new buildings, including the new boiler house, are being largely installed. When this is done large quantities of ore will be treated and the new concentrator will be in operation. The two 100 h.p. boilers are set up and partially bricked in. The work is now up. Like everything else done on this property the work will be of the best, and a model concentrator will be in operation here by the spring.

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### There is a newer Gowganda farther east. A story of a new silver field near Elk Horn Lake is current, according to men who have returned from that part of the country.

### Elk Horn Lake is south of Marquette Lake, on the other side of Gowganda. To back up their opinions, Jack Munro, Tommy Saville and Mike Taylor are going on a crusade into the wilds after the Christmas holidays to find what they firmly believe is there.

### A few weeks ago Marquette went back to the woods to examine more closely his claims and found small silver nuggets in the mud. He kept his discovery pretty much to himself, but after the news leaked out, as news will, Marquette decided to get busy and hot-foot it back again. He is now in that region staking claims and expects to strike it lucky.

### Two other veins of decomposed calcite, vein matter, etc., having a width of 10 to 20 feet respectively, in the diabase formation, have been located. On this latter property there is also a lead of cobalt and bloom with vein matter, having a considerable width which has been traced for over 200 feet.

### There are several promising claims in the southwest quarter of the south half of lot 4, concession 1, Lorraine Township, where the showings of cobalt and cobalt bloom in the diabase, gabbro and slate formations.

### Duke Forrest of Cobalt is interested in a claim in the southwest quarter of the south half of lot 4, concession 1, Lorraine Township, where the showings of cobalt and cobalt bloom in the diabase, gabbro and slate formations.

### By purchasing your Christmas railway tickets at the handsome city office of the Grand Trunk Railway System, northwest corner King and Yonge streets, where a large and competent staff are at your service.

## COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS.

### Following are the weekly shipments from Cobalt camp, and those from Jan. 1 to date are in brackets.

	Week end Dec. 19.	Since Jan. 1.
Buffalo	4,900	1,671,800
Congias	2,320,283	2,320,283
Cobalt Lake	404,823	404,823
City of Cobalt	1,242,140	1,242,140
Cobalt Central	527,865	527,865
Chambers-Perland	503,890	503,890
City of Cobalt	1,242,140	1,242,140
Drummond	1,831,620	1,831,620
Foster	437,800	437,800
Kerr Lake	1,176,794	1,176,794
King Edward	127,240	127,240
McKinley-Darragh	3,485,410	3,485,410
Nipissing	130,790	3,261,250

### The total shipments for the week were 1,940,600 pounds, or 520 tons. Total shipments from Jan. 1 to date are 27,266,325 pounds, or 787,700 tons. Total shipments for the year 1908 were 23,081,010 pounds, or 646,000 tons, valued at \$1,478,196. In 1907 the camp produced 159 tons, valued at \$1,370,217; in 1906, 214 tons, valued at \$1,478,196; in 1905, 512 tons, valued at \$5,900,000.

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# UNEXPECTED ADVANCES ARE MADE IN NEW YORK MARKET

### Wall Street Eschews the Holiday Feeling and Forces Prices—Toronto Market Shows Some Firmness.

World Office.  
Wednesday Evening, Dec. 23.  
The Toronto stock market today indicated the one fact that holders are not selling immediately and that the supporting interests are willing to bid prices higher than they had to take any stock. Considerable juggling is going on in connection with Toronto Electric Light stock. The homecoming of W. H. Mackenzie has by no means closed the doors of the shares, who apparently believe that something wonderful will develop in connection with the property. Those who are long of the stock can afford to wait the operations of the insiders and sell out when the market is at a high level. The present market is evidently forced, but it may be and possibly will be forced higher. There is a good demand for the investment stocks and shares which accord to this idea will undoubtedly advance.

**Wall Street Posters.**  
Chicago and Ohio will issue \$30,000,000 5 per cent. refunding and improvement bonds, of which \$11,000,000 has already been sold.

U. S. Steel is able to earn income from all sources \$15.50 a ton on steel.

S. P. report will show over 8 per cent. on common, and is expected late next month.

Any agreement among copper producers to fix prices is now definitely denied.

The Northern Securities Co. declared a dividend of 4 per cent. payable Jan. 11.

The American Smelting and Refining Co. this morning raised the price of lead ten points to \$4.20.

**LONDON.**—The chief characteristic of dealings on the stock exchange today is their small volume, business partaking very largely of a holiday character. The tone, however, is steady.

