

**SOME QUALIFY
AS CANDIDATES**

Two Gentlemen Go Through
Necessary Form to Run For
Water Commission.

MAYOR TAKES THE OATH

A Dozen or So Are Now Out for Al-
dermen—At 9 O'clock Tonight the
List Will Be Completed.

It begins to look as if there will be but little excitement over the municipal elections.

This morning few had qualified for office, and the withdrawals were numerous. The field for aldermen is large, but there will not be many contestants for the other offices.

There will probably be a contest for the water commission. Yesterday it was expected that Mr. John Marr and Mr. William Wright would run. Had they done so, it is more than probable that they would have had a clear field. However, both refused today, and it seems as if there will be several other aspirants for the office.

Among those who have already qualified are Dr. H. A. Stevenson and Ald. James Fitzgerald. It is rumored that Ald. Richter and Ald. Tancock will also run. Ex-Mayor Samuel Stevely may also be a candidate.

None of the others would make a declaration until tonight. All will undoubtedly play a waiting game, just to see what is going to happen.

Hospital Trust.

It begins to look as if ex-Ald. Richard Booth will have a walkaway for the hospital trust.

Although great pressure was brought to bear upon Mr. S. Scream to run again, he has definitely decided not to do so. He has today withdrawn from the field.

None of the others are seriously considering the matter, and it was rumored in the city hall today that Mr. Booth would have an acclamation.

Board of Education.

All five retiring members of the board of education, Messrs. W. W. Gamgane, C. M. R. Graham, W. T. Strong, John M. Gunn and Dr. A. J. Wyckoff will run. Mr. H. H. Archer will be a candidate also, so there will be a contest there. Dr. Geo. L. Clarke and J. H. Fowler have already withdrawn, and it is expected that the others will do so before 9 o'clock tonight.

A full dozen have qualified for aldermanic honors.

Among those who withdrew are Geo. T. Brown, T. S. Hobbs, William Jeffrey, and Dr. R. W. Shaw.

Mayor Beattie qualified at noon today, and also took the oath of office.

The Qualified.

The full number who have qualified to date are:

For Mayor—Mayor J. H. A. Beattie.

For Hospital Trustee—Richard Booth.

For Water Commissioner—Dr. H. A. Stevenson and James Fitzgerald.

For Aldermen—James Donnelly, William Hayman, James Jeffrey, W. J. Lashbrook, Charles G. Moorhead, A. J. Morgan, Henry Pocock, J. H. Ward, W. A. Wilson and R. C. Eckert.

A Warning.

"All those who wish to run for the board of education or the hospital trust must withdraw in writing before 9 o'clock tonight, or their names will appear on the ballot papers," City Clerk Baker said today. "The candidates named should remember this. Those who wish to run for other offices must qualify."

Possible Candidates.

The nearest gate that could be arrived at today gave the following as likely candidates for the election on Jan. 2:

Hospital Trustee—Richard Booth.

For Water Commissioners—Dr. H. A. Stevenson, James Fitzgerald, J. G. Richter, Samuel Stevely and John M. Parsons.

For School Trustees—Dr. A. J. Wyckoff, W. W. Gamgane, C. M. R. Graham, John M. Gunn, W. T. Strong, H. B. Archer, Hugh M. Douglass, J. A. Tancock, William A. Asplund, James Jeffrey, Charles G. Moorhead, R. A. J. Stinchcombe, William Scarrow, Murray W. Bennett, John H. Saunders, James Donnelly, John G. Richter, W. J. Lashbrook, Dr. W. J. Stevenson, A. J. Morgan, Henry Pocock, Wm. J. Underwood, W. H. Ward, J. A. Tancock, William A. Asplund, Richard C. Eckert, George Ernest Rose, Robert A. Carrothers, Neil Cooper, A. O. Graydon, Joshua Garratt, George Goddard, William Hayman, James Donnelly, Fred G. Mitchell.

**SHORT WEIGHT CASES
REPORTED ON MARKET**

Some Prosecutions Are Likely
To Be Made by Clerk
Maker.

Market Clerk Maker has issued a warning to householders who are in the habit of purchasing butter and other goods on the local market. During the past couple of days a number of short-weight cases have been brought to light, but it is thought that failure on the part of farmers to have their scales tested periodically is responsible for the trouble, rather than deliberate dishonesty. For that reason, the clerk has refrained thus far from prosecuting the vendors. On Thursday two ladies purchased turkeys in the shed, and brought them to the scales to be weighed after paying for them. They discovered that they had paid about 35 cents on each bird, that the farmer who sold them was not entitled to. They reported the matter to the market clerk and received their money back. Several other cases of pound rolls of butter being sold a couple of ounces short are also reported. It is advisable to have every thing weighed at the city scales, as it is alleged, that many farmers' scales are very inaccurate. In cases where it is known that the sellers are dishonest, prosecutions will be made.

**DUKE OF CONNAUGHT
NOT TO FOLLOW GREY**

Has to Remain in England to
Assist in Coronation
Functions.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Dec. 23.—It is reported here that the Duke of Connaught cannot come to Canada as governor-general, as successor to Earl Grey, because King George has to have his help in England to represent him at coronation functions, the Prince of Wales being too young. A semi-official hint to this effect was received in Ottawa.

**VANSTONE COMMITTED
ON A MURDER CHARGE**

But Will Not Be Tried Until the
Assizes Next Spring.

Goderich, Dec. 22.—George Vanstone was arraigned before Police Magistrate Butler this afternoon and committed to stand trial on a charge of murder, in connection with the death of his 6-year-old son.

Vanstone will come up at the next assizes in March. M. G. Cameron, K. C., is defending the prisoner.

**BURGLAR BAND RAID
STORE AT ORWELL, ONT.**

Gang of Three Break Into File's
Shop and Carry Off
Cash.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Orwell, Ont., Dec. 23.—The store of George Fife, at this place, was entered by three burglars last night and the sum of \$20 in bills and silver was taken. Fife had been out to an entertainment, and when he returned at 10:15 he discovered the loss. The police are trying to get into the postoffice department of the general store, where there was \$100 worth of cash, and made a speedy exit, going east toward Ashtabula. There is no clue to the identity of the robbers, but the Ashtabula police are working on the case.

**NO CHEERS GREET
COOK ON ARRIVAL**

Arctic Explorer Returns From
His Quiet Sojourn in
Foreign Parts.

New York, Dec. 22.—The steamer George Washington, which arrived tonight from Bremen, Southampton and Cherbourg brought Dr. F. A. Cook, the Arctic explorer. Dr. Cook said newspaper comments on his recent magazine article which reached him in London did not express matters clearly.

"I have been in London and on the continent," he said, "only family was with me, and when I came here I avoided New York and stayed in Newburgh, where I met the magazine people. When I went away I felt that I was being harassed, and worried so that I could not get sleep. I determined that I would go away for a year and get rest and I got it."

**NO TURKEYS OFFERED
ON LONDON MARKET**

A Big Supply Is Expected To-
morrow—Comparison
of Prices.

Owing to the total absence of turkeys on the market this morning it was a hard matter to obtain an idea of what the prices will likely be tomorrow, when one of the biggest markets of the year is expected, if the weather conditions are favorable. Of course, the prices largely depend on the supply and the demand, and as the present high prices have lessened the supply to a certain extent it is not improbable that with a good supply the price will be lowered to 20 cents a pound. At this time last year turkeys were selling at 17 to 20 cents a pound, and the last day such large quantities were brought in, that in order to create a demand the farmers had to ask lower prices. It is not unlikely that the same thing will be repeated tomorrow, as many of the farmers and poultry dealers have been holding the birds back for the higher prices.

**PRISONER GLAD TO
GO TO THE JAIL**

John Brazell Was Unable to Secure
Work.

Friendless, homeless, and in entirely destitute circumstances, John Brazell pleaded guilty to a charge of vagrancy in the police court this morning. All summer he has been working in Petrolia, but work falling there, he returned a few days ago to London. He was fined \$2, or four months, by the acting Magistrate, Mayor Beattie, and seemed quite pleased with the certain prospect of being cared for through the winter, as he was led back to the station cells, preparatory to "taking the month."

Three boys were charged with obstructing the sidewalk traffic on Dundas street Sunday night. Mayor Beattie dismissed the case, on the ground that the evidence was insufficient to show that the three youths had really obstructed the sidewalk traffic.

**ALL RECORDS
WERE BROKEN**

Grand Trunk Railway Claims
Business of Last Six Weeks
Was Phenomenal in
London.

THE PASSENGER TRAFFIC

Christmas Rates Cause the People to
Travel—Trunk Company Doing
Big Business.

Freight Agent Harold, of the Grand Trunk, stated to The Advertiser this afternoon that the business of the company has done in London during the past six weeks has smashed all records, even the record made in 1907, when the greatest volume of business that the Grand Trunk has ever handled in London was done.

"We have done a splendid business," said Mr. Harold, "and immense quantities of goods have been handled both into and out of London. We expect things to slacken up a little after Christmas, but the outlook is for heavy traffic."

C. P. R. officials state that they have also done a record-breaking business in both passenger and freight traffic.

Passenger Traffic.

If today's passenger traffic on the railways is any indication of the business that is to come tomorrow, when the half-holiday rates go into effect, all records will be smashed easily. Every train in and out of London today carried extra coaches, and even more than that, it was practically impossible to get accommodation, and many people had to stand or dispose of themselves as best they could.

"We are having troubles of our own," said one Grand Trunk conductor told The Advertiser. "It is an awful job getting through the coaches to get the tickets. We lose all kinds of time and have all sorts of trouble. Personally, I will be more than glad when tomorrow night is over."

The Traction, Too.

The Traction Company reports that its Christmas business has been very fine. Thousands of shoppers have been brought into London during the last few days.

**TWO HURT; ONE FATALLY
RY. BOILER LETS GO;**

Fireman's Lungs Filled With
Steam—Engineer Brings
Train to Stop.

Battle Creek, Mich., Dec. 22.—Two railroad employees were injured, one fatally, when the arch pipe in the boiler of the engine of the second section of Grand Trunk freight train No. 92 burst while the train was speeding east between this city and Bellevue Thursday.

The injured are: Louis Hillemann, 35, fireman, face scalded by steam, lungs injured by steam and left collar bone broken, will die; M. J. Forsberg, brakeman, Port Huron, skull and ankle fractured.

The fireman received the full blast of the explosion, as it occurred just as he opened the fire door of the boiler to put in coal. The brakeman received his injuries when he jumped from the moving engine. Edwin H. Erwin, of this city, the engineer, stuck to his post at the throttle and brought the train under control. He was not injured.

The injured were brought to this city late this afternoon and taken to Nichols Hospital. Hillemann is single. The engineer is married.

**FIRE CHIEF AITKEN
KNEW CHIEF HORAN**

Londoner Says Chicago Man Was a
Very Fine Fellow.

Fire Chief Aitken was well acquainted with Fire Chief Horan, the gallant head of the Chicago department, who was killed yesterday in the big fire in that city.

"I was with him a great deal during the Syracuse convention," said the chief. "He was a remarkably fine man and one of the best fellows who attended the convention. Horan was a very large man, over six feet tall, broad and strong, one of the finest fellows you ever looked at. A genial whole-souled fellow, he was very popular with the fire chiefs, and his death will cause a very great deal of regret among the members of the association. I felt very sorry when I heard he was killed. It was an awful day Thursday for firemen. We can ill spare men of Horan's type. His wife was with him at Syracuse, and I met her also. She is a very fine woman, and we regret exceedingly her misfortune."

A message of condolence was wired from the department here to Chicago, conveying sympathy for the families of the brave fire laddies who were killed.

