

The Times Wishes Its Many Readers a Merry Christmas

FIVE MEN KILLED IN CHRISTMAS FIGHTS.

Man Looking For Trouble Got Killed.

Love Affair Ends In the Death of Negro.

120 Bodies Recovered From Darr Mine.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—Five men killed by pistol or knife in Louisiana and Mississippi during the last twenty-four hours is the record up to date of Christmas week fights in this section.

At Covington, La., Henry Route, a negro, entered the front yard of a Mr. Bradley, white, inviting the latter to settle a money matter by "coming out to shoot it out." Bradley killed the negro.

At New Albany, Miss., Ed. F. Hillhouse, a section foreman, shot and instantly killed Martin Arnold, also a sectionman. Both are white.

Vaiden, Miss., was the scene of a terrible fight, which cost the lives of both participants, Maurice Davis, white, and Wm. Sphinx, colored.

A love affair at Greenville, Miss., caused Ed. Smith, a negro railroad man, to seek out and kill Jim English, another negro.

Darr Mine Tragedy.

Jacobs Creek, Pa., Dec. 24.—Searching parties at the Darr mine to-day reached entry No. 27, where they found 74 bodies in a heap. With the 46 bodies which have already been brought to the surface the total number recovered to-day is 120.

To-day was funeral day at the mine. Twelve identified bodies were taken from the temporary morgue and placed in a line along the tracks of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad. The last sad ceremonies were conducted in the open with hundreds of friends, relatives and sight-seers as spectators. The resultant scenes were extremely pathetic. Following the services the bodies were placed on a train and taken to Conneville, Pa., for burial.

McLEAN 26.

Majority of the Liberal Candidate in Centre York.

Markham, Ont., Dec. 24.—Election returns received this morning show that Mr. MacLean's majority in Centre York is 26, and not 9, as reported last night. In sub-division 5, Markham Township, the figures remain as at first reported, showing a majority there for MacLean of 25, but in sub-division 9 Mr. MacLean's majority is increased by 7, the figures now being reported as MacLean 79, Wallace 21.

The pupils of the Caroline Street School have sent a Christmas gift of \$8 to St. Hilda Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, for the benefit of the Hamilton Sanitarium.

JAKE SUNFIELD TOLD THAT HE MUST GO TO GALLOWS.

Took the Information Coolly—His Counsel Is Very Much Surprised.

At noon to-day Jake Tamillo, alias Sunfield, who is under sentence of death for the murder of Andrew Radzyk last July, was informed by his untiring solicitor, Mr. J. L. Counsell, that the Minister of Justice had declined to grant a new trial, and that the Cabinet had decided to permit the law to take its course, and that, unless something very unexpected happens within the next two days, he will be hanged on Friday morning. The prisoner received the information very coolly and proceeded to discuss the case with his legal adviser.

Mr. J. L. Counsell is much disappointed, to put it mildly, at the refusal of the Attorney-General to order a new trial. To-day he made known the contents of five affidavits that were made by officials at the International Harvester works, and which were filed with the Minister of Justice. He says that the information in some of them was given voluntarily to Sheriff Middleton the day after the trial, when they read of the evidence of Wm. Walsh, who swore at the trial that Radzyk just before he died said that "Jake" shot, and that there was no use going for a doctor. Mr. Walsh also made a statement to the effect that Sunfield told the officers to take him, that he was the man they wanted. In the affidavits filed, both these statements are contradicted. In his affidavit, Mr. Andrew Johnston, superintendent of the Harvester Co.,

Held Up Saloon.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Four masked men entered the saloon of Wm. Wright last night and obtained \$400 in money, eight gold watches and four revolvers. The watches and currency were secured from sixteen patrons of the saloon. The men were playing cards at tables when the visitors, each presenting a revolver, entered. The players were persuaded to stop their game for the moment and line up at the bar, where two of the quartette accepted their contributions while the other stood at present arms. After this ceremony one of the collectors went behind the bar and divested the cash register of its contents. Then the four left the saloon and escaped.

TWO TEACHERS OF NORMAL TRAINING.

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Three New Policemen to be Appointed on Thursday—Hardly Likely That Detective Vacancy Will be Filled.

The Internal Management Committee of the Board of Education last night appointed A. E. Wilcox, of Guelph, and J. A. Painter, of Stoney Creek, teachers for the new manual training centres to be opened in the Wentworth and Caroline street schools. The salary will be \$800 a year each. Burton & Baldwin were given the contract for furnishing the equipment. Out of a dozen applications for the position of sewing teacher, it was found that only two were qualified. There was some mix-up about the applicants and it was agreed to advertise again for teachers. It is necessary to have a properly qualified teacher to secure the Government grant.

The Police Commissioners will meet at noon on Thursday to appoint three new men to fill vacancies on the force. It is very likely that the Commissioners will take any action in appointing a man to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Detective Miller, now of the Provincial force. They will likely leave the matter of trying out the plain clothes men in Chief Smith's hands.

It is expected that the Radial bill, which the city has decided to fight, on the ground that it would not have the same control if the company were under Dominion jurisdiction, comes up at Ottawa the week beginning January 6th.

HIS HOLINESS TRIED TO MAKE THEM HAPPY.

Exchanged Christmas Greetings With the Cardinals.

Rome, Dec. 24.—The Pope was present in the Sacred College to-day for the exchange of Christmas greetings with the Cardinals.

Addresses were made, but the Pontiff conversed familiarly with each cardinal, speaking of modernism and the revision of the Vulgate. With Cardinal Gasparri he spoke at some length on the codification of the canon law.

TO BREAK WILL.

Mrs. Bradley After Senator Brown's Wealth.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 24.—By their guardian, Mrs. Magdison, mother of Mrs. Anna Bradley, Arthur Brown Bradley and Martin Montgomery Bradley, yesterday filed suit to break the will of former Senator Brown, whom their mother shot to death in Washington. It is contended that Brown had so frequently acknowledged the children that the disavowal of the will proves an abnormal state of mind and this abnormality is attributed to the complaint to habitual intoxication.

SCARCITY OF BARLEY

May Close a Thousand Saloons in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—"One thousand saloons will have locked their doors and gone out of business in this city by May 1 next," said Adam Orselsen, President of the McAvoy Brewery Co., during a talk last night on the scarcity of barley, which is seriously crippling the large breweries and the malt houses and may mean a probable raise in the price per barrel of beer within a few weeks.

Both breweries and malsters for several weeks have been bidding almost to the hilt for the scarce commodity of barley in order to get a few carloads of barley that arrive in this market each day.

ROBINSON CRUSOE.

Castaway Sailors Who Lived a Life Like His.

New York, Dec. 24.—With a tale of hardship and privation that adds another chapter to the romance of the sea, Mate Donald Morrison, of the long lost barque Alexander Oubis, has arrived at his home in Southampton, L. I., in time for Christmas. The vessel was wrecked in the Pacific, near the equator, and the crew put off in two boats. One of the boats, in which was Mate Morrison, reached an uninhabited island, where he and nine others remained for five months, until they were rescued by a ship manned by the sailors who had put off from the barque in the other boat, and who finally reached the mainland. During this time they lived on turtles and lizards, and all the water they had was from a small brackish spring.

WENT DRY

For the Sake of Getting a Gift From a Millionaire.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—A despatch to the Record-Herald from Hudson, Ohio, says: Because of a gift of \$200,000, supposedly made by J. W. Ellsworth, a millionaire New York coal man, which promises to make this town a model village provided that the sale of liquor ceases before the money is paid over, Hudson voted out saloons yesterday by a vote of 266 to 188. The town sentiment is overwhelmingly "wet" but the chance to get municipal light and gas plants and the remodeling of the old western reserve college at a cost of \$1,000,000 overcame the saloon sentiment. The "drys" give all the credit to Ellsworth, who offered to permit the sale of beer. No law being found to exempt beer selling from the operation of an oyster vote the amber beverage was sacrificed as well.

FIRE ON VESSEL.

Kobe, Japan, Dec. 24.—Fire has broken out on board the American steamer Minnesota, Captain Austin, in this harbor. Both the vessel and her cargo were damaged. The Minnesota is from Seattle for Hong Kong via Yokohama, etc.

Your Chance

To get a good case of Ebony goods at very low prices, just because our ebony goods came in so late that we are sacrificing them rather than carry them over. Don't forget to send that box of Huyler's candies that are so fresh and delicious. Parke & Parke, Druggists.

Smokers' Christmas Presents.

Fine French briar pipes, with gold or silver mounting and genuine amber mouthpieces, in handsome cases, are sold at peace's pipe store. Select a nice Christmas present at the headquarters, 107 King street east.

Go to the Right House for your last minute Christmas needs.

TRIED TO MAKE THEM HAPPY.

Distribution of Cheer Was Very Large To-day.

Societies Sent Out Hundreds of Filled Baskets.

The Salvation Army Also Did a Large Share.

The benevolent societies of the city are very busy to-day distributing the ever welcome cheer to the needy and worthy poor of this city. Rigs have been on the go all day and by night it is expected that everything will be pretty well distributed.

St. George's Society had its quarters at 62 King street east, and the committee in charge was kept busy all day. Something in the neighborhood of 275 baskets of cheer were given out, or sent by messenger boys and wagons throughout the city. The baskets contained roast beef, currants, raisins, tea, sugar, flour, oranges, bread and cereals. The committee in charge was the Board of Management of the Society, as follows: C. W. Cartwright, J. J. Evel, H. H. Champ, C. A. Murton, J. H. Collinson, G. C. Copley, S. F. Washington, C. D. Blachford, J. T. Gillard, H. N. Kirtson, J. Gadsby, W. A. Spratt and P. W. Gates. They were all assisted by Wm. Stroud and others. The society was given excellent assistance by a boys' brigade from the Highfield School, composed of the following: C. B. and G. E. Tingle, H. H. and L. P. Washington, N. Dalley, N. Y. Bartlett, D. L. and J. P. Bankier, Guy Evel, F. Close, Roy Fitch and A. Crerar.

The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society quarters were at 2 King William street. There were about 200 baskets filled with beef, sausages, bread, rice, oranges and candies, tea and sugar, rolled oats, flour. Special efforts were made by the committee to see that the baskets were put in the homes where they would be most appreciated. The committee in charge was: Joseph Ross, Chairman, C. H. Peables, Dr. R. J. Husband, James Connors, T. W. Lester, J. O. Callaghan, James Hastings, J. E. Bull, D'Arcy Martin, Thomas Hobson and R. H. Miller.

St. Andrew's Society has been busy with its distribution for the past week, among the Scotch poor of this city, and has accomplished splendid results. The committee in charge was Messrs. Scott, Cameron and Lyon. The custom of the society is to give orders on grocers in different parts of the city. The orders have been heavier this year.

The Salvation Army has its hands full all day. Over 100 baskets were sent out containing beef, potatoes and cabbage, tea, sugar, oranges and apples, nuts, candies and bread, and clothing if needed. Major W. Green was in charge of the distribution.

The Vincent de Paul Society looked after its deserving poor in the different parishes throughout the city, by the conferences in the parishes.

NO DISSENTION.

Only a Little Criticism Which He Referred to.

In connection with the affairs of Sherman avenue Presbyterian Church Rev. Roy VanWyck explains that there is no dissention in the congregation. There has been some criticism and he desired to check this, lest being indulged in indiscriminately, it might lead to something more serious. In his remarks on Sunday he intimated that those who had been indulging in criticism should attend the congregational meeting and express their views or else hold their peace. He states emphatically that the past end revival had nothing to do with the matter.

POOR LITTLE BABE

Died of Starvation in Time of Christmas Cheer.

St. Catharines, Dec. 24.—(Special)—A pitiful case of starvation in the midst of Christmas rejoicing came to light yesterday, when High Constable R. E. Boyle was called to Merriton, where, on Turner street, in a home that bespoke the direct poverty on every side, was found the dead body of a babe, the victim of starvation. The parents, David and Mrs. Strong, will be removed to the Industrial Home.

"SHOOT AGAIN,

You've Missed," Says the Man Shot at.

Adrian, Mich., Dec. 24.—George B. Mann finished eating a midnight lunch in "Doc" Scholer's Stag Hotel, then wheeled on his stool and fired a pistol point blank at Charles Camburn, night clerk, behind the office counter.

"Shoot again; you've missed," said Camburn. "Oh, you're brave, ain't you? You've been out west," replied Mann, and walked away. Camburn will not prosecute. A disagreement over a business deal is said to have been the instigation of the shooting. Both are well known.

The Man In Overalls

The Man in Overalls wishes all his readers

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

And no unpleasant after effects.

Last day of Christmas shopping.

Santa Claus will be around to-night. What do you expect?

How about your sidewalk? Are you acting the good Samaritan part?

Never mind what the Tory Executive insists upon. You can be an aldermanic candidate without its permission.

The Citizens' League is not meeting with much success in its legal efforts to improve the morals of the citizens. What's the trouble?

Now, children, get to bed before Santa Claus gets around.

Young fellows, draw it mild—to-morrow.

Don't forget church in the morning.

Let us have a happy, but a sober, Christmas.

GREATEST EVER.

Hamilton Post Office Business Surpasses All Records.

The work at the Post-office this Christmas is far beyond what it ever was. The last parcel post from Great Britain brought 2,000 parcels for the Hamilton office. It required 100 of the large hampers to convey them and besides these there were 600 sacks of other mail matter. Since yesterday morning 1,200 sacks have been despatched. The entire staff have turned night into day and worked like heroes to overtake the work and have done it. There has been no congestion. The letter carriers had a hard job of it yesterday in all the rain but they got through. They were loaded down to-day but, having extra help and teams besides, they will manage to deliver everything.

GOING TO TORONTO.

Rev. R. J. Treleaver Accepts Call to Carleton St.

Rev. R. J. Treleaver, pastor of First Methodist Church, has received a unanimous call to Carleton Street Methodist Church, Toronto, to succeed Rev. Dr. Rankin, when the latter's four-year term expires there, and Mr. Treleaver's expires at First, in Jun, 1909. He has accepted, subject to the approval of the Transfer Committee. Mr. Treleaver followed Dr. Rankin at Parkdale Methodist Church six or seven years ago, and came from there to this city. He has become very dear to First Methodist people, and they will all be glad that, when the time comes that he must leave, he will go to such a strong and influential Toronto church.

NEVER SAW HIM.

Wingham Young Woman Goes West and Takes a Chance.

Wingham, Dec. 24.—Miss Maud Robertson, who recently resigned the position of public librarian here, surprised her friends recently. She went west, and word has been received to the effect that she has been married to a man whom, it is said, she had never seen. Mr. Boland, of Everett, Washington Territory. Mr. Boland was to have met her at Calgary, but having been in the hospital for some time was unable to make the journey to Calgary. However, he sent a gentleman representative, who safely piloted the lady to her destination, where the marriage was consummated. Mr. Boland is a widower with two children, and no doubt was anxious to secure one of Wingham's far-famed young ladies.

