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CORY CASE AGAINST KERR.

Witnesses Swear That Inspector Gave Permission

For the Fisherman to Lay Nets Outside His Limit.

Delby Smith Found Not Guilty of False Pretence.

"Not guilty" was the verdict of the jury in the case of Delby J. Smith, tried yesterday in the General Sessions of the County Court on a charge of obtaining incandescent mantles from the Star Manufacturing Company, Toronto, on false pretence, by claiming he owned a house on Herkimer street, which was registered in his wife's name.

When the Court was opened in the afternoon Linton J. Tamlin was the first witness called. He said he had met Eastman in Toronto a very short time after he had moved to that city from New Ontario. He had bought oil stock from him, which was supposed to have been paying a good dividend, according to the representations made. Witness said he would not believe Eastman on oath. The witness said he knew about ten who had made similar statements, and gave the names of four.

"Well, you can't say this man isn't upright if you have only heard four speak against him in a city with a population of 400,000," said Mr. Washington. Delby J. Smith, the prisoner, corroborated what Miss Snyder and Mr. Brick had said at the morning session regarding the conversation between himself and Eastman. He said he had been a resident of Hamilton all his life. He had been employed as a traveller, but had secured a couple of good "lines" that he could work around the district and settled down.

"Did you ever represent to him that you owned a house on Herkimer street?" asked Mr. Starnes. "No, I told him I had bought a house on Herkimer street two years previously."

"Did he say anything to you about his enquiries regarding your standing?" "Yes, he walked into my office one day and told me he had made enquiries and knew I owned a house on Herkimer street, and had control of my mother's \$60,000, but I then informed him that the house was in my wife's name and the \$60,000 had nothing to do with me."

Mr. J. Eastman, manager of the Star Manufacturing Company, was recalled, and said he had no conversation with Mr. Smith such as the stenographer and Mr. Brick had referred to. "Would you believe Tamlin on oath?" "No, certainly not."

His Honor in giving his charge to the jury said it did not make any difference whether the money had been paid or not, the question they had to consider was whether Smith had bought the goods making misrepresentation, such as had been claimed, knowingly. The case was not between the two men, so they would not have to consider that, but only true facts which related to the charge for which defendant was being tried. If they found he had not made any misrepresentations then the prisoner would be given his freedom, but if they found otherwise he would have to be punished. If they were in doubt the prisoner should be given the benefit of the doubt.

The jury were out but a short time, when they returned with their verdict, and the prisoner was given his liberty. A case of deep interest to the fishermen on the Beach and along the lake shore, as well as numerous others, was next taken up, it being that of Cory v. Kerr, for damages for illegal seizure of fishing nets. The case will decide as to the right of a fisherman to allow a fisherman to fish outside his boundaries providing the fishing is poor in his own district. William Cory, the plaintiff, who lives at Van Wagner's Beach, said he fished for a living and had a license for the current year. During his 18 years as a fisherman he had frequently been outside of the boundaries described in the license when given permission to do so by the fishery inspector. The fishery inspector had told him that what he said was law and if he said a fisherman could occupy certain boundaries the Government accepted his ruling. He had no trouble until the first of this year, when 1,400 yards of his nets were seized a few weeks after the fishery inspector, Mr. Kerr, had given him permission to fish on the north shore, which was outside the boundaries mentioned in his license. (Continued on Page 9)

CORPSE SAT UP.

Yawned and Felt Better But Died After All.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 17.—As an undertaker started to prepare the body of Edward Murphy for burial, the supposed dead man arose in bed and yawned. "I feel better after that long sleep," he said. Murphy had been in a state of coma for ten hours. He had been an invalid for a long time. But the undertaker was soon recalled, for Murphy really died yesterday, after joking to the frightened embalmer about his "first death."

SEALEY AND HIS EXCELLENCY.

W. O. Sealey, member for Wentworth, was summoned to the private office of His Excellency Earl Grey yesterday morning, where matters pertaining to general agriculture, trade and commerce, and particularly his recent speech at Boston, were discussed.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

R. C. A. CLOSED.

Exhibition Has Been a Success in Every Way.

After a successful three-weeks' exhibition the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts closed its thirty-first annual show last evening in the art gallery in the Public Library building. The exhibition was well attended, and Hamilton people showed their appreciation by purchasing pictures to the amount of \$1,000. Among these were a number of paintings by local artists, including "The Gloaming," by J. E. Gordon, and "Quebec," by Miss Marion Mattice. The President, Wm. Brynner, and the other officers of the Academy, expressed themselves much pleased with the first exhibition here. Previously they were held in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Halifax, but it is more than likely that Hamilton will be included in the circuit.

STILL AFTER A CANDIDATE.

Bailey Balks and Stewart Will be Petitioned to Run.

Official Temperance Ticket Made Public To-day.

Seventeen Men Named—Others Who Talk of Running.

As predicted yesterday in the Times, W. G. Bailey decided last night not to oppose Mayor McLaren, and the Hydro supporters are out hot foot once more for T. J. Stewart to enter the fight. The latest scheme is to circulate petitions around the city urging the member for West Hamilton to permit himself to be nominated as the Hydro candidate for Mayor. It is hoped to secure a thousand signatures, and, armed with these, the committee will make another attempt to secure the consent of the ex-Mayor to run. Stewart looks like the latest hope now. If he refuses to buckle on the armor there is little chance of a fight. Aldermen Wright and Hopkins, who intimated that they would not be adverse to opposing Mayor McLaren, are not fancied by the majority of the clique which is trying to work up opposition. If Stewart stays out of it the Hydro Campaign Committee will probably content itself with trying to elect aldermen and controllers favorable to the cause. The Hydro people say they have been given an intimation by Stewart that if he does run he will resign his Parliamentary seat in West Hamilton, realizing that to hold it and reach out for the Mayoralty too would kill any chance he might have.

The Citizens' Campaign Committee has completed the work of selecting its candidates for the Board of Control and the council. The official ticket was handed out for publication to-day. It is as follows: For Controllers—Ald. W. H. Cooper. Ald. George H. Lees. Ald. J. M. Peregrine. For Aldermen—Ward 1—J. H. Horning, Ald. G. H. Milne, Ald. T. S. Morris. Ward 2—Ex-Ald. Jos. Kirkpatrick, Dr. R. T. MacDonald. Ward 3—Charles Duff, Ald. John Forth, Edward Morwick. Ward 4—William Brown, Dr. J. Edgar Davey, J. A. Williamson. Ward 5—James Harrison. Ward 6—Ben Johnson, ex-Ald. H. A. Martin. Ward 7—Ald. Wm. Anderson, R. C. Gibson, Ald. Thomas Robson.

It will be noted that there are only seventeen aldermen on the temperance ticket. It was thought advisable in some of the wards, where the vote is more divided, to concentrate the efforts of the workers on one or two men, instead of risking the defeat of three men if an attempt was made to carry a full ticket in each ward. Some of the Hydro supporters are sore at Bailey refusing to run, and there is talk of them opposing the placing of his name on the Hydro ticket for controllers. If Bailey had run for Mayor Jim Miller would have had a place on the slate. If Bailey is on the Board of Control, Jim will be shoved off. C. G. Bird was an alderman candidate in ward 6. Some of his friends are urging him to run. R. C. Ripley has been waited upon and asked to run in No. 1 ward for alderman. He is considering the matter, but is inclined to think it wise to wait a year.

CHECKERS.

Y. M. C. A. Players Defeated at Brantford Last Night.

The Y. M. C. A. Checker Club journeyed to Brantford last evening and tried conclusions with the Brantford club, but proved to be too young at the game for the more experienced players. Nine of the games were draws, but the large majority of wins were on the side of the Brantford team. The visitors were treated to an oyster supper at the close of the game, after which a number of happy speeches were made and the National Anthem brought an exceedingly pleasant evening to a close. A return match will be played just after the holidays. The Brantford team was: Messrs. Battle, Hill, Parks, Taylor, Lister, Smith and Adams. Local Y. M. C. A. team was Messrs. Vernon, Wildman, Harrison, Giltrie, Weatherall, Campbell and Best.

BADLY HURT.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 17.—John Brown, aged 70 years, an employee of the Riordan paper mills, is lying severely injured at his home in Merriton. While loading a wagon with sulphate at the mill he slipped from the shipping platform and fell to the ground below.

BRUSSELS MOURNS LEOPOLD.

Belgians' King Passed Peacefully Away—Regency Council Appointed—Royal Condolences—His Daughters Leave Palace.

Brussels, Dec. 17.—All Brussels mourns to-day. Flags on public buildings are at half mast, and private houses are draped with crepe. The body of the King, clothed in the uniform of a lieutenant-general, remains in the chamber of the "Palma," where death entered last night, surrounded only by those who in life had won and retained his close friendship. The expression on the dead monarch's face is peaceful and it is now known that the end was painless. The body will be placed in a casket this evening, when a period of mourning officially begins.

Dr. Thiriar said to-day: "I knew that the King was suffering from a malady of the heart. This was our chief anxiety when operating, but we decided to resort to surgery in order to save His Majesty from terrible suffering. As a matter of fact, he died without suffering at all."

Immediately following Leopold's death two nuns laid out the body, but it was not at once removed from the bed. The obsequies will take place at the Collegiate Church of St. Guldaloupe.

This morning early President Schollert proceeded to the palace and under his direction the Official Monitor published a special number announcing the formation of a regency council, composed of the council and ministers, which will nominally hold the reins of government until the heir to the throne, Prince Albert, has taken the oath of accession.

After much persuasion to-day, Baron Goffinet, Private Secretary to King Leopold, who is greatly affected by the sudden termination of His Majesty's illness, described the scene at the palace.

"The King's body," said the baron, "rests on his bed. His expression is peaceful. All of the household are in tears, gathered about the body. We have informed the ministers of the fact."

The newspaper correspondents were prohibited strictly from entering the palace this morning and were correspondingly disappointed. Meagre details of events transpiring within were made known officially.

It is said that Leopold will constitute a good-sized volume. The Princess Clementine and her sister Stephanie, with the Countess of Flanders, left the palace at an early hour. They were followed by His Majesty's intimate friend, Baroness Vaughan. The latter proceeded to Ballin Court, refusing to be interviewed.

This forenoon M. J. Davignon, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, officially notified the sovereigns and chiefs of state of Europe of the death of Leopold, King of the Belgians. Telegrams of condolence were early received from King Edward and Queen Alexandra, Emperor William, King Alfonso, Emperor Francis Joseph, King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helene, President Fallieres of France, and Pope Pius X. The Pontiff has ordered a Requiem Mass for the repose of Leopold's soul.

Hundreds of other messages of sympathy and regret have reached the palace. The sittings of the courts have been suspended until the new King shall have received the crown.

The Man In Overalls

Every day's a bargain day now. Get in the push.

The hospital will finish the year with an overdraft. It insists on having three meals a day at any cost.

I couldn't sleep if the transmission line was run past my door. A touch means death.

What do the hotel men think of this new license scheme of Mr. Foy's?

The Christmas Times will be out to-morrow. Have you sent in your ad?

This secret opposition to Mayor McLaren.



6 More Shopping Days Before Christmas

KEEP THE POY SHOPPING

DON'T FORGET!

Laren looks like a Black Hand affair. Those who have a hand in it seem ashamed of it.

Once more the Gore fence is to come down. It has no defence.

Mr. Brown, please make a note of the fact that there was no children's shelter for poor Willie Fowler. A fouler deed than his desertion would be hard to find.

Defeated in the Mayoralty fight, it would be all up with ex-Mayor Stewart in West Hamilton.

Instead of writing letters and putting on a poor mouth to Santa Claus, why doesn't the Toronto Telegram hang up its stocking and take its chances with the rest of us?

But the Herald's claim to be independent hasn't landed it on one of the independent boards.

If Halley's comet were open for an engagement, you would see the Toronto Exhibition people after it.

When asking for our vote, why doesn't Alf. Wright state distinctly if he favors the city buying a Dreadnought for the old country? What is he anyhow? An annexationist?

But a man may be a Hydro-Electric man and yet make a poor controller.

A doctor who would enter the mayoralty race surely couldn't have many patients.

The opposition to Mayor McLaren is petering down to Alf. Wright and Tommy Gould as mayoralty candidates.

We don't hear any reports of a scarcity of houses now. Have the builders caught up with the demand?

Of course, above the transmission line down to the north end. A few poor people more or less will never be missed.

For the life of him, the Englishman can't see how a tax on wheat is going to cheapen his bread.

THE ORE CASES

Three More Arrests Made by Toronto Detectives.

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(Special Wire to the Times.)

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 17.—Following the arrest of John E. Wilkinson, and Alexander Littlejohn, alias MacFarlane, on a charge of receiving stolen silver ore of a very high grade, three more arrests have been made this morning. Detective Murray met the Cobalt special at North Parkdale and arrested Nicholas Zovetz, and Dnyas Andras, a Hungarian and a Swede, the latter of whom carried a loaded automatic revolver. Two other men they got away, as the detective was alone. They put up no resistance. In the court this morning all the men pleaded not guilty and were remanded till the 24th.

In a statement issued to the Times this morning Mr. Wilkinson stated that he was entirely ignorant of the amendment in the Criminal Code compelling written authority for the selling of ore. He also said that his books had been open for inspection at all times, and that his smelter in Chippewa was not carried on clandestinely, but had been established there because Toronto would not allow it here.

About noon still another arrest was made, Jacob Cohen, 78 Agnes street, near the City Hall, by Detective Tipton. A search of his house revealed a series of melting pots, and in the hands of the detectives a large series of cheques from Wilkinson, showing a total of over \$500 for November. The detective department is of the opinion that the investigation of the cases will show one of the biggest schemes, resulting in a most wholesale robbery of Cobalt mines. Other arrests will probably follow.

TO RUN TWO CANDIDATES.

Labor Party Makes Selections—Present to Mr. Studholme.

At the regular meeting of the Independent Labor Party, held last evening in the Labor Hall, John street south, the labor candidates for the coming campaign were nominated and endorsed. H. J. Halford and William Barrett were the two chosen, and in addressing the meeting pledged themselves, if elected, to attend to the interests of the laboring people at all times. They also believed in conducting civic affairs from a purely business standpoint; if successful they will be supporters of the Hydro scheme. A committee of sixteen was appointed to organize and canvass the various divisions in the wards in which the candidates will run. Mr. Barrett will run in Ward 7. Mr. Halford has not decided where he will stand. It was decided to have only these two candidates in the field this year.

At the conclusion of the meeting the Independent Labor Party football team presented Mr. Allan Studholme with a large photograph of the team, accompanied with a shield, suitably engraved. John Drury made the presentation. In a few well chosen words Mr. Studholme, who was taken completely by surprise, thanked the members, and hoped that they would be the means of bringing Association football before the public.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED

A complete line of shaving strops direct from the factory. These were bought at a very low price, and we are going to give you the benefit of our purchase. They range in price from 35c up to \$2 each.—Parke & Parke.

If you wish to see your communications published, enclose your name and address to the editor. Unless you do so, they will find their way to the waste basket.

JUDGE DEAD.

Kingston, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Supreme Court Justice Geo. H. Fitts, of Albany, was found dead in bed at the Eagle Hotel this morning. He had been residing at the hotel for some time.