Morgan sources today are responsible for the prediction that New York Central will soon cross 130. Recent developments in the affairs of the company have put financial matters in good shape, it is said. The story now found is that Harriman is practically reorganizing the Vanderbilts.

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.**—The supreme court of Missouri handed down a decision today affecting the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana and the Republic Oil Co. from the state and forbidding them ever again to do business in Missouri. The court also dissolves the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. of St. Louis. In addition each of the three companies is fined \$50,000.

Joseph says Pacific shares, Pennsylvania B. & O. and Southern stocks will show appreciably higher. Give attention to Erie. There will be considerable rise in these, presently, Mexican Central is very good. Buy Pacific Mail. Cover Copper shorts.

In conservative quarters the activities of some of the bull notes in the minor specialties are considered as a menace to the market for good securities, especially as the market serves are not particularly large, and it would seem that here would be a sharp reduction at the end of this week in case the loan account is unchanged. Already the banks have lost over \$6,000,000 to the sub-treasury. It would not be surprising to see a rather sharp advance in call money rates, if the tendency of speculators to pyramid on the long side.—Town Topics.

General resumption of the advance now is not indicated to us by our latest investigation. We expect special strength today. We are of course not infallible, but it is our judgment that the readjustment has not yet been completed in all departments of the stock market. On these breaks it is folly not to buy good stocks. The prices are predicted for B. E. T., in which we have submitted bullish advice for two weeks. Sit down and buying on this rally by professionals. Southern Pacific may be bought on every reaction. M. K. & T. should do better. It is rumored that the St. Paul will issue bonds to buy this road. Consolidated Gas should be bought on all these breaks. But it is still to speculate on Washes preferred.—Financial Bulletin.

**On Wall Street.**  
Charles Head & Co. to R. R. Bondgard say at the close. The opening market was strong and higher, with advances ranging from 1/2 to 1 1/2 points. Among the most notable strong stocks today were the local traction, to which we have repeatedly called attention. Brooklyn Rapid Transit closed yesterday 62 1/2 and gained 4 3/8 through the day. Interboro-Metropolitan closed yesterday at 19 1/8 and sold 1/2. Even Metropolitan stock is sold at 19 1/2. It is said the Hawley people, having sold out their Colorado Southern, are acquiring Missouri, Kansas & Texas and that the stock will sell much higher. One of the most sensational points concerns New York Central, it being reported that Mr. Harriman will offer an exchange of Union Pacific for New York Central on a basis that would allow of 20 to 40 points profit on the latter. Steel common closed at 54 1/2, notably holding Mr. Carnegie's testimony before the tariff commission. The Hill stock, the firm attracted no interest, the activity and interest being in Harriman issues, particularly Union Pacific. Washes again forged to the front and were strong and active, closing at highest.

# THE DOMINION BANK

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three per cent. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the quarter ending 31st December, 1908, being at the rate of Three per cent. per annum, and that the same will be payable at the Banking House in this City on and after

**Saturday, the second day of January, 1909.**  
The Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to the 31st December, both days inclusive.  
The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank in Toronto on Wednesday, 27th January next, at Twelve o'clock noon.  
By order of the Board,  
C. A. BOGERT, General Manager.  
Toronto, 18th November, 1908.

## UNDERTONE TO MARKET IS FIRM.

World Office,  
Wednesday Evening, Dec. 23.  
Considering the holiday condition of the market, prices at the Toronto Stock Exchange to-day held remarkably firm and some movements suggested a strength underneath the prices scarcely warranted by outside opinion. Some speculative stocks were quite firm on small buying, especially the case with Toronto Electric Light, which advanced to 133, a rise of nearly four points for the week. Sao Paulo was also well supported and was tipped for a further rise. In the investment department there was a demand for Imperial and Standard Banks, each of which sold at higher prices to small investors. The market has a strong undertone, which is sufficient to warrant the belief of a firmness to prices over the holiday.

HERBERT H. BALL.

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# HOT TERMINAL FIGHT STARTED BY PT. ARTHUR

Ontario Government Asked to Hold Up Subsidies for G. T. P. Thunder Bay Branch.

A hot battle for the Thunder Bay terminal of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway has begun between Fort William and Port Arthur. The latter has secured the services of a prominent Toronto law firm and a representative of the firm yesterday placed the claims of Port Arthur before two members of the Ontario Cabinet. He urged them to hold up the railway subsidy to the Lake Superior branch unless Port Arthur secured what that city regards as a fair share of the subsidy.

Sir James Whitney was asked if he had anything to say respecting the contest. "There's nothing at present. They have not been to see me yet. There's no secret about it," replied the Premier.

