

RUSSIAN BATTLESHIPS SMASHED AND SUNK UNDER PLUNGING FIRE FROM METER HILL

Poltava at Bottom. Retvizan Sinking and the Bayan Aground.

Admiral Togo's Great Naval Guns Create Awful Destruction in Port Arthur.

Tokio, Dec. 7. — Noon. — It is officially announced that the Russian battleship Poltava has been sunk in the harbor of Port Arthur as a result of the Japanese bombardment, and that the battleship Retvizan has been seriously damaged.

The Poltava was an armored turretship of 10,900 tons displacement, and 11,255 indicated horsepower. She was built in St. Petersburg in 1894 and went into commission in 1898. Her armament consisted of four 12-inch, twelve 5.9-inch and thirty-four smaller caliber, breech-loading rifle guns.

The Retvizan is a battleship of 12,700 tons displacement and 16,000 indicated horsepower. She was built in Philadelphia in 1902. Her armament consisted of four 12-inch, twelve 5.9-inch, twelve 3-pounders and six 1-pounder guns of Russian Krupp pattern. Her speed was 18 knots per hour.

The Plunging Fire.

Tokio, Dec. 7. — The headquarters of the Japanese army in front of Port Arthur has reported confirming the disabling of the Russian battleships Retvizan and Poltava, and stating that the cruiser Bayan was aground. The report goes on to say as follows:

"Owing to the plunging fire from 263-meter Hill, the enemy has withdrawn to Alaska Hill."

"On Dec. 6 our forces occupied an entire fort at 1 p.m. Subsequently our forces, after dislodging the enemy, occupied an entire fort north of Suifu Kou and two eminences north of Sanichuan at 3 p.m."

"On Dec. 6 at 4 p.m. in response to the beaver of the enemy's flag truce an armistice of five hours was granted for the removal of the dead."

The Bayan Aground.

Tokio, Dec. 7. — Noon. — The Japanese troops occupied Akasaka Hill, fronting on Port Arthur yesterday, Dec. 6. The Russian armored cruiser Bayan is reported to be aground.

A RAIN OF SHELLS

Jap Commander Tells How He Pounded the Battleships.

Tokio, Dec. 7. — Noon. — The commander of the Japanese naval guns in front of Port Arthur, telegraphing on Dec. 6, says: "An observation from 263-meter Hill shows that the turretship Poltava is sunk, and that the battleship Retvizan is listing heavily to port."

Observations taken Dec. 6 covered the results of the bombardment of Dec. 5th.

HON. MR. BLAIR'S RESIGNATION

DUE TO RUSSELL'S PERSUASION

Assumed That If Attacked He Would Take the Stump Against Government.

Montreal, Dec. 6. — Mr. David Russell made the following statement tonight: "Hon. A. G. Blair and myself have instructed our lawyers to at once commence criminal proceedings against Blair. He is the only responsible person in the commission, which has copied the malicious attacks upon us."

It is only fair to Mr. Blair, for me to state that when I persuaded him to resign his position as chairman of the railway commission, there was no understanding that he would take the stump.

"I assumed that when he was attacked he would take the stump, and so believing, I wired the editor of the St. John Telegraph that he would do so inside 48 hours. I admit that I assumed too much, but I can assure the public that Sir Wilfrid Laurier or anybody else never sandbagged him into silence. He defies any member of the Liberal party to make the charge."

The Herald comments editorially on Mr. Blair's statement, as follows: "Hon. Mr. Blair has addressed a column in the Gazette concerning his retirement from the railway commission, and the public are still uninformed as to his real reason for leaving the commission."

When he retired from the commission his valetudinary address made clear to those who heard him two very important circumstances. First, that he was doing so with the expectation of best looking after his own interests; second, that it was necessary for him to resign from the commission immediately. He said he could not "in his own interest" forego personal advantages which are open to him in other employment."

"I have presented to me for PROMPT DETERMINATION, the question as to whether I will turn my energies in another direction, which will be much more profitable to me personally than the position which I now fill, and again he used the expression, 'if it had been possible to have held further in suspense the question of my retirement,' the difficulty of his going might have been accentuated, etc."

"It is just seven weeks today since Mr. Blair made those statements on taking leave of a great judicial office, and yet in the course of a letter a column long, he fails to say what it was that was presented to me for prompt determination, which made it impossible to have held further in suspense

ed the enemy's fleet lying south of the island of Swatow. From that point only the masts and funnel tops of the battleships Pobieda, Retvizan or the cruiser Pallada could be seen, and it was impossible to count the number of our shells taking effect."

"On other ships, explosions, resulting from our shells, could be seen, but it was difficult exactly to identify them. The total of our shells taking effect on the enemy's ships was as follows: On a vessel of the Pobieda type, 34;

BIG GUNS THUNDER IN MANCHURIA

Tremendous Cannonnade by Siege Artillery in the Vicinity of Poutiloff Hill.

Pekin, Dec. 7. — Mukden reports a tremendous noise of cannonade around Poutiloff Hill and the railway, which began Dec. 6. In the morning and afternoon, it was unlike anything of the kind heretofore, except at Port Arthur. The effect is due to the constantly increasing number of siege guns of large caliber, all of which are being used in the attack. Rumors of a Japanese attack, set for various dates, have been current during the past two weeks, and it was the impression that the bombardment of Dec. 6 was in anticipation of a Japanese offensive movement.

Today the first sleet and snow fell. Boarding Houses Ablaze.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 7. — Two large boarding houses, situated at the new C. P. R. shops and accommodating 500 men, were ablaze this morning. Many of the men had very narrow escapes for their lives, getting out in their night clothes.

Finds Gold and Silver

Cure for Pneumonia

New York, Dec. 7. — A Paris dispatch to the Herald says that sensational cures have been obtained in fourteen cases thus treated.

The employment of these metallic ferments to treat pneumonia, for complication and the predominance of certain symptoms necessitate accessory therapeutics, but great progress would appear to be made by their use in the treatment of this frequent and serious malady.

Reduction of the metals to the desired state is obtained by their electrical dissolution in water. The metal so treated acquires the property of developing a force similar to that of fermentation. This peculiarity of the phenomenon has led Dr. Robin to use the term "Metallic ferments," in reporting his discovery.

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CRUDE OIL INDUSTRY

Bounty System Has Given a Great Stimulus to the Trade.

Ottawa, Dec. 6. — The law providing for a bounty of one and one-half cents a gallon to the producers of crude oil in Canada went into force on June 8, and for the period between that date and Dec. 1 the sum of \$123,088 has been paid out on the strength of 365 applications. This represents a production of 18,462,299 gallons. How greatly the new law has stimulated the oil industry can be seen from a glance at the trade statistics. Taking the first four months of the present fiscal year and comparing them with the same period of last year the imports were as follows: Coal and kerosene oil (mineral) distilled, purified or refined, naphtha and petroleum, not elsewhere specified, dutiable at two and one-half cents a gallon, 1904, 3,558,063 gallons; the value of \$274,969, 1905, 6,557,551 gallons of the value of \$533,238.

Crude petroleum, fuel and gas oils, other than naphtha, benzine or gasoline, when imported by manufacturers other than oil refiners, for use in their own factories, for fuel purposes or for the manufacture of gas, dutiable at one and one-half cents per gallon; 1904, 46,769 gallons, of the value of \$2,850; 1905, 855,123 gallons of the value of \$57,295. It will be seen that in the case of mineral coal and kerosene oils the falling off in imports for the four months amounts to 2,569,483 gallons, in the case of crude petroleum there is a reduction of \$38,354 gallons.

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BIG HAUL OF GUNS BY RUSSIANS

Said to Have Captured Twenty-Four in the Rout of Japs in Manchuria.

Mukden, Dec. 6. — The report that Gen. Reinnekampff has administered a heavy defeat to the Japanese continues to circulate among the Russian troops, but has not yet been officially confirmed. To the earlier rumor mentioned above there is added the report that the Russians have succeeded in carrying off 24 guns which they captured in conditions at the front today. The prices of wood are increasing, though other fuel is becoming more plentiful and cheaper. The prices charged for food by local merchants are exceedingly high, owing to the slowness of the arrival of supplies from Russia.

Everything now indicates that the prospect of an immediate encounter on a large scale has passed. During the fighting between the Russian and Japanese forces, the Russian loss was 35 men killed and 123 wounded, including two officers. Seventeen Japanese prisoners were taken, one of whom committed suicide.

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No Menace From U. S.; Britain Calls Off Navy

Only Two Warships To Be Stationed on North American Coasts.

New York, Dec. 7. — The admiralty will issue in a few days according to a Times dispatch from London, a statement of its new scheme for the distribution of the vessels of the British navy. The scheme contemplates the retirement of about forty vessels of little value as warships.

KRUGER'S BODY

Impressive Funeral Service Over the Remains at Cape Town.

Cape Town, Dec. 7. — The body of the late President Kruger, which arrived at Cape Town from Holland on Nov. 20 on the steamer Bavaria, and which had been lying in state in the Huguenot memorial building here, was placed on a train this morning and started for Pretoria, after an impressive funeral service. A big procession followed the hearse to the railroad station.

MRS. GILBERT'S FUNERAL

Famous Actress Laid to Rest in New York Cemetery.

New York, Dec. 7. — Three thousand persons, including many of the best known members of the theatrical profession, attended the funeral of Mrs. George Henry Gilbert, the actress, in the Bloomingdale Reformed Church, yesterday. Rev. William C. Stinson delivered a brief eulogy. Nearly every theatrical company playing in this city and many elsewhere, sent flowers. The big box of flowers from Mrs. Gilbert's company bore the name of her last character, "Granny."

The honorary pall-bearers were Francis Wilson, Clyde Fitch, John Drew, Nat Goodwin, George Gould, Sir Charles Wyndham, A. M. Palmer, Daniel Frohman, former Justice Joseph P. Daly, Frank E. Aiken, William Bispham and James Van Amringe. The interment was in Greenwood Cemetery.

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It is proposed, according to the correspondent, that a unique compliment shall be paid to the American Government by practically ignoring that country in the distribution of ships. It is probable that only two vessels will be stationed on the whole North American coast, one in the Atlantic and the other in the Pacific, with headquarters at Canadian ports. There may not be more than two vessels in West Indian waters. An admiralty official was quoted as saying: "While the relations between America and Great Britain remain as they are we do not need any warships over there. It would be a waste of money to keep any there."

COLONIES ON THE BRAIN

Sir John Brunner Says Chamberlain Is an Unsafe Guide.

London, Dec. 6. — It is understood that arrangements in connection with the projected visit of the Canadian manufacturers to England next July are well advanced. The visit will not be confined to London, but a number of important industrial centers will be included in the itinerary. Lord Strathcona is one of the reception committee.

Kidderminster Chamber of Commerce considers the new Canadian customs regulations as being inquisitorial, in requiring exporters to state the price at which goods are sold in the United Kingdom. The chamber decided to send a letter to the colonial office supporting the action of the Burnley Chamber of Commerce on the subject.

Sir John Brunner, M. P., addressing a meeting in Middlewich, declared that so long as wages in the colonies are nearly double the wages in England he would make no sacrifice for the colonies. If they began bargaining with the colonies as to the degree of sacrifice for each, the colonies would be discontented, and bitter dissension would be effected. Chamberlain had the colonies on the brain, and men who followed his mad proposals were fit for lunatic asylums.

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Soldiers in Society.

New York, Dec. 7. — A Herald cor-

respondent cables from Tien Tsin,

China, under date of Dec. 5: "I have

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sand miles through the south of Chi Li,

and north of Honan and Shantung

Provinces. These sections of North

China find are in a state of evident

anti-dynastic unrest, which will prob-

ably culminate in an uprising against

Manchus. This uprising will not be

confined to the sections of China men-

tioned, but will include a majority of

eighteen provinces. This movement is

not ignorant Boxer fanaticism. It is

widespread, well organized and well

FRANCE OUTS
NEWFOUNDLANDHer Hold Upon Western Sea-
board Released After
Centuries.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 7. — By the recently-negotiated Anglo-French convention, ratified by the Chamber at Versailles, France undertakes to quit Newfoundland forever.

The dispute finds its origin as far back as 1713, when, under the treaty of Utrecht, France, in giving up her empire in North America, abandoned Newfoundland also, receiving in return a concession that her fishermen could catch cod on the western seaboard of this island and dry them on shore.

In the face of the treaty stipulations the French expanded their rights by aggression and encroachment until they were not only taking cod but salmon in the rivers and lobsters in the littoral. They asserted their right to forbid British officers to set traps, fish or farm or to build piers, and they said they could expel British fishing vessels from harbors they desired for themselves. It was a matter of life or death to the French, they asserted, to ignore the "hut" clause in the treaty and to build brick canneries for the lobster industry. In brief, they acted as if they had sovereign rights, even to fortifying St. Pierre.

On French maps this coast is colored as if it were French territory. In Britain, and "we are absolutely at home on the French shore," declared the Marquis de Beaumont, in the French Chamber. "The English have no even the right to know what is transpiring on the French shore."

While France used within her own borders the catch of her fishermen, the question did not become acute, but when to stimulate these fisheries and make them a naval nursery, the grant of bounties to this industry became more serious. French bounty-fish invaded the European markets supplied by Newfoundlanders and undersold their product, and Newfoundland in self-protection resorted to denying the French bait.

To catch cod bait was necessary, and the small fishes used to bait the hooks are only obtained in Newfoundland waters. Newfoundland's bait act, therefore, proved a French catch of cod, reducing the French catch of cod by nearly one-half in the past ten years and threatening the solvent existence of St. Pierre.

This lobster difficulty has been a chief feature of the question during the past ten or twelve years, and the unregulated catching of lobsters by the French on that shore has practically killed out that industry also. Within the past four years, the French fishery both for cod and lobsters has been almost a total failure and France's readiness to agree to a settlement now is largely due to the fact that five years hence, in spite of the bounty, there would not be a French fisherman remaining on that coast, and it would then be impossible for her to claim any substantial concession for abandoning a region proved to be so valuable to her.

The good offices of King Edward during his visit to Paris last year succeeded in settling on foot negotiations the French position, which was signed in London on April 13, 1904, by which France renounces her rights to fishery both for cod and lobsters and France agrees to recognize a British consul at St. Pierre, and to accept regulations preventing her fishermen from smuggling lobsters or other wares into Newfoundland, and to cease the fishery each year on the 20th of October.

This treaty was approved by the Newfoundland Legislature by an almost unanimous vote on the 22nd of April, and unanimously by both Houses of the British Parliament in July. It was submitted to the French Chamber for ratification about the same time, but because of the opposition of the Breton deputies a vote could not be reached before the chamber adjourned, at the end of July. On its resuming in November, the treaty was promptly taken up, as ratification, to be effective, had to be completed before Dec. 31, and on Nov. 12 the treaty was confirmed by the Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 445 to 105.

The Breton deputies, influenced by the French fishing interests, bitterly opposed the treaty because it did not provide for the abolition of the Newfoundland bait act, contending that with this measure still in force Newfoundland would eventually drive French fishermen off the Grand Banks; but the answer was that France would not repudiate her bait act unless France abandoned her bounties, and this the French naval policy forbids, so that Newfoundland could not be expected to surrender her offensive weapon without an equivalent.

Today the French tricolor can no longer fly on one inch of the coast of Newfoundland as of right, and can only be flown in St. Pierre-Miquelon, while French fishing activity will henceforth be confined exclusively to the Grand Banks.

These French stations, with their brightly appareled crews and flaunting tricolor, were picturesque spectacles on the west shore of Newfoundland, but their existence was an insuperable obstacle, for while they remained there all progress was impossible, as not a mine could be opened, a factory worked, a wharf erected, or even a railway terminal constructed at tidewater, without the sanction of the French Government, and only in the case of the last was it very grudgingly given, after years of negotiations. The settlement of the question now will open up the hinterland there, the garden of the country, to the active influence of American and British capitalists.

Will Be Liberal Victory
Auld, M. P., P., Foresees a Good Majority for Premier Ross.

Toronto, Dec. 6. — "The Government will be returned by 15 of a majority," said Mr. John A. P. Auld, M. P. for South Essex, who was in the city today, and was asked what the outlook for the general elections were. Mr. Auld said the prospects are exceptionally good for the Liberal party in Essex County. In his own riding the Opposition have put Dr. C. N. Anderson in the field, and although the Liberal convention is not until Friday, Mr. Auld thinks that they will have no difficulty in overtaking their opponents' start. He expects the Liberal candidate to win by a good majority.

In North Essex, which went Conservative at the last election, the Liberals have nominated Ernest Girard, ex-mayor of Sandwich, who, Mr. Auld says, is a sure winner against Dr. Resume.

In West Kent the Liberal candidate,

YOU CAN EAT
ALL YOU LIKE

what you like and when you like if you take Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure—the most infallible ever compounded for Dyspepsia, indigestion and all other forms of stomach trouble. Indeed, eating will be the delight and pleasure it was intended to be if Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure is depended upon to keep the stomach in order, for when the stomach is in order the blood, the lungs, the heart and usually the entire human machinery is working right and disease will be unknown.

MUNYON'S HEART CURE

People are frequently alarmed over the action of the heart when it is really the stomach that is at fault. Over-eating and indigestion will sometimes set the heart to thumping wildly, when, as a matter of fact, the heart is simply making a fuss because it is crowded so by the stomach that it has no room to do its work.

Munyon's Heart Cure will control the heart and strengthen the heart action and frequently saves serious heart trouble. If the heart is weak, it is unusual take this heart cure. Like all of Munyon's cures, it is absolutely harmless.

For Constipation, Biliousness, Jaundice, Dull Complexion and Bilious Headache take Munyon's Paw-Paw Soap and other toilet preparations will improve any complexion. For sale everywhere.

A. B. McColig, is, he said, a man of great personal popularity and ability. The nomination in East Kent, which has been strongly Liberal, will be held in a few days.

ITS DOORS ARE
SHUT TO NONEConvalescent Home Has Seen
Another Year's Good Work
—Officers Chosen.

On Monday last the postponed annual meeting of the Convalescent Home was held at the home, 444 York street, a good representation of the board being present. The elections resulted as follows:

Lady Patrons—Mesdames Labatt, Bremner and B. A. Mitchell.
President—Mrs. Boomer.
Vice-Presidents—Mesdames Niven, De la Hooke, Bullen and Callard.

Board of Management—Mesdames Hopkins, Edgely, Blinn, John Hytten, Rauch, Kidner, E. Flock, Miss McDonough, Mrs. (Capt.) Wilson, and the wives of the city clergy, who will always welcome at the monthly meetings.

Advisory Board—Messrs. Thomas McCormick, A. H. Flock, E. C. John Wright, Henry Macklin, E. W. Flock, John McClary, and Rev. Canon Dunn and Rev. W. T. Hill.
Secretary—Miss J. Mitchell.
Treasurer—Miss Ada Meredith.

Much good work was reported to have been done during the year for the summer of 1904, the number of 33 of English, Irish and Scotch nationalities, and of both Roman Catholic and Protestant religions.

As usual, many were received wholly gratis, if known to be friendless and without means of their own. Others paid in proportion to their means, and came mainly from the two city hospitals.

Hearty thanks were accorded to the many friends of the home, to the press, the clergy, the officers, especially for the sum of \$25 from Mr. R. Fox, as executor of the late Miss Brant, to the managers of the Post Office Shop for a liberal supply of groceries; to Mr. McClary for the gift of a beautiful stove. While the expenses of maintenance was much the same as usual, a debt remained upon the repairs and improvements, and to cover this deficit a special effort will shortly be made.

The president, Mrs. Boomer, makes an earnest appeal for contributions. She says: "We have tried for fifteen years to pay our way, and yet not to withhold our hands from kindly service, and by God's grace we have been enabled to do so. Nor have we ever yet shut our doors to any applicant. Christmas is near, and we hope that our friends may be able to give us some assistance in mind once more."

STEAMERS ARRIVED.
Dec. 6.—From New York—Nockar, from New York.
At Liverpool—Ionian, from St. John's.
At Glasgow—Numidian, from New York.
At Antwerp—Kroon, from New York.
At Bremen—Frankfurt, from New York.
At Genoa—Phoenix, from New York.Everybody Reads It—5c.
Five cents is the price of December "Four-Track News." For sale at all newsdealers.GILLET'S
HIGH GRADE
CREAM TARTAR
ABSOLUTELY PURE.
SOLD IN PACKAGES AND CANS.
Same Price as the cheap adulterated kinds.
E. W. GILLET COMPANY LIMITED
TORONTO, ONT.Allen's Lung Balm
will positively cure deep-seated
COUGHS,
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Men's Umbrellas for Christmas Gifts.

We carry an immense variety of Men's Umbrellas. When you can buy the best Umbrellas at drygoods prices you shouldn't think of paying more.

Men's Self-Opening Umbrellas—Covers of fine Austria Cloth, very convenient, just touch the spring with your thumb and up it goes; handles in various styles of horn, natural woods with German silver trimmings; at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75
Men's K. & R. Self-Opening Umbrellas—Covers of fine silk and wool; a great range of handles in Boxwoods, polished horn, buckhorn, white ash with gold and silver trimmings; at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.00

Seal, Persian, Astrachan and Electric Coats

In buying Furs of any kind it is to your interest to purchase from a house whose name is a guarantee that what you buy here you can depend upon it being right. Our Coats are all made of the best skins, in Seal, Persian Lamb, Astrachan and Electric Seal.

Electric Seal Coats of beautiful Fur and well made. From \$35.00 to \$65.00
Handsome Astrachan Coats, beautiful and glossy. Priced from \$27.50 to \$75.00
Persian Lamb Coats, elegantly made from choicest skins. Priced from \$84.00 to \$180.00

Gentlemen's Fur-lined Gift Gloves.

Don't lose sight of the fact that we carry a full assortment of Fur, Fleece-lined and Silk-lined Gloves for gentlemen. Ladies can buy their Glove Gifts for men here much more reasonably than elsewhere. These are some of our best values:

A one-clasp Mocha Glove, fur lined, prix seam. Very special \$2.75
A Mocha Mitt, elastic wrist, fur lined, very comfortable, at \$2.75
A one-clasp Mocha Glove, silk lined, price sewn \$1.75
Mocha Gloves, fleece lined, tan and gray, at \$1.10, \$1.50 and \$1.75
A one-clasp Suede Glove, silk lined, gray and mode \$1.50
An unlined Suede Glove, tan, gray \$1.50
A one-clasp English Tan Walking and Driving Glove, silk lined, prix seam \$1.50
A one-clasp Mocha Glove, fleece lined, fur top, pique sewn \$1.25
A Tan and Gray Mocha Glove, extra good value at 85c
A Kid Glove, fleece lined, at 50c
A Kid Glove, fleece lined, for boys 65c
A Mocha Mitt, fleece lined, for boys 50c
A one-clasp Mocha Mitt, fleece lined, fur top, for girls 65c

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149, 151 and 153
Dundas Street.The most delicate and dainty
confection is—COWAN'S
MILK
CHOCOLATEMade in Canada with pure
Canadian milk. Sold by grocers
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Telephone 1344. 467 Richmond Street.
Shirt collars ironed straight, so as not to hurt the neck. Stand-up collars ironed without being broken in the wing. Ties done to look like new. Give me a call. If you are not satisfied, your washing returned in 24 hours. All hand work. Best in the city. Parcels called for and 1, 1906.

RAILWAYS AND NAVIGATION.

PERE MARQUETTE
RAILROAD COMPANY.
CHANGE OF TIME
Effective Monday, December 5th.TRAINS LEAVE LONDON:
5:45 a.m., for St. Thomas and all points west.
9:45 a.m., for St. Thomas.
2:30 p.m., for St. Thomas and Port Stanley.
4:30 p.m., for St. Thomas and all points west.
Last train leaves London at 4:30 p.m., instead of 6:20, as formerly.TRAINS ARRIVE AT LONDON:
8:45 a.m., from Port Stanley and St. Thomas.
1:00 p.m., from all points west and St. Thomas.
1:30 p.m., from St. Thomas.
1:55 p.m., from Port Stanley and St. Thomas.
10:50 p.m., from all points west and St. Thomas.WHITE STAR LINE
United States and Royal Mail
Steamers.
New York, Queenstown and
Liverpool.OCEANIC, DEC. 14, 10 A.M.
MAJESTIC, DEC. 21, 10 A.M.
BALTIC, DEC. 28, 10 A.M.
GERMANIC, JAN. 4, 10 A.M.
TEUTONIC, JAN. 11, 10 A.M.
First, second and third class at very low rates.
Accommodations for all classes of passengers. Unexcelled service and equipment. E. DE LA HOOKE, C. P. & T. A., Sole Agent for London.INTERCOLONIAL
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WHY CANADA'S
FAMOUS TRAIN THE
"MARITIME
EXPRESS"Leaving Montreal 12:00 o'clock noon, daily, except Saturday.
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Between Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax and the Sydney, with connection for Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.
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Its Dining and Sleeping Car Service is unequalled.
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THE CONVENIENT SERVICE TO
WINTER FAIR
GUELPH,
\$2.15 ROUND TRIP
FROM LONDON.

Good going all trains Dec. 3 to 9, valid returning until Dec. 12. Secure copy of Fair Programme at ticket office.

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Winter Resorts of California,
Mexico and Florida,
and to the celebrated
Mount Clemens Mineral Baths

For tickets and full information call on E. DE LA HOOKE, C. P. & T. A., at depot ticket office.

ALLAN LINE ROYAL MAIL
STEAMERS
From Montreal and Quebec every Friday, to Liverpool, via Moville.
First cabin, \$50 and upwards. Second cabin, \$30 and upwards. Glasgow service—First cabin, \$40; second cabin, \$27.50. Third class to or from Liverpool, Derry, Belfast and Glasgow at lowest fares. E. DE LA HOOKE, W. Fulton, F. B. Clarke, agents.MEN AND WOMEN.
Use Gillette's safety razor for facial discharges, inflammation, irritation or eruptions of the face. No more shaving with cut-throat razors. Painless, and not irritating. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for \$1.00, or a bottle for \$2.75. Circular sent on request.Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy
I searched the whole earth for a specific for Rheumatism, and finding that no physician could feel safe in prescribing—something that we could count on not only occasionally, but ALWAYS, for the ravages of Rheumatism are everywhere and genuine relief is rare.

After twenty years of search and experiment I learned that the only remedy to employ. And I knew then that my search and my efforts were well rewarded. For this chemical gave me the cure of Rheumatism in practically certain.

You pay nothing—you promise nothing
you risk nothing—you deposit nothing
Crystallized Poison!A Certain Cure
I spent twenty years in experimenting before I felt satisfied that I had a certain remedy for this cruel disease, a remedy which would not only clean out the system, but one which would stop its formation.

The secret lay in a wonderful chemical I found in Germany. When I found this chemical, I knew I had found the Rheumatic cure that would be practical. I knew that the cure would be practical, and I knew that the cure would be practical. I knew that the cure would be practical, and I knew that the cure would be practical.

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TRANSIENT CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS - NO ADVERTISEMENT LESS THAN 10 CENTS

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.—Two cents per word each insertion. MEETINGS.—When no admission is charged, one cent per word each insertion.

ARTICLES FOR SALE, TO LET, HELP WANTED, SITUATIONS WANTED, BOARD AND LODGINGS, LOST AND FOUND, ROOMS TO LET, REAL ESTATE FOR SALE, ETC.—First insertion, one cent per word; each subsequent insertion, one-half cent per word. No advertisement less than ten words.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS.—One cent per word each insertion; six insertions for price of five; twelve for price of ten; for price of fifteen; one month for price of fifteen.

DEATHS.

BRANTON—On Dec. 6, 1904, at Victoria Hospital, John Branton, in his 89th year. Funeral on Friday from his late residence, lot 6, concession A, London Township, at 2:30 (service at 2 o'clock), to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Friends will kindly accept this intimation. 78u

LINDSAY—In this city, on Dec. 6, 1904, James Lindsay, aged 67 years and 6 months. Funeral from his late residence, 125 Maple street, Thursday, 2:30. Private.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.

Grand FRIDAY NIGHT, SAT. AND SUNDAY. The Sensational Comedy-Drama. A Thrilling Story of New York Life. PRICES. Evening, 15c, 25c, 50c. Mat., 10c, 25c. Seats under.

PROF. J. J. TURNER, HYPNOTIST, and others. HEAR THE HARP SOLOIST. Y. M. C. A. Camera Club Concert. AUDITORIUM, Dec. 10. Admission; reserved seats, 5c extra. Plan opens Friday, 9 a.m. 78c

LONDON VAUDEVILLE THEATRE.

Programme, Week December 5.

The Gibbs Children, Victor Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Shaw, Belle Gordon, Illustrated Songs, Kenyon and The O'Learys, Ben Dawson, Rickett and Hazard, Kinograph. 77u

GRAND CONCERT

—AND—

Elk Initiation

DRAMA, AUDITORIUM, DECEMBER 8th

FOR BENEFIT OF Y. M. C. A. Tickets, 15c. All seats reserved. Plan open Wednesday morning at Y. M. C. A. 74u

CUNARD LINE

Steamship Luceania, sailing Saturday, Dec. 17, will reach England in time for Christmas. F. B. Clarke, 416 Richmond street. Low rates to and from the Old Country.

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT

the bazar in Chalmers Church, corner of Waterloo and Grey streets, Dec. 7 to 9. Open afternoon and evening each day. Admission: Afternoon, silver collection; evening, 10 cents. 7u

LOCAL COUNCIL SCHOOL LECTURES

begin Thursday, 8 p.m., at Collegiate Institute. First subject, "Prison Reform," by Bridgette Archibald, Prison Gate secretary of the Dominion. Tickets obtainable at Carrie's, Richmond street. 72u

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Still a Mystery.

The air is thick with charges and counter-charges, denials and recriminations in connection with the so-called conspiracy to overthrow the Dominion Government. The Minister of Railways, Hon. Mr. Emmerson, is convinced that a plot of some kind had been hatched by a capitalistic combination. He says he was approached on Sept. 18 in a New York hotel by a man who asked if there was any chance of getting a contract for the construction of the transcontinental railway, hinting "there would be lots of money to swell the campaign fund," if this could be arranged. Mr. Emmerson rebuffed him, telling him that the work would be done by Canadians. The stranger claimed that he was working through Montreal men. At the hotel was Mr. J. N. Greenishfield, of Montreal, who afterwards formed one of the party of capitalists whom Mr. Russell took charge of New Brunswick in his private car, and who were in conference with Mr. Borden. Mr. Russell interviewed Conservative candidates and boasted that he would carry the whole province for the Conservative party. The Liberal paper which he had acquired came out against the Government. In Montreal the great French-Canadian daily, La Presse, was captured. Mr. Emmerson also heard that 25 Liberal members in Quebec were to have retired, allowing Conservatives to be elected by acclamation.

Senator Dandurand, the Liberal organizer in the Montreal district, also credits the story of the conspiracy. Mr. Blair gives a blanket denial to the charges leveled against him by the Toronto World. Mr. Borden also disclaims any knowledge of a conspiracy, and says he had no interview with any capitalists as to the building of a transcontinental road. Mr. Russell has not explained why he exerted himself so strenuously to overthrow the Government, but he threatens to sue the authors of the story that he had had corrupt relations with Mr. Blair, when the latter was Minister of Railways, and that he spent \$80,000 in the city of St. John to elect the Conservative candidates.

If Mr. Russell makes good his threat perhaps light will be thrown on a number of incidents which mystify the public. Why did a syndicate pay \$1,000,000 for La Presse on the eve of the elections? Why did Mr. Russell purchase a Liberal newspaper in St. John and turn it against the Government? Why did Mr. Russell take it upon himself to announce that Mr. Blair would take the stump within 24 hours after his resignation from the board of railway commissioners? Why were dispatches relating to Mr. Blair sent free of cost to all the daily newspapers in Canada? These are some of the questions still unanswered.

An Optimistic Governor.

Earl Grey, who will be sworn in at Halifax this week, delivered a very happy speech at a banquet (tendered him in London a few days before sailing. A portion of the Times' report is worth quoting:

"He was going to a country where the sky was blue (laughter), and where the air was like champagne. He had known a Canadian winter, and he had found it more pleasant and exhilarating than an English summer. He was going to a country which in the vastness of its extent, in the wealth and variety of its resources, was far greater than any part of the globe. What destiny awaited this favored portion of the earth? The United States started, after their separation from Great Britain, with a population of 3,000,000, and with no railways they had grown to their present huge dimensions. What, then, might not be expected from Canada, which to-day had a population of 6,000,000, admirably served by a great railway system, an historic part of which was due to the courage and patriotism of Lord Strathcona? (Cheers.) That system was about to be supplemented by a new trans-Canadian line, and he hoped, before the termination of his period of office, to have the privilege of driving the last spike in that line. (Cheers.) The method of making the rich lands of Canada accessible by the gift of homesteads gave one reason to believe that within the lifetime of the next generation the population of Canada would be greater than that of Great Britain today. By the advantage of its geographical position, Canada could run a line of steamers to cross the Atlantic in four days; and it was not impossible that in the near future, instead of the Canadian mails going by way of the United States, the United States mails would go by way of Canada. (Hear, hear.) Nothing could be better calculated to promote the prosperity of Canada than such a development, which would bring its ports as near to London as New York was in the days of our fathers. The homestead settlers in Canada were contented and prosperous; and the homestead system was already attracting immigrants from the United States as well as from this country. It would be his privilege to watch and assist this incoming tide of strength and to help in building up a great self-governing nation destined to become, perhaps, the strongest and most important factor of the British Empire."

Any reference to a blue sky would be obviously humorous in foggy London. The Earl deserves a vote of thanks for putting in a good word for the much-maligned Canadian climate. His experience is that of all Englishmen who visit this country. The dry air and the abundance of sunshine are a tonic by contrast with muggy England, and account in a great degree for the comparatively mild use of stimulants in Canada. The average Englishman finds a Canadian winter less trying than his own; in fact he feels the cold less than the native Canadian and during his first season here is disposed to regard an overcoat

as an encumbrance. The gross misconceptions of the Canadian climate in the minds of old country people have been a heavy handicap to Canadian development, but they are no longer a deterrent of British emigration to the Dominion, thanks largely to the educational work of the Canadian immigration department.

Earl Grey may err on the side of optimism in his predictions as to Canada's population, but in other respects he is not far astray. It was a good, breezing speech, and he is at liberty to deliver more of the same kind in this country.

The French-Canadian Vote.

A correspondent signing himself "Scotchman," writes a scorching letter to the Toronto Telegram taking that journal to task for referring to the vote cast by the French-Canadians as a "race and creed" vote of little moral and intellectual value. He points out that the despised "race and creed" vote of French-Canadians drove Mercer from power, while Toronto continued to give increasing majorities to a Conservative Government more corrupt than that of Mercer. In 1896 Toronto refused to uphold "the French Mr. Laurier," who proclaimed as his doctrine "let Manitoba manage her own affairs," but the despised French-Canadians did uphold him. There were more spoilt ballots in the one constituency of East York than in the whole Province of Quebec. Again in the elections of 1896 and 1900 Mr. Tarte was made a booby man to terrify Ontario, and especially the intellectual electors of Toronto, because of his supposed conspiracy against the liberties of the Protestant religion, and the British Empire. "And it worked fine," says "Scotchman." Thousands of votes were lost to the Liberal party by this most dishonest and unpatriotic policy. "Scotchman" agrees with The Advertiser that the vote in Toronto is not a criterion of the intelligent opinion of the country, adding:

"As one having had to do with party contests in this city, permit me to affirm that the election which I say, that as a result of my own personal experience, there is more party bigotry to the square inch in Toronto than anywhere else in Canada."

There is no doubt that the Japs have the drop on the Russian fleet.

How is it that the resemblance between a man and a deer is only obvious to the man who has a gun in his hand?

In the past five months United States finances show a deficit of \$3,000,000. The American tariff is so high that it cannot be raised without lowering the customs receipts. It may have to be lowered so as to produce more revenue.

An Eastern Ontario man has killed his own son and wounded another man's son by mistaking them for deer. Fully a score if people have been shot this season in Ontario because of the same blunder. Isn't it time an example was made of somebody?

At a recent meeting of the Hamilton Ministerial Association, Rev. E. A. Henry said in the course of an address:

"It is partisanship that led the historic Conservative party to allow our constituencies and concession lines to be traversed by self-sworn political adventurers in the person of the provincial member from Manitoulin. It is men of that type, purchasing manly and hoodlums who should cause us to hang our heads in shame, and they are produced by partisanship."

W. W. Buchanan, of the Liberator, has his hammer out as usual for the Liberal party. Here is some temperate language from his "temperance" paper:

"The smashing defeat of this corrupt, time-serving, and pledge-breaking Government by the Christian citizenship of the Province, would mark an important epoch in the struggle for good government by teaching public men the much-needed lesson that the way of the political transgressor is hard."

A telegraphic dispatch says "that the character of the uniform worn by the Hon. Jabez Snowball, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, was called in question by an officer of Lord Minto's household." It is not recorded whether this question of provincial rights has been settled or not. It will be too bad if such a legacy of trouble devolves upon the new Governor-General.

The Stratford Herald is highly indignant at receiving a copy of the London Daily Mail addressed as follows:

The Editor,
The Herald,
Stratford,
London,
W. Ontario.

It is rather to the credit of the sender that he located Stratford so accurately. Even the average Canadian if asked where Stratford was, would say that it was "a place near London."

Sir Alfred Harmsworth, of the London Daily Mail, has established an over-seas edition of his paper, which he hopes to place in the hands of Britons in every corner of the world. It will be published weekly. High postage rates in the mother country have almost barred British newspapers out of the Dominion, but the Mail will go for five shillings a year to any part of the empire, half of this being consumed in postage. It is a stroke of enterprise that will no doubt be rewarded.

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[New Orleans Times-Democrat.]
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How People Catch Cold.

[London Mail.]
Everybody is complaining of colds just now. I think the cause is that people keep their houses too hot and dress differently to the temperature.

Men seldom vary their dress, but women are constantly changing from the thinnest of lace blouses which expose the neck and chest, to fur wraps and heavy boots around the throat. Then they sit in warm rooms with big fires and go out perhaps in the same clothes they wear indoors.

Sleeping with the window open and bathing the chest every morning with cold water are admirable preventives of cold, and putting on a wrap when leaving a warm room is also good.

A cool atmosphere never gives cold; it is the perpetual changes of temperature that do so. Ladies' colds arise often from the practice of tea drinking and paying calls during the afternoon, and also from sitting in clubs in their outdoor garments.

Latterly the chorus of incessant coughs in ladies' clubs has become distressing, and such coughs must be very infectious.

Open the Door of Your Heart.

[Edward Everett Hale.]
Open the door of your heart, my lad. To the angels of love and truth. When the world is full of unnumbered joys.

In the beautiful dawn of youth, Casting aside all things that mar, To the voices of hope that are calling you, Open the door of your heart.

Open the door of your heart, my lass. To the things that shall abide: To the holy thoughts that lift your soul Like stars at eventide. All of the fadeless flowers that bloom In the realm of song and art. Are yours if you'll only give them room— Open the door of your heart.

Open the door of your heart, my friend. Fearless of class or creed. When you hear the cry of a brother's voice.

To the sob of a child in need. To the shivering of heaven that o'er you bends You need no map or chart. To the voices of hope that are calling you, Open the door of your heart.

Port Arthur Falling.

[Pittsburg Dispatch.]
Port Arthur is falling at last. For months it has been emulating Bill Miller's autumn leaves.

Falling, falling everywhere. Falling in the atmosphere and also in the where it's brown. The autumn leaves are falling, falling, falling down.

Now Let's Be Good.

[Detroit Tribune.]
Earl Grey is on his way to take charge of the Dominion, and is being operated by King Edward to the north of us.

Modern Proverb.

[Chicago News.]
A coal-digger maketh a warm house.

What Little Soul Got Christmas.

[James Whitcomb Riley.]
Us parents mostly think our own's. The smallest children out— But little Sheltan's little soul Beats all I know about. He's weaker-like in pint of health. And he's weaker-like in heart. And he's weaker-like in head and snap and spunk. And a little in the lead!

Come honest by it, for his pa— More he passed away— He was a better man, I'd like To hear him preach today! He led his flock—he led in prayer For spread of grace and what Nothin' but war could spread it, he Was first to lead us then!

So little Saul has got to take Things just as they occur. And Sister Sheltan's proud o' him. As he is proud o' her! And when she "got up" for him And little playmates all— A Christmas tree—they ev'ryone Was there but little Saul.

Pore little chap was sick in bed Next room, and Doc was there. And said the children might die past. And so right back to where The tree was, in the settin'-room. And Saul jes' laid and smiled— Ner couldn't nod, ner wave his hand. It hurt—er—bless the child!

And so they left him there with Doc— And warm tear of his Ma's. Then—sudden-like—high over all Their laughter, and his Ma's. They heard—"I don't care what you git On your old Christmas tree, 'Cause I'm got some 'tween you all haint—I'm got the pleuris!"

Japanese Advertising.

[Kansas City Journal.]
The Japanese advance in advertising as in all other things. Here is an illustration: "Our wrapping paper is as strong as the hide of an elephant. Goods forwarded with the speed of a cannon-bull. Our silk is as soft and beautiful as the rainbow. Our parcels are packed with as much care as a young married woman takes of her husband."

Thinks Duty High Enough.

[Ottawa Journal.]
Our woolen manufacturers ask for higher protection. They say that the natural advantages of the British woolen manufacturers are so great that Canadian manufacturers cannot compete in Canada with the British.

though protected by the present 35 to 50 per cent tariff. The Journal's idea—as has been remarked occasionally—is that if this is the case, the preferable thing is that any Canadian woolen factory which cannot stand present conditions can well be spared. Let Canadian capital be put into business for which we have natural advantages; let our six million people, in this northern climate, be forced to get their woollens at no higher prices than now.

BORDEN DEMANDS A UNITED PARTY

Conservatives Must Organize and Sink Differences if He Is to Lead.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—Mr. R. L. Borden seemed justified in not accepting the invitation of the annual meeting of Conservative members last night to be again leader of the Opposition. Of the 75 Conservative members in the House less than 30 were present at the meeting, and among the absentees were the men that it is known Mr. Borden would have liked to have seen present in order that he might feel he would be at the head of a closely-united party. Right up to the last moment it was hoped by the organizer that Mr. Borden would be present, but as yet he could not give any assurance of united support.

Mr. A. E. Kemp, a strong personal friend of Mr. Borden, was present, but as yet he could not give any assurance of united support. Mr. Borden, your representative was informed, showed clearly by his few remarks that it was only under certain conditions that he would again take the leadership of the party, and he reserved his decision till a later date to see if these conditions were likely to be fulfilled.

These conditions included an assurance of support from all sections of the party, and the formation of an organization committee which would look to the party in the different provinces being properly organized.

A peculiar feature of the gathering was that Mr. Rodolphe Forget, who had returned to the subject of support Sir Wilfrid Laurier as an Independent Liberal, received an invitation and was present.

BRICKLAYERS CONVENE

Important Business Under Discussion at Toronto Meeting.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Several important questions are being considered at the provincial conference of the International Bricklayers' Union which opened in the Labor Temple yesterday.

Thomas Tizzard, the president, in his annual report, recommended that the provincial conference appeal to the international organization for the right to send delegates to the annual conference of the International Bricklayers' Union which opened in the Labor Temple yesterday. Mr. Tizzard, who is an international officer, is the only delegate who represents Canada at the annual convention. Mr. Tizzard also recommended the substitution of the word "brick" for "masonry" in the constitution of the union, and recommended that the conference pass a resolution disapproving of the innovation, because it deprives the stonemasons of a large amount of work.

The secretary's report was presented by H. Ryndall, of London. It showed that four new locals had been formed in different parts of the Province, making a total of 28 locals, with a membership of 2,500. About 850 new members were enrolled during the year, 200 of whom were initiated in the local union. Some 200 of these were from Ireland and Scotland, and an additional 150 members from Scotland went on to Winnipeg. The local union has a total membership of 750.

Last night the delegates attended the meeting of the local union in Richmond Hall. This afternoon the visitors will be given a tour of the city by the members, and will attend Shaw's Theater in the evening. The convention closes tomorrow.

Give the Children "FRUIT-A-TIVES" whenever the head aches, the stomach gets upset, or Constipation troubles them. Little folk may take them every day in the year without fear of ill effects. It's just like giving them prunes, apples, oranges, figs and grapes. That's what

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On Thursday morning there will be a great bargain opportunity in Silk Handkerchiefs. We have made a large purchase of these and must be cleared out at half price.



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Regular \$1.50 Handkerchiefs for...50c	Regular 80c Handkerchiefs for...40c
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The greatest Silk Sale of the season still continues. Thousands of yards of Silk have been disposed of since Thursday morning. Those wishing the best bargains must come early.

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Special Notice.

Cushions! Cushions! Feather and down cushions, 50 cents each. Goose feather pillows, mattresses, springs, beds, brass and iron beds, from \$3 each. Bedroom suits, sideboards, spring couches, fancy chairs, rockers, children's tables, at Hunt & Sons, Mattress and Feather Pillow Manufacturers, 533 Richmond street north, 'Phone 997.

Ethel Bret Harte, daughter of the dead novelist, has decided to adopt the concert stage. She says she must make a living.

NO PERSON should go from home without a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kennedy's Dysentery Cordial in their possession, as change of water, cooking, climate, etc., frequently brings on summer complaint, and there is nothing like being ready with a sure remedy at hand, which oftentimes saves great suffering and frequently valuable lives. This Cordial has gained for itself widespread reputation for affording prompt relief from all summer complaints.

At the present rate of excavation, Pompeii will not be entirely uncovered before the year 1910.

PAIN IS A PUNISHMENT.—Pain is a protest of nature against neglect of the bodily health, against carelessness regarding the physical condition. It steals in at the first opportunity and takes up its abode in man, and it is something difficult to eject it. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil will drive it out in short order. Pain cannot stay where it is used, but immediately flees away.

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THREATENED WITH PARALYSIS.

Peter B. Summers, of Kalamazoo, Mich., relates his experience. "I was troubled with Nervous Debility for many years. I lay it to indigestion and excess in early youth. I became very despondent and didn't care whether I worked or not. I imagined everybody who looked at me, 'nursed' my secret. Imaginative dreams at night weakened me—my back ached, had pains in the back of my head, hands and feet were cold, tired in the morning, poor appetite, fingers were shaky, eyes blurred, hair loose, memory poor, etc. Numbness in the fingers set in and the doctor told me he feared paralysis. I took all kinds of medicines and tried many different physicians. I wore an electric belt for three months, went to Mt. Clemens for treatment, but received little benefit. While AFTER TREATMENT at Mt. Clemens I was induced to consult Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, though I had lost all faith in doctors. Like a man I commenced the New Method Treatment and it saved my life. The improvement was like magic—I could feel the vigor of my nerves. I was cured mentally, physically and sexually. I have sent them many patients and will continue to do so."

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BAYLEY'S | BAYLEY'S**SMALLPOX BEDDING AND TENT
STORED ON COURT HOUSE SQUARE****County Council Permits It, Al-
though Objection is Offered
—Smallpox in Ekfrid.**

The December session of the county council was resumed at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, with all the members present. An account was submitted by the clerk of the township of Ekfrid, showing the epidemic which the Ekfrid Council had incurred in the suppression of an outbreak of smallpox during May and June. The outbreak was due to a laborer, who had contracted the disease while away, returning to his home in Melbourne. Before the disease was discovered by the local health officers, the man's wife and child, and about 20 of his neighbors, had been exposed to the germs. The account was for \$625. The communication was turned over to the finance committee.

The report of Dr. Bruce Smith, provincial inspector of prisons, which was recently published in detail in these columns, was laid before the council. It was referred to the jail committee. The representation made by the grand jury at the fall assizes was filed.

At this stage of the proceedings the council resolved into a committee of the whole for the purpose of discussing the report of a special committee of road directors. It had regard to the draining of a pond, which lay between London and Lobo. Engineer Talbot was called upon for a statement, and said that the pond was running through the pond was repeatedly flooded, there being a very serious washout last summer. The directors had consulted with the township of Ekfrid and Lobo, and the latter agreed to pay two-thirds of the cost of draining the pond, if the council would pay the remainder. The estimated cost was \$500. A bridge, on the other hand, would cost somewhere between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Township's Offer Accepted.

Mr. Peter Elson moved the acceptance of the township's offer. He said that he knew the nature of the swamp in question. At one season it was a mud hole, at another it was flooded with water, and in winter, when the road was flooded, a sheet of ice made the road very dangerous. The report was adopted unanimously.

Letters to the Editor.**THE TEMPERANCE PLATFORM.**

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

A recent editorial, together with "A Watchful Delegate's Account of the Liberal Convention," may be fairly taken to represent, upon the temperance question and to form a plea for their justification. They call for some comment from those of us who are "advanced temperance advocates."

Your editorial opens with the sentence: "Among advanced temperance advocates there is a sharp difference of opinion as to the final remedy for the life of intemperance." Perhaps these differences are more fancied than real. At any rate they were no more marked than were those in the recent Liberal convention. According to "A Watchful Delegate," the resolution committee gave hours of careful consideration to the various proposals, and wrangled until midnight on Wednesday before they set aside the "Banish the Bar" resolution of the Ontario Alliance.

Then on Thursday, Nov. 24, the committee met again and spent all forenoon in drafting the report on temperance. Even with all this discussion and preparation the convention could not agree, for they spent another three hours before they passed the said mutilated report. "The mountain laborer and brought forth a mouse."

Since the convention an appearance of harmony is being studiously fostered. "Advanced temperance advocates" may not always be perfect accord, but in my opinion they know pretty much what they want, and have been divided only upon the question as to how much (or how little) faith should be placed in political tricksters.

The editorial goes on to say: "Many hold that absolute prohibition is impracticable and even indefensible, on the ground that the evil of liquor lies in its abuse, not in its use, and that there

of health, consisting of the mayor and Dr. English, waited on the council to make an agreement regarding the shed erected near the waterworks storage building on King street, on ground leased from the county, to be used for storing the tent and bedding for smallpox patients. Several members of the council had objected to the shed. Mayor Beck said he was sure the civic board of health did not desire to do anything to spread the disease. If any possible danger attached itself to the shed in question, there would be no hesitation in sweeping it away.

Dr. English then explained the nature of the shed. The lease of the building in Westminster Township, which the city had used for many years for the treatment of smallpox cases, had expired last May, and, on the recommendation of the Provincial Board of Health, a double-walled tent was purchased. This was used and then was stored on King street. The articles were fully disinfected, and the secretary of the Provincial Board had assured the speaker that there was no danger whatever. Doctor English also read a certificate from Dr. Hutchinson, the health officer, attesting that the articles had been well disinfected.

An Objection Raised.

The warden suggested that the matter be referred to the jail committee. Councilor Robotham moved that the explanation Dr. English be accepted and the matter dropped. This was also the opinion of Councilor Cousins, who seconded the motion.

Councilor Macdonald moved, on the other hand, that the matter go to the committee as suggested by the warden. He said that the ground had been leased for waterworks purposes, and, anyway the council had no guarantee that all the articles stored in the shed would be all articles disinfected thoroughly. Councilors Elson and Bradley spoke in favor of Councilor Robotham's motion, saying that they were sure there could be no danger from the storage of the articles. The motion was passed. Mr. Macdonald only dissenting.

The council then adjourned.

**MEETING OF THE
PRESBYTERY ENDED****Appoints Committees to Deal
With Some Matters and
Recommends Professors**

The London Presbytery concluded its meeting for December yesterday afternoon. All of the business of the session was cleared away before 5 o'clock and the visiting members returned home.

The first matter taken up was the appointment of a committee to aid in placing Queen's University on a sound financial basis, the following being named: Rev. Messrs. J. G. Stuart, Dr. Ross, Dr. McCrae, James Rollins, W. J. Clark, W. H. Geddes, A. J. Macdonald, and Messrs. S. Lawrence, Dr. Merchant, A. S. Macgregor, Rathburn and Bell.

A petition was presented from the Council of the McBrides field as to what was done in regard to services at Lawrence Station. The following committee was appointed to look after the matter: Dr. Ross, Mr. McGillivray, Mr. Rollins, Dr. Merchant and Mr. Ballantyne and Dr. McCrae.

Dr. McCrae reported for the committee on the following names as professors of Mount Allison University: For the chair of apologetics, Rev. John Sharp, M. A.; for practical theology, Rev. Robert Johnston, D. D.; of St. Andrew's Church, London; for Old Testament literature and exegesis, Rev. Donald McKenzie, B. A., B. D.

An appeal from the action of the session of West Lorne was submitted to a small committee, on which Dr. Ross reported that the parties be called to meet with the presbytery at the special meeting in January.

Mr. McGreggor addressed the court, representing the General Assembly's committee on the subject. The regular meeting will be held in Knox Church, St. Thomas, on the first Tuesday of March.

**CANNOT HOLD
203-METER HILL****Russians Think the Redoubt
May Be Retaken.****ATTEMPT TO KILL KUROPATKIN****Reported That the Japanese Cruiser
Adsuma Has Been Blown Up
and Sunk by a Mine.**

St. Petersburg, Dec. 7, 2:55 a.m.—Although the war office and the admiralty are still without direct news from Port Arthur, confidence in the ability of the fortress to hold out continues to be expressed. The reports from Tokyo of the shelling of the battleships and of heavy losses by the Russians in an ineffective attempt to recapture 203-Meter Hill are considered to be misleading. According to a high officer of the general staff the warships would be able to seek shelter from the fire from 203-Meter Hill by anchoring behind the Tien Tai Peninsula. Reports that the Russians are clearing the mine fields outside the harbor are regarded as the best evidence that the square is not preparing to move out to this anchorage, where it will be secure under the protection of the shore batteries.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—An artillery officer who knows Port Arthur thoroughly expresses the belief that the summit of 203-Meter Hill on account of the fire of the Ante Shan and Etse forts, which are less than two miles distant. This officer declares that it will be impossible for the Japanese to mount guns at the top of 203-Meter Hill until ammunition of the Ante Shan and Etse forts is exhausted.

The Tokio estimate that the Russians lost 3,000 men in the attempt to recapture 203-Meter Hill is declared to be absurd, and it is pointed out that such a loss would imply the virtual crippling of the resistance, yet the reports from Tokio admit that the Japanese continues to make counter attacks.

A very curious dispatch has been received from a correspondent at Genoa, which has been translated from Shanghai, reports that the Japanese armored cruiser Adsuma had been blown up and sunk by a mine. The cruiser is said to have been sunk north of the Miao-tao Islands. These islands are in the Liao Tsi Channel, between the Kwan Tung Peninsula, on which Port Arthur is situated, and the Shan Tung Promontory. The Adsuma had a complement of 482 men. She was built in France in 1901, and was of 9,400 tons displacement. Her speed was 20 knots.

**RECEIVED GOLD WATCH
Mr. W. J. Jeffrey Honored by Teachers
of Wellington Street School.**

A very pleasant affair took place at the banquet held by the teachers of the Wellington Street Methodist Sunday school last evening, with the pastor,

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Three Days' Sale at \$2.00, \$3.50, \$5.00**Blankets for Winter.**

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75 only, Comforters, made of fine silkoines, art satens and art satins, full, large sizes, and nicely made; this will be an opportunity to buy your winter supply, as this is only a limited quantity, and for our Three Days' Special Sale at very lowest possible prices will clear at \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.50 and **\$3.50**

**Children's Windsor Ties.**

15 dozen only, Children's Silk Windsor Ties, plaids and plain colors; a good assortment; on sale special at **.25c**

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A splendid assortment on display of all the Daintiest Embroidered Handkerchiefs, at especially low prices, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 25c to **.75c**

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Carling.****BEATING****Buy Ours—The Best****It Costs no more.**

Rev. Mr. Livingstone, in the chair, Mr. William Jeffrey, who has been superintendent of the school for the past seventeen years, was presented with a magnificent gold watch in recognition of his services. An address was read by Mr. Woollett, and Miss Macdonald made the presentation. Mr. Jeffrey made a suitable reply.

About 100 persons sat down to the banquet, which was served in the lecture room, after a most pleasing programme had been carried out. The numbers on the programme included the following: Duets, by the Misses Rowe and by Mr. and Miss Livingstone; recitations, by Mrs. Cass and Miss Livingstone; address by the Rev. Mr. Ranton.

MANITOBA HOUSE MEETS

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Hon. James Johnson will again be the speaker, and he will be faced by 30 Conservative members and 8 Liberals, the seat for Mountain being vacant, in consequence of the election of Mr. Greenway to the seat in the Dominion Parliament for the constituency of Lisgar.

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Representative of Holy See on a Visit to London

His Excellency Mgr. Sbaretti Arrives From Ottawa—Welcomed by Local Clergy.

Wednesday morning Monsignor Sbaretti will pontificate at the high mass, and will be assisted by the bishop and all the priests of the palace here. On Friday all the priests of the Diocese of London will visit the palace and will be formally presented to the distin-

His Excellency Monsignor Sbaretti, the Apostolic Delegate to Canada, accompanied by many of the prominent, arrived in this city from Ottawa on the 11th inst. at 11:35 this morning and was met, at the Hotel de Ville, by local clergy. Among those who welcomed the distinguished visitors were His Excellency the Archbishop, Rev. Father Aylward, pastor of St. Peter's Church, Rev. Father McKeon, rector of St. Mary's Church, and Rev. Father O'Connell, pastor of St. John's Church. His Excellency will visit in St. Mary's Church.

On the 12th inst. many of the prominent Catholic laymen of London visited the palace and were presented to His Excellency.

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O'Bryan, S. J. and Devlin, S. J., in the University of the Propaganda, Montreal, and Tobin and Egan, of this city, at the same time being secretary of the Congregation of the Propaganda for American affairs.

The party entered three carriages and were driven to the Bishop's Palace, where his excellency chatted with the bishops and priests on diocesan matters.

When a student at the Apollinare Seminary his excellency was the principal figure in a disputation in philosophy, before the disputation.

This afternoon his excellency is spending a quiet day at the palace, but tonight he will be formally welcomed to the court of cardinals. Another student associated with him on the occasion was Dr. Esteban Chilsa, now under secretary of state. It was Mr. Lorenzelli now papal nuncio at Paris who offered objections.

In 1898 he was appointed auditor of the apostolic delegation at Washington, D. C., aiding both Mr. Satolli and Mr. Martinelli. In 1899, at a critical juncture in the affairs of Cuba, he was consecrated Bishop of Havana, and rendered Gen. Wood valuable assistance in his reconstruction. He obtained the abolition of the Spanish law, which made marriage before priests illegal, recognizing only civil marriage in Cuba. He was Bishop of Havana for 20 months, and conciliated three antagonistic societies of Spaniards, who were at odds with the church. He saved the sisterhoods in charge of the hospitals and other public institutions, and introduced the colored Sisters of Mercy.



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and his excellency will reply.

teach negro children. He was about
to establish a seminary when he was
recalled to Washington by the Pope.
Before leaving Washington to come to
Canada, succeeding Mr. Diomed
Falconio, he, accompanied by General
Wood, was received by President
Roosevelt, who expressed to him his
satisfaction with the work he did in
Cuba.

This is the second time in the history
of the Catholic Church in London
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of the Holy See has paid a visit to
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Mr. W. H. Hewlett, organist, and Mackenzie, vocalist, of Hamilton, were the chosen singers.

There was a fine collection in the Coiborne Street Methodist ch. on Dec. 13.

The lecture on prison reform by the Rev. Frederick Archibald, Dominion Prison Secretary, at the Collegiate Institute on Thursday evening, will be well attended. Some of the authorities promising to give a view to discussing the subject.

Friday morning the brigadier goes to the official residence of Mr. Brunswick and Fredericton.

The funeral of the late John McAlpine, of Poplar Hill, took place yesterday and was assisted by a remarkably large number of the young man's friends and friends. The remains were taken to the Baptist Church where the pastor, Rev. E. J. Bridgman, conducted a service. Interment took place in the Poplar Hill Baptist Cemetery.

The following acted as pall-bearers: Mr. M. Fletcher, jun., W. O. Cutler, Campbell, R. Marsh, W. A. Zavitz, and Graham.

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of the Elks' initiation and consecration, he gives in the Auditorium of the city a fine program of vocal and instrumental music has been prepared, to be followed by the initiation, which promises to be very interesting. The Elks have been making preparations for the event, and promise that none who patronize will be disappointed.

Mr. Allister Allen, clerk in the town ticket office of the C. P. R., was seriously ill at his home on William street. He was taken ill a few days ago with pneumonia, the disease developing at a very rapid rate, and the attending physician is pessimistic about its cure, as to his recovery. Allen's friends will be pleased to hear that his condition is improved. Allen is at present recovering in the city Hospital, having recently undergone an operation. She also is on the verge of recovery.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

The Collegiate Institute, public and trade schools will close for the Christmas holidays on Thursday, Dec. 25, and will reopen on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

ALL POLICE DOCKET.

The police court this morning,

and discharged with being
and disorderly, and also
insulting language to a lady,
remanded for a week for trial. One
was discharged.

MAGISTRATE WILL PRESIDE.
The Honorable Mr. Justice Macge
will preside at the weekly sitting of
the court, which will be held here
Saturday morning. This will be
the first official appearance of Justice
in this city since his appointme
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USE FOR A LONDONER.
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pointed solicitor for the protection
of the law under which a gen
tly of 1½ cents a gallon is granted
the production of crude petroleum
in Canada. Harvey is a very able
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Canada.

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NEWS OF THE HOCKEY WORLD.

The London Hockey Club executive met last evening, and made arrangements for the coming season. A letter was first read from Secretary Hewitt, of the O. H. A., in which he asked for suggestions in regard to grouping. After considerable discussion it was decided to recommend that a group of six clubs be made. The teams will be London, St. John's, Ailes, Craig, St. Marys, Woodstock and Ingersoll.

The next question brought up was that of the rink. It was thought that the Princess would be most desirable on account of its central location, and if suitable terms can be made the practice will be commenced there immediately.

The names of over twenty players of good reputation were handed in, and it is felt certain that a fast team can be put on the ice when the season opens. Coupon books, containing four and eight coupons, each, good for one admission, will be printed immediately, and placed in the hands of those interested in the team.

On Friday evening between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock the first practice of the new London Hockey Club will be held. There will be a large turnout and anyone desiring to enter for trial is requested to be on hand. All who play hockey are invited to be present, as the team will be chosen from the best players. It is surprising how many names have been received in the past few days. The citizens seem to have become interested in the new team in earnest.

Owing to the fact that it is likely that he will be placed on the list of western referees, Mr. John S. Brown, who was elected vice-president of the London Hockey Club at its organization meeting, has sent in his resignation. His successor has been chosen in the person of Mr. Archie Black, a well-known enthusiast, who will fill the position with credit.

Toronto Telegram: The president's request of the delegates to refrain from lobbying did not seem to have a great deal of effect on the malcontents from London and Hamilton, who were holding soirees in the ante-rooms all day. Hooks were thrown out for delegates that would do credit to an outside manager for a New York Tenderloin clothing establishment.

The suggestion has frequently been made of late that London should have some amateur boxing contests during the winter. There seems to be no reason why these should not be practicable, and some enterprising athlete would do well in carrying out such a plan. There are plenty of men in London who would be eligible for such contests.

If enthusiasm counts for anything, the

Detroit hockey team, recently organized, should be a success. Nearly 40 players, who in recent years have figured on strong Canadian teams, from Montreal to Winnipeg, attended a meeting held this week. The team probably will play its first game within two weeks against a team from this city. The club thinks it can choose the fastest hockey aggregation in the country out of the bunch of players available.

Two Windsor hockey players have joined the American professional ranks. Black having signed with the Duquesne Athletics, of Pittsburgh, and Carl Mienke with the American Soo. Black was with the Guelph, Ont., team last season, while Mienke was at the Soo. One player who has turned a deaf ear to the tempter is Ame Wilson, of Walkerville. For five years he has played on the team, and has decided to join the Coburne, Ont., team, an amateur organization and member of the O. H. A.

The Berlin Hockey Club has reorganized, with these officers: President, O. Watson; second vice-president, W. Williams; first vice-president, G. D. LaCourse; manager, John Cochran; treasurer, C. H. Roer; secretary, G. M. Debeh. The organization, of the O. H. A., intermediate series. Communications from the Marlboroughs and St. Georges, of Toronto, and others, asking for dates in Christmas week, could not be acted upon, as the new rink will not be completed before January, and there is no other rink in town, the old rink having been turned into a manufacturing concern.

A meeting of the executive of the Junior City League will be held this evening at 7:45 p.m. in the office of Dr. A. G. Fraser.

The Toronto Bank League has gone to smash. At a meeting of the executive of the league it was decided to disband the organization. Of the six teams entered in the senior series all but the Ontarios and Dominions withdrew, and the former bank was not any too keen about continuing. Under the circumstances it was considered advisable to close up shop. It is possible that one or two games may be played for the possession of the championship trophy. The majority of the Bank League stars will pursue the puck with local senior teams.

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ALLEGED CROOKED WORK TO GIVE CRESCUS MARK

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 6. — What purported to be a carbon copy of an affidavit sworn to by A. S. Jordan, of Lyons, Kan., created considerable of a sensation among the horsemen here when it was shown to them.

In it the statement is made that there was an attempt between the affiant, who was starting judge and timer when Cresceus was sold to have made his famous mark of 1:59 3-5 on the Wichita track Oct. 19, 1903, and George H. Ketcham, owner and driver of the stallion, whereby the horse was to be given a mark under two minutes, regardless of the time made. The alleged affidavit also sets out that C. M. Irwin, president of the Southern Kansas Fair and Carnival Association, and Fred Stearns, one of the timers, were made cognizant of the scheme just before the trial was pulled off, and that the former concurred in it while the latter remained silent.

Of Harry Eames, the other timer, the affiant is made to state that he knew nothing, not even being aware that he was in the stand or held a watch.

The original affidavit will be presented at the hearing of the case before the board of appeals next week.

Both President Irwin and Timer Stearns saw the "copy." Both immediately wrote to Secretary Knight any reference to them was false and absolutely without foundation. Jordan is a horseman and a starting judge of considerable experience.

BASKETBALL.

TWO GAMES SCHEDULED.

Two games of basketball are scheduled for this evening at the Y. M. C. A. The gymnasium class will play the St. John's Athletic Club, and the Reds and an association team will meet.

To the Lungs.

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VERY LIKELY TO HOLD THEIR JOBS

Gibson and Grimshaw, Former Londoners, Have a Good Season.

The fielding averages of the Eastern League for 1904, computed by President Powers, show that two players who are well known to London baseball fans held their own in the fast company, doing so well that there is no reason why they should not hold their jobs next season. "Mooney" Gibson, who was a catcher in the City League at one time, spent the season with Montreal, and in 72 games he had 316 put outs, and 100 assists, with 18 errors, giving him a percentage of .963. Gibson is fifteenth in the list of catchers, but of those who precede him, only two participated in more games. Shea, of Newark, playing in 98 games, had a percentage of .963, and Allister, of Buffalo, in 81, with a percentage of .968. Dillon, who leads the batters with .988, only played in 48 games.

Grimshaw, first baseman for Buffalo, wore a London uniform in the Canadian League. He participated in 138 games—more than any other initial bagger in the Eastern—and finished third in the race, with a percentage of .984, only two points behind the leader, Carey, of Rochester, who played 134 games, and one point behind Daly, of Providence, who only figured in 125 games.

Loudenslager, of Baltimore, heads the second basemen with .964 for 61 games, although Connor, of Providence, is second in the list with 104 games and a percentage of .962.

Carr, of Toronto, leads the third basemen with .961. Cockman, of Newark, who is well known on Canadian diamonds, being fourth with .921.

McAllister, of Buffalo, is first in the shortstops, with .964, but he played in only 14 games. Only five of the shortstops played in more than 100 games, and of these Yeager, of Montreal, has the best average—.913.

Merritt, of Jersey City, did not make an error in 39 games, and consequently has a percentage of 1.000. White, of Toronto, was in 134 games, and in 248 chances he made only 12 errors, leaving his percentage .952. Harry, of Toronto, really led the center fielders, having a .975 mark with 127 games, in which he had 241 chances, with only 6 errors. Atherton, of Montreal, had a percentage of .976, but he only participated in 41 games.

Barry, of Montreal, and Harris, of Providence, had the possible 1,000 in 21 and 11 games respectively in right field.

NO CHANGE IN UMPIRE STAFF

American League Likely to Have the Same Indicator Men as This Year.

The American League will be provided next season with practically the same outfit of umpires that handled the indicator during the season ended a couple of months ago. To tell the truth, the American League has been blessed with some excellent handlers of the indicator within the last two years. Of course, the umpires cannot please everyone of the fans, who are sure to criticize the best of the arbiters if they happen to see a play a trifle differently from the way it was decided by the umpire.

There are scores of fans who can judge balls and strikes better from the bleachers than Jack Sheridan or Tom Connolly can behind the bat. Last year the official judges were Sheridan, Connolly, O'Loughlin, Dwyer and King. The first three made good, although O'Loughlin was not so popular as he was the previous year. But then the umpires are just as liable to make errors as the players, and this fact should not be lost sight of. It was King's first experience in fast company as an umpire, and after he got rid of the tendency to declare his decisions before the plays were made, he did well enough to warrant his retention. Frank Dwyer, the former catcher of the Detroit Tigers, the fifth member of the squad, is not likely to be seen wearing the pad and mask this year. He started out all right last spring, but his health failed and his eyesight became impaired, thus affecting his competency as an indicator. Dwyer, however, wants to retire on account of his ill-health, but President Johnson requested him to continue. Frank is a well known and popular player, and it is not probable that he will want to continue for another season even if he were asked. In this place Johnson will probably secure some man that has made good in the minors.

THE TURF.

McDONALD'S CLEVER WORK.

Alta McDonald has driven more sensational miles behind trotters and pacers in 1904 than any reinsman ever did before him in the long history of the turf. He is the only driver who ever drove two performers in one year to so sensational world's records as to be held by the American Trotting Association. He drove the champion pacer mare, and Major Delmar, 2:01 1/4, the world's champion trotter, both without a hitch, and he did it in the same year. McDonald virtually developed both Daniel and Major Delmar. He has now had the latter three seasons, and the former has been in the harness since a mark of 2:07 1/2. With the aid of the wind shield he marked Major Delmar and Daniel in 1:58 1/2 and 2:00 1/2, respectively. He has driven Major Delmar in 2:01 1/4, 2:03 1/4, four times in 1904, (equaling the best previous trotting record without the wind shield) twice in 2:02 1/4, and again in 2:03, and to the high-wheeled sulky he has marked the great gelding at 2:07, lowering the standard long standing record of 2:08 1/2.

BIENNIAL CONGRESS ON.

Chicago, Dec. 6. — The eighth biennial congress of the American Trotting Association began here today. Leading breeders of trotting horses and patrons of harness racing from all parts of the country were present at the meeting. Considerable interest centered in the election of the president, W. L. P. James, of Terre Haute, Ind., who has served as president of the association for the past two years, and who received the support of the western delegates. His election, however, was opposed by the eastern men, who decided to present the name of an eastern man for the position. The board of appeals will be in session for a week, as there are 160 cases on the docket. A decision is expected in the case of Charles Ketcham, owner of the trotter Cresceus, the horse's record of 1:59 3/5, made two years ago on the Wichita, Kas., track having been questioned.

DENIED "RINGING."

New York, Dec. 6. — The semi-annual meeting of the board of review of the National Trotting Association began here today, with President P. P. Johnson presiding. The case of Dr. A. W. Turner, of Boston, who was charged with "ringing" horses at Combination Park, Bedford, Conn., and other tracks throughout the New England circuit, was taken up. Dr. Turner denied the charge.

HAMILTON MEN PLEASED.

Hamilton, Dec. 6. — Local turfites will be pleased to learn that the Hamilton Jockey Club has secured dates for next year's meet that will not conflict with Buffalo as the case was last year. Next year the local club's meet follows Toronto, and Buffalo follows Hamilton. This means that all the horses on the northern circuit will visit here, and local horse lovers will see equally as fine races here as at Toronto or Buffalo. The track is one of the best on the circuit, and next year. Next year the local club's ones held at Hamilton.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Jungle Imp, Van Ness, Slow Poke, Brush Up, Hymettus, King's Trophy.

FOOTBALL.

HEWITT, BY ACCLAMATION.

Toronto, Dec. 6. — Rev. A. F. Barr, who was nominated for the office of vice-president of the O. P. U., has been elected. He was the only candidate, and he was elected by acclamation.

THE WHEEL.

BEHIND THE RECORD.

New York, Dec. 7. — At 1 o'clock this morning the 13 leading teams in the six-day race had covered 300 miles. The four other teams were one lap behind. The record for this time is 955 miles, 3 laps, made by Elkes and McFarland in 1900.

THE RING.

WILL MEET CORBETT AGAIN.

New York, Dec. 6. — According to a San Francisco dispatch, Battling Nelson, the hurricane fighter from Chicago, who stopped Young Corbett a few nights ago on the Pacific coast, and who is now matched to meet Jimmy Britt on Dec. 20, has consented to give Young Corbett a return match. Nelson says he would be only too glad to meet Corbett again, whether he wins or loses with Britt. Nelson states that in the event of his defeating Britt he will take on Corbett in two weeks' time, if he can get into shape.

Corbett and his friends are anxious to secure the match because they claim the Denverite was so much weakened by the drastic methods he employed to take off weight that he was unable to fight on his own terms. The fight was about even, but Root was a trifle more clever.

ROOT GOT DECISION.

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FOREST CITY WON.

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Bylaw No.

To provide for the issue of debentures to the amount of \$15,000, for the purchase of the necessary machinery and plant and for the erection of the necessary buildings for the disposal of garbage.

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Board of Health of the City of London, it has become necessary to purchase machinery and plant, and to erect buildings for the disposal of garbage;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to raise by way of loan on the credit of the Municipality the sum of \$15,000 to provide for the cost of the said machinery and plant, and the erection of the said buildings;

AND WHEREAS by "The City of London Debt Consolidation Act, 1891" it is, amongst other things, provided that the limit of the borrowing power of the Corporation of the City of London shall not exceed the provisions of any Act or law to the contrary, be twelve and one-half per centum of the assessed value of the whole rateable property of the said City of London, as shown by the last Revised Assessment List for the time being of the said City;

AND WHEREAS it is also provided by the said Act that in calculating the amount of the indebtedness of the said Corporation for the purpose of ascertaining if the limit of its borrowing power, as fixed by the Nineteenth Section of the said Act, has been reached, the amount of its indebtedness for waterworks purposes being the sum of \$534,628 94, and any liability in respect of local improvement debentures,

issued by the said Corporation, shall not be reckoned as part of such indebtedness, but shall be excluded in computing the same;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the whole rateable property of the said City of London, according to the last Revised Assessment List of the said City, being for the year 1904 is \$18,380,346;

AND WHEREAS the general debenture debt of the said City, exclusive of local improvement debentures, of the said debt of \$534,628 94, incurred for waterworks purposes, which according to the said last Revised Assessment List is not to be counted as part of the general debt, only amounts to \$2,096,666 04, of which debt no part of the principal or interest is in arrears;

AND WHEREAS the sum of \$15,000 is the debt intended to be created by this bylaw;

AND WHEREAS it will require the sum of \$900 to be raised annually, for a period of twenty years, the currency of the debentures to be issued under and by virtue of this bylaw, to pay the interest of the said debt, and the sum of \$330 42 to be raised annually during the same period for forming a sinking fund for the payment of the debt created by this bylaw, making in all the sum of \$1,230 42 to be raised annually as aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary that such annual sum of \$1,230 42 shall be raised and levied in each year during the said period of twenty years, by a special rate sufficient therefor, on all the rateable property in the Municipality of the City of London;

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON, as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the City of London, and the City Treasurer, to raise a number of debentures to be made for such sums of money as may be required for the purposes an herein provided, or for money or in lawful money of Canada, payable in gold coin, for not less than one hundred dollars currency, or such lesser sum as may be determined not exceeding in the whole the said sum of \$15,000, and the said debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said Mayor and the said City Treasurer.

2. The said debentures may be made payable in Great Britain, Canada, or elsewhere, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest.

3. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half-yearly, on the first days of the months of January and July in each year, at the place where the said debentures are made payable.

4. During the currency of the debentures to be issued under the authority of this bylaw, the sum of \$900 shall be raised annually, for the purpose of paying the interest on the said debentures, and the sum of \$330 42 shall be raised annually for the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of the said loan of \$15,000 in twenty years, making in all the sum of \$1,230 42 to be raised annually as aforesaid, and a special rate in each year of the assessed value of all the rateable property in the City of London, over and above all other rates and taxes, which special rate shall be sufficient to produce in each year the said sum of \$1,230 42 shall be annually levied and collected in each and every year during the currency of the said debentures.

5. The said Mayor and Treasurer may cause the said debentures, or a sufficient amount thereof, to be sold or hypothecated, or may authorize the said debentures, or any portion thereof, to be purchased or taken up for temporary or permanent investment of the sinking fund of the City of London, and the proceeds thereof, after the payment of the discount (if any) and the expenses of the negotiation and sale thereof, shall be applied for the purpose above specified and for no other purpose.

6. This bylaw shall take effect on, from and after the passing thereof.

7. And it is further enacted by the said Municipal Council of the City of London that the votes of the electors of the said City of London will be taken on this bylaw by the Mayor, Deputy Returning Officers, and at the same places, as the election of Mayor and Aldermen, at the next ensuing Municipal election for the said City of London, are taken, on Monday, the second day of January, A. D. 1905, commencing at nine o'clock in the morning and continuing until five o'clock in the afternoon.

8. On Friday, the thirtieth day of December, A. D. 1904, at his election, in the City Hall, in the City of London, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the Mayor will appoint, in writing signed by him, two persons to be the scrutineers of the said City of London, and a like number on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of opposing the passing of this bylaw.

9. The Clerk of the said Municipal Corporation shall attend at the City Hall at the hour of two o'clock noon, on Wednesday, the fourth day of January, A. D. 1905, to sum up the number of votes given for and against this bylaw.

PASSED in open council this day of A. D. 1905.

Mayor.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of a proposed bylaw which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London in the event of the assent of the electors of the said City of London, and the same shall be published in the Free Press and Advertiser newspapers (the date of the said publication being Wednesday, the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1904), and that the votes of the electors of the said municipality will be taken thereon on the day, and at the hour and places, therein fixed.

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stewart, of
Queen's avenue, have returned from a
trip to the old country.
—Miss Irene Walker, of this city,
has been engaged as teacher in school
section No. 7, Westminster Township.
—Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McDonald, of
Tahiti street, have returned from St.
Louis and Chicago, where they spent
two weeks.

—Mr. A. Rowat, the well-known
Dundas street grocer, who has been
confined to the house for some time
owing to illness, is recovering.
—Principal Gordon, of Queen's Col-
lege, Kingston, will speak at the
weekly prayer meeting in Knox Pres-
byterian Church, South London, this
evening.

At a special meeting of New Sarum
Circle, No. 257, of the Canadian Home
Circles, the following officers were
chosen for the ensuing term: L. R. F.
Francis, V. L. Frederick McLeod,
secretary, H. E. Stansell, treasurer,
Andrew Tisdale, P. S. Frank Doan,
C. Rev. George Ray, M. H. Shaw,
W. Mrs. E. McLeod, G. M. Tisdale.
Several candidates were initiated by
Mr. G. W. Thompson, organizer of To-
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Navel Oranges, regular price
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BELTZ,
FINE FURS.

ELGIN BRIDGE OPENED.

The bridge on the Elgin road in
North Dorchester has been finished,
and opened for traffic. It is a Howe
truss structure, and was built by Per-
gamon & Tait.

MR. CAMP'S CLASS.

The Union Bible Class in the Y. M.
C. A. was attended by about 350 people
last evening. Mr. Camp spoke from
II. Samuel, of the duties of a king,
reigning at Hebron and Jerusalem.
Mr. Ed. Webster sang a solo very accept-
ably before the commencement of the
class.

SIMCOE STREET W. CUP.

Princess avenue, Colborne street and
Simcoe street schools had teams in the
public school athletic contest held at
the Y. M. C. A. The silver cup, offered
by the association, was won by the
Simcoe street team—Meredith Smith,
Charles Perry and C. Smith—with a
score of 82. The Colborne street team
—H. Crouch, S. Percival and S. Smith—
was second, with 66 points. Princess
avenue team—W. Knott, John Higgins
and W. Brook—being third with 51
points. The points of the Colborne
team were made by Stanley Percival, 25.
Meredith Smith had 34 points to his
credit. The contest comprised three
tasks, 100 yards, 200 yards and 400
yards, high jump from springboard,
relay and potato race. The cup will
be competed for annually.

PRINCESS OPENED.

Last evening the popular Princess
rink opened its doors for the season to
all lovers of the sport. There was
a tremendous crowd in attendance,
and the ice was remarkably good.
The evening Band played good skating
music.

SOCIAL AT ST. JAMES.

Last evening a young people of
St. James Episcopal Church, South
London, spent a very pleasant even-
ing. The school room was tastefully
decorated with flags and bunting, and
the evening was spent in games and
social amusements. One which was
especially enjoyed was the spelling
match. Sixteen were chosen on each
side, and the match was a most in-
teresting one. It is the intention to
have socials at intervals during the
winter months.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTIONS.

The special sermons of the Jesuit
Fathers continue to attract large con-
gregations to both St. Peter's Cathedra-
l and St. Mary's Church, and the num-
ber of visitors to each edifice every
hour of the day to perform the forty
hours' devotions also continues to
be large. Rev. Father O'Brien pre-
ached in the cathedral last night, and
Rev. Father Devlin in St. Mary's
Church. The latter took for his sub-
ject, "The Blessed Virgin," and his
sermon proved a eloquent one. "The
Blessed Virgin," said Father Devlin,
"may be called the ambassador of
God, through her intercession, all sinners
that honor her are undoubtedly for-
given, as it is natural to think that
in his holiness, will, if asked by
his holy mother, look on sinners with
compassion. The pleasure God gives
to the faithful soul in this life is in-
significant in comparison to what God
promises to those who lead a good life
through the narrow path of this world,
but which will eventually widen into
eternal happiness to the soul. In the
cities the temptation to sin is very
great," concluded Father Devlin,
"but meditation and prayer will surely
bring back the soul to God again."

DEATH OF MRS. MCGUGAN.

Mrs. Angus McGugan, one of the
oldest residents of the township of
Euphemia, passed peacefully away re-
cently at the advanced age of 77 years.
Mrs. McGugan, whose maiden name
was Catherine Campbell, was born in
Breadalban, Perthshire, Scotland, July
1, 1827, coming with her parents to
America in 1832. She was undoubtedly
one of the earliest of Euphemia's set-
tlers, taking up her home there on her
arrival in the old country. She was
married on March 24, 1847, to Angus
McGugan, by whom she had a family
of eleven children—eight sons and three
daughters. She is survived by her
husband, six sons and one daughter,
all of whom, with the exception of one
son—Daniel, of Dawn—reside in Eu-
phemia. Two sisters and one brother
also survive. They are Elizabeth, of
Euphemia; Christina, of Los Angeles;
and Alexander, of Iowa. The funeral
services were conducted by the Pres-
byterian Church at Cairo, Mrs. McGugan
having been a life-long member of that
congregation. Interment was in
Gage's Cemetery, the following acting
as pallbearers: Messrs. J. Deacon, J.
Smith, E. Hope, E. Arnold, C. Watson
and J. Annot.

CHOSE ITS NEW OFFICERS

Star Lodge, A. O. U. W., Elects for
1905—A Capable Staff.

Star Lodge, No. 367, of the Ancient
Order of United Workmen, elected offi-
cers for 1905 at its regular meeting,
last night. There was a large attend-
ance of the members, a number of vis-
iting Workmen also being present, and
the close of the elections a social hour
was spent, refreshments being served,
and timely speeches made. The scruti-
neers for the election were members
of sister lodges, Messrs. Broderick, of
Antiquity, St. Thomas; Thompson, of
Woodbine, and McConnell, of Westmin-
ster. The results were as follows:
Past Master—Workman—L. Polley.
Master Workman—W. Robinson.
Foreman—Percy Hodgins.
Financier—A. Tripp.
Recorder—John J. Dalton.
Receiver—Stephen Grant.
Overseer—Frank Smythe.
Guide—W. Willis.
Inside Watch—George Rourke.
Representative to Grand Lodge—L.
Polley.
Alternate—Finley Marshall.
Trustees—D. Tripp, Finley Marshall
and James Barr.

Many Appointments Made By Board of Education

**Vacant Principalships Filled and
Some Resignations Accepted
at Regular Meeting.**

**Officer Weir Tells of Truancy and
Makes Some Important Sug-
gestions Re Punishment.**

Contrary to expectations, the meet-
ing of the board of education was a
most harmonious one, and the trust-
ees concluded their labors well within
an hour.

The most important matter was the
report of Mr. S. Baker as principal of
St. George's, that Principal Snelgrove,
of King street school, be appointed to
succeed Mr. W. D. Eckert, as principal
of Lorne avenue school, that Miss
Mulveny, of St. George's school, be
appointed to succeed Mrs. Gahan in
Harriett Westman was appointed to
the position vacated by Miss Moore.

The last name was the only one which
met with opposition. Trustee McLean,
seconded by Trustee Blackwell, moved
that the name of Mr. Kirkwood be
substituted for that of Mr. Parkinson.
Ziegler moved in amendment
that no male teacher be appointed in
St. George's school, on the ground that
the board does not deem it advisable
to increase the number of male teach-
ers, no second, however.

A vote was then taken, and the mo-
tion of Trustee McLean was defeated.
Mr. Parkinson, being appointed by a
large vote.

The resignation of Principal Taylor,
of grand avenue school, was accepted,
as was also the resignation of Miss
Moore, who has been assistant prin-
cipal in Victoria school. Miss
Harriett Westman was appointed to
the position vacated by Miss Moore.

It was also agreed that Mr. J. H.
MacRobert, of Mitchell, should be ap-
pointed to the principalship of grand
avenue school, to succeed Principal
Taylor; and that Mr. F. Tanton, of
Abington, should succeed Principal
Wyatt in the Worthy road school.

Principal Gibbs, of Chesley avenue
school, was appointed to the board of
examiners in place of Mrs. Gahan.

Salaries Increased.

By a unanimous vote, on motion of
Trustee Blackwell, the salaries of
Cousins, the salary of Vice-Principal
Little, of the Collegiate Institute, was

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Comedy—Many Left.**

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Grand has been beset with such an
aggregation of misfits and theatrical
mistakes as that which held the
boards last night under the title of
"The Liberty Belles." The best seats
in the house sold for a dollar, but con-
sidering the quality of the attraction,
it would have proven a proportionate
attention had the management charged
but ten cents. From any viewpoint
whatever the production was the



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representative of a race which inha-
bited America before the Indians.

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**ANNUAL ELECTION
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**Masonic Lodge Chooses Officers
for 1905—Bro. Hayden the
New Master.**

The regular meeting of Corinthian
Lodge, No. 330, A. F. and A. M., G.
R. C., was held in the Masonic Temple
last evening, when the officers for 1905
were chosen. W. Bros. Tancock, of St.
John's, No. 299a, and W. Bro. Henry

There was not an actor or an actress
on the stage, the crowd which essayed
the several parts appearing more like
a lot of miners and clam-chowder
cooks. The singing of the men was
bad enough, but the work of the
choruses was worse. Such people might
be all right in pantomime, but they
were never intended to sing. In fact, it is
little short of criminal to inflict them
on the public. And the humor of the
play? It was simply awful. The
"hushers" threw everything from
lumps of dough to pie plates and rag
babies at each other in their horseplay
attempts to make fun, but the people
merely settled back in their seats and
thought, "If they didn't shed their
teeth."

All the women of the cast lisped, and
all the men belched until the people on
Richmond street must have thought
the company was burlesquing a Span-
ish bull-fight. One young man with a
very appropriate name—Wagner—and an
enlarged opinion of himself, was at the
head of the funeral, and while not
marching as how he ever came to be
on any stage other than a stage coach,
the audience figured on how long it
would be before he would explode, like
the frog in the fable, so inflated was
he with his own importance. Then
came a Mr. Conley, who appeared on
the programme as Mr. Pennyfeathers.
He tried to amuse the audience by
acting like a monkey, and to do him
justice, he appeared to be thoroughly
at home in the part. And then he sang
climaxed their bets and put up their
guards and the ladies felt for their hat
pins. Everyone feared an unprovoked
assault. Mr. Conley, between spasms,
in which he appeared to be developing
hydrophobia, hurled lumps of sound at
his hearers, and engaged in a foot-
race around the stage. But the people
did not stand for it all. There is a limit
to human endurance, and the crowd
left the theater, first in couples, and
then in files. How such an aggrega-
tion exists on the road is a mystery.
Certainly Londoners will remember
"The Liberty Belles." May they never
ring in London again.

There is reason for the enthusiasm
and keen interest that is felt in the
recital to be given by Alberto Jonas,
the famous Spanish pianist, in the
Auditorium on the 14th. He is a re-
markable man. A Mexican critic, speak-
ing of his appearance in Mexico City,
says that such a sentiment of interpre-
tation, the marvelous melodies of a
great composer have never been wit-
nessed before. His agility, subtleness
and lightness of fingers was as great
a marvel to this critic, while his touch

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