**A PRESENTATION TO
PRINCIPAL M'QUEEN**

Given a Bible by Members of His
Entrance Class.

A very interesting presentation was made Thursday afternoon during the closing exercises of Victoria school, when Principal McQueen was presented with a handsome Bible by the scholars in his entrance class.

Thursday morning while conducting prayers, the Bible used continuously by him since coming to the school in 1878, fell apart.

"I guess I will have to get a new Bible," he said to the scholars. "This one is about gone."

Some time ago some of the boys had noticed that it was breaking up, and in the meantime they had collected sufficient money to purchase a Bible to replace it.

So Thursday afternoon just before closing the school, the presentation was made.

Principal McQueen made a feeling reply. He alluded to the fact that Thursday he had completed his forty-fourth year as a public school teacher.

**AGED ARVA FARMER SUCCUMBS
TO THE EFFECTS OF COAL GAS**

Mr. Duncan Donaldson Found in His Home by Neighbors in a
Dying Condition—All Efforts to Revive
Him Failed.

Duncan Donaldson, an aged retired farmer, living at Arva, Ont., with his son Alexander, died this morning from the effects of partial asphyxiation with coal gas on Wednesday night. That night the old gentleman was left alone, his son, being away with a threshing outfit, on which he was working.

Neighbors noticed on Thursday morning that there were no signs of activity about the Donaldson home, and wondering why the old gentleman did not appear, set out to investigate shortly after noon.

Raising a window, the doors being fastened, they found the house filled with coal gas, and entering they discovered Mr. Donaldson unconscious from the effects of inhaling the poisonous atmosphere.

Dr. McNeil, of Arva, was immediately sent for, and first aid measures were resorted to by neighbors, in the attempt to restore the unfortunate man to life.

It was some time before a physician could be secured, however, Dr. McNeil being absent from the village.

Lingered for Some Hours.

Dr. Gould, of Ilderton, had to be sent for, and he arrived as soon as possible. For a while it was thought that Mr. Donaldson would rally, but after lingering in a precarious condition yesterday afternoon and last night, he died at 5 o'clock this morning.

The deceased was a well-known resident of London Township, where he was a leading farmer for many years. He removed to Arva a few years ago, and had since been living in retirement.

It was found by Mr. Donaldson's rescuers that one of the lids of the coal stove had in some way been left off the stove, and the aged man had been overcome in his bed by the escaping gas.

The funeral will be held on Saturday at 3 o'clock. Services will be conducted in St. John's Church at 2:30 o'clock.

An Arrest Made in Colborne Mystery

Colborne, Ont., Dec. 22.—Henry Matthews, jun., was arrested here tonight in connection with the death of Josephine Brimacombe, a deaf and dumb cook, who was found dead in a room at the Teesdale Hotel Monday. This action followed the verdict of the coroner's jury, which decided that she had been strangled to death. At the effect that Matthews was seen leaving her room.

Matthews is well connected, and is a lake mariner, holding a first mate's papers.

**WIFE DECLARED INSANE,
RELEASED FROM ASYLUM**

Troubles of Wallaceburg Couple
Will Be Aired in the
Local Courts.

A great array of marital troubles during a union of approximately 40 years is aired in the action brought by Mrs. Sarah Nelson against her husband, John Nelson, of Wallaceburg, for alimony, which has been set down for decision at the winter assizes, which commences at the court house on the 9th of January.

Mrs. Nelson declares that her husband is janitor of a bank in Wallaceburg, owns three houses and two cottages in this town, and that he frequently threatened her life and beat her cruelly. Mr. Nelson replies that he has had the lady examined by competent physicians, who declare that she is mentally unbalanced. As a result of this examination, Mrs. Nelson was committed to the London Asylum, but she was released one week later, having been adjudged an average individual by the medical staff at the local hospital for the insane. Mr. T. H. Luscombe is acting for the plaintiff, and Mr. J. S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, for the defendant.

This case will be heard by a judge without a jury.

Some Jury Cases.

Two jury cases have also been set down. The administrators of the estate through Gibbons, Harper & Co., are suing the executor of the estate of John Cecil Burchell, who was killed in a head-on collision while acting as driver on a work train Dec. 6, 1908. The case was first heard before Judge Magee last April, when a verdict was given for \$1,800, two-thirds of which was to go to the mother, and one-third to the father of the deceased. Both the parents reside in London, England, and were dependent on their son for their livelihood, it is alleged. The claim for \$5,000 is continued. Mr. Gibbons, of Toronto, is acting for the company, and Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons for the plaintiff.

Sues For Insurance.

Vera A. Martyn, daughter of the late Edward Martyn, an East London contractor, who died of blood-poisoning, is suing an insurance policy for \$5,000, in which the plaintiff was beneficiary, is suing the London and Lancashire Guarantee and Accident Company, through her nearest relative, Elizabeth Martyn, for the full amount of the policy. The company claims that notice of the accident was not given within the specified time, while the plaintiff alleges that the deceased died of blood-poisoning two days after stepping on a rusty nail, and that he was therefore unable to give the required notice under the sick-benefit stipulation. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons for the plaintiff, and Smith, Rae & Greer for the defendants.

FIRE AT LAKEFIELD.

Lakefield, Ont., Dec. 23.—The Lakefield Canoe Building and Manufacturing Company's factory was totally destroyed by fire early this morning. The origin of the fire is unknown. Loss \$5,000, partly covered by insurance.

THE WEATHER

Tomorrow—Fair and Cold.

FORECASTS.

Today—Strong southerly and southwesterly winds; mild, with moderate snowfall.

Saturday—Strong westerly to northwesterly winds; fair and turning much colder; local snow flurries.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	Max.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	24	18	Cloudy
Winnipeg	22	16	Cloudy
Port Arthur	24	18	Cloudy
Perry Sound	26	20	Cloudy
Ottawa	28	22	Snow
Quebec	30	24	Cloudy
Montreal	32	26	Fair
Quebec	30	24	Fair
Minus (—) means below zero.			

The disturbance centered yesterday is now centered over Lake Superior, accompanied by milder weather in Ontario. Wintry conditions have set in over Manitoba, and temperatures there are below zero.

Snow is falling in many parts of the lake region.

**SCHOOL LAW
WAS VIOLATED**

Educational Department Report
On Investigation of
Charges.

MANY GRANTS WITHELD

Several Agreed to Stop the Illegal
Practices—Thirteen Schools
Involved.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 23.—Premier Whitney today made public the report of the Government's investigation of schools in Eastern Ontario. Dr. Marchant's report as to bilingual schools will not be published for some days.

The report is as follows: "The public school inspectors in the counties of Stormont, Glengarry, Prescott and Russell have just finished the investigation ordered by the Government into those schools in Eastern Ontario where violations of the school law took place. Their report covers all violations of law complained of. The inspectors were instructed to visit all the schools to inquire into the complaints made, to forbid all illegal practices, and to stop any further violations of the legislative grants where the school continues to be conducted in defiance of the act and regulations."

Omitted Scriptures.

No. 16, Roxborough, Stormont—During 1910 this school was conducted according to law, except that reading of Scripture was omitted. The trustees and teachers promise to observe the law in all respects. Grant recommended.

No. 12, Finch, Stormont—Found that Roman Catholic prayers and catechism were used in school hours. Both French and English taught; all pupils French. Trustees have been notified of illegality and the teacher told to teach more English. Grant withheld pending satisfactory assurances.

No. 10, Lanark, Glengarry—School attended by both Protestant and Roman Catholics. Catechism has been taught a quarter of an hour each day during school hours. Teachers instructed to cease doing so. Inspector thinks law is observed.

Some Grants Withheld.

No. 9, Caledonia, Prescott—During 1910 this school was conducted according to law, except that reading of Scripture was omitted. The trustees and teachers promise to observe the law in all respects. Grant recommended.

No. 13 and 14, Caledonia, and South Plantagenet—Roman Catholic religious exercises contrary to law; English well taught. Grant withheld.

No. 14, E. Hawkesbury—Defective teaching of English and use of Roman Catholic prayers in past years, but now there is a well-qualified teacher and law is observed.

Complaints of Insufficiency.

Complaints of insufficiency of English taught and religious exercises contrary to law. Inspector finds English fairly well taught. Catholic prayers used and school closed on holy days three or four times a year. Trustees have undertaken to stop this and to observe the law.

Union 13 and 14, Plantagenet and Cambridge—This school is now conducted according to law.

No. 1, Cumberland—Roman Catholic prayers during school hours. With a poor teacher the French instruction causes loss of time to English-speaking pupils. At present a good teacher, with satisfactory instruction in both languages, Grant withheld, pending assurances that inspector's instructions are being followed.

No. 16, Cambridge (given as No. 4 Cambridge)—Complaints of catechism in school hours, of children being allowed to go home at 2:30 p.m., and poor English instruction. Present teacher is doing fairly well, though English is still weak. No Protestant pupils attend this school. Children of Form I, are allowed to go home at recess.

No. 10, Clarence—Teacher has promised to stop teaching catechism at recess. No complaint made to the inspector since June, but grant withheld as in other cases, until satisfactory assurances are received from trustees.

**WORTMAN & WARD
HELP EMPLOYEES**

Men of Local Factory Will Have \$2,000
Distributed Among Them.

London manufacturers show their appreciation of their employees in various ways at this season of the year, but probably none of them have adopted a more practicable plan than that at Wortman & Ward's. Tomorrow at noon 90 employees of the firm will have \$2,000 divided among them.

This amount is their share of the profits of the year. For some time it has been the practice of the firm to divide at Christmas time the profits of the year with their employees. Every man who has been with the firm continuously for a year gets a share, and the longer a man has been there the more he receives.

**CORONER WIRES
FOR THE BODY**

Remains of London Man, Killed at
Swansea, Returned to Toronto.

The funeral of Allan McEachan will be held on Monday morning from the residence of his parents, in Stephen Township, to Mount Carmel Church, and interment will be made at Mount Carmel Cemetery.

The remains arrived in London last night from Toronto, but through some mistake the post mortem was not completed, and the coroner telegraphed here to have the body sent back. This was done.

A pathetic feature in connection with McEachan's death is that he was intending to have celebrated his own birthday and that of his only daughter on Christmas Day.

**TATE TESTIFIES
IN GRAFT PROBE**

Startling Evidence Regarding
Oxford Road Deal.

ACTED AS A DUMMY

Knew Nothing of Value of Road—Got
Money From Bank, But It
"Disappeared."

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 22.—Mr. E. F. B. Johnston's promise that evidence of a sensational character would be produced at today's proceedings in the Oxford County graft investigation was amply redeemed when the mysterious Robert Tate was produced to testify regarding his knowledge of the transaction relating to the purchase of the Northern gravel road by the county. Tate's appearance had been foreshadowed by statements of Mr. Yeomans, of Toronto, who informed the court that he had trekked up from Toronto with him, but though his name was called three times at the morning session, he put in no appearance.

Mr. Buchanan, however, assured the court that Tate would be present at the afternoon session, as he had received word that he would attend. Mr. Buchanan's declaration gave a spice of interest to the proceedings and long before Tate actually put in his appearance the court room was thronged with spectators who were anxious to see the mysterious man for whom detectives had been searching for over six months without avail.

It transpired that Tate's presence at the court had been secured by the counsel for the county, as the result of an inquiry through the Bell Telephone records, which showed that Tate had been in communication with a Mr. Yeomans, of 371 Close Avenue, Toronto, who was subpoenaed at this morning's investigation. For more than three hours Mr. Johnston, acting as counsel for the county, subjected Tate to a searching examination, during the course of which it was learned that he knew nothing about the Northern gravel road, that he had only learned of its existence from having read Toronto papers since the investigation had first started. When asked for the reason why he had not appeared in court, where his name had been looked for, he replied that he had not received a subpoena to attend. He admitted, however, that he had not the slightest idea where he had first met Buchanan, nor had he ever been in Oxford, or that he had been requested by Buchanan to come to Woodstock.