The records show that a subsidy was granted to the Lake Superior branch for 270 miles from the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific to a point on Thunder Bay. The line was completed some time ago to Fort William and the railway has applied for its subsidy.

The amount is \$2000 a mile, and 3000 acres of land. Port Arthur is raising the point that the line will not be completed until it is extended from the Fort William terminal to the Thunder Bay terminal. A protest will be made to the Ontario Government in some form or another for the purpose of securing a substantial bonus from Port Arthur.

**BURGLAR KILLS STUDENT.**  
Latter Found Him in Hiding and Was Worsted in Fight.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Vlad Dvight Sheldon, aged 19, a student in the school of engineering at New York University, lost his life in a battle with a burglar in the cellar of the home of Dean Snow of the school of engineering today. The murderer escaped after a long chase across the snow-covered campus.

Young Sheldon, a cousin of Dean Snow, made his home at the dean's residence. He had gone to the cellar when he heard a movement behind the coal bin and went over to investigate. As he did so a man jumped out and struck the young man in the face. "Let me alone and don't make a sound or I'll kill you," he said, but Sheldon struggled with his assailant and began to call for help. The man, shaking him, whipped out a revolver and fired.

**STANDARD OIL OUSTED.**  
Must Quit Missouri—Repeal Oil Co. For.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The supreme court of Missouri handed down a decision this morning ousting the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana and the Republic Oil Co. from the State of Missouri, forbidding them again to do business in Missouri and dissolving the Waters-Pierce Oil Company of St. Louis. In addition each of the companies is fined \$50,000.

**TO UTAIE MARINE UNIONS.**  
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 23.—The Cleveland Leader says: A movement was launched for an amalgamation of all labor unions on the Great Lakes at a secret conference of national officers in this city.

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**TWO SUBJECTS CUT OUT.**  
Arithmetic and Grammar Eliminated From Varsity Matriculation Exams.  
A conference of representatives of the Ontario universities, with the exception of the Western and London, was held at Toronto University yesterday respecting matriculation examinations. It was decided to omit arithmetic and grammar.

**ACCIDENTALLY ASPHYXIATED.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Frederick A. Burnham, former president of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Co., who was indicted following the insurance investigation in view of his conduct while at the head of that company, was found dead in bed at his home here today from inhaling illuminating gas. The gas had escaped from a small stove which was used to heat Mr. Burnham's sleeping room.

**PRIZE FOR HIGHER.**  
W. F. Battersby of the School of Mines, Kingston, Ontario, has been awarded the prize of one hundred dollars offered by J. B. Tyrrell, mining engineer of this city, for the best collection of minerals made in the Province of Ontario during the past summer.

**Week-End.**  
\$3.50 pays transportation, board and salina bath for week end visit to "The Wolland" St. Catharines. Leave Toronto 4 p.m. Saturday, arrive Toronto 10 a.m. Monday. Apply G.T.R. office, city.

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**THE METROPOLITAN BANK**  
Notice is hereby given that a dividend of two per cent. on the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the quarter ending 31st December, 1908, being at the rate of Two per cent. per annum, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office of the Bank on and after the second day of January next.  
The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st December next, both days inclusive.  
The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders for the year ending 31st December 1908 and the transaction of other business will be held at the Head Office of the Bank in Toronto, on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1909, at 12 o'clock noon.  
By order of the Board,  
W. D. ROSS,  
1307  
General Manager.

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F. W. BROUILLON, General Manager.

**BANK TREASURER SUICIDES.**  
WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 23.—Frank W. Cutting, for forty years connected with the Worcester Mechanics' Savings Bank, and for seven years its treasurer, was found dead by suicide at his home today.

**Sam Landers Here.**  
Samuel Landers, general executive of the United Garment Workers of America, is in the city promoting the union label. He will address a number of crafts this week and next.

# Market

Liverpool will be low maintained, unless Chicago, higher than last week. Wheat, higher than last week. Corn, higher than last week. Cotton, higher than last week. Sugar, higher than last week. Rice, higher than last week. Beans, higher than last week. Peas, higher than last week. Lentils, higher than last week. Oats, higher than last week. Barley, higher than last week. Hops, higher than last week. Flax, higher than last week. Wool, higher than last week. Tallow, higher than last week. Butter, higher than last week. Cheese, higher than last week. Eggs, higher than last week. Poultry, higher than last week. Game, higher than last week. Fish, higher than last week. Fruit, higher than last week. Vegetables, higher than last week. Miscellaneous, higher than last week.

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