TO JAIL THEM.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 17.—Business has been so demoralized by the coal strike that the Legislature to-day took the drastic step of passing a bill rendering both strike leaders and employers who instigate or aid a strike or lock-out liable to a year's imprisonment.

ALL READY

For a big day's business, the whole staff have for many days and nights been busy packing up goods and getting ready for the rush. Extra rigs and extra help have been provided. We assure you prompt delivery. It's impossible in this limited space to tell you of the many tempting things we have provided for you. We would simply ask that if possible you pay us a visit. We feel sure you will appreciate our endeavor. Kindly favor us as early as possible.—Bain & Adams.

See Here!

To-morrow will be Christmas Number Day. The Times will be out early. Advertisers must help. All ad copy should be in the office this afternoon, including small ads.

IN HARD LUCK.

Mrs. Miller's Husband and Fine Team Gone.

Time is not the only thing that flits away—some husbands go likewise. Mrs. Susan Miller, of Ancaster, who was acquitted of a cruelty to animals charge in police court this morning told of being left alone to support herself and little boy. Her husband disappeared last fall and has not been seen since, but she has heard he is in Stantons.

But it is not his loss she is bemoaning the most, it is the loss of a fine team of horses, which she valued at \$600 and which, she says, he sold in this city for \$400 before going away.

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ECKER-BUSH.

Popular Binbrook Young People Married in This City.

Two popular young people of Binbrook joined hearts and hands in a happy matrimonial union in this city on Wednesday. They were Mr. Herbert Ecker, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Ecker, and Miss Ethel Ann Bush, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Bush. The groom is a worker in the Methodist Church there, while the bride is active in the affairs of the Baptist Church, and both have a large circle of friends. The marriage took place at the residence of the bride's former pastor, Rev. Jas. Bracken, 366 John street north. They were unattended, and left for a trip west immediately after the ceremony, the bride wearing a travelling costume of brown with hat and furs to match.

GOOD FOR CHRISTMAS.

Regulars Are Keeping Out of the Police Court.

Four Months at Stone Pile For Two Youths.

Ancaster Cruelty Case Dismissed by the Magistrate.

*Christmas is coming. A significant sign is the falling off in police court attendance. Those who generally put in an appearance in the dock about twice weekly are evidently resolved to keep out of court before Christmas.

Charles Robertson and Edwin Roffe, of any old place, were free yesterday; to-day they are jail birds. Young, dirty and unkempt, they were caught in the drag net for vagrants yesterday by P. C. Cameron and Barrett. Those two officers found Charles and Edwin spending the day in emptying liquid jugs and asking for subscriptions for the payment of the liquid.

They came here, they said, from Toronto. They both said they had worked one short day in the Queen City, unloading coal. Prior to their visit in Toronto they said they had loaded and unloaded coal in Montreal, but neither could furnish names of their employers.

The magistrate thought they were vags, all right, so over the bridge they went en route for Ogilvie road for four months, where they will break stone and leave strictly methodical.

Joseph Johnston, 85 John street south, is a youthful modern Jehu. He drove his horse and rig on the wrong side when passing King and James streets.

P. C. Thompson summoned him for a breach of the by-law. The fine was \$2, but Johnston wanted to speak in defence, and started to tell that his horse would not stand, when Chief Smith whispered to the lad to be quiet as he had got off lucky.

The magistrate said the fine for driving on the wrong side at King and James streets was usually \$5, but because defendant was not cheeky to the constable he reduced it to \$2.

Mrs. Susan Miller was charged with ill-treating her pigs by Inspector Berlinghoff, of the S. P. C. A. The precise nature of the alleged ill treatment was insufficient feeding. She has a farm of 25 acres near Ancaster township.

Mr. Kirwan Martin was prosecuting counsel, while George Kerr, K. C., defended.

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Saved From the Sea



CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Remarkable Values

for Christmas

Shoppers Here To-morrow

BE ON TIME

COME AT 8.30

Price Saving in Ladies' Hand Bags

Ladies' real Leather Hand Bags, leather covered or nickel frames, some with coin purses, single or 2-strap handles, worth \$1.50, Saturday sale price \$1.00

Hand Bags \$2.00

Ladies' Black Seal Hand Bags, brass trimmed, leather covered frames, small coin purse and leather lined, single strap handles, worth \$2.50, Saturday sale price \$2.00 each

See our line of Hand Bags, in Russian, Real Seal, Velvet, Crocodile, Alligator, patent leather, fancy leather and Morocco, these range in prices from \$1.75 to \$2.00

Music Cases

Full stock of Music Cases in black, real velvet, crocodile, in brown and green, nickel trimmings, prices from \$1.75 to \$2.75

Our Stock of Toilet and Manicure Sets is Complete. See Them

- Toilet Pieces 39c
Old Toilet Pieces in both silver and ebony, for Christmas presents, regular 50c; Saturday 39c each
Ebony Mirrors \$2.25
Large size Plate Glass Ebony Mirrors, in hand or stand mirrors, worth \$2.75, Saturday \$2.25
Comb and Brush Sets for Children
Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets for children, in nice case, in black, white or steel backs, regular \$3.00, Saturday \$2.50
Perfume 50c
Perfume, best French makes, in nice boxes, worth 75c, for 50c box
Our stock of Manicure and Toilet Sets is quite complete. A pleasure to show these goods; prices range from \$1.00 to \$25.00

Birthday Books, Poems, Children's Books, Etc.

Birthday Books, nicely bound, with gilt edges, and worth 40c, on sale on Saturday \$25 each
Children's Books, nicely bound, and by good authors, Up in the Clouds, Margie's Progress, The Gorilla Hunters, The Pansy Books, Oliver Twist, Martin Chuzzlewit, worth 40c, Saturday \$25 each

Padded Poems 79c

Padded Poems, Morocco bound and gilt edges, by good poets, such as Shelley, Wordsworth, Burns, Mrs. Browning, Whittier, regular \$1.00, for 79c

Boys' and Girls' Books \$1.75 Each

Boys' Own Annual, Chums, and Girls' Own, on sale, \$1.75 each
Foxy Grandpa and Little Brother, etc., worth 80c
Ruster Brown and May Jones' Painting Books, 80c
The Railway That Gave Built, regular \$1, for 75c
The Explorer, by William Somerset Maugham, worth \$1.00, for 75c

A Few Xmas Suggestions From Men's Department

Silk Ties 19c

100 dozen Men's Silk Ties, plain and fancy; the regular price is 50c. Saturday will sell at 19c. Don't fail to see them.

Linen Handkerchiefs 3 for 50c

Gents' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, narrow hem; regular 20c each, Saturday 3 for 50c

Mufflers 49c

Men's Square Mercerized Mufflers, different shades; regular 75c, Saturday yours for 49c

House Coats and Smoking Jackets

Ask to see our vast assortment of Men's House Coats and Smoking Jackets, nicely trimmed with padded satin, cord braid and frogs. No trouble to show them. Prices \$5.00 to \$15.00

Why Not Give a Pretty Belt Length?

Saturday we are going to place on sale two lines of beautiful Beltings, in gilt and floral designs, in 2 1/2 yard belt lengths, in nice gift box. We were lucky enough to get these Beltings in all shades for the Christmas trade. We have about 50 dozen in the lot. Saturday, for quick selling, prices \$2.50 and 38c belt length. Don't miss this.

Frilling 50c, for 25c Box

One gross boxed Frillings, 6 FRILLS, of cord, nets, etc., in Christmas gift box, regularly 50c, Saturday special 25c box

Fancy Collars 50c Each

A splendid assortment of Fancy Collars, in all colors, made up of lace and ribbon, etc., put up in dainty gift box; regularly 75c and \$1.00, Saturday 50c ea.

Embroidery Handkerchiefs 3 for 50c

500 dozen Swiss Embroidery Handkerchiefs, in plain and scalloped edge, regularly 25c, in boxes 3 for 50c

Lace Ties 25c Each

Cream and Ecru Lace Ties, with large medallion on ends, regularly up to 75c, sale price 25c each

Don't Miss These Bargains in Toyland

50 dark green leatherette collapsible English Go-carts, iron frames and wheels, regular \$1.50, selling for 75c
Saturday morning sharp at 8.30

5 dozen boxes Nine Pins, regular 35c, selling for 15c
2 dozen Dolls Houses and Stables, regular \$1.00, for 50c
Good Strong Drums 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 each
2 only Teddy Bears, regular 35c, for 15c
2 only sets of Trains, with automatic tracks, regular \$5.00, Saturday, \$3.50, for \$3.50, each

Red Table with 2 chairs, \$2.00, Good Strong Rocking Horse, \$5
splendid value, \$10.00 each
Red Rockers for children, 40c each
Sleighs for boys and girls 25c to \$4.50
Chairs for children, 25c
Red Rockers for dolls, regular 25c, \$6.00 Kid Body Jointed Dolls, real hair, for \$4.50 each
Kid Body Dolls, with unbreakable heads, real hair, \$2 up to \$5
Good strong Folding Tables, 50c and 75c each
Splendid value Kid Body Dolls, regular 35c, for 25c
Dolls' Folding Cradles, regular 50c for 35c
Hair Stuffed Body Dolls, regular 25c, for 15c
Dolls' Wicker Buggies 25c, 50c to \$3.50
Dressed Dolls, from 10c up to \$10
Automobiles, \$3.50 and \$5.50 ea. Dishes, all prices.
Ben Hur Wagons, \$1.25 to \$3.50 Games of all kinds 5c up to \$1.25
Express Wagons, 25c to \$2.50

Gloves Are Always a Useful Gift

Full range of Ladies' Glove Real French Kid Gloves, over seam, two-dome fasteners, silk embroidered points, in all the latest shades. These Gloves are made from perfect skins; every pair guaranteed; in pretty gift box. Worth \$1.25, Saturday special \$1.00 pair

Children's Gloves 75c to \$1.00 Pair
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Ladies' Mocha Gloves, lined throughout, neat fur trimming, strap wrist, with neat dome, in tan and grey, all sizes. A nice gift, in box \$2.00 pair
Lined Gloves \$1.25 Pair
Ladies' Lined Kid Gloves, 2 dome fasteners, warm wool lining throughout, all sizes in tan, brown and black. Regular \$1.50, Saturday \$1.25 pair

Childrens Wove Mitts, fancy or plain backing, all shades, wrist length. Regular 35c value, for 25c

The Biggest Sale of Waists and Underskirts Ever on Record

Don't miss this marvellous sale of New Christmas Net Waists, Bath Robes and Silk Undergarments.

\$1.00 Wrapperette Kimonos for 49c
\$5.00 Black Silk Waists for \$3.75

We will put on sale Saturday morning at 9 o'clock sharp 3 dozen only of Wrapperette Kimonos, made of dainty Persian patterns, assorted sizes; worth regular \$1.00, Saturday's sale price 49c
\$5 Net and Silk Waists for \$2.98
Chiffon Black Silk Tafetta Waists, made with front daintily tucked, Gibson style; all sizes; worth regular \$5.00, Saturday's sale price \$3.75

Dainty Fine White Net Silk Waists, made with yoke, embroidery front belt, tucked Directorate sleeves, edged with lace; also a line of fine fancy Silk Waists, worth regular \$5.00, Saturday's sale price \$2.98
We have now a nice assortment of new White Lawn Waists, all done up in separate boxes, suitable for Christmas gifts.

Superior quality of Elderdown Bath Robes, in cardinal and grey, full skirt, trimmed collar, pocket and girdle, all sizes; worth regular \$5.00, Saturday's sale price \$3.75

Christmas Gifts for the Baby

- Mittens, ranging from 15 to 50c
Bootees, ranging from 25 to 75c
Bibs, ranging from 10 to 75c
Overalls and Leggings, ranging from 25 to 50c
Woolen Coats, ranging from 60c to \$1.50
Scarfs, ranging from 25 to 40c
Best quality of Lamb's Wool Carriage Robes, in two-piece style; worth regular \$5.00, Christmas sale price \$3.85
Fancy Bonnets, ranging from 40c to \$5.00
White Dresses, ranging from 98c to \$6.50
Children's Furs, ranging from \$2.00 to \$5.50
Children's Robes, ranging from \$2.98 to \$6.00

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Regular 85c and \$1.00 Venetian Suitings for Saturday 49c Yard.

Every woman in need of Dress Goods should take advantage of the grand special of nifty Suitings, guaranteed all this season's newest style material, on sale, in both plain and stripe effects, perfect colors of navy, brown, myrtle, stape, rose, wistaria, red, Bergundy and black, a splendid line for a practical gift. On sale to-morrow, worth regularly up to \$1, sale price 49c yard

Regular 50c Henriettas Going To-morrow at 39c Yard
Lovely Silk-finished Henrietta, pure wool, on sale in perfect colors of pale blue, pink, red, navy, brown, cream and myrtle, grand material for children's dresses, at, per yard 39c

Pretty 50c Wool Delaines for Saturday 25c Yard
Don't miss this half price sale of Pure Wool Delaines, grand material for house dresses, kimonos, blouses, etc., on sale in light, mid and dark ground effects, with neat and pretty floral designs. Shop early for this event, per yard 25c

"We'll mount there, then," said Dr. Clifford, smiling. "We couldn't ride, and a lady walk, could we, knowles?"
"Sure no, sir. It's an honor, for the lady to come so far. So here we go—youth and age!"
She was walking at his side; but near the gate she stepped forward, and with a smile, swung it back for men and horses to pass into the open road, followed them, and let the big gate shut behind her.
"Am going for a walk," she said, as they now mounted. "Which is the best way to start off, Mr. Knowles?"
"Why, ma'am," said he, and his strong, resonant voice might have been heard half a mile off, "if you head toward the beach till you come to the stile on your left, and then cross it—"

came back to England, to your aunt, and merciful Heaven! she was dead months before, and you, my wife, my darling gone! I think my very brain reeled that day before the dark work I had wrought. Then I sought you everywhere; by every possible means open to me, and month after month, in vain. Oh, Christine, Christine, have a little, only a little pity; for, cruelly as I have made you suffer, I have suffered too; and even when, a week ago, I saw you suddenly at the Vaudeville—
"You saw me there?" she said, hoarsely, her hands pressed against her bosom; "then this is no chance meeting!"
"Chance!—no! How could I rest one hour without finding out where you were, and who and what the man was you were with? Then I learned you were all coming here, and I followed. I have watched the farm for days; I saw you to-day when you rode off; I heard the farmer direct you here, and I have tracked you, to plead against hope for pardon for that miserable disloyalty—the first and last, in faith, I swear!—to hold you once more in my arms, as in years gone by, and—Christine, have mercy!" he broke out. "Come back to me! Come back to me, as of old, my darling!"
She was quivering from head to foot; the passionate impulse of the woman's heart swept her on to yield to the temptation, as in her ignorance the girl of sixteen had done; but the woman's truest pride and knowledge—ay, the very strength of her deathless love for him—swept back the tide of a mistaken impulse.
"Forgiven!—yes," she said, low and tremulous. "You are the love of my youth, my husband, and I cannot forget; but when you plead 'Come back to me, as of old,' you say to little or too much, I was scarcely more than a child, undeveloped, ignorant of the world and myself, when you, handsome and golden-tongued, met me, and in that awful hour caught by the fatal beauty which your lips and eyes so easily told me was mine, heart and soul his blind, worshipping love for your own, and only to me; then, when you knew your masterful power over me was irresistible, that I was the one being in the world banned and barred to you for wife by your uncle, simply because my mother had refused his hand; that he was inexorable, and it would be your utter ruin for him to know that you loved Leonora Brengere's child; that for us, you said, it was paradise together and death to part—"

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FRIDAY, DEC. 17, 1909.