He further admitted that he was entirely ignorant of the geography of the county, and that he had no knowledge of the value of the road in question, acquiescing in counsel's statement that he did not know the difference between it and the road to the north. He could not explain how the title deed came to be put in his name, though, after some hesitation, he thought that he had been suggested by one Mills, who is now dead. Witness' deliberation in reply drew forth a warning from Mr. Johnston that unless he was more frank he would ask his honor to commit him to the penitentiary for contempt of court, relating all he knew about the transaction, but that his memory failed him upon certain points.

**FARMERS COMPLAIN
OF TREE VANDALS**

City People in Search of Christmas Decorations Create Havoc
in the Woods.

Many farmers in the vicinity of London are loud in their complaints against various persons who have been cutting down Christmas trees in the country at this time of the year in search of Christmas trees. These persons seem to have no regard for the slaughtering all the young cedar and fir trees that they can, whether they can use them or not, and that look like the damage has been done by the vandals. Particularly is this true of large parties of boys, who journey out into the country armed with axes and hatchets, and in order to display their skill at felling a tree they begin by cutting every-thing and anything that looks like a good Christmas tree, until sometimes dozens of these trees are cut down and are left to rot. This practice should be brought to the notice of the county authorities and steps should be taken to put an end to it.

Farmers Provoked.

Many of the farmers have taken the law into their own hands, and in some cases where the vandals have been caught red-handed a severe thrashing has been dealt out. A somewhat humorous incident was reported yesterday morning. A couple of boys had been caught cutting a couple of Christmas trees, but after a good scolding they succeeded in getting away. They told him that two good ones lay just inside the gate opening into the woods, and he rode down the road. The man reached the farm, climbed the gate, and had almost reached the top of the tree when he was collared by the farmer. After a long and heated interview, in which the farmer came out victorious, the man was allowed to depart. The man told the boys had left the scene.

**BANQUET TENDERED
REV. CANON TUCKER**

New Pastor of St. Paul's Rejoices in
Co-operation of Churches.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—"We want comity and co-operation now," said Rev. Canon Tucker, D. C. L., in the course of his reply to the vote of appreciation of the services rendered to the Canadian Council of the Laymen's Missionary Movement by him since its organization, which was passed unanimously at a luncheon of the council yesterday afternoon. The gathering was held in the hall of the resolution, referring to the friendly relations between Dr. Tucker and the other members of the council, and the secretary's departure, and assured him that he was carried with him their best wishes.

To Curriers.

Any players who are to compete in the President-Vice-President match at the Thistle Rink on Christmas Day, should telegraph the secretary of members of the board of directors, stating whether they will be on hand for the morning match at 9:30 or the afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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BANK CASE ADJOURNED AND BAIL RENEWED

Crown Wants a Good Deal of Time to Go Through Farmers Bank Books.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Tall, well groomed and well dressed, W. R. Travers, vice-president and general manager of the Farmers Bank, stood in police court when his name was called. He was not placed in the dock where criminals are herded; he stood beside his counsel, H. H. Dewar, K. C., and listened unmoved while the indictment was read by Magistrate Denison.

A stout man is Mr. Travers, well built and commanding in appearance. In a well-cut gray suit, a light gray vest, and gray tie, he would look more in place in an office than in the dingy court room.

His face was white. Keeping his eyes glued on the magistrate save for an occasional quick glance around the room, he gave no sign of any emotion. Occasionally he threw back his shoulders and took a deep breath. He said no word to his counsel, merely watching and listening to every word that was said.

"We elect to be tried by a jury," said Mr. Dewar when he had heard the indictment.

"Are you ready to go on with the investigation?" the magistrate asked. The court room, which was crowded to the doors, listened to this on tip toe.

"No," said Crown Attorney Corley. "I would ask that you adjourn the case for eight days."

"I can well conceive that it will take my learned friend some time to prepare his case," said Mr. Dewar with a laugh.

"A Matter of Figures." "It is all a matter of figures," said Mr. Corley.

"The indictment covers so many things that it will take a lot of preparation," said Mr. Dewar again, hinting that he thought there was much behind so hasty a prosecution.

"I think that I would give four or five of the counts now," said Mr. Corley.

Alfred Bicknell, K. C., arose suddenly. He is acting for the Farmers Bank, and it was his intention to say something about the hasty prosecution.

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ably 1,000 horsepower, which would mean about \$40,000 a year for the city by reducing the rate as it would get the 5,000 horsepower rate instead of the 3,000 horsepower charge now being paid.

Mayor Beattie.

Mayor Beattie, who spoke next, thanked the people for returning him by acclamation. He assured them that he would do his best in the future as he had tried to do in the past. Touching upon fixed assessments, he said he was absolutely and unqualifiedly in favor of them.

"In a city like London," he said, "we have to depend upon our factories. Cities all over are trying to get them away from us. We must deal liberally with them."

"Is 6 cents on every \$1,000 of assessment too much to pay for keeping our factories?" he asked.

Speaking about a new city hall, the mayor said the staff of city officials was greatly increased and the present building was inadequate and insanitary, and some said unsafe. The Normal School, he said, cost only \$75,000, and for \$125,000 London could get a fine building.

"We can see the old building tomorrow for \$100,000," he said, "and the people who buy it would improve it and pay taxes on it."

Referring to Niagara power, the mayor said he had contended all along that London should have a flat rate, as the proposed schedule was too complicated. He had threshed the matter out with Mr. Beck and was "turned down hard," but the commissioners had to bow to the inevitable.

"I said the rates were not low enough to meet competition," declared the mayor. "Now they have turned around and declared that I was right by wiping out the whole thing and giving the same rates as the London Electric."

Fixed Assessments.

Mr. Arthur White spoke on the question of fixed assessments. He attacked Ald. Richter's statements made at a former meeting. He explained that the company wants a fixed assessment of \$25,000 on their east end property alone, as they are only waiting for Niagara power to move the whole plant out there.

"Inside of three years," said Mr. White, "we hope to be employing 400 men. Now we employ about 200."

Continuing, Mr. White said he was glad Mayor Beattie had taken the stand he did, as other Ontario towns and cities are doing everything possible to attract factories.

"Manufacturers now can buy accommodation just as they buy supplies," he declared. "It is not a question of a manufacturer competing with outside firms, but can London compete with other cities. When we were moving our plant we could just as well have gone another half mile further west, as we were perfectly on which the city was receiving practically no taxes, and have built a fine plant on it. We want to pay taxes on that now to the extent of an assessment of \$25,000 in addition they will get the taxes from our old property on King street. I think we are entitled to what we are asking for."

Ex-Ald. Booth.

Ex-Ald. Richard Booth spoke upon Victoria Hospital matters. It is the only institution, he said, which does not give a detailed account of its salaries.

Touching upon the recent ward rule he said that nine years ago the same question came up before the council. The letter in last night's Advertiser he thought that no authentic case of imposture by the outside doctors at the Victoria Hospital had been cited. It was stated that it cost \$2,000 to keep the wards open so that the poor man could have his own doctor when a patient in the institution. He doubted this, but even if it were true \$2,000 could not be expended to better advantage for the comfort of the citizens.

Mr. Charles McCormick.

Mr. Charles McCormick, of the McCormick Manufacturing Company, spoke of the growth of the firm, which now employs between 600 and 700 hands. In 1909 the company paid out over \$228,000 in wages.

"Very shortly," said Mr. McCormick, "we will have to vacate our present factory, as it is too small. We must have more room inside of three or four years. We are pushing out trade in all parts of Canada and the world, and are branching out in all directions."

Mr. McCormick spoke of the difficulties the firm experienced in the past with the poor water supply, and said that the elevators and other machinery could not be operated at times owing to poor pressure. He urged London to follow the example of other cities, and show some enterprise and help her factories, and her factories will help her.

Dr. H. A. Stevenson.

Dr. H. A. Stevenson A. Stevenson, who had qualified as a candidate for the water commission, and asked for the support of the citizens, as he said, his knowledge of electrical questions and waterworks would make him invaluable on the board.

Mr. W. H. Ward, who is a candidate for alderman, was the last speaker, and urged the electors to give him their support.

F. C. B. C. Closing.

One of the most successful terms in the history of the Forest City Business and Shopping College, of this city, was completed today, and the out-of-town teachers and students are leaving to spend Christmas at the old fireside.

Examinations in all departments have been very much in evidence during the past two weeks, and quite a good deal of good-natured rivalry has been manifest among the students in both the commercial and shorthand departments.

A typewriting contest was held this week in the college rooms between the students who entered during the month of September. Principal Westervelt offered a fountain pen to the student making the highest record on a fifteen-minute test. Miss Humphries, of this city, was the successful pupil from among a class of twenty-eight contestants.

A similar prize was offered the student in the commercial department making the highest percentage in bookkeeping, business penmanship, rapid and accurate arithmetic, commercial law, business correspondence, commercial paper, and spelling, and Samuel Harris, of this city, was the successful student. The class has displayed a keen rivalry throughout the whole of the work.

College rooms after Christmas vacation on Jan. 2.

A Correction.

In a recent issue it was stated that the contribution of the Maitland Street Baptist Church to the sanatorium was \$5.40. This was the sum donated by the Sunday school, the church as a whole giving \$45.77.

The Hughes Fund.

Sergeant Street received the following additional contributions to the Albert Hughes relief fund: Catherine Smith \$1, G. H. \$1, S. A. Buckle \$5, a friend \$1, W. T. C. \$1.

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You can buy your furs today and have almost as wide a range as you had two weeks ago. You can go into the Men's Wear Store and find everything from a silk dressing-gown to the latest silk mufflers or house coats. You can go to the Furniture, Carpet and Drapery Floor and also find well assorted stocks; you can come down through the various sections of Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Goods on the second floor, and through the individual departments on the main floor for linens, dress goods, silks, gloves, hosiery, neckwear, leather and fancy goods, and get a wider range of choice than you have ever got in the Smallman & Ingram store at this late hour in the season.

Hundreds of people over Western Ontario will have to buy their fine gifts today, because they have not had time before. Many hundreds of these will be in London, and the thought we wish to give you is that you can't get what you want at a fungus-growth store, that springs up in December and dies down in July. It is the year-round store that must serve you today, and such a store is SMALLMAN & INGRAM'S.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs

A splendid shipment passed into stock right in the midst of Christmas selling, replenishes the assortment beautifully, and gives last-minute customers a magnificent assortment of fresh, clean stock.

In these lines our stock is still splendidly assorted.

Ladies' Maltese Lace Handkerchiefs, with pure linen centres, 50c, 65c, 75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and\$1.75

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Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, with hemstitched and scalloped edges, pure linen centres,15c up to \$2.00

Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, 1/4-inch hem with dainty embroidered initial and wreath in corner; box of half dozen\$1.00

Ladies' Plain Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 1/4 or 1/2 inch hem, each6 1/4c to 40c

Ladies' Unlaundered Handkerchiefs, pure Irish linen, hand-embroidered, initial and wreath in corner, each19c

Children's Initial Handkerchiefs (pure linen), boxed, 3 in box, for25c to \$1.00

Main Floor—Centre Aisle.

In Toy-Town



The greatest assortment of all kinds of Toys, Magic Lanterns, Wagons, Engines, Dolls, etc., for boys and girls we have ever shown so near Christmas.