CHRISTMAS GIFT THINGS.

Many Reductions at Right House For To-night's Shoppers.

The Right House is superbly ready to supply every Xmas gift need of the thousands of Xmas shoppers who will be out to-night. Take your last minute needs direct to the Right House and you will save time, worry and money. Many reductions on handsome and desirable gift things all over the store. These will be displayed and telebated for easy selection.

Don't fail to visit the Thomas C. Watkins store to-night if you would save much.

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.

BANK CLOSED.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 24.—The Memphis Savings Bank failed to open its doors this morning. A notice posted on the door said that the bank had been placed in the hands of a receiver. No statement has been issued.

COL. GIBSON MAKES AN EXPLANATION.

Interviewer Did Not Fairly Report Him, Says President of Cataract Company.

Speaks on Municipal Lighting Idea.

The correspondence which appears herewith needs no comment or explanation: Hamilton, Dec. 24th, 1907. To the Editor of the Times: Dear Sir,—I am enclosing you a copy of a letter sent by me to the Editor of the Herald newspaper, which I would ask you to kindly publish in your paper. Yours truly, J. M. Gibson.

December 23rd, 1907.

To the Editor of the Herald: Dear Sir,—Perhaps your reporter had better not hereafter come to me for interviews. The gentleman who came to me to-day probably means all right enough, but I know he is not a free agent, and as too often is the case, one's real meaning is not given to the public. It is a very simple matter to say that Mr. Gibson or any one else made certain statements and, by omitting other statements made at the same time, lead the public to believe just the opposite of what was meant. I did say that, in my opinion, the Council thought the arc lighting could be done for between \$40 and \$50 a lamp, and that, as the Cataract Company would not get down to anywhere near those figures, if the city was bound to go into the business we would supply power for the purpose, even flat rate power, at a lower figure than the Hydro-Electric power at \$17.50 per horse-power per annum, and that they would take our plant and use our poles and incur comparatively little expense.

Nothing that I said justified your prominent heading, "Colonel Gibson is in Favor of Municipal Street Lighting System." It did not say "I think the city should have its own lighting plants." It certainly did not remark that the "desire for a municipal plant seemed to be general," and you had no warrant for the statement in your editorial columns that I am "in favor of the installation of a civic street lighting plant in Hamilton." It is very like your reporter to take the company in connection with the present rates of street lighting, though these rates were fixed by an agreement entered into by the city.

I am willing to go quite a length in the matter of municipal ownership, but as to many public utilities the way to get the poorest results, financially and otherwise, is by municipal operation.

Yours truly, J. M. Gibson.

MORE PEOPLE BUT LESS MONEY.

THAT SUMS UP CHRISTMAS BUSINESS IN NEW YORK.

Cheaper Articles Being Purchased—Push-Cart Men Doing Land Office Business—Diamond Merchants Slack—Lots of Christmas Cards.

New York, Dec. 24.—That the Christmas business this year will be smaller than it was last year is admitted by most dealers in New York. The crowds are larger than the oldest dealer has ever seen, but the people are spending less money. Cheaper articles are being purchased, and the push cart men in the down town streets are doing the greatest business they have ever done. Very expensive articles are not being bought in large quantities. Diamond merchants say that trade has fallen to less than half what it was last year, and dealers in furs, who look upon Christmas as the great harvest season of the year, state that there is practically no business in their line. In the big department stores it is said that the stock of fancy articles are being passed by, and that by far the greater part of the Christmas buying runs to things that are mostly "useful presents."

It is said that the call for Christmas cards is much more than double that of last year, a fact which is said by the dealers to show that people are not spending as much money for presents as they did last year. Conservative dealers estimate that the business during the Christmas rush will not approach last year's business by 20 per cent.

LIGHTNING KILLS.

House Wrecked, Girl Killed, and 15 Persons Hurt.

Reids Station, Ga., Dec. 24.—Sedora Bryant, the ten-year-old daughter of J. D. Bryant, was instantly killed last evening by a stroke of lightning which wrecked the house and injured fifteen other persons, but none seriously. There was a gathering of neighbors at the Bryant home, twelve miles south of Macon, on the Southern Railway, and the evening was being spent in a song service when the house was struck by the lightning.

HERE'S A GO!

Chattanooga Saloons to Close on Christmas Day.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 24.—For the first time in the history of the liquor business in Chattanooga all the saloons of the city will be closed tight on Christmas day. This is neither the result of law, ordinance or outside influence, the saloon men having some weeks ago agreed to observe the day. This action has aroused much favorable comment.

HARRY'S LITTLE ROMANCE LANDS HIM BEHIND BARS.

Laborer of 53 Years Does Some Shooting In Home of Girl He Was Visiting.

Harry Rushbrook, 53 years of age, a laborer living with his wife at 61 Vine street, was arrested by Constable Elliott last night in the apartments of Miss Agnes Davis, above 106 King street east, charged with shooting at her with intent to do her bodily harm. The story seems to let a little light upon an affinity romance. Some time ago Rushbrook met the young woman he tried to shoot last night, and ever since then has been trying, according to the information gathered by the police, to force his attentions on her, leaving his wife entirely in ignorance of his doings. Last night Rushbrook got rather full and went to the house of the complainant, where her brother and her mother were also living. He saw the girl there and after speaking two or three words produced a revolver and fired a shot at her. The bullet flew wide and Miss Davis' brother rushed into the room where they were and took the revolver from Rushbrook. Constable Elliott, who was passing, was called in and arrested Rushbrook and took him to the cells, where he was locked up for the night. This morning the prisoner was charged with the offence and said, "I am not guilty of shooting at Miss Davis." The Crown Attorney put the complainant into the box, but after a few questions decided he would have to review the case, and asked for a remand till next Thursday, which was granted. The bullet hole has not yet been found, and the Crown Attorney will put a detective on to hunt up particulars.

The theory in the case, as provided by Chief Smith, is that the man went there with the extent of exterminating the family and then putting a bullet in his own head, as he did not think he could persuade the girl he is said to have attempted to shoot to go away with him. His wife was in court this morning and cried bitterly as her husband was taken out of the dock and sent back to the cells. Louis Levy, Barton and Caroline streets, was fined \$5 for assaulting Isaac Glass, who, he said, called him a "thief and a murderer."

HIS LORDSHIP'S RIVALRY

Lord Lynne looked with some little surprise at the tall, handsome stranger who stood by his wife's side. The gentleman bowed as he met Philip's glance, and turning to Inez, said, "May I ask for an introduction to your husband, Lady Lynne?"

Without looking at him, she introduced the Count Rinaldo Montali to Lord Lynne. "I had the pleasure of meeting Lady Lynne in Spain some years ago," said the count to Philip. "I am quite charmed to have the honor of renewing our acquaintance."

feet to thank her. She would not assist in any preparation for the marriage, and the last of the Monteleone was taken to the altar by her English lover in plain morning dress and without any ornament. Her mother never blessed her—never gave her consent to the marriage. She said but these few words: "I withdraw my opposition." So Stephen, Lord Lynne, married Bianca Monteleone, and immediately the ceremony was ended he took her to Italy.

AT R. McKay & Co's, THURSDAY, DEC. 26th, 1907 Shop Early To-night Splendid Buying Chances in Pretty Gifts Await You at This Bright Store

This bright store is offering many specials for to-night's selling that should not be overlooked, that is if prices count. BUT YOU MUST COME EARLY. We know the store will be crowded, but we want to make you as comfortable as possible. You can shop in comfort by coming early. We intend placing on our counters bargain after bargain, and they will be snapped up quickly.

A Word of Thanks And about our Christmas business, by far the best this bright and up-to-date store has ever handled, in fact away ahead of our most sanguine expectations, and once more this store, HAMILTON'S BEST, has demonstrated the fact that we are leaders in the dry goods trade of Hamilton, a store that stands alone in the matter of large assortments and honest values, and we take this means of thanking the citizens of Hamilton and vicinity for their splendid patronage, and

R. McKay & Co. Extend TO EVERYBODY A Very Merry Christmas YOUR LAST CHANCE TO-NIGHT COME AND SAVE READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENT

Opera Cloaks \$12.50 For one hour only, between 8 and 9 o'clock TO-NIGHT we will offer champagne and pearl grey chiffon Broadcloth Opera Cloaks, handsomely lined and interlined. Cloaks are beautifully trimmed and embroidered. THESE COATS ARE REGULAR \$21.50 VALUES. FOR ONE HOUR ONLY \$12.50

Great Sale of Furs To-night Between 8 and 9 o'clock—\$50 Mink Stoles \$35 Best quality Canadian Mink Stoles, trimmed with mink heads. These Stoles are \$50, for one hour only \$35

2 BIG SPECIALS FOR TO-NIGHT in BLOUSES AND UNDERSKIRTS 2nd FLOOR \$2.50 Blouses at \$1.49 \$1.50 Satene Underskirts 98c

LAST CALL from the LINEN SECTION Still a good assortment to choose from. Hand Drawn Lunch Cloths Tray Cloths

R. McKay & Co.

How to Avert Christmas Tree Dangers. (Leslie's Weekly.) Every year the ignition of Christmas trees by the candles attached to them is the cause of many fires, involving loss of property and the injury and even death of human beings. Accidents of this character are mainly due to ignorance and carelessness, and are in nearly every instance preventable.

SUITABLE XMAS GIFTS. Fountain pens, from \$1 to \$6; pocket knives, 25c to \$1.75; Hohner mouth organs, 25c to \$1.50; perfumes, in cases, 25c to \$2; safety razors, \$1 to \$5; pocket books, 25c to \$5; mirrors, 25c to \$4; ebony brushes, 50c to \$3.75; shaving brushes, 25c to \$1.75, etc., at Gerris's drug store, 32 James street north.

ILL-TREATED NATIVES. The Ex-Governor of Togoland Sentenced to Fine. Berlin, Dec. 23.—Ex-Governor Horn, of Togoland, was to-day sentenced to a fine of \$75 and costs for the ill-treatment of a native in Togoland in 1903.

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Between all stations in Canada, also to Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., Buffalo, Black Rock, Niagara Falls and Suspension Bridge, N. Y. At Single Fare Good going Dec. 24th and 25th, 1907. Returning until Dec. 28th, 1907. Also good going Dec. 31st, 1907, and Jan. 1st, 1908. Returning until January 2nd, 1908.

SINGLE FARE Tickets good going: Dec. 24 and 25 Return limit Dec. 26

FARE AND ONE THIRD Tickets good going: December 21 to 25 inclusive. December 28 to January 1, inclusive. Return limit January 3.

ROYAL MAIL TRAINS VIA INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY Canada's Famous Train THE MARITIME EXPRESS

Leaving Montreal 12 noon Fridays, carries the European mail and lands passengers, baggage, etc., at the steamer's side, Halifax, avoiding any extra transfer, the following Saturday. SPECIAL TRAINS When inward mail steamers at Halifax do not connect with the regular train, the Maritime Express, west bound, special train, with through sleeping and dining car attached, for passengers, baggage and mail, will leave Halifax for Quebec and Montreal, connecting with trains for Ottawa, Toronto, and all points west.

T. H. & B. Railway Christmas and New Year Excursions At ONE WAY FIRST-CLASS FARE for the round trip, going December 24th and 25th, returning to and including December 28th, also going December 31st and January 1st, returning to and including January 2nd, 1908, and at ONE AND ONE THIRD FIRST-CLASS FARE for the round trip going December 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, also on December 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st and January 1st, 1908, returning to and including January 3rd, 1908.

TRUNKS AND BAGS Leather Goods 20% Off All Toilet Cases, Ebony Brushes, for the next two days. We have a large assortment of Suit Cases, Club Bags, Music Rolls, Purse, Hand Bags, Collar and Cuff Boxes and everything in leather goods.

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THE HAMILTON TIMES

TUESDAY, DEC. 24, 1907.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

A happy Christmas—life to all Within our sunny city: With all that's kind to all we find Requiring help or pity.

The Times can find nothing finer or more appropriate than the above poetically expressed good wishes from the respected bard, William Murray, Esq., with which to convey its best wishes for a happy Christmas season to all its many readers, advertisers and well-wishers.

To those to whom sickness or adversity has come the Times tenders its warmest sympathy, coupled with the hope that brighter days are in store—days when the sun will shine again, and the trials passed through will leave nothing but refining influences behind.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

THAT GRIT SLANDER.

The Hamilton Spectator has no mandate to speak for the Times. It will have enough to do keeping its own doorstep clean. It chooses to lash itself into a rage, or, to use its own elegant phrase, "chew soap," over some remarks we made about Mr. John Milne's interference in municipal affairs.

The Spectator states that he never been able to treat a prominent Conservative with the commonest decency. Was it the Times, may we ask, which slandered and abused Mayor Stewart for years, and tried to drive him out of public life? Was it the Times which thrust its knife into the present or past City Assessment Commissioner? Was it the Times that hounded City Engineer Barrow and nearly drove the man crazy? Was it the Times that made attack after attack on the late Mr. Waddell—attacks that were sufficient to make the man's life miserable? Why, the Times never said anything half as mean or contemptible about these gentlemen and others that could be mentioned as our contemporary, the Spectator said.

CONDITIONS ARE UNFAVORABLE

Hamilton has a street lighting contract which has yet a full year and a half to run. Hamilton ratepayers have already by-law approved of the Hydro-Electric power scheme. Hamilton ratepayers are now to be asked to authorize an issue of \$275,000 debentures, at a time when securities of that sort are selling at a lower price than they have ever yielded, and which, at the price of the last sale, would involve a loss, at the outset, of over \$27,500 to the city.

supposed that the defeat of the \$275,000 debenture by-law would interfere with the Hydro-Electric scheme. If the Commission can make good upon the basis of its estimate—its "mere opinion"—there will be nothing in the world to prevent Hamilton taking up the scheme later on. Had the City Council in its wisdom decided not to submit a by-law just now, but to wait until the Commission had actual figures, or until the money market had improved, the Council of 1908 could have submitted a by-law at any time during the coming year or at the municipal elections in 1909 and the scheme would have been as far ahead eighteen months hence as it will be if the by-law passes in two weeks.

There are a good many reasons why the by-law should not be passed at the present time, the chief one being the indefiniteness of the proposition; the very strong probability that Hamilton may get cheaper light and cheaper power from other sources, and the certainty that Hamilton cannot, at the present time or in the near future, sell its debentures without involving a loss of at least ten per cent. of their entire face value.

SUNFIELD.

