

THE WEATHER:
COLDER AND SNOW FLURRIES.
FRIDAY—MUCH COLDER.

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EXPLOSION AND FIRE TAKE HEAVY TOLL OF LIFE Bell States Vote Needed For City Hall Improvements

THIRTY ARE KILLED, 100 HURT IN MILL BLAST IN ILLINOIS

Corn Products Company Plant at Pekin Is Scene of Holocaust in Early Hours of Morning—Rescuers Prevented by Flames From Rescuing Bodies of Workmen—Injured Are Rushed to Nearby Hospitals.

DUST EXPLOSION IS FOLLOWED BY FIRE

Pekin, Ill., Jan. 3.—Between thirty and thirty-five persons were killed and 100 injured, according to estimates, in an explosion and fire in the starch buildings of the Corn Products Refining Company here early today. At 10 a.m. seven bodies, six of them identified, had been recovered.

At that hour two buildings of the big plant were in ruins, building No. 33, the starch powerhouse, where the blast occurred, being reduced to a mass of smoldering debris, and building No. 27, the starch house, still blazing, its walls standing, but giving off heat so intense that no efforts could be made to search for bodies.

Although ordinarily 250 men were employed in the starch house, according to Frank Velde, manager, only 72 men were in the starch powerhouse where the explosion occurred, according to the best information he had.

Rushed To Plant.
When the blast occurred, relatives and friends of the employees rushed to the plant from their homes in Pekin two miles away.

Trapped in the third floor of the burning Pekin plant, Frank Lichtweiss, 26, Peoria, sang to his fellow workers for nearly an hour to calm them and when the last retreat was cut off, jumped from the burning building.

Lichtweiss has a voice of unusual quality and some of his companions went to their death with the strains of the songs in their memory. He did not jump until all the men were able to leave the floor had been so cut off, jumped from the burning building.

Fire companies from both Peoria and Pekin responded to the calls for aid. The distance and severe cold handicapped the fire fighters and rescue workers.

Five men working in five box cars about 30 feet from the building were missing and are believed to have been killed as the cars were destroyed by the explosion.

Fire broke out after the explosion. Rescuers could see the bodies of approximately between 25 and 35 victims lying in the ruins, but the flames prevented attempts to reach the bodies. It was estimated it would be several hours before the ruins could be penetrated and the bodies removed.

Eighty injured, many of them badly mangled, had been removed from the wreckage by 8 o'clock, and taken to hospitals in Pekin and Peoria.

Two hundred and fifty men were working in the plant at the time of the explosion.

The explosion is said to have been Please See Page 2, Column 1.

BELAND MAY GET GOVERNOR'S POST

Popular Statesman Is Mentioned as Most Likely Man To Succeed Brodeur.

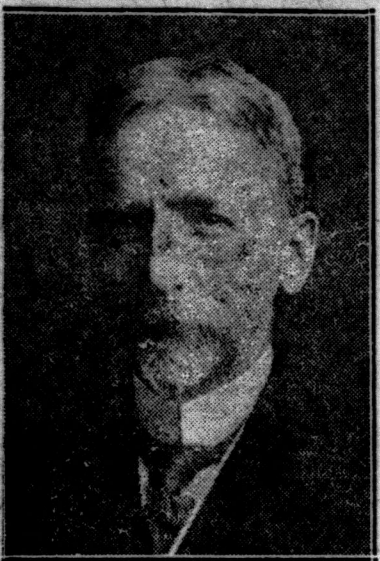
Quebec, Jan. 3.—With Hon. L. P. Brodeur, late lieutenant-governor of the province, removed by death, rumor is already rife regarding his successor. A number of names are mentioned as to who will be the next lieutenant-governor of Quebec, among them being Senator Beique of Montreal, Hon. Dr. Beland, federal minister of health and soldiers' re-establishment; Hon. Judge Tessier of this city; Hon. Adolphe Turgeon, and Sir F. X. Lemieux, chief justice of the superior court, in this city.

The choice for the appointment is said to lie between Senator Beique and Dr. Beland.

TWO MEMBERS OF HEALTH BOARD SAID SURE OF SEATS

There is ample indication that at least two members of the board of health can be reappointed in 1924 if they so desire and in view of their many years of service E. R. Seabrook and Charles Mitchell. In fact, the latter is slated for the chairmanship to succeed Ald. Leonard Douglas, the 1923 incumbent of that position.

WRIT FOR DAMAGES.
Graydon & Graydon have issued a county court writ on behalf of William C. Maker and Madeleine Cochran of London against R. O. Winn of London for damages for personal injuries sustained to both plaintiffs, and for damages to Maker's car as the result of alleged negligence on the part of the defendant, his servants or agents.



LIKELY TO LEAD U.F.O.
Hon. W. E. Raney, attorney-general in the Drury government, who is the most likely choice of farmers' party in Ontario.

U. F. O. TO NAME LEADER TODAY

Formation of Provincial Progressive Party Will Be Discussed at Caucus.

RANEY LIKELY TO LEAD

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—The leadership of the United Farmers' Party in the Ontario Legislature is being decided today at a private conference here.

Formation of a Provincial Progressive Party, it is believed, will also be discussed at great length by the delegates, who include a large number of the Progressive members of the Federal House.

The way for today's conference was made clear at the meeting of the United Farmers of Ontario last month when the convention divorced its association from politics, but did not go on record against the formation of a separate political organization.

In the evening a banquet will be tendered the visitors by the Progressive Association of Toronto.

According to reports today Hon. W. E. Raney, attorney-general in the Drury administration, will probably be chosen leader of the party in the Provincial Legislature. Hon. E. C. Drury is without a seat in the present assembly, and it is not likely that one will be opened up for him. Hon. Manning Doherty and Hon. F. C. Biggs are also mentioned for the leadership of the party.

WEATHER AGAIN HINDERS WORK ON OPEN-AIR RINKS

Last night's rain and snow further hindered the flooding of the open-air rinks at Queen's and Victoria Parks.

The flooding, which has been carried out for the past few days was proceeding satisfactorily, but the weather does not hamper us as much as the alternate freezing and thawing, which produces the mud and slush.

Mayor Wenige also points out that the additional costs by having this work done at this time of the year as a relief measure are slight, while the engineer reports that not only is work provided for many of the unemployed, but for regular employees of the city works department, who would otherwise be out of work until spring.

SNOW AND ICE CAUSE TIE-UP ON CAR LINES

Snowplows Put Into Operation, Clear Tracks in Short Time.

HITS SPRINGBANK

Four inches of snow, which fell during the night, tied up traffic on the London street railway for several hours this morning. The Springbank line was not cleared until 11 o'clock and city routes were behind schedule.

When the street cars first appeared early this morning they could make little headway, owing to the icy condition of rails. Snowplows were immediately ordered into operation, but normal traffic conditions were not attained until 10 o'clock. (Old 27 was, as usual, on the hop).

Passengers coming into the city from the vicinity of Springbank were compelled to take the Bygon bus, which did a thriving business. Many who missed the bus were forced to remain home until street car service was resumed.

"The icy shell over the rails, with snow on top, caused many delays," C. B. King, general manager of the London street railway, said. "Every plow was out, but the regular service was not possible until 9 o'clock. The Springbank line was the most seriously affected, but that will be in normal condition soon."

EDUCATION BOARD WILL MEET FIRST JANUARY 10

Secretary Tanner States Constitution Sets Date For the Inaugural Session.

SPLITTING OF A HAIR

Regulation Is Accepted by the Trustees When Office Is Taken.

The 1924 board of education will hold its inaugural meeting on Jan. 10.

This statement was made to The Advertiser this morning by Secretary W. A. Tanner, following the publication of a story that the board would be non-existent until the first Wednesday in February, owing to the fact that the 1923 board had failed to pass a resolution setting a date for the first meeting of the new board.

Secretary Tanner stated that the constitution of the local board sets the date of the inaugural meeting as the first Thursday after the first Monday in January, and that this is the date on which the 1924 board will meet.

The failure of the old board to pass a resolution setting forth the date of the meeting in accordance with provincial statute is a question of the splitting of a hair. The regulation of the legal board, accepted by the trustees when they take office, sets forth the date, and although, technically speaking, the date should have been placed in the minutes of the last regular meeting of the board, it is nevertheless a resolution to the effect that the new board will meet on such and such a day.

The ruling of the department, written for by Mr. Tanner, has not yet been received, but Inspector Greer of the department of education, who is familiar with its regulations, states that the date as set forth in the local constitution is the one on which the inaugural meeting will be held.

Secretary Tanner has called the meeting for that date, and has notified the members, in accordance with the regulations, and on Jan. 10, at 8 p.m., the new board will meet, and after inauguration will be constituted as to transact any regular business that may come up at the meeting. This will include the appointment of representatives to the various boards, the receiving of communications, etc.

WINING LIKELY TO HEAD BOARD

Public Utilities Commission Will Hold First Meeting After Council Session.

The public utilities commission will continue to function, there being no actual need to call an inaugural meeting, the personnel of the board not having changed.

General Manager E. V. Buchanan stated this morning that the first meeting would be held following the inaugural meeting of the city council, at which the members are declared elected. He also considered it more than likely that Jared Vining, chairman of 1923, would again head the commission.

Mr. Buchanan also mentioned that no member of the commission who had ever sought re-election had been defeated at the polls.

"OLD 27" GOES ON BUST, TIES UP THE TRAFFIC

"Old 27" tore things loose on York street this afternoon; went off the trolley and everything, seriously handicapping street railway service to South London.

The company officials report that "27" has been cutting up "simply awful" since the first of the year, and residents of Springbank and vicinity report that he didn't even come to work this morning. Some say that "Old 27" has a bad attack of "neuralgia" after New Year's celebrating.

D. J. TALLANT DENIES BEING "MENTIONED" FOR POSTS

Since he was defeated at the recent election as an aspirant for the public utilities commission, D. J. Tallant, chairman of the housing commission, has been "mentioned" for various posts in 1924. But Mr. Tallant says that he is not an applicant for a position on the Port Stanley Railway Commission and asserts that he has heard nothing about the proposal that he sit on the board of health.

FIELDING'S CONDITION.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—Rt. Hon. W. S. Fielding's condition remains about the same, according to information obtained today.



SIR ADAM BECK.
City hall observers forecast Sir Adam Beck's re-appointment to the London and Port Stanley Railway Commission by the 1924 city council. Identified with that railway since its electrification, Sir Adam was chairman of the commission during 1923.

CITY PRESENTS PAVEMENT BILL

Cost For Street Railway Is Placed Roughly at \$35,000.

PASSED RESOLUTION

The city engineering department is forwarding to the street railway company its bill for Richmond street track allowance a matter of about \$35,000.

Mayor Wenige says he is confident that the company will meet its obligation, but he does not care to offer any opinion at this juncture as to when and how. "In due course" the mayor states.

During 1923 the council passed a resolution whereby the company was to be allowed to pay for their share of the work in ten annual installments, provided that a subsequent agreement was effected between them.

Late in the fall, Ald. John Greer urged his colleagues to rescind this resolution. His advice was not followed, however. And the city solicitor has been since credited with the opinion that any such agreement would be illegal.

POLICE AUTHORITIES MAY REVOKE LICENSES

City Treasurer Points Out Law Clear and Distinct.

CANNOT BE RENEWED

Taxi Drivers Unable To Operate, and Decision Is Final.

The police authorities are empowered by statute to revoke taxi or other licenses within their province and they need give no explanation to the court or others, according to an announcement from City Treasurer James Bell.

The treasurer points out that the law is clear and distinct and whether it may be considered as unjust by taxi drivers or others interested, is of course no concern of his department who are involved only in the collection thereof.

Certain local taxi drivers found with the passing of the old year that their licenses cannot be renewed. The police state that this is for "good and sufficient reasons," although the city treasurer quotes the act to show that the police officials are not required to offer any explanation whatever as to their action in this or similar respect.

Sub-section 4 of section 253 of the Consolidated Municipal Acts deals with this question as follows: "Subject to the theatre and cinematograph act, the granting of or refusal of a license to any person to carry on a particular trade call, taxi drivers or others interested, is of course no concern of his department who are involved only in the collection thereof."

The tank, according to the radio message, was inscribed with several sentences written in pencil.

LONDON MAY SUE THE CITY OF CHATHAM

Russell H. Ellison of London has named the city of Chatham defendant in a supreme court writ issued at the court house today by McEvoy, Judd & Henderson. Mr. Ellison asks unstated damages for injuries he received as a result of the alleged negligence of the city in not having Queen street kept in a safe condition.

BELGIAN MONARCHS WILL ATTEND WINTER CARNIVAL

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Jan. 3.—Among the latest personages of note to succumb to the spell of winter sports are the king and queen of the Belgians, who passed through Paris incognito last night on their way to Chamonix.

London Has Distinction Of Being Birthplace of The First Quadruplets

One-Child, Miss Clara Stockwell, Still Living—Lives on Richmond Street.

DIED OF EXPOSURE

Mother States Many Came to House to See Babes When Born.

London has the distinction of being the birthplace of Canada's first quadruplets. In the year 1886 Mrs. C. Stockwell, 1,112 Richmond street, gave birth to four children—two boys and two girls, and one girl still lives.

Medical investigators interested in such anomalies have probed the records of various cities in an effort to discover how many Canadian women had brought into the world quadruplets. It was found that Mrs. Stockwell of this city was the first mother of quadruplets in Canada and that they were born 38 years ago in a house at 250 Oxford street.

This morning Mrs. Stockwell recalled the eventful year when the great event took place and stated that three of the children died of exposure through so many people invading her house at the time out of curiosity. Being naturally delicate, three of the children died, Mrs. Stockwell claims, from the effect of these well-meant visits.

Miss Clara Stockwell, one of the children, lives with her mother on Richmond street.

Two of the children died two weeks after birth and the third died a week later. According to Mrs. Stockwell, the birth of the quadruplets created a sensation at the time and the house in which they were born was besieged with visitors desirous of having a peek at the children.

Dr. Alexander McTaggart and Dr. A. Spencer were the attending physicians and it was their wish the two children should be named after them and Alexander and Augustus. The boys were quite similar in appearance, but the girls not alike, said Mrs. Stockwell this morning.

Mrs. Stockwell is the mother of six children. Her husband died 13 years ago.

MAY SUCCEED BRODEUR.

Hon. H. S. Beland, who is prominent in the province of Quebec, has accepted the task of forming a new cabinet. Previously the declared he had been unable to obtain the support of any political party in the Diet.

DIXMUDE GASOLINE TANK IS PICKED UP AT SEA

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Jan. 3.—A gasoline tank belonging to the dirigible Dixmude has been found at sea, according to a wireless message sent out by the Elzetta, Tunis, naval station and picked up at Toulon, says the correspondent of Echo de Paris at that place. The newspaper's informant adds that the office of the port admiral at Toulon is unable to confirm the news and that he forwards it with all reserve.

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CHINESE GRADUATES WILL ENTER SERVICE OF C.P.R.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Jan. 3.—With a view to acquainting themselves with the best practices prevailing in railroad work, three graduates of Chinese universities have entered the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway. They are Messrs. P. C. Fan, Shaw N. Ying and Chin Tse Yang, each of them bachelors of science of Yanyung University, of Shanghai.

CHARITY STAMPS ISSUED TO HELP FEED THE POOR

Associated Press Despatch.

Berlin, Jan. 3.—Charity stamps are being issued by the ministry of post to help finance the feeding of the poor. These stamps will be sold at twice their value and will be issued in denominations of 5, 10, 20 and 50 gold pfennings. "Deutsche Nothilfe" (German Relief) will be printed across the face of the stamps.



W. G. RAYMOND, M.P., who, with R. L. Brackin, M.P.P., will speak at tomorrow night's banquet in honor of Andrew Robson. The London Liberal Club is honoring Mr. Robson's long and faithful service in the office of president, from which he retired a few weeks ago.

TWO THINGS SURE— DEATH AND TAXES

Magistrate Advises Alleged Tax Dodger To Settle Account.

"There are two things sure in this world, taxes and death," Magistrate Graydon told Heine White, an alleged income tax dodger, in police court today.

According to the collector, Mr. White owed \$9.66 for 1920 taxes plus interest which amounted in all to \$12.99.

"I've been sick for three years," said White in between coughing spells.

"You're not so sick that you can't pay that amount."

"I am still under the doctor's care," he continued, and went on to state he was living with his father and mother.

"I'll adjourn the case a week and give you time to get your affairs in order. You know there is a severe penalty attached to this offence."

George Tambling, tax collector, three graduates of Chinese universities have entered the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway. They are Messrs. P. C. Fan, Shaw N. Ying and Chin Tse Yang, each of them bachelors of science of Yanyung University, of Shanghai.

"How many do you think you could require?" Mr. Graydon wanted to know. "I'll give you one week to settle this matter," stated White.

VISCOUNT KIYOURA WILL FORM NEW CABINET

Associated Press Despatch.

Tokio, Jan. 3.—After announcing earlier today his inability to complete a ministry, Viscount Kiyoura, minister of interior, today announced by Prince Regent Hirohito to form a cabinet to succeed that of Premier Yamamoto, has reconsidered. At the further request of the prince regent he has accepted the task of forming a new cabinet. Previously the declared he had been unable to obtain the support of any political party in the Diet.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 2; lowest, 66. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 33; lowest, 28.

Barometric Readings.
Wednesday—8 p.m.—29.29.
Today—8 a.m.—29.01.

VOTE NEEDED TO IMPROVE PRESENT CITY HALL OFFICES

Treasurer Bell Advises Only \$39,000 Available For Work.

REMAINDER OF \$100,000

Believes New Building Will Not Be Built For Many Years.

The city council is empowered to expend no more than \$40,000, roughly, upon suggested improvements to the city hall without a vote of the people, City Treasurer James Bell advises.

Ald. Edmund Hayden has recommended to the city council of 1924 improvements to the present structure, in view of the fact that the people voted against the construction of a new building on the federal square. To his mind the ratepayers will object to any proposal calling for the construction of a new hall for the next ten or fifteen years.

Just how much it would require to "fix over" the old hall is a pertinent question, and the city treasurer states that there is available about \$39,000 that could be used by the council for that purpose, without any vote of the people.

This sum represents the remainder of the \$100,000 obtained several years ago by the sale of the former city hall on Richmond street. About \$61,000 of this was expended, including the cost of the present site (the old hall), and certain improvements, and the balance of \$39,000 is available for further improvements to the hall, but they are not empowered to touch any money voted by the people, and now on hand for the construction of a new hall on the McCormick site across the street.

If they desire more than \$39,000 they must go back to the people and take the money from the general fund, raised each year in taxes.

COUNCIL SESSION EXPECTED SOON

Informal Meeting Likely For Next Week, Mayor Announces.