SCARIFYING WHITNEY.

The Divisional Court has dismissed the London and Toronto cases brought to test the validity of Whitney's Hydro-Electric Act which closes the courts to all actions involving the Hydro-Electric Commission or the scheme which it is designed to promote.

Approach to the judgment seat being barred it is of slight importance whether the outer-door of the courts is open or closed. Respecting the section of the statute which stays the action pending it is plainly enough expressed to that effect and the only comment that the court can make is to quote the words from Lord Watson's judgment in Young vs. Adams, 1898, Ap. Cas., 457, 476.

These are scathing words to be used in connection with legislation fathered by a provincial government. They declare, in effect, that a most heinous wrong has been committed under forms of law, and that the courts of justice have been precluded from seeing right prevail.

The finding of the court, in short, is that the legislation in question, vicious and unjust as it is, and in violation of the moral sense of the community, is still within the competence of the Legislature. But the court shows its detestation of its character that it declines to make any order further than such a declaration, and it refuses to allow costs.

AIDING (?) TEMPERANCE.

It requires no elaborate argument to convince reasonable people that the state of affairs disclosed by the liquor case tried at yesterday's police court must be very unsatisfactory to all the temperance people, all lovers of order, and all who, while tolerant of a well-regulated licensed traffic, seek to minimize the evils resulting from drink.

The drinking habits of part of the foreign element furnish a very difficult problem for the authorities who are called upon to deal with them. On several occasions wild Sunday revels have resulted in violence, and the peace officers' duty has been made much more onerous thereby. They are rightly held to respect the privacy of the home; at the same time, when the homes are made the theatre of drunken rows and violence—of actual violation of the license laws—the officers cannot stand idly by.

Now it turns out that the local hotel and saloon-keepers have been unfairly blamed in the matter. Not all of these stores of liquor come from their cellars. It has been discovered that the Whitney Government (direct, not through the local license commission) has issued a warehouse license which proves a great convenience to those resorts which wish to lay in a supply. In yesterday's case a considerable part of the big stock found, claimed to be owned by "boarders" came from this source.

A disquieting incident of the case is the fact that when it came on Wednesday, Mr. W. L. Ross, lawyer for the License Inspector, sought to have the prosecution dropped. Fortunately this proposal was not accepted, and yesterday the case was tried and a conviction was recorded. There is much comment upon this case. The issuing of this warehouse license, and its effect on the particular evil of the traffic which has caused the authorities so much trouble, has led to many reflections on the Whitney Government's manner of helping the cause of temperance.

Liquor License Act should be regarded with suspicion. Was that warehouse license necessary? Had Hamilton not enough liquor supply stores and bars without the Ontario Government pushing another upon us?

A SPLENDID REPORT.

The Bank of Hamilton report for the year, which ended with last month, will prove very gratifying to the shareholders. The net profits amount to \$382,332, which, with the balance, and premium received on new stock, leaves, after the payment of dividends at 10 per cent. and providing for all other charges and allowances, \$403,665 to be carried forward to profit.

THE WORLD'S ARMAMENTS.

Dealing with the nine great military powers of the world and their expenditures upon armies and navies Mr. W. R. Lawson writing in the London Financial News points out that these powers spent for war purposes in the year 1906, the latest year for which complete returns are available, no less a sum than \$206,967,000.

The total revenue produced by taxes in these nine countries was in round numbers \$792,000,000, so that we find their armaments required an expenditure of about 40 per cent. of their entire revenue. In the case of Great Britain and Germany, armaments required nearly 50 per cent.; in France about 33-1-3, and in Italy about 20 per cent.

The drain on industry illustrated by the figures here given, is an enormous one. Sooner or later, it must be stopped, or the consequences will be ruinous. Will an era of common sense not soon dawn?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The country is safe! The Toronto Board of Education has declared for flying flags on every day of the year, Sundays included.

The "opposition to Mayor McLaren" is just seething—in that upstairs room of the Herald office. Does it hope for "an extra thousand dollars" this time?

Now that it has failed to induce Bailey to be its catpaw, the Herald reverts to its old plan, leaving him out in the cold and putting forward Cooper, Wright, Quinn and Miller. Is it as sore as that?

The New York Sun marvels at the lack of appetite of the Montreal municipal grafters, when their opportunities are taken into account. Perhaps they did not wish to work a good thing to death.

Manitoba's Minister of Education has announced at the Provincial Grain Growers' Convention that the Government will establish a line of internal grain elevators. This determination is one which may have far reaching consequences.

The Herald daily quotes Doc Hopkins as being eager to induce opposition to Mayor McLaren. Will the man of pills be willing to loosen up a bit "for the boys," or does he expect the loosening to be done by the man to be "induced"?

The Toronto World editorially comments upon the dismissal of the power suits; but, significantly enough, it inserts asterisks and omits entirely the scathing comments of the courts upon the villainous character of the Whitney legislation which denies the courts power to try the cases!

Spain is making a great agricultural and industrial progress. Four years ago she had to import \$70,000,000 of food-stuffs. Now she is practically independent of foreign supply. Her exports in 1908 were slightly greater than her imports, which totalled \$161,330,462.

It is only a few years since Cecil Rhodes was laughed at for predicting a Cape-to-Cairo Railway. Already 2,147 miles of the road is open, from Cairo to the Congo frontier, and the Congo link of 160 miles is under construction. Rhodes' "dream" will soon be a reality.

apply to all the mines, but only to those which had combined to apply for it. The invidious character of the regulation will doubtless attract much attention.

The Herald still clings to Hope. After many failures it asserts: "There is no lack of men who are willing to undertake the task" of opposing Mayor McLaren. Why has it not had one out in the field long ago? Was it because the "willing" had not the "heart" to be tapped? What a thirst it must have!

Now that King Leopold of Belgium is dead it is not improbable that some people who have long damned him will, metaphorically, dance upon his grave. It may be conceded that his character, as it has been painted to us, was not an attractive one. Perhaps, however, the picture has not been faithful in all respects. In any event, we can safely leave the judgment to a Higher Power.

The little gang of Hydro-Electric agents and the hungry grafters who gather around them are very eager for "pickings," and are sparing no effort or trickery to induce some one to run against Mayor McLaren. Now that Stewart and Bailey have both said no, whom will they seek next? Alas, there is to be no corn for them in this year's municipal Egypt!

A contemporary very properly remarks in condemnatory terms upon the ghastly glee which some newspapers exhibit in contemplating the probable fatal outcome of King Leopold's illness. The stories of awful crime told of him are hardly evidence upon which to judge him. But if they were, surely the spirit exhibited in certain quarters is far from Christian, from civilized.

That Hydro-headed monster seems to be just itching to get busy and do things—Hamilton Herald, Hydro organ. Yes, long kneeling in that upstairs room in the Herald office and feeding scantly on fresh blood and offal make him exceedingly savage. But his courage goes only to inciting others; he finks at the notion of running as Hydro figure-head himself! He prefers to follow the fray and fatten on the remains.

Some of our United States exchanges remarking on the beneficial effect of the Lemoine Act in averting railway and other strikes, which seriously discommodate the public, urge that it be adopted in the United States. It is worth trying. A great people should not be left entirely to the mercy of selfish capitalists or arbitrary labor bosses, but should aim to see justice established.

We observe that a contemporary makes the statement that "every titled landowner voted against the budget." That is too sweeping a statement. For instance, the Marquis of Breadalbane, probably the third largest landowner in the United Kingdom, voted with the Liberals for the budget; and there were several others. Breadalbane's holdings total 438,358 acres. He is willing to pay his fair share of the national bill.

Mr. W. P. Champ, President of the Board of Trade, writes to the Globe in reference to the Board's resolution respecting changes in the act to suppress combines. He takes the ground that great injury has resulted by the creation of unjust prejudice against capital and manufacturers by unwarranted comments upon trade combinations, and that the Board's plan of investigation by commission would result in an improved condition of affairs.

Hamilton people will sympathize with Lord and Lady Aberdeen in the affliction which has fallen upon them by the death of their son, Archibald, and as the result of his recent automobile accident. The Aberdeens always felt a kindly interest in this city, and their sentiment of goodwill was heartily reciprocated. The young man's engagement to Miss Asquith, the lady so foully attacked by Poet Watson, was to have been formally announced in a few days.

The same tendency to reckless piling up of huge municipal debts that has wrought so much evil in Canada is apparent in the United States, too, where every political crook and grafter is found advocating municipal ownership and debt expansion. Municipal borrowing has increased 145 per cent. since 1900, being in the last eleven months \$201,732,715. No wonder municipal thieves and grafters diligently preach socialist municipal ownership and operation!

A local Tory contemporary talks about a Liberal paper "defending the do-nothing policy of the Dominion Government in the matter of technical education." That's rich! What has the Ontario Government, which is empowered to deal with the question, on which the duty rests, and which has been furnished with the money required to discharge it, done in the way of technical education? Why should it and its organs cry for its duty to be done by the federal Government, while they prance about with a chip on their shoulders seeking for an excuse to accuse it of "invading provincial rights"? Let Whittier first try to do his duty in the matter before lying down and playing the shirk.

SELF-POSSESSION.

Mr. Kajones, who had happened to step into the parlor while looking for a book, was just in time to see somebody slipping off somebody else's knee. "Ah, Bessie," he observed, pleasantly, "this is a merger, is it? Or is it a limited partnership?" "Neither, papa," said Bessie, recovering herself instantly; "George is my holding company—that's all."

Our Exchanges

SETTLED. (Puck.) Hewitt—Is he a good writer? Jewett—Certainly not; he won \$10,000 the other day in a prize-story contest.

VERY LORDLY. (Montreal Herald.) Ald. Duquette says that the question whether or not he will apply for reelections is none of our business. He really ought to be in the House of Lords.

ACCOMMODATING. (Boston Herald.) Janitor—Who was dat whistlin down de tube? Helper—Woman on de third floor wants more steam. Janitor—Hit de third pipe a couple o' times wit de hammer.

A YOUTHFUL PESSIMIST. (Cleveland Leader.) "Why, little boy, what are you crying about?" "I don't get no Christmas vacation!" "That's unjust. Why don't you?" "Cause I ain't old enough to go to school yet."

AN INTERESTING DEGREE. (Washington Star.) "What degree did that explorer mention as the place where he made his most interesting observations?" said one geographer. "I don't recall," answered the other. "But my impression is that it was something like the third degree." — Washington Star.

FRIENDLY ADVICE. (Chicago Record-Herald.) "Author! Author!" yelled the people. "Listen," said the young playwright. "Raise the curtain. I'll go out and make a speech." "Don't do it," replied the stage hand who had a kind face. "The fellows that are yellin' 'Author' are settin' in the front row and have heavy canes."

PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES. (Toronto Star.) Where are the big athletes of yesterday? Those who have played within their powers have had something of their strength left to show for their exploits, but physicians testify that few professional do play within their powers. The salaries are aluring, even though some of them are double in print what they are in cold cash, but the men with the ruined college careers, the weakened constitutions, and the habits of irregular employment are a poor contrast to the men who have played the game for fun, who have declined to over-strain themselves, and who have benefited from the habits of self-control which are inculcated by amateur sport. There is no occasion to envy the professional his big salary. It is generally for value in full.

SAM SMALL.

Large and Enthusiastic Meeting at Gospel Tabernacle.

Under the auspices of the Citizens' Campaign Committee Dr. Sam Small, the noted Georgian temperance orator, gave another lecture in Gospel Tabernacle last night before an audience that filled the hall. He had documentary substantiation of his statements made the previous night against the drink traffic in England, to which an Englishman loudly objected. He also read the resolution passed by the American Brewers' Association, which called for no liquor to be served to a drunken man, and no lounges in bar rooms, etc. Dr. Small referred to the consummate hypocrisy of the resolution. He also had something to say about the problems of national and civic life and urged that all that is right and noble be propagated. The light of good hotel accommodations in Hamilton was commented on. The lecturer dealt with the letter under the headline "License Reduction" which appeared in a local paper last night. The discourse was punctuated by the usual amount of philosophical humor which mark Dr. Small's oratory. Judging by the enthusiasm exhibited at the meeting it was the most successful held during the campaign.

Rev. S. B. Russell, of Erskine Presbyterian Church, was chairman, owing to the absence of Rev. Mr. Philpott, who was in Toronto.

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AT FINCH BROTHERS', SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18th, 1909. An Outpour of Fancy Baskets Up to 50c, For 19c. Our advice, be early. Quantities in some lines are limited. Fancy Baskets to trim with a touch of ribbon or silk in Tidy Baskets, Candy Boxes, Tidy Baskets, G. and H. Baskets of many kinds. Formerly 35c, 40c, 50c. Rush sale 8.30 a. m. At 50c, were \$1.25, Fancy Paper Baskets, and Tidy Baskets at \$1.39, were \$2.00 and \$2.50, Fancy Paper Baskets and Tidy Baskets. Another Gross Holly Box Frilling 25c. A fresh new lot of Gift Frillings, in pretty holly boxes, with 5 and 6 fancy and cord frills in a box. A splendid gift; easily worth 50c box, on sale Saturday. \$3 and \$3.50 Xmas Scarfs Now \$1.79. Beautiful French Silk Crepe de Chine Scarfs, in rich Dresden patterns, in plain black and colors; 1/2 yard long; a very pretty gift; formerly \$3 and \$3.50, Xmas sale. \$1.79. 50c Women's Knitted Mufflers 35c. Women's Christmas Knitted Mufflers, dome fastener, in white, grey, blue, brown or black, the kind that hugs the neck, 50c, Christmas sale. 35c. 4c Ribbons, 4 Yards 10c. Another lot of Silk Taffeta Ribbons, in all colors, quarter and half inch widths, for Christmas fancy work, etc., 4c yard, Saturday 4-yard bunches. 10c. 8c to 15c Val. Laces at 5c Yard. Final preparations for Christmas gives rise to many uses for Laces, Pretty English and German Val. Laces and Insertions to match, all widths, 5, 10, 15c formerly, Christmas sale. ON SALE 8.30 A. M. SHARP 75c and \$1 Men's Mufflers 25c. About 3 dozen only Men's Cashmere Mufflers, in cream and spotted effects, 40-inch squares, formerly 75c and \$1.00, rush sale season. 25c. 75c and \$1 Paperettes at 49c. A limited quantity of Christmas Paperette Cabinets in fancy boxes, containing 2 and 3 dozen in a box, formerly 75c and \$1.00, rush sale 8.30 a. m. \$1.25 Gift Umbrellas at 98c. 5 dozen Women's Gift Umbrellas, in pretty handles, best coverings, strong steel frames, regular \$1.25, on sale 8.30 a. m. Your Greatest Xmas Gift to Us—Shop Early. FINCH BROS. A Great Rush Sale of Handkfs. at 8.30 a.m.