Furniture—Chairs and tables, at set\$1.00
Unbreakable Dishes, set\$1.25 to \$2.25
Pianos25c to \$3.50
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Dolls' Go-Carts45c to \$4.45
Dolls' Carriages25c to \$2.25
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Blackboards and Writing Desks, 25c to\$1.15
Dressed Dolls25c to \$4.00
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Rattles, Trumpets and Bugles10c to35c
Drums25c to \$1.35
Humpty Dumpty Circuses\$1.25 to\$2.50 set.
Unbreakable Dolls, dressed and undressed20c to \$1.00
Rubber Rattles, Dolls and Animals25c to \$1.00

Basement.

Double Dolls, two heads, one body\$1.00
Rubber Balls15c to 75c
Magic Lanterns\$1.00 to \$2.25
Postcard Projectors75c to \$2.00
Typewriters\$1.00 to \$3.00
Spring Engines50c to 75c
Steam Engines50c to \$3.00
Sailboats45c to \$1.50
Express Wagons75c to \$1.85
Small Tin Wagons15c
Wheelbarrows30c to \$2.00
Gliderods\$5.00
Daisy Air Rifles65c
Vacuum Pistol Games40c
Vacuum Guns85c
Tops10c to 50c
New Color Tops45c to \$1.00
Combination Games, six games in one\$1.00
Building Blocks in carts25c to\$1.50
Stone Blocks50c to \$6.00
Tool Chests75c to \$3.00
Mechanical Toys20c to \$2.25
Wooden Toys\$1.50 to \$5.25

Basement.

Cortese Orchestra Tonight

Main Floor Balcony.
Store Open From 7:30 to 10 p.m.

Saturday Deliveries

9 A.M., 2 AND 6 P.M.
All goods purchased Saturday up to 6 o'clock will be delivered. Help us to avoid mistakes by being careful to see that salespeople write the proper address for parcels to be delivered, and please carry as many of the smaller parcels as convenient.

Gift Suggestions for the Home—Tapestry Curtains \$2 to \$10 Pair.

A splendid variety of colors in beautiful qualities, mostly self-colors, to harmonize with the new tones shown in rugs, carpets and wall papers, such as olive, myrtle and sage green, also brown and rich crimson, and very special values.

AT \$2.00 PAIR—Splendid shades of crimson and olive, fringed at both ends, special at a pair\$2.00

AT \$4.50—Big assortment of self-colors, also combination of red and green, green and brown, also two-tone red and green; pair\$4.50

Handsome Portieres \$7.00 Pair

Finished with a fancy edge to match on side and bottom of portiere. These are in self-colors of crimson, olive, myrtle and sage. Can also be used for high arches, being three yards long. Special at a pair\$7.00
Also see our other lines at \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50 up to \$10.00 pair.
Draperies—Third Floor.

Christmas Gifts for Men

Some special offerings for men and boys come to the front just in time for last day buyers. We have space only for a mere mention of some, together with many suggestions of useful gifts in our Men's store, and direct your attention particularly to Men's House Coats and Boys' Jersey Sweaters. Individual boxes for almost all men's goods.

Men's House Coats \$3.95

35 Men's House Coats, ranging in price up to \$7.50; odd lines and balance of manufacturer's samples, sizes 35 to 42. Your pick\$3.95
Also a few Men's Bathrobes left at\$4.25
Men's House Coats, extra choice\$6.00 to \$10.00
Men's Dressing Gowns, extra choice\$7.50 to \$15.00
Men's Bath Robes, extra choice\$5.00 to \$7.50
Men's Fancy Vests, extra choice\$2.25 to \$5.00

Saturday Specials in Men's Furs

Men's Persian Lamb Caps\$7.50, \$9.00, \$10.00 and \$12.00
Men's Near Seal Caps\$5.00
Men's Persian Lamb Gauntlets\$10.00 and \$20.00
Men's Astrachan Gauntlets\$7.50 to \$10.00
Men's Fur-Lined Overcoats\$35.00, \$42.00 to \$90.00
Men's Fur Coats\$17.00, \$25.00 to \$75.00

Men's Initial Handkerchiefs

BOXED IN HALF-DOZENS. 75 DOZEN FOR SATURDAY SELLING.

We have stocked these this season to last right up to and after Christmas, and with very few exceptions have a good supply in all letters for Christmas shoppers. One of the most popular gifts for men. Prices \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50 for box of half dozen Handkerchiefs, or singly25c, 35c and 45c each

\$1 and \$1.25 Boys' Jersey Sweaters 89c

In navy, red and black, also two-color combinations for boys from 4 to 15 years, extra fine \$1.00 and \$1.25 Sweaters, each89c
Boys' Coat Sweaters, all shades89c to \$2.50
Men's Coat Sweaters, all shades and combinations\$2.00, \$3.00 to \$5.50

Saturday Sale Boys' Hockey Toques

Red, navy, black, brown, etc., also combination colors, also regular long Toques in same at25c, 35c and 45c
BOYS' SCOUT GAUNTLETS—Napa, tan, back fleece lined, extra strong double-stitched seams with fringe; pair\$1.00
Richmond Street Entrance.

In the Restaurant
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Saturday, 11 to 2.

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Morning, Afternoon and
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Births, Marriages and Deaths.

DEATHS.

CHADWICK—At the family residence, 87 Trafalgar street, Dec. 22, 1910, Sidney Chadwick, beloved husband of Mary E. Chadwick. Interment at Woodland Cemetery. Funeral private. 70u

DONALDSON—In London Township, on Friday, Dec. 23, 1910, Duncan Donaldson. Funeral on Saturday, at 3 p.m.; service at 2:30, in St. John's church. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation. 70u

WATSON—On Friday, Dec. 23, 1910, at 115 Mill street, Kenneth Alexander, aged 16 months, youngest son of Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Watson, of Royalton, Minn. Funeral private. 70u

AMUSEMENTS. LECTURES.

GRAND A. J. Small Sole Prop.

XMAS DAY MATINEE & NIGHT.

THE WOLF

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Great play of the Canadian Northwest, at special holiday prices. Matinee, 25c, 50c; night, 50c, 75c. SEATS SELLING.
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Tuesday Night, Dec. 27

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PRICES: 25c, 50c, 75c.
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Special night prices, 15c, 25c, 50c. Matinee Saturday, 15c and 50c. School children, 10c. Seats accompanied by parent, 10c.

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Hypnotist—Master Human Mind. LILLIAN LYNDAROOK, Thought Transference.

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150 People in Costume.

Beautiful scenery a great pageant. Prices, 50c afternoon, 25c course tickets, \$1.25, admitting four. Change of programme daily. Tuesday 27 to Jan. 4, eight days. Benefit of Y. M. C. A. 70u

PRINCESS ICE PALACE-HOCKEY.

tonight, Dec. 23, London vs. Berlin. Game called 8:15; doors open 7:15. Admission, 25c; box seats, 50c; gallery, 15c. Plan at W. R. Vining's drug store. 68u

SIMCOE ROLLER RINK-FLOOR BEING

resurfaced. Closed until Saturday opening Saturday with newly-surfaced floor. Band Saturday night. Skating Christmas morning. Band afternoon and evening. b

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Canine Association, City Hall, Dec. 23. Entries received at Western Fair office. Admission, 10 cents. 671-yxwv

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Tickets to and from the Old Country, via all lines. Call and inquire about our new boats.

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The round trip rate to Bermuda is \$20 and up. Largest boats on the route. Call up phone 654, write for rates to Nassau, Cuba, Jamaica, South and Central America, Florida and all winter resorts.

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LONDON ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER meets this (Friday) evening, 7:45, in Chapter rooms, Market Lane. Visitors welcome. T. E. Harley, 2, C. P. Reed, Scribe E. 641f

LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 232, ROYAL

Arctum, will meet this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, in Duffield block, Samuel M. Jenson, secretary. 1

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WANTED—COMPETENT GENERAL small family, no washing, \$15 a month; references required; can have Christmas Day off. Apply 580 Waterloo. 69c

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the cleaning of large downtown offices; hardwood floors, oiled; no windows to clean. Apply Postoffice Box 667. 70u-yxv

WANTED—DINING-ROOM GIRL, ALSO

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wanted. Apply Advertiser Job Department. 21f

WANTED—HOUSEMAID, IMMEDIATELY

—Mrs. Beattie, Elmhurst, Worley road. 611f

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TICKET SELLER FOR MOVING PICTURE company; \$10 a week, steady; must furnish cake security. Address Manager of the Moving Picture Company, Hyde Park. 70u

BOY WANTED. CANADA PHARMA-

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Good chance of promotion for the right lad. Greene-Swift, Limited. 69u

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Pacific townsite lots. Apply Room 3, London Loan Block, between 11 and 12. 66u

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BOARDING ACCOMMODATION RE-quired, 1000-1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008, 1009, 1010, 1011, 1012, 1013, 1014, 1015, 1016, 1017, 1018, 1019, 1020, 1021, 1022, 1023, 1024, 1025, 1026, 1027, 1028, 1029, 1030, 1031, 1032, 1033, 1034, 1035, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1039, 1040, 1041, 1042, 1043, 1044, 1045, 1046, 1047, 1048, 1049, 1050, 1051, 1052, 1053, 1054, 1055, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1059, 1060, 1061, 1062, 1063, 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1068, 1069, 1070, 1071, 1072, 1073, 1074, 1075, 1076, 1077, 1078, 1079, 1080, 1081, 1082, 1083, 1084, 1085, 1086, 1087, 1088, 1089, 1090, 1091, 1092, 1093, 1094, 1095, 1096, 1097, 1098, 1099, 1100, 1101, 1102, 1103, 1104, 1105, 1106, 1107, 1108, 1109, 1110, 1111, 1112, 1113, 1114, 1115, 1116, 1117, 1118, 1119, 1120, 1121, 1122, 1123, 1124, 1125, 1126, 1127, 1128, 1129, 1130, 1131, 1132, 1133, 1134, 1135, 1136, 1137, 1138, 1139, 1140, 1141, 1142, 1143, 1144, 1145, 1146, 1147, 1148, 1149, 1150, 1151, 1152, 1153, 1154, 1155, 1156, 1157, 1158, 1159, 1160, 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THE NEW BANK ACT AND BANK DIRECTORS.

The new bank act, introduced by the Minister of Finance, seeks to give the banks a greater degree of safety by throwing more responsibility on the shoulders of the directors. How far it is possible to strengthen the banks by this means is a question.

Can bank directors know that the statement of the bank is true? We are inclined to think not. If the directors must swear of their own knowledge to the truth of the returns, they must be employees of the bank, from day to day engaged in its business, and as thoroughly conversant with all its transactions as the general manager. The bank director who has his own business to attend to cannot sufficiently acquaint himself with the multitude of the bank's transactions to swear of his own knowledge to the accuracy of its statement. The requirements of the new act will cause a new style of director. The present class of director may become supplementary.

Can even the director who is also an employee of any of the large Canadian banks sufficiently know the whole business of the bank to say of his own knowledge that the statement is true? We are not disposed to think so. Take the Bank of Montreal, with its large number of branches, some of which are in foreign lands. How can a director know, except from the statements of others, the whole business of the bank? When anything goes wrong at any branch, at home or abroad, it may be necessary to send special experts and inspectors, and the most any director can do is to report according to the information received from these experts and inspectors.

It is undoubted that the banks, as a rule, reduce their business to the best and safest system they can devise to guard against loss, and some of them work like clockwork and lose comparatively little. A great deal depends on the general manager and his immediate assistants. The truth of the statements is known only to them, and not fully to even some of them. If the directors must swear to the truth of the statements of their own knowledge, then there must be a new kind of director introduced—the joint director and employee. It would not be fair to the existing class of director to ask him to do more than certify to the correctness of the returns based on the information furnished. His only safe course would be to resign. It may be practicable, particularly in large banks, to have both kinds of directors. They might retain the present kind and add the joint employee and director. It is not clear that this proposed new way would be better than the old. It is not clear that it is desirable to have many employees on a board. The president, if he kept from day to day in touch with the business, and was a practical banker, would come next to the manager in a knowledge of the whole business of the bank, but even he, let him exercise all the care he could, would fall short, and might be both innocent and ignorant of wrong and unable to prevent serious loss. There is no human machinery that can guard wholly against failures. The existing law is apparently more practical and probably quite as safe as the proposed amendments. The bank director of today is very useful to the bank. No general manager could successfully manage a large bank without reliable, honest friends at every point. The proposed change might be a menace to the safety of the banks by frightening good men off the board of directors, a loss for which there would be no compensation.

PEACE AND WAR.

A number of Toronto men and women, calling themselves the Centenary Celebration Association, are endeavoring, according to a Toronto paper, to rouse all Canada to enthusiasm over the victorious defence of Canadian borders when the Americans invaded us a hundred years ago. The association will petition the Provincial Legislatures to petition the Dominion Parliament to petition the King to visit Canada for the occasion.

Influential Americans propose to celebrate two or three years hence the conclusion of a hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States. They have asked the co-operation of this country. Committees have been appointed and the plans have taken a definite shape. The promoters have already begun to organize an agitation for a permanent treaty between Great Britain and the

United States, under which both countries would be pledged to refer all disputes to the Hague tribunal.

It would be a grave misfortune if the proposal of a war celebration should be put forward as an alternative to the peace celebration. The issues of the war of 1812 are buried and almost forgotten. The troops on each side fought valiantly, and each side had its victories. Each ought to honor the memory of its gallant dead, but this can be done without seeking to revive the memory of ancient strife and enmities. The project of a peace celebration having been put forward under distinguished auspices, the subsequent proposal of a war celebration has an aspect of antagonism. If this is not the intention of the Toronto promoters, they should give their blessing to the peace project to correct any unfavorable impression across the line. The names of Rev. Dr. Carman, Sir Edmund Walker, Senator Jones, and Judge Riddell, associated with the Toronto proposal, should be an assurance that the movement will not be used to the detriment of the cause of international peace. The proposed treaty is one which should appeal to a Christian country.

A BITTER SPEECH.

There must have been a strength of feeling in Great Britain in the recent election to which Canadians have been strangers for many years, if the utterances of the British press and platform fairly reflect the temper of both parties. One of the most vehement speeches recorded was that of Jerome K. Jerome, whose name and fame are associated with humor and tender pathos. In an address at Wallingford he used these remarkable words:

"We have got into a spirit of prompt unreasoning obedience to all our betters. We have not got rid of the shackles of the feudal system. The ignorant, starved farm laborer, trembling for his ruined cottage for his wage of 12s a week, assured by fine lady canvassers that his master can easily find out how he has voted—God help him! There is excuse for him.
"But what of the man of intelligence, of education? What is he doing in this citadel of tyranny, of village despotism? What are the young men doing—the young men to whom God gave strength that they should help to move his world forward towards the light? What are they doing among those who would seek to bind it for ever to the corpse of the past? Are we men of the south all dunces? Is our only terror lest we be deprived of our liveries?
"They talk of class hatred, these few who have grabbed for themselves all the good things of the earth, who have left to the mass of the toilers only the husks and shells. They look to their House of Lords to protect them lest the people, too, should demand some of the sunshine of life. Class hatred! I say, God help the rich if ever the day should come when the workers hate them one-hundredth part as much as they hate the workman on whom they live.
"In no country in the world—not even in Russia—is the gulf between rich and poor wider, deeper, more menacing than in England. And it was not the poor that dug it. It was the rich—those splendid men among the rich—splendid men and women; rich men and women, with numbingness and pity, go down into that neither world of misery and give their lives to help it. It is not these who shriek for a House of Lords to defend them from the people.
"The House of Lords' policy—the worshiping of the god of things as they are—is not a safe policy. It is not safe to permit around you millions of people living on the verge of starvation. It is not safe for a privileged few, living in luxury, to be surrounded by a dumb mass of brutalized despair that stares at us out of the shadows with hungry eyes. We want to turn them into living, hopeful fellow-men, working with us for the future of the world.
"We want a safe England—a decent England. The House of Lords stands where it always did—in the way. If you want a safe England, a decent England, you have got to get rid of the House of Lords.
"This is not the raving of a man who has gone down in the battle of life. Mr. Jerome has been brilliantly successful, as the world measures success. He has written one of the most popular humorous novels of recent times, 'Three Men in a Boat,' and the most profitable play, 'The Passing of the Third Floor Back,' produced in the past three years. Social conditions in England must be terrible indeed, when they move such a man to such language. His speech throws a light on the real meaning of the struggle in the old land.

Man's faith in the superiority of his sex always wavers in the Christmas shopping season.
It is a reproach to the city that little interest can be injected into a municipal election without an infusion of party politics.
The Conservative daily in St. John's, Que., the News, advises Conservatives to vote for the Liberal against the Nationalist candidate in the approaching by-election. Will the News be read out of the party by its Ontario contemporaries?
Mr. Rudyard Kipling implores Medicine Hat to retain its present name, which, he says, is unique and world-famous. Mr. Kipling asks too much. He is looking at the question from the standpoint of art, whereas Medicine Hat is purely utilitarian.
In Stratford the domestic lighting rate has been fixed at 9 cents per kilowatt hour, with 10 per cent. discount, as against London's net rate of 4½ cents. Either Stratford's rate is too high or London's is too low. It is hard

to say yet wait's wait in the matter of prices.

The public school inspectors of four eastern counties have reported, but not till they were instructed to investigate, several instances of violation of the school law through religious teaching in school hours. Were the inspectors not inspecting until they were ordered to inspect?

DO IT EARLY.

[Philadelphia Inquirer.]
Count that day lost whose low descending sun views from thy hand no early shopping done.

TOO TOUCHY.

[Philadelphia Press.]
Another worm has turned. From New England comes an angry objection to the "stage Yankee." It looks as if there were a concerted effort to banish all forms of innocent merriment from the stage; but this particular evidence of Yankee sensitiveness at this late date is a "teele" surprising.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.
[Detroit Press Press.]
It's not a bit too late to vote your Christmas shopping for some poor tot.

BOTH WINNERS.

[Chicago News.]
They were to be married on the morrow.
"But," said the young man, nervously, "suppose our marriage doesn't prove a success—then what?"
"Oh, in that case," answered the near-bride, "we can divide the presents."

IT MIGHT HAPPEN.

[Cleveland Leader.]
"My son, remember this: Marrying on a salary has been the salvation of many a young man."
"I know, dad. But supposing my wife should lose her salary?"

A COUNTRY ADVANTAGE.

[Judge.]
Mrs. Crawford—How is it you get more rest since you live in the suburbs?
Mrs. Cranshaw—I don't have to sit up all night for my husband. When he doesn't arrive by the train, I know he won't be home till the next day.

SISTER'S PROBLEM.

[Detroit Free Press.]
She's got things for the babies, and she's bought a gift for me. She's got a toy for all the kids. To grace the Christmas tree. She has presents for her uncles. And her aunts, but doesn't know a single solitary thing. To give unto her beau.
She's bought for dear old mother, And she's bought a gift for dad, And she's bought a gift for sister Nellie. But I think I'm going mad, For in spite of all her thinking Even now she doesn't know What to give on Christmas morning To the man who is her beau.

"It's so hard to buy," she murmurs, "For a man," and then she sighs: "Hard to make three dollars purchase Anything that seems a prize. And her brow with care is wrinkled And her heart is full of woe, For the shopping days grow fewer, And there's nothing for her beau.
Life is ever full of problems, Problems grave that sore perplex; Old and young face situations That arise, it seems, to vex. Sleepless nights and hours of tossing Everyone of us must know; Sis is losing sleep this season On the gift to hand her beau.

JUST TRUST.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.]
"What shall we say of Senator Snugg?"
"Just say he was always faithful to his trust."
"And shall we mention the name of the trust?"

DURABLE.

[Life.]
"What kind of Christmas presents does Balder give?"
"Excellent. Why, some of those he gave ten years ago are still going the rounds as bridge prizes."

ONE LEFT OVER.

[London Sketch.]
Almost Bald Customer (dramatically)—I want the parting in the middle.
The Barber—Yes, sir, certainly, sir. And what would you like done with the third hair, sir?
[Exeter (England) Express and Echo.]
For tomorrow's official ceremony invitations have been sent to 200 of the leading residents of the district, who, with their wives, will number, it is expected, nearly 500, which is the full capacity of the hall.

STRIKING A MATCH.

[Pete Mele.]
Husband—Mending my trousers with emery paper? You must be mad!
Wife—You'll find a useful presently. Husband (lighting his pipe later—Ah, my dear, what a splendid idea that was of yours.

CONSERVATION WANTED.

[Judge.]
Candidate—What a fine baby!
Baby—Aw, kiss me big sister! She likes it and I don't.

A MODERN POINT OF VIEW.

[Woman's Home Companion.]
Old-fashioned garments are, naturally, unfamiliar to 5-year-old Helen. Recently she was looking at the pictures in a somewhat ancient magazine, and observed an engraving of a woman equipped with far-spreading crinolines. "Oh, mamma, look," she exclaimed. "Here's a foolish lady who's wearing her hat for a skirt!"

CHEERING UP THE GUIDE.

[Puck.]
"Remember, Henry," said the hunter who had arranged with the guide, "we're not hiring you—you're simply one of the party."
"What's on your mind?" inquired the guide.
"Well, you see, in case anything happens we don't want to be troubled with this new employer's liability law," admitted the cautious hunter.

CLOSING EXERCISES POTTERSBURG SCHOOL

Prizes Presented to Students for Good Work of the Year.

The closing exercises of Pottersburg school were held yesterday afternoon, a large number of parents, friends and children being present.

Chairman of the Trustee Board Geo. Angus, president, Inspector of Schools for East Middlesex P. J. Thompson and Reeve Frank Glass occupied seats on the platform. The school throughout was beautifully decorated with

flowers, evergreens and bunting, and reflected credit on the teachers under whose supervision the work was carried out. An entertaining programme of recitation, dialogue, and song by the children of the school was well rendered, and proved entertaining. The distribution of gifts from a well-laden Christmas tree probably was more appreciated by the little ones than any other feature of the proceedings.

Another interesting event in connection with the entertainment provided was the presentation of the prizes offered for the encouragement of the scholars by Mr. S. F. Glass. The school board, said the chairman, and the children of the school were indebted to Mr. Glass for his kindness in connection with these annual presentations, and he called on the donor to present the medals and prizes.

Mr. Glass said he was indeed glad to be able to be with them again, and to participate in such interesting exercises. He congratulated the trustees on their foresight in having an eye to the future when building the addition to the school two years ago. Their wisdom in anticipating the wants of the future was evidenced in the demand now for equipping a fourth room. In connection with the medals and prizes which he had offered for competition, if the giving of them had been an incentive to the boys and girls for diligence and closer application to their work he was more pleased to donate the prizes than they could be to receive them.

The Winners.

The Winner of the township gold medal for the highest marks in London Township at high school entrance was won by Byron Shipley, of school section No. 1, Denfield, he having obtained a total of nearly 90 per cent of the total marks possible. Master Bruce Kingsborough was the winner of the gold medal for the highest marks at entrance examination from Pottersburg school. He was asked to step forward to the platform, when the medal was presented to him, the donor congratulated the young lad on his success and expressed the hope that it might be but the beginning of a greater measure of success in the higher branches of education. Master Harold Reavely was the winner of first prize, also donated by Mr. Glass, for highest pass marks from intermediate school to senior school. Miss Lenore Norris won the similar honor for highest pass marks from junior to intermediate school.

These prizes, consisting of "High Roads to History," in six volumes, were much appreciated by the little ones. Inspector Thompson made an interesting address to the children, coupled with some timely advice to the parents, urging the latter to take a kindly interest in their children, to see that they were punctual and regular in their attendance at school. During the year out of a total of over 25,000 days attendance of scholars, only on 50 days were any late. That, he thought, was an evidence of promptness and was a good record. He would like the parents to visit the school at least twice a year.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Glass for the interest he had taken in the school, and the encouragement he had given the children, was carried with much enthusiasm. The singing of God Save the King brought the happy exercises to a close.

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WOMEN MAYORS IN ENGLAND AND WALES



MRS. CHARLES E. LEES, Mayor-elect of Oldham, England. Oldham, England, is the first sizable British city to choose a woman as its mayor. Mrs. Charles E. Lees will administer the affairs of this city of 131,000 population for the term 1910-1911. She has large interests in the cotton industry, and promotes playgrounds.

Miss Gwenllian Morgan, of an old family, is the new mayor of Brecon, Wales. She is interested in labor unions, good housing for working people, education and temperance. She was a friend of Browning and Gladstone.



MISS GWENLLIAN E. F. MORGAN, Newly-elected Mayor of Brecon, Wales. Mrs. Garrett Anderson, who served as mayor of Aldeburgh last year, but Aldeburgh is just a small town. Women may vote and hold office in municipal affairs throughout Great Britain. What they are fighting for is the right to vote in national affairs. Even Mrs. Humphrey Ward, who is heralded in America as an opponent to woman suffrage, believes women should vote in local affairs.

Christmas Dinner

Roast Turkey, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cranberry Jelly, Olives, Celery Hearts, New Bread, Cabbage and Beet Salad, Cream Cheese, Rolled in Chopped Nuts, Carrot Pudding, with Egg Sauce, Ice Cream, Nuts, Coffee.

CYNTHIA GREY'S CORRESPONDENTS

I am to be married Dec. 27. Kindly tell me how to decorate as befits the season.

MARY R. T.

At a Christmas wedding the decorations should be confined to holly, mistletoe and lovely greens. Make wreaths and stars for the windows, tied with broad satin ribbon of red, or sometimes scarlet and green gauze is used. Use plenty of candles everywhere, and I am sure you will have a stunning decorative scheme.

I would very much appreciate if you would answer the following question: A widow with a daughter "out," also a young widow whose daughter is not yet "out," called upon me. Now please tell me if I am to leave my husband's card on returning these calls, or just mine. Thanking you greatly.

YOUNG MATRON.

Leave one of yours and one of your husband's cards when you return the calls.

ALL AROUND THE HOME [CYNTHIA GREY.]

If tan shoes are well polished before being worn, they will not be so apt to disfigure in rainy weather.

If potatoes are rubbed with olive oil the skins will be found thin and soft after baking.

An egg beater never should be left to soak in water, as the oil will be washed out of the gears, making it hard to turn. To remove fresh ink stains from carpet rub lightly at first with a quantity of salt, removing the salt as soon as it becomes discolored. Repeat the process, rubbing harder every time, until the stain has entirely disappeared.

A new and delicious confection may be prepared as follows: Cut rich steamed fruit cake into small stars, triangles or circles, and dip into sweet chocolate which has been melted.

Hemstitched tablecloths and napkins can be nicely mended when the hemstitching breaks by fagoting the ends together with strong thread. This will wear as long as the article.

Sewing machine needles may be used much longer if when the points begin to get dull they are rubbed on a piece of emeryboard.

FASHIONS

Black and navy blue satin suits will be in vogue for late winter and early spring wear.

Wide braids are being largely used on both coats and skirts.

The shortened waist line is back in favor.

Straight narrow skirts lead in style, but the tunics effect, skirted styles, and skirts with groups of pleats are still worn.

Blouses drop a little over the girdle from the effects of the peasant sleeve.

Cut steel is fashionable for trimmings, buttons and beads.

Some of the smartest overcoats for women are of plaid, with huge revers and cuffs of plain material.

DAILY MENU

BREAKFAST.
Codfish Balls, Brown Bread, Coffee.
DINNER.
Roast Mutton, Mashed Potatoes, Scalloped Tomatoes.
TEA.
Boiled Rice, Milk, Honey, Hot Tea Biscuits, Tea.

RECIPES.

For the codfish balls at breakfast pare six potatoes, add an equal bulk of cod fish from which the bones have been picked, and which has been previously soaked in cold water. Boil together until the potatoes are soft, drain on brown paper. For the scalloped tomatoes at dinner, have ready dried and rolled bread crumbs, butter an enamel bake dish, put in a layer of crumbs and one of tomatoes, pepper, salt and bits of beef dripping, continue until the dish is full, having a layer of bread crumbs moistened in butter on top. Bake slowly one hour.

Dress Trimmings.

The most elaborate trimming and embroideries are used on the new dresses, and regard to cost. Bands or passementerie are extremely effective, less expensive than the embroidery upon the material itself, and there is an apparently endless choice in color and design. These bands trim the waist, finish the tunic and the sleeves, and the width depends on whether the narrow or wide line is the best.

Head embroidery, especially in white porcelain, is used on the velvet gowns as a decorative note. Many of the most chic gowns display this novel trimming. The gowns are gaily arranged in long straight bands on blue mouseline de soie, was seen on an exceedingly handsome gown.

Dress Accessories.

Some separate blouses have the yokes outlined or suggested by wooden beads, others have heavy motifs worked in dull gold embroidery, satin, crepe de Chine and soft silk are being used for these blouses and no-trimmed blouses. Long black velvet wraps with huge collars of Venetian lace are worn with separate closed or velvet dresses. Small gilt cords fasten some at the side. They are cut on straight lines, with straight edges and no-trimmed blouses. Draped veils in Chantilly and in Brussels or in chiffon, with velvet dots and elaborate borders, are coming in again. There is an element of dignity and well-balanced grace in the draped veil, and to many is a very becoming accessory. Many hats of plumes are used on broad, low hats. They are spotted and flecked with color, and some have elaborate veils, and direct shades, giving a wonderfully iridescent effect.

The Penniless Millionaire

BY DAVID CHRISTIE MURRAY.

(Author of "Joseph's Coat," "Aunt Rachael," "Rainbow Gold," Etc. (Copyrighted; All Right Reserved.)

Prologue.

"The Dragon's Horn."

The city of Shanghai was in a most prodigious turmoil. The disturbance began on the northern outskirts of the densely populated native quarter, in the neighborhood of the Yellow Monastery. If there was one relic of higher value than another in all China, if there was anything regarded with more superstitious worship, anything more venerable from age and association, more proudly prized and more jealously guarded, it was the great Emerald known as "The Dragon's Horn," a flawless oblong jewel, six inches long, two inches in width, and an inch in thickness.

This resplendent and invaluable gem had been stolen. For countless generations it had been hoarded in a certain sacred inner chamber of the Temple, to which only the members of the higher hierarchy of the Buddhist priesthood had ever been admitted, and now, by means of skillfully forged letters, some daring impostor had succeeded in passing himself off as a person of extraordinary sanctity from far Thibet, had obtained admission to the sanctuary, and had been left alone in the sacred chamber to pray. Within ten minutes of the time of his departure the arrival of a second personage who professed to be the expected visitor excited the suspicion of the Abbots of the Monastery. A hasty examination proved the authenticity of the later comer's claim, and it was almost immediately discovered that the treasure of the Monastery had disappeared. Scarcely an hour had elapsed before the news had become public property. It created intense excitement everywhere, and for a time all business was suspended, and even in the Christian quarter the members of the great western traders, bankers, and shippers—the news was heard before the afternoon had declined towards the shades of the early winter night.

Whilst the turmoil was at its loudest, an urgent summons sounded at the bedroom door of Mr. Bernhard Bernheim, son of Baron Bernheim, of London, the head of the great banking house of Bernheim Bros., who, behind locked doors, was in the act of removing an elaborate disguise. The slight garment he had discarded lay huddled upon his bed, and the European raiment he was preparing to assume lay ready to his hand.

"What is the matter?" he asked in English; and a voice responded in the same language, but with a queer eastern accent:

"Your uncle wishes to see you at once."

"I will be down in ten minutes," said Bernheim, and in less than the time specified he presented himself at the central office, and took a seat at the table at which his chief was engaged with a great pile of correspondence, amid a coil of speaking tubes.

"I have received a cablegram from home," said David Bernheim, coldly. He was a bald-headed, clean-shaven man of a strongly marked Jewish aspect, and at that moment his face was as implacable as death.

"Well?" said the younger Bernheim curtly.

"Your father," responded the elder, "formally disinherits you, and declares that he will henceforth have no more knowledge of you. You have been solemnly cursed in the synagogue, and your name has been cut out from the record of the faithful. You are henceforth a wanderer and an outcast on the face of the earth. I have no war-draw for saying that your father may not yield to some human impulse, and save you from the miseries you have brought upon yourself, but I have no ground for supposing that he will do so. You may say the message for yourself. Here it is."

He passed the cablegram across the table, and the young man accepted it with a firm hand and an impassive countenance.

"Well?" he said once more when he had read the brief and fateful document two or three times over. "Well?"

"I told you how it would be," said the elder man, with a half-repenting voice. "You chose to marry a Jewish woman, who took you only for your money, and who deserted you on the first whisper of your fallen fortunes, and you have nobody in the world to thank for your disasters but yourself. I need hardly tell you that I am on my brother Bernhard's side. He is Jew of the Jew. I am Jew of the Jew. We are of the same blood in Israel, and have never been separated, and now, when you—the rising hope of the house—chose to disgrace us, and to make the name of Bernheim an anathema among the people of the world, you have done this, and you must suffer for it."

"Well?" said the younger man again, waving his hands abroad. "Don't you think that I have paid all most enough already, without all this?"

"I am going to do one thing for you," his uncle answered, "and one thing only. Here is a check for one thousand pounds. Carry your extravagance, and that will keep you in comfort and like a gentleman for two years. Go back to London, make an appeal to your father, and before this little resource is finally exhausted you may obtain his pardon. I do not bid you think so. I scarcely bid you to entertain a hope. My forgiveness, I tell you plainly, you will never have. When you came to me, six years ago, I had high hope of you. The elder son of

the chief partner in the greatest banking firm in the world, you came here to learn your business. You have succeeded in your time away on matters of no profit. You are proficient in half a dozen Chinese dialects, and are competent to play your part in any native masquerade, but that is all you have achieved by your stay in this residence here. You have proved yourself wholly incompetent for business, and I doubt if you could perform even the duties of a consul. I do not suppose that there is at this moment a more complete example of the wilful waste of opportunity to be found in the whole wide world. You might have been anything, Bernhard. You might have been a millionaire four or five times over. You might have been prime minister of England. And here you are, except for the bit of paper you are twirling in your fingers a helpless pauper."

"Perhaps," said Bernhard, with a pale smile, "I am not quite as poor as you imagine. There is a steamer sailing tonight for San Francisco. I will take that way home, and I will say good-bye."

"Good-bye, Bernhard," the elder man responded in a frigid tone, and turned once more to the consideration of the papers which lay spread on the desk before him.

The young man rose from the seat he had taken, and looked darkly at his uncle for a moment, as if some appeal were making ready in his mind. His lips opened, and he stood irresolute. He closed his teeth with a snarl, and, turning on his heel, he walked briskly to the door.

For so wealthy a man as he had been but a short time before, he had but few belongings, and in less than an hour he had with his own hands packed up everything he desired to take away with him. He dined aboard ship that night, and at the moment at which the vessel dropped its pilot, he sat beneath the electric light behind the bolted door of his stateroom, with both elbows on the table before him, and his head clasped between his hands, staring into the green depths of the greatest jewel in the world.

Chapter I.

In a frowsy bunk in a frowsy chamber, the air of which was nauseous with the stale scent of opium smoke, a tattered and disheveled man began to awake to a gleam of consciousness. He sat up, opened languid eyes, looked about him for a moment, recognized his surroundings and sank back in a swimming torpor. By and by he made a grope in the pockets of his ragged clothing, and sat up again to the sudden recollection of the fact that he was penniless. He lay down once more and strove to compose himself to sleep, but his mind made pictures for him, and he was forced to stare drearily through closed eyelids as they formed before his mental gaze. He saw a lad in the playing grounds at Eton. Himself, that had been. He saw a young man in undergraduate cap and gown, sailing down the High at Oxford. Himself again. He saw a youth aniling in a far eastern city full of joy and wonder, and with a head full of splendid dreams. Himself once more. He saw the same figure kneeling at the feet of a woman somewhat older than himself, a lovely creature whose clinging fingers thrilled him even now. He saw himself once more in the presence of the messenger who brought him the intelligence that his secret marriage had been discovered. He saw himself suddenly wrecked and hopeless, and face to face with a horrible temptation. He saw himself painfully poring hour on hour over an elaborate forgery, and he saw himself, alone in the inner sanctuary of the Great Yellow Monastery at Shanghai. He saw himself dreaming over a great stolen jewel in a locked stateroom aboard an ocean-going steamer. Then, in swift succession, as if a panorama had unrolled itself before him, he saw his own figure in a thousand scenes, drifting aimlessly from the eastern to the western coast of the great American continent, surrounded by half-guessed terrors and growing by degrees with a steady and inevitable treasure in his hand. He saw himself painfully searching for the address of lapidaries whom he had no courage to consult when found. He saw himself on the edge of a thousand confederacies with passing strangers with whom he had no courage to combine in his scheme for splitting up his ill-gotten spoil into safely marketable proportions. He saw himself waiting dearly in a New York hotel for the letter from home, which never, never came. He saw himself, drifting aimlessly, dismissed from his father's door, with but a single ten-pound note between him and starvation. And, last of all, he saw himself, entering the dreary house in which he now lay, and paying over his last coin for the means of a night's oblivion.

(To Be Continued.)

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Grade 8, Part 2—Entrance Examination—Honors—Catherine Campbell 640, Willie Hodder 455.
Pass—60 per cent and over—Jean Govenlock 448, Clara Hall 440, Varcoe Bateson 435, Charles Rennie 434, Marion Davis 432, Ruth Meek 428, Jack Jopson 425, James Cowan 420, Naomi Gilbert 411, Cora Walden 403, Kenneth Greene 402, Myrtle Lackie 391.
50 per cent and over—Ida Gilbank 386, Margaret Reid 375, Olive Coe 374, Gladys Hynd 364, Elva Sinclair 364, Arthur Armitage 364, Charles Egelton 352, Ruth Gilbert 346, Karl Rhindiehart 340, Etha Lamb 337, Lillian Sadler 336, Ena Arscott 329, Elsie Mitchell 325, Gladys Ferguson 325.
40 per cent and over—Pearl Corbin 317, Geraldine Glover 315, Wilfred Carling 314, John Ball 306, Richmond Mercer 302, Winifred Pearson 300, Cecil Carling 298, Grace Lamb 297, Dan Mann 296, Wanda Webb 293, Marion Lashbrook 289, Leslie Mott 281, Ella Skinner 271, Roy Thompson 271, Samuel Graham 268, Florence Mason 249, Willie Armstrong 236, Iria Strong 87 (absent). The total mark was 650.

Morning Kindergarten—Milton Boyd, Joseph Brown, Leonard Gidley, Walter Gidley, Richard Hufferford, Andrew Gillespie, Martin O'Meara, Leigh Taylor, Gordon Wartig, Frank Clark, Norman Finchamp, Lella Colerick, Florence Harley, Esther Herring, Teenie Macdonald, Eva Sanham, Ruth Hickson, Olive Henderson, Irene Dyer.

Afternoon Kindergarten—Jack Bridgman, Gordon Calder, Bruce Friendship, Floyd Hunter, Willie Pope, Edward Hamilton, Clifford Emigh, Robert Reid, John Ferguson, Jack Benson, Jack Wood, Robert Macdonald, Crawford Lindsay, Agnes Bowen, Marion Irwin, Earle Campbell, Rosalind Clark, Agnes Falconer, Margaret Harwood, Hattie Kilbourne, Marjorie Mortimer, Marguerite Murray, Kathleen Porter, Isabella Rogers, Lucille Scott, Audrey Webster, Kathleen Stewart, Ruth Wainwright, Marjory Lewis, Marjory Wood, Vera Canning, Pearl Angus, Ruth Macdonald, Violet Lindsay.

Grade II A—Honors—Ernie Plaster, Ethel Corbin, Dorothy Latham, Chester Rogers, Thelma Tummonds, Bella Hodgins, Robbie Charlton, Billy Bowen, Ernest McKenzie, Pass—Willie Latham, Georgina Temple, Jack Robertson, Laura Barnard, Elsie Atkinson, Albert Gotsinger, Anice Skuse, Florence Dean, Ellen Pryce, Gladys Dean.

Grade I A—Honors—Bertie Miller, Violet Hodgins, Fred Harley, Janet Birrell, Myrtle McDonald, Elizabeth Hanlin, Henry McKenzie, Wilbert Henry, Madeline McCullough, Vera Bond, Pass—Violet Thompson, Willie Lockwood, Ella Hodgins, Ellen Hall, Austin Hanlin, Nelson Sumner, Malcolm Holiday, Annie Cooke, Richard Bowen, Edna Dean, Jack Johnson, Marian Johnson, Lloyd Newman, Frank Hopper, Bertie Lichard, Edna Nelson, Whittom Lammonds, Annie Hickson, Ruth Pope.

Grade IV B—Honors—Olive Dear, Bruce Coulson, Gladys Nelson, Harold Stewart, Kathleen Cowan, Alan Jarvis, Annie Skinner, Clifford Hunter, Pass—Willie Lewis, Elsie Cook.

Grade I—Honors—Willie Mortimer, Marjorie Hunter, Kathleen Turner, Doris Deacon, Clota Barnett, Hilda Benson, Geraldine Chapman, Gordon Sereaton, Marjorie Butler, Margaret Millman, Pass—Effe Canning, Willie Rice, Mary Elton, Agnes Campbell, James Hunter, Stanley Gammet, Charley Boyce, Ruth Schelsier, Theo. Crittle, Clarence Boyd, Tom Crittle, Margaret Bridgman, Charley Sears, William McCormick, Arthur Lewis, Ethel Carroll, Vera Turner, Joe Hunter, Raymond Porter, Ted Wilson.

Grade III—Honors—Edith James, Vincent Butler, Russell Boyd, Willie Hall, Alice Clark, Douglas Richards, Myrtle Miller, Mabel Hunt, Muriel Wainwright, Emily Hickson, Margaret Wilson, Ellis Pinkham, Willie Moore, Walter Thomson, Charles Hodgins, Myrtle King, Pass—Marion Noble, Earl Colborne, Alma Moore, Oswald Emigh, Otto Rindelhart, Chester Birrell, Arthur Chisholm, Frank Hunter, Florence McDonald, Thomas Smith, Elgin Vanstone, Ruth Johnston, Freda Wilkins, Cecil Bond, Jack Lackie, Gordon Angus, Lillian Wilson, Garfield Hanlon, Madeline McCoy, Willie Mason, Below 50 per cent—John McCormick, Maxine Warrig, Gordon Axtell, Unclassified—West Giese, Lella Dean.

Grade IV—Honors—Beatrice Reid, Irene Shaw, Kate Proctor, Frieda Pope, Leonard Lewis, Edna McCullum, Lucella Motley, Doris Temple and Harold Robinson equal, Amy Porter, May Stone, Clarence Armstrong and Lois Lockwood equal, Pass—Albert Coulter, Reggie Wilkins, Arthur Hynd, Eva Chesney, Leslie Willis, Walter Roberts, Wilfrid Wood, Olive Thomas, Beryl Wainwright, Chancie Thomson, Miriam Hickson, Floyd Kilbourne, Ruby Dounes, Archie Skinner, Lillian Thomas, Fred Wilson, James Whitelaw, Knox Ferguson, Edith Southcott, Patrick Barry, Robert Robertson, Fred Davis, Lawrence Bowman, Harry May, Hassack Marshall, Milton Bedford, Margaret Jones, Wilfrid Anthony, Unclassified—Gladys Hodgins, Harry Hunter, Thomas White, Daisy Lindsay, Lawrence Henderson.

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wood, Edward McKeown, Rudolph Fin-

cham, Lizzie McPadden, Pass—

Crown Baker, James Kelley, Edith

Carpenter, Walker Birrell, John West,

Charles Smith, Russell Baker, Un-

classified—Sidney Porter, George

Kelley.

Grade V A—Honors—Jack Dock-

stater, Clara Donaldson, Donald Kil-

bourne, Beatty Johnston, Gladys

Thompson, Pass—Earl Arscott, Fred

Fowler, Gordon Gunn, Marjory Sims,

Willie Crittle, Madeline Maker, George

Hickson, Vera Allister, Below 50 per

cent—Clarence Birrell, Ida McLeod,

Unclassified—Lorne Finch, Vera

Wood, Jessie Ashton.

Grade VI—Honors—Marion Wrig-

ton, Margaret Gemmell, Cecil Coe, Joe

Lacard, Bert Brown, Pearl Lewis,

Hazel Gilbank, Cooper Gilbert, Mar-

garet Thomson, Reggie Turner, Erna

gear, Philip Woolley, Russell Gilbert,

Wilfred Rogers, Ted Samont, Ella

Rindelhart, Arthur Templar, Pass—

Willie Paul, George Lockwood, Mar-

garet Bernard, Vera Nelson, Isabel

Cowan, Roy Curtis, Willie Walden,

Gladys Grenfell, Carl Eoss, Jack

Smith, Edward Plaster, Doris Wil-

kins, Irene Pope, Olive Thorne, Leslie

Bowman, Lillian Douglas, Newton Ma-

loney, Pearl McLeod, Helen Bridgman

and Dorothy Ritter.

Grade VII—Richard Bayly, Gordon

Stewart, Gertie Stone, Harold Bowen,

Birdie Ames, Laura Pope, Adolph

Stilson, Irene Holder, Lella Coghlan,

Harold Turner, Leonard Wilkins,

Willie Platt, Tom Coghlan, Gerald

Brund, Essie McCree, Willie Har-

wood, Wreathia Hoskins, Annie Maker,

Leslie Edwards, Cora Smith, Leland

Wainwright, James McIntosh, Bella

Thompson, Harry Cole, Kathleen

James, Jessie Carter, Eric Mitchell,

Magdalen Webster, Wm. Clark, Geo-

dollin Sereaton, Hilton Brown, Earl

Service, Maud Terryberry, Roger

Ferguson, Adamson Webster, Harry

Coulson, Ernest Westervelt, Stuart

Draper, Orville Howe, Vivian Wilcox,

Lenore Coughlin, Marshall Parker,

Newman Thomson, John Canning,

Clifford Walton, Trist Walden, Jessie

Kipp.

HURON POULTRY SHOW BEST ON RECORD

Fifteenth Annual Exhibition Now Be-
ing Held at Clinton.

Clinton, Dec. 22.—The fifteenth annual poultry exhibition of Huron County now being held in Clinton is a credit to the poultry fanciers of the district. In some of the classes there are some fine specimens, especially in White and Barred Rocks and Hamburgs. In Black Orpingtons, a small class, A. Switzer, Woodham, wins out. Mr. Angus, Wingham, shows a hen of a grand type. He wins in Buffs and Black Langshans.

J. Hourie, Goderich, wins in Buff

Cochins.

Light Brahmas—P. Daly & Son, of

Seaford, and F. Angus divide the hon-

or. Barred Rocks—Wm. Leod, of Lon-

don, makes a clean sweep in this

class.

White Rocks—Durst Bros., Benmil-

ler, and J. Ortwine, Hensall, showed

some fine specimens, in fact, were

worthy of special mention.

Golden Wyandottes—P. Daly & Son,

Seaford, makes a clean sweep.

Silver Wyandottes—J. Ortwine, of

Hensall, P. Daly & Son, Seaford, and

A. Switzer, Woodham, were winners.

Buff Wyandottes—All to Ortwine

and Switzer.

White Wyandottes—J. Ortwine and

Fred Baker, Goderich, won out.

Columbian Wyandottes—Lowery &

Ballantyne, of Seaford, made a sweep.

Silver Laced—All to Switzer.

Black Minorcas—S. C. D. Cantelon,

Clinton, wins everything but second

cock.

Black Minorcas—All to P. Doupe,

Brown Leghorns—W. Hamblin, of

Clinton, shows some good ones.

Brown Leghorns—R. C. Henderson,

T. Billings and P. Daly & Son divide

honors.

Black Leghorns—All to Switzer.

White Leghorns—Lowery & Ballan-

tyne and John Rice.

Black Spanish—All to J. G. Hourie,

Andalusians—All to Switzer and a

very fine class.

S. C. Rhode Island Reds—Onslow

Crick, Clinton, wins in this class, as

also do A. O. Patterson, Clinton, and

T. J. Hill, Wingham.

Hamburg—W. Carter, Constance,

takes everything in sight, and has

some fine birds. A Silver-Spangled

cock was best bird in the show.

Clarence Paisley, Clinton, won out

on White-Crested Black Poland.

Houdans—F. Angus and Frank Hall,

Clinton, were the winners in this class.

Black Cochins Bants—A. C. Levy, of

Clinton, had a nice exhibit, and made

a clean sweep.

Black Cochins Bants—Seabrights and

Black African, all went to W. Carter,

Constance.

Mr. A. Switzer, of Woodham, made

66 entries and won 60 prizes.

Mr. L. G. Jarvis, Grimsby, placed

the awards, to the entire satisfaction

of all concerned. Mr. Jarvis knows the

poultry business from A to Z, and is

one of the best poultry judges in Can-

ada. He is also an authority on score

card judging. The men behind the

show are all enthusiastic poultry

breeders.

Below will be found a few of the of-

ficers: President, H. E. Rourke; vice-

president, W. Carter; secretary, F.

Hal; treasurer, T. Monaghan; audi-

tors, A. J. Griggs and D. Cantelon; di-

rectors, R. Carling, C. Senior, J. F.

Daly, W. J. Brown, T. Bower, J. Hen-

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A splendid gift for any man or boy:

Men's Black Cardigan Jackets,

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Other special lines in all sizes, at

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Just 43 of these Swagger Military Collar and Convertible Collar Coats for boys, in sizes 28 to 33. Handsome brown, gray and olive tweed effects, in new stripe designs. Perfect fitting and with lots of real smart style. Odd sizes of lines selling regularly at \$6.50 to \$8.50. Your choice tomorrow at \$5.40

100 pairs Boys' Lion Brand Knee Pants, worth up to \$1.25 a pair, selling at 69¢

We're cleaning up our stock of these, so come early and get first choice in size and color.

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Another big bargain in much-favored gifts. These are English Vests, in assorted colors and all sizes 34 to 42.

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One line of Silk Poplin Reefers with hemstitched ends; another in fancy pattern English square: colors have sold out, at \$1.50. Balance now at \$1.00

Boys' \$1 Fringed Gauntlet Gloves 69¢

Broncho Style Lined Gauntlet Gloves with fringe on cuffs; tan kid and buck finish. Specially well made, in all sizes. To clear at 69¢

Special Showing of Holiday Shirts

Plain White, in starched, soft and pleated effects; colors in soft front and pleated. A splendid lot of new patterns and colors 69¢ to \$1.50

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If that is your thought, come straight to this store for men, for here you'll find, at moderate prices, smart styles in Furnishings that men will wear with pride. Useful things to wear never fail to be appreciated, and we box them in a way that's suggestive of Christmas good-will.

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What man ever had too many? Here are kinds that you can give with every confidence:

Pure Irish linen, hemstitched, plain. Worth

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Pure linen and linen-finished cambrie, hem-

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Every kind for every use, at prices that you'll be glad to pay. Fancy boxes for most lines:

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and mocha,

at \$2 to \$2.50

Fownes' English Cape and Dogskin, unlined

and silk

lined \$1 to \$1.50

Boys' Gloves, wool-lined, in kid and suede;

some with

fur wrist 75¢ to \$1

Boys' "Broncho" Fringed Gauntlet Gloves,

lined; tan and

**INTERMEDIATES IN
OPENER TONIGHT**

Local O. H. A. Team Will Play
Exhibition Match at
Princess Rink.

OPPONENTS FROM BERLIN

A New Junior Schedule Has Been
Drawn Up For London, St. Thomas,
Ingersoll and Woodstock.

The London intermediate O. H. A. team will go into the first game of the season this evening, when they meet the Berlin crew, piloted by Eddie Wettlaufer.

The teams will be on the ice at 8:30 at the Princess Rink, and a big crowd is looked for, as this will be the first opportunity the public will have to get a direct line on the "home-hopes" of 1910-1911. The London team has been on the ice for some time in practice, and it is said that the men will make a very fine showing.

As Paris has dropped out of the junior group, a new schedule has been drawn up. It follows:

Jan. 4—St. Thomas at Ingersoll.
Jan. 6—London at Woodstock.
Jan. 9—Ingersoll at London.
Jan. 11—Woodstock at St. Thomas.
Jan. 13—Woodstock at Ingersoll.
Jan. 18—London at St. Thomas.
Jan. 20—London at Ingersoll.
Jan. 23—Woodstock at London.
Jan. 25—Ingersoll at St. Thomas.
Jan. 27—St. Thomas at Woodstock.
Jan. 30—St. Thomas at London.

Referees were appointed as follows:

F. Rankin and H. Peel, London; Jack McLennan and James Gunn, Woodstock; Dr. R. A. Williams and Charles Woolson, Ingersoll; F. A. Johns and J. M. Sinclair, St. Thomas.

Joe West

Who Will Attend American Bowling
Congress in St. Louis, With a Buf-
falo Team, This Winter.

**PETROLEA TOWN PROUD
OF THAT RUGBY CREW**

Oil Men Scored 138 Points to 31 in
Games Preceding the Final Contest.

The Petrolea Topic gives an account of the meeting at which the Oil Town's protest was heard, and adds the following information:

The Petrolea club had a most successful season up to the final game in Hamilton, and looked good for the championship.

They had won the western division, with five clubs in the field. Had defeated the Alerts in Petrolea by a score of 13 to 4.

They went into the final game at Hamilton with a nine-point lead, and a record in eight games played this season of 138 points to their credit, and only 31 scored against them. Their line had only been crossed once for an earned touch.

Our boys have a record for good, clean sport. We are proud of them, and much credit is due them for the splendid showing they have made this season.

They have done honor not only to Petrolea, but to the whole western division.

**KUSEL IS SIGNED
BY THE BREWERS**

Detroit Boy Has Seen Service in Ak-
ron and Zanesville.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 22.—Manager Barrett's team rounding up the youngsters is beginning to bear fruit, and the latest addition to the Brewers' squad for 1911 is Bill Kusel, of Detroit, a promising outfielder, who played the winter work for Akron and Zanesville last year. Kusel has just signed his contract for the 1911 season, and will be at Camp Green with the rest of the youngsters, looking for a berth on the Milwaukee team of the American Association.

**THE MEDICOS WIN
CITY LEAGUE GAME**

Defeat West's Imperials By One
Hundred and Two Pins
on National.

SAWBONES ARE LEADERS

Blue Labels Stand Second, and Ram-
blers Third in Record of
Winings—The Scores.

STANDING OF LEAGUE.		
	Won.	Lost.
Medics	4	2
Blue Labels	3	3
Rambler	2	4
West's Imperials	2	4

West's Imperials were again defeated last night on the National Alleys in a City League match, the Medics turning the trick by 102 pins.

The captain of the losers ran up the highest total, with 645, and his single score of 198 was beaten by one pin by Turner, of the Sawbones. The scores:

	Medics	Blue Labels	Rambler	West's Imperials
Wagner	141	147	146	147
Turner	145	169	156	151
Kellor	142	158	146	146
Collins	139	149	139	145
Washburn	151	192	173	171
Totals	899	815	828	827

	West's Imperials	Totals
James	144	145
Jones	159	182
Irving	146	156
Johnston	127	109
West	185	199
Totals	761	719

**ANNUAL MATCH OF
THISTLE CURLERS**

A President vs. Vice-President
Match Will Be Played on
Christmas Morning.

GAMES IN AFTERNOON

Skips Have Been Appointed for Tank-
ard and Club Events During
Season.

The Thistle Curling Club is preparing for the annual Christmas Day President vs. Vice-President match, and Monday morning will witness warm clashes on the north end rinks.

Notices have been issued to members of the club, stating that the draw will be made at the rink on the holiday morning at 9:30, and play will commence immediately afterwards. F. D. McDonald is the president and T. K. Poole vice-president. A number of good matches will also be arranged for 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The executive of the club has appointed the following skips for the season: Ontario tankard, S. D. Swift and James Burnett.

Western Ontario, R. N. Allen and Dr. Andy Scott.

District cup, A. E. Barbour and W. F. Boulmer.

Cott's League, John Minihinnick and James McDonald.

The following are the club skips: F. P. Betts, Grant Backus, H. S. Blackburn, W. Fulton, R. W. Glover, W. M. Gowenlock, T. Gillen, C. M. R. Graham, A. M. Heaman, J. McIntosh, D. McCreary, R. D. McDonald, T. K. Poole, John Purdon, F. E. Ramsdell, P. H. Rankin, F. P. Riddle, C. A. Ross, C. E. Sterling, W. T. Syron, A. Talbot, A. Tilson, A. Tory, C. H. Tume and A. Gillman.

**NEW YORK NATIONALS TO
TRAIN AT MARLIN, TEX.**

Have Long Schedule Arranged for
Matches From March 4 to Sea-
son's Opening.

[Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 22.—The New York National League club will train next spring in Marlin, Texas, and while in that state will play exhibition games with the Waco, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and Galveston teams. The exhibition schedule follows:

March 4 and 5—One team in Waco and one in Dallas.

March 11 and 12—One team in Fort Worth and one in Dallas.

March 18 and 19—One team in Houston and one in Galveston.

March 25 and 26—One team in Dallas, one in Fort Worth, and one in Shreveport.

March 28—Birmingham.

March 29, 30, 31 and April 1—Atlanta.

April 2—Greensboro.

April 4—Norfolk.

April 5 and 6—Richmond.

April 7—Baltimore.

April 8—With Yale, in New York.

April 9—Jersey City.

April 10—With Jersey City, in New York.

**CHAMPION TO REFEREE
MILWAