

WOODS' FAIR

BEFORE STOCKTAKING SPECIALS FOR WEDNESDAY

We are about to begin our annual taking of stock just after the New Year, so that lines we are anxious to dispose of quickly will be put out on our centre tables and prices placed on them that will probably clear all out this week. Here are a few lines we have that are in that class, all perfect, but we have too many, and on Wednesday of this week they will be on sale on our main floor at special prices:

150 PICTURES AT 29c EACH.

These pictures are size 13½x15½, with deep, 3¼-inch gilt frames; several subjects and glass covering for each. The regular price was 39c. Special price on Wednesday, each..... **29c**

10c FANCY CALENDARS FOR 5c.

The balance of our 1909 Calendars that we sold before Christmas at 10c, we will offer on Wednesday at half-price—to clear at, each..... **5c**

75c POSTCARD ALBUMS AT 50c.

We have about 3 dozen of the above line left. They are a splendid book and hold 300 views, size 9½x15½, cloth-bound with beautiful lithographed cover. The regular price was 75c. Special price on Wednesday, each..... **50c**

FANCY ORNAMENTS AT REDUCED PRICES ON WEDNESDAY.

- 1 Only, \$2.25 Fancy Double Inkstand at..... **\$1.75**
 - 1 only, \$6.00 Fancy Oxidized Clock, special at..... **\$4.50**
 - 1 only, \$5.00 Ornament—dog holding a clock in his mouth. An elegant thing. Special, this week at..... **\$4.25**
 - 3 only, Fancy Jewel Cases. Were \$3.75, special at..... **\$2.95**
 - \$3.25, special at..... **\$2.50**, and \$2.25, special at..... **\$1.85**
- About one dozen 3-Piece Toilet Cases, comb, brush and mirror; fancy monogram plate on back, mahogany or ebony finish. Regular \$1.50. Special on Wednesday..... **\$1.00** each
- Military Brushes, in solid leather cases, two in each, ebony back brushes, pure bristle. Regular \$1.00 each. Price on Wednesday, 75c..... **\$1.00** each

HAND-DRAWN CUSHION TOPS, \$1.00 EACH.

We have only five of the above line left. They are a handsome article, Gibson girl design, hand-drawn on silk; something new and nobby. Special price..... **\$1.00** each

LADIES' NET WAISTS, \$3.00 EACH.

Ladies' Net Waists, polka dot front and back, made of insertion and tucks, straps over shoulder made of tucks, insertion and edged with lace; pointed collar and cuffs, silk lined. Regular \$3.50. Special price to clear on Wednesday..... **\$3.00** each

WOODS' FAIR J. M. THOMSON

Advertiser Correspondence

Two Editor Schemes.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:
I see that Dr. McCallum and Mr. Saunders have been airing the commissioners' and the Titus water schemes, and if you can spare a small space in your paper I would like to say a few words in regard to this matter. The commissioners' scheme calls for the expenditure of \$441,000, making an annual charge on the city for sinking fund and interest of \$28,400 for 30 years, which, with an annual operating charge of \$13,900, makes an annual charge of \$42,300.

Now, to compare this with the Titus scheme, we will reduce it to an eight-year term, which, I think, is quite fair, viz., if it takes \$400,000 yearly for 30 years to pay off these debentures, to pay them off in eight years would require an annual sum of \$106,500, which, with the \$13,900 yearly operating expenses, amounts to \$120,400, yearly, or perhaps 1,500,000 gallons of water.

Now, Titus offers us 1,500,000 gallons daily for three years, at \$75 per million gallons, or \$41,062 a year. Then he offers us 3,000,000 gallons daily for five years at \$55 per million gallons, or \$69,255 a year. Thus, for an average annual charge of \$53,950 for eight years, we get 1,500,000 gallons daily for three years, and 3,000,000 gallons daily for five years, in comparison with the commissioners' 1,500,000 or 2,000,000 gallons, at a yearly expense of \$129,000, or more than double.

Then there is another point of great importance. If you build a plant on the north branch capable of producing a pressure of 100 or 120 pounds to the city, you will simply drive the water in the Springbank main back to Springbank and render that plant perfectly useless.

Sabbath or Sunday.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:
While so much is being said re Sunday street cars, both for and against, I would like to add a thought or two in the way of mild criticism. It seems to me we are living in the time "when darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people." For the last two weeks or more surely we have had abundant evidence of that fact through the press. On the one hand, the big cry and hubbub is the breaking of the quiet and sanctity of the Sabbath. I would like to ask, What has the Sunday street car to do with the Sabbath? When did Sunday become the Sabbath? One of your correspondents says at creation, Others high up in authority repeatedly speak of Sunday as being the Sabbath, as if there were no possible matter of doubt or question about it. This seems to me an exhibition of the grossest ignorance.

I have no connection with, nor place for, Seventh Day Adventists, nor any other man-made issue, nor do I need to have to know that Sunday is not the Sabbath nor, never was. The Word says, "There is none so blind as my servant." The best evidence of that to any honest or unprejudiced man or woman, would be to read the different letters as they have appeared from day to day through the columns of The Advertiser on this Sunday street car question.

between church services and enjoy the cool and refreshing shade, but this is quite a different thing from going to say, Springbank, with lunch baskets, and staying the major part of the day. Sunday car is a different thing. I assert that people can be as religious in the parks on Sunday as they can in the churches. Such an argument is entirely misleading and gratuitous, as if we believe that the church is a divine institution with an outward organization we cannot afford to neglect her services; and, besides, it is undeniable that when the ordained and recognized form of worship is given up, the spirit generally goes with it. But there is a worse side to park ethics, and I think it should not be glossed over here. Let any man of moral refinement and with any true appreciation of the properties of life, make a stroll round our parks in July or August at 9:30 or 10 p.m. on Sunday, and he will be shocked at the apparent lack of modesty that prevails. He will frequently see from 25 to 50 girls, many of them of tender years, and each of them loitering on the grass accompanied by a man. Our street exhorters never cease of singing the old refrain, "Where is my wandering boy tonight?" but it is not time heads of families, at least, gave the refrain a different setting, and sing, "Where is my wandering girl tonight?"

And what about ministers who never tire of hammering away at public dancing, and yet allow such a public disregard of the proprieties to go unrebuked. Dancing may have its evils, but they, at least, are in the limelight not hidden away in the shadows of a park. Such things, though they cannot be prevented, yet they should not be unduly encouraged by making the broad way easy, as the operation of a Sunday car system would seem to imply.

LONDON, DEC. 24, 1908.

Swimming Baths and Playgrounds.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

On Jan. 7, 1906 (a couple of years ago), a plebiscite was taken on the question of public free swimming baths, the result being that 5,261 citizens voted favorably, and 1,942 against; giving a majority in favor of the baths of 1,319. Estimates have been made by the city engineer, which show that the cost of the bath buildings, heating, water appliances and bathing suits would be in the neighborhood of \$5,000.

A vote is to be taken on Jan. 4 next to provide the funds by debentures. The repayment of the debentures will extend over a period of thirty years, the gross amount per annum being for interest \$250, and for sinking fund only \$116 23—\$376 23 annual total. So great a boon as free swimming baths, secured at so small a cost, providing so great a personal sanitary advantage and so great a relief to juvenile life as against river risks and being so closed, will be a benefit to both sexes, will surely have an almost unanimous vote in their favor. The baths, according to plans and specifications, will be open both winter and summer, as the heating apparatus will keep the water at a suitable temperature. The short time the baths were open during the past summer showed how greatly the boys and girls enjoyed and patronized the privilege. Further, the benefit of learning to swim is an untold advantage, and will certainly reduce the number of juvenile drownings which are so frequently happening.

As to the children's playgrounds, I need hardly say anything. The health and physical development of our boys and girls is a serious consideration. It is a common remark: "Playgrounds have come to stay." By actual count one Wednesday evening no less than five hundred boys and girls patronized the grounds inaugurated this year. It is the intention of the playgrounds committee to establish playgrounds in various sections of the city, London West, London East, London North; Queen's Park is spoken of for the east, the C. P. R. Company have kindly granted four acres of land in the north, and the committee are on the lookout to provide for the west.

The bylaw to be submitted on the 4th prox, asks for \$4,000, and the payment of interest over thirty years; the interest being \$180 per annum, fund the sinking fund \$77 49 per annum—\$257 49. Again, I ask, will the citizens of London deny the children such a boon at so small a cost? Our gutters and streets will be deserted, and our playgrounds repented in Israel.

The future of our city and our country will secure men and women—stalwart, muscular, strong and of general robust health. Citizens, vote for swimming baths and children's playgrounds. Yours, etc., GEO. W. ARMSTRONG.

LONDON, DEC. 28.

CHARLES HOPEWELL MAYOR OF OTTAWA

Contest for the Board of Control Develops a Bitter Labor Fight.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Charles Hopewell was yesterday elected by acclamation mayor of Ottawa. He is a contractor and builder and has been prominent for a number of years past in the municipal affairs of Ottawa. During the past year Mr. Hopewell was a member of the board of control. The new board of control of four members will be selected from among the voters of the city. The board will consist of Charles Hopewell, Mayor; David Evans, James Ferguson, W. P. Demond, S. M. Smyth, R. C. McIntyre, Robert Brock, B. G. Roach, Thos. Benstead, R. C. Wilhelm, Thos. Seed, F. W. Jay, James Healy, Sam Keyser, Elphelast Zavitz, Alex. Leitch, Walter Wright, James Bowley, G. M. Haldane, Lewis Fortner.

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THE MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS

Yesterday Nominees in the Cities, Towns and Villages of Ontario.

Following are some of the results of yesterday's municipal nominations throughout the province:

Ingersoll Nominees.

Ingersoll, Dec. 28.—Mayor Sutherland was re-elected by acclamation. The following were nominated: For Mayor—Geo. Sutherland, acclamation.

Reeve—S. M. Platt, W. F. Johnston, Frederick Richardson, Walter Mills, W. J. Elliott.

Deputy Reeve—Frederick Richardson, J. B. Coleridge, R. A. Skinner, J. L. Patterson, W. J. Elliott, S. M. Platt, Aldermen—J. D. Knap, W. H. Jones, J. W. Patterson, Frederick Richardson, R. B. Harris, C. W. Johnston, C. A. O'Neill, J. B. Coleridge, M. J. Comiskey, John L. Patterson, F. G. E. A. Eckert, A. King, A. H. Tuttle, Walter Mills, H. F. Boyce, Thos. G. Elliott, Jas. A. Buchanan, R. N. Thurtell.

School Trustees—Ward One—J. B. Murr, B. L. Scott, F. A. Ackert, Ward Two—J. P. Moorey, acclamation. Ward Three—H. F. Boyce, J. A. Neff.

Alvinston.

Alvinston, Dec. 28.—Nominations for the township of Brooke, the old council elected by acclamation.

Reeve—A. Darville.

Deputy Reeve—A. Munro.

Councillors—Bourne, Kelly, Spearman.

Petrolia.

Petrolia, Dec. 28.—Nominations today:

Mayor—E. E. Grant, Edward Pollard, A. C. Edward.

Aldermen—R. Sturtevant, T. Johnston, A. T. Gurd.

Deputy Reeve—N. Healey, R. Sturtevant, P. F. Reilly.

Councillors—R. Bryant, R. Sturtevant, P. F. Reilly, J. Hawken, Jas. Stewart, C. O. Fairbanks, W. J. Clarke, Edward Pollard, C. J. Collins.

Water Commissioners—M. J. Kelly, John Kerr, B. P. Corey.

Guelph.

Guelph, Dec. 28.—For Mayor—Mayor John Newstead, Ald. J. G. Thorp, Ald. G. Penfold, Ald. Robert Simpson, Ald. R. E. Nelson, George Hastings.

Ridgeway.

Ridgeway, Dec. 28.—Nominations for the town of Ridgeway took place this morning, and the following were elected: Mayor, P. J. Henry, elected by acclamation; reeve, R. W. Stokes and R. R. Lottin; councillors, D. M. McLean, John McCollough, E. A. Taylor, John Grass, George Laing, D. J. Brien, J. E. Nelson, George Grant, O. K. Watson, H. B. Harrison.

Tilbury West.

Comber, Dec. 28.—Tilbury West Township nominations: Reeve, A. Penfold, B. Brown, L. Dunmore, D. McAllister; councillors, L. Frandergerst, W. Morris, B. Brown, A. Taylor, Thos. Breen, I. Smith, D. Alexander, J. W. McDowell.

Walkerville.

Walkerville, Dec. 28.—Nominations for mayor—C. L. Chilver and R. H. Revell.

The Tunnel Town.

Sarnia, Dec. 28.—The municipal nominations were held at the town hall today.

Mayor—David Milne and J. B. Dagan.

Reeve—Thos. H. Cook and Fred C. Watson.

First deputy reeve—Albert J. Johnston (acclamation).

Second deputy reeve—John Goodison (acclamation).

Third deputy reeve—Dr. Henderson and Dr. A. J. Bell.

Aldermen—D. W. H. Lucas, George D. Kirby, W. A. Kirkton, W. J. Proc.

Jas. Jackson, Thos. Doherty, John Barr, John Corrick, Edward C. Tanner, Dr. A. J. Bell, W. H. Wintle, John McGibbon, Alex. A. Kelly, J. Daniels, Robt. Simcoe, L. A. Brown, C. S. Cameron, Geo. Gardiner, Robt. Mackenzie, Alex. Bond, E. C. Lawrence, John M. Newton, Robt. Flick and Thos. Sloan.

Board of education—George Lucas, Randal Kenny, R. E. Lesueur, Wm. Logie, J. Ross Geddes and A. Weir.

Hamilton.

Hamilton, Dec. 28.—Ald. John I. McLean and Ald. Wm. G. Bailey were placed in the field for mayor of the city of Hamilton at the nominations today.

Strathroy.

Strathroy, Dec. 28.—The following is the result of the nominations for municipal honors:

Mayor—H. C. Pope, J. W. Cameron, Henry Omens, J. T. Buttery, R. Dickinson.

Deputy Mayor—T. Hill, Henry Omens, John Beran, R. J. Avery.

Deputy reeve—J. T. Buttery, Will Mitchell, Dougald Graham, F. W. Atkinson, Henry Omens.

Councillors—David Evans, James Ferguson, W. P. Demond, S. M. Smyth, R. C. McIntyre, Robert Brock, B. G. Roach, Thos. Benstead, R. C. Wilhelm, Thos. Seed, F. W. Jay, James Healy, Sam Keyser, Elphelast Zavitz, Alex. Leitch, Walter Wright, James Bowley, G. M. Haldane, Lewis Fortner.

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LINEN DEPT.—SECOND FLOOR

Black Dress Goods

SOME NEW FABRICS JUST RECEIVED

Early shipment has been made on some that were intended for spring. Fortunately, too, for many of our customers are already looking for something new in black. When we find materials that are new, or fabrics scarce owing to popular demand, that merit our approval, we don't wait for the season for which they are being shown, but rather have them shipped at once. THAT'S WHY we are oftentimes a season ahead with the new things when fashion makes a change. THESE ARE WORTHY OF SPECIAL MENTION.

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These are winning favor, and they well deserve to, for they are beautiful. They cling and flow; that's why they are so well adapted for the styles at present in vogue. This quality is 40 inches wide, and only, per yard..... **\$1.00**

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LONDON, TUESDAY, DEC. 29.

A TRIBUTE TO SIR WILFRID.

The Natal Mercury finds in the triumph of Sir Wilfrid Laurier cause for gratification in the hearts of all overseas Britons, and declares that the Canadian Prime Minister "stands head and shoulders above all the present-day statesmen in the colonial empire." It describes him as "one of our most valued imperial assets" because of sanity of his views on the great imperial problems which all the colonies are endeavoring to work out, and the warmth of his loyalty to the empire. Commenting on his attitude at the colonial conference last year the Mercury says:

"He went to London as the doyen of colonial ministers, and his whole demeanor was that of a man conscious of the dignity befitting his great position, and desirous of paying the respect due to the mother country, even when the home government, and a numerous section of the home people, differed from him regarding imperial objects on which he had set his heart. He did not descend, as some of his colleagues from other colonies did, into the arena of home politics. Ministers from other colonies might lend themselves to intermeddling in home disputes, might chide home ministers with flouting colonial wishes, and might presume to lecture the home public on their political duty. Sir Wilfrid Laurier indulged in none of these aberrations. Nevertheless, he had been the pioneer of that system of colonial preferences for which his colleagues from other colonies were clamoring, with greater energy than discretion. It can be freely acknowledged that the impulse which inspired Sir Wilfrid Laurier to place British imports on a preferential basis in the Canadian market—an example which has since been followed by other colonies, and served as the real starting point of Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal propaganda—was a signal proof of his attachment to the empire, and of his desire to promote its permanent unity and greatness. He has never made complaint of Britain's hesitation to grant reciprocal preferences. He does not deny to the mother country the right which he claims for Canada—to regulate its commercial affairs as may be thought best in its own interests. Every one of the nations composing the British empire, he has said, 'must be allowed to determine for itself what is best for itself.' That seems to us to be the keynote both of true liberalism and of true imperialism."

The conclusion of the Natal paper is that Sir Wilfrid is firm upon doing what is in his power to bind Canada more closely to the empire, and to promote the internal development and self-sufficiency of the Dominion. "It would be well for South Africa," says the Mercury, "if we could have in the seat of power a federal premier, whether of British or Dutch descent, animated by the ideals and gifted with the statescraft of the French-descended Premier of the Canadian Dominion."

Canada is fortunate in having a premier big enough to be so beyond the boundaries of his own country. He is more than a party chieftain—he is the first Canadian statesman with an international reputation.

THE PROPOSED WINTER CARNIVAL.

A prominent Montrealer urges the Canadian press to oppose strongly the project of a winter carnival and ice palace at Montreal. He says it has been promoted by a few men who hope to make money out of the crowds, and that the most influential part of the community is indignant at the attempt to revive so damaging an advertisement of the Canadian climate.

"At first glance, you would say, 'Great thing for the railways!' but the railways look beyond the limits of the Canadian metropolis. The Government and the railways have spent millions of dollars to offset the evil effect of past carnivals, and it would be little short of a national calamity should this insane idea prevail."

"Talk about Canadian fakirs and literary liars—they would be as measly to smallpox compared with this carnival! We are all dead against it, and I only hope the observation of the harm done by picture and perpetuating Canada as an iceberg will enable the Canadian press to take the same view."

"Here we have been singing the song of the warm climate, and picturing the paradise that awaits the new-comer in the Canadian West, and along come a selfish lot of provincial penny-ante souls, who would sacrifice the Dominion for the sake of a few centimes."

"I have reason to believe the immigration department is dead against this. It is a cold proposition, and ought to be killed."

There can be no doubt that the winter carnivals of years ago helped to spread elsewhere erroneous notions of the Canadian climate. These picture-house affairs were profusely illustrated

In Great Britain and the United States, and the only distinct impression of Canada that many people in other countries received was that of a land of snow and ice. This idea has been vanishing in recent years, and the prairie, not the ice-field, is now the symbol of Canada abroad. While the Dominion is better able to stand misrepresentation today than in the past, a winter carnival of no benefit except to a few persons in Montreal and the publicity it would receive in the old country and across the line might do harm. There are powerful interests in both countries opposed to emigration, and they seize every opportunity of disparaging Canada. The citizens of Montreal would do well to bear this in mind.

THE MACHINE OILED AGAIN.

A meeting of the local Conservative organization was held last night, at which it was decided to put the "machine" in motion for the municipal elections.

The mayoralty was canvassed, and the nomination offered to a citizen, who, however, declined the honor. An attempt was made to frame a "slate" for all municipal boards, but it appears that several good men, who intend to run for office, declined to wear the party label.

There have been many homilies in one Conservative quarter on the folly of injecting politics into municipal affairs. It will be seen how much sincerity there is in these professions if a party ticket is placed before the electors.

It cannot be said that party politics has influenced the city council of this year, so that the conduct of the Conservative faction last night was entirely unprovoked. There was a unique opportunity to drop politics from this year's election, but an element of the Conservative party is determined that civic affairs shall be run on party lines.

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Mrs. Suter took up her work from the little table beside her. She embroidered beautifully in silks, and this was a tablecloth in soft shades of green and violet, for a bazaar.

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"And he has written to you again now, after all these years? Dear—how thrilling!" Miss Carey's little brown eyes positively snapped with her excitement. "Is there—does he say he's coming home?" She could not quite ask, "Why did he write to you? What did he say?"—though she longed to do it.

"He wrote"—for a moment she was going to say, "Because he saw the death of my husband in the paper and wanted to console." Then in a flash she remembered that the envelope Beatrice had picked up and scrutinized bore on it her old unmarried name, and she pulled herself up from a false mistake. "He wrote because he is coming home this year, and he wants to know"—again she hesitated for half a second, an almost imperceptible second—what should she say he wanted to know?—not the truth—oh, certainly not!—"whether I could tell him of an hotel in Southsea. He was uncertain after all these years."

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"Yes, I remember." Mrs. Suter suddenly crimsoned now. Miss Carey with her sharp eyes furtively watching her, could not think why. But the shade of gravity that had stolen suddenly over Mrs. Suter did not seem to leave her all the rest of the day. She was absent-minded, and did not talk much, but sat with grave eyes looking out into distance, and not a smile.

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off her widow's cap. It was quite a year since her husband's death, and Millingford had nothing to say against it. But it noted with some surprise how it improved her appearance, and how her color shone out bright and high through her widow's black and millinery baby was a something, and though the fact was not exactly chronicled in the daily papers, it thrilled Millingford. Their millionaire baby was an object of deep interest to them in his daily life. Dr. Violet had had to live up her rambles in the garden, for Millingford had found her out. When once it was known that the millionaire baby was to be seen there, the green bench was the meeting place for perfect rabble, and Dr. Violet had died.