AT QUEEN'S. The Annual Faculty Dinners Before Holidays. The University Hockey Team—The New Buildings. (Special Wire to the Times.) Kingston, Dec. 16.—The past week at Queen's has brought the autumn term to a close. The shadow of term examinations hangs thick over the campus, but a few hours have been snatched for the annual faculty dinners. The Aesculapian Society, the organization of the medical students, held their dinner on Tuesday night. It was attended by over three hundred undergraduates and outside guests. The toast list included Principal Gordon and Dean Connell, Dr. McMurrich of Toronto University, Dean Bidwell, who has recently succeeded Bishop Farthing, D. M. McIntyre, K. C., and Dr. Ryan. Dr. Ryan took occasion to speak strongly in favor of the abolition of provincial boundaries in medical education, and the substitution of a common Dominion registration, and expressed his hope that the Council examination would soon be a thing of the past. Dr. McMurrich gave an interesting comparison of the movements in Canada and in the United States, looking toward the improvement of medical training. While in Canada the movement has taken the form of lengthening the course, in the United States the tendency has been rather to increase the entrance requirements, some of the most important medical colleges now requiring an arts degree as entrance qualification. He declared that Canada would have to look to her laurels in face of this radical progressiveness. On Wednesday night the engineering society, composed of the undergraduates in practical science, held their dinner, the thirteenth since the establishment of the School of Mining, but for all that the most successful of the series. By an amicable arrangement, first employed last year, the problem of service for the hundreds of guests is solved for the various faculties by the exchange of student waiters, the senior science students waiting on the tables at the medical dinner, and the senior medicals reciprocating on the following evening. The speedy service thus provided made it possible to work in over three hours of speech and song, and yet adjourn before midnight. Among the speakers were Principal Gordon, Dr. Charles MacDonaid, of Gananoque, and New York, the famous bridge-builder, Mr. Butler, Deputy Minister of Railways, Professor Arnold Haultain, of Toronto, Mr. Pook, of the Canadian Westinghouse Company, Hamilton, Mr. Seeley, of the Lake Superior Corporation, and several members of the staff. The keynote of most of the speeches of the evening was the desirability of the engineer taking a more prominent part in the public affairs of the country, which owes to his efforts so much of its present material prosperity. Professor Gill declared it was remarkable that the Dominion House did not contain a single engineer to balance the scores of doctors and lawyers, and that when the engineer brought to the Councils of the nation the straightforward directness, the businesslike brevity, the accuracy and the close knowledge of actual conditions which his experience gave him, the country would be the gainer. Mr. R. W. Brock, director of the Geological Survey, emphasized the need of the engineer's paying more attention to the study of English, not only as a means of improving the clearness and force of his reports, but as a hobby to offset the narrowing effect of specializing, and a solace for solitary hours. Mr. Pook described interestingly the system of apprenticeship instruction established in the Westinghouse shops, and direct and helpful advice to the undergraduates present on the way to make the transition from theory to practice. The University hockey team, which holds the Montague Allan Cup, representing the amateur championship of Canada, is hoping to be able to retain the honor the coming season. They are crippled by the loss of Daniels, their goal keeper, who is in the hospital for the year, and of Hugh Macdonnell, the stalwart cover-point, who has gone to Oxford for post graduate work, but are relying on some promising new material. A trip to New York will be made during the Christmas week, games being scheduled with several of the city clubs, and with an All-New York star combination. The unusually mild weather has enabled the contractors to carry on work with little interruption on the three fine new buildings which are being erected at Queen's. These buildings, which are a necessity of the recent expansion of the university, comprise an observatory, a chemistry building and a metallurgy and mining building. The observatory is now nearing completion. Like the other two buildings, it is built of Kingston limestone. It contains clock, equatorial and transit rooms, and is equipped with a revolving steel paper mache covered dome. The new three-story chemistry building, which is to cost \$100,000, is built after the Norman style of architecture, and is 160 feet long by 70 feet in width. It contains eleven large students' laboratories for general use, and is also equipped with special apparatus for qualitative, organic, electrolytic and water and food analysis laboratories. In addition to lecture theatres, library and museum, it is worthy of note that each professor has a special laboratory of his own. All laboratories are fully equipped with draft cupboards for carrying off chemical gases and odors. The \$40,000 necessary to build the new Nicol mining and metallurgy building was donated by Professor William Nicol, head of the department of mineralogy in the school of mines. It is also of three stories, and is 75 feet by 88 feet. It contains chemical, electrolytic, electro-metallurgical fire assaying, metallurgical and special research laboratories. The top floor is devoted to drafting. The very latest equipment is being installed in all departments and nothing is being neglected to make it possible for Queen's to hold her special position as the best school of mining on the continent. The elections for the Alma Mater Society were held on Saturday after a strenuous week's campaigning, and resulted in the return of the arts candidate, Mr. M. R. Bow, B. A., Regina, Sask., for president, by a majority of 58 over Mr. Dennis Jordan, of Kingston. Christmas Bargain Day at McKay's. This bright store has made splendid preparations to handle the immense crowds to-morrow and every woman who wants to save should read their splendid advertisement on Page 2 of this issue. Every department throughout the big store is offering some truly remarkable savings in gift articles of the right sort, backed up by the McKay standard of quality, and to every man and woman the tip for to-morrow is shoperally. God Reigns. God reigns and all is well! No sparrow falls, no flower loses its day Without His loving care that guards always, Who shall his lovers tell? The stream of living water ever flows, The wilderness shall blossom as the rose, Love conquers death and hell. God reigns and all is well! His love accepts His children's sacrifice, To blend with angel-tones our praises rise, Our song of triumph swell. God reigns and all is well! None ask in vain for help to bear the cross, The solemn passing-bell. Of youthful hopes, their keel! Rises in our hearts; yet love and mercy sweet, In benediction make our lives complete. God reigns and all is well! The gift of \$100,000 by Victor F. Lawson, publisher of the Chicago Daily News to the \$1,000,000 anniversary fund of the Y. M. C. A., of Chicago, is a service to the undergraduates present on the way to make the transition from theory to practice. The University hockey team, which holds the Montague Allan Cup, representing the amateur championship of Canada, is hoping to be able to retain the honor the coming season. They are crippled by the loss of Daniels, their goal keeper, who is in the hospital for the year, and of Hugh Macdonnell, the stalwart cover-point, who has gone to Oxford for post graduate work, but are relying on some promising new material. A trip to New York will be made during the Christmas week, games being scheduled with several of the city clubs, and with an All-New York star combination. 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A., Regina, Sask., for president, by a majority of 58 over Mr. Dennis Jordan, of Kingston. DUNDAS. Town Ladies Will Look After Hospital Furnishings. Dundas, Dec. 17.—Among recent visitors in town were Leighton Steele, from Point aux Baril; Miss Effie Keagay, from Edmonton; John McKay, Gowganda; Mrs. (Dr.) Jonathan Wilkinson, Richmond Hill; Miss Madge Wood, London. Amor's visitors out of town are Miss Theresa White, in Clinton; Miss Muriel Riddell and Miss Marion Allan, in Galt; Miss McNally, in Rochester. W. A. Davidson, of Grafton & Co., is suffering from a serious attack of nervous neuritis. A ladies' auxiliary has been organized in connection with the new isolation hospital. Its object is the looking after furnishings and supplies for the new building. At the meeting of the Pierian Club on Tuesday evening, held at the home of Mrs. Chas. Draeske, an interesting part of the programme was the presentation of a fine leather-bound volume of Moore's poems to the President, Mr. W. R. Saunders, B. A., and a bouquet of roses to Mrs. Saunders. L. O. L. 1348 has elected officers for the year 1910 as follows: Oswald Twiss, W. M. C. Millward, D. M. B. Kay, Chaplain. Ed. Boyd, Recording Secretary. F. Ford, Financial Secretary. J. Blakeman, Treasurer. N. Lee, Lecturer. J. Henderson, D. of C. J. A. Dickson, First Com. J. D. Locke, Second Com. R. Manning, Third Com. E. Colehouse, Fourth Com. W. Duxbury, Fifth Com. W. McNeilly, Inside Tyler. G. Brideford, Outside Tyler. Court City of the Valley, No. 132, I. O. F., has elected the following officers: John Hood, C. R. A. Ward, J. E. C. R. Milton Cherry, V. C. R. J. R. Murray, F. S. J. Readman, R. S. W. Graham, Treasurer. J. W. Smith, M. D., Physician. W. J. Simpson, S. W. Willie Bates, J. W. W. Lemarsh, S. B. W. D. Nelson, J. B. At the close of the business meeting an enjoyable game of carpet ball was played between the C. O. O. F. and I. O. F., when the latter won with a score of 21-6. The Temperance Executive will hold four public meetings in the local option campaign, and have secured the following speakers: Rev. Sam Small, Rev. Dr. Chown, W. J. Conron, former town clerk of Toronto Junction, and H. E. Irwin, K. C., of Toronto. Wm. Fleming, who has been in the western provinces for the past few months in the cattle buying business, has returned home for the Christmas holidays. He has become thoroughly imbued with the western fever and intends returning in a short time. George Heslop, of the Governor's road, has returned from a three-weeks' visit to relatives in Saginaw, Mich., and vicinity. W. G. Mallett and Fred Nethercote are in the field for next year's Council, the former for Deputy Reeve. One patient was taken in at the isolation hospital yesterday and two will take their departure to-morrow. So far there has been no death from the prevailing epidemic, scarlet fever. Mrs. Wallace, relict of the late Wm. Wallace, and probably the oldest woman in Dundas, died last night, aged 88. Mrs. Fred Benton, daughter of Mr. Peter Murphy, a well-known citizen, died last evening. She leaves, besides her husband, three small children. The thickness of a razor edge has been reckoned at about one-millionth of an inch.

TRAGEDY OF OCEY SNEAD.

Mother and Two Aunts of Bathbub Victim Now Under Arrest.

Husband of Ocey Said to be in St. Catharines.

Prosecution Believes Suicide Letters Form Strong Link.

New York, Dec. 17.—Three sisters—the mother and two aunts of Ocey Snead—have one by one come within the reach of the law, until to-night separate cells hold them all, charged by the authorities of East Orange, N. J., with murder.

Of Ocey Snead's immediate relatives only the bedridden grandmother, Mrs. Martha Wardlaw, 83 years old, and Fletcher Snead, the cousin she married, are now at large.

Shortly after the arraignment to-day of Mrs. Caroline W. Martin, Ocey Snead's mother, who was arrested last night, followed the third arrest in the case—that of Mrs. Mary W. Snead, Mrs. Martin's sister, who is both aunt and mother-in-law to Ocey Snead. She was taken from her lodgings in New York charged with being a fugitive from New Jersey, where a warrant was sworn out to-day, charging murder.

Mr. Martin was committed to the Tombs to-day, pending the arrival of extradition papers from Governor Fort of New Jersey. One of the many curious coincidences is that Governor Fort's son, Franklin Fort, jun., should be her counsel. Mrs. Martin is 64 years old and feeble, though resolute and alert of mind. She had nothing to say to-day.

Mrs. Mary Snead, when taken to police headquarters to-day, was more erect in her bearing than Mrs. Martin, but equally reticent.

Mrs. Martin's pitiful infirmity saved her the indignity of being measured and photographed, but Mrs. Snead escaped none of the humiliating details of police routine.

The three notes found yesterday among Mrs. Martin's effects, all similar in handwriting and wording to the suicide note found pinned to Ocey Snead's clothes beside the bathtub in which she was drowned, were deemed sufficient evidence against Mrs. Martin for extradition. The point made against Mrs. Snead is that she was a party with Miss Wardlaw to the renting of the unfurnished house in East Orange in which Ocey Snead was found dead.

OCEY SNEAD'S HUSBAND.

St. Catharines, Dec. 15.—Fletcher W. Snead, husband of Ocey W. M. Snead, the East Orange, N. J., bathtub murder victim, was seen here to-night. Pending an answer to a message to the New York police, the police authorities will not make an arrest in the morning. Snead, who is known here as John Lucas, has been working as a dishwasher in a local hotel since March last. When accosted as Snead he staggered and nearly fell.

At midnight a reporter had a talk with the man, who readily admitted his identity, but then suddenly grew reticent and almost absolutely refused to give any further particulars. At first he was extremely nervous and agitated, and his eyes were swollen and watery. He gradually grew calmer, however, and slowly answered some questions. He declared that he had been in St. Catharines since March, having come here direct from New York. As to the house where the dead body of his wife was found he knew nothing, never having been in East Orange. He could give no reason for his wife's suicide, but was absolutely positive that it was a case of murder.

He affirmed that the dead woman was the daughter of Mrs. Caroline Martin; at least he had always been led to believe so. Snead refused to give any reason for leaving New York, and said he would not under no circumstances be willing to go to East Orange or to New York.

SUICIDAL MANIA.

Defence of the Woman Charged With Ocey Snead's Death.

New York, Dec. 17.—The "suicidal mania" of Ocey Snead is apparently the defence relied upon by the three sisters of the Wardlaw family, arrested in connection with her mysterious death. Despite the fact that prison bars now hold all the women members of the family in which the bathtub victim lived, who she was either slowly grieving herself to death over the disappearance of her husband, as Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, her mother, insists, or were being systematically starved and mentally influenced into a state of helplessness, as is one of the police theories, the mystery of the affair seemed to-day little nearer actual solution than when the first discoveries were made in the case.

"We starve her!" exclaimed Mrs. Martin, Ocey Snead's aunt, in commenting on the police suggestion. "We all loved her more than our lives. That was one of the ways in which she intended to do away with herself, if no other fashion offered."

Mrs. Martin, who was arrested and yesterday held to await extradition to New Jersey, insists that the suicide notes found in her hotel room were all written by Ocey Snead while she was grieving over the disappearance of Fletcher Snead, her husband, and that she had to be constantly watched to prevent her taking her own life. The thought of suicide became a mania with the girl, her mother asserts.

Mrs. Mary Snead, who was taken into custody late yesterday, maintained a reticent attitude in her cell in the Tombs prison, where she spent the night, and a statement from her cannot be had until her arraignment, which has been set for to-morrow.

Fletcher Snead, who has been located in St. Catharines, Ont., aside from expressing an opinion that his wife was a suicide, had nothing to reveal in helping clear up the mystery. Prosecutor Mott, of Essex county, declares that he does not seek Snead's apprehension. Handwriting experts are expected to play a considerable part in the solution of the puzzling case, and to-day were giving careful scrutiny to the mass of documentary matter unearthed during the investigation, particular attention being paid to the "suicide" and other notes and letters found in Mrs. Martin's apartments.

The man who rides a hobby expects everyone to clear the way for him.

ZELAYA TO TAFT.

Nicaraguan President Resigns—Stands by His Acts.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 17.—President Zelaya last night cabled a conciliatory message to President Taft, saying that he had shown his good faith by resigning, in order that Nicaragua might resume friendly relations with the United States. He added that he proposed to leave the country, but stood ready to account for his acts as President.

MILLS' FINE NEW STORE.

Opening To-morrow Marks an Epoch in North-East.

The opening to-morrow of The Mills Hardware Company's new store at 425 Barton street east, for business, marks one decided step forward in Barton street history. The paying of this thoroughfare last summer, causing an immense amount of traffic over the street to the northeast section of the city, was only the first step in what is destined to be rapid progress for the residents of that section. It is only necessary to take one walk down Barton street to take in the situation. People not acquainted with that location do not realize the condition.

Barton street will have five banking offices for the savings of the people. Factories galore are in that section; thousands of workmen travel the street daily; it has the fastest and most frequent street car service in the city; two parks; a very thickly populated district, with people all well to do and the large majority owning their own homes.

The Mills Hardware Company have been first to grasp the situation from a retail standpoint, and have erected the finest store on the street, being 34 feet wide, without a column in it, and 80 feet long, with plenty of room for extension.

The Mills Hardware Company are the first merchants in Hamilton to see the advantage of the curb lighting for retail stores, and have installed, at great expense, ornamental lamps of iron for a stretch of 100 feet in front of their property, and a move is on foot to have this extended from Emerald to Wentworth streets in the near future, as this section is going to be the centre of Barton street business, with the Mills Hardware stores as the pivot around which it is to be built up a large business.

The line of goods to be carried by the company will be general hardware, sporting goods, granite and tinware, paints, oils and glass, garden tools, kitchen appliances; in fact, everything that a household would require.

The get-up of the store will be a great surprise and it only needs to be visited to see what is going on. The show windows are a great feature, and no expense has been spared to make them attractive.

The widest sidewalk on the street is in front of this store, being 14 feet wide, and to see the traffic sometimes it is a question if it will not have to be yet widened all along the street.

It is not the intention of the company to move from their John street store, but they will run both stores, the two working together for the benefit of their customer. No doubt the large population in the northeast end of the city will appreciate the necessity of a good, large, up-to-date hardware store in that vicinity, and the Mills Hardware Co. are the right people in the right place.

The Times Christmas Paper

The Times Christmas number is always looked forward to with pleasure by Hamilton people as being one of the best of the holiday newspapers. It will be issued next Saturday, 18th Dec., and orders are now being received for copies, which can be had in wrappers ready for mailing. It will be the only Hamilton Christmas paper illustrated in colors. It will be profusely illustrated, and besides containing many of the finest Christmas stories and poetry, it will have quite a number of local features (also illustrated), which will add to its value, and make it a first-class paper to send away to friends.

Advertisers cannot afford to miss this opportunity of having their goods advertised in it. Times readers have the money and now is the time when they are ready to spend it.

Send ads in at once or as early as possible. The printers will do their best to make your ad. attractive and help you to reap a rich harvest at this Christmas season.

COURT MARQUIS OF LORNE.

The annual election of officers of Court Marquis of Lorne, A. O. F., was held on Tuesday night in the Foresters' Hall. The meeting was very largely attended. Bro. John Young, H. C. R., conducted the election, and the following officers were successful:

Albert E. Powell, C. R. W. Pinder, S. C. R. F. W. Brown, S. W. A. McPhail, J. W. J. Haddow, S. B. D. Bullock, J. B. A. Dynes, Secretary. Dr. James Lafferty, Medical Officer. Robt. Bryce, Sub-Secretary. Harry Ray, Organist.

"That new preacher you have is a pretty wide-awake young man, isn't he?" "Yep. Keeps on preaching when everybody else is asleep."—Cleveland Leader.

Some men are so eager to keep down expenses they sit on the bill collectors.—Dallas News.

The things to be had for the asking are seldom worth it.

Amusements

"The Arrival of Kitty," a pleasing little comedy that has been seen here before, is the attraction at the Grand to-night. A number of new songs have been introduced into the piece this season that have made quite a hit. The company is a particularly good one, and the popular prices are not any indication of the merit of the performance, as it is an organization that plays regularly at one dollar prices. "The Arrival of Kitty" produces no end of fun. One of the most delightful situations takes place in a scene representing a hotel at a New York summer resort. Rollicking comedy of the rapid-fire kind, interwoven into an intensely interesting plot, furnishes 150 minutes of the fastest kind of amusement.

"GRAUSTARK." "Graustark," the beautiful romantic play taken from the Geo. Barr McCutcheon novel, will be presented at the Grand to-morrow afternoon and evening by a company composed of well known players. The success and popularity of "Graustark" is due not only to the well written dialogue, the well conceived plots and counter plots, but, further, to the clean, wholesome atmosphere with which the story is enveloped. "Graustark" is still full of clever dialogue, beautiful love scenes and interesting situations.

FOR NEXT MONDAY. "The Time, the Place and the Girl," the musical play to be seen at the Grand next Monday evening, is an excellent offering for the holiday season. Though the piece could be played without music, Mr. Howard's pretty songs make it doubly attractive.



DR. GOODALE, Managing Director of the Buffalo Symphony Orchestra, which is to play at the Elgar Choir concert.

by attractive. There are a dozen musical numbers in the play, but they are all fitting and descriptive and never in the way of the plot development. The particular hits are "Thursday is My Jonah Day," "It's Lonesome To-night," "Blow the Smoke Away" and "Dixie, My Love You." The chorus which assists in the rendition of the score was trained by Ned Wayburn, who, in "The Time, the Place and the Girl," manifests the most skillful phases of his art as a stage director.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

Orders for seats for Bertha Galland will now be received at the box office of the Grand. Miss Galland is to appear there Christmas, matinee and night, in her latest success, "The Return of Eve." The sale will open next Tuesday morning.

NEXT WEEK AT BENNETT'S.

An extensive traveller is Charles Leonard Fletcher, the noted impersonator, and entertainer, who will be seen here next week as one of the chief attractions on the Bennett bill. He has spent nine years in vaudeville, during which time he has toured the world several times presenting his clever offering in America, the principal theatres and music halls of the old country, in South Africa, Australia, India, Ceylon and Hawaii. Mr. Fletcher has a repertoire of 55 character studies, among which are many of Charles Dickens' most popular characters. He will devote ten minutes to Mark Twain's most characteristic stories, and will also present several of the late Richard Mansfield's character. With such acts as this one, the bright offering of Redini and Arthur, and a clever comedy sketch by Lor. Merrill and Frank Otto, the Christmas bill should prove an exceptionally pleasing one.

The show this week is just the sort of a bill that will please the big crowd of Saturday afternoon amusement seekers and the house should be packed at the matinee to-morrow.

ELGAR CHOIR.

At the first evening of Elgar Choir festival here, Tuesday, February 1, will be rendered a programme practically identical to that to be given by the choir in Buffalo in March. The chorus are striving as never before to perfect these numbers. A wide variety of effort is included, ranging from the master dramatic composition "By Babylon's Wave," by which Gounod is best known to the world, to such lighter compositions as the mirthful and descriptive "Bells of St. Michael's Tower," Lor. Macfarlane's dainty madrigal, "You Stole My Love." A number which will be heard for the first time in America is Coleridge Taylor's weird choral rhapsody "Seedrift," which caused such a furore at its first performance in the Newcastle festival this year. Sir Edward Elgar's Lullaby, from the "Bavarian Highlands" suite, has been placed on this year's repertoire by special request, as also his chorale for ladies' voices, "Snow," with which the ladies of Elgar choir captured audience and critics in its performance at Massey Hall, Toronto, two years ago. Elgar's greatest dramatic chorus "The Challenge of Thor," is also listed. The choir are following their regular procedure of producing the best works but, still not forgetting to include in their programme numbers distinctly bright and entertaining, which will appeal to the public in general, and not to the critical auditor only.

PICTURES AT SAVOY.

A strong story of a phase of New York life, written specially for the Edison Company by Edwin W. Townsend, author of "Chimmie Fadden," is presented in the film "A Rose of the Tenderloin," which will be shown as the

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When you buy Wm. A. Rogers' Silver-plated Ware you are buying a thoroughly guaranteed line. We've handled it for years with great satisfaction. Our prices are lower than you expect, unless you have purchased this ware here before.
Rogers' Tea Spoons, regular value \$2.50 dozen, set of 6 \$1.40
Rogers' Dessert Spoons and Forks, regular value \$4.00 dozen, set of 6 \$1.69
300 sets of Rogers' Table Spoons and Medium Forks, regular value \$5.50 dozen, set of 6 \$1.84
300 Butter Knives and Sugar Shells, regular 35 and 50c values, each \$1.25
200 Cold Meat Forks in silk-lined case \$1.00
See our stock of Silver-plated Knives and Forks. The basement is full of Christmas suggestions.

If It's To Be Slippers

Men's Chocolate Ramees, best quality \$2
Men's Chocolate or Black Dongola Slippers, opera cut, turn sole \$1.50
Men's Dongola Kid Slippers, McKay soles \$1.15
Men's Carpet Slippers, leather sole \$1.25
Ladies' Fine Dongola Slippers, turn soles, one or three strap, special \$1.25
Ladies' Felt and Carpet Slippers \$1.00

51 and 53 KING STREET WEST

chief feature on an attractive bill at the Savoy to-day and to-morrow. It is a picture full of touching incidents, admirably portrayed. Mr. Townsend never fails to make his characters ring true. In "A Rose of the Tenderloin" he has given an accurate picture of the life of that famous quarter, and the interpretation by the competent company leaves nothing to be desired. The child actress, who depicts the part of Rose, displays the possession of a wealth of talent almost incredible in one of her years, while her apparent unconsciousness before the camera lends greatly to the charm and artistic quality of her interpretation of the role.
"A Forced Marriage," an interesting love story of the western plains and "Three Neighbors," a very funny comic, are other interesting features of the four thousand feet of film to be shown. As usual there will be vaudeville specialties and illustrated songs.

ST. HILDA CHAPTER.

The monthly meeting of St. Hilda Chapter, I. O. E. W. C. A., was held on Tuesday in the Y. W. C. A. parlour, Mrs. H. H. Robertson presiding. The secretary read the minutes of last meeting, and the treasurer reported a balance in the bank. Five dollars will be sent to the Canadian Hospital in India. A letter was received from Mr. Jas. Johnson, thanking the chapter for the "Flag Song." One for each school will be purchased, one for each school.

Miss Morton will send \$10.80 to the Mountain Sanatorium as a Christmas present from the pupils of Stinson street school.
Mr. W. A. Schofield gave an instructive talk on the way poultry should be looked after in order to make a profitable charge of the poultry, which shows that a profit of \$350 was realized last year owing to her careful attention and good management.
A letter was received from the lady superintendent of the hospital, thanking the chapter for the nine Balasava caps sent to the Southern Home. These caps

will be snug and comfortable for the patients sleeping out doors.
Afternoon tea was enjoyed through the kindness of three lady members.
Mother told me so
Just a week ago,
Not another gift to buy,
Mother told me so,
There, I'm done at last, says she,
"Nothing more to do,"
Mother came awhile ago
And touched me up for "two."
What she bought for Auntie Kate
Does not satisfy her,
Something more expensive she
Thinks she ought to buy her,
Uncle William's purple tie
After all looks cheap,
She must buy a better grade—
This one I may keep.
Yesterday she got a note
From an old-time friend,
Now a Christmas gift to her
She must surely send,
And she's changed her mind about
What she'll give to Jane,
Consequently mother goes
Shopping once again.
Mother said a week ago;
"All my shopping's done;"
But I notice every day
She is on the run.
Gifts she has she doesn't like,
Better ones she'll find,
Friends that once forgotten were
Now come into mind.
"Do you shopping early"
A maxim old and wise
But let me supplement it
And let me here advise
That when you once have done it
And parted with the price
Stick to the gifts you've purchased—
Dad hates to buy 'em twice.
It doesn't require a magician to make
An automobile turn turtle.

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited

Friday, December 17th, 1909

---At 8.30 Sharp---

Clean-Cut Reductions in all Women's Coats

The cream of our stock in Women's Coats will be sacrificed in December instead of January. Every new style and no manufacturers' left-overs. Absolutely no suit held in reserve. They are in the latest modish shades in Broadcloth, Kersey, Coverts and Diagonal Cloth, with the mannish or storm collar, semi or tight fitting. We offer these for Saturday ONLY.
Our regular \$10.00 and \$12.50 Coats \$8.98
Our regular \$15.00 and \$16.50 Coats \$12.50
Our regular \$18.00 Coats \$14.98
Our Regular \$20.00 to \$27.50 Coats \$18.00

Yard Wide Silks 35c Yard

AT 8.30 SHARP, 300 yards of yard wide silk, in cream and black only, worth 65c yard; special for Saturday morning per yard 35c
JACQUARD SILK MULL, 27-inch, TUSAHA SILKS, in new, dainty shades, the forerunner of spring silks, regularly 85c yard, special for Saturday 50c

Boxed Waistings
CREAM LUSTRE SATIN, dot, double fold, soft finish, 2 1/2 yds. in box, worth \$1.75, special for 75c
WASH SILKS, pretty stripe or dot effect, 5 yards boxed, guaranteed not to cut, worth \$2.00, special \$1.50
TUSAHA SILKS, natural shade only, with pretty overcheck, in deep soft color, 4 1/2 yards boxed, special for \$2.25
SATIN STRIPE DEBLAINS, in cream only, 32 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards, boxed, for \$2.85c Main Floor.

Sweet Florida Oranges 19c Doz.

AT 8.30 SHARP we are going to sell 26 boxes of those Sweet Florida Oranges, regularly selling at 25c dozen, at 19c dozen. We can recommend these Oranges as having an especially fine flavor. Remember there are but 26 boxes, while they last Saturday DOZ.

Choice Figs 5c Box Almond Paste 40c Lb.
At 8.30 SHARP, 100 boxes only of very choice Figs, while they last on Saturday morning, per box 5c
One to a customer.
We have 100 pounds Chocolate Drops, selling per lb. 10c
AT 8.30 SHARP, we will sell 50 pounds of Almond Paste, regularly worth 50c per lb., at 40c per lb. Saturday morning per pound 40c
A fresh consignment of Jacob's Imported Biscuits just arrived.

Stanley Mills & Co., Limited

VERY SUDDEN.

Nicholas Decker Worked Until Last Evening, Died To-day.

The Housekeeper

SCRUBBING CARPETS. Three pints of water, six ounces soap lark; boil twenty minutes and strain; add three gallons warm water and one-half pint ammonia. To one gallon of water add five bars of laundry soap shaved thin, and boil until soap is dissolved. Add one pound of pulverized borax and boil ten minutes, stirring all the time. Stir together, adding eight gallons more water.

TO CLEAN COMBS. A simple way to clean combs is to let them lie for ten minutes in a basin of tepid water, to which you have added two tablespoonfuls of household ammonia, then take a stiff 5-cent brush and brush down between the teeth. You will be surprised to see with what little labor all oil and dust are removed.

DEFAECED TABLE. A table of beautiful wood, which had lost its beauty by having hot things set on it, burning through the varnish and down to the wood, was made to look as good as new by this treatment: First it was washed with a strong solution of lye put on with a brush, as it is bad for the hands. This loosened the varnish, which then was scraped off entirely with a piece of glass. The boards, being bare, were rubbed smooth with coarse sand-paper, and when in good condition were rubbed with crude oil. This leaves a dull finish, which pleased the owner better than one that shone, but if the polish is preferred it could be given with varnish. All the marks of service will disappear from a table or other piece of wood treated in this manner, and the labor necessary to produce the result is not great.