In all likelihood, an informal session of the city council will be held next week, Mayor Wenige announces. Tomorrow night he entertains the members of the new council, but he does not expect that any direct business will be transacted. The session is primarily to "get acquainted," he states.

As the day of the inaugural session draws nearer there is added speculation within the realm of the city council—the Port Stanley commission, board of health, etc.

And reports are general that prospective applicants for the various posts are "bustling" their favorite councillors.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Today—Strong northwesterly winds, becoming very cold; snow flurries.

Friday—Fair and very cold; zero temperatures.

The disturbances which was west of the Great Lakes yesterday has increased in intensity, and is now passing eastward over Ontario and the Middle States.

A moderate snowfall has occurred in Ontario and Western Quebec. The weather continues very cold in the Western Provinces.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations. High. Low. Weather.
Victoria 30 25 Clear
Calgary 2 20 Clear
Winnipeg 6 20 Clear
Port Arthur 8 12 Clear
S. S. Marie 24 12 Snow
Toronto 32 22 Snow
Kingston 28 22 Rain
Ottawa 24 13 Snow
Montreal 22 22 Snow
Quebec 10 6 Snow
Father Point 8 2 Snow
St. John 18 14 Snow
Halifax 20 16 Snow

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COUNCIL MAY HIRE PERMANENT CITY ACCOUNTANT

CITY TREASURER APPROVES PLAN FOR ACCOUNTANT

Course Recommended in Britain Report May Be Adopted Soon.

BELL CITES BENEFITS

London may secure the services of a permanent chartered accountant, who, while assigned to the staff of the city treasurer, would be available for all spending bodies, including the board of education, the hospital trust, and the public utilities commission. This course was strongly recommended by Dr. Horace Britain and his municipal experts who surveyed the city departments last summer, and also finds favor today with City Treasurer James Bell.

As the city treasurer points out, his department must receive the early consideration of the city council. Charles Turner is no longer in the tax-collecting department, her resignation having taken effect at the close of 1923.

"Just what the council proposes to do in this case I can't say, of course," the treasurer explained. "The new council may view favorably the appointment of a competent accountant for my office, one who could be available for all other spending bodies, as recommended by Dr. Britain."

The treasurer indorses his proposal, pointing out that he would be of valuable assistance to him, and could relieve him of many duties while he would also be in a position to render excellent service to the other spending bodies and to the city generally.

The treasurer has made no definite recommendation concerning the post vacated by Mrs. Turner. He is waiting to gain the view of the new council.

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of dust in the starch plant, and to have destroyed that building. Fire quickly spread to adjoining buildings, one being destroyed.

Many of the injured are being brought to Peoria hospitals, according to the first reports.

Injured Rushed to Hospitals.

The explosion occurred at 8:30 a.m. and at 7 o'clock the Peoria fire department was called to the scene.

The Peoria hospital was filled with injured and others were rushed to Peoria as fast as they were removed from the wreckage.

Immediately a call for help was sent to Peoria, eleven miles away, and Peoria firemen, doctors and police with ambulances were rushed to Peoria.

At 9 o'clock, with the estimates of doctors on the dead running as high as 35, six of the dead had been identified. Five kept rescuers from removing bodies which could be seen, and it is feared many bodies may be entirely consumed.

Identified Dead.

The identified dead are: George Harms, Lee Harding, Louis Schmidt, William Rummel, John Hooper, William Vogelsang. The Corn Products plant was the principal industry of Peoria. It was built 24 years ago by the Illinois Sugar Refining Company, but about 18 years ago was sold to the Corn Products Company, and since has been enlarged many times. The plant was said to be equipped with all the known safety appliances, and the explosion is the first serious accident since it was built.

HARDING MEMORIAL FUND IS NOW NEARLY COMPLETE

Most of the \$3,000,000 fund being raised to build a memorial to the late President Harding at Marion, Ohio, will be subscribed by the end of the month, according to Calvin Coolidge told the American people over radio from Washington last night. Many Londoners with long-range receiving radio sets heard the president's short speech plainly. He made a plea to the American people to back up the proposed memorial, and told them a last-minute drive would be made in an effort to end the campaign for funds by March 1.

SUES TO RECOVER MONEY.

P. A. Gahan of Stratford has issued a county court writ on behalf of James W. Edwards of Stratford against Ida Lahr of the township of Adelaide for \$35.20, the amount of goods sold, money paid, and as the indorser of a promissory note.

NEW YARDLEY'S VANITY FAIR

Perfume and Powder

STRONG'S Drug Store

184 DUNDAS STREET.

September Most Popular Month For City Damsels To Take Marriage Chance

June Forced To Take Second Position, While May Still Unpopular.

MANY JULY BIRTHDAYS

Greatest Number of Deaths Occur in London During March.

The superstition which prompted a sage of old to say: "Marry in the month of May, you will surely rue the day," has to this day many extreme observers. The month of May was regarded as unlucky by the Romans, owing to the celebration of the festival of the unhappy dead, which was held annually on the 9th, 11th and 13th. This superstition has survived to the present day.

By surveying the marriage license books which are in the city clerk's office you will find that few Londoners took a chance during the past few years to marry in the month of May. May was decidedly the month of fewer marriages.

Contrary to general belief, however, June of 1923 and 1922 did not score the highest for marriages. Although ancient lore declares June to be the luckiest month of the year for weddings, because it is governed by Juno, the classic goddess who protects women, according to statistics, September was the most popular month for marriages locally.

Evidently London brides believe in the ancient adage: "Marry in September's shrine, your living will be rich and fine." The modern maiden evidently prefers wealth to travel, for Crinolines girls generally married in the month of June, and the saying goes: "Marry when June roses blow; over land and sea you'll go."

September Highest.

For May of 1922 and 1923, an average of 37 weddings took place. During June of the past two years there were nearly 70 marriages, but the month of September saw a decided increase for weddings, an average of 81 being recorded. In recent years September has certainly been the most popular month for marriages.

Although the "June bride" idea has to an extent been exploded by these figures, one custom which has always been popular among newly-married couples in Canada still prevails. According to the city clerk's office, the custom is to have a party for the bride and groom on the day of their wedding.

Each year during the summer months, hundreds of newlyweds spend their honeymoon in Niagara. The number of marriages registered in London for the past two years is 2,878. The year 1922 showed 327 births, and 1923 showed 327 births. The number of births in the city for the past two years exceeds the deaths by 900, demonstrating that the population of the city is steadily on the increase.

More children who were born this year will celebrate their birthday in the month of July than any other month. One hundred and sixty children were born during that month, which number is almost a record for the past ten years.

Winter Reapers.

The figure of local undertakers and from the city clerk's office have it that more people succumb in January, February, March and April than in the four months of May, June, July and August. March is the greatest month for deaths, according to Dr. Downham, city health officer, because it is such a friend of influenza and pneumonia. Incidentally, one-sixth of the number of deaths in the city is due to these two diseases.

Second, cancer is third. The automobile and typhoid fever got the number one in August. Cancer scores highest in September, tuberculosis in June, and Bright's disease in September.

INGERSOLL YOUTH DIES ON MONTREAL VISIT

Woodstock, Jan. 3.—The death took place very suddenly in Montreal last night of Archibald Wilson, a well-known Ingersoll young man, and a son of the late C. L. Wilson of Woodstock. He was in Montreal on his Christmas Day visit, and the former returned to his home in Montreal. The next day he was taken ill with pneumonia and died last night. The remains will be brought to Ingersoll for burial.

MABEL NORMAND HAS A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 3.—Miss Mabel Normand, motion picture actress, whose chauffeur Tuesday night shot and seriously wounded Courtland S. Dines, Denver oil operator and clubman, last night was removed to the Good Samaritan Hospital suffering from what her physicians said was a nervous breakdown.

NEW WOODWORKING HEAD ASSUMES DUTIES AT TECH

S. R. White, newly-appointed head of the woodworking department of the Technical School, takes over his work today, replacing J. C. Anderson who resigned in December.

Mr. White was for a number of years manual training supervisor in the public schools. His place is being filled by W. E. Opper, who will fulfill the duties of principal of Lorne Avenue School and manual training instructor.

Check Forger's "Prints" Taken

Fred Fowler, Mount Brydges check forger, enjoys the rather doubtful distinction of being the first police court prisoner to have his finger prints taken and recorded by the local police department. Fowler was taken to the office of Constable Walter Harper who is in charge of the new department, which opened for business on New Year's day, despite the fact that all the equipment has not yet arrived.

Constable Harper, who has made a study of fingerprint methods for years, has had equipment of his own for some time, and this was used when Fowler's "measurements" were taken yesterday.

GLENCOE REEVE MAY BE CHOSEN NEXT WARDEN

Three Other Aspirants Are in Running For Middlesex Position.

ARE WELL QUALIFIED

Who will occupy the warden's chair as head of the Middlesex County council in 1924? This is the question that is being mullied over by at least half a dozen county fathers and prospective daddies, who are all flirting desperately with the job.

Four aspirants were all elected reeves of their respective municipalities by acclamation, and will now be able to turn their attention to the business of grabbing off the warden's chair.

J. M. Ross, Lucan; R. T. Reycraft, Biddulph; D. Gordon, Delaware; and Allan MacPherson, Glencoe, all received acclamations, and wouldn't refuse the job if it was offered them by admiring colleagues.

A number of men of political wisdom in due assembly today were unanimous in the opinion that Allan MacPherson would wield the gavel in 1924 and call straying councillors to the straight and narrow oratorical path.

They pointed out that Mr. MacPherson had been an extremely valued member of the council for some years, and was highly thought of in his own and surrounding districts.

"It'll be \$10 on Allan," said one ex-councillor. "He is one of our outstanding men of the council, and they would be making a mistake if they don't elect him."

BOY, STARVING SIX MONTHS AGO, NOW HAS GOOD JOB

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M'MASTER SEEKS AID AGAINST PROTECTION

Calgary, Alta., Jan. 3.—A. R. McMaster, M.P., from Brome, Quebec, in an interview here last night, stressed the necessity for active co-operation between all who are opposed to protection. He said: "I have come west in response to invitations which reached me from different sources. I wished to get personally in touch to a certain extent at least with western conditions."

"The activities of the leader of the Conservative party should give thought to all forward-looking folk who wish to see this country freed from protection."

Mr. McMaster speaks here tonight.

GIVES B. C. MUNICIPALITIES MILLION IN LIQUOR PROFITS

Victoria, Jan. 3.—Almost a million dollars has been distributed by the British Columbia government to the municipalities of the province during the last week, according to figures made public at the department of finance here today.

The municipalities' share of liquor profits for the last six months, and of pari-mutuel and motor taxes for the last year amount to \$985,590.

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SAVINGS IN PENNY BANK INCREASE TWENTY PER CENT

Average of the London School Children Jumps 7 Cents Since April.

OFFICIALS WORK HARD

Through the efforts of the principals and staffs of London's public schools the deposits of the children in the Penny Bank of Ontario have increased 2 per cent since April last.

The report received from directors of the bank show that London's average has increased from 23 cents last spring to 29 cents in October.

The deposits made by London children during September and October for the years 1921, 1922 and 1923 are as follows: September, 1921, \$1,685.25; 1922, \$2,525.59; 1923, \$2,624.05; October, 1921, \$2,185.90; 1922, \$2,544.46; 1923, \$3,076.83.

Alexandra School heads the list with an average of 49 cents, with Aberdeen running second with 40 cents. Knollwood Park is third with an average of 39 cents. The other schools are as follows: Wortley Road, 38 cents; Riverdale, 37 cents; St. George's, 34 cents; St. George's, 33 cents; Boyle Memorial, 32 cents; Tecumseh avenue and Victoria schools, 31 cents; Port Perry, 30 cents; Campbellford, 28 cents; Lord Roberts, 25 cents; Chesley avenue and Ealing schools, 23 cents; Rectory street, 20 cents; Lorne avenue and Pottersburg, 18 cents; Ryerson school, 16 cents; London average, 29 cents.

The total amounts deposited by all schools contributing to the penny bank for September and October of the last three years are: 1921, \$101,805.56; 1922, \$108,779.28; 1923, \$100,842.59.

The schools of Cornwall have the highest average for the month, \$1.10, with Guelph second at 88 cents. Hespeler comes third with an average of 82 cents. The remainder are as follows: Arnprior 18, Baden 13, Barrie 23, Belleville 40, Blenheim 8, Bowmanville 45, Brampton 41, Brantford 31, Campbellford 32, Cape C. Reserve 34, Carleton Place 17, Cedar Dale 31, Collingwood 28, Fairbank 36, Fort Erie 35, Fort Frances 37, Gale 46, Goderich 33, Harrison 27, Humboldt 29, Ingersoll 35, Kitchener 41, Lambton Park 59, Leamington 22, London 29, Midland 41, Montreal 46, New Toronto 38, Niagara Falls 41, North Bay 28, Ottawa 33, Paris 57, Perth 33, Paris 57, Perth 33, Petticoat 26, Port Colborne 45, Port Hope 30, Port Perry 7, Prince Albert 50, Renfrew 30, Rockland 14, Sault Ste. Marie 32, Smiths Falls 26, Stamford S. S. No. 6, 36; Stratford 43, Swift Current 41, Toronto 43, Tweed 22, Welland 44, rowland 55, Winchester 12, Woodstock 31, York County 35, All Canada 40.

ADOLESCENT CLASSES OPEN.

In company with the rest of the students of the city, the adolescent classes also reopened today. Attendance Officer Marcus M. Sims, who is in charge of the classes, said that the reports he had received showed a satisfactory attendance.

ALFRED HENRY WATSON.

Alfred Henry Watson, a life-long resident of Stratford, died at his home Dec. 26. He is survived by his wife, and sister, Mrs. Robinson, 144 Front street, Stratford.

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'Maid of the Mountains' Star Experiences First Contact With Winter In Dominion

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AN ARDENT SWIMMER

Professes Genuine Liking For Role of "Teresa" in Musical Comedy.

Ethell Walker, the fair Australian, who plays the leading role in "The Maid of the Mountains" tonight at the Grand, arrived in London this morning all wrapped up in furs, for this is her first visit to Canada. Miss Walker, who is a native of Sydney, New South Wales, has only been in this country five months, and is thus experiencing her first real contact with snow and ice.

"Though, you know," she says, "we have snow in Kioskiu, just behind Sydney, sometimes," or at least not to those who knew Joe Collins in the part, is a tall, slim, fair girl with clear blue eyes. She has the strongly marked English accent of all colonial from "Down Under," and reminds one of a person from Old London.

The part she plays tonight is one she has been playing in all the big Australian cities for two years, and she confessed this morning with a frank smile that the part was her choice in musical comedy.

"I just love the part of Teresa," she said. "I have been in musical comedy all my life, and there is no other part I like as well as this one. You see, we are all pretty fond of music in my country, and I was always fond of singing. Then, the whole play, with its dainty numbers and its lovely settings, appeals to me, and you know how popular it was when it ran at Daly's in Old London."

Miss Walker is not afraid of the long journeys entailed by touring Canada. "In Australia, we had to go all the way from Adelaide to Perth in West Australia, and that's five days in the train, so I'm not bothered as far as travelling is concerned."

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Building Statistics.

According to the building returns for last year, as compiled by the building inspector, there was a considerable falling off in building operations in 1923 as compared to 1922. In 1922 the total was \$964,808, whereas last year it was only \$771,484. It must be taken into account, however, that the permit issued last year for the construction of the College Vocation Institute costed the permit total about \$400,000. There were just as many dwellings erected in 1923 as in 1922. The total permits issued in December, 1922, were \$24,165, and for the same month in 1923, \$24,800.

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In the boys' division, the supper meeting and evening session will be addressed by Taylor Station of Toronto.

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SUFFERS BREAKDOWN.

Miss Mabel Normand, who was removed to a Los Angeles hospital last night, suffering from a nervous breakdown, due to excitement and worry following the shooting of Courtland Dines by her chauffeur.

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DEPOSITORS ARE EXPECTING HELP OF GOVERNMENT

U. A. Buchner Believes Provincial and Federal Bodies Should Be Approached.

OUTLINES REASONS

The federal government should not hesitate to come to the assistance of Home Bank depositors, U. A. Buchner, newly-appointed depositors' representative, believes. It would be good business from every point of view and would stabilize the banking of Canada, he said this morning.

With this in mind, representatives of the depositors' association will shortly petition the government to make full restitution to savings holders. The suggestion is that the cabinet ask all chartered banks in Canada to assume a proportion of the losses. Thus the burden would be distributed in a manner which would cause little hardship.

Both provincial and federal members of parliament for London will be invited to a depositors' meeting to be held here shortly. They will be asked to exert every influence in bringing the Dominion cabinet around to the depositors' point of view.

"The government should certainly come to our assistance," Mr. Buchner said. "In 1915-16 and '18 the government's attention was called to the condition of the Home Bank and a partial investigation conducted by them led people to believe everything was all right. Then when the banking act was revised Ottawa accepted the assurance of the Canadian Bankers' Association that the Home Bank was entitled to have its charter extended. This was equivalent to saying it was in sound shape."

"In the petition to be presented, however, no blame shall be attached to anyone, but we shall try to show that depositors acted in good faith on the assurance of the government that things were in good condition so far as the Home Bank was concerned," Mr. Buchner said.

The government, he added, will not lose a great deal on the proposal if it is accepted. Collection of the double liability will be avoided. This is at present one of the sorest points in the whole Home Bank situation, because the majority of shareholders were depositors also.

Although \$25,000 has already been secured to pay the expenses of the petitioning committee, much more will be required, many members of the committee coming from as far as British Columbia, where one-quarter of the bank's assets are held.

EDDIE GUERIN IS HELD IN SCOTLAND

Notorious Crook Who Escaped From Devil's Island Caught in Edinburgh.

Associated Press Despatch, Edinburgh, Scot., Jan. 3.—The police of this city believe that they have in custody Eddie Guerin, a notorious crook who made a dramatic escape years ago from Devil's Island, the French penal colony off the coast of French Guiana.

A woman entering a hotel room found a man trying to open a trunk that contained valuables. She raised an alarm and the man fled, but was pursued and captured. His resemblance to photographs of Guerin, linked with other circumstances of the case led the authorities to suspect his identity.

Guerin, an internationally known crook who made his headquarters in Chicago, was sent to Devil's Island for taking \$30,000 from the American Express Company in Paris in 1901. He served four years and then escaped to the mainland of French Guiana in a canoe. His subsequent return to London and his re-association with his former pal, the woman known as "Chicago May" culminated in a quarrel between Guerin and Charles Smith, a citizen of the United States, over the woman. Smith shot and wounded Guerin and for this offence was sentenced to penal servitude for life in Dartmoor Prison, Southampton, England. This was in July 1917. Smith was liberated in May 1922 and was deported to the United States. At the time of the shooting the French government demanded that Guerin be extradited, but Great Britain refused to comply deciding that he was a British subject.