This unfortunate man will be executed on Friday morning, the Dominion Cabinet having decided to allow the law to take its course. There was little hope from the first of executive clemency being extended to him, and now the final act in the dread tragedy, of which he was the principal figure, will take place within two days. Cruel as was the murder by which he forfeits his life, we cannot help but express sorrow for the unhappy man who, under healthier surroundings, might have lived a long and useful life. At this season of peace on earth, etc., his fate seems harder. If there be any redeeming feature about the whole ugly business it is that his fate may be a warning to others—that those who are prone to get drunk and quarrel and use deadly weapons may profit by this awful example. That Sunfield may yet be able to make his peace with his Maker is the wish of the Times.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A Merry Christmas. Will the Herald kindly tell us what "slander" it was that Mr. John Milne refuted? This Sunday moving picture business certainly looks as if we were getting to look more like New York every day. Confusion and delay at the polling places and irregularities in connection with the ballot boxes are the result of the at-large system.

It is good business to apply exactly the same conditions to the Hydro-Electric people as to any other people the city has to do business with. Didn't the Times give John Milne a certificate of veracity? Didn't we unhesitatingly accept as true his statement that the Tory party were "lute warmis" except when they got the staff.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier had the supreme satisfaction yesterday of seeing three supporters returned to Parliament—from Centre York, Ottawa and London. Since the last general elections there have been forty-two by-elections. The Liberals have carried thirty-three and the Tories nine. What's the matter, Mr. Borden?

Engineering says there is a great boom in cotton manufacturing all over the world. In free trade England it is especially brisk, new mills are springing up "like wildfire," in Lancashire, and 10 per cent. profits are practically assured for years to come. The only drawback is said to be scarcity of labor, a condition to make the croaking Chamberlains despair.

New York used to throw into the sea the non-consumable matter of its garbage. That system is all changed now. The Sun says that the ashes and heavy rubbish suitable for the purpose are used to build new land for the city. At Riker's Island eighty-four acres have been made already. Each acre is worth not less than \$10,000. Within four years 185 acres more will have been made, land built up from the bottom, made by the city, adaptable to many municipal uses, and made with what four years ago would have been dumped into the sea at heavy expense. The lighter rubbish is picked over by a contractor who pays for the privilege, and the rejected matter is burned to produce power for lighting. In this way a revenue of \$52,000 a year is realized from an investment of \$83,000, the money received for the picking franchise paying the expenses of operation. On the whole New York's street cleaning department appears to be operated on lines of economy. It has ceased to be a bill of expense and yields a good profit. And it is a legitimate "industry."

THE IDEAL XMAS GIFT GET ONE FOR YOUR HUSBAND



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Special Reductions

In the Price of Christmas Goods Will be Made To-night at 7.30

It is impossible to specify the goods that will be offered at reduced prices to-night, all we can say is that Christmas Goods left over after 7.30 will be put on our counters at very tempting figures.

\$20, \$25 and \$30 Jackets \$12.50

12 in all, handsome Fabric for jackets, this season's very latest styles, sold regular at from \$20 to \$30, to-night at 7.30 the price \$12.50

\$10 and \$15 Jackets \$5

This season's plain Cloth Tailored Jackets, that sold at \$10 and \$15, sharp 7.30 they go on sale at \$5.00

\$5 Children's Velvet Jackets \$3.50

Crushed Velvet Jackets, for children, in heaver and cordinal only, a very pretty garment for a child, regular \$5, to-night \$3.50

Great Sale of Furs at 73.0

Nothing so sensible for a Christmas present as a nice small Fur. We are going to help you out by offering a number of lines at just half price.

\$30 Mink Throws \$13.50

Mink Throw Scarfs, 2 yards long, satin lined, good quality, regular \$30, Tuesday night \$13.50

\$35 Stone Marten Ties \$13.50

Natural Stone Marten Ties, satin lined and trimmed with brown silk and chenille fringe, regular \$35, for \$13.50

\$12 Eastern Mink Throws \$6

Eastern Mink Throw Scarfs, satin lined, regular \$12, for \$6.00

\$13.50 Ruffs \$6.75

Brown Fox Ruffs, long stole fronts, trimmed with brown chenille fringe and cord, ornaments, regular \$13.50, to-night \$6.75

\$12.00 Squirrel Throws \$8.99

Grey Squirrel Throws, grey satin lining, regular \$12, for \$8.99

\$4.95 Marmot Stoles \$2.50

12 Marmot Stoles, silk lined, trimmed with ornaments and tails, regular \$4.99, to-night's sale price \$2.50

Handsome Comb Sets \$2 to \$4.50

We received from Paris a shipment of very handsome Comb Sets, 2 side combs and back comb, nicely boxed. These are the very latest Parisian product and sell from \$2.00 to \$4.50

Kid Gloves, a Last-Moment Present

You can save trouble in selecting presents by coming here and buying Perrin's Kid Gloves. They are one of the most acceptable presents, and when the name Perrin is on the glove every lady knows its reliability. Prices \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50. Long Gloves \$2.50 and \$2.75

29c Fans 15c

White Fans, with pretty decorations, regular 29c, to clear to-night 15c

75c and \$1.00 Fans 29c

Handsome Silk Fans, some trimmed with sequins, others with lace, regular 75c and \$1.00, to-night 29c

50c Handkerchief and Glove Boxes 25c

Leatherette Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, sold regular for 50c, to-night 25c

\$2 Brush Sets 65c

Brush Sets, some containing one ebony brush and comb, others containing two military brushes, regular \$2.00 value, to-night 65c

19c and 25c Papeteries 13c

200 Papeteries, containing 24 sheets of note paper and 24 envelopes, done up in a handsome holly covered box. These were leaders at 19 and 25c, to-night's price 13c

\$1 Ladies' Untrimmed Hats 29c

Just 20 dozen in all Ladies' Felt Untrimmed Hats, usual sale price \$1.00, Tuesday night we offer you your choice of this lot for 29c

We wish you a Merry Christmas and thank you for your patronage during this year and season which has been by far the greatest year and season in the history of our business. We intend making 1908 still greater, as our greatly increased business will enable us to not only purchase cheaper, but sell our goods at a lower rate of profit.

We Still Have a Splendid Assortment of Gift Goods in Our Great Basement

and dozen of these goods will be placed on sale to-night at special reduced prices, so those of you who have not already made your purchases can do so to-night with the fullest assurance of being well satisfied, both as to the values and the prices. Come at 7.30 if possible.

Jardinieres at About Half Price

One table of fancy Jardiniere, Vases, etc., marked up to \$15, on sale at about half price in each instance.

25c Cups and Saucers 12 1/2c

6 dozen thin China Cups and Saucers, fancy shape, decorated in pink, blue and light green tints, marked regular 25c, on sale at 7.30 to-night for 12 1/2c ea.

Any Fancy Piece of China at 10 Per Cent. Discount

Any fancy piece of Japanese, Austrian, German and hand painted china will be sold to-night, commencing at 7.30 sharp 10 per cent. off the regular marked prices.

Fancy Jardiniere 10 Per Cent. Off

Fancy Jardiniere, 10 per cent. off. A range of sizes in fancy brown Jardiniere will also be sold to-night, at 10 per cent. off the regular marked prices.

75c Tumblers 50c Dozen

25 dozen plain thin glass Tumblers, with solid bottom, value in the regular way at 75c dozen, will be reduced to-night at 7.30 to 50c dozen

\$1.25 China Pieces 49c

This lot includes Jugs, Bon-Bon Dishes, Figures, Bread and Milk Sets, Salad Bowls, etc., marked regular up to \$1.25, on sale to-night for 49c each

20c Cream Pitchers 10c

6 dozen dainty China Cream Pitchers, individual size, ornamented in rose and violet designs, now marked at 20c each, on sale to-night for only 10c each

Shaving Mugs 25c for 15c

A number of China Mugs, also Shaving Mugs, prettily decorated, marked as a special at 25c, will be sold to-night for only 15c each

GROCERY DEPT.

Valencia Oranges, each 1c Mexican Sweet Oranges, dozen 15 and 20c California Seedless Oranges, dozen 25c and 40c Large Juicy Lemons, dozen 20c Mixed Nuts, three varieties, lb. 15c Choice Table Raisins, lb. 20c Choice Cooking Figs, lb. 7c Animal Biscuits, per lb. 18c Cranberries, per quart 20c

Specials in Dolls at 7.30

10c Rag Dolls 5c

6 dozen Rag Dolls, marked regular at 10c, will be sold to-night at 7.30 for half price 5c each

Patent Boy Dolls 75c for 59c

6 dozen large size Unressed Patent Boy Dolls, with short curly hair, marked to sell regular at 75c, will be reduced at 7.30 to-night to only 59c each.

Dressed Dolls Worth \$2 for \$1.49

About 2 dozen beautifully Dressed Dolls, marked regular \$1.75, \$1.85 and \$2.00, will be sold promptly at 7.30 to-night for \$1.49 each

Dolls' Buggies 10 Per Cent. Discount

The balance of our Dolls' Buggies will be placed on sale to-night at 10 per cent off the regular prices.

The Following Better Dolls

Will be reduced as follows for to-night: 1 only \$12.00 Dressed Doll, for \$8.00 1 only \$10.00 Dressed Doll for \$7.00 1 only \$8.50 Dressed Doll for \$6.00

Some 25c Games 15c

A number of large box Games, marked now at 25c, will be placed on sale to-night for only 15c each

25c Mechanical Toys 15c

A quantity of Mechanical Toys, such as busy Coolies, Clowns, Cabs, Flying Birds, all marked regularly at 25c, will be reduced at 7.30 to-night to only 15c each

Red Trunks 65c for 25c

We have about 1 dozen Red Trunks, with inside tray, but the key is missing; the value of these is 65c each, to be cleared at 7.30 to-night for only 25c each

\$1.15 Iron Trains 89c

3 dozen large size Iron Trains, consisting of engine, tender and three red coaches, marked to sell regularly at \$1.25; they will be sold to-night at 7.30 for only 89c

69c Teddy Bears 49c

2 dozen cute little Teddy Bears, marked regularly 69c, will be cleared to-night at 7.30 for only 49c each

Big Toys Reduced

1 only Mechanical Train, \$12.00, for \$6.00 1 only Skin Covered Rocking Horse, \$12.00, for \$8.00 1 only Covered Rocking Horse, \$10.00, for \$7.00 1 only Covered Rocking Horse, \$10.00, for \$5.00 2 Enamel Kitchen Sets, \$5.00, for \$2.50

THE T. H. PRATT CO. LIMITED

PASSING OF CITY COUNCIL OF 1907.

Final Meeting Held Last Night With the Usual Felicitations on All Sides.

Solicitor Instructed to Oppose Radial's Application For a Dominion Charter.

The 1907 City Council died a peaceful death last night, and with its passing away ended the regime of one of the liveliest aldermanic boards that has ruled civic affairs in Hamilton in many a day. It was the last session of the year, and although the aldermen have squabbled and argued during the year as few Councils have done before, they wound up with a love feast. Mayor Stewart was told what a good fellow he was and congratulated on the ability he had displayed in piloting the ship of state through the squalls and breakers. The Christmas spirit of good feeling pervaded the atmosphere, and His Worship, forgetting the little unpleasant incidents that cropped up during the year, thanked the aldermen in appropriate terms.

One of the last official acts of this year's Council was to instruct City Solicitor Waddell to engage counsel at Ottawa and oppose the granting of a Dominion charter to the Radial Railway.

This was done at Mr. Waddell's request, after he had defended himself against insinuations that he was taking an active part in this matter on personal grounds. This had been hinted at by the newspapers, he said. Mr. Waddell declared he had only the interest of the city at heart, and did not care to be blamed later for not pointing these things out at the proper time. There were many things, he said, in the act which would place the city in a better position if the railway was under a Provincial instead of a Dominion charter.

One of the clauses, if the company secures the Dominion charter, empowers it to construct suburban lines in the city of Hamilton and county of Wentworth. Some time ago, Mr. Waddell said, the township of Barton granted the company the right to run lines north and south in Barton township. If the Dominion charter was secured people might ride into Ottawa street to Main and come into the city over the H. G. & B. "And then we would have other lines rivaling our street railway," he said.

A number of other sections were referred to, under which, the Solicitor claimed, the city would have greater powers if the Radial was continued under Provincial jurisdiction. One of these respected the taking over of the road by arbitration after the end of the franchise period. There was nothing in the Dominion Act, he said, under which the Board could order this.

Ald. Sweeney moved the resolution

and Ald. Nicholson seconded it. It carried without objection.

The House of Refuge Committee's recommendation that L. W. Rae be appointed superintendent and Mrs. Rae matron, of the new Home for Incurables, with salaries at the rate of \$300 and \$200 per annum respectively, to date from the time the home is completed and ready for occupation, met with some opposition, but the by-law was finally passed. Ald. Lees wanted the matter referred back and seconded by Ald. Kennedy, moved a resolution to that effect. Ald. Farrar was the only other member of the Council to vote for it.

The usual approved of the Board of Works' recommendation, that the City Solicitor be instructed to make an application to the Board of Railway Commissioners asking for a bridge on Garth street over the tracks of the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway Company, and that he also request the Board to direct that the cost of this bridge be borne by the Railway Company.

The Finance Committee's recommendation that an application be made to the Ontario Legislature for any amendment to the Municipal Act empowering the City of Hamilton to elect a Board of Control, was adopted without comment.

A letter from the Queen Victoria Memorial Statue Committee regarding the civic grant was read. The ladies have collected \$9,031. Their idea was to get \$10,000 and put the \$600 in the bank as a fund to place a wreath on the statue and to provide for cleaning it when required. The city was to grant \$1,000, and an additional \$500 if the ladies fell short of the amount required. The Council agreed to pay the \$1,000, but was firm in deciding to leave the matter of the additional \$500 grant for the consideration of next year's Council.

At the request of Ald. Evans the clause in the Finance Committee's report regarding the Torrens system of land transfer was amended to read that the city co-operate with the County Council in taking up with the Government the introduction of the Torrens Title Act in the City of Hamilton and endeavoring to arrange for the appointment of the Registrar as Inspector and for the filing of the documents in the Registry Office for the County of Wentworth.

Walter Anderson and Oliver S. Hillman were re-appointed city auditors, at a salary of \$500 a year each, the same as last year.

Although it was thought the Mayor might rule it out of order, no objection was offered to the placing of an other engine and three firemen on the Fire Department.

The by-law appointing poll clerks was passed.

PENSIONS FOR MEN.

Grand Trunk's Fine Christmas Box For Its Employees.

A splendid Christmas box was handed out to its men the other day by the Grand Trunk in the shape of an announcement of the details of its new pension system, which is of a most generous nature. The pension fund will be entirely contributed by the company, the men not being assessed one cent for its maintenance or administration. It will affect every member of the staff from Charles M. Hays down to the humblest section man, while provision is also made for men incapacitated by accident or otherwise, or even men discharged without cause, and otherwise eligible under the pension rules.

The establishment of this pension system was approved at the last annual meeting of the shareholders, when the handsome sum of \$200,000 was voted as a nucleus. In addition to the income from this sum, however, it is estimated that the company will have to supplement this by a large sum, varying from \$70,000 to \$75,000 a year.

It was stated at Grand Trunk headquarters yesterday that it is now proposed to make the operation of the pension fund effective on and after January 1, 1908, when the rules will be published and the lowest of ten employees on the rolls of the railway. Unlike the pension funds which have been established by some of the other large railways of this continent (of which there are not a few), the rules of the Grand Trunk pension fund will apply from the highest to the lowest of the staff—from the general manager himself down to the humblest section man or gate keeper. They require absolutely the retirement from active service of every officer or employee when attaining the age of 65, and if he has entered the service before the age of 50 years, and has served for a period of 15 years, or more, he is entitled with the approval of the pension fund committee to an annuity of 1 per cent. of the average annual salary paid for ten consecutive years, for each year of uninterrupted employment, the basis of calculation being the same as that practically universal on this continent.

Thus if a man has served say 30 years, receiving an average of \$1,000 per annum (\$83.33 per month) on his pay rolls of the company for the last ten years—or for any period of ten years during his term of service—he would be entitled to 1 per cent. of \$1,000, equal \$10x30 years, or \$300 per annum, equal to \$25 per month.

The company, however, have made a provision that irrespective of rate of pay or service, the minimum allowance to be paid under any circumstances will be \$200 per annum, and this without any counterbalancing maximum.

Another distinguishing feature is that whilst nearly all other companies base their pension on the average wage rate of the last ten years of ser-

vice, the allowance from this fund will be on the highest average rate of wages for any ten consecutive years of continuous service. The most satisfactory rule, however, from the employee's standpoint will be one providing that any employee over 50 years of age, after fifteen years of service, if discharged without cause, at any time previous to reaching the pension age limit, becomes eligible to pension in proportion to the number of years of service up to date of discharge.

Company to Bear Whole Cost.

Although it was originally considered desirable to follow the general rules prevailing in Great Britain, of the formation of such fund by mutual contribution from the company and employees, it has been finally decided to follow the practice of companies generally on this continent, of contributing entirely out of their own revenues the necessary funds for the pensioning of their aged and faithful employees.

There is an old saying that is often worn threadbare by interested agitators and cynical politicians, that "corporations have no souls"; such statements fall to the ground, however, when met with facts such as are illustrated in this case, for this fund is to be contributed entirely by the company, without requiring any contribution whatever on the part of the employees.

The rules of the new Grand Trunk Pension Department will include the best provisions of all other companies, railway and industrial, with two or three features entirely novel or not common to all. It will be administered by a board selected by the company from among its official staff (themselves possible beneficiaries), which board will be known as the Pension Committee, whose decisions will be final in all matters pertaining to the administration of the fund.

The benefits of the fund will also apply to worthy employees who may have been injured in the service of the company, or who have suffered the loss of facilities which render them incapable of self-support, such employees having served the company the minimum period

IN winter no amount of warm clothing will make you safe if your vitality is low. Warmth inside is what you must have.

Scott's Emulsion

of Cod Liver Oil supplies carbon to the blood and tissues and makes you warm and comfortable all over. It is a safeguard against colds and all the ills that follow them.

Small, easily taken doses will do it.

All Druggists, 50c. and \$1.00.



SHEA'S

We Have to Thank

our many friends and customers for giving us a most successful and satisfactory holiday business, and trust that our efforts to give you extra values have been to your advantage. Our last wish to you to-night is that you one and all participate in

A Most Joyous Christmas

A Goodly Bargain List for Santa Claus

Last Round on Christmas Eve—Cut Prices in Force After 7 o'Clock p. m.

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DUNDURN LODGE

Has Grown to Membership of 80 in Short Time.

Dundurn Lodge, A. F. & A. M. was inaugurated in June, 1905, the late R. W. Bro. Fred. Walter, D. D. G. M., conducting the ceremony, by order of Grand Lodge. Starting with sixteen petitioners for letters of Dispensation it has grown to 80 members. On Saturday night the District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Dr. H. S. Griffin, conducted the first election of officers, which resulted as follows:

- W. Bro. John Hooper, I. P. M.
- Bro. James Hooper, W. M.
- Bro. John Burns, S. W.
- Bro. J. F. McDonald, J. V.
- Bro. R. H. Hooper, S. D.
- Bro. T. W. Appleton, J. D.
- Bro. M. C. Thompson, I. G.
- Bro. John McCoy, 1st Sted.
- Bro. Jas. Hastings, 2nd Sted.
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- Bro. F. A. Stannan, Organist.
- Bro. C. E. Wilson, Chaplain.
- Bro. D. W. Evans, D. of C.
- R. W. Bro. Wm. Birrell, Treasurer
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- W. Bro. John McCoy and Col. Stone-man, Auditors.
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- W. Bro. John Hooper, Representative on Benevolent Board.
- W. Bro. James Hooper, Representative on Sanitarium Board.

HOLIDAY FOR 7,000.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The South Chicago plant of the Illinois Steel Co., employing 7,000 men will be shut down to-day until after the holidays.

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO US

The bells, the bells, this Christmas night, ring out their requiem to yonder hillsides; beneath the sparkling mantle of snow, sleep in tender peace the forefathers of our goodly heritage. To the brave and true at Lundy's Lane and Queenston Heights; from Stoney Creek to Fort George, the tattered battle-flags flame over these victorious, moonlit fields of glory, and the bloody squares tramp home again to their loved earth. "While through the thiven skies they came,

With peaceful wings unfurled, Above its sad and lowly plains They bend on hovering wing, And ever o'er its babel sounds The blessed angelic sing."

As the old Judean city was the cradle of the Man of Light, so here in this Niagara Peninsula, was born the historic traditions of this newer land.

The angel's story fell lightly on the listening earth that memorable night in the long ago. It rings out again to-night for a privileged people, in this generous, fair garden district; well have they learned the old, sweet story of "Peace and good-will," and kindly do they practice it.

This Christmas eve the lines have fallen on smiling faces, for the year has been good to look back upon, and the sleighbells, and the cheery voice of laughter, crowds out for the time being the bitter past of men, and we of this old Niagara district, welcome with open arms, and warm hearts, the Yuletide of nineteen hundred and seven.

J. A. Sinclair.

A festival chorus has been organized at Toronto Junction, with Dr. F. H. Torrington as director.

Fire destroyed the Alexandria block in Chatham on Monday, and Fire Chief Pritchard was badly hurt by a fall.

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- \$3.00 Women's extra fine tan Kid Gloves, fur lined throughout, to-night at \$2.40
- \$4.00 Women's extra fine tan Mocha Kid Gloves, squirrel lined throughout, two domes, on sale at \$3.10
- \$1.75 Men's extra fine English tan and grey Mocha Kid Gloves, wool lined, Tuesday night \$1.40
- \$2.00 Men's tan and grey silk lined Mocha Gloves, also fur lined wrist Gloves, Tuesday \$1.60
- Special Christmas night sale of Perrin's Wrist Length Kid Gloves, all colors, in a fancy box, at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50
- 10c Men's Large Size Irish Lawn Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, fine, soft quality, to-night 5c
- 25c Women's Linen Kitchen Aprons to-night 19c
- 40c Pure Wool English Cashmere Ribb Hose, for Santa Claus to-night at 25c
- 75c Christmas Perfumes, in fancy boxes, best French and English makes, tonight 59c
- 50c Women's and Children's Knitted Woollen Gloves and Mitts, in all colors, to-night at 39c
- 35c Black and Navy Cashmere Gloves, heavy fleece lined, wrist length, small women's and children's sizes, at 12 1/2c
- 35c Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, good, strong make, Tuesday night 19c
- 50c Blotter Cases, in assorted styles and sizes, to clear to-night at 35c
- \$30.00 Clifton Broadcloth Opera Cloaks, in light shades, in pearl and fawn, silk lined, applique trimmed, to-night \$18.00

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HAS NOT RESIGNED.

Mr. W. H. Hunter Supreme Councillor of the Independent Order of Foresters, has issued a statement to the effect that Supreme Chief Ranger Elliott G. Stevenson has not resigned. A rumor has been going around that he had handed in his resignation, and had been succeeded by H. A. Collins, Supreme Treasurer. Mr. Hunter added that Mr. Stevenson held the position at a great personal sacrifice, but the Supreme Chief Ranger was prepared to continue in the office so long as he could render any service to the order.

AFRICAN EXPEDITION.

Boston, Dec. 24.—Prof. Alexander Agassiz, director and curator of the Harvard museum, will head an expedition to Central Africa within a short time, for the purpose of pursuing his already extensive scientific investigations. The details of the trip have not yet been fully mapped out.

BROOD OF PYTHON.

Lively Young Family—First Instance of Hatching in Captivity.

Most people know that vipers bring forth their young alive and that the common English grass snake deposits its eggs to be hatched by the heat of decaying matter. Some of the great constricting snakes, however, exercise a certain amount of care over their eggs, gathering them in a heap and coiling around them till the young make their way out or are helped into the world by the kindly offices of the keepers who break away the hardened shell.

A case of this kind occurred with the Indian python in the Tower Menagerie in the early part of the last century, and others are on record at the Jardin des Plantes in Paris, the Regents Park Gardens and at a later date in those at Leipzig. An incubation which has been successful is just recorded from the Tierpark of Herr August Fockelmann at Gross-Borstel, near Hamburg.

In August last he bought a large reticulated python from a sailor trading to the East. Within a month she began to lay eggs, and when one was examined it was found to contain a partly developed embryo. As time went on others were opened, and in this way the proprietor obtained a series of specimens of young in different stages of development.

The mother python paid the greatest attention to her eggs, leaving them only at night, when she went for a time into the bath.

The general results appear to be far better than have hitherto been obtained. At Regents Park, though it was found that the eggs had been fertilized, no living young were produced. At Gross-Borstel twenty-seven young pythons came out, and their owner described them as very lively little reptiles, with much the appearance of common grass snakes, measuring from twenty-two inches to thirty inches in length and biting readily at anything offered to them with sufficient force to make an impression on one's finger.

On Nov. 25 they took food for the first time—white mice of a pretty good size. All appear to be in the best possible condition, and should they reach maturity the fact of their having been hatched in confinement will no doubt enhance their value considerably, for this appears to be the first instance in which this particular species has so bred.—London Tribune.

ONLY THE CHINESE WERE FOUND GUILTY.

Of All the "Blind Tiger" Cases Brought by the Imported Detectives.

Fines of \$50 Imposed in Each Case--All the Charges Disposed of.

Police Magistrate Jelfs disposed of the last of the Citizens' League liquor cases yesterday. Of the twelve charges laid a majority failed absolutely. In two cases convictions were registered but no penalty imposed because the magistrate was satisfied that the only breach of the law was what was brought about by the private detectives themselves. In two other cases, the defendants in both being Chinese, convictions were registered and fines of \$50 each imposed. The magistrate voiced his disapproval of the methods of the spotters in almost every case, and remarked that it looked well to see that the only cases of lawbreaking had been those of the spotters' own making and abetting.

Bellboy No. 5 of the Royal Hotel was called for the defence in the charge that was begun on Monday night. Duff Marshall was the moving denier that he ever served McCrae or Roberts at the hotel. The magistrate said there was no evidence of a corroborating character and acquitted the defendants.

The case against James McLarty, of the Terminal Station Hotel, was next called, but as it was similar to James Lynch's, and Lynch was found not guilty, the Crown-Attorney announced that he did not intend to prosecute and the charge was accordingly withdrawn. This was the last of McCrae and Roberts' cases against licensed houses.

The Royal Waldorf, Opera House Hotel and Geo. Case's cases have been discharged unconditionally. Samuel Goldberg and William Hunter were convicted and not fined and McLarty was not proceeded against.

Blind Tigers.

Tom Lee Sing pleaded not guilty through A. M. Lewis, to selling without a license. McCrae was called and said that on November 30, at 9 o'clock in the evening, he and Roberts, with Clappison and another man, went into Tom's place. Mrs. T. L. Sing was asked for liquor and said Tom would get some beer for them. Tom got four bottles and collected 25c apiece for them.

Roberts took 5 or 10 minutes to manipulate his little note book and at last said it was November 30 at 9 p. m. he with McCrae and another man went to Sing's chop house. Roberts said neither McCrae nor he had any conversation with Tom's frau while McCrae had said she took the order and Tom brought the beer.

Mrs. Sing said she remembered the

complainants well. They were drunk when they arrived at her place and she did not give them liquor nor did she remember any book or stand and corroborated his wife's testimony.

The Magistrate said that if Clappison would come into court and swear that no liquor was given to him in Tom Lee Sing's he would dismiss it. Clappison was found and swore that he did get liquor there. Tom was accordingly found guilty. The Magistrate fined him \$50.

M. B. Lee, 20 John north, also pleaded not guilty, through A. M. Lewis. McCrae said Roberts and he asked for beer at Lee's place on Monday night, December 10th, at 11:40 o'clock. Lee told them there was only one bottle left and he gave them that for 15c. Lee made no pretence at not having it for sale, he said, but brought it right out. Roberts' evidence did not differ from McCrae's.

For defence Charlie Ming was called; he denied that any beer was there and M. B. Lee said the same. Lee said the two men had threatened to make trouble, but McCrae said Lee was an artist and imagined all that. The Magistrate thought a case was made out against the men, but it did not look bad to see only one bottle on the premises. Mr. Lewis said the men all claimed they were coaxed; the Magistrate said these men without licenses deserved no consideration and he found Lee guilty. \$50 was the fine imposed.

The charge against F. Howe, of the Manhattan Restaurant, was withdrawn. McCrae admitted that he had no evidence that could be corroborated even by his pal.

Lucy Mannix, 46 Cannon west, pleaded not guilty, through A. M. Lewis. McCrae said he, Roberts and Clappison, went into the defendant's house on November 30, and after talking a while asked for a drink. Lucy said she had none and Clappison produced a flask. This was too hot for Lucy, however, and she produced a bottle of imperial whiskey, which they all drank and McCrae paid \$1 for the round. Roberts told a similar story. Mr. Lewis elicited from Roberts that Lucy rolled cigarettes for an hour and a half for McCrae. The woman was called and she remembered the men at her house. They had a flask of their own and got none from her, she said.

Clappison said she did not have any liquor and did not serve any. She did not take any book to stand and witness said he did not know that her place was a house of shady repute.

The Magistrate said he had accepted Clappison as an independent witness, before, and would have to now. He dismissed the charge.

Yellowness Ruining Health of Many Young Women

Yellowness is characterized by a state of melancholy and disposition to languor and inactivity; the patient becomes silent and gloomy, sheds tears without cause; the countenance becomes pale with a greenish tint; the eyes look languid and dull. The great cause of yellowness is a deficiency of iron and red globules in the blood. The treatment, therefore, must be directed to both these conditions. Building up the blood from weakness is best accomplished with Ferrozone, which contains a concentrated form of iron that is at once taken up by the system. The blood undergoes a rapid change, becomes nutritious and rich in red globules. The effects of Ferrozone is quickly seen in red cheeks, clear, healthy skin, better appetite and general improvement of health. For chlorosis Ferrozone is the ideal remedy.

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MEN KIDNAPPED.

ACT OF A UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE OFFICER.

He Forced Two Emerson Citizens Over the Line—They Now Propose to Extradite the Officer—An International Question.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—An information was laid this afternoon in the Attorney-General's Department against George Foulke, an officer of the Secret Service Department of the United States Treasury, on the charge of kidnapping Isaac Casson and Albert Tolton, two citizens of Emerson. The alleged crime was committed on Dec. 3rd. It appears that the two men who were kidnapped were driving east along the international avenue at Emerson, which is very close to the boundary line between the United States and Canada. Just across the railway track a stranger rushed out of the watch house and seized their horse by the bridle. In reply to the stranger's questions they told their names.

The stranger was Foulke, and he at once informed them that he was an officer of the Secret Service Department at Washington, and that he wanted them to get out of the rig and go with him across the line to Noyes. Both refused to go, saying they were British subjects and declined to consider themselves under arrest. They were then driven their horse ahead, but Foulke threatened to shoot the animal if they did so. He then appointed Robert Rossal, a signal man on the railway, a special constable, and ordered him to assist in the arrest. Foulke then backed the horse, and by a quick move secured the horse, and striking the horse a smart blow, he had the rig across the international boundary in an instant.

Foulke declared that he was on neutral ground, and a struggle occurred between the men, but neither of them could be induced to leave the rig. Foulke then backed the horse, and by a quick move secured the horse, and striking the horse a smart blow, he had the rig across the international boundary in an instant.

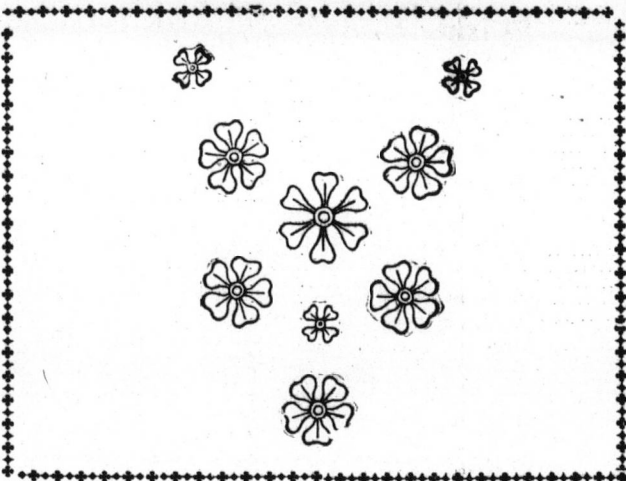
There the two men were placed under arrest and taken to Noyes station. On arriving at the station Gasson and Tolton were compelled to sign a paper in order to be released and allowed to return to Canada.

The reason given for their arrest was that it was desired to implicate them with others in the charge of smuggling grain into the United States. The papers were signed, they claim, were untrue, and they signed them under protest in order to be allowed to return home.

D. Forrester, lawyer of Emerson, has the case in hand, and a claim is being made on the Treasury Department of the United States, for the sum of \$5,000 for the arrest of each of the two men kidnapped. Already a prominent official of the department has been seen by Mr. Forrester to have the matter kept quiet, but he has placed it in the hands of the Secretary of State at Ottawa and the British Ambassador at Washington. To-day he is in the city to lay a charge before the Department of the Attorney-General, and to have extradition proceedings instituted against Foulke, to have him brought back to this side of the line for trial on a charge of kidnapping.

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Seasonable Thoughts

Wise is the man who wants no more than he can get. To be perfectly happy a woman must also be envied. Any smoker will tell you that the more a man fumes the less he frets. The average man never knows when he has enough till he gets too much. The secret of success is to aim high and stick to it.—Chicago News.

He lives in fame who dies in virtue's cause.—Shakespeare.

Never was good work done without much trouble.—Chinese.

To be Himself a star most bright, To bring the Wise Men to His sight, To be Himself a voice most sweet To call the shepherds to His feet, To be a child—in His will That folk like us might find Him still.

"When fortune flatters she does it to betray."

Every step of a hobbled horse brings his head toward the earth; so does every act of a selfish man.

The cost of saving a child is only five per cent. of the cost of arresting and punishing a criminal.

TIRED OF LIFE.

Canadian in England Took Chloroform and Chlorodyne.

London, Dec. 23.—At the inquest on the body of John Keith Reid, a Canadian, who committed suicide in a dingy house in Bloomsbury, Dr. A. J. Gibson said he had found a bottle of chloroform under Reid's bed, but could see no traces as to how it had been administered. Reid had said he was tired of life, and had taken four ounces of chloroform and four bottles of chlorodyne. The inquest was adjourned in order that the sale of the poison might be investigated.

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Manager Driscoll, of Bennett's Theatre, has an artistic bill at the theatre this week, and it pleased fair sized audience at the opening performance yesterday. The feature of the bill is Patrice, the celebrated comedienne, who with Charles Hutchinson, and J. F. Whitbeck presented a dainty playlet, "A New Year's Dream," an act that is particularly appropriate to the season. The act is bright and pleasing and was exceedingly well staged. Patrice is a clever actress and as a living picture of "Grandma" was very charming. The idea of the playlet is original, and novel in the extreme.

Joe Flynn, the eccentric monologue artist, was given a warm reception by his old friends. In this act he made a lot of new admirers. He kept the audience in roars of laughter all the time he was on the stage, and he made quite a stay. In addition to his chatter, which he gave by the book, he told some new stories and sang in his own peculiar way some brand new verse, set to imitation music. Mr. Flynn firmly established himself as one of this week's favorites at the new play house.

"The Madcap Girls" are a bevy of English song and dance artists, who sang catchy songs and did some new steps in dancing. They also did a bit of tumbling and displayed dainty lingerie. The troupe put a lot of life in their work, which was well received.

"The Country Choir" is an old-fashioned quartette that sang real music. Their voices were well blended and their numbers gave pleasure to the music loving. Their songs were well selected, some of them being well known favorites and they were liberally applauded, encores being demanded.

Wilbur Mack and Mithorne Worthley presented a namesake comedy skit. The pair are clever performers and there was not a dull moment while they were in the spotlight. Like many other comedy skits it had to do with matrimony and of course some hard knocks to husbands and wives were handed out.

Dixon Brothers, European grotesque performers, on musical instruments, gave an original and pleasing act. Burns and Burns, grotesque comedians, gave a funny burlesque, introducing many novel and original sketches that the audience in roars of laughter.

The bill closed with new motion pictures. There has been a big sale of seats for to-morrow, Christmas Day.

"Mrs. Temple's Telegram."

"Mrs. Temple's Telegram" has proven the dramatic surprise of the last three seasons, largely because of the skilled manner in which Walter N. Lawrence has been able to present it to the public.

He has mounted the farce in a lavish manner, and employed an almost perfect company in its interpretation. They play with almost perfect skill and the skit runs smoothly and fully.

The Savoy Theatre played to capacity at both performances yesterday, the big drawing card being Bob Fitzsimmons, the ex-champion boxer of the world. The former "big noise" of the squared circle and his charming wife, Julia May Gifford, presented a very clever sketch, "A Man's Man at 'The'."

The real headliner, however, was the acrobatic turn done by the Georgettys, European acrobats. There are four people in the troupe, but most of the best work is done by a 75-pound lad. The midjet was tossed and the cork was leaping and hand-to-hand balancing was revelation.

There is not a poor act in the bill, to which the following contributed: The Doric Quartette; Raymond Finley and Lottie Burke, who present a series of travesties; John Birch, a clever character actor, who presented a melodrama all by himself; the Musical Buchlers; Virginia Grant, a pleasing contralto; Edward McWade and Margaret May, in a comedy sketch, "The Wager." New motion pictures were shown by the kinetograph.

More English Artists Coming
New York, Dec. 24.—Four English artists, none of whom has ever appeared

before in America, are soon to visit this country. They are Whit Cunliffe, known in England as the "fashion-plate comedian" because of his irreproachable attire; Lily Flexmore (La Zephyr), who comes billed as "the extraordinary girl" and is a dancer and singer of enviable reputation; Madie Scott, a singing comedienne from the Emerald Isle, who is said to be the most beautiful girl in Ireland, and Lucy Weston, a character comedienne.

Miss Scott has been in straight dramatic work, musical comedy, and has also done male impersonations. She was the Dick Whittington of one London pantomime, Boy Blue in another, and was featured by Drury Lane in the pantomime, "Aladdin." For her American tour, however, Miss Scott will appear only in the natural attire of her sex. As for Miss Weston, she is bringing several English song hits with her, which it is predicted, will make as big a hit as Vesta Victoria's "Waiting at the Church," and "Poor John."

Coming to the Grand.
On Thursday and Friday there will be presented for the first time in this city the latest play by Howard Hall, entitled "The Fatal Flower." It is said to be a play of the higher sort, rich in humor, abounding in delightful character studies, and telling most convincingly an ingeniously devised and absorbing story. The scenes are laid in Washington, D. C. The scenery provided by the management is elaborate, appropriately depicting the scenes in Washington. The play is in four acts, and the time is the present. William Walcott, an actor well known throughout the country, is starred in this piece, and plays the part of Gordon Hale, a young artist. He will be ably supported by Florence Rossland as Marjorie Vande.

Al. Martin's big "Uncle Tom's Cabin" show will be the attraction at the Grand on Saturday afternoon and evening. There are fifty people in the company, and an entire scenic and electrical equipment is carried.

Henry Ludlowe, a tragedian of eminent attainment, will be seen in this city for the first time on Monday and Tuesday of next week. He will present "Richard III." and "The Merchant of Venice." Mr. Ludlowe acquired all the splendid accessories and equipment of the late Richard Mansfield.

Moving Pictures To-morrow.
The American Vitagraph Company have far and away the largest and most up-to-date stock of moving picture films in the world, and their photographer is adding to the stock new and original pictures, educating, pathetic and comical. The very best programmes ever seen in this city, over two hours will be filled with a steady run of magnificent pictures, as lifelike as possible, and made to suit all tastes. Travelling scenes are a very economical substitute for travelling, and funny pictures interspersed, that cause laughter and applause. The Association Hall should be crowded both afternoon and night, and regular patrons should have their seats reserved for the evening entertainment.

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MUNICIPAL TOPICS

Discussed at Meeting of Court Oronhyatekha.

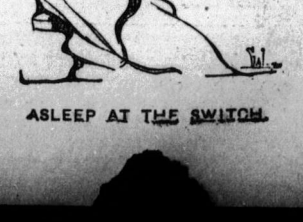
After the routine business of Court Oronhyatekha, I. O. F., had been concluded last evening, the members present took part in a debate, the subject discussed being: "The Ward System of Municipal Government vs. the At-Large System." Although the event was of an impromptu character, some splendid speeches were delivered and some strong and forcible points scored on each side. Horace Elmer and William Forster were the leaders in the debate, and Dr. McGillivray acted as critic. So much interest was taken in the event that it was decided to hold a special meeting next Monday night in chambers over Traders Bank when another debate will be held, commencing at 8 o'clock, to which all Independent Foresters and their friends are invited. The subject will be, "Resolved, that the ratepayers should vote for Hydro-Electric power."

A HAMILTON BOY

Becomes Editor of Canadian Engineer on Jan. 1.

Beginning with the first issue of January, 1908, the Canadian Engineer will be edited by Mr. E. A. James, B. A. S. Mr. James is a Hamilton boy and a graduate of the School of Practical Science, having taken the engineering course.

Since graduation he has been engaged in survey and engineering work, and left the engineering staff of the Canadian Pacific Railway to take up his new duties. While at college Mr. James was president of the Engineering Society, and was, some time ago, appointed one of the representatives of the School of Practical Science on the Senate of the Toronto University.



Star of Bethlehem.

Each year you lift the tide that brings
The flood-time of all nobler things;
The gift that only God could give,
The life that only God could live
Again our hushing hearts receive;
Then let our love-light lean to them
In all that life may mean to them,
O rising Star of Bethlehem!

The dream of Brotherhood again
Reproves the fevered strife of men;
Love's hammers lifting to the light,
The flame of faith grows large and white—
The feet of Christ are on this height;
The bells of Earth shall peal to them
And loving millions kneel to them
O Holy Star of Bethlehem!

Our babes shall feel the thrill of dawn
And see the shadow wings withdrawn;
With stars of light yet lingering
How sweet and high their hopes shall wing
And hearts like birds shall soar and sing!
Then may your joys abide with them
With angels side by side with them,
O happy Star of Bethlehem!

But some in bitter places bide
The rising of your mystic tide—
Grim gardens of Gethsemane
And awful heights of Calvary—
Pale paths of last extremity;
Close may your white peace cling to them,
Your doves of promise sing to them,
O Star—O Christ of Bethlehem.
—Harley R. Wiley, in the January Scribner.

FINDLAY LOSES.

Original Judgment in Case Against Cataract Restored.

Judgment was given yesterday at Toronto by the Court of Appeal, sustaining the appeal of the Cataract Power Company in the case of Findlay vs. the company. In June, 1906, Frank Findlay endeavored to move an electric wire which had fallen, and sustained injuries which resulted in the loss of one hand. He sued the company, but judgment was given against him. An appeal to the Divisional Court a new trial was ordered, and now the Court of Appeal has reversed this decision, and restored the trial judgment, with costs, if demanded.

C. P. R. Co. vs. Falls Power Co.—Judgment on action tried without a jury at Toronto. Action to restrain the defendants from erecting poles and stringing their wires upon the same side of a street in the town of Welland as that upon which the plaintiffs' poles and wires were placed. At the trial the Bell Telephone Company were added as plaintiffs. Judgment enjoining defendants from erecting or maintaining poles for the carriage of wires intended for conducting electricity along the east side of Helms Avenue between Division and Grove street, in the town of Welland, in line with and between the poles of the plaintiffs, or either of them, and from stringing wires thereon over or parallel to the wires of the plaintiffs or either of them; and also directing the defendants forthwith to remove the poles already erected on the east side of Helms Avenue between Division and Grove streets and between the poles of the plaintiffs. Defendants to pay the costs of the action. E. D. Armour, K. C., and Angus MacMurely for original plaintiffs. E. H. Ambrose (Hamilton), for Bell Telephone Co. W. E. Middleton for defendants.

Norman vs. Hamilton Bridge Works Co.—Judgment on appeal by the defendants, the Hamilton Bridge Works Co., from order of a Divisional Court (4th June, 1907) setting aside a non-suit entered by Mager, J., at the trial, and directing a new trial. The case was brought by John Norman, an ironworker, who was employed by the appellants to work upon construction of the Traders Bank Building in Toronto, and who was injured on last December, 1905. The Divisional Court held that there was some evidence of negligence to submit to the jury. Appeal allowed with costs, and action dismissed with costs. J. E. Jones for appellants. C. A. Maste for plaintiff.

Re Fowler and Village of Teeswater—L. F. Stephens (Hamilton), for Fowler, moved for an order quashing by-law No. 10 for 1907 of the corporation of the village of Teeswater, on the ground that the by-law is illegal, purported to repeal a former by-law taking over the Mechanics' Institute and Public Library of the village, and vesting same in a Public Library Board. The move was refused by Mager, J. The by-law was signed by the Mayor, who was voted into the chair for that purpose. No one contra. Order made quashing the by-law with costs.

REAL STAGE WOLF BITES ACTORS.

Leona Leslie and Oscar O'Shea Torn While Playing "Daniel Boone."

Rome, Ga., Dec. 24.—During the performance of "Daniel Boone" at the opera house last night Miss Leona Leslie and Oscar O'Shea, who take leading parts, were badly torn on the stage by a wolf which is used in the play.

The actress and actor were attacked in the scene where Daniel Boone rescues his sweetheart from the den of wolves into which the Indian, Blackfish, had thrown her. When Miss Leslie was thrown into the den the wolf attacked her and tore her arm and side. The girl screamed and O'Shea leaped into the den and dragged the girl from the wolf. The animal then turned on O'Shea and tore his leg.

Bob Harris, a real Catawaba Indian, who was standing near, ran to their assistance and drove the animal back into his den. The audience witnessed the scene and stamped when they realized that the attack of the wolf was real. Their injuries will keep Miss Leslie and O'Shea off the stage for some days. The wolf had never been vicious before.

WATERDOWN.

Robert Walker is home from Toronto Medical College, Roy Melanahan from University College and Gordon Cameron from the School of Practical Science of Queen's University, Kingston.

Mr. Albert Slater, of Rosland, B. C., is visiting his brother in this village. The recent heavy falls of snow are keeping the village fathers and sons unusually and unwillingly busy. One broke out as follows:

Oh, happy is the man who hears
The by-law's warning voice,
And who a wooden shovel makes
His early morning choice.

Sung in a deep bass voice to the tune of Colchick, the effect was inspiring. The Christmas entertainment given last Thursday evening by the children of Knox Church Sunday school was an unusual success. The children proceeded to be at their best and did credit to the careful training of their teachers. The attendance was large and the financial returns satisfactory.

Not a word is heard regarding the re-opening of the Farmers' Club. It is up to the secretary to get busy. Local business men report a good season's trading. Some few who believe in going to the city, and who consider that they haven't been shopping unless they receive a certain amount of jostling, returned to the village the other day to discover that they could not proceed in the same class of goods at home on an average a little cheaper. Of course they had enjoyed the drive over seven miles of pitch holes—a pleasure not to be despised.

"THE TEMPLE."

Behold the temple built in days of old,
The House of Prayer, colossal marvel grand,
The holiest place in Israel's land,
Polluted made by men, greedy for gold;
Amid the chanting Levites, prayin' priests,
Pilgrims and drovers, doves, oxen and sheep,
Babeling luxurers, money in heaps,
God's temple walked and drove out man and beast.
Ah! in this temple, Son of God made flesh,
God's Spirit dwelt to man made manifest;
Destroyed, entombed He lay three days at rest.
Arose, appeared His pilgrims to refresh,
But stranger in thy temple mortal dwells
The Holy Ghost? If so fear not death's knell.
W. M. J.
"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

TRIPLE TRAGEDY.

Girl and Two Young Men Drowned While Skating.

Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 24.—While one hundred boys and girls were skating on Onoto Lake, on ice hardly an inch thick, Fred Norris, 17 years old, yesterday broke through into thirty feet of water, half an hour later, in the middle of the lake, where the water is eighty-five feet deep, Henry Aho, 20 years old, and his fiancée, Miss Annie Mozerin, 19 years, were drowned. William Suttle went down with Norris, but saved himself with a hockey stick.

No one saw Aho and Miss Mozerin go down, but a hole in the ice three hundred yards from where Norris met his death and Aho's cap at the edge of the water told the story. Evidently the tragedy the skaters elevated about the thin ice until the police drove them off.

THIS MAN DIED

Twelve Short Hours After He Was Married.

Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—Christian W. Stengel, President of the Feigenspan Brewery interests in Newark, N. J., died in the German Hospital here early today, less than twelve hours after he had been married to Mrs. Marie Louise Feigenspan, the widow of the man who once employed him. Mr. Stengel was the confidential assistant of Christian Feigenspan, and shortly before the latter died it is said he expressed a wish that his wife marry Stengel in case he did not live.

Last Thursday Mr. Stengel was operated upon for appendicitis. Complications set in, and another operation was made necessary yesterday. Having been informed that Mr. Stengel probably would not survive his illness the couple decided to carry out the dying wish of the late Mr. Feigenspan. A license was granted yesterday, but as the time came for the ceremony to be performed Mr. Stengel was very weak. He grew stronger in a few hours, and in the evening they were married.

Christmas for Distant Friends

What is better than a beautiful colored picture of dear old HAMILTON? Size 11 inches by 20 inches; price 50c each. Tube for mailing 5c extra. Framed \$2 each.

A. C. Turnbull
Bookseller & Stationer
17 King Street East

THE RIGHT HOUSE

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE."

This store for last minute needs



WHAT HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN? This store stands ready to serve you to-night with splendidly large varieties of beautiful Xmas gift goods. Many are the reductions on desirable, practical gift things, for to-night to clear. Between 7 and 8 o'clock is the least busy time. Come straight here to-night secure in the fact that you will find satisfaction sure and certain, that you will find superb assortments of just the gift things you desire and your friends will appreciate. A visit will suggest just the proper things and save you worry and money, too.

A Merry, Merry Christmas to all

NOW as we come to Christmas, let us say a word that is not at all an advertisement. To-night we have completed the greatest Christmas business in our history; a business vastly greater than even we had hoped to reach. To-day we look back over the past weeks, not without a feeling of special pleasure that the Hamilton public should have shown so marked a preference for this store.

We who make up the store's organization cannot but feel that it is no small thing to possess in such large measure the confidence and generous good-will of this community. In the past weeks we have all of us tried to show appreciation of this confidence by the sort of good service and helpfulness which old friends expect—yes, by even a little better service than anyone expected from a store that had as much to do as we have had to do during this period.

To our own store folks, who have done so nobly and labored so cheerfully and earnestly in the strain of the Christmas rush, the holiday will bring a sense of something well done that was well worth the doing.

To our public who have done so much in appreciation of our store-keeping, we feel that to pay what we owe will keep us busy pushing the store even further along the road of progress.

And as the Christmas milestone passes, we take a new grip of things, and make a promise that 1908 shall provide a measure of usefulness and service here still greater and better than in the past.

To our own store people as well as to a generous public,
A Very Merry Christmas

Corner King East THOMAS C. WATKINS Hamilton and Hughson Sts. Ontario

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Black Heath Branch Had a Very Successful Meeting.

The Christmas meeting of the Blackheath branch of the Women's Institute was held at "Elmbank," the home of Miss Harrison, on Wednesday, Dec. 18, twenty-five ladies being present. Business being transacted and the minutes of the last meeting read and adopted. The secretary distributed the neatly printed programmes for the coming year, in which a wide range of subjects were presented for discussion.

The programme was then opened by singing by the members, and the question drawer, which was presided over by Mrs. R. Moore and Mrs. J. Martindale, contained questions bearing on a variety of subjects, most of which were satisfactorily answered.

Mrs. John Hutty read an excellent paper on "The Woman of the Twentieth Century on the Farm," in which she maintains that the woman of the present, notwithstanding all the improved facilities by which her work is made easier and lighter is, by reason of a too elaborate style of living in both dress and home, depriving herself of the leisure which her mother, with fewer advantages, enjoyed, and suggested as a remedy, that less time be devoted to competing with people of unlimited wealth and time.

Mrs. Hutty advocated a thorough training for the young girls in all that pertains to home making and housekeeping, both as a help to the mother and as an essential part of every girl's education, no matter what her position or calling may be. Miss Ida Harrison, a talented young musician who is making music her life work, played one of her favorite selections on the piano.

The branch delegates were then called upon to give her report of the convention held at Guelph, and as the programme was unusually short, Miss Hanson, without encroaching on the time for other things, was able to give the members the benefit of the many good things she saw and heard while away, all of which point to the elevating and broadening influence of the work carried on by the Women's Institute in all parts of the province. Miss Hanson also gave an outline of the work carried on by the National Council of Women, which was represented by the President, Lady Edgar, and with which the Women's Institute is now affiliated. A chorus was then sung by the members, after which the Misses Harrison, with true Christmas hospitality, served a luncheon of sandwich, choice Christmas cakes and coffee.

The singing of a hymn closed the meeting, which was especially enjoyable from the fact that two ladies who were formerly members of this community were present. Mrs. Fletcher (nee Harrison), of Hannon, and Mrs. Morrow (nee Petch), from the far west.

Thos. Quinsey has kindly offered her home for the January meeting, which will be held on the 8th, at 2.30 sharp.

Health is the only riches that a man ought to set value on, for without it all men are poor, let their estates be what they will.

WHALEBONE IS HIGH AGAIN.

The Price Nearly at the Record Figures of 1905.

Whaling is prospering again in the Arctic. But it is not for oil that the Down East skippers keep their lances and harpoons bright. To-day the spoil is whalebone. The price is now at its highest and is climbing steadily to the high water mark reached in 1906, when Arctic bone commanded \$5.30 a pound, or say \$11,000 a ton. To this mark it rose from the 12 cents a pound which was the price recorded in 1821, when it gained its earliest recognition as a commodity.

Then it was a by-product of the whale, with oil the primary consideration. Now it is the mainstay of the whaler's life, and the head that yields a good crop of bone marks a bright spot in the adventurous work of whaling. Last year 96,000 pounds of whalebone was taken by American whalers. It is the case, the average man does not see a splinter of it from one year's end to the other, where does it all go?

Prominent among its uses is for corset stays. Nothing yet discovered adapts itself so perfectly to all the requirements of a stay as this stuff from the mouth of the whale. It combines lightness, elasticity and flexibility, even when split into very thin strips. Some whalers use the splinter in its own shape that may be given to it when it is heated and then cooled under compression. The splinter is cut into strips of the size of a pen-knife blade.

Whalebone whips are still made, and the farmer who possesses one is the envy of his neighbors. These are made from single pieces of bone six or seven feet long, sometimes wound and sometimes used just as they come from the cutting machine. A whalebone horsewhip costs from \$15 to \$18 to-day and will outlast a dozen whips of any other material.

Whalebone was the original material from which umbrellas were made. Its durability was a good feature. The umbrella ribs were made of whalebone, and the ribs were shapely and strong because of the size of the ribs.

There is still some bone employed in artists' sketching umbrellas and carriage shades, but it is pretty expensive for these purposes. Some whalers use the splinter in its own shape that may be given to it when it is heated and then cooled under compression. The splinter is cut into strips of the size of a pen-knife blade.

In these and a few other ways the country's production of whalebone, 75,000 to 100,000 pounds a year is utilized.

The best whalebone and the bulk of it come from the bowhead whale of the Arctic seas. Baleen is called in its natural state. Like an enormous strainer there depends from great slabs which form the roof of the whale's mouth. The baleen is made of a horse's mane, but much coarser. The economic value of his arrangement so far as the whaler is concerned lies in the fact that when he opens his mouth the water rushes in and out again, while all the fish he is hunting becomes entangled in the fringe of the baleen and is transferred to the whale's stomach in a leisurely and comfortable manner.

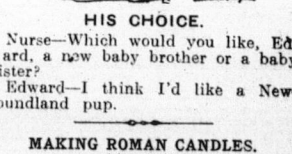
of gum and flesh are removed with scrapers and after being washed the bone is thoroughly dried.

Much of the whalebone taken to-day is landed at San Francisco, where the bone is bunched in bundles of twenty-two slabs each, weighing about eighty pounds. The bone less than six feet long is considered undersized and is sold at a lower price. The biggest yield of bone by one bowhead whale was that taken by the Mary and Helen in 1883, when the clean up yielded 2,100 pounds, worth in the neighborhood of \$15,000 at prevailing prices.

From the San Francisco and Boston factories the bone is sent to New York and other places to be cut. All these factories are small, employing at the outside forty workmen.

Here the various processes of transforming the rough into the finished product are performed with a variety of shears and cutting knives. When the workmen are through with it they have dress bone which sells for \$10 a pound, whip bone at \$8 to \$7 a pound, corset bones at \$5.50 a pound and other varieties at different prices. Even the shavings are utilized, going to the upholsterer.

The cost of whalebone has led to the invention of many substitutes, such as horn and rattan and thin strips of steel covered with rubber or composition, and necessarily these things have supplanted bone in the cheaper grades of corsets. But bone occupies a place of its own for the better trade, and as long as fashion decrees stays so long probably will the New Bedford sailor take his chances of getting caught in the ice "in the west end of Pitt-Barrow."



HIS CHOICE.

Nurse—Which would you like, Ed, ward, a new baby brother or a baby sister?
Edward—I think I'd like a New-foundland pup.

MAKING ROMAN CANDLES.

A Good Deal Like Solitary Confinement—One Man to a Hut.
The most solitary person in the world during working hours is the maker of roman candles.

He occupies an isolated cell, says the Technical World, and nobody comes near him while he is engaged in his putting.

LIBERALS WON THREE SEATS.

Centre York, Ottawa, and Labelle Liberal.

Dr. McLean Beat Clark Wallace's Son.

Campaign Was One of Education and Debate.

Woodbridge, Dec. 23.—The bye-election in Centre York today resulted in the return of Dr. P. D. McLean, the Liberal candidate, by the somewhat close majority of 19, according to the best returns available at midnight. The election is claimed by Capt. Wallace by a majority of one, on the ground that at No. 9, Markham, where the returns gave 51 of a majority for McLean, the Liberal lead was only 32, and that at No. 5, Markham, the Conservative majority was 26 and not 25. The Globe's figures were checked over by Mr. Jackson, the returning officer at Markham, just before the telephone line closed for the night and he then gave the figure at No. 9 as 51 for McLean. Capt. Wallace claims to have later information on this point from his party workers. Mr. Jackson, the Conservative organizer, states that he had the same figures from the Conservative scrutineer at No. 9, but does not altogether rely on their accuracy.

Liberals Celebrated.