BLACK LEATHER BINDINGS. Buy some top dressing. It is used for finishing leather carriage seats. Apply with small brush. This is excellent for black bindings of books, purses, travelling bags, and is fine for regenerating faded black hats. The chief merit along with the good results is the lasting quality. There is no danger of it rubbing off and soiling things.

WHITE FEATHERS. Make a thin batter of flour and gas-ties. Immerse feather in this, bring it up and down until clean, and soiled lay on hand and rub gently with other hand. When perfectly clean (and it will get white as snow) rinse in clear gasoline and shake till dry and all flour has left. It may be necessary to take a coarse comb to clean out flour more effectively. This is excellent and one need have no fear trying it with expensive plumes.

CLEANING LIGHT COATS. You can make a light coat look like new for exactly 64 cents. Here is how to do it: Buy 25 cents' worth of fuller's earth at any drug store. Spread the coat on a sheet, sprinkle it plentifully with fuller's earth, rubbing the powder well into the coat with a soft cloth or brush, allow the coat to lie for forty-eight hours. Then shake the fuller's earth off on to the sheet, brush the coat with a stiff brush, and shake well. The coat will look like new and there will be no odor as with gasoline. Put the fuller's earth back into box and use it three times more. Cleaners charge \$1.50 for exactly the same process.

A bride promises to obey merely because she doesn't want to make a scene.

SCRAP BOOK POETRY

THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE JAMES JOHNSON took place yesterday afternoon at 2.30 p. m. from his late residence, 211 Caroline street south, and was largely attended by sympathizing friends. Rev. Canon Wade officiated at the house, assisted by Rev. T. H. Perry. The bearers were William Nicholson, H. T. Drope, Wm. Steed, Joseph Cole, William Evans and Robert Graham. A number of floral tributes were laid on the casket, including wreaths, L. O. L. No. 71, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kirkpatrick, brother; pillow, uncle; sheaf, Mr. and Mrs. Peart; sprays, Gertrude O. Millen, Mr. McKeirley and family.

A funeral service for the late Alexander McMichael was held this morning at the residence of his son, 53 Cannon street west. Rev. P. W. Philpott officiated. The remains were sent on the 8.55 a. m. T. H. & B. train to Waterford, where the interment will take place in Greenwood cemetery. The pall-bearers here were: Dr. W. S. Cody, Fred Humphrey, John Patterson, J. K. Millard, W. Westcott and F. Brunacombe.

The death occurred yesterday at Stoney Creek of Muriel Irene, youngest daughter of William and Theresa Jones, at the age of seven years. Two weeks ago she was taken ill with measles, which resulted in paralysis of the brain. The funeral will take place from her parents' residence to Hamilton cemetery at 1 p. m. on Saturday.

MOVING PICTURES AT Y. M. C. A.

One of the finest moving picture programmes ever put on in Hamilton can be seen in Association Hall to-morrow afternoon and evening, beginning at 2 p. m. and 7 p. m., including such side-splitting numbers as "The Jokes of Santa Claus" and "The Laughing Horse," guaranteed to produce two laughs a minute. "Travel Scenes in Central Africa" and "The Miser and His Gold" are the kind that educate. Carey Bros. illustrated songs will add to the in-

BRITAIN'S BIG POLITICAL FIGHT

Suffragettes Attack McKenna and Lloyd-George.

Non-Conformist Meeting Addressed by Lloyd-George.

Canadians Ignorant of Their Danger, Says Northcliffe.

London, Dec. 16.—Reginald McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, is the latest victim of suffragette violence. After addressing a meeting at South End last night Mr. McKenna was surrounded by several women. The police succeeded in getting the First Lord into his motor car, but one of the suffragettes jumped on the footboard, and it was necessary to stop the car and forcibly remove the woman. Several other women then chased the car to the railroad station and managed to catch the same train and again molested Mr. McKenna when he alighted at the terminus. A scuffle followed, in which Mr. McKenna received a blow from a feeding tube.

The waylaying of ministerial automobiles seems to be the newest plank of the suffragette platform. Two women gave Mr. Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, an experience to-night similar to that of Mr. McKenna. As the Chancellor's automobile was nearing the door of the hall where he was going to make a speech, a woman jumped on the footboard and entered the car. A companion slammed the door behind her and stood by the footboard to prevent the door from being opened. The intruder instantly started railing at the Chancellor, who watched and listened amusedly, until, according to the suffragette's subsequent statement, the woman inside became so exasperated because he kept smiling that she seized him by the shoulder and shook him.

The car then reached the hall and the women were removed. Austen Chamberlain, ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer, at a meeting of his constituents at Bromsgrove to-night was compelled to end a speech before he had half finished, on account of interruptions.

The meeting broke up in disorder. Similar heckling, jeering and disorder are the common experience of the Unionist peers who venture to address meetings. Chancellor Lloyd-George, at a great free church demonstration in Queen's Hall to-night, complained that Non-conformity had no access to or champion in the House of Lords.

The United Irish League of Great Britain has issued an election manifesto, practically in the terms of John Redmond's speech, in which the Irish leader called on the party to vote for the Liberals.

WHEAT TAX DANGEROUS.

London, Dec. 16.—Sir Edward Grey, addressing a meeting at Berwick, said a duty on colonial wheat was not a step towards free trade within the empire. "Once we begin to do that," he added, "we should have embarked on a system of bargaining with the colonies that would lead to retaliation with all parts of the empire," and that, he thought, would be a most dangerous thing to introduce.

Mr. T. A. Brassey, speaking at Bexhill, favored a three-shilling duty on corn, with a shilling preference to the colonies; 5 per cent. on other agricultural produce, and 10 per cent. on manufactured goods.

NORTHCLIFFE CRITICISES.

London, Dec. 16.—Lord Northcliffe, speaking of naval defence to a representative of Canada Illustrated, said he did not believe that the average Canadian knew anything about the danger in which his overseas trade stands. Hundreds of thousands of Canadians have never seen the sea at all and are never likely to. "I found the people of Vancouver who had seen warships, and those of the Maritime Provinces anxious, but the fact that the whole of Canada's export overseas trade could be held up by one or two modern fast foreign cruisers is quite unknown to the people, who are extremely busy getting their country into shape for residence and trade."

A GENERAL ELECTION PRAYER.

In view of the approaching general election the Archbishops of Canterbury and York recommend the following prayer be used on the occasions when the prayer for Parliament should be used if Parliament were sitting: "Most Gracious God, we humbly beseech Thee, as for this kingdom in general, so especially at this time for all electors of members of Parliament, that, remembering their vote to be a trust from Thee, they may faithfully and wisely make choice of fit persons to serve in the great council of the nation, to the advancement of Thy glory, the good of Thy Church, the safety, honor, and welfare of our Sovereign and his dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety may be established among us for all generations.

THE FREE CHURCHES.

London, Dec. 16.—(Globe cable.)—Lloyd-George, who was the principal speaker at a great meeting of the men of the Free Churches, held to-night, fired the hammer against the Lords. He characterized them as a "packed jury." There were, he pointed out, only two or three Nonconformists in the House of Lords,

75c, \$1 and \$1.25 Belts for 50c

Over 500 of them, made of most excellent quality of elastic webbing, black and all the good plain colors, also some elegant gilt Designs, splendid new buckles; 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 values, all on sale for each 50c

Wonderful Bargains in Waists

All beautiful gift quality, on sale at a very near the half price mark, a full third off anyway; nets, laces and silks, white, ecru, black and colors, beautifully trimmed with lace insertion and guipure insertions, some silk embroidery, etc., \$4.50 to \$8.50 values on sale as follows: \$2.95, \$3.49, \$3.95, \$4.95 and \$5.95

White Lawn Waists at \$1--Bargains

Beautiful White Lawn Waists, embroidered fronts and a splendid quality of lawn, tucked sleeves, open back and front, 34 to 44 size; you'll say \$1.25 or \$1.50 when you see them; our price \$1.00

Another Lot of Sample Waists

Lawns and mulls, tailor made and fancy effects, beautifully made and right up to the minute styles, beautifully trimmed with insertions and laces and medallions, on sale at very near the half price mark, beginning at 89c with every between price up to \$3.49

Women's Underskirts At Our Always Less Than Elsewhere Prices

Sateens, moreens, regal taffetas, leatherbloms, etc., all made in the very best possible manner, and the most comfortable fitting Petticoats in the trade, most of them worth a third more than this. 99c, \$1.49, \$1.95, \$2.49

New Fur Hats--Direct From New York

Swell New York Fur Hats, beautiful black, glossy fur, the very swellest turban style, will be on sale Saturday at each \$3.00, \$4.50 and \$5

Sweeping Clearances in Dress Hats

Trimmed Hats, splendid felt shapes and rich velvet shapes, trimmed with wings and moire silk and fancy ornaments, worth \$7.00, on sale for . . . \$3.00 Pattern Hats, made of finest materials and trimmings, garnished with ornaments and flowers, \$12.50 values, on sale for \$6.00 Felt Shapes, worth \$1.00, for 25c; \$2.50, for 95c Children's Military Caps, in red and black \$1.25

Gift Umbrellas--Better Values, Better Styles

You never err in giving an Umbrella. Your friend has always use for one more, and nothing looks so much for the money or gives more genuine pleasure.

Men's Umbrellas, on very best Paragon frames, with fancy furze, partridge wood, ivory, horn and gun metal handles, both gold and silver plated, covered with very best silk and Gloria coverings, specially priced at, each. \$1.95, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00

Women's Umbrellas, splendid Paragon frames, fancy natural wood Directoire handles, and pearl and ivory handles, finished with gold and sterling silver mountings, very best quality of coverings, very special value at \$1.95, \$2.50, \$3.00 up to \$7.50

When in Doubt Give Gloves

Never amiss. "She" can do with six pairs better than two. She'll like them better if they are bought at She's, for they'll be "Pewney's," the best Gloves that come into Canada, at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 (Neatly boxed; can be exchanged after Christmas if size or color is wrong.) Women's English Cape Tanned Walking Gloves, also tan and gray mocha, per pair \$1.00 Women's Lined Gloves, fur cuff, per pair \$1.95 Boys' Mocha Mitts and Gloves, well lined 50 and 75c

Sashes, Toques and Mitts

A splendid and useful present for either boy or girl. Sashes, Toques or Mitts 25, 35 and 50c Sash, Toque and Mitt Sets, \$1.25, for 75c, and \$1.00, for 50c

A Big Purchase of Rich Fur Muffs or More Off One-third

Nearly 200 of them. All made of the finest Mink Marmot Pelts, not the common Marmot, but rich Marmot, with soft, silky fur and good, heavy under fur. All made in the latest styles of Rug and Empire shapes. Muffs that would be cheap at \$8, \$10, \$12, \$15 and \$20. All on sale now in time to make beautiful, rich gifts. At each \$5, \$5.95, \$6.95, \$7.95, \$9, \$10 and \$12.

Silk Petticoats

Rich and acceptable gifts for a lady friend; made of splendid quality of well-wearing taffeta silk, all the wanted colors and black, newest American styles; about wholesale prices. \$3.98, \$4.98 and \$6.98

Bargains in Fur Neck Pieces

Mink Stoles, worth \$40, for \$23.00 Mink Throws, worth \$25, for \$15.00 Mink Ties, worth \$20, for \$12.50 Black timber-lynx stole and muff, worth \$25, on sale for set \$15 Natural Alaska Sable set, stole and pillow muff, worth \$50, for . . . \$35 Marmot Ruffs and Stoles, Hare Stoles and Ruffs, on sale at 1/2 fur store prices.

Shea's For Hosiery--Always

Just inside the King street entrance is our new hosiery department, where every best make of Hosiery to the trade is kept in stock, and on sale at our always less than elsewhere prices. Women's Fancy Embroidered Cashmere Hose, in neat gift boxes, per pair 50c, 50c, 65c and 75c Women's 4-1 Rib Cashmere Hose, 35c, for 25c Women's all wool Cashmere Hose, the best values in Canada, for per pair 35c, or 3 for \$1.00 Women's All Wool Cashmere Hose, seamless feet, high spliced heels, 50c Our Boys' Worsted School Hose, are the best in Canada, at the price, per pair 25c, 25c and 1-1 rib 35c Our Boys' Diamond Knee Hose, are the best in Canada anywhere at any price, 40c to 75c

Advertisement for SHEA'S Saturday, Dec. 18, 1909. Store open till 10 o'clock. Phone 1501. THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE. SHOPPING ELSEWHERE IS AN EXTRAVAGANCE.

The Swellest Neckwear in Canada is Here at Less Than Elsewhere Prices

Collars by the hundred in every conceivable style and shade. Every one a dainty piece of work and sizes to fit everybody, beginning at 25c with every betw een price up to \$2.00 Hundreds of samples of Neckwear, as crisp and fresh as the day they left the factory, worth 25c to \$3, on sale for 15c up to \$1.95

Women's Gift Belts--Beauties

Gift Belts, Elastic Belts, Silk Belts, Beaded Belts and Sequin Belts, all neatly boxed and at less than elsewhere, prices 75c, \$1 up to \$3.50 Belt Lengths, put up in fancy boxes, most beautiful designs and colors, each 25 and 35c

Hand Bags--"Always Right" Gifts

Leather Hand Bags, most of them direct from New York, made of the best materials, good substantial frames and handles, all prices, a good saving, less than elsewhere, at each \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$2.85, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5.00 A quantity of handsome Beaded Bags, import samples, less than wholesale \$1.95 to \$4.00

Back Combs and Comb Sets

Elegant Gift Combs, very stylish shape, elaborately set with brilliants, at these reductions: \$7.50 for \$4.95 \$5.00 for \$3.50 \$4.00 for \$2.95 \$3.50 for \$2.50 Comb Sets, worth \$1.25, to clear at 75c Comb Sets, worth \$1.00, to clear at 50c

Babies' Bibs--Special Price

Just passed the customs, a splendid lot of Babies' Bibs, silk, terry and fine lawn. 60c quality for 40c 35c quality for 25c 50c quality for 35c 25c quality for 15c

THE BEST GET OF ALL IS A PAIR OF PURE WOOL BLANKETS

The Shea Mantle Department is full of the best of Christmas Gifts, Mantles, Suits and Skirts at cut prices, to fit any figure or any pocket.

Women's Mantles--A Sale

Made of good warm Diagonals and Wide wale Cloths, Beavers, Kerseys, Broadcloths, size 32 to 48 bust in stock (but not at every price), unlined, partly lined, saten lined, silk lined, satin lined, semi, loose and fitted backs, all in the correct lengths, at these savings.

\$10.00 Coats for \$5.95 \$17.50 Coats for \$10.00 \$12.50 Coats for \$7.50 \$18.50 Coats for \$12.50 \$20 and \$25 Coats for \$15.00 Fur-lined Mantles, worth \$40.00, for \$25.00 Fur-lined Mantles, worth \$50.00, for \$35.00 Fur Coats, worth \$35.00, for \$25.00

Women's Caracul Coats--A Sale

\$22 Coats for \$15. \$35 Coats for \$17 \$38 Coats for \$25

Women's Suits, Elegant Garments, Half-Price

Girls' Coat Sale at Its Best

\$3.00 Coats for \$1.50 \$4.00 Coats for \$1.95 \$7.00 Coats for \$3.95 \$10.00 Coats for \$4.95

Women's Dress Skirts--Bargains

\$3.00 Skirts for \$1.95 \$6.00 Skirts for \$3.95 \$7.50 Skirts for \$4.95 \$8.50 Skirts for \$5.95 Sample Voile Skirts on sale; \$10.95 Skirts for \$8.50; \$15.00 Skirts for \$10.95

Handkerchiefs For Everybody

Women's Handkerchiefs, pure linen, 1/2 inch hem, worth 15c, on sale for 12 1/2c, or per dozen \$1.25 Women's Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, most elegant designs at 10, 12 1/2, 15, 25c up to \$1.00 Women's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, each 15 and 25c Men's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 15 and 25c Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 25 and 50c Children's Handkerchiefs, 3 for 5c, 2 for 5c, and 5c each

Table Linens For Gifts--Always Right

When bought here you know you have the best. Hemstitched Table Cloths, all pure flax and most elegant designs, on sale as follows: 72x108, regular \$5.00, for \$3.40 72x108, regular \$5.00, for \$3.50 Napkins, to match, per dozen \$3.50 Pure Linen Table Cloths, border all round, very best designs, 60x84, 72x72, 72x108 inches. \$2.00 Cloths for \$1.48 \$3.00 Cloths for \$1.95 \$3.50 Cloths for \$2.50 \$4.00 Cloths for \$2.95 \$10.00 Cloths for \$6.50

Battenberg Table Pieces

Sideboard Scarfs, Five o'Clock Cloths, Centre Pieces, etc., etc. Centre Pieces 50c to 95c 5 o'Clock Cloth 95c to \$1.25 Side Board Scarfs 95c to \$1.25 D'Oyiles 5c to 35c Fancy Huck Towels, damask border, very large size, pure Irish linen, 75c, for 50c The best values in Canada in Pure Linen Table Damask, by the yard 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Wool Eiderdown 89c

Splendid heavy quality of Wool Eiderdown, full double width, cardinal, pink, blue and grey, \$1.00 value, for 89c

and, he added, "there are more pagans there than Free Churchmen." With the verve and fire that distinguish him, he appealed to the men of the Free Churches, by the memory of their Puritan ancestors, to take their places in the forefront of the battle between the Lords and the people. He declared, amidst a scene of intense enthusiasm, that if the men of England were free today to enter any church they wished, it was because the lintels and the doorposts were stained with the blood of the Nonconformists of other days. It was a remarkable speech on a remarkable occasion, and created a profound impression.

LOVE NOTES.

Fervent Passages Lifted Bodily From Books and Magazines. Young Central American's Naive Defence to Woman's Suit.

New York, Dec. 16.—"That was simply one of the moods to which the Latin race is heir. It was only an ideal. It did not mean much," said Dr. Anibal Zelaya on the witness stand to-day. He was testifying in defence of the \$100,000 breach of promise suit brought against him by Miss Juliette E. Hero, a pretty Greek girl, and the plaintiff's counsel had asked him to explain the endearing letters Miss Hero produced in court. "Such fanciful moods attack a young man in the spring of life," explained Zelaya with a wave of the hand. "Do you call being in love a fanciful mood?" demanded the examining lawyer. "I do," responded Zelaya.

The witness said that he was born in Managua 27 years ago. His father was a farmer, but was for ten years governor of one of the Nicaraguan states. He is related to President Zelaya very distantly on his mother's side, and is not his son or nephew as has been reported. While he was a medical student here and during his courtship of Miss Hero he said that he lived on an allowance of \$80 a month sent by his father. At present he is an interne at the French hospital here, and his allowance from home has been reduced to \$30 a month. The fervent quotations that filled his letters to Miss Hero, he continued, were all copied from books and magazines he had read.

Miss Hero's mother, and Eugene Maduros, a Nicaraguan, who turned over to young Zelaya some rather affectionate letters he had received from Miss Hero after Zelaya had discontinued his attentions, were other witnesses to-day. The case will be summed up to-morrow.

TWO ACQUITTED.

Trial of John Osterholm and Geo. Burns at Welland.

Welland, Dec. 16.—In the County Court John Osterholm, freight clerk, Niagara Falls, N. Y., and secretary of Clifford Lodge, A. O. U. W., Niagara Falls, Ont., was charged with unlawfully converting to his own use seven hundred and seven dollars during the last three years. The jury found him not guilty. Roberti, an Italian, who stabbed Miser, a fellow-workman, was sentenced to one month. James Neville sued Drs. McKenzie and Birdsell, of Niagara Falls, for malpractice. Plaintiff's wife was operated on at Niagara Falls Hospital on July 4th for abscess or tumor. On Oct. 4th a piece of gauze 37 inches long, that had been sewn in, was taken from the wound. The judge non-suited the plaintiff on the ground that the medical evidence did not show negligence. Plaintiff states he will appeal.

TIMES PATTERNS.



MISSIE'S NIGHT GOWN.

No. 8599.—The dainty underwear that is made at home is generally much more satisfactory than that purchased in the shops. The design here shown is very simple and easily made. Tucks in the upper part of front and back afford sufficient fullness, and the sleeves can be either in long or short length. Narrow lace finished the sleeve and neck edges. Cambric, nainsook and longcloth are all used for the purpose. Sizes 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 years. Requires 4 1/2 yards of 36-inch material for the medium size. A pattern of this illustration sent to any address on receipt of 10 cents in stamps or silver. Pattern here illustrated will be mailed to any address upon receipt of 10 cents in stamps or silver. Address "Pattern Department," Times Office, Hamilton.

It will take several days before you can get pattern.

The protracted labors of the University Commission, which has been wrestling with the problem of higher education in Manitoba for nearly two years, is likely to be nullified by the failure of the members to arrive at anything resembling a unanimity of recommendations.

DEFIANCE TO UNION LABOR.

Steel Corporation Preparing to Leave Pittsburg District. Sheet and Tinplate Plants to be Moved to New Site at Gary. Officials Say They Have Barred Door Against Union Men.

Pittsburg, Pt., Dec. 17.—The United States Steel Corporation to-day began the first real move in carrying war to the labor unions, which on Tuesday declared open war against the corporation. In the offices of the American Sheet & Tinplate Company here, the drawings of plans for the new 100 mill tinplate plant at Gary, Ind., was begun, and will be rushed. The American Sheet & Tinplate Company is that branch of the steel corporation that has had a big strike on for six months, the strike being indirectly the cause of the war declaration by combined union labor. Work will be begun at once on this great plant, according to an official statement made by President Eugene W. Pargney, of the company here, after he conferred with the heads of the corporation at New York. About \$4,000,000 has been set aside for immediate use. The work will be pushed night and day. Almost the entire office force was placed on the work to-day.

It is the evident intention of the corporation to abandon each mill in the Pittsburg district as quickly as possible after being satisfied that the union will continue to interfere with its successful operation. The Aetna-Standard mill at bridgeport, O., where there has recently been so much trouble, is one of the first booked for abandonment when the Gary (Ind.) plant is finished. President Pargney, speaking of this plant now, said: "The Aetna-Standard will not be abandoned until after the Gary plant is completed, at least. What will be done then is not certain. It is possible that we may abandon all the troublesome plants and concentrate them at Gary."

This is taken as an indication that the Pittsburg district, as a district, is to suffer ultimately. The troublesome plants, to which President Pargney refers can all be with ease transferred to the Gary mill plant to be built. There is now less than a total of 100 mills in the Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio district which are keeping up the strike against the American Sheet & Tinplate Company, and this 100-mill capacity can be handled in Gary if necessary. There was originally a total of 190 mills in the strike against the corporation on July 1st last, but about 90 of these mills have been forced into the open-shop line by the corporation. It was learned to-day that it is the intention of the union labor leaders to spend much time and money working among the ore miners of the Northwest this winter, attempting to unionize the ore handlers and all connected with the movement of ore, so that the mines may not be opened in the spring. It is conceded that the fight once opened will be a long one.

The Pittsburg officers of the corporation smile at this idea and the information has been permitted to come from these officers that every door has been barred against union labor in the Northwest, so far as the corporation interests are concerned, that for the last six years the corporation has been working hard to perfect a non-union path from the ore mines to the Pittsburg furnaces, and that they have been completed. It is claimed there are enough non-union men in the employ of the corporation handling the ore to insure that there will be no successful warfare waged by the unions. From those who shovel the dirt round ore beds to those who unload the cars at the Pittsburg furnaces for the corporation, there is not, and there has not been for some time, one avowed union man.

INDIAN LIST.

Kent Inspector to be Defended by Province. Toronto, Dec. 17.—The Provincial Government has decided to conduct the defence of License Inspector Thomas M. French, of West Kent, in a peculiar civil action launched against him. A writ for damages against the inspector was issued this week by Mr. William Piggott, of Wallaceburg. Piggott was placed on the list of persons to whom intoxicants may not be sold, at the instance of a relative, according to the inspector, and subsequently was arraigned at Police Court on a charge of securing liquor when prohibited. Magistrate McDougall, of Wallaceburg, dismissed the case, declaring that the man had been illegally put on the list. The action for damages is in consequence. The act provides that certain specific relatives, parent, wife, brother, sister, or child of over 21 years, or parent, brother or sister of the wife shall have the right to secure prohibitory papers. While the inspector took his instructions from a relative other than those specifically mentioned the department is satisfied he acted in good faith, and will undertake to defend him in the action. The action will be an interesting one, and the Government may make a test case of it.

Myrtle Smith, a 19-year-old Toronto girl, was committed for trial yesterday on a charge of theft from T. Eaton & Co. She worked in the toy department and was suspected of trying the old scheme of making out the bill for less than the price of the purchase and keeping the difference. A detective brought a toy trunk for \$1.50. She billed it at 25 cents and kept the remainder of the money.

SPORT PAGE

RUGBY GAME IS DISCUSSED.

Opinions of Faculty of New York University.

GOOD SPORTSMEN.

Kicking Was Worthy of Nothing But Praise.

The Ottawa-Hamilton Rugby game which was played last Saturday has aroused a great deal of interest and discussion among the football men and several of the faculty of New York University, says the New York Herald.

Several of the opinions are as follows:

Professor Arthur B. Lamb, chairman of the Faculty Committee on Athletics: "The next football season will undoubtedly bring with it a new kind of game."

What the changes will be remains to be seen. However, I hope that the new game will be as interesting as the old, but will have less casualties. Last Saturday I saw the Ottawa-Hamilton game at Van Cortlandt Park and I was amusingly impressed with it. In comparing the Canadian game with the American, I feel the former is by no means equal to the latter in that a couple of men do all the work, while in our game everybody does his share. I will admit that I like the individual playing in the Rugby game, but I should not care to lose the strategic development of play and team work of our college game. I think, then, that a slight alteration of our rules with an introduction of the good features of the Rugby rules would make our most popular college sport open to less criticism.

Professor William E. Gillette, member of the Faculty Committee on Athletics: "I am a lover of football and would not care to lose our American game, but I am in favor of a reform. Last Saturday I witnessed the Canadian game at Van Cortlandt Park. I was pleased with

several of its features. Those which attracted my attention most were the absence of interference, the method of tackling and the possession of passes, which make the game very interesting to the spectator. Perhaps these features would be considered as weak suggestions by the Rules Committee, but I believe if they were put in operation in the American game they would tend to make it safer for the players and much more interesting to the spectators than it is at present.

Alexander Yule, New York University fullback: "This talk we hear so much about of late of abolishing open and mass play is, in my opinion, rash statements made by people who are not familiar with the game. In my experience in football I have seen but very few accidents resulting from mass plays. Occasional injuries do result sometimes from tackling in the open plays. I think these difficulties could be remedied by altering the rules concerning tackling. Perhaps the Canadian Rugby rules on tackling might offer suggestions which the Rules Committee could adopt with advantage."

Post: The visitors were excellent sportsmen, as were their followers scattered among the crowd to hear what we of the 'States' had to say of the Dominion's style of play. The game was attractive and interesting, and though, as played, practically devoid of danger, it did not make a deep impression upon those brought up on our own college game. It is possible that one or two features will be adopted by our rule makers, but the game was fundamentally so radically different that it seemed necessary to many critics to take it or leave it bodily.

The Canadian kicking was worthy of nothing but praise. The punts and even drop kicks were sent away cleanly right under the shadow of the line and for plenty of distance.

Telegram: One point in the Canadian game seems to have been uniformly approved. That is the protection which is given to a player who is catching a punt. There is another point to the Canadian game which gave satisfaction to a great many American experts. That is their rule which compels the ball to be run out of touch by the defending side.

SAYS RACES ARE FAKED.

Advertiser Bastes Longboat and Sherring.

RACES ARE SQUARE.

Longboat Has Won Three Races by Big Margins.

The London Advertiser comes out strong, declaring that the race there on Tuesday night was a fake. The Indian has beaten Sherring three times in a row, and by good margins every time. If there was any fakery about the races, there would have been grand stand finishes, and Sherring would have won at least one of the series. Sherring is the proudest little galloper that ever wore shoe leather, and he wouldn't let Mercury himself beat him if he could help it, while the big Indian has yet to have the breath of suspicion directed against his racing honesty. He has been beaten by men he should defeat, but lack of condition was always the reason. He never jobbed a race in his life, and a man who would try to frame one up with him is a fool, because he could never be certain that the rookier would do planned. The cheers of the crowd get Tom every time. The Indian was once dragged into a crooked deal—the time he ran Frank Nebrieh at the Toronto Island—but he repented the night before the race, confessed the whole thing, and, though he had been on a rampage the night before the race, beat Nebrieh a whisker in a grueling finish. Nebrieh collapsed at the tape, and the Indian went to his knees trying to pull up.

Three out of every hundred thousand people in England and Wales are sentenced to penal servitude every year.

"BEST FIGHT OF MY CAREER WAS AGAINST FITZSIMMONS."

—(By Jas. J. Jeffries.)

To my mind, the best fight I ever made was against Bob Fitzsimmons, on June 9, 1899, when I knocked him out in eleven rounds at the Coney Island Athletic Club and became champion of the world.

Previous to this fight I had met Bob Armstrong, the giant negro, in the East, and had been criticised because I did not knock him out in a hurry. When I trained for the battle with Fitzsimmons I determined to go into the ring faster and better than I had ever been in my life, so I could do myself justice. I had never been in perfect shape, as I had carried too much weight.

When I faced Fitzsimmons I believe I was in the best condition I could possibly reach. For 30 days previous to June 9 I did not drink a drop of water, so anxious was I to take off weight. When my throat became parched I simply gargled.

The conditions under which I fought were discouraging. I felt that some of my backers did not think I could defeat the champion, and incidents of my training had been discouraging. As a matter of fact, however, I regard my battle with Fitzsimmons as one of the easiest of my career. At the end I was not even breathing deeply.

The impression has prevailed in the minds of some that my stomach was invulnerable, but if this was true that blow Fitzsimmons landed under my heart in the fourth round would have shown the weakness. It was a right

POPULARITY OF SOCCER.

The British Game is Gaining Ground.

ENGLISH CROWDS.

Annual Match at Glasgow Drew 121,452 Paid Admissions.

Football men are wondering, in the event of changes being made in the rules and tackling and scrimmaging much modified in the American game, if the English association (soccer) game will ever win the popularity here that it enjoys in the United Kingdom. When American football was abolished in California three years ago, soccer was taken up, and at first did not interest the admirers of the old game. But soccer has grown wonderfully in San Francisco and other coast cities during the past few years. The games in Frisco for the city championship in both the junior and senior leagues draw crowds of 6,000 or 7,000 people, which shows that the game is gaining a strong footing out there, says the New York Times.

That the soccer game has features which get a firm grip on the sport-loving public is shown by the phenomenal popularity of the game in the United Kingdom. Last year at the annual match between England and Scotland, played at Glasgow, a crowd of 121,452 paid admission to see the battle. The free list brought the crowd up to 125,000. When a University of California co-ed saw the English game for the first time she said: "One can enjoy the game without having to understand it." In the English game it is the running, dodging, kicking, passing and exceptionally clever footwork which keep the crowd interested, and the accidents in England have been only of a minor nature.

Sir A. Conan Doyle defines true sport as "an exhibition of hardihood, without brutality, of good-humored courage without savagery, and skill without trickery."

The assertion of Prof. Cleghane, of Princeton, that "Leland Stanford and other coast colleges had tried the association game and that the students would not support it" has brought forth a reply from a well known follower of the game in Pasadena, Cal. In a letter this writer says: "Prof. Cleghane's statement is wholly erroneous, as neither Stanford nor any other college on the coast plays the association game, although there are many outside soccer teams. Both Stanford and the State University at Berkeley play English Rugby, and also the University of Nevada, with many of the high schools and smaller colleges. The game is exceedingly popular and is firmly entrenched in the two leading colleges. All over California," says this correspondent, "the Rugby game is surely vanquishing American inter-collegiate football. The visits of the Australian and New Zealand players to the coast opened the eyes of the people out there."

The football season in the British Isles lasts for eight months, and the game is so popular, and there are so many participants in the sport, that the newspapers give up pages to it. Papers are published which contain nothing but football news, like the Liverpool Pootball Echo, a journal devoted almost entirely to the game. Hundreds of teams form leagues, and these different teams play series during the season until the champion team is finally chosen to meet the champion teams of the other countries.

Saturday during the football season is given over almost entirely to the game. It is surprising to note what great crowds these week-end matches draw. For example, in the games played in the First League of London on the first Saturday in November, the Chelsea-Everton match drew 49,000 people, the Woolwich Arsenal-Bradford City match drew 10,000; Newcastle and Tottenham, 28,000; Blackburn-Sunderland, 20,000; Liverpool and Bury, 20,000; Notts-Preston, 10,000. These teams will play every week until April, when the season ends; in every city in the United Kingdom the conditions are similar.

Whether the English game could ever

win such popularity here, of course, is a question. Among American colleges which play both games, the rougher American game completely overshadows the English game. However, the English game is gaining a foothold here, as was shown in the interest taken in the recent visit of the Pilgrims of England, where much enthusiasm and interest were shown in the clever work of the British kickers.

BOUND FOR THE ROCKS.

Ottawa Team May Jump to the National League.

RENFREW OFFERS.

Creamery Town New After Lake and Bruce Ridpath.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The Edmonton club notified the trustees yesterday that their proposed Stanley Cup trip was off. They refused to come because the Ottawas had delayed the announcement of their dates. It is said that Cobalt may come in their place. Galt will play Jan. 5 and 7, instead of 4 and 6. Percy Lesueur turned out with the Ottawas for the first time last night.

An officer of the Renfrew club announced last night that they would admit Ottawa to the National on certain terms, and it is likely that the Stanley Cup holders will desert the Canadian, which is bound to go to pieces.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Fred Taylor failed to show up at last night's practice of the Ottawas, and it is again said that he will be found with Renfrew. The officers say that Taylor has demanded an increase and believe that he is only bluffing. Renfrew undoubtedly are after the great cover point A. Renfrew officer says that they may have him after all. Renfrew are also trying to land Bruce Ridpath.

Mr. J. G. Barnet, of Renfrew, announces that arrangements have been completed for a series of games in New York city between the creamery town 816,000 aggregation and the Cobalt hockey team. The teams will journey to Gotham from Pittsburgh, where they are billed to play next week. Mr. Barnet has arranged with the railroads to run excursions from Ottawa to Renfrew to all league fixtures.

Since the brothers Patrick have joined Renfrew that team looked good for the National Hockey Association championship—if Ottawa does not jump to that circuit from the Canadian League.

INTERNATIONAL BASKETBALL SOON.

The Champion Independent Team Will Practice To-night.

Three Fast Games Will be Played on Saturday Night.

The champion independent basketball team will practice in the Y. M. C. A. this evening at 7 o'clock against the Wood Milling Company's team. With a couple of weeks' practice the independents will be about ready to meet all comers. They are in better shape this year than ever. The public are cordially invited to be present.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—The C. A. A. U. will raise the suspension of the Central Y. M. C. A. senior and All Saints' senior basketball teams, on December 20. On December 4 they were hoisted a month for playing without a sanction—or rather, under an old sanction which All Saints

Special Announcement

Two hundred and forty Boys' Overcoats—sizes for big and little—to be cleared out by reducing the price 50 cents each day while they last.

The sale starts to-day, Friday, 17th, when you may take your choice of the 240 coats for \$5.50, and to-morrow, Saturday, your choice of what are left for \$5.00, and on Monday your choice for \$4.50, and so on, the price dropping 50 cents every day until Friday next, when all that are left will go at \$2.50.

The regular prices of these coats are \$4.50, \$5, \$6, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.50, and the sizes will fit ages 3 to 16 years.

Just 20 of these coats are in the long reefer style, and the other 220 are in the full length Overcoat and Ulster models. Every garment made by the Sanford Co.

Our north window will be filled every day with samples of the best lines left each day and salesmen are instructed to try to sell the best coats first. The original price tickets will be on each garment, so you may see what we have sold them at before, \$4.50 to \$8.50, so don't expect to find all the \$7.50 and \$8.50 coats here on the last day, when the price will have dropped to \$2.50. If you want the best coats to choose from you'd better get busy at once.

These coats represent what we would clear out in the January Sale, so we just decided to cut loose a few days earlier and provide 240 boys with coats for Christmas.

Don't get mixed on our windows. Our south window is to look at only. It is our "Christmas" window; but our north window is where you will see these Boys' Overcoats, and it will be our business-bringing window for Christmas week. Watch our north window.

OAK HALL
10 and 12 James St. N.

SCRAP TALK

The Canadian Rugby Football Union meets at Montreal on Jan. 8. Those who have changes in the rules to offer should communicate with W. J. Slee, secretary C. R. F. U., 108 Marguerite street, Toronto.

The Hamilton Gun Club will hold a shoot on Saturday afternoon for the club championship at twenty-five birds. It is sure to be a close race, as some good scores have been hung up this season, and the member that wins the gold medal will have no easy task. The members will leave on the 1.10 p. m. Radial car.

A meeting of the Central Y. M. C. A. Junior Harriers will be held to-night at 8 o'clock. Every member should be present as important business is to be discussed.

Poor Deer Season in Wisconsin.
Deputy Game Warden Jacob De Long has checked up a little over four hundred deer received, transferred or passing through here to other points. This is the smallest number ever reported at this point. Usually 2,000 or more have been checked here by game wardens. Bad hunting conditions, a growing scarcity of deer and a limit of one to each hunter are reasons assigned by the warden for the small number.—Chippewa Falls in Milwaukee Sentinel.

Gossip and Comment

As the prospect for hockey this winter is poor, Hamilton sports will have to look to basketball for their entertainment. The Hamilton basketball team has held the championship of Canada for a number of years, and is good enough to compete with the best teams on the other side of the border. The struggle between the C. A. A. U. and the A. A. U. made it impossible for Canadian amateur teams to meet their American neighbors last year, but now that the hatchet has been buried international games will be arranged.

There has been some talk of an international league being formed, and the idea should be productive of good sport if carried out. Basketball is one of the fastest games played, and from the spectators' standpoint one of the most interesting.

There should be good skating at the Thistle rink on or before Christmas. The rink was flooded last week, and about an inch and a half of ice has been made already.

Ontario has supplied the big leagues with four good catchers, all of whom are now at their best. The quartette comprises Ike Owens and Jimmy Arches, of Toronto, "Mooney" Gibson, of London, and "Nig" Clarke, the Amherstburg backstop, whom Detroit is trying to buy from Cleveland.

Jockey Musgrave, who wore Mr. Seagram's jacket at the local track this summer, has refused an offer from a prominent French trainer.

Billy Sherring and Tom Longboat will not do any more racing until after Christmas.

The Amateur Athletic Union of Canada has granted a sanction to the Burlington Athletic Association for a ten-mile road race on Christmas Day at Burlington.

Not satisfied with trying to steal the Ottawa hockey players, Renfrew proposes to lure the Ottawa spectators to the Creamery Town with special trains and cheap admission.

A correspondent asks, not impertinently: "If American college football is such a grand and improving game, why is it that its devotees do not pursue it as an exercise after they leave college?" His adds: "Other kinds of football are not left at the college doors at graduation."

The horse lovers about New York have so readily and so quickly adapted themselves to the new order of things that the Jockey Club sees its way clear to establish racing on the old plans of generous awards. This is on the strength of the court decision which says that it is not illegal for one gentleman to say to another, "I'll bet you."

Jack Johnson is giving away to Philadelphia reporters who he expects to defeat Jeffries.

"First, I have a good pair of hands," grinned the big heavyweight with his golden smile. "I will jolt him harder than he has ever been struck before. It matters not whether the fight will be at long or short range, I can outbox him, and as a mixer at close quarters I will dare him to swap punches with me. There is no doubt as to the result. I am big, healthy, never was sick in my life, and the strongest man that Jeffries ever attempted to grapple with. I can already see the bacon coming to my home."



JAS. J. JEFFRIES, Who Retired Undefeated Champion of the World.

hand blow, delivered with every ounce of strength Fitzsimmons possessed, but I can honestly say it did not bother me. Only once during the fight did Fitzsimmons hurt me, and that was when he split my eyelid. His body blows did not hurt a bit. I think, however, those who witnessed that fight realized I could take punishment, for Fitzsimmons hit me hard and often, and he could hit as

hard as any man in the ring at that time.

I outgeneraled Fitzsimmons in this battle by forcing him to lead. His strong hold had always been countering, but as I kept after him continually, he had to lead or back away, and when thus forced he was non-plussed.

I knocked Fitzsimmons down in the second round with a straight left to the mouth and he actually looked surprised. He did his best work in the fifth round, and shot his bolt, for his heaviest blows failed to prove as effective as they had against other men. In the eighth round, after I had knocked him down, Fitzsimmons came up looking scared. He realized then, I think, for the first time, that he was a beaten man. I knocked him out in the eleventh with a right hand swing to the chin.

I went into that fight a rank outsider and when it was over was champion of the world, a title I have held to this day untarnished, and which I will continue to hold thus until I again retire this time forever, from the ring.

To-morrow the Daily Times will publish upon this page a story by Jack Johnson, in which the present heavyweight champion tells of the toughest fight he ever had, with a man who came within an ace of beating Jim Jeffries early in the career of that great fighter.

thought covered the entire year instead of last season only.

The release of the two teams gives the Centrals a chance to play Ottawa the final game for the Canadian championship here on December 27, and the New Year's Day game with Detroit here.

J. J. McLeod, the hustling physical director of Central "Y," is fostering an international basketball league, with Detroit, Buffalo and Rochester Y. M. C. A.'s on the Yankee side, opposing Toronto West Ends, Toronto Centrals and Hamilton Y. M. C. A. He wrote those concerned to-day.

"We play all these teams exhibition games now, and we might as well make it an international competition," remarked McLeod. "All we need now is a trophy."

On Saturday evening in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium three very fast games of basketball will be played. The first at 7 o'clock, the second at 7.45 and the third at 8.30 p. m. These games will be well worth seeing, as all three teams are tied for leadership in the league.

Although there is lots of basketball being played and lots of schedules well on, there is no doubt that the season will not be formally opened until Christmas night, when the first important game for the inter-city championship will commence, when London plays the locals here. This game is really the most important of the season.

At 9 o'clock two very fast teams will line up against each other for a game of indoor baseball, and this alone will be well worth seeing. The public are cordially invited to be present. A silver collection will be taken.

A business men's team from the local

Y. M. C. A. visited Brantford last evening, and played a very interesting game with the business and professional men of the Telephone City. The men on both teams are better known for their success in business and professional life, high standing in social life, rather than for their basketball prowess, but as a bystander remarked, they had just as much fun as if they played it right. The score when the final whistle blew was 30 to 22 in favor of Hamilton. A return game will be played in the near future.

The players were: Hamilton—W. J. Linklater, Wesley Bowerman, C. A. P. Powis, R. J. Marshall, Guy Long.

Brantford—A. S. Brewster, M. P. P., Rev. J. Patterson, Oswald Morris, Rev. A. McCracken, C. Caspel.

R. Campbell and B. O. Hooper were spares for Hamilton.

Additional Sporting News on Page 9

Her Soft Spot.
Belinda, crying bitterly, was coming down the street of a certain southern city with her feet bandaged.

"Why, what's the matter with your feet, Belinda?" asked a former mistress. "Miss Jones, dat good-for-nothin' nigger of mine done hit me on he head wid a club while I was standin' on de hard stone sidewalk."—Harper's Magazine.

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Physically, this is a time of reasoning, and of organizing knowledge.

Physically, the youth now becomes a part of the larger whole.

In religion, anthropomorphism disappears in theology and the conceptions are spiritualized.

The youth's moral obligation to himself is to continue clean and honest.

His duties to society embrace the whole range of active participation.

For this period the theatre of life should be broadened.

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LITERATURE OF CANADA.

Fine Address by Mr. Sedgewick to Central Men.

The regular meeting of the Sodales Club of Central Presbyterian Church...

HELD A BALL.

Ladies' Auxiliary, B. of R. T., Gave Delightful One.

The Armory Palm Garden formed a beautiful setting for the gay and happy throng...

RAILWAY LOSES.

Car Repairer Gets Damages From the Pere Marquette.

(Special Wire to the Times.) Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 16.—The Supreme Court pronounced judgment this morning...

A Boy's Christmas Box.

The manager of Oak Hall clothing store has a very special announcement...

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Annual Meeting and Banquet of Masonic Lodge.

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Den Tables

Children's Rockers

Dolls' Go-Carts

Clocks

Grandfathers' Clocks

Easy Chairs

Secretaries

Den Couches

Secretary Bookcases

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Oak Buffets

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Library Tables

Parlor Tables

Parlor Chairs

Rattan Rockers

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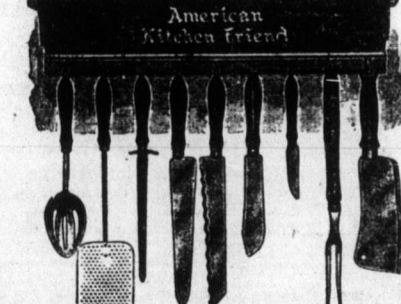
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