WILL INSTALL OFFICERS. City Clerk Sam Baker is the installation officer tonight at the Forest City Camp, No. 1, W. O. W., in the Duffield Block. Among the officers to be installed are: John MacNamara, advisory lieutenant, and W. S. J. Saunders, clerk. W. Stillson succeeds Harry Pope as council commander.

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COL. R. W. LEONARD,

who has donated Chatham House in London, England, to the British Institute for the Study of International Affairs. He lives at St. Catharines, Ontario.

HER FIRST VOTE AT EIGHTY-FOUR

Mrs. Marcus Hitchcock, Point Edward, Visited Pops New Year's Day.

CHANGE VOTING PLAN

Special to The Advertiser. Sarnia, Jan. 2.—Mrs. Marcus Hitchcock of Point Edward cast her first vote in 84 years on New Year's Day.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season on New Year's evening united Daphne Leon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Parsons, North Christina street, and Dr. Thomas McInnis of St. Marys, Ont., a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. McInnis of Regina, Sask. The Rev. J. E. J. Millard of Central Methodist Church officiated. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Eula Parsons. The groom was attended by Dr. James McClinton of Toronto. Dr. and Mrs. McInnis left for a trip to Chicago, and will reside at St. Marys on their return.

Bylaws Carried. Final figures in the civic elections here revealed that the proposal to elect half the city council in future for a two-year term had carried by a narrow majority, and also the proposal for earlier election in future years. This will therefore be held on New Year's Day.

Quite a feature of the election was the very large vote cast for Joseph R. Dagan, customs officer, who headed the aldermanic list, and now commences his ninth term on the city council, after a rest of several years. Mr. Dagan is something of a "tormy petrel" in civic politics, but an extremely popular representative.

UNBROKEN FAMILY AT ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. William Bunt Mark Half Century Married Life.

Special to The Advertiser. Owen Sound, Jan. 2.—Surrounded by unbroken family circles, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bunt, of Kemble celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding on New Year's Day at the home of their son, A. M. Bunt, of Owen Sound. Both are enjoying very good health.

Mrs. Bunt is a native of Hampton, Durham County, Ont., and is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Vanstone of Kemble. Mr. Bunt was born in Cornwall, England, and in 1868, as a lad, he came to Canada. He spent some time at Hampton and on New Year's Eve, 1873, they were united in marriage by Rev. Henry Kenner, Bible Christian minister at Hampton.

In 1875 they moved to Kemble, accompanied by Mrs. Bunt's father, Mr. Vanstone. They lived near Boss Lake, Woleseley, for about eight years, before they moved to Kemble, where they now reside.

There were four children, three sons and one daughter. Walter H. Bunt of Toronto, A. M. Bunt of Owen Sound, Mrs. A. Bannon of Parry Sound, and Howard Bunt of Owen Sound.

C. Crook met with rather a serious accident when he was driving through his orchard on his farm. The sleigh hit a stone and Mr. Crook was thrown off, the sleigh runner hitting him on the side. He was hurt internally.

BOARD HANDLES 61,109 MISHAPS Increase of 10,000 in Year Due to Reports of Minor Accidents.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Jan. 2.—There were 61,109 accidents reported to the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Board during the past year, 139 of them being fatal, a total of 50,411 during 1922, of which 418 were fatal. While there were over 10,000 more accidents reported during 1923 than in 1922, the increase was in those of

INJURES LEG. Special to The Advertiser. Port Burwell, Jan. 2.—Nathan Underhill, who is employed in the C.P.R. enginehouse, met with painful injuries last Saturday. He was under a huge engine, adjusting a jack, when it slipped and struck him on the leg with such force as to break the limb and injure his ankle also.

STUDENTS RETURN TO START WORK IN CITY SCHOOLS

Street Alive With Boys and Girls "Wending Their Weary Way."

NEW BUILDING READY

This morning London's streets were once more alive with boys and girls on their way to school, the term having opened after a 14-day vacation. According to the inspectors and principals the attendance was excellent and the children returned looking fresher and ready to take up the work leading to the pass examinations and tests of next June.

With Christmas Day almost a memory, the youngsters vied with each other in telling the story of the holiday; how Santa Claus had brought them this or that; how they had spent their vacation, in or out of town, and many other things, but once done the thought of lessons and work enter into their conversation—that is, not until they reached the schools.

At the gruesome fact descended on them like a cloud, not dispelling their happiness, but making them realize that from now until the end of June it was a case of work if they wanted to advance.

In the public schools the attendance for the first day was excellent, all the classes being practically at normal and work starting right away.

The new public school unit, Trafalgar School, was opened this morning and six classes will be installed there before the end of the week. This will include an auxiliary and kindergarten class.

At the colleges it was a red-letter day, Principal E. A. Miller once more assuming his duties as head of the secondary school units after a protracted illness of several weeks. The students and staffs alike were more than glad to see him back and expressed their gratification in several ways.

Principal H. B. Beal of the Technical School was on hand to welcome back the hundreds of scholars of that institution. Owing to the fact that the six-room addition being built on the southwest corner of the present structure is not yet completed, the overcrowding at that school must continue for a short while, but this will be remedied before the end of the month.

At the Normal School the students again returned to their work, while University of Western Ontario threw open its doors to hundreds.

From now until Easter there will be an unbroken period of study, the schools closing again about April 17 for the short Easter vacation. They will then re-open and with the exception of May 24, will remain so until the final examinations of the year in June.

REMAINS IN JAIL TO KEEP SECRET

Belgian Refuses To Disclose Source of His Liquor Supply.

Special to The Advertiser. St. Thomas, Jan. 2.—Archie Devere, Belgian tobacco worker, who was fined \$200 and costs a week ago for having liquor in his possession in a place other than a private dwelling, appeared before Magistrate Maxwell this afternoon. It was expected that Devere, who is of a peevish, stubborn disposition, would be in a more amicable mood following a week in jail, but he expressed his willingness to stay in jail rather than pay his fine, and refused to disclose where the liquor came from. A charge of assault is pending.

Father and Son Banquet. The fifth annual father and son banquet will be held in the Y.M.C.A. on January 21. The secretary, Mr. Urie, states that he is preparing for 300. The tables will be set in the lobbies instead of in the gym, as has been the custom.

Fourteen in Jail. A record attendance for this time of the year is announced at the county jail, where there are fourteen guests.

Hearing Date Set. Word has been received from T. J. Hannigan of Guelph, secretary of the Ontario Municipal Electric Association, that the date for the protest against the diversion of the Great Lakes waters at Chicago has been fixed for January 11, at 11 a.m. Representatives from virtually every municipality have been appointed to meet with the prime minister and the cabinet on this occasion. This city will be represented by Lieut.-Col. W. J. Green, chairman of the local commission; W. K. Sanderson, vice-president of the Ontario Municipal Electric Association; E. H. Caughell, manager of the commissions offices; Mayor Raven and City Solicitor W. B. Doherty.

College Reopens. Alma College resumes activities on Tuesday next. There will be a meeting of the active committee of the board at the college on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The city schools and industrial classes reopen on Monday next.

Horse Runs Amuck. No little excitement was caused here this evening when a horse hitched to Stephen's bakery wagon ran amuck on the main street. While the driver was absent the horse trotted off towards home. The cries of the driver and the people on the street frightened him and he commenced a fast clip. For a block the wagon more by good luck than good management, raised other vehicles. Finally it struck Buck's car.

In the re-bound the wagon struck an electric light post with such force that the chandelier was jarred off and fell crashing to the ground. At this point the horse broke loose from the wagon and disdaining the use of the road, tore madly down the sidewalk, striking fire from its hoofs at every pace. For three blocks people ran into doorways for shelter, till after negotiating several difficult turns the nag was finally captured on Mary street.

BALDWIN CONFERS WITH PARTY HEADS ON KING'S SPEECH

British Premier Not Definitely Decided On Line of Action to Follow.

MUGH SPECULATION

Associated Press Despatch. London, Jan. 3.—Premier Baldwin, who returned to London yesterday after the Christmas holidays, conferred with some of his colleagues presumably with reference to the composition of the king's speech at the opening of parliament next week.

There is much speculation as to whether the address from the throne will be as worded as to avoid immediate defeat, or whether it will frankly admit the adverse vote of the country and invite a challenge on the preferential proposals agreed upon with the dominion representatives at the recent imperial conference. The Times strongly urges the ministers to take the latter course and accept the full responsibility for their policy.

The political news mongers continue to discuss the appeal to the prime minister made by the city of London Conservatives Association in which Mr. Baldwin was asked to seek an agreement with the Liberals, but all the best informed reports tend to strengthen the belief that this communication did not meet with the desired response. The Times condemns this move as due "more to fear than to foresight" and believes that any move of a sort that would balk labor "would be the surest and speediest way to foster the rise of a really revolutionary, subversive party."

Some of the Conservative newspapers say there will be a cabinet meeting today, although there has been no official announcement to the effect.

RESCUED BRITISH SAILORS LANDED Brought Ashore At Portland, Maine, by Steamer Cammona.

Associated Press Despatch. Portland, Maine, Jan. 2.—Captain C. Taylor and seven members of the crew of the British schooner, Czarina of St. Johns, Nfld., which sank off the coast of Newfoundland Dec. 28, were landed here today from the steamer Cammona.

The men were rescued from the schooner a few minutes before the vessel went down.

When the Cammona sighted the Czarina the latter's sails had been carried away, its lifeboats smashed to pieces and the schooner was settling fast in terrific seas and gale.

TOWN TREASURER MARKS SEVENTY-NINTH BIRTHDAY Special to The Advertiser.

Strathroy, Jan. 2.—John W. McIntosh, who is in his 79th year as town treasurer, celebrated his 79th birthday on Saturday last.

Home From England. Major-General W. Bethune Lindsay, officer commanding the Canadian Engineering Corps in the great war, is a guest with his mother, Mrs. W. E. Lindsay, at Cammona Villa. Gen. Lindsay's present residence is in London, England.

Colonel Retires. The officers of the 26th Regiment held their annual meeting yesterday, at which Col. O. E. Berdan announced his retirement from command. His probable successor will be Major W. P. Uens of Parkhill, who is next in seniority.

Last evening Col. Berdan and the officers of the regiment gave a New Year eve ball at the armories, which was an unqualified success.

Leg Fractured. Mrs. Ernest Elliot, who was a patient for so long this summer at Strathroy Hospital with a broken leg, was so unfortunate last week, as to fall while washing her dishes and again fracture her leg at the ankle.

CAPITAL ISSUES DECREASE CONSIDERABLY IN BRITAIN Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 2.—New capital issues in Great Britain in 1923 amounted to £203,750,000, compared with £235,500,000 in the previous year.

The geographical distribution of the 1923 issues, excluding British government loans raised directly for national purposes, shows the amount for Great Britain to have been £67,500,000, India and Ceylon £25,500,000, other British possessions £62,500,000, and for foreign countries £48,500,000.

POLICE ASKED TO HUNT FOR REUBEN WARDER, AGE 16 Canadian Press Despatch.

Hamilton, Jan. 2.—The local police have been asked to help in locating Reuben Warder, Orton, Ontario, who boarded at the college on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The city schools and industrial classes reopen on Monday next.

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YOUNG GIRL TELLS OF BEING HELD AS PRISONER

Tells Strange Story After Being
Released From Halifax
House.

OLD MAN IS ARRESTED

Canadian Press Despatch.
Halifax, N.S., Jan. 2.—A virtual prisoner for five years in the hands of a 60-year-old man, is the story of a 22-year-old Bertha Potter of Bear River, N.S. The girl, who today walked in the sunshine for the first time in half a decade, alleges that William Lent, 62, had kept her incarcerated in a potential dungeon for the whole of that period. The girl, who was an orphan, had gone to live with Lent in 1915, when she was 14 years of age, according to the police, and in 1918 she passed out of sight. Lent was then living alone; his wife had been separated from him, and is now in Massachusetts. The release of the young woman came through the medium of an unknown letter-writer in the United States, who wrote to a citizen of Bear River asserting that he had seen the girl, scantily clad, in the home of William Lent in 1917. The letter was passed to Attorney-General O'Hearn, who ordered an investigation.

Today police officials proceeded to Bear River, and there released the young woman. She was neatly dressed and apparently in good health. She declared, however, that for five years she had not been outside the house, and the greater part of her existence had been spent in the adjoining room, in which the windows were completely sealed. The Lent home is in the middle of thickly-populated districts, and directly opposite the main hotel of the town.

Lent was arrested and a charge of seduction placed against him.

BONDS TO BE SOLD BY SASKATCHEWAN

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Purposes.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, Jan. 2.—The provincial treasurer will put through another bond sale this month for refunding purposes.
Hon. R. G. Reid, the treasurer, stated today that the sale has been placed in the hands of the eastern syndicate that handled the last issue, and will probably not be offered at public tender.

JUDGE IS CHOSEN TO TRY DELORME

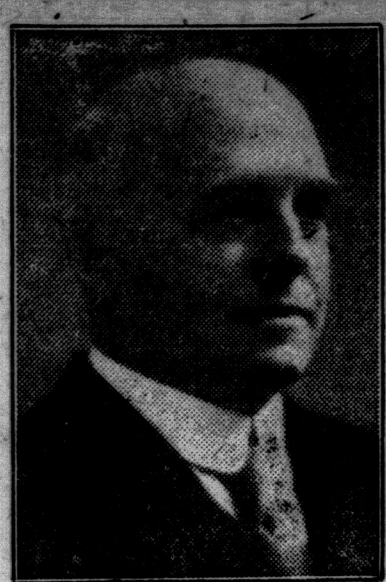
Attorney-General Picks Mr.
Justice Martineau To Pre-
side At Trial.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, Jan. 2.—Mr. Justice Martineau has been assigned by the attorney-general's department to preside over the trial of Father Adelard Delorme on a charge of having murdered his half-brother, Raoul Delorme, the Ottawa college student. The case will be taken before the court of king's bench next month.



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WILLIAM DOBIE,
founder of the E. W. Gillett Company, is dead in Toronto from a fractured skull.

EXPLOSION OF GAS SAVES NINE LIVES

Escaping Fumes Perils Welland
Family—Two Are Badly
Burned.

BLOWS OUT THE WALLS

Associated Press Despatch.
Welland, Jan. 2.—An explosion of natural gas this morning blew out the north wall of a two-story frame house in Crowland, in which were sleeping Joseph Fortini, his wife and five children, and G. Cristofori and his son. The first two named received burns and other injuries necessitating their removal to the Welland County Hospital, where the man's condition is reported as critical. The other occupants escaped unscathed. The Crowland fire department extinguished the small blaze, which followed the blast. A peculiar feature of the explosion was that windows in an adjoining house ten feet to the north, in which direction the force of the blast was expended, suffered no damage, while every window in a house 20 feet to the south was shattered.

AMALGAMATION OF BANKS MADE

Commerce Absorbs Hamilton
Branches Throughout
Dominion.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Jan. 2.—When the governor-general of Canada signed the royal assent for the merging of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Bank of Hamilton Monday, the merger was formally completed. The Bank of Hamilton has passed out, but the new shares of the Bank of Commerce cannot be issued yet because of technical difficulties. Hamilton shares were sold today by Toronto brokers, and it was found that the purchasers could not have the transfers made. Such transfers, therefore, will be left pending until the details in connection with the new stock are worked out.

TWO CHILDREN ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Explosion of Lamp As Family
Is Asleep Wipes Out
Orillia Home.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Orillia, Jan. 2.—The fire which destroyed the home of Mrs. Enoch Nanigishk at the Rama Reserve this morning, took the lives of two of her children, and two others are in the Soldiers' Memorial Hospital here in a serious condition.
The dead children are, Emily, aged 4, and Lottie, about 11 years of age. A son, Thomas, aged 13, and a daughter, Mary Ann, aged 18, are in the hospital. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp which had been left burning while the family was sleeping. Fred Benson, who lives about 50 yards away, rushed to the house, where he found the children lying on their faces on the floor. They were terribly burned except Mrs. Nanigishk, who escaped with little injury.

GIVE OFFICIAL FIGURES.
Canadian Press Despatch.
Richibucto, N.B., Jan. 2.—At the declaration proceedings here this afternoon the complete figures for the recent Dominion by-election in Kent were: A. J. Doucette, Conservative, 3,643; Alfred E. Bourgeois, Liberal, 3,435; majority for Doucette 208.

ENGAGEMENTS
A charge of 75 cents for one insertion, or \$1 for two insertions is made for notices under this heading.
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Lot No. 1—A 27-inch Flannelette, in a great range of colored patterns; also white. "The Children's Flannelette," 5 yards for

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Everybody is familiar with this well-known English make of superior Flannelette. We carry a very complete stock in fancy stripe designs; also, white, at, yard.

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A direct importation from Ireland—a neatly hemstitched, pure linen huck towel, size 15x33.

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One lot of Pure Linen Roller Towelling, in a good, and reliable weight, at, yard.

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Checked Tea Towels; hemmed ready for use; 75 per cent linen.

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Galatea Special

One lot of light and dark blue striped imported Galatea Shirting, in wide widths; excellent for house dresses, boys' blouses, play suits, rompers, aprons, etc.; reg. 45c and 50c yard. RED TAG PRICE, yard.

35c

A Gray Flannel Special

Our line of dark gray Union Flannel—a regular shirting flannel for winter wear, at, yard.

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All-Wool Flannels, at, yard.
50c, 60c, 75c

Flannelette

For heavy Work Shirts, Under-shirts, etc.—an extra heavy weight; none better for long wear; dark plaid and stripe patterns only; at, yard.

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We carry a very complete range of famous "Torfeaco" Brand Comforters. Guaranteed to be filled with only the purest of sanitary filling.
Cotton filled, from\$3.25 to \$8.50
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A few pieces of semi-bleached Pure Linen Tabling, dice pattern, 68 inches wide, at, yard.

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All sizes, 16 to 44, in Pure Wool Tricotine—dresses very smartly trimmed and well made. All one price.

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EXTRA!! 50 Dozen High Grade PURE SILK HOSE

Guaranteed Absolutely First Quality Pure Silk—all wanted shades—all sizes, never sold below \$2.00 pair. RED TAG SPECIAL PRICE, Pair,

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Black Duchess SATIN

Three pieces only—about 130 yards—beautiful Black Duchess Satin, with that much-sought-after lustrous finish, ribbon edged, regular \$2.50 yard, for, yard.

\$1.89

WOOL SERGE

A few pieces of imported All-wool Serge, 54 inches wide, guaranteed fast dye, a good wearing serge, in navy, brown and black, yard.