So it was that she and Maxwell met less often than they used to do. It was strange how he haunted the road that led past the grounds of the Towers; how he slackened his pace as he approached the gates, where one got the only peep between the thick hedges and high iron railings; how he looked in till his eyes were over his shoulder and he slowly passed over his head and he slowly passed over his head. So it was no wonder that, one bright morning in October, he should dart across the street under the very noses of the trams and through the medley of carts and wagons. He had caught sight of a girl just entering the door of a florist's shop, and as the shop bell burst out again into a frantic tingle almost before the last one had subsided, the girl turned and saw him, and she flushed to the soft rings of hair under her neat, plain hat.

"Good morning!" Their hands had met, and he was both to let her leave his. She had to draw it away, lest the people about should see how long he kept it. But she drew it gently. "I haven't seen you for ages! What have you been doing with yourself?" "Oh, nothing! Only what I don't go into the garden's now. They are too crowded. I take the baby and the nurses round the gardens at home."

"Do you never come out, then?" "Oh, yes, sometimes. Now, for instance, I want some plants for my nursery. Mrs. Suter likes them kept in bloom, and we had a smoky chimney in the greenhouse, and I've come to our plants were spoiled. So I've come to buy some more for his lordship."

"What part of the grounds do you walk in?" He still blocked the way of the assistant, who was trying with all his might to show Dr. Violet the great pot of pink azaleas he had brought forward.

"But you never come near the gates?" "Yes, sometimes."

"When, then?" The pretty color in her face was still deep, and her cheek dimpled, as she looked up into his face and smiled mischievously.

"When I want to speak to a friend." "Then come and speak to me! You must! When? When can I see you again without these wretched people poking plants into your face?"

CHAPTER IX.

Maxwell Speaks.

And dropping her eyes from his eyes to the bare boards of the shop floor, she said softly, "I may be there tomorrow at eleven o'clock."

"Thank you! Thank you!" He breathed it fervently. The shop assistant, not to be longer foiled, thrust the pot around to Dr. Violet's front. With a look of despair, Suter backed, and then laid his hand on the door. "Tomorrow, then? By the way, how's the usurper?"

She shook her head at him. "The darling! He's as well as he can be. He's getting his second teeth. Would you like to see him? I'll bring him with me tomorrow."

Her soft gray eyes danced. He made a gesture of horror, and then there was no more excuse for staying, and he was gone. No matter! He was to see her tomorrow, and the time had come when what he had to tell her would no longer be restrained. He thought of it all that day and half the night. What would she tell him? Was it to be the other thing? He knew very well she was the one woman the whole world held for him. But how did he show in her view?

It was long before eleven o'clock the next morning that Suter was at the great gilded gates. He looked across the road, watching furtively. More than one passerby looked back and wondered what he was doing. He looked so oddly secretive. When the glimmer of white showed at the end of the drive he was across the road and close to the gates. Yes, there she was! She was pushing the perambulator before her and reading a book in which she seemed absorbed. He could not tell her she was there. He could not see to it if he was there. Her start was quite natural as his voice hailed her.

"Oh, it's you! Won't you come in a minute!" He shook his head. "I can't do that, Mrs. Suter. I'm land, and she loathes me. I won't set foot inside her gates for fear she should see me. I'll stay outside."

"But she's away, you know. She and the head nurse went off to London this morning to the dentist. That's why I've got the baby. I won't trust him to the nursemaids. Would you like to look at him? He's growing such a darling!"

He would have looked at a tiger cub to please her. He pushed open the heavy gates and stepped inside. Just up that first turn of the drive they were hidden from curious passersby. He took the perambulator and shoved it gently on while she walked by its side. Now the thick screen of the evergreens that lined the path sheltered them both from the gate and from the house. She put a hand on the perambulator, and he halted and dropped the handle. She pushed aside the veil that hung before the hood and Suter obediently stooped down and looked in. A laughing baby, rosy and fat, met his gaze. Something in the child's look caught his notice.

"What's queer about the little chap's eyes? There—just then—it's not all the time, but when he looks up and laughs! Is it anything queer?" "Yes, it is. What do you mean?"

With a flash she had pushed him aside and had her own head under the hood. "Baby, baby darling, look at me! There is nothing! What do you mean?"

"Oh, when he laughs and looks up there's a queer sort of squint. I see

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what it is—there's a spot on the white of one of his eyes."

"That! Oh that's nothing! He was born with that. I thought you meant that he was something wrong with him. Isn't he a picture? Did you ever see anything so sweet?"

"He looks well and jolly. You must take splendid care of him. Suter looked at her with a smile. "When you ask me if I ever say anything sweeter—why, yes, a hundred thousand times! I should think I had!"

She glanced up quickly. She knew what he meant, as the passionate admiration in his eyes met her gray ones. The scarlet flamed across her face. Her eyes dropped. Neither of them ever knew what happened, how she came into his arms and under his eager kisses. But it was all in that minute.

"Violet can you care? Do you? I've loved you since I saw you. Will you be my wife?"

He had to bend his head to hear her answer. But it satisfied him when he made it out.

How long they stood there, with the crowing baby in the perambulator beside them and the crisping leaves overhead, neither of them could tell. But they belonged to each other now. That was enough for them. No cloud had stolen yet over their sunshine. It was all one glorious glow.

"I'm a poor man, Violet," he said presently. "I haven't a big income. But I'll work for you, and you'll come to me when I have enough to keep you, won't you, my little girl?"

"I'll come whether you're rich or poor," she said bravely. "I'm not afraid of poverty, Max. But you know, I can't leave the baby till he's older. I promised Mrs. Suter I'd stay with him till he was out of the nursery. I can't break my word."

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A GOOD DAY FOR THORNTON HAINS

Defence Brings Out Some Points That Tend To Prove Him Innocent.

Flushing, Dec. 29. — The defence scored two points in the trial yesterday of Thornton J. Hains, which the prisoner's counsel assert disprove the charge that the author was a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter C. Hains, jun., in the killing of Wm. E. Annis at the Bayside Yacht Club, last summer.

An exhaustive cross-examination of the two witnesses for the defence left the main points of their testimony unshaken, and Thornton Hains returned to Long Island jail declaring that the evidence proved his innocence.

Testimony that Thornton Hains did not go to Bayside to kill Annis, but to look at property, was testified to by Chas. R. Weaver, sales agent for the Hains Concrete Mixer Company, who further declared that it was at his insistent invitation that he accompanied the two witnesses on the journey that ended in the death of Annis. The mental condition of Capt. Hains, previous to the shooting, was testified to by Mr. Weaver, who asserted that from the actions of the army captain he believed him to be irrational.

The second material point brought out by the defence was drawn from John Tierney, a garbage collector, who said he was an eye-witness to the tragedy. Tierney declared that Capt. Hains had ceased firing before his brother ran down to the boat, and that the defendant did not draw his revolver until Charles Roberts, a club member, advanced toward Capt. Hains with the captain's revolver in his hand. Tierney said that Thornton Hains did not point his revolver at anyone on the boat, but called for an officer to arrest his brother. He did not see Mrs. Annis on the boat. A severe cross-examination did not make Tierney waver in the essentials of his direct testimony.

The relations between Annis and Capt. Hains' wife were introduced. Weaver, in his testimony, said that Gen. and Capt. Hains had themselves formed the concrete company, and in a business way he had seen Capt. Hains about every day for five years subsequent to the Spanish-American war.

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Men's \$5.50 Trousers now 3.98

Men's Underwear

These winter sale prices seem almost too good to be true and the entire cold season is ahead of us. There are warm, good-wearing kinds that fit perfectly and are comfortable—Fleece-Lined and Scotch-Knit All-Wools, in sizes to fit any man.

50c Underwear for 29c	\$1.00 Underwear for 75c
60c Underwear for 39c	\$1.25 Underwear for 85c
75c Underwear for 50c	\$1.75 Underwear for 1.25

Men's Hats—Winter Sale

The season's newest Derby and Soft Hats are reduced for the winter sale. Smartest American and English blocks, in blacks and fashionable colors. All are well-made, finished and trimmed. Styles are smart, quality the best.

Men's \$2.00 Derbies .98c	\$2.00 Soft Felts for .98c
Men's \$2.50 Derbies 1.48	\$2.50 Soft Felts for 1.48
Men's \$3.00 Derbies 1.98	\$3.00 Soft Felts for 1.98

Men's Shirts

Soft and Stiff Front Shirts, in all sizes for men, young men and youths. Regular styles, coat styles; plain bosoms, pleated bosoms; attached or separate cuffs; white or colored grounds; light, medium and dark patterns. All cut in perfect proportions to fit comfortably—and all bargains.

50c Shirts for 35c	\$1.00 Shirts for 69c
75c Shirts for 49c	\$1.50 Shirts for 98c

Men's Gloves—Winter Sale

Men's Gloves, Young Men's Gloves, Youths' Gloves, Boys' Gloves—thousands of pairs are in the winter sale at "move-quick" prices. Unlined or with silk, wool or fur linings; Dogskin, Cape Leather, Suede Kid, Mocha, etc., in grey, tan and brown shades.

75c Gloves now 48c	\$1.00 Gloves now 75c
90c Gloves now 69c	\$1.25 Gloves now 98c

Boys' 3-Piece Suits—Winter Sale

Great Winter Sale bargains, in single and double breasted, sack styles, in nobby Tweeds, Worsted and Serges, in blue, black, grey, green and brown effects. Sizes 28 to 33. All Grafton, tailored in newest manly styles.

\$3.50 Suits for \$2.48	\$5.50 Suits for \$4.48
\$4.00 Suits for \$2.98	\$6.50 Suits for \$4.98
\$4.50 Suits for \$3.48	\$7.50 Suits for \$5.98
\$5.00 Suits for \$3.98	\$8.50 Suits for \$6.98

Boys' 2-Piece Suits—Winter Sale

\$1.25 to \$1.50 Suits .98c \$3.00 to \$3.50 Suits \$2.48
\$1.75 to \$2.00 Suits 1.25 \$3.50 to \$4.00 Suits 2.98
\$2.00 to \$2.50 Suits 1.48 \$4.50 to \$5.00 Suits 3.48
\$2.75 to \$3.00 Suits 1.98 \$5.00 to \$6.00 Suits 3.98

Sailor, Norfolk, Eton and Buster styles, in neat, fancy Tweeds and Worsted and Plain Blue Serges. Sizes 22 to 28. Try one on your boy and note the manly look they give him.

BOYS' FLEECE-LINED UNDERWEAR, SIZES 22 to 32, WORTH ELSEWHERE 35c to 45c; WINTER SALE PRICE, 25c.

Men's Overcoats—Winter Sale

Fashionable Winter Overcoats for Men and Young Men—the greatest bargains ever offered in Canada at the start of a season, when every man needs a new Overcoat. Beavers, Meltons, Cheviots, Friezes, Cravenettes, etc.; single or double breasted, high, close-fitting collars; many button to chin, while others have regular lapel and collars. Chesterfield, Auto, Ulster, Topper and other styles.

\$6.50 to \$7.50 Overcoats for \$4.98	\$12 to \$13 Overcoats for \$8.98
\$7.50 to \$8.00 Overcoats for \$5.98	\$14 to \$15 Overcoats for \$9.98
\$8.50 to \$9.00 Overcoats for \$6.98	\$16 to \$18 Overcoats for \$12.98
\$10 to \$11 Overcoats for \$7.98	\$20 to \$22 Overcoats for \$14.98

Youths' Overcoats Reduced

Stupendous Bargains! and every Overcoat is tailored in the smart lines that young men like. Correct materials—Beavers, Meltons, Cheviots, Friezes, Tweeds, etc., with box or semi-fitting backs, in Chesterfield, Auto, Ulster, Topper, and other good styles. Black, Oxford greys, olives, browns, blues, novelties. All Grafton tailored sorts—that means the best fitting, smartest coats to be had anywhere. Winter sale prices.

\$6.00 Overcoats now \$3.98	\$10.00 Overcoats now \$7.98
\$7.50 Overcoats now \$4.98	\$12.00 Overcoats now \$9.98
\$8.50 Overcoats now \$5.98	\$14.00 Overcoats now \$10.98

Boys' Overcoats—Winter Sale

Smart styles, like Daddie wears; sizes 28 to 33; Fancy Overcoats with buttons, anchors, etc., to trim; sizes 20 to 28. The very neatest, trimmest and most manly Overcoats in town. Warm Beavers, Meltons, Cheviots, Tweeds and Friezes; all tailored to fit with the same style distinction that marks Grafton-made clothes for men.

Boys' \$4.50 Overcoats for \$3.48	\$3.00 Fancy Overcoats for \$1.98
Boys' \$5.00 Overcoats for \$3.98	\$4.00 Fancy Overcoats for \$2.98
Boys' \$6.50 Overcoats for \$4.98	\$5.00 Fancy Overcoats for \$3.48
Boys' \$8.50 Overcoats for \$6.98	\$6.50 Fancy Overcoats for \$4.48
Boys' \$10.00 Overcoats for \$7.98	\$7.50 Fancy Overcoats for \$4.98



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LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD OF SPORTS

Coverpoint's Philosophy

All Edmonton will wait at the post-office in vain for that mug of Mr. Stanley's. With Tom Phillips in the hospital with a broken nose, the westerners have not the chance of a dew-drop in a furnace to come through with the mug. And that prize package of beauties cost some money, too.

Tom Longboat is married and the heathen question is settled for the nonce.

It is really touching to hear those Yankee pug panning J. Burns because he took on a colored man. Fine business. Jeffries confessed to having sidestepped The Smoke because he could take no chances with the championship with the presence of the champion. And Jeffries will never fight the big black, either. It's a wise pug who knows when he's going to get it, and gets from under. Corbett, Fitzsimmons and Jeffries all fought black men. When they were champions, however, they did not take on good ones.

From an impartial slant at the pugilistic game, from John L. Sullivan's day to this minute, we can see that the way of them were better than the big black.

It is highly amusing to see the dead ones come out from the pugilistic story with the fine phrase, "We are as young as we ever were." In the procession are Bob Fitzsimmons, Sharkey, Marvin Hart, Jack O'Brien and others. What a nice crowd.

If Bob Fitzsimmons ever gets in the ring with J. Johnson there will be a battalion of nurses and undertakers ready to look after the remains. Bob is now a good talker, but a bad fighter.

The entries for the relay against Shrubbs in New York read like a polygraph. "Who's Who?" F. Simpson, Indian, is one.

If at the end of his ring career J. Johnson has as much money in his jeans as T. Burns, he will acknowledge that he is a wise guy and a great fighter.

This young person named Maloney, who smashed some Marathon records, or something, picked out a bad time to make a noise. There was too much excitement over one J. Johnson.

Records are being broken so fast at the Los Angeles that it is almost forced to admit that the ponies may be getting an extra hurry on to attract attention to the speed of the game.

Of course, while J. Johnson is the only colored heavyweight to win the championship, he was the only good fighter ever given such a chance.

A dispatch says that there will be

no international yacht race this year, as T. Lipton, Gent, Bart, etc., will not get a boat ready. We never did get close to the race part of it, being under the impression that they were processions.

Alfie Shrubbs has broken the quiet that surrounded him for a full day, and comes out with a great story of what he is about to do. Honest, this Alfie is a great conversationalist. Come again, we like your language.

The juniors are getting into fine shape, and with a couple of games to their credit they are in better shape than the intermediates. Both will be ready for the whistle. The New Year's game with Galt should be a good workout for the series.

The dog show to be held in the city hall on Friday, Jan. 8, is attracting not a little attention, and entries are beginning to pour in. Dr. Fred L. Wood, the secretary. Already a freak dog is entered, belonging to Mrs. Dwyer, of Minnesota. It is a Scandinavian poodle and has a record of travelling all over the state on the trains. He is a peculiar-looking pup and will command attention.

Here are some of the champions of 1908:
Amateur athletics, J. Brodinus.
Archery, W. H. Thompson.
Automobile, George Robertson.
Billiards (amateur), Calvin Demarest.
Billiards (professional), S. I. George Sutton.
Billiards (three-cushion), Alfredo Oro.

Bowling, A. Wenger.
Boxing (heavyweight), J. Johnson.
Boxing (middleweight), S. Ketchell.
Boxing (lightweight), Battling Nelson.
Boxing (bantamweight), J. Coulton.

Boxing (featherweight), Abe Attell.
Chess, Emanuel Lasker.
Fly-casting, R. J. Held.
Golf (amateur), J. D. Travers.
Golf (open), Fred McLean.
Golf (women), Mrs. K. C. Harley.
Handball, Oliver Drew.
Jockey, Joe Notter.
Motorcycle, Fred Huyck.
Pool, Thomas Hueston.
Racquets, Jay Gould.
Roller Skating, Ollie Moore.
Rowing (professional), A. Arndt.
Shooting (rifle), Sgt. A. Brest.
Shooting (trap), Fred Harlow.
Shooting (revolver), Lieut. Sayre.
Skat, Franz Hillebrand.
Skating (professional), Morris Wood.

Skating (amateur), E. Lamy.
Swimming, C. M. Daniels.
Tennis, W. A. Larned.
Tennis (western), Nat Emerson.
Tennis (women), Mrs. Barger Wallich.

Wrestling, Frank Gotch.

YEAR'S RECORD FOR BOXING KING

It was reserved for the last week of the year to bring forth its greatest feature, the defeat of champion Tommy Burns and the advent of the first colored heavyweight champion of the world, an honor now accorded to Jack Johnson.

Aside from this battle, the heavyweight field was lacking in activity of the higher grade, due largely to the paucity of really first-class material. In the middleweight and lightweight divisions, however, there was plenty of action and good milling.

Battling Nelson finally accomplished the defeat of clever Joe Gans, and to make sure of his laurels repeated the trick. His title as kingpin among the 125-pounders is undisputed. Abe Attell and Johnny Coulton hold the featherweight and bantamweight titles.

Here is a summary of the principal battles of the year:

Jan. 1—Abe Attell and Owen Moran fought 20-round draw at San Francisco.
Jan. 3—Joe Gans knocked out Bob Blackburn in third round at Baltimore.
Jan. 8—Johnny Coulton defeated Kid Murphy at Peoria, 10 rounds.
Jan. 12—Battling Nelson knocked out Jack Clifford in fifth round at Ogden, Utah.

Jan. 16—Pacquey McFarland defeated Bert Keyes at Boston, 12 rounds.
Jan. 21—Billy Papke defeated Walter Stanton at Boston, 12 rounds; seconds threw up sponge.
Jan. 28—Pacquey McFarland outpointed "Young" Laughtrey at Philadelphia; no decision; six rounds.

Jan. 29—Johnny Coulton defeated Kid Murphy at Peoria, 10 rounds.
Jan. 31—Abe Attell stopped Frankie Neil in thirteenth round at San Francisco.
March 1—Rudolph Uhlitz outpointed Battling Nelson at Los Angeles; no decision; 10 rounds.

Feb. 10—Tommy Burns knocked out Jack Palmer in fourth round at London.
Feb. 20—Johnny Coulton knocked out "Cooney" Kelly in ninth round at Peoria.
Feb. 28—Pacquey McFarland defeated Freddie Welch at Milwaukee, 10 rounds.

Feb. 22—Stanley Ketchell knocked out Mike (Twin) Sullivan in first round at San Francisco.
March 2—Jimmy Britt outpointed Battling Nelson at Los Angeles; no decision; 10 rounds.

March 12—Johnny Coulton defeated "Young Terry" McGovern at Los Angeles, 10 rounds.
March 14—"Cydonie Johnson" Thompson defeated Johnny Murphy at San Francisco; sheriff stopped fight in eighth round.

March 16—Billy Papke defeated Hugo Kelly at Milwaukee, 10 rounds.
March 17—Tommy Burns knocked out Jim Roche in second round at Los Angeles.
March 18—Marvin Hart defeated John Williams in fourth round at Hot Springs, Tenn.

March 31—Battling Nelson and Abe Attell fought 15-round draw at San Francisco.
April 1—Joe Gans knocked out "Spiki" Robson in third round at Philadelphia.
April 11—Pacquey McFarland knocked out Jimmy Britt in sixth round at San Francisco.

April 18—Tommy Burns knocked out "Jewey" Smith at Paris in fifth round.
April 22—Johnny Coulton knocked out Billy Seilly at Waukegan in ninth round; police stopped bout.
April 26—Abe Attell knocked out Tommy Sullivan in fourth round at San Francisco.

May 3—Stanley Ketchell knocked out Jack (Twin) Sullivan in twentieth round at San Francisco.
May 14—Joe Gans defeated Rudolph Uhlitz in eleventh round at San Francisco; police stopped fight.
June 4—Stanley Ketchell defeated Billy Papke at Milwaukee, 10 rounds.

June 10—Jack O'Brien outpointed Jack Blackburn at Philadelphia; no decision; 6 rounds.
June 12—Tommy Burns knocked out Bill Squires at Neuilly, France, in the eighth round.
July 1—Pacquey McFarland and Freddie Welch fought 25-round draw at Los Angeles.

July 4—Battling Nelson knocked out Joe Gans in seventeenth round at San Francisco.
July 28—Tommy Murphy defeated Rudolph Uhlitz at Boston, 12 rounds.
Sept. 24—Johnny Coulton knocked out Hugo Kelly in third round at San Francisco.

Aug. 6—Johnny Coulton knocked out "Young Joe Gans" in sixth round at Waukegan.
Aug. 7—Pacquey McFarland defeated Phil Block in seventh round at Los Angeles; referee stopped fight.
Aug. 15—Stanley Ketchell stopped Joe Thomas in two rounds at San Francisco.

Sept. 2—Tommy Burns knocked out Bill Lang in sixth round at Melbourne.
Sept. 7—Billy Papke knocked out Stanley Ketchell in the twelfth round at Los Angeles.
Sept. 9—Battling Nelson knocked out Joe Gans in 21st round at San Francisco.

Sept. 14—Johnny Coulton knocked out Terry Edwards in fourth round at Milwaukee.
Sept. 20—Owen Moran defeated Eddie Hansen at San Francisco, 20 rounds.
Oct. 5—Johnny Coulton and "Yankee" Swartz fought six rounds at Philadelphia; no decision.

Oct. 16—Kid McCoy and Jim Stewart fought six rounds at New York; no decision.
Oct. 21—Pacquey McFarland outpointed Leach Cross at New York, 6 rounds; no decision.
Oct. 29—"Cydonie Johnson" Thompson stopped Rudolph Uhlitz in 11 rounds at San Francisco; police stopped fight.

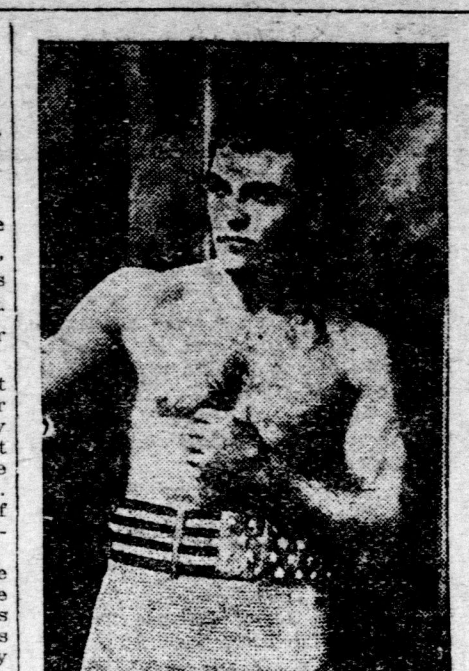
Nov. 2—Jimmy Britt defeated Johnny Summers at London, 10 rounds.
Nov. 2—Johnny Coulton outpointed "Young" O'Leary at New York, 6 rounds; no decision.
Nov. 16—Pacquey McFarland outpointed Tommy Murphy at New York, 6 rounds; no decision.

Nov. 28—Freddie Welch outpointed Abe Attell at Los Angeles, 15 rounds; no decision.
Dec. 3—Stanley Ketchell knocked out Billy Papke in eleventh round at San Francisco.
Dec. 8—Jim Driscoll knocked out Charley Griffin in eleventh round at Boston.

Dec. 11—Abe Attell and Ad Wolgast fought a 10-round draw at Los Angeles.
Dec. 15—Billy Papke and Hugo Kelly fought a 25-round draw at Los Angeles.
Dec. 23—Jack Johnson defeated Tommy Burns in fourteenth round at Sydney, New South Wales; decision; police stopped fight.

THE TURF.
Winners Yesterday.
Oakland, Dec. 23—Today's winners were: Derby, 16 to 1, Lord Stanhope; 2, Belle Kinney 6 to 1, Gargantua 6 to 5, Em and Em 20 to 1, Twilight Queen 6 to 5.

Los Angeles, Dec. 23—Today's winners were: Elmhurst 6 to 1, Pol 4 to 1, Chapultepec 16 to 1, Lord Stanhope even, King of the Mist 11 to 5, Lady Emma 4 to 1.



Former Heavyweight Champion, Jas. J. Jeffries, Who Denies Positively Any Intention of Re-entering the Ring in Order to Fight Johnson.

SULLIVAN'S PETS ARE SUSPENDED

Wonderful Yankee Amateurs Got Too Much Expense Money.

New York, Dec. 23.—There was a shake-up, in fact an earthquake, in amateur athletic circles tonight, when announcement was made of the suspension of six prominent athletes, five of whom took part in the recent Olympiad at London, England. The suspended men, against whom the charge of professional conduct was made, are Melvin W. Sheppard, Chas. Bacon, Harry F. Porter and George V. Bonhag, all of the Irish-American A. C.; F. G. Mellars, New York A. C.; and James J. Lee, formerly of the Boston A. A., but now unaffiliated. The action, taken last night was the outcome of a searching investigation by the registration committee of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

Too Much Expenses. Chairman Oberbuesing, of the registration committee, said that he and his brother members had come to the conclusion that these athletes, and possibly others, had been demanding money beyond what might be termed legitimate expenses, characterizing the claims of some of them as exorbitant.

He showed a statement from Major Robert C. of the Seventy-fourth Regiment, N. Y. A. C., which showed that Porter, Sheppard and Bonhag had been paid, according to the ideas of the committee, sums far in excess of what were considered ordinary expenses. The committee would not part in games at Buffalo on Dec. 12 last.

The committee also announced that information had been received from reliable sources that professional trainers and coaches have been demanding money for the year, and outside of members of their teams.

This will not be tolerated by the committee, and a watching has been sent to all amateur athletes that they must not allow themselves to be parties to such deals under the penalty of suspension on professional grounds. Sheppard and Porter, two of the suspended men, together with Martin Sheridan, of the Irish-American A. C., left today in charge of Ernie Hertzberg, trainer, to take part in an athletic meet in Pittsburgh tomorrow night, but the action of the committee will prevent the appearance of Sheppard and Porter, as their suspension became operative the moment the committee announced it.

Chairman Oberbuesing said that the committee would hold several sessions during the next four weeks, at that every complaint against registered amateur athletes would be investigated thoroughly.

BERLIN FIVE GOALS ROYAL CITY THREE

The Dutchmen Win Their Second Match in Professional League.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—Berlin won her second game in the Professional Hockey League tonight by defeating Guelph by five goals to three.

About 1,000 spectators watched the game. The game looked all Berlin during the greater part of the time, and ten minutes before the final bell rang the score stood 4-1 in Berlin's favor. Guelph came back hard, however, and scored three in quick succession. Just before the whistle blew Berlin scored again, making the final score, Berlin 5, Guelph 3.

Guelph seemed to lack go in the opening half, and the game was a rather colorless exhibition, but towards the close they played splendid hockey, and the close of the game was sensational.

Booth,.....Goal.....Berlin.
Sanford,.....Point.....Young Black.
Caver,.....Cover.....Gross.
Manson,.....Rover.....Taylor.
Fyfe,.....Centre.....Serviss.
Krouf,.....Right.....Dumart.
Doherty,.....Left.....Selbert.
Penalties—Guelph 4, Berlin 2.
Referee—Lou Kreuger.

Trees, like animals, eat, sleep, grow and die. Everyone knows this, yet not everyone is aware that a cloudy sky makes the trees droopy. Rain puts them to sleep. So the only days of prosperity and tree activity are the clear days. In sleep the leaves of many trees fold together and drop.

The closing of the leaves checks the cooling process of evaporation and maintains bodily heat. All young and tender foliage tends thus to curl up to sleep when the weather is bad or night is in the sky. Older and stiffer leaves go to sleep sitting up.



NATIONAL BOWLING ALLEYS

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TOM LONGBOAT WINS ANOTHER

Was Wedded Quietly at Toronto Yesterday—Will Race in California.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Tom Longboat, the famous Indian runner, and his Indian bride, Miss Lauretta Maracle, of Deseronto, were quietly married early this evening in St. John's Anglican Church, on Portland street, the officiating clergyman being Rev. A. H. Creagan, rector of the church the bride attended in Deseronto. Mr. Thos. Flanagan, manager of the fleet-footed Onondaga, was best man, while the bridesmaid was Miss Essie Casale, of Albany, N. Y. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Albert Maracle, of Deseronto. At the church a hitch occurred in the proceedings owing to Flanagan having forgotten the license. Tom grinned and sat down hurriedly in the front seat beside his fiancée to wait while the Irishman hurried back in a cab.

Fifteen minutes later Flanagan hustled in with the missing document and something more, for he went over to Longboat and opened a telegram from the New York American, asking that Tom be allowed to compete in the \$10,000 Marathon at Los Angeles on Feb. 23, Washington's birthday, with Hayes and Dorando as the other competitors, and the "manager" had wired acceptance. Whereat Tom, who had smiled often during the evening, smiled again.

The bride was composed during the ceremony, but the Onondaga was very nervous and the tones of his voice as he repeated his vows were barely audible. Tom Flanagan seemed to be even more nervous. Quite a good-sized crowd had gathered when the party went out to the waiting cab and someone called for three cheers for Tom Longboat and his bride, which were heartily given.

Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Longboat attended a testimonial concert in Massey Hall. They were enthusiastically greeted. During the proceedings Mrs. Longboat received from the I. C. A. C. a silver loving cup and her husband a gold medal. Dr. Harley Smith, the Italian consul, who was present, made a short address.

Receptions for Canadian Curlers. Elaborate Programme Mapped Out for the Tourists.

London, Dec. 23.—A deputation of Scotch curlers will meet the Canadians upon their arrival in Liverpool on Jan. 20.

A banquet will be given in Edinburgh, with Lord Strathcona in the chair. The magistrates and the council of Edinburgh will give a luncheon in the city chambers. The corporation of Glasgow will give the Canadians a similar reception.

In response to a circular from the secretary of the Royal Curl, inviting the provinces to select rinks to play the Canadians, 23 out of a total of 31 took advantage of the offer.

INVESTIGATING THE PACKERS. Chicago, Dec. 23.—The federal grand jury today began the hearing of evidence in the investigation of the packing house industry. Various employees of the packing houses who had been served with subpoenas were on hand to testify. District Attorney Sims, who was engaged the greater part of last week in preliminaries, declined to say before going into jury room just what course the inquiry would take, whether it would be confined to the railroads and alleged rebates, or whether it was directed chiefly to ascertain what, if any, combination existed in regard to the packing industry. At any rate, it was intimated that the Government intended to make its probing thorough.

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

SARNIA TUNNEL TO SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND TORONTO.
Arrive from the east—3:40 a.m., 10:05 a.m., 11:12 a.m., 11:23 a.m., 6:20 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
Arrive from the west—12:09 a.m., 2:35 a.m., 11:28 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.

Depart for the east—12:14 a.m., 3:40 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:38 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 6:53 p.m. (Eastern Flyer).
The trains leaving at 7:30 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. stop at all stations.

Depart for the west—3:50 a.m., 1:40 a.m., 11:18 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 8:18 p.m.
The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.
Arrive—10:25 a.m., 4 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m.
Depart—6:35 a.m., 11:27 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 8:10 p.m. (International Limited).

STRAITFORD BRANCH.
Arrive—3:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:25 p.m.
Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:28 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE.
Arrive—10:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m.
Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.
Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday.

PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.
Depart—5:40 a.m., 7:10 a.m., 9:40 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:40 p.m.
Arrive—8:45 a.m., 12:20 p.m., 1:50 p.m., 4:40 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 4:50 p.m.

* To and from Walkerville without change. Trains not "starred" to Port Stanley.
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
Arrive—From the east—11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., 10:52 p.m. From the west—4:30 a.m., 8:35 a.m., 5:20 p.m.

Depart—For the east—4:40 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 5:28 p.m. For the west—11:30 a.m., 11:00 p.m.
Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday. *From Chatham only. *Runs only to Chatham.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.
Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 9:50 p.m.
Depart—7:15 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 10:25 p.m.
*Runs through to Waterford.

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Edmonton Outplayed by Wanderers

Montreal, Dec. 23.—From the result of the opening game of the Stanley Cup series it does not seem likely that the cup will travel westward this year. The score was 7-3, in favor of the Wanderers.

Fully 6,000 spectators watched the opening game of the series at the Arena tonight. The first half of the game caused some anxiety on the part of the Wanderer supporters. The Edmonton team went into the game as if they were sure of winning, and their dazzling work made it look as though there might be some ground for that confidence. Long rushes and splendid combination made them look very dangerous, and the half time score stood 3 to 2 for Edmonton.

The second half was a decided disappointment after the splendid work of the first, and the game was slow,

and towards the close almost uninteresting. The Edmonton team did not seem to be able to hold the pace, and their attack lost all its aggressiveness, while the Wanderers, who maintained a steady average of good play, succeeded in playing havoc with the visitors' combination. The Wanderers had evidently determined to win when they took the ice in the second half. Phillips, Edmonton's star man, was injured during the game, his ankle being broken. He was removed to the Western Hospital, and will not be in the game for some time to come. His loss seemed to demoralize the visitors, and Glass and Smith, of the Wanderers, began piling up a score. Edmonton's defense seemed powerless to break the Wanderers' combination, and five times during the last half did they reach the nets, leaving the final score, Wanderers 7, Edmonton 3.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Dec. 23.—The results of Saturday's games in the British soccer leagues were as follows, the name of the home team being given first in each case:

THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.
Nottingham.....0 Everton.....0
Woolwich Arsenal.....2 Leicester.....0
Manchester United.....1 Newcastle.....0
Bristol City.....0 Bradford City.....0
Preston N.E.....2 Blackburn Rovers.....0
Sunderland.....2 Middlesbrough.....0
Chelsea.....1 Manchester City.....2
Liverpool.....1 Notts Forest.....1
Aston Villa.....3 Bury.....0
Sheffield United.....2 Sheffield Wed.....1

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G. W. L. P. C.
Everton.....20 14 2 32
Newcastle United.....20 12 4 22
Manchester United.....19 12 5 22
Sheffield Wednesday.....19 8 5 22
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Bristol City.....19 8 6 21
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Notts County.....19 7 9 18
Blackburn Rovers.....19 6 7 18
Preston North End.....19 7 7 17
Middlesbrough.....19 6 8 17
Notts Forest.....19 6 11 15
Bury.....19 6 11 15
Chelsea.....19 5 12 14
Bradford City.....19 5 12 14
Bradford Park Avenue.....19 5 12 14
Leicester Forest.....19 3 12 13
Sheffield Wednesday.....19 3 12 13

THE LEAGUE—SECOND DIVISION.
Barnsley.....3 Clapton Orient.....0
Leeds City.....2 Bolton Wanderers.....0
Blackpool.....2 Fulham.....0
Bradford.....1 Glossop.....0
Derby County.....1 Burnley.....0
Gillingham.....2 Stockport.....0
Grimsby.....1 Chesterfield.....0
Tottenham Hotspur.....3 Oldham Athletic.....0
W. Bromwich A.....1 Birmingham.....1
Wolverhampton W. 2 Hull City.....0

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West Bromwich Albion.....20 12 3 29
Luton Wanderers.....21 12 6 27
Tottenham Hotspur.....19 11 5 26
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Mrs. J. Colby, of Wyandotte, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John MacGregor, returned home yesterday.

The annual business meeting of the Baptist Church and members' tea will be held on Jan. 6. Rev. W. T. Roberts, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will begin next Sunday a series of sermons on "The High Places in Biblical History." These talks will be illustrated by stereoscopic views. Next Sunday at the close of the evening service the Lord's Supper will be observed. On Tuesday evening the Sunday school will hold their annual entertainment in the opera house.

The Epworth League will hold a watch-night service in the Methodist Church on New Year's Eve.

Knox Church Sunday school will hold their annual entertainment on New Year's Night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rose, of Sarnia, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Badder.

Ray Thompson is suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

Von Ayres, of Wallaceburg, has engaged to sing in the Anglican Church at Chatham.

Tommy Burns, the recently defeated champion pugilist, was a former blacksmith in Wallaceburg.

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