The earliest information received here at 9:30 to-night from the returning officer at Markham was to the effect that Dr. McLean had been returned by a majority of 62. As this did not agree with returns collected by Capt. Wallace's supporters, however, Markham was communicated with, and the reply was that the Liberal majority was only 19, a mistake having been made in the purple figures. Subsequently Capt. Wallace received a message from Markham, informing him that a majority of one, in fact, and having been credited with a majority of 10 for Dr. McLean instead of 32, and Unionville giving Capt. Wallace a majority of 25, instead of 23. All efforts to verify these figures proved unavailing and Woodbridge returned to a state of complete uncertainty. Meanwhile Dr. McLean's supporters, accepting the figures supplied by the Markham returning officer, had celebrated a victory. Gathered in the Temperance Hall, they created the doctor enthusiastically, and there was the usual speech-making.

Dr. McLean modestly acknowledged the victory when the returns indicated he had achieved.

Thereafter a procession was formed, and with banners and flags the Liberals marched through the town. It was close upon midnight before Capt. Wallace received the message announcing his election by one, and while the Conservatives accepted it in good faith, the Liberals were incredulous. The campaign was one of education and debate on both sides. The Conservatives threw their leader, Mr. Borden, his first lieutenant, Mr. Foster, and eight of the party's best debaters in the Commons into the riding at Woodbridge. They were Mr. James, for the Liberals, Hon. C. P. Graham, Hon. Wm. Paterson, J. G. Turfitt, M. P., H. H. Miller, M. P., M. S. Schell, M. P., P. H. Mackenzie, M. P., Mr. Hartley Dewar, Senator Campbell, F. F. Farde, M. P., and A. H. Clarke, M. P., were the chief speakers.

Night after night lively meetings have been held in behalf of both candidates, and though some of these were not as well attended as had been anticipated, the vote polled showed that a considerable degree of interest had been aroused among the electors.

With the prospect of only one more session of the House of Commons, it seemed at first to be difficult to make some of the electors believe that the contest was of any particular importance, so far as is known no corrupt influences entered into the fight, as both candidates declared their desire for clean politics. In fact, Dr. McLean, the victor, never made a speech throughout the entire campaign in which he did not lay particular emphasis upon his wish that the battle be free from illegal practices and above board.

The day was by no means an ideal one for election purposes. During the night previous there had been a slight snow fall, which was followed later by rain. Then the snow came again. The two candidates remained at Woodbridge, who both reside, during the polling, while Senator Campbell assisted in getting out the vote at Weston.

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Vote Count. Includes McLean, Wallace, Markham Village, Woodbridge, Richmond Hill, Weston, Etobicoke, Vaughan, Markham, Scarborough, McLean majority, Wallace majority, McLean majority.

The Vote in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The result of today's election in the city of Ottawa given the Liberal candidate a majority of 3,319 over the Independent Conservative. The vote stood 4,470 for J. B. T. Carron, Liberal, and 1,151 for W. D. Morris, Independent Conservative. It is true that the election was certain to go Liberal from the beginning, and that accounts for the small vote cast, but no one anticipated so large a majority. The Liberal candidate had a majority in every ward of the city. The result by wards is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Ward Name and Vote Count. Includes Ward, Carron, Morris, Victoria, Dalhousie, Wellington, Central, St. George, By, Ottawa.

Elected for Labelle.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Mr. C. B. Major, barrister, and ex-Mayor of Hull, was today elected by acclamation at Pateraugue, Que., to represent Labelle county in the Commons in succession to Mr. Henri Bourassa. Mr. Major was the Liberal nominee. Messrs. Lamontagne and Kelly, of Buckingham, and Dr. Robillard, of Montreal, were also nominated, but retired in Mr. Major's favor.

To cure a cold in one night—use Vapo-Cresolene. It has been used extensively during the past twenty-four years. All druggists.

KILLED BY A COW'S TAIL.

Binghamton, N. Y.—Wm. A. Wells, of Neward Valley, was milking, when a cow avished her tail, striking him on the forehead with the fleshy part of the appendage. Shortly afterwards, Mr. Wells returned to the house, complaining of a pain in the head, which rapidly grew worse. Physicians pronounced it apoplexy, brought on by the blow from the cow's tail. Mr. Wells died the same night.

Apoplexy is the result of poisoned blood. Bowels become constipated, kidneys get weakened, skin action becomes poor, and the blood is loaded with impurities, which produces weakness in the blood vessels.

Where there is headache, backache, neuralgia, rheumatism—it means blood poisoning. "Fruit-a-tives" are a certain cure for all these troubles.

FOUGHT FOR MOTHER

TWO CHILDREN PREVENT MURDER BY THEIR FATHER.

Joseph Ashworth, an Elderly Man Living at Cornwall, Attacked His Wife with a Stove-Shaker and Knife.

Cornwall, Dec. 23.—Joseph Ashworth, aged sixty years, made a vicious attempt on the life of his wife, aged fifty-two years, here this morning, but was prevented becoming a homicide by his twelve-year-old son and nine-year-old daughter, both of whom he also slashed with a knife.

This morning husband and wife were alone with the little girl in the house when he attacked the woman. Mrs. Ashworth ran out into a neighbor's yard, pursued by her husband with a stove shaker. He knocked her down and pounded her head with this weapon, but she apparently wrenched it away and struck him in the face. He then, kneeling on her, pulled out his pocket knife and slashed her face.

Just at this moment the twelve-year-old son, Jack, who had been sent to have a pocket knife sharpened for a neighbor, was attracted to the scene by his mother's screams, and attempted to pull his father off. The little girl, who was helping, said that her father threw the pocket knife in her face, which is cut in three places.

Ashworth endeavored to take the butcher knife from the boy, who hung on desperately, having his hand badly cut in the struggle. The arrival of neighbors and passersby put an end to the struggle, and Ashworth was disarmed and arrested by Andrew O'Neill and Levi Miller, who turned him over to the authorities. He was cut across the forehead in some way while struggling with his son, and was also cut on the shoulder.

The mother and two children were taken to the Hotel Dieu, where their wounds were dressed. Mrs. Ashworth lost a great deal of blood, but will recover. The girl was taken from England. Jealousy was the cause of the crime.

PLEADS HER OWN CASE.

Lady Lawyer From New York Appears at Osgoode Hall.

Toronto, Dec. 24. At Osgoode Hall yesterday, before his lordship Chief Justice Falconbridge, Mrs. Anna K. Daniels, attorney-at-law in New York City, pleaded her own case regarding a certain mortgage transaction which she had with the London & Western Trust Company. Her claim was that she had paid the mortgage twice, and asked for a mandamus to compel a reference under the mortgage, which amounts to about \$1,000, but upon which further claims brings the action to \$2,400.

The plaintiff is a daughter of the late Alexander Johnson, private banker, and once Mayor of the town of Stratroy. Her brother, Mr. Frank J. Johnson, is a New York lawyer, while she herself is a graduate of the New York Law School. Judgment was reserved by his lordship.

ANOTHER COBALT VICTIM.

Injuries of James McKnight, While Blasting, Result Fatally.

Cobalt, Dec. 23.—James McKnight, a native of Scotland, aged 36, who was injured in the Townsite mine last Wednesday morning in a blasting accident, died on Saturday at the Liskeard Hospital in the hopes of saving his life. He had his right arm taken off, and died on Sunday about noon. He was buried to-day at New Liskeard.

An inquest was held this afternoon at Cobalt. Coroner Codd adjourned it until Friday next, in order to procure further evidence and to secure the attendance of Mr. Leyson, who was injured at the same time. Mr. Leyson's arm, which was broken, is doing nicely.

MURDERED WITH AN AXE.

Brutal Crime Discovered Near Gretna, Manitoba.

Gretna, Man., Dec. 23.—Fred. Leclair was brutally murdered near here this morning, and his body was found, with the head split open, near the river, where it had been carried by the criminals. He had been hit with an axe. Leclair had been killed at Neche, and an effort had been made to put the body in the river here. He was a G. N. W. fireman at Grand Forks. A negro and a German are under arrest. Names unknown.

WOUND WAS FATAL.

The Death of Charles Sheppard at Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 23.—Charles Sheppard died in the General Hospital here this morning as the result of an accident on December 7th, when his right arm was shattered by a shotgun in the hands of a companion while walking on the street in Queenston. Sheppard was not quite twenty years old, and was the son of postmaster Frank Sheppard, of Queenston.

Fight on a Train.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Passengers on the western express arriving here this morning were witnesses to a lively fight among Italians on the G. T. R. One man, Francis Spassi, was gashed badly about the face, and had to have a dozen stitches put in at the general hospital. The other men were arrested here on arrival of the train. The cause of the trouble is supposed to have been a demand on Spassi for money.

It is reported that Mr. John D. Rockefeller will donate \$200,000 to McMaster University for the establishment of a medical department.

PUBLIC BEHEADAL.

MRS. GOULD EXERCISES ANCIENT RIGHT OF MONTE CARLO.

She Wants to be Guillotined in the Place—Sentence, if Thus Carried Out, Would be in Front of Casino—Ruler in Consternation.

Monte Carlo, Dec. 23.—Mme. Vere Gould has produced consternation in the principality of Monaco by exercising an ancient right of a condemned person and demanding that she be executed in the Plaza, which is the flower and tree decorated space in front of the Casino at Monte Carlo.

Ever since the trial of the Goolds for the murder of Emma Levin the Prince of Monaco has dreaded some such possibility as this. The persistent policy of the ruler has been to keep away, to get up anything that might frighten the nervous sensibilities of the patrons of the gambling establishments. If it had been possible the trial would have been quashed and the prisoners secretly put away.

The idea of an execution in Monte Carlo was a horrifying enough—even if it could be conducted in private—and now this woman demands to be killed in public and that the guillotine be set up in front of the Palace of Chance.

Both she and her husband have appealed against their sentences—his that of hard labor for life and hers, that of the headman—and in view of the woman's plea for a final public appearance it is quite possible the appeal will be granted.

Meanwhile the Goolds are locked up in the Monaco prison. Gould has sent a farewell message to his friends in Ireland and England, and will be shipped to Cayenne, French Guiana, if the sentence be carried out. He has also sent loving messages to the cell of his wife, but she refuses to read them and declares that she wants nothing more to do with "that lazy drunkard."

"Gould is defiant in everything. I will go to the execution," she has said, "with my head high. All the women want to see me on my knees, but they won't."

"DESPERATE HOST."

GATHERING OF INDIAN MUTINY VETERANS IN LONDON.

Seven Hundred Came Together to Commemorate Golden Jubilee of the Struggle—Lord Roberts Presided—Kipling Wrote Poem for the Occasion.

London, Dec. 23.—The remnant of that desperate host," as Kipling described the veterans of the Indian mutiny, gathered this afternoon in Albert Hall to the number of more than seven hundred to commemorate the golden jubilee of the struggle which ended in the Indian empire being saved to Great Britain.

The pension roll in the War Office are the names of twelve hundred survivors of the mutiny, to each of whom an invitation was sent for the re-union, but only a few could travel, including officers and men, came from every corner of the United Kingdom, and with breast crosses and medals, made a brave showing as they drew up outside the hall to be reviewed by Lord Roberts.

The youngest among the veterans was sixty-five years of age, he having been a drummer during the fighting, and even paired with his companions bowed with the weight of age.

Lord Roberts, who presided at the banquet, read a telegram from the King, who expressed the appreciation of the whole empire of the services rendered by the army of which the veterans were members.

Lord Curzon, Chancellor of Oxford University, gave the toast, "The survivors of the Indian mutiny," and Henry Waller, the actor, recited verses especially written by Rudyard Kipling, of which the following is one:

"To-day across our fathers' graves
The pension roll in years reveal
The remnant of that desperate host
Which cleaned our east with steel."

YOUNG WOMAN'S SUICIDE.

Miss Maud Hill, of London, Takes Carbolio Acid.

London, Ont., Dec. 23.—Miss Maud Hill, of 904 Elias street, took her own life to-day by drinking carbolio acid in the grounds of the "Centennial Methodist Church," in the east end. It appears that Miss Hill shortly before noon went to a nearby drug store and bought the acid, stating that she wanted it for disinfecting purposes. Leaving the drug store, she proceeded up Dundas street and turned into the yard in the rear of the church. Mrs. Walker, who lives there, saw the girl, noticed the girl and saw her unwrap a small parcel and put something to her lips. A little later the girl gave a scream and staggered.

Mrs. Walker hurried to the spot and carried the girl into her own house. A doctor was speedily summoned, but could not help her, and she died soon after his arrival. The young woman, who was about 21 years old, is believed to have been deranged. Coroner Ferguson is looking after the case.

Irritable Throat Causes Catarrh.

But the worst of it is this—Not only your throat, but nose, bronchial tubes and lungs are sore, too. The germ is spreading—it's gaining a stronger hold every day.

Destroy it with "Catarrhazone," the greatest healer and antiseptic ever known. No case of Catarrh it won't relieve in a day—no case it won't cure.

Remember this—you don't TAKE Catarrhazone—it ISN'T a drug—it's a healing vapor, and consequently gets to the very kernel of the disease.

A direct treatment—one that kills the germs, heals the sores—stops the cough—cuts out the phlegm—such is "Catarrhazone."

Results talk—and that's where Catarrhazone wins out—it does cure—the others relieve.

Local Option Creates Dives

Ex-Alderman W. H. McClarty, a substantial merchant of Owen Sound, says: "Local Option has not lessened drunkenness in Owen Sound,—but it has created dives and it has been the cause of lessening trade." Last year, with seven months of Local Option and 302 of license, Owen Sound had 362 police court cases. In eleven months this year, under Local Option, it has had 510 police court cases. "I saw 75 drunken men the other evening on a walk through two of our streets."

Your streets will not be pleasant for women after dark if Local Option carries your town.

Local Option Makes Drunkards

Banker J. P. Raven, of Owen Sound, says: "There have been more failures here in 19 months of Local Option than there were in the seven years previous. Property has decreased in value from 20 to 25 per cent."

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Local Option takes the traffic from the grip of the law and delivers it over to private greed. Will that suit YOUR town?

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Christmas Presents

Shoes and Slippers as Christmas and New Year presents seem to be more popular than ever this season, judging from our sales during the past week. The people come direct to this store from all parts of the city, knowing that we keep the NICEST and MOST RELIABLE Shoes in the city. Ask the man who wears them!

MEN'S SLIPPERS—We are doing an extra large trade this season in Men's Slippers. We have now in stock a very nice assortment from \$1.50 to \$2.50 in fine black and tan kid.

WOMEN'S SLIPPERS—A pair of Ladies' Slippers makes a very acceptable gift. We have an elegant stock of Slippers in patent and kid ranging in price from \$1.00 to \$3.75, and our styles are the latest. Ask the woman who wears them!

WARM SLIPPERS—In kid with wool lining, and also in all felt lines. We have also fine kid and all felt for children.

Leggings, Overgaiters and Cardigans

We have a very large stock of these goods, and prices are right. Overgaiters 50c to \$1.00. The balance of our Polar Leggings, in four colors, for children, will be cleared out at \$1.65 per pair—regular price \$1.40. We have not all sizes in any one color.

RUBBERS AND OVERSHOES—We have the reputation for being the largest retail dealers in Ontario in FIRST QUALITY Rubbers. We do not handle either SECONDS OR PUNCHED Rubbers, therefore you can always rely on getting the best at this store. Ask the people who wear them!

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Phone 23, (Lowe & Farrell), Limited. Repairs neatly and promptly attended to. All kinds of house and factory wiring. Fixtures, glassware, enamelware, balls and vases, etc.

Vapo-Cresolene advertisement with logo and text: Whooping Cough, Croup, Bronchitis, Cough, Grip, Asthma, Diphtheria. Cresolene is a boon to Asthmatics. Does it not seem more effective to breathe in a remedy to cure disease of the breathing organs than to take the remedy into the stomach?

Advertisement for a medicine: Send postpaid booklet. LANSING, MILLS CO., Limited, Agents, Montreal, Canada.

Advertisement for a medicine: At Rotherham, Sask., Roy Pears received an injection of anti-toxine and expired instantly.

Advertisement for a medicine: FIRE IN TOULON ARSENAL. Vats Exploded and Soldiers and Firemen Were Injured. Toulon, Dec. 23.—For the fifth time in two years fire broke out to-night in the southern section of the arsenal, completely destroying the naval spirit stores, despite the efforts of the firemen and troops, many of whom were injured. A number of vats exploded, and flames from the spirits shot up to a height of eighty to a hundred feet.

Advertisement for a medicine: A telegram received from Stockholm says that Gustave, who became King of Sweden on the death of his father, King Oscar, on Dec. 8, has decided to dispense with the customary costly coronation ceremonies. This decision will be extremely popular in Sweden.

Advertisement for a medicine: At Lanigan, Sask., Andrew McComb, railway laborer, died of wood alcohol poisoning.

TIMES SPORTING PAGE

LEWIS WON FROM O'KEEFE.

Rochester Basketball Team Here To-morrow.

Jack Delaby Suspended at New Orleans Track—Attell Hot Favorite in Coming Fight.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 24.—Harry Lewis, of Philadelphia, was given the decision over Pat O'Keefe, of Ireland, at the end of a twelve-round bout at the Winnisset Athletic Club, in Chelsea, last night.

ATELL MONEY PLENTIFUL.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—There is great interest among sporting men in the fight between Owen Moran, British champion, and Abe Attell, which will take place here New Year's Day.

C. A. A. U. ACTION.

Federation Delegates Declined to Discuss It.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The Olympic commissioners last night declined to discuss the action of the C. A. A. U. in refusing to recognize Messrs. Foran, of Ottawa, and O'Connell, of Montreal, as representatives of the Federation on the joint Central Olympic Committee on this ground.

CHRISTMAS GAME.

Basketball To-morrow Night at the Y. M. C. A.

All lovers of this popular and fast indoor game will be given a treat here to-morrow night in the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Barton has arranged for three games, the first game will be with two of the league teams, and the second will be with the Boys' Club vs. the 2nd team.

DELABY DOWN.

Crack Jockey Suspended at New Orleans Track.

New Orleans, Dec. 24.—The second fortnight of racing under the auspices of the City Park Jockey Club began yesterday. Jockey Delaby was suspended for two weeks for unsatisfactory riding.

Jockey Mountain, who fell while riding Light Note at New Orleans last week, is laid up with a badly bruised leg, and it will probably be a week before he rides again.

Purses to the value of \$3,700 will be given at the two days' race meeting to be held at Calgary May 25-26. The meeting will be held under the control of the fire department and the Calgary Turf Club.

Ottawa horsemen have flooded Lansdowne Park and will do their work there in preparation for the big meet in February. The track on the river will not be ready until about a week before the races.

Looking forward to the opening up of the game in the northwest next summer. A circuit comprising tracks in Winnipeg, Man., Milwaukee, Wis., and St. Paul, Minn., is sure to come sooner or later.

BRITANNIA RINK.

Special Feature for Christmas and the Holidays.

Christmas promises to be a big day at the Britannia Roller Rink. The large rink has been put in holiday attire and presents a very pretty appearance.

Each skater attending on Christmas evening and every evening for the month following will be given a coupon. The lady patrons will collect the coupons from their gentlemen friends, and at the end of the month the lady presenting the greatest number of coupons will be given a gold watch by the rink management.

TO-MORROW'S RACE.

Henhawk, the Indian, Will Not be Allowed to Start.

The C. A. A. U. has refused to issue a certificate to Isaac Henhawk, the Indian, and he will not be permitted to start in the ten-mile road race to-morrow afternoon. The reason is that Henhawk is not a Canadian.

ABOUT TORONTO RUNNERS.

Toronto News: The L. C. A. C. runners had their last work-out Saturday afternoon for the Christmas day race at Hamilton. The route was from the Grand Central Hotel via Simcoe to King and west to the Ocean, the distance of 61.2 or 7 miles.

Some Snap Shots at Sport and Sportsmen

Bob Fitzsimmons is not only an ex-world's champion, but is an ex-freckled face. The freckles were likely taken off by the X-rays.

A local newspaper last night tried to make Bob Fitzsimmons appear as a comedian. He was quoted as saying he could whip Tommy Burns in ten rounds.

Charley Yong, the young Chicago Japanese who last year married a white girl and went to Omaha to live, left for his native country the other day, where he will play third base for the baseball team of the Kelo University at Tokio, Japan. Yong was accompanied by his wife.

Fifty thousand people saw Chelsea football team draw with Manchester at Stamford Bridge, 30,000 at the Newcastle United-Everton game, 25,000 at the Liverpool vs. Aston Villa.

The Winnipeg Free Press claims to be in a position to state that the Australian team which will represent the Antipodes in England in 1908, will come via the Pacific route. The probability is that the colonial athletes will reach Winnipeg early in May. Winnipeg will

ners at Hamilton all the time. The results: Pearce, 38.35; Sellen, 37.18; Green, 38.18.

NO I.-C. A. C. IN WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review—Frequent references are made in the Toronto evening papers to the "Woodstock branch of the I. C. A. C." The Woodstock Amateur Athletic Association, some of whose members held Canadian and American records twenty years before the Irish-Canadians were ever heard of, has no connection with the organization recently perfected by T. C. Flannagan of Toronto.

SCORE FROM AUSTRALIA

The first of the test matches between Australia and the touring M. C. C. team was played at Sydney, and was won by Australia by two wickets. The detailed scores of the first two days' play is as follows:—

Table with columns for batsmen and runs scored. Includes names like F. L. Fane, R. A. Young, and K. L. Hutchinson.

BOWLING SCORES.

Table with columns for bowlers and runs conceded. Includes names like V. T. Trumper, P. A. McAlister, and C. Hill.

SHORT ENDS.

Little Paragraphs of Sport From Far and Near.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Messrs. Booth and Sheppard, of Hamilton, are in the city looking over the different bowling alleys, as they are putting down sixteen alleys in Hamilton, and on these alleys the C. B. A. tournament will be held in 1908.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 23.—The 14th Regiment have taken their teams out of the O. H. A. but Kingston will have a city team in the senior series. The team will likely be managed by George Richardson, last year's captain of the 14th team. The team will be made up of the best city players.

The Winnipeg hospital list, the result of their famous battle with the Maple Leafs, is as follows: Charlie Tobin, cut over right eye, two inches long, through to the bone, requiring nine stitches; Roy Miller, the Glenboro player, who replaced Aldous, cut on chin, two stitches; cut on nose, two stitches; leg cut and body covered with bruises; fainted under treatment, and did not recover for an hour; Bert Boulton, nose broken; Harry Kennedy, bruise on left corner of brow.

JIM CORBETT WILL NEVER FIGHT AGAIN.

New York, Dec. 24.—Straight, an Indian, six feet two inches tall, his face the picture of good health and good humor, his weight 191 pounds, every muscle strong, never an ache or pain—such is James J. Corbett, actor and former champion, at forty-one.

formidable Joe Berks, a prize fighter of the old school, and defeats him in a battle fought before the Prince of Wales, Jackson, Dutch Sam, Champion Spring, and Old Buckhorse, all figure in the story.

Football is Serious Business in Old Land.

That the governing bodies in the old country have their troubles and their necessities for severe discipline is apt to be overlooked by those well-meaning advisers who are so fond of shouting from whatever forum they have a chance to occupy that nobody in Canada knows just "to do these things."

During a Rugby match at Newton Abbott between the local club and Devonport Albion, hostile demonstrations were made against the referee. He was followed off the ground by a hooting crowd. The officials endeavored to protect him from violence, but the mob seized him and rolled him in the mud.

The Belfast City Cup match between Glenorch and Distillery, two of the leading Irish clubs, had a sensational and disgraceful ending. Throughout the game the teams took full advantage of their weight, and in the first half Maguire, the Distillery centre-forward, was so seriously injured that he had to be carried off the field and taken away in a car.

hour; Bert Boulton, nose broken; Harry Kennedy, bruise on left corner of brow. San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 23.—A remarkable shooting exhibition ended yesterday when A. Topperville completed ten days' shooting series, during which he shot at 72,500 targets and missed only nine. This breaks the world's record, both as to the number of targets shot at and the number missed.

IN IMPVILLE, A FISH STORY WITHOUT WORDS.



Advices from the Island of Fiji say that the Governor's cup race of 1907 was won by the Australian-bred mare unimously. Luminous is by Launceston-Foxglove, and was also the winner of the cup last year. In this year's race she carried 140 pounds.

KELVIN.

Everybody is enjoying the good sleighing round here at present. Mrs. Martin, of Dundas, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. N. Ludlow.

Large numbers have been attending the nightly meetings here this week. These meetings will be brought to a close on Sunday evening.

The Public School has closed until after the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. W. Almas spent Saturday in the Telephone City.

Several of the farmers through here took their hogs to the depot on Monday last for shipment. A merry Christmas to all.

Dining Cafe and Buffet Cars

Have become a necessity for patrons of the Grand Trunk Railway System. They are run on all principal day and evening trains to Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Detroit, Chicago and Montreal.

HUGHES FOR PRESIDENT.

New York Republicans Endorse His Candidature.

New York, Dec. 23.—The Republican Club to-night endorsed Governor Hughes as a candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination, and called upon Republican organizations throughout the country to cooperate towards his nomination and election.

KILLED BY COMPRESSED AIR.

Fatality in the Metropolitan Subway in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Five men were killed and 65 had a miraculous escape from death to-day while working in a caisson which is being used in the extension of the Metropolitan subway, where it passes under the Seine, near the Palace of Justice.

List of Agencies

where the HAMILTON TIMES may be had:

- G. J. M'ARTHUR, Stationer, Rebecca St., 4 doors from James. F. W. SCHWARTZ, Royal Hotel News Stand. THOS. FRENCH, Stationer, 90 James Street North. G. B. MIDDLEY, Printer, 282 James Street North. A. F. HURST, Tobacconist, 294 James Street North. A. A. THEOBALD, Tobacconist, 358 James Street North. JAS. M'KENZIE, Newsdealer, 334 James Street North. D. MONROE, Grocer, James and Simcoe. JOHN HILL, Tobacconist, 171 King Street East. W. R. FLEMING, Fish and Tobacconist, 243 King Street East. H. P. TEETER, Druggist, King and Ashley. T. J. M'BRIDE, 666 King Street East. A. W. SWAZIE, 647 Barton Street East. LLOYD VANDUZEN, Crown Point. J. A. ZIMMERMAN, Druggist, Barton and Wentworth, also Victoria Avenue and Cannon. H. E. HAWKINS, Druggist, East Avenue and Barton. WM. KNOX, Barton and Wellington Streets. A. GREIG, Newsdealer, 10 York Street. THOS. M'KEAN, Confectioner, 97 York Street. A. NORMAN, 103 York Street. MRS. SHOTTER, Confectioner, 244 York Street. NEW TROY LAUNDRY, 357 York Street. S. WOTTON, 376 York Street. T. S. M'DONNELL, 374 King Street West. M. WALSH, 244 King Street West. D. T. DOW, 172 King Street West. JOHN MORRISON, Druggist, 112 Main Street West. A. F. HOUSER, Confectioner, 114 James Street South. CANADA RAILWAY NEWS CO., G. T. R. Station. H. BLACKBURN, News Agent, T. H. & B. Station. It will pay you to use the Want Column of the Times. BUSINESS TELEPHONE 365.

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

Table with columns for destinations and departure times. Includes Grand Trunk Railway System, Canadian Pacific Railway, and Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway.

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In the army there are expressions peculiar to itself. Heard for the first time by outsiders, they need interpretation. Among the most common are "hike," "march," "striker," for a soldier serving as a body servant or houseman for an officer; "C. O." for "commanding officer," and "O. D." for "officer of the day"; "hop" and "hop room," for "dance" and "dancing room"; "citz clothes," for "civilian dress"; "commissaries," for "groceries"; "coffee cooler," for an officer who is always looking for a easy job in some staff position; "found," when an officer fails to pass his examinations; "shave-tail," for a youngster just out of West Point. Among the soldiers the expressions have multiplied until quite a vocabulary of strange words has been established.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McArthur, Chicago, are visiting relatives here. The Right House will remain open to-night until 10 o'clock.

FLAGRANT ABUSES.

Ex-Ald. Martin Thinks City Police Should Move.

When seen this morning by a reporter, Ex-Ald. H. A. Martin, a member of the Citizen's League, did not have much to say in regard to the League's recent police court cases.

HAMILTON CLUB

Will be at Home in Permanent Quarters To-morrow.

Hamilton Club vacates its temporary quarters at the corner of MacNab and Jackson streets to-day and will be at home, in its permanent quarters, corner of Main and James streets on Christmas day.

SCHEDULE DRAWN.

For Beamsville-Grimby-St. Catharines Hockey Group.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—A meeting of the O. H. A. delegates for the new district, comprising St. Catharines, Grimby and Beamsville, was held at the Russell House last evening.

ROYAL CHRISTMAS DINNER.

6 to 8 p. m. Canape Caviar Astrakhan. Consomme Algerien, Potage a la Russe. Celery, Sliced Tomatoes, Queen Olives, Salted Almonds, Cheese Straws.

ONE YEAR TO-DAY.

Since Then 93,500 Have Skated at Alexandra.

The Alexandra rink management wishes to convey its thanks for the fine support given this amusement enterprise, since the opening, one year ago to-day.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS.—Fair to-day and to-night, with slightly lower temperature. Wednesday, light local snow falls.

THREW A LAMP.

Constable Campaign was called this morning by a passerby to 17 Caroline street north, where he was informed a fight was going on.

THE FESTIVAL OF CLOTHING

Bargains arranged for Fralick & Co's. patrons, simply demonstrates the power of ready cash. Thousands of dollars' worth of high-class overcoats and suits at unprecedented discounts from the regular prices.

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