98c

\$15.00 Ladies' and Misses' WINTER COATS

A Splendid Assortment of Ladies' and Misses' Heavy Man-Tailored Winter Coats, including the season's latest styles of smart blanket cloth models, in the newest heather mixtures. Many plaid back models with raglan or set-in sleeves, sizes 16 to 44—Truly wonderful value at,

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For the Stout Figure.
Made of extra heavy coutil, double steel filling, well reinforced, low or medium bust, at

\$2.98

For the Average Figure.
A well-made good fitting Corset, low or medium bust, in pink or white, at

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Hygienic Corset Waists for misses, very soft and pliable, with shoulder-strap buttoned, at

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Washable Corsetettes, of extra good weight materials, in pink only, elastic insets at hip, back fastened, at

\$1.50

\$17.95 Ladies' and Misses' Beautiful Fur Trimmed Velour Coats

Two racks of High-Grade Velour Coats, fur trimmed, storm sleeves, all the latest models shown this season—in Nigger, Toupe and Reindeer, sizes 16, 18 and 20, no better value for

\$17.95

HAIR NET SPECIAL

The "Daintie" Cape-shape Net, hand-made from finest human hair; adapted to any size or style of coiffure; every net guaranteed perfect; regular

15c, or 5 for 25c

Ladies' & Misses' Fine Sweater COATS

An unusually nice selection in sand, gray, brown, white and navy—a very smart style, with silk and wool fronts; sizes 16 to 40; regular \$5.95. RED TAG PRICE

\$3.95

\$18.00 Ladies' and Misses' Dresses

42 in this Lot—Cantons, Velvets, Tricolettes, Tricotines, Satins, Botany Serges, etc. All this season's most correct styles. Featuring Panelled, straight lined or Coat effects, every desirable shade, sizes 16 to 46, formerly priced up to \$35.00. RED TAG PRICE,

\$18.00

School Dresses

Two racks of smart Serge and Flannel Dresses, a very suitable garment for school wear, in brown, navy and black, sizes up to 36, at

\$7.95

Children's Coats

20 different styles, all wanted materials and shades; coats widely known for style, warmth and long wear; sizes 2 to 14 years.

\$3.95 to \$13.50

Pure Silk Pongee

A few pieces of Natural Shade Pure Silk Pongee; extra good quality, fine, even weave, guaranteed to be absolutely first quality, yard.

79c

SPORT HOSE

38 dozen regular stock Pure Wool Sport Hose, heather mixtures, plain or clocked, regular \$1.50 pair, for

\$1.19

Men's Work Socks

A real buy! One case of Men's Heavy Work Socks will be offered at, pair

25c

or 5 Pairs for \$1.00.
Don't Miss This.

BRASSIERES

Very neat Pink Brocade Brassieres, with elastic at waist, at, each.

50c

CORSET COVER

Ladies' white embroidered cambric Corset Covers, at

39c

VESTS

Ladies' white sleeveless Cotton Vests, at

25c

GIRLS' SKIRTS

Girls' Pleated Skirts, of good navy serge, with waist attached, sizes 5 to 14 years, priced at

\$1.95 to \$2.75

MIDDIES

Girls' Middies, of red and navy flannel, guaranteed soap shrunk, neatly trimmed with military braid.

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Ladies' and Misses' Silk and Wool

PULLOVER SWEATERS

A limited quantity only, belted style; the very finest yarn and high-grade silk used in these Pull-overs. They come in shades of black, navy, turquoise, rose, jade, brown and sand; sizes 16 to 44; regular \$4.25. RED TAG PRICE,

\$2.98

JACQUETTE BROCADE

See the very latest in smart brocade materials for Jacquette Blouses, at, yard.

\$1.25

SKIRTS

One rack of All-wool Serge Skirts, navy and black, pleated styles, sizes 25 to 30 waist.

\$3.50

VELVETEEN

A clearance of 22-inch imported Velveteens, a great range of colors. While they last, only, yard.

89c

CHILDREN'S RIBBED HOSE

Kiddies' one and one-rib Stockings, in black only, sizes 5 to 8½.

25c, or 5 Pairs. \$1.00

LADIES' CASH- MERO HOSE

50 dozen Ladies' Hose, medium weight. A most suitable hose for house wear, at, pair.

19c

CHAMOISETTE GLOVES At Half Price

The well-known "Kayser" make of Chamoisette Gloves, in shades of brown, mastic, black and white, regular \$1.25 pair, for, pair.

65c

One line of Ladies' White Wool Gloves, regular 50c, to clear at, pair.

25c

VESTS

Ladies' fleecy finished Vests, with or without sleeves, drawers to match, at, each.

75c

COMBINATIONS

Ladies' fine knit Combinations, long and short, sleeves, at, suit.

\$2.25

BLOOMERS

Ladies' heavy weight Bloomers, cream only, mill seconds, very special, at

69c

Ladies' Cotton Bloomers, in pink or white, at

59c

2 Pairs. \$1.00

Ladies' fine knit Cotton Bloomers, 3 pairs for

\$1.00

UNDERSHIRTS

A few dozen Heavy Fleece-lined Undershirts, all sizes, at

98c

Heavy All-wool Undershirts, extra good value, at

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SKIRTINGS

26 pieces of good weight Standard and Oxford Shirting, all fast dyes, on sale, at, yard.

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London Advertiser

The Advertiser was established in 1853, and is published four times daily by The London Advertiser Company, Limited. The subscription rates are: London, 15 cents weekly. By mail, in Canada, \$5.00 yearly; in the United States, \$6.00 yearly.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 1924.

Starving the Company

The story is revived that the Ontario Legislature will be asked to take away from the London Street Railway the right to charge a five-cent fare and insist that the old rate of seven and nine tickets for a quarter be restored.

This process, it is urged, will bring the company to the point where it will lose so much money that it will be glad to let the city have the property at its own price.

Such a plan does not take into consideration the fact that the old rate of fares would make conditions doubtful for all the men employed by the London Street Railway, and there are 250 of them. It is a good all-year source of employment, and one that should be considered as such. London gets good service from the men who operate the cars; there is a good, wholesome courtesy shown to the public. A policy that sets out to starve out a company that is employing 250 men is not a good policy, neither is it a fair one.

Not only so, but it can have no bearing on the price the city has to pay. Bylaw 916 is the basis of the agreement under which the street railway operates. If it were not for that agreement, the city could go to the manager of the railway and ask what authority he had for operating a single car in London. But 916 exists, and it has very definite provisions in case the city wants to acquire the road. The fact that it is getting a five-cent fare or a ten-cent fare, or carrying the people for nothing, makes not one bit of difference.

Clause 20, section 2, of bylaw 916 provides for arbitration, half the cost to be borne by the city and half by the company. As to what the arbitrators are to consider, the wording is very definite:

"In determining such value, the rights and privileges hereby granted, and the revenue, profits and dividends being or likely to be derived from the enterprise are not to be taken into consideration, but the arbitrators are to consider only the actual value of the actual and tangible property, plant, pavements, equipment and works . . . the arbitrators are to consider and award only the value, having regard to the requirements of a railway of the best kind and system then in operation and applicable to the said city."

That is very plain and very fair. A new car, for instance, could be taken as a model, and the old ones would be put in as they measure up to that standard. All that would be bought would be the physical assets of the company, no franchise, no goodwill, simply cars, wire, tracks, pavement, power plant, etc.

The idea of starving out the company is not big enough to meet the situation. It is doubtful if many people would subscribe to the plan. If the company is forced to a point of bankruptcy the equipment will go down and the service will be worse. It is not a fair and honorable way to do business.

Faith-Healing.

A committee of churchmen and medical authorities has been in session in England following the Lambeth conference of 1920. They have been considering faith healing, and a forecast of the report says it will state that "no sick person must look to a clergyman to do what is a physician's or surgeon's duty."

That report will settle nothing at all. If a person has sufficient faith to effect a cure, who is going to stop him and why should he want to? People need more faith, not less. Even a physician finds it easier working with a patient of great faith.

The Toronto Contest

Thomas Church, M.P., of Toronto, failed by a large and well-affirmed margin in his attempt to secure a monopoly on Toronto's representation.

Had he been elected mayor he could have started a sort of representation bureau, taking on as well one of the many Toronto seats in the legislature.

The people of Toronto very sensibly decided that they did not need Mr. Church as their chief citizen.

Col. J. A. Currie, M.L.A., also got the answer he richly deserved to his platform of fanaticism and positive nonsense. In his election appeals he sought to drag the Q. T. A. in as

a municipal issue, publicly advertising the fact that his election would be regarded as the voice of the people crying to him to buckle on the claymore to slaughter the legislation that the people of Ontario voted for. A candidate whose convictions of the duties of a mayor of a city of Toronto's size were couched in such terms received his answer in the form of 4,370 votes to 44,059 for Mayor Hiltz.

From this distance it looks as though Toronto had chosen a very capable chief magistrate.

The Fallacy of the Air.

The great French dirigible Dixmude was a mighty craft. It was supposed to be the last word in super-aircraft, and as its great engines roared it took with it 50 men on their last voyage.

It was not like the small aircraft, quick, able to go above or below air currents that bothered it. When the forces of nature caught it, it was helpless, and like a kite without a tail it was blown and battered around until the fury of the storm smashed it back to earth, ruined, broken like matchwood, and a veritable travelling tomb.

United States had a bitter experience with such craft. In 1919 C-5 was blown to the sea and lost. In 1921 the ZR-2, a giant airship which the U. S. government was to acquire from Britain, exploded at Hull, killing 62 American and British. In 1922 the Roma, bought by U. S. from Italy, was wrecked at Hampton, Va., and 34 lives lost.

A cruel, staggering price has been paid to demonstrate the fallacy of these giant air traps.

No Ordinary Affair

Los Angeles has had another shooting, and one sentence of the despatch states "The motion picture actresses were alleged to have driven away from the apartment house in their limousines shortly after the shooting."

That seems to give a proper setting for a shooting in such an exclusive atmosphere.

The M. C. R. Shops.

A number of Michigan Central employees at St. Thomas are disturbed over the report that they may have to pick up and move to a new location. The policy of the M. C. R. has not been definitely stated, but it is said to be the centralization of its shops, possibly at Windsor.

The change would not be beneficial to either the men concerned nor to St. Thomas. Many of the employees have their own homes in Thomas, and if a number of these found it necessary to dispose of them at the same time, prices would probably drop. For a man to keep his family in St. Thomas and live in Windsor is out of the question.

Residents of this section hope, for the sake of St. Thomas, that the change will not be carried out. London is the nearest city neighbor to St. Thomas, and there is a kindly interest here in anything that affects the welfare of that city.

Catching the Disease.

The boy parliament of Ontario has been in session at Toronto.

It had been hoped that these junior legislators would show the makings of a Joshua who would lead the complaining Ontarians out of the land of high taxes.

But if they didn't go and favor the sale of a \$6,000 bond issue. They should have held their session outside of Ontario legislative hall. When people sit down there they just naturally slide into the bond issue groove.

Note and Comment.

The difference between Christmas and New Year is turkey at 25 cents and turkey at 45 cents.

Miss Janice Lump and Mr. Justin Kohl were married in Chicago on Christmas Day. An excellent combination for a cold winter.

The city of Toronto got a check for \$225,108.92 from the Canadian National Exhibition. That big fair is one of the merriest little playmates Toronto has.

The small boy who ate too much at Christmas and repeated the performance on New Year declares that Europe has nothing on him for internal trouble.

The Christmas and New Year's rush of mail matter was well handled in London, and the local postoffice staff and the carriers are to be congratulated on the performance.

Ald. Gordon Drake is the one man in the 1924 council who has the distinction of being elected twice in one year—at the polls and at the recount, where he went from a majority of one to a lead of four. As the track followers would say—a four to one shot.

Rarebits By Rex

REVISION.
The writings and sayings of old, I'm advised.
Are shortly to be turned up and revised.
Then why not the maxims? It's surely their due.
So let us commence to revise them for you.

It never is too late to spend (That's the style!)
And further, a Miss is as good as her smile,
To which we must add as a timely enclosure:
A stitch in good time saves an awkward exposure.

It's true that the time waits for no man, says Gertrude;
But it always stands still for a woman of thirty;
It's a long lane that hasn't an ash can to keep,
And I'm sure distilled waters will always run deep.

No wonder girls' dresses cause laughter a bit
When brevity's claimed as the soul
A bird on a dish is worth two on a bonnet;
Forewell! 'Tis the end of this silly old sonnet.

Nowadays all bonds of matrimony should have divorce coupons.

PAINFUL PATHOS.

"He ain't no fun at all, Susie. He carries his licker like a gen'mum."

"POLICE RAID BOOTLEGGERS' DEN"—Headline. They've apparently already commenced to break our good New Year's institutions.

After playing our first seasonable game of ping-pong we are convinced the game was invented for the benefit of furniture and crockery dealers.

DEFINITIONS.

Philosophy—Something that enables the rich to say there is no disgrace in being poor.

Lobster-Newburg—A dish ordered at hotels by those who usually get beans at home.

Lie—A very poor substitute for truth, but the only one discovered up to date.

Horse Sense—A degree of wisdom that keeps one from betting on the races.

ORIGINALITY.

A striking original chap is Brown; He always is saying "A nice night, eh?"

The wit of his answers has brought renown;

Whenever I meet him he cries "Good day!"

His sallies are brilliant—a clever type.

For instance, I ask him to give a light.

And he when I take out my corn cob pipe.

Will reach in his pocket and say "All right!"

Whenever he speaks my old frame shakes;

His repartee's known all o'er the town.

It's really a scream the replies he makes;

If you ask him his name he will answer "Brown."

This morning I saw him and wished him cheer.

His answer was startling, it was so new.

Cried I: "May you have a happy New Year."

And Brown said naively: "The same to you!"

If, as the superstitious claim, what you do on New Year's Day is a criterion for what you do throughout the year, a lot of citizens are going to spend their 1924 in bed with sore heads.

To the Editor

Beating a Dog.

Visitor Saw a Scene in London That Left a Very Bad Impression on His Mind.

Editor of The Advertiser:
Sir,—I was in London over the holiday, and I saw a scene on a street running from Dundas street east that made me wonder how it could be tolerated. I was in a street car myself at the time, or I would have got off and taken a hand. A man came out of a house and a dog ran after him. The punishment for this was that the man took a broom that was standing against a tree, where someone had been sweeping the walk, and beat the animal with the handle until he broke it. He then grabbed the dog in his hands and slapped it around the head until it was quite done out. As a last resort he picked it up again and threw it about ten or fifteen feet and followed along to give it a kick. All this happened in less than a minute or so, and it was intended to teach the dog that it must not follow its lord and master.

Is there no law against such a thing? VISITOR.

Why the Controversy.

Skeptic Thinks Church Is Wasting Much of the Force It Ought to Be Exerting.

Editor of The Advertiser:
Sir,—Just at the moment when the skeptic was beginning to sit up and take notice, a wise sort-pedaling has come about on that ancient bone of contention, the virgin birth of Christ. The question arises, Mr. Editor, why such a controversy on such a fundamental basis of faith, the keystone of Christianity, the cornerstone of the church? Is it that such a force of skepticism has arisen in the world that the church, which is fast losing its appeal to the mass of mankind, must perform trim its sails or be swamped? I am unable to see where Christianity has shown its power to survive, with all its jarring sects, Catholicism, Protestantism, etc., any more than its predecessors, Zoroastrianism with its blood sacrifice and idea of immortality, or the worship of the Pharaohs with its trinity. The history of religion is curious and interesting to one who is free.

Fraser in his elaborate work, the Golden Bough, traces its blundering footsteps up through the ages from the magical rites of the early ancients (so like the customs of the head hunters of British New Guinea) to its present stage.

But returning to the question, at

The Guide Post—By Henry van Dyke

THE POWER THAT WORKETH IN US.
Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly, according to the power that worketh in us.—Ephesians iii., 20.

The great reason why we need to consider God's power is because we are utterly dependent on that power for the salvation of our souls. Without it there is no peace, no hope, no certainty. Unless God is mighty to save, we can never be saved. How inaccessible is the standard of holiness revealed in the Christian religion!

When we hear the searching demands of Christ's Sermon on the Mount, a sense of helplessness sweeps over us and our spirit is cast down within us.

Not even the wise and needful reminder that the Christian life is gradual is sufficient to deliver us from this sense of weakness. It is true that "heaven is not reached at a single bound," that only today's burdens are to be borne today, that growth in grace is like the blade and the ear and the full corn in the ear.

It helps us to remember this. But it does not quite reach the heart of our trouble.

Look at heaven—a kingdom of unsullied love—is not that beyond our power?

Yes, it is; and yet it is the aim set before us in the word of God; and therefore we say that the Bible makes salvation the hardest thing in the world, something impossible, if it did not at the same time make it easy and accessible for every human soul.

For this is what the Bible does—it reveals that the power that worketh in us is his power, and that it is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or think.

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Not Noted in the Books

The Gold, Silver, Water-Powers and All the Rest Are Listed, With Never a Column for the Greatest of All National Assets.

HE came into the little country store one day last summer in the holiday time, a typical elderly farmer of obvious Scottish descent. Well on into his seventies, he disdained a stick, and strode down the dusty road as briskly as the small freckled boy who trotted at his side.

Having greeted the storekeeper and having asked after the latest arrival in the family, who could be heard quite plainly from the porch, he produced a faded blue government pamphlet from his pocket and, dusting a chair, sat down to get his "specks," for "ma sich's" no just as guide as it used to be.

The few stragglers on the veranda stood more or less gracefully around, waiting for the newcomer to break the silence.

"Natural resources," he read from the title of the booklet. "These were books from Ottawa always interest me; no much for what they contain as for what they leave out. Now here is what the experts say on natural resources in the Dominion. It's all here, gold, and silver, and iron pyrites, and timber and water power, and grain and the rest of it. 'The most important natural resource in the country today is what ye see before you on this stoop yonder, Johnny Archie! Cameron, my grandson, and he's no mentioned.'"

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A STORY OF COURAGE.

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CHAPTER LX.

Awakening.

His kisses left little burns all over her palms. Yet she was glad to see him; glad to hear the low, breathless voice.

"I had to come, Katy. Just for a while. How beautiful you are. Like a thousand flowers. Are you smiling at me? Let me see."

She laughed. "Of course I'm smiling at you, you dark, funny man, talking so odd and not telling me you were coming. I had your letter only today. Of course I'm glad to see you if you'd turn on the light so that I can."

He stood motionless, holding her hands, his own trembling. She grew a little frightened.

"What are you thinking, Katy?" "I'm not thinking, I'm living. I've been dead without knowing it. Your hands are life."

He knelt down, buried his face in them, his whole body shaking. She freed one hand, ran it gently over his dark hair.

"Dear Katy, don't feel so. Why—your crying—"

"No. I'm just mad, Katy—mad with the joy of seeing you. Oh, God! I didn't know I loved you; didn't know it till now. But I've dreamed—dreamed you were here! They are! Wild hopes, our waking hours ignore. I dreamed that, Katy. So I came—"

He pressed her hand against his mouth as though it were some sacred chalice and he were drinking from it. The blood fanned hotly from her heart. She kept stroking his hair, stilling by the passion of his tone, the suffering of his bowed form.

"Love makes you suffer so? Katy—dear Katy—"

Her voice entered the darkening room like a frightened presence not knowing which way to turn: "Is it because you love that you feel—like this—Katy?"

He didn't answer, but presently he was standing, pushing her chair to the window. Then he stooped down and laughed:

"You're not frightened, are you, Katy—dear little Katy. It's been so long—years—and seeing you now—why it's like a tumult. But you're not afraid of me, are you, Katy? Do you want me to go away from you?"

She tried to speak lightly: "Well—didn't you just come and what's your hurry—running in and running out, again like a breeze?"

"You've been so sweet to me, Katy, and all those books you've sent filled my days with pleasure. And the little we laugh every time I look at it—it's so pretty."

"I look at it as easily see I've lots to talk about and be good enough to have a seat, sir!"

But he kept looking at her and smiling: "You're more beautiful than anything on earth."

"And smarter and sweeter and goader and just now hungrier, and let's get pushed into the kitchen, Katy, and we'll fix ourselves a dainty bite and you'll tell me more tales of the Arabian Nights. Oh, I'm greatly pleased to see you, sir!"

She opened the cooler, taking out chops, bread.

"Taint a banquet but be having, Katy. For dessert there's nothing but elegant conversation, and for an entree how will you fancy fine brains out the tip of a tongue?"

He laughed boyishly, captivated by her happiness, letting the toast burn and the chops sizzle.

Finds Egypt's Secret; Strike Starts Fight; Adopt Men's Toggery



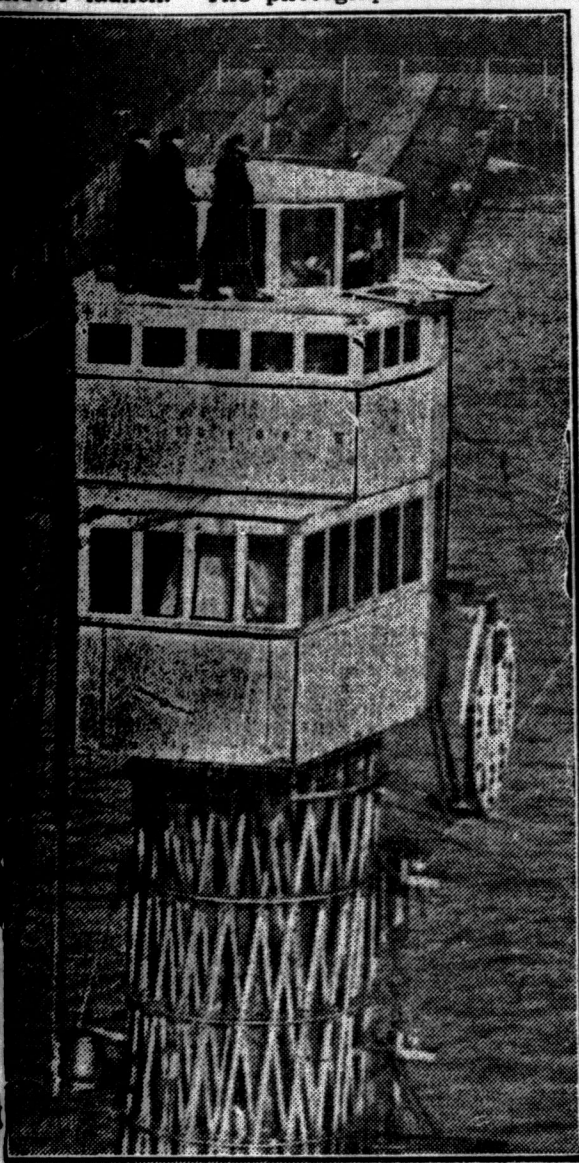
Here is shown some "surfboard riding" in the snow with the aid of a runabout instead of a motor launch. The photograph was taken at Lake Placid in the Adirondacks, New York



Not content with having adopted the knitted tie for the neckline of her blouses, the modern young lady is consistently selecting men's knitted toggery for her own wardrobe. Among the most popular of these garments is the knitted vest of grey shown above



Photograph shows Lady Terrington, Liberalist member of parliament, who was elected for Wycombe, Bucks, at the recent general election, listening to the radio operated by H. P. Rees, which can reach New York in London



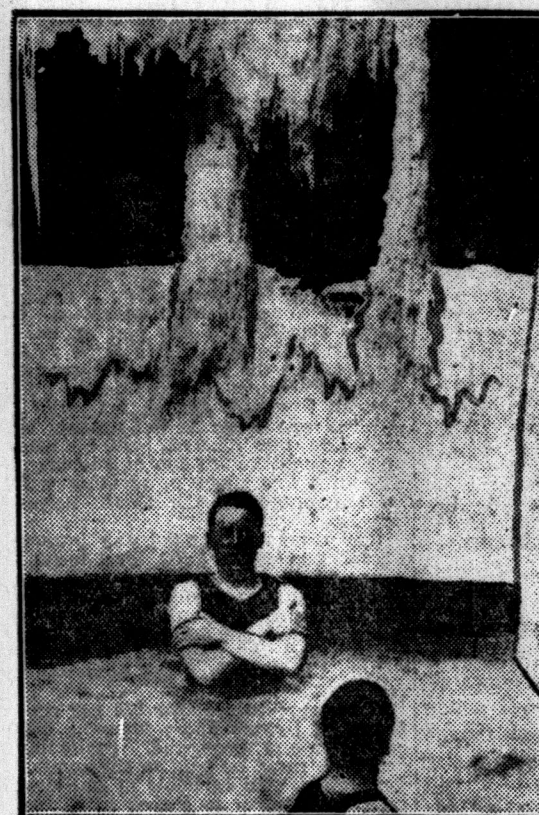
From the top of the super-dreadnaught Colorado, queen of the U.S. navy, these sailors bid farewell to New York on their way to Cuban waters to take part in the winter maneuvers of the Atlantic fleet



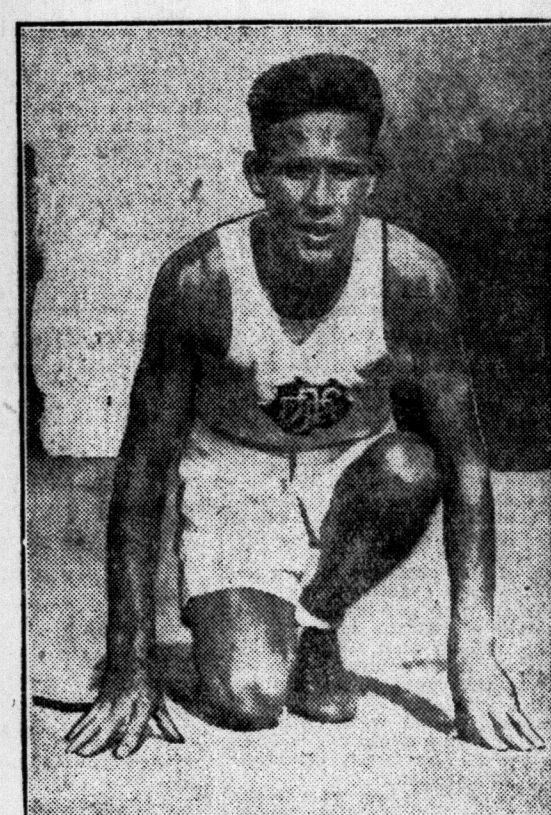
Above is shown Marshal Foch's new head-piece, made by hand of copper and silver. Surmounting it is the famous Gaulic cock, with its martial air



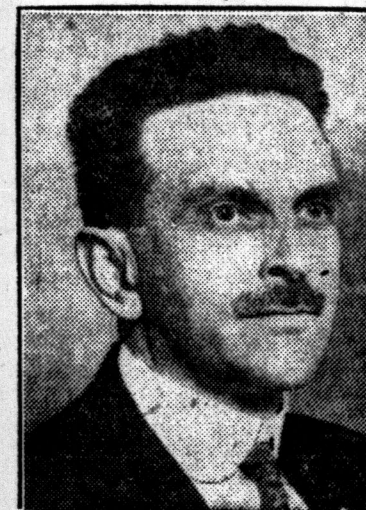
Harold Levin, twenty-one months old prodigy, who, despite, his short time on earth, can, without a moment's hesitation, name 32 animals and 20 birds from pictures shown to him at random. His father is a New York letter carrier



In the Great Cave, near Banff, is a pool suitable for bathing. While the roof and sides are covered with ice, the water is warm, and bathing comfortable even during the coldest days of winter



Willie Ritola, of the Finnish American Athletic Club has startled his clubmates by announcing that he would sail for Finland to compete in the Paris Olympic games next year. He had intended running for America, but something has changed his mind



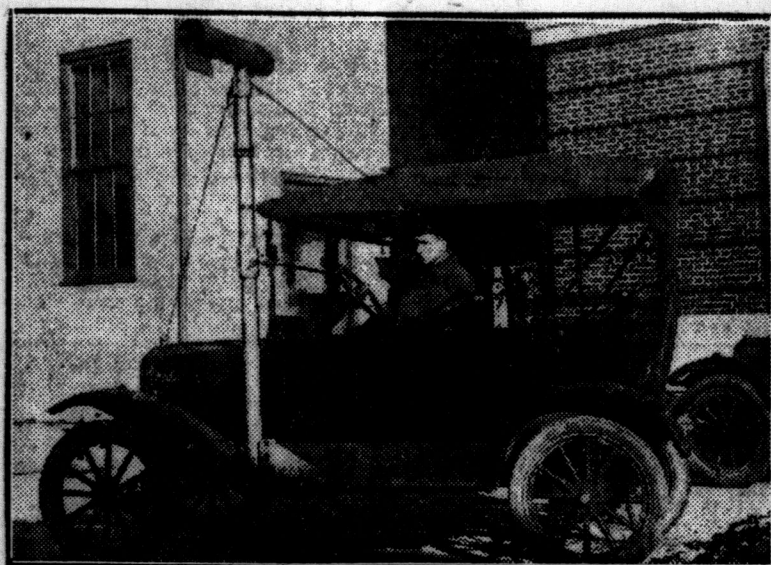
He has but one name—Tift. No, he never had another. His father, an old settler in New York, decided to let his son choose his own name himself, but the last name so pleased him that he never took another



The strike of the police of Melbourne resulted in disorder, looting and considerable damage to property. The volunteers had difficulty in bringing about order. Photograph shows sailors in a street fight with rioters



One of the most pleasant experiences had by the Passion Players since their arrival in America was their visit to Thomas Edison, at his Orange, N.J., plant. Left to right are: Andreas Lang, Sr., Peter; Guido Mayr, Judas; Mr. Edison and Anton Lane, Christus



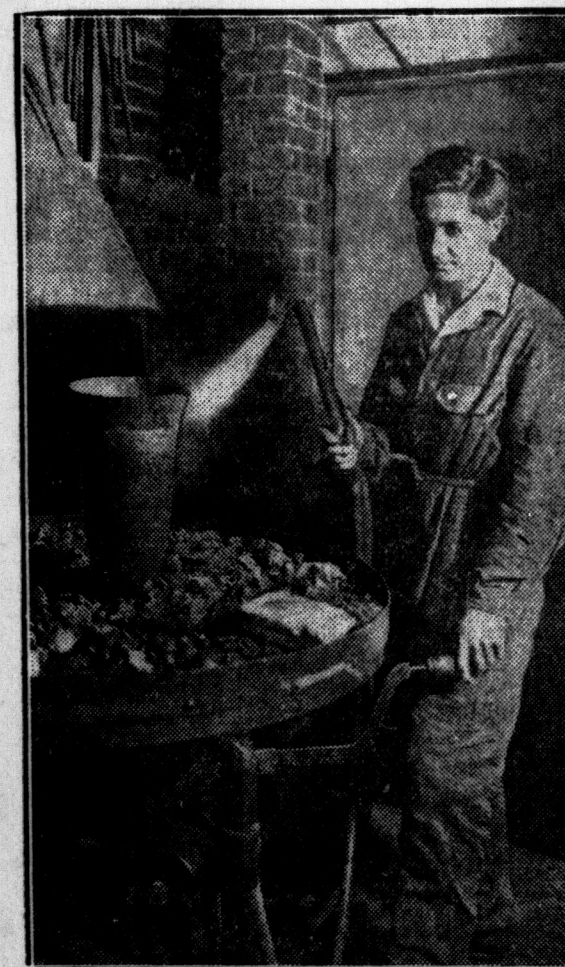
An employe of the bureau of standards has just completed an apparatus to obtain data on the road performance of automobiles. The tower measures air speed while the device in the rear, with eighteen pens, records any incidents taking place while the car is in operation.



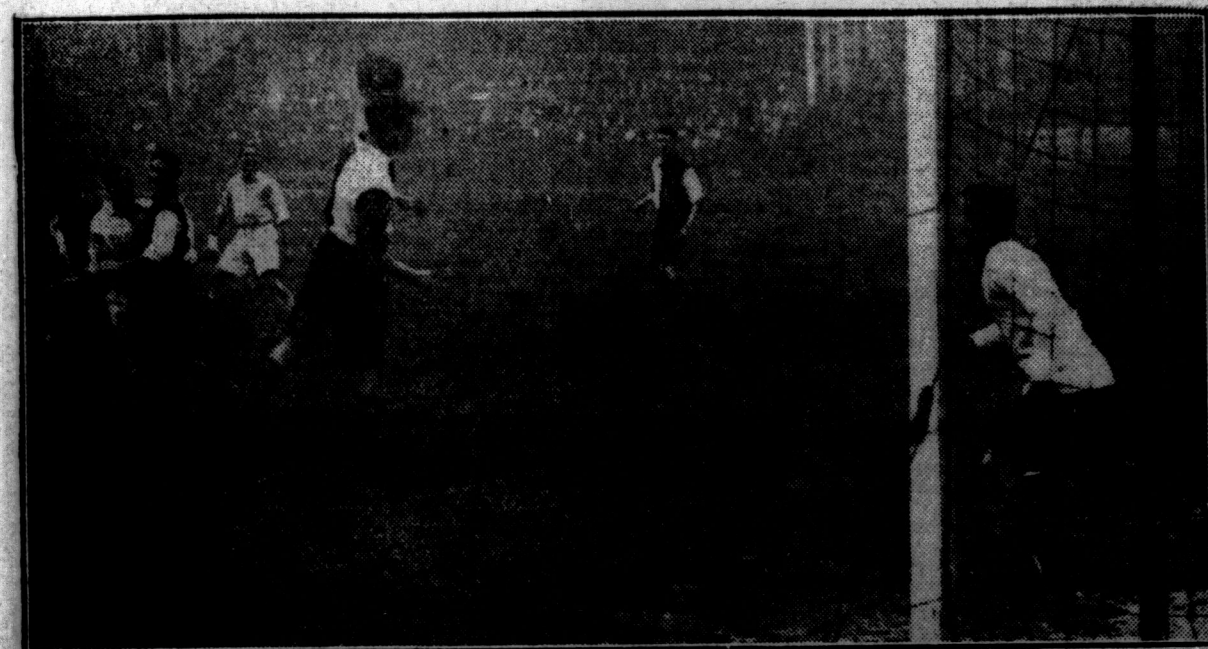
Photograph shows Young Stribling, professional boxer, in training at Freddy Welsh's farm at Summit, N.J. To secure a little exercise Stribling is engaged in wheeling mother, father and his brother around the place



Alfred T. Moore, head of the Wall street tipping bureau, claims it was on cable information supplied by him daily to Manila that Lieut. Wood, son of the governor-general of the Philippines, made a fortune by speculation



Jean Dinant, of Paris, acclaimed to be the world's foremost artist in hammered metal, has perfected a new form of enamel which may be everlasting. His method is said to be that of ancient Egypt



Photograph shows Cambridge pressing on the Oxford goal during the annual football match between the two universities at Crystal Palace. The game resulted in a draw, 1-1.

Mfrs. League Opening Bill Gives Fairs Plenty of Action

C.N.R., PERRIN, STANDARD TEAMS OPEN WITH WINS

Former Defeat Champs 2-1 in a Hard, Strenuous Game.

NEEDED OVERTIME

Standard Drug Trot Out Neat Team and Winners Over Civil Service.

MANUFACTURERS' LEAGUE.			
	W.	L.	For Agt.
D. S. Perrins	1	0	2
C. N. R.	1	0	2
Standard Drug	1	0	4
Civil Service	0	1	3
Bell Telephone	0	1	4
McClarys	0	1	1

C. N. R., D. S. Perrins and Standard Drug teams, which opened the Manufacturers' League season last night at the new Arena.

Nearly 800 people saw the bill, while providing its portion of comedy, also gave the pewholders a vastly greater amount of surprising good hockey very close to the O. H. A. Intermediate brand at times.

C. N. R. Win.

C. N. R. defeated the champion McClarys 2-1, in the opening game of the bill, the winning goal coming from a Burgess-Pring combination after ten minutes of the third period to break a 1-1 tie, existent from the first period. The C. N. R. with Goodman and Hindmarsh on the defence and Gilles and Burgess on the front line, trotted out what looked like an O. H. A. team, and they gave the champions bump for bump as the game grew warmer. Three McKay brothers constituted the firing line for McClarys, and a first period defence like Bud Kelly and Buchanan always sputtering and starting something to the rear, the railwaymen had to earn their win. Roy McKay, who did a lot of nice checking in mid ice, and Pring were chased in the first period when they got into a tangle.

Buchanan scored the first goal of the game, a long shot from outside the defence and Johnny Burgess knotted up the count seven minutes later on a solo effort.

The second period went scoreless, McClarys having a slight edge of the play as the McKay family combined and checked mercilessly.

The third period was a woe to the accompaniment of a dizzy pace. Goodman turned aside some of the best before Pring took a pass from Burgess and cut the knotted-up tie.

McClarys (1)—Reuter, goal; Kelly, Buchanan, defence; McKay, wings; Land, Wilson, subs.

C. N. R. (2)—Goodman, goal; Granger, defence; Gilles, center; Pring, Burgess, wings; Palmer, Campbell, subs.

Perrins Show Class.

Although Perrins had the edge all the way over Bell Telephone, defeating them 3-1, it wasn't any runaway for the Biscuitmakers who trotted out the nearest looking machine of the night.

Somers, the Intermediate defence man, was the best player on the ice. He scored two of the two of the goals, and with a pass to McGeech, right at the goal mouth, was responsible for the other. Pierce, also of the Intermediate defence, teamed up with Somers, and up in front they had two juniors. Barrett and Monahan, with McGeech as pivot, were responsible for several scores. Not milder for the O. H. A. Intermediates, was between the posts. Even with this line-up to face the Bell Telephone defense, the game was a strenuous battle, and though their work was a bit rough in spots, it was effective. Bryant, goal man, was a steady presence for the Intermediate, provided lots of trouble for the winners, with some fair rushing and stiff checking, and so did "Dutch" Logan playing the center ice position.

Monahan opened the scoring a few minutes after the start of the game, with a lone rush right in goal, where he tricked Bryant. Three minutes later Monahan went down again and flipped the puck to McGeech who put it in.

The second period was scoreless until eight minutes clicked off, when Monahan and Somers went down, the latter taking the final pass and shot which beat Bryant for a third counter.

"Dutch" Logan was responsible for the Hello crew's only tally in the third period after a melee outside the defence. The lineup:—Bryant, goal; Milton, Bettridge, defence; Huestis, center; Logan, Milne, wings; Allwood, Wilcox, subs.

D. S. Perrins (2)—Tynd, goal; Somers, Pierce, defence; McGeech, center; Monahan, Barrett, wings; Robinson, Kenny, spares.

Wind-Up Won!

As far as a game went the wind-up of the evening between Standard Drug and Civil Service measured up to any on the bill, as it went into ten minutes of overtime before Dobie got his third and the winning tally for the Peasie welders. The drugists' team was the surprise package of the night. From Baker out, the winners played a nice game. In McLaughlin and Moaribols, an excitable though speedy Frenchman, the Standard has a defence that will give any team in the league lots of trouble this season.

Up in front young McMillan, the former Glencoe junior star, now performing here, with Dobie and Connors, and capable of a defence that gives the drugists a hard shooting, hard checking forward line. Dobie, whose awkward work at times seems all the more effective for its very lack of polish, not only was all over the puck carrier, but scored three of his team's goals.

Civil Service put up a sturdy game and the odd goal was all there was between the two teams.

The first period was action all the way. Baker was called on for some useful work and he produced. Stevens opened the scoring near the end of the period on a rush. McLaughlin knotted it up a moment later on a rush which started back of his own goal and carried him right in on Watts when he tricked.

Standard had the edge of the second period. They scored early when Dobie took a pass from McMillan. Southcott rushed to tie the count

John D. At 85 Still Plays Golf

Associated Press Despatch.
Ormond Beach, Fla., Jan. 3.—John D. Rockefeller, Sr., is playing his daily round of golf on the Ormond Beach links for the eighth successive winter, and although the season scarcely has started early visitors are forming daily galleries to follow him over the course.

Mr. Rockefeller will be 85 years old on July 18, and golfers say he plays a remarkably fine game for his age.

just as the third period opened, and then three minutes later Dobie put the Standard in the lead again. With but a minute to go Lewis knotted up the count, forcing overtime.

The first five minutes saw some ding-dong battling and it looked like the lid on the pastime with a goal in the ninth minute. The lineup: Standard Drug (4)—Baker, goal; Charlebois, McLaughlin, defence; Dobie, center; McMillan, Connors, wings; Manning, McAuliffe, spares; Civil Service (3)—Watts, goal; Southcott, Auld, defence; Stevens, center; Ross, Lewis, wings; Chapman, Chown, spares.

Referee—W. H. Legg.

NORWOODS WILL GIVE "Y" ACES STIFF TEST

Borderers Have Been Playing Together Right Up From Juvenile.

When the local Y. M. C. A. Aces stack up against Assumption College Norwoods of Sandwich here tomorrow night they will have a large young chore on their hands even though they are heavier than the border city outfit.

Norwoods have been playing together for the last four years which means something on any team. Last season they lost but four games out of 42 played and emerged champions of the intermediate section of the Border Cities' League.

Clarence Kenney, the Norwoods' nimble forward, although a youngster, is conceded one of the fastest counter performers in his class in the Detroit district. Jimmie Donlon, his country, by the way, was presented with a cup by our own Royal Canadian Regiment, which is completed for the army of that country.

"The John" Murray, center, Donlon and Kenney are trying out for the college first team and if they are successful will be seen here again this winter when Assumption meets Western University.

Last night Norwoods played in Chatham and tomorrow night they will be running mate on the front line with the Flower City Orions.

Thistles Take Fling At Stanes

Small Bunch of Enthusiasts Play Few Ends To Open Season.

While the London curlers were still perusing their program for the season just issued, the Thistles were waiting for the word to get on the ice. It was given last night, and a few of the early birds got their fling at the stanes and besoms.

The ice sheet was not thick, but had a good surface, and the enthusiasts had some good ends.

The ice was a day late in arriving, as Kitchener and Waterloo curlers were scheduled to appear here for their annual match. This will be played next week, when the K. and W. crowd will be en route to Detroit.

Those who were out last night were: Fred Allen, Mooney Gibson, Frank Brown, Phil Fetterly, Bert Heaman, Ernie Morren and Rev. T. D. McCullough.

COMRADE HOLMES WINS "DUGOUT" BILLIARDS

Handicap Tourney Provides Such Interest It Is Shoved Through to Finals.

The handicap billiard tourney at the G. W. V. "dugout" proved a source of excitement, and Comrade Lake in was the winner over Comrade Lake in the finals. It was first proposed to the tournament off in several days, but the rounds produced so much excitement that it was put right through.

The results:

First Round.
T. Holmes.....200 E. Menzies.....250
W. Morgan.....200 H. Davidson.....250
H. Atkinson.....200 P. H. Wright.....250
G. Turner.....200 T. O'Neill.....250
S. B. Jones.....200 B. B. Jones.....250
T. Williamson.....200 E. Aiken.....250
E. Lake.....200 G. Richardson.....250
E. L. Lake.....200 H. Morgan.....250

Second Round.
T. Williamson.....200 J. Sotoroff.....250
W. Morgan.....200 G. Turner.....250
T. Holmes.....200 H. Clements.....250
E. Lake.....200 H. Atkinson.....250

Third Round, Semi-Final.
E. Lake.....200 T. Williamson.....250
T. Holmes.....200 H. Morgan.....250

Final Round.
T. Holmes.....200 E. Lake.....250
First prize was donated by Dr. Cameron Wilson.



Y "FISH" COMPLETE FIVE-MILE SWIM IN TANK IN 25-MINUTE PERIODS.

J. Manuel won the junior 5-mile swim at the "fish" churning at the distance in 2 hours 31 minutes. L. Fitzgerald was second, in 2 hours 50 minutes and 40 seconds, with V. Walker third.

The senior swim was taken by D. Chapman, who negotiated the distance in 2 hours 25 minutes and 30 seconds.

M. Dale was second in 2 hours 36 minutes and 10 seconds. M. Grant was third. In the picture the tankers are, from left to right: J. Cambridge, J. Manuel, L. Fitzgerald, V. Walker, all juniors; M. Dale, M. Grant, D. Chapman.

L. AND D. SOCCER BODY TO MEET FEBRUARY 9

Secretary of the Organization Addresses Appeal For More Interest in Dribbling Code.

To soccer fans: "With a view to giving you ample time in which to prepare suggestions or to enable you to bring this question before members of your club, league, cup tie committees, societies or any organization interested in soccer football for the coming season, 1924, this letter is to draw your attention to the fact that the annual general meeting of the London and District Football Association, which governs and controls the destiny of soccer in this district, will be held on Saturday the 9th day of February. The time and place of meeting will be announced in the local newspapers.

"To govern or control any branch of sport requires good level-headed men. Those who can pass judgment or render any service with impartiality. You will be required to do your share at this meeting to see that these kind of men are elected to handle the affairs of the association for 1924.

"If we are to see this 100 per cent brand of British sport fostered, encouraged and promoted, particular attention must be paid to the coming generation. The schools of our district have taken to soccer in a way which is causing great satisfaction to the older soccer enthusiasts, but they must receive the support of the senior organizations in the matter of instruction, etc. This point will also be discussed at this meeting.

Is soccer football on the wane? Judging by the newspapers, it is decidedly the reverse. Nearly every country in Europe is playing the game, including Czechoslovakia, and country, by the way, was presented with a cup by our own Royal Canadian Regiment, which is completed for the army of that country.

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First Round.
T. Holmes.....200 E. Menzies.....250
W. Morgan.....200 H. Davidson.....250
H. Atkinson.....200 P. H. Wright.....250
G. Turner.....200 T. O'Neill.....250
S. B. Jones.....200 B. B. Jones.....250
T. Williamson.....200 E. Aiken.....250
E. Lake.....200 G. Richardson.....250
E. L. Lake.....200 H. Morgan.....250

Second Round.
T. Williamson.....200 J. Sotoroff.....250
W. Morgan.....200 G. Turner.....250
T. Holmes.....200 H. Clements.....250
E. Lake.....200 H. Atkinson.....250

Third Round, Semi-Final.
E. Lake.....200 T. Williamson.....250
T. Holmes.....200 H. Morgan.....250

Final Round.
T. Holmes.....200 E. Lake.....250
First prize was donated by Dr. Cameron Wilson.

On the Side Lines

With C. S. G.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

As suggested some months ago from St. Marys sources, there will shortly be an attempt made to form a Western Ontario lacrosse association, in affiliation merely with the O. A. L. A. It may be the direct outcome of the deal St. Marys thinks it received from the Ontario governing body the past summer, but nevertheless that takes nothing away from the soundness of the idea.

Lacrosse needs rushing. Probably a localized organization with officials right on the ground may supply the lack which characterizes O. A. L. A. administration.

At any rate it's worth a trial.

QUANTITY.

One bill in the Manufacturers League has served to show London fans that the city possesses one vast number of hockey players, but the superiority that denotes quality is a hard thing to pick out. There are so many players that play about the same brand of hockey that a coach's job is more of a blind grab than anything else.

POOR BUSINESS INSTINCT.

It seems that Ermilio Spalla has changed his mind and will go to Buenos Aires to box Senor Luis Angel Firpo instead of going to New York to box Gene Tunney. Perhaps this is just as well.

Spalla did some fighting on this continent before he won the "heavyweight championship" of Europe. His last opponent in the United States was young Bob Fitzsimmons, son of "Rube" Robert. Young Bob never was regarded as much of a battler, but he got the decision over Spalla, one of the few decisions he has won.

The Spalla-Firpo bout will not do much to look at either. Firpo made his return to South America seems to have grasped the North American idea of picking the soft ones, as they say. He has been paying wildly the crop of American horizontal heavies to join him in a bout in Argentina, but has not met with any enthusiastic responses, probably because of the small amounts he has been ready to guarantee.

Mr. Tex Rickard is a bit saddened by the dereliction of Spalla. He observes that if Spalla should be beaten by Firpo his pugilistic career would end abruptly. Which is by way of saying a mouthful. Signor Spalla seems to be a poor business man.

SOUNDS LIKE GOOD ADVICE.

Mr. McTaggart, addressing Montreal Curlers at a banquet ended up a flood of reminiscences of the days when winter meant red-blooded sport with "I believe if there were less fussing round at tea parties and dances it would be greatly to the benefit of the youth of today and to the good of the race. "Command to your children not the latest form of jazz, but sports such as snowshoeing and ski-ing."

ETYMOLOGY.

Nate Goldman who beat Lew Tendler the other night is a forme rtar. Lew thinks that's how far got into tartar.

IT GOES FOR OTHERS.

Boxing is beneficial to the community in that every time some fat spectator sees a beautiful physical specimen—trained and fit—step into a ring he determines to exercise. Of course he never does, but he exercises his brain thinking about it. Then, too, he exercises his voice telling what a fine athlete he was when he was young—Walter Trumbull.

Two members of the Cadillac Polar Bear Club of Detroit put on a novel stunt to welcome the New Year. They greeted the cherub of 1924 from the icy waters of the Detroit River. They were not shipwrecked or thrown into the water, but went voluntarily. These Polar Bears desired to welcome in the New Year from the element they love so well that they swim in the open river all year around, sometimes being obliged to break holes in the ice. The swimmers were Earl G. Adams, 3735 Ashland street and Roy McKinstry, 1787 Townsend avenue.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE.

BY AHERN.



JUNIORS SHOW WARES IN DEBUT TOMORROW

London Railbirds Figure On Kids To Bring Hockey Enthusiasm To High Pitch This Season—Glencoe Will Give the Locals Good Testing Out in Junior Premiere.

"BEST OUTFIT IN YEARS," SAY THE FANS

How They'll Stack For Junior Debut

LONDON.		GLENCOE.	
Leitch	Goal	Biggs	Howard
Edwards	Defence	Moore	Milne
Weaver	Forwards	Barrett	
Whitton	Forwards	Robson	
McDonald, Quick	Monahan, McMillan		
Anderson	Subs	Pambley	
Law, Rigg		J. McKay	

Want L.A.A.A. to Back Cage Team

Good Intermediate Team Still Practicing, But With No Support Yet.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the L. A. A. A. will be held tonight at the C. of C. rooms.

Reports on hockey up to date and an active basketball program will be included in the business of the evening.

The team which was to have represented the L. A. A. A. in senior basketball is still a unit. The two Lightfoots, Gillies, Pud Johnston, Jerry Goodman Balkwell and several other good court men are anxious to have the team entered and they are willing to play with Y. A. A. in a local group or take in Stratford and St. Thomas, whichever can be agreed upon.

The basketball committee, in view of this information, will probably be changed and start over fresh.

ON MITCHELL'S ALLEYS

The McCormick Bowling League has started its bowling season at Mitchell's alleys. It consists of teams as follows: Superintendents, Non-Productives, Office, Shipments, Kerswell 326, J. Stone 367, W. Vanderburg 250, J. Olson 353, B. Craig 435, Totals, 659, 566-1671.

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London Juniors hook up with Glencoe here tomorrow night for their local debut in junior O. H. A. circles. The juniors have all the earmarks of a brilliant team, and the prediction is freely made that they will be the team to get local enthusiasm worked up to its accustomed pitch.

They've got size, speed, stick-handling ability and quite a lot of hockey brains, the railbirds say, and are the nicest-looking junior crew that has taken to London ice over a long period. In the Manufacturers' games last night the fans got chance to see most of them in action on ice or other of the teams, and what the yaws pleased them mightily.

Robson, Monahan and McMillan are hard-shooting, hard-checking forwards and each of them packs a good shot. Monahan performed for Peasie last night, while McMillan was among the Standard Drug sharpshooters. Both boys are tricky stick-handlers and have a bit as good as Robson fits in nicely, and if Barrett is used on the defence, will probably be changed and start over fresh.

Goodman turned aside some of the best before Pring took a pass from Burgess and cut the knotted-up tie.

McClarys (1)—Reuter, goal; Kelly, Buchanan, defence; McKay, wings; Land, Wilson, subs.

C. N. R. (2)—Goodman, goal; Granger, defence; Gilles, center; Pring, Burgess, wings; Palmer, Campbell, subs.

Perrins Show Class.

Although Perrins had the edge all the way over Bell Telephone, defeating them 3-1, it wasn't any runaway for the Biscuitmakers who trotted out the nearest looking machine of the night.

Somers, the Intermediate defence man, was the best player on the ice. He scored two of the two of the goals, and with a pass to McGeech, right at the goal mouth, was responsible for the other. Pierce, also of the Intermediate defence, teamed up with Somers, and up in front they had two juniors. Barrett and Monahan, with McGeech as pivot, were responsible for several scores. Not milder for the O. H. A. Intermediates, was between the posts. Even with this line-up to face the Bell Telephone defense, the game was a strenuous battle, and though their work was a bit rough in spots, it was effective. Bryant, goal man, was a steady presence for the Intermediate, provided lots of trouble for the winners, with some fair rushing and stiff checking, and so did "Dutch" Logan playing the center ice position.

Monahan opened the scoring a few minutes after the start of the game, with a lone rush right in goal, where he tricked Bryant. Three minutes later Monahan went down again and flipped the puck to McGeech who put it in.

The second period was scoreless until eight minutes clicked off, when Monahan and Somers went down, the latter taking the final pass and shot which beat Bryant for a third counter.

"Dutch" Logan was responsible for the Hello crew's only tally in the third period after a melee outside the defence. The lineup:—Bryant, goal; Milton, Bettridge, defence; Huestis, center; Logan, Milne, wings; Allwood, Wilcox, subs.

D. S. Perrins (2)—Tynd, goal; Somers, Pierce, defence; McGeech, center; Monahan, Barrett, wings; Robinson, Kenny, spares.

Wind-Up

Hamilton's Striped Cats Trim Habitants 4-For Second Win

ONE-SIDED GAME FROM CANADIENS

Ottawa Defeats St. Patricks
Sextet 4 to 3 At Toronto
Arena.

SMYLYE SCORES FIRST

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.	
	P. W. L. F. A. P.
Ottawa	5 4 1 17 12 8
St. Patricks	3 3 14 16 6
Canadiens	2 2 10 10 4
Hamilton	2 2 13 15 4

The Canadian Press Despatch.
Hamilton, Jan. 2.—Showing marked improvement in play, and dishing up a brand of hockey that is sure to produce successful results, Hamilton stepped into the Montreal team in an N. H. L. fixture here tonight and won, 4 to 0. Canadiens turned in a suitable performance, but unfortunately for them they ran into the Hamilton squad of pucksters when the latter were at their best.

The Dandurand paid performers showed dash to their attack in each period, but they found Forbes impossible to beat. The diminutive net tender of the Bengals was a treat to watch, and he was given able support by Spring and Randall, who broke up many a rush. Burch, however, was the shining light for the winners. Roach and Procter also turned in good games.

Summary:
First period: No score.
Second period: Hamilton, Randall, 4:25; Hamilton, Roach, 1:20; Hamilton, Roach, 10:15.
Third period: Hamilton, Procter, 6:15.
Referee—Lou Marsh.

SENATORS BEAT ST. PATS.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Jan. 2.—Ottawa beat St. Patricks in a great battle here tonight, 4 to 3. St. Patricks lost because of weak defensive play against good combination. The Stanley Cup holders led 1 to 0 at the first intermission, and 3 to 1 at the second. They increased this to 4 to 1 early in the third, but the Irish rallied and ran in two goals, Babe Dye getting his first counter of the season. Red Smylie, discarded St. Patrick player, who was signed by Ottawa today, scored the first goal.

Summary:
First period: 1, Ottawa, Smylie, 17.
Second period: 2, Ottawa, Nighish, 9:00; 3, St. Patricks, Noble, 4:00; 4, Ottawa, Denenny, 6:00.
Third period: 5, Ottawa, Denenny, 2:00; 6, St. Patricks, Dye, 1:30; 7, St. Patricks, Corbeau, 9:00.
Referee—Art Ross.

Dufferin Park Results

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Jan. 2.—The summary of today's harness races at Dufferin Park:

2:12 Pace, Mile Heats, Purses \$400.
Milton-Wood, A. K. Vail.
North Randall, Ohio.
(Vail).....1 1 2 2 1
Brazil, A. Estabrook, Cleveland, Ohio (Mallow).....4 3 5 1 2
Jack Canuck, R. Overland.
Cleveland, Ohio (Mallow).....3 4 1 3 5
Billy Abell, R. Wilson.
Strathroy (Wilson).....2 2 2 4 3
Tex Jim and Atta Boy also started.
Time 2:20%; 2:16%; 2:17%; 2:15%; 2:14%.

2:09 Pace, Mile Heats, Purses \$400.
Worthy Boy, Chas. Erickson.
Des Moines (Erickson).....1 3 2 2 1
Billy Bishop, J. Curran.
Toronto (Chapman).....3 2 1 1 2 3
Pat Pointer, A. Vance, Mt. Clemens, Mich (Vance).....2 1 3 4 4 4
Daisy Pointer, N. Coulson.
Leamington (Morrison).....4 4 3 3 2
Time 2:15%; 2:14; 2:17%; 2:16%; 2:14%; 2:15%.

2:17 Pace, Mile Heats, Purses \$400.
West Virginia Boy, A. K. Vail.
North Randall, Ohio.
(Vail).....10 7 2 1 1 1
William Brino, J. H. McDonald.
Christiana, Md. (McDonald).....1 1 6 4 4 5
Liberty Patch, H. Tinney.
Cobour (McDowell).....5 3 1 2 2 4
Jimmie Todd, J. A. Allard.
Villie Marie (Allard).....3 2 3 3 3 2
Alfred Elk, Henry Todd, Pearl D.
Mack Daron, Fon Todd and King Dapple started.
Time 2:17%; 2:18%; 2:17%; 2:14%; 2:15%; 2:17%.

CHARLIE HERTZOG NAMED NEWARK CLUB MANAGER

Associated Press Despatch.
Newark, N. J., Jan. 2.—Charlie Hertzog, former major league star, has signed a contract to manage the Newark Club of the International League. It was announced by Michael McGitte, member of the syndicate who recently purchased the club.

CANADIAN SOCCER TEAM MAY TOUR NEW ZEALAND

Canadian Press Despatch.
Winnipeg, Jan. 2.—A Canadian soccer team has been invited to tour New Zealand, according to Secretary Sam Davidson of the Dominion Football Association. Mr. Davidson has asked for names of any high-class players in Canada who wish to make the journey this winter.

ARE FORCED TO POSTPONE JUNIOR GAME IN GUELPH

Guelph, Jan. 2.—Owing to lack of ice at the Guelph Arena, the Junior O. H. A. game scheduled to take place here tonight has been postponed. It is expected, however, that the intermediate game between Guelph and Elora will be played here Friday night. This will mark the opening of the hockey season here.

RACE RESULTS

HAVANA RESULTS.

FIRST RACE, quarter mile:
Gymkhana, 112 (McLang), 2 to 1, 4 to 2 to 5, won.
May Barker, 109 (Smith), 2 to 1, even, second.
Pharmachemee Belle, 109 (King), 2 to 5, third.
Time 1:23 1-5.
Cassie Ann, Lucky Lou, Naomig, Left Alone, Banty Hen, Dextrose, Cantores ran.

SECOND RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs:
Chilean, 111 (Callahan), 8 to 5, 3 to 1, 2 to 1, won.
Finally, 115 (Connors), even, 1 to 2, second.
Hollo, 110 (Pickens), even, 1 to 4, third.
Time 1:07 2-5.
Myrtle Ellison, Queen Mazonia, Memphis, Glider, Furlough ran.

THIRD RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs:
Black Baby, 110 (McLaughlin), 4 to 1, 2 to 1, won.
Walter Whitaker, 115 (Smith), 7 to 5, 1 to 10, second.
Cardinal, 111 (Eaton), 1 to 4, third.
Time 1:06.
Castilla, Midway, Pluff, Pomerene, Squirt,iggins also ran.

FOURTH RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs:
Ethel H., 110 (Dawson), 3 to 1, even, 2 to 1, won.
Amelia S., 106 (Bruder), 7 to 10, 1 to 2, second.
Herman, 115 (Kinney), 2 to 1, third.
Time 1:08 1-5.
Salsie, Berretta, Lady Harrigan, Al-Little, Smile and Happy Euxton ran.

FIFTH RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs:
Endman, 107 (Dellow), 5 to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, won.
Felix, 109, 106 (Bruder), even, 1 to 2, second.
Hollo, 109 (Dawson), even, third.
Time 1:13 2-5.
Acouchia II, Last Chance II, Glenn, Glad, 115 (Callahan), 118 (Carroll), 7 to 5, 1 to 2, 1 to 5, won.

SIXTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Tan II, 110 (Gross), 4 to 1, 7 to 5, 1 to 2, won.
Hutons, 115 (Grace), 1 to 3, 1 to 2, second.
Heron, 112 (McLaughlin), 1 to 2, third.
Time 1:48.
Old Rose, Sandy, H., Okaloosa ran.

SEVENTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Brilliant, 118 (Carroll), 7 to 5, 1 to 2, 1 to 5, won.
Wilmer, the Wizard, 118 (Parke), 3 to 1, 2 to 1, second.
Fausto, 118 (Scobie), 1 to 3, third.
Time 1:32 2-5.
Telescopo, Black Ruler, Zanzibar, Isaman, Barrister, Mike Morrissey, The Responder, Hiccup ran.

EIGHTH RACE, 5 furlongs:
Kingslere, 101 (Harvey), 13 to 10, 1 to 2, 1 to 5, won.
Cordoba, 112 (Ward), 6 to 5, 1 to 2, second.
Dr. Joe, 102 (Mergier), even, third.
Time 1:42 2-5.
Fred Kinney, Corto, Jack Scott, Chas. J. Gramme ran.

NINTH RACE, 5 furlongs:
Payman, 110 (Barrett), 12 to 1, 5 to 1, 5 to 2, won.
Lionel, 109, 102 (Lee), 4 to 5, 2 to 5, second.
Waukula, 101 (Parke), 1 to 2, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.
Tom Tella, Byron, Julia M., Norceland, Deronda, Gold Pendant, Lady Jane also ran.

TENTH RACE, 1 mile and 70 yards:
Dustabout, 113 (Parke), 5 to 2, 4 to 5, 1 to 2, won.
Tony Beau, 101 (L. Lang), 4 to 5, 1 to 2, second.
Clonard, 112 (A. L. 106 (F. Smith), 1 to 2, third.
Time 1:45 2-5.
Ensign and Hummer also ran.

ELEVENTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Rork, 99 (Parke), even, 1 to 3, out.
Valentia, 109 (Thomas), 8 to 5, 3 to 5, second.
Attorney, 109 (Lee), 1 to 3, third.
Time 1:42 2-5.
Soviet, War, Idol, Knight of the Heather, John, L. O. H. ran.

SIXTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Lucius, 117 (C. Lang), 15 to 1, 6 to 1, 1 to 3, won.
Needham, 111 (Pevic), 5 to 4, 5 to 1, second.
Squirt, 112 (Harvey), 4 to 5, third.
Time 1:47 2-5.
Tex, Tennare, Iron Boy, Ventozos, Duchohn, John, MacLean ran.

SEVENTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Tulip, 104 (Lee), 4 to 5, 1 to 4, out.
Fleeting, 99 (Parke), even, 1 to 1, out.
Lord Herbert, 111 (Abel), 8 to 5, third.
Time 1:48 2-5.
Boister, Johnny Overton, Commander, Kennesaw also ran.

EIGHTH RACE, 5 furlongs:
Little Smile, 105 (Metcalfe), \$3, \$2.20, second.
Parnell, 115 (Malben), \$3, \$2.40, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.
Rundark, Winfred, Ocean Current, Lahogron, Wood, Cry, Osman, Home-run, Cocksure, Herdman, Rumpdrie, Edmon ran.

SECOND RACE, 5 furlongs:
Stroll, 107 (Claver), \$3.50, \$2.60, second.
Barn Dollar, 115 (Kennedy), \$3, \$2.60, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.
Cyprene, 107 (Schaffel), \$3, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.
Lemo, Seth, The Competitor, Cadmus, Mizanna ran.

THIRD RACE, one mile and 70 yards:
Duke, 108 (Barnes), \$6.20, \$4.40, won.
Duke, 108 (Erickson), \$3.50, \$2.80, second.
Dolph, 105 (Mein), \$5.40, third.
Time 1:40 2-5.
The Desert, Warrior, Ross R. ran.

FOURTH RACE, 5 furlongs:
Clarkson, 108 (Mein), \$9.30, \$6.60, won.
Cuba, 106 (Rae), \$5.20, \$3.60, second.
Stroll, 107 (Claver), \$3.50, \$2.60, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.
Remit, Rosa Atkin, Ella Waldo, Margaret White, Billy Joe, Slippery Smile, Roscoe Goss, Jean Melville, Lady Winfree, Plantaganet, Ike Mills ran.

FIFTH RACE, 115 (Kennedy), \$5.40, \$3.20, won.
Bill O'Flynn, 115 (Chivetta), \$5.40, \$3.20, second.
Coeur, de Lion, 113 (Legere), \$3.60, third.
Time 1:34.
The Falconer, Sunnyland, Phineas R. ran.

SIXTH RACE, 3-year-olds, 5 1/2 furlongs:
My Daddy, 109 (O'Donnell), \$21.20, \$10.00, won.
Porto D. won, 112 (Denny), \$5.40, \$3.80, second.
Roe, Heather, 112 (Claver), \$5.40, \$3.80, third.
Time 1:09 2-5.

SEVENTH RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs:
Ing, At Hotfoot, Pretty Mally ran.
Ing, At Hotfoot, 106 (Gagerty), \$5.80, \$3.20, won.
Hillsdale, 112 (Doyle), \$4, \$3.60, second.
Paylowa, 101 (Erickson), \$5.60, third.
Time 1:11.

EIGHTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

NINTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

TENTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

ELEVENTH RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

Twelfth RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

Thirteenth RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

Fourteenth RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

Fifteenth RACE, mile and sixteenth:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.
Fair Virginia, Clip, Drifting, Sweet and Low, Everywoman, Ishpam, Modiste ran.

FIRPO TO BEGIN TOUR OF STATES EARLY IN MARCH

Pampas Plasterer Hopes To Garner \$300,000 Before Meeting Dempsey.

IMPROVING STRATEGY

By FAIR PLAY.

New York, Jan. 2.—Luis Firpo, according to a letter received today from a friend in Buenos Aires, has given up any idea of tackling an American fighter in his native land before he leaves for the United States. Firpo was not willing to give enough money to an American to lure any attractive scrapper from this land of opportunity. And simply to fight the Bull of the Pampas for the fun of the thing is something that no fighter is willing to entertain seriously these days.

So Luis will stick to business until late winter and then may be expected in this country the first week in March, when he will at once place himself under the direction of Hughie Gartland and Billy McCann, two live wire managers of Newark, N. J.

These men expect Firpo to pick up nearly \$300,000 in battles through-out the United States before the time comes for him to meet Dempsey. With the coin Firpo will be gaining experience necessary to make him a better ring strategist in the next Dempsey fight than he was last September.

Fitz Lacks Wallop.
Young Bob Fitzsimmons has made at least one New Year's resolution, namely, to fight often in the coming year. Fitz has cleverness, fighting spirit, everything in fact except his father's wallop. His work is always pleasing to the fans, inasmuch as he is an energetic ringster, never afraid of punishment and well able to lay his right and left gloves apart upon an opponent. All Fitz needs, as said, is the fade-away wallop.

Harry Greb writes that he is already within four or five pounds of the middleweight limit and he confidently expects to fool a lot of wise guys who think he will be weak in the ring less than two weeks hence.

William Lawrence Stribling is no false alarm. The writer is willing to testify anywhere that this is the way he danced around Dave Rosenberg in Newark New Year's afternoon, lacing him with every known sort of wallop, was a revelation to many who thought that Dave's infighting experience and his many tricks of the trade would be sufficient to bewilder the Dixie youngster.

Stribling Needs Punch.
Stribling is fast, he is poised and he knows more about scientific boxing than any other lad we have seen in a great while. All he needs—read to say—is greater punching ability. The chances are he will develop more power as he gains experience. But what he needs is that he be planted a ring-ringer bruiser good and plenty, and can have all sorts of engagements at goodly sums in this section.

Poor Billy Miske! A game fighter and a fine fellow. He never should have fought after his first battle with Duchohn at Michigan City. Two or three years ago. His physicians warned him as to his exact condition, and Miske entered business with a full head, had to have money, so he risked his life to get it—and lost.

MEETS SPALLA SOON.
Associated Press Despatch.
Buenos Aires, Jan. 2.—Luis Firpo announced today that his match with the Italian champion, Erminio Spalla, will take place on the Buenos Aires football field Feb. 24, and will be fifteen rounds. Firpo said he would receive 40 per cent of the gate, and Spalla a guaranteed make public.

Firpo also said Farmer Lodge, a United States boxer, had agreed to meet him in Buenos Aires to meet him in a fifteen-round bout Feb. 10.

TIA JUANA RESULTS.
FIRST RACE, 3 mile:
Runolatte, 118 (Cantrell), \$11.40, \$3.40, won.
Pun Edna, 115 (Metcalfe), \$3, \$2.20, second.
Parnell, 115 (Malben), \$3, \$2.40, third.
Time 1:42 2-5.

SECOND RACE, 3 mile:
Stroll, 107 (Claver), \$3.50, \$2.60, second.
Barn Dollar, 115 (Kennedy), \$3, \$2.60, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.
Cyprene, 107 (Schaffel), \$3, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.

THIRD RACE, 3 mile:
Lemo, Seth, The Competitor, Cadmus, Mizanna ran.
Duke, 108 (Barnes), \$6.20, \$4.40, won.
Duke, 108 (Erickson), \$3.50, \$2.80, second.
Dolph, 105 (Mein), \$5.40, third.
Time 1:40 2-5.

FOURTH RACE, 3 mile:
Clarkson, 108 (Mein), \$9.30, \$6.60, won.
Cuba, 106 (Rae), \$5.20, \$3.60, second.
Stroll, 107 (Claver), \$3.50, \$2.60, third.
Time 1:34 2-5.

FIFTH RACE, 3 mile:
Ing, At Hotfoot, Pretty Mally ran.
Ing, At Hotfoot, 106 (Gagerty), \$5.80, \$3.20, won.
Hillsdale, 112 (Doyle), \$4, \$3.60, second.
Paylowa, 101 (Erickson), \$5.60, third.
Time 1:11.

SIXTH RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

SEVENTH RACE, 3 mile:
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EIGHTH RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

NINTH RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

TENTH RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

Eleventh RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

Twelfth RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

Thirteenth RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
Dickie Dix, 105 (Vogt), \$4.80, \$3.20, second.
Fair Wright, 108 (Baker), \$3, third.
Time 1:25.

Fourteenth RACE, 3 mile:
Deborah, 102 (Wood), \$21.20, \$7.40, won.
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CLAYTON DITCHER LEADS NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR FIVE YEARS

Luque's Percentage of Wins During Past Season Is .771.

COMPLETES 28 GAMES

By JOHN B. FOSTER.

New York, Jan. 2.—Pitcher Luque of Cincinnati has been credited with a fine season in 1923, but it seems that he did better, even than he has been given credit for. His was the best pitching record in the National League since the war.

Luque's percentage of games won in 1923 was .771. In 1919, he finished with a percentage of .769, although he did not pitch in as many games as in 1923. However, he is the best record attained in all that time in the National League with the exception of the one Luque rolled up in 1923.

For pitchers as a part in five complete games or more, the records for the National League, beginning in 1919, were as follows:

In 1919, Luque, .769. Ruethe, .760. Sallee, .750. Fisher, .737—all Cincinnati players. Jesse Barnes of New York, had a .735. In 1920 the only National League pitcher to pitch 300 or better was Clarence Mitchell of Brooklyn, whose percentage was .714. In 1921, Glazner and Adams of Pittsburgh tied with .737 and Bank of St. Louis pitched .714.

In 1922, Douglas of New York led with .733.

Is League Leader.
Luque's skill in 1923 was so manifestly superior to that of other pitchers for a period of five years that he easily has earned the honor of being the leading pitcher of this league. It is interesting to note that he has scored to the top of his drop from his 1919 form. He dropped to .591 in 1920, to .472 in 1921, and to .472 in 1922.

The American League did not give official sanction to a won and lost percentage in 1919, but in 1920 Bagby of Cleveland had a record of .712. Mays of New York, 703, and Kery of Chicago, .700. In 1921, Morton of Cleveland had .727, and Mays of New York, .705. In 1922, Bush of New York had .738 and Kolp of St. Louis, .738.

In 1923, Pennock of New York had .760, Jones of New York, .724, and Cole of Detroit, .717. There are only two pitchers in the American League who have done better than Luque. These are Bush and Kolp in 1922. Kolp, however, did not pitch nearly as many games as Luque, and his performance is better than Bush's.

Bettors' Record.
It will be noted that in 1919 the Cincinnati Club possessed four pitchers with a better average than .700, which is one of the really big wonders of modern baseball, and it is no wonder that Cincinnati won the championship that year.

Bush attained his record of .738 in 1922 by pitching twenty complete games, but Luque obtained his record of .771 in 1923 by pitching 28 complete games. Luque's "cutter" performance is better than Bush's.

Luque's pitching is analyzed in 1923 the greater it works in comparison with the work of his rivals. He set out in 1923 to pitch 300 games, but he had to have only two. And while doing it, he jumped from the booby prize-dom of 1922 to the top of his league.

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DEPOSITORS WILL SEEK IMMEDIATE AID OF OTTAWA

Home Bank Sufferers Will Hold
Meetings Throughout the
Whole Country.

TO RALLY IN LONDON

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto Jan. 2.—The general committee of the Home Bank depositors meeting here today decided to launch a country-wide campaign to obtain the support of members of parliament for their appeal for compensation for both depositors and shareholders. Meetings are to be held from Montreal to Vancouver at central points, and members of parliament are to be asked to address the gatherings. There will be meetings at once in London, St. Thomas, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Lindsay and possibly Cannington. W. J. T. Lee, chairman of the depositors' committee, and I. E. Weldon, secretary, are expected to attend most of the Ontario meetings. The draft of a petition to the Dominion government urging the recompense of the depositors was before the meeting. A delegation will go to



CONFESSES MURDER.

Frank Benner, with several aliases, former Canadian, is charged by the New York police with strangling Estelle Phillips. In addition to confessing the murder, he told of other assaults.

Ottawa and present the petition to the cabinet. Copies will be circulated in all parts of Canada, and not only depositors but the general public will be invited to sign the memorial. It was announced at the meeting yesterday that between \$25,000 and \$30,000 had been subscribed by depositors to meet the expenses of the campaign.

FIRST QUADRUPLTS IS BOAST OF LONDON

Old Records At Kingston Shows
Honor Belongs To This
City.

EXPOSURE WAS FATAL

So Many People Came To
See Them the Babies
Died.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Kingston, Jan. 2.—St. John, N. B., can no longer lay claim to the honor of being the birthplace of Canada's first quadruplets. Search of records has placed the distinction on the doorsteps of London, Ont.

The suggestion that the quadruplets born in St. John, N. B., a few days ago, were the first ever born in Canada, has led Dr. R. W. Garrett of this city to dig up the record of quadruplets born here on Aug. 14, 1888, to Mrs. William Bowman. On the back of a photograph of the babies taken a few hours after birth, Dr. Garrett had written at the time:

"This is the first time on record that Kingston has been honored by an event of this kind. About twelve years ago a woman in London, Ont., gave birth to four babies at one time

Dollar Bill Is Cause of Death

Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, Jan. 2.—A quarrel over a dollar bill between Robert C. Hadley, sawmill operator, near Styal, a small station 72 miles west of Edmonton, on the C. N. R., and Alfred Barnett, one of his employees, led to Hadley's death yesterday. Barnett, armed with a revolver, is stated to have shot Hadley dead and then to have walked away. The provincial police are now searching for Barnett.

but they all died from being exhibited to the curious gaze of hundreds of people who came to see them." Dr. Garrett did not record their names. Dr. Garrett notes that two of the children born in Kingston still live, but it is not recalled whether they lived longer than a few days.

MUCH BUILDING IN YEAR.

Canadian Press Despatch.
St. Catharines, Jan. 2.—The value of new buildings in St. Catharines for 1923 was \$306,000, the aggregate only having been exceeded in three previous years.

CANADA'S REVENUE SHOWS INCREASE

Was Forty Million Dollars
Greater in 1923 Than
in 1922.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Customs and excise revenue of the Dominion was nearly \$40,000,000 greater in 1923 than in 1922. During the past year total revenues derived from these sources amounted to \$301,473,813, as compared with \$263,377,468 in the calendar year 1922.

Examination of the figures which were made public this evening by the department of customs and excise show that by far the greatest proportion of the increase was in excise tax collections chiefly derived from the sales tax. From excise taxes the Dominion derived a revenue of \$126,634,825 during 1923, which was \$32,341,607 more than in 1922, when the total collections were \$94,343,218. Customs revenue accounted for \$5,739,158 of the increase, the total revenue during the past year amounting to \$135,860,374, as compared with \$130,121,216 in 1922. The amount of \$37,551,237 was derived from excise duties, as compared with \$36,767,646 in 1922, or an increase of \$783,591. Sundry collections made up the remainder of the increase.

Chases Burglar Gets Robbed

Home of Windsor Policeman
Entered by Clothing Thief.

Special to The Advertiser.
Windsor, Jan. 2.—While Constable Orville Strong of the Windsor police department was out chasing a burglar who broke into the Yellow Cab Company's office New Year's night, a thief entered his home at 1029 Pierre avenue and stole a suit of clothes and an overcoat worth \$100. Alfred J. Martin, 20 years old, arrested by Strong, pleaded guilty of entering the cab company's office and was remanded to jail by Magistrate Gundy today. Martin took \$1.19 and a suit of rubber clothing. He had the boots on when arrested.

AGAIN ADJOURN INQUEST IN DEATH AT WELLAND

Canadian Press Despatch.
Welland, Jan. 2.—The second session of the coroner's inquest opened in the death of A. J. Morningstar, whose burned body was found in the ruins of his home Christmas morning, and for the killing of whom William A. Canfield, lodged in the county jail here, has admitted guilt. The inquest was adjourned for one week by Coroner Davis, in compliance with the request of the crown.

AGED MAN IS SENT TO PENITENTIARY

Former Halifax Collector, 70
Years of Age, Gets
Prison Term.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Halifax, N.S., Jan. 2.—Robert S. Theakston, ex-city collector, convicted of the embezzlement of city funds totalling \$30,000, was sentenced to two years in Dorchester penitentiary by Mr. Justice Mellich in the supreme court this morning. The prisoner, more than 70 years old, looking pale and wan, but bearing himself remarkably well, appeared in court accompanied by his lawyer. His lordship said he made the punishment as light as possible in view of the circumstances and consistent with his duty.

FORMER WINDSOR GIRL INHERITS BIG FORTUNE

Special to The Advertiser.
Windsor, Jan. 2.—Miss Florence White, former public school teacher here, is being sought by city officials, who have been notified that Miss White is the sole beneficiary of a rich Alberta farmer who recently died. Miss White is now believed to be living in Toronto.

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MEN'S \$1.00 HEAVY RIBBED UNDERSHIRTS	50c
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MEN'S 75c ALL-WOOL ENGLISH WORSTED SOCKS	48c
MEN'S \$3.50 HEAVY SHAKER PYJAMAS	\$2.39
MEN'S \$2.50 SCOTCH SHAKER NIGHT GOWNS	\$1.89
CHILDREN'S 50c WOOL KNITTED TQUES	29c
BOYS' \$2.00 and \$2.25 FINE PURE WOOL JERSEYS	\$1.48
BOYS' LINED BROWN FRINGED GAUNTLET GLOVES	75c

EXTRA!—14 Men's Spring and Fall Tweed Overcoats; medium gray shades; sizes 36 to 40 only; \$16.50 value \$7.98



Women's Winter Coats \$18.50 Regularly Priced to \$30.

Women's fur-trimmed coats in all-wool velours and duvetyne cloths, with large fur collars of beaverine, straight-line styles with side fastening trimmed with silk stitching and embroidery; full lined, shades are sand, deer, taupe, navy and brown.

Marvella Coats \$25 Regularly Priced to \$45.

Women's winter coats in Marvella and very fine Duvetyne and Bolivia cloths, silk and crepe lined, self and fur-trimmed collars, shades of sand, cocoa, reindeer, brown and navy blue.

Girls' Winter Coats, \$10.95 Regularly Priced to \$18.

Girls' Winter Coats in heavy plaid back polo cloths, Bromleigh styles, with pleat back, belt and leather buttons; shades of brown, tan, gray, blue, green and lovatt, as well as heather mixtures; sizes 10, 12 and 14 years.

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NEW TRAFALGAR PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENS THURSDAY

Seven of Eight Rooms in Modern Fireproof Structure To Be Used.

NOW FULLY EQUIPPED

Trafalgar School, the newest link in London's system of modern fireproof schools, will be officially opened today, when six of the eight rooms will be put into use.
Owing to many things beyond the control of the contractors, the building is four months overdue in completion, the contract date having expired August 31. A clause in the contract called for a penalty of \$100 per week for all time since then but whether this will be exacted has not been determined.
The new school, one of the most modern in the province, consists of eight teaching rooms, although the plans originally called for 15 teaching rooms, auditorium, manual training and household science rooms. The building, as it present constructed, will permit of the addition of the other rooms as needed, but it is not expected that this will be done for at least 18 months.

When the building is opened tomorrow, seven of the rooms will be occupied. Four will house regular classes, an auxiliary class will occupy one, while a kindergarten class will also be started. In addition to this there will be a branch of the public library, opened in the building. The rooms have all been equipped during the Christmas holidays and are ready for the entrance of the students.

Lawrence D. McCamus, B.A., will take over the duties of principal, having been appointed some time ago. Mr. McCamus was formerly on the staff at Simcoe Street School.

ONTARIO WHEAT WELL COVERED

Growth Already Attained Insures Crop Weathering Winter Well.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Jan. 2.—With a few inches of snow in most sections of the province, wheat is fairly well covered, and judging by the excellent growth before the freeze-up, should weather an extraordinary winter in good shape. On the whole, there is sufficient rough feed to carry all livestock through the winter.
During December the demand for help was greater than usual, but has fallen off since.

In Bruce the slump in dressed poultry prices has caused the holding of considerable poultry to be marketed later.
According to the Prince Edward County representative, new milk cows and springers are in keen demand, and drovers from Western Ontario have been buying cows for shipment.

AMMAN IS DECORATED IN HONOR OF KING HUSSEIN

Associated Press Despatch.
Jerusalem, Jan. 2.—Amman, the capital of Transjordan, is decorated in honor of the coming of King Hussein of the Hedjaz, who is expected there Monday to confer with his son, Emir Abdullah of Transjordan. Sir Herbert Samuel, the British high commissioner, and other British officials are expected to be present to attend the ceremony, but King Feisal of Mesopotamia will not be present, it is said, because of troubles in his country.

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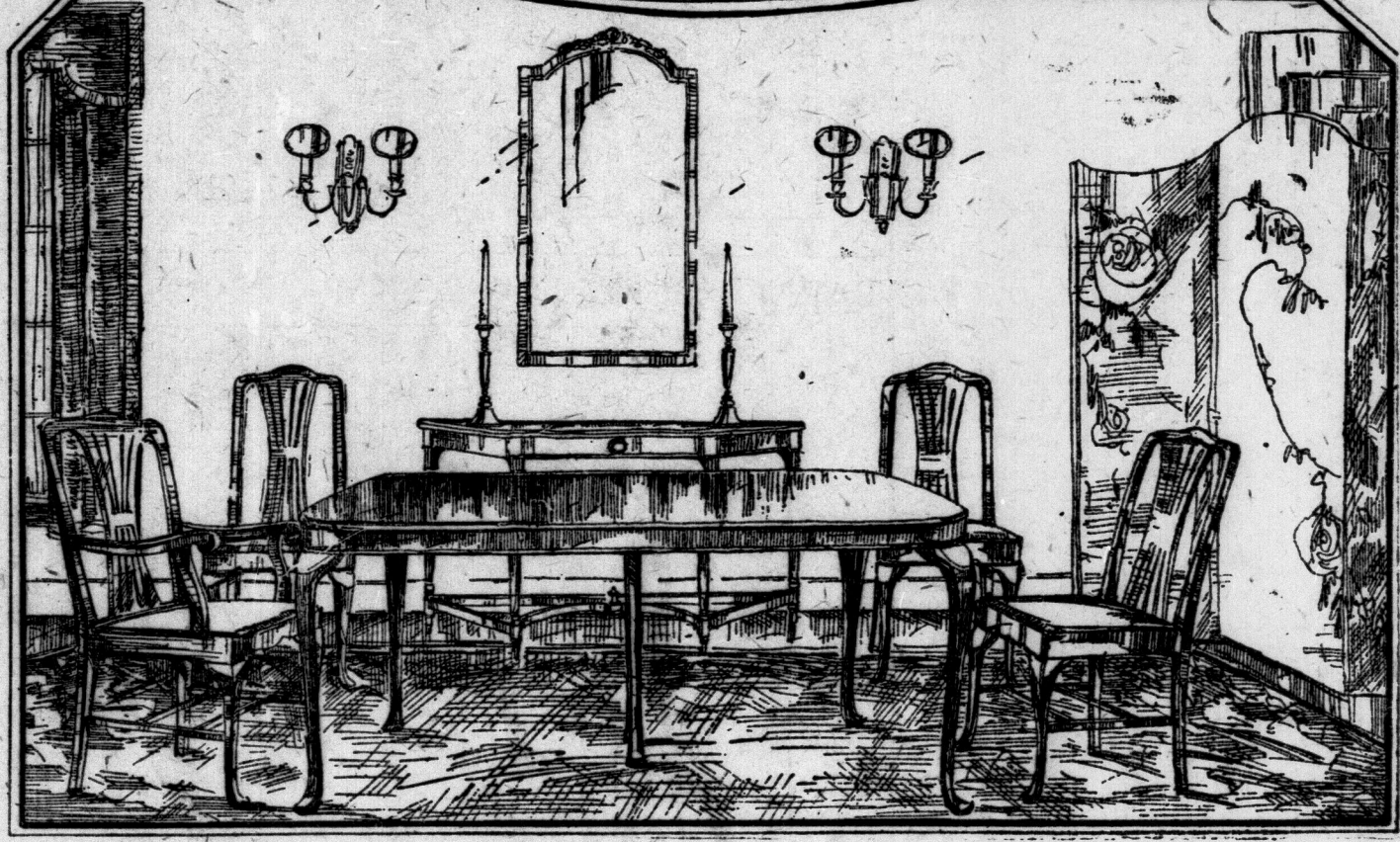
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January Clearance
A Sale Day For Each Department
WATCH THIS SPACE.

JANUARY is the shoppers' red-letter month. It is replete with sale events so exceptional in point of values offered and so comprehensive in scope that they present an opportunity to meet not only immediate home and apparel needs, but also future ones with great economy. Don't miss one single announcement in this space this month. You will profit much by following our January department clearing sales.



January Clearance In Furniture Section

The furniture listed below has been reduced for this sale. The reductions show savings of one-quarter, one-third, and in some cases the cost has not been considered, but the price has been made so low that these pieces should sell very quickly. Most of the furniture listed consists of odd pieces left from regular sets and where we do not intend to fill in the suites.

ONE ONLY DINING-ROOM SUITE. genuine quarter-cut oak, finished two-tone. The Buffet is 66 inches long, the table is 45x60 inches and extends to 8 feet. Set of slipseat Diners, upholstered in genuine leather. January Furniture Sale price \$219.00

DRESSING TABLES

1 only Genuine Walnut, triple British plate mirrors. January Furniture Sale price \$39.00

1 only Quarter-Cut Oak Dressing Table with 3 British mirrors. January Furniture Sale, one-third off. Price \$29.00

3 only Walnut Finish Dressing Tables, large size. January Furniture Sale price \$29.00

3 only "Satin Walnut (Gumwood) Dressing Tables, three mirrors each. January Furniture Sale price \$19.00

ODD BUFFETS

Polished Quarter-Cut Oak Buffet, 45 inches long, has one long drawer and two short ones, and full size cupboard. The top is fitted with best quality British plate mirror. January Furniture Sale price \$49.00 One walnut finish, small size, out of breakfast suite. January Sale price \$33.95

Odd China Cabinets, 1-4 Off

Two only Walnut Cabinets, fitted with drawer the full width. January Furniture Sale price \$59.00 One only China Cabinet, walnut finish. January Furniture Sale price \$49.00

CHAIRS FOR THE LIVING-ROOM 1-4 AND 1-3 OFF

One only Chair and Rocker to match, all-over upholstered with genuine leather. January Furniture Sale price \$33.75 each

One only Oak Chair, with Rocker to match, loose cushion seat and back covered with genuine Spanish leather. January Furniture Sale price \$29.00 each

One only Oak Chair, with cane back, the seats upholstered with good quality tapestry. January Furniture Sale price \$29.00 each

9 only Wood Beds in turned oak, walnut and mahogany. January Furniture Sale prices \$15.95, \$19.00 and \$29.00 each

Chair and Rocker, mahogany finish frames, spring seats, covered with tapestry. January Furniture Sale price \$23.75

4 only Solid Walnut Chairs and Rockers; the spring seats are covered with good quality tapestry. January Furniture Sale price \$29.00 each

2 Mahogany Finish Roll Seat Rockers, large and comfortable. January Furniture Sale price \$8.95 each

4 only Windsor Chairs, mahogany and ivory combination. Sale price \$9.95 each

These odd pieces of Bedroom Furniture at reductions of one-quarter, one-third, and in some cases even more. In some instances there are two pieces out of the same suite. All are real money-saving opportunities.

ODD DRESSERS

Dresser, genuine walnut, 44 inches wide. January Furniture Sale price \$59.00

Dresser, genuine walnut, 48 inches wide. January Furniture Sale price \$69.00

Dresser, mahogany combination. January Furniture Sale price \$39.00

3 only Dressers, gray enamel. January Furniture Sale prices \$39.00 and \$69.00

1 only Gumwood Dresser, natural finish. January Furniture Sale price \$29.00

Large Overstuffed Chairs 1-4 Off

Chesterfield Chairs, all made with Marshall spring cushions, covered with high-grade tapestry. January Sale prices, one-quarter off \$45.00 and \$69.00

Chairs covered with finest mohair. January Furniture Sale prices \$98.00, \$89.00, \$69.00, \$59.00, \$39.00

2 only Solid Walnut Arm Chairs, seats and backs covered with best Spanish leather. January Furniture Sale price \$59.00 each

1 only Hall Clock, mahogany finish frame, height 6 ft., has brass dial. January Furniture Sale price, \$39.00

January Clearing of Paints, Varnish and Enamel

The prices quoted below are about 20 to 30 per cent less regular values and include paints and varnishes for woodwork, walls, floors and furniture.

Moore's House Paint, in white and 30 colors, at about 20 per cent less reduction. Every can guaranteed satisfactory as to wear and covering qualities. January Sale price half gal., \$2.10; quarts, \$1.05; pints, 50c

Moore's Sani-Flat for interior walls or woodwork; also used as an undercoating for enamel pints, 50c; quarts, \$1.05

Dougall's White Enamel for interior walls or woodwork. Sale price pints, 60c; quarts, \$1.19

Dougall's Universal, in clear, light and dark oak, walnut, etc. Will not scratch or turn white. quarts, 50c; pints, \$1.05

Dougall's Transparent Floor, clear in color and dries overnight pints, 60c; quarts, \$1.19

Dougall's Linoleum Finish will not discolor the lightest grounds; dries hard in from four to six hours. January Sale pints, 60c; quarts, \$1.19

Dougall's Special Interior Varnish for floors or woodwork; 20 gallon cans only. Special \$22.50 gal.

Lionell Floor Enamel, one third less, for kitchen, bath, etc., is waterproof and covers badly worn floors with two coats. Can also be used over old or worn linoleum. Colors gray, tan, buff, walnut, dust, mahogany. One-third less pints, 50c; quarts, \$1.05.

CLIMAX WALLPAPER CLEANER

for cleaning papered or tinted walls. January Sale 9c tin

SPONGES for washing painted walls or woodwork 5c each

Odd lines in Paint Brushes 5c, 10c, 20c each

200 1-lb. Cans Reflex Wax

for floors, linoleums or furniture. Special 29c

C. and B. Wax. Special 49c lb.

Shellac, orange and white, pints, 50c; quarts, \$1.19.

Lingerwett Paint Remover for removing old paint or varnish pints, 50c; quarts, \$1.05; half gal., \$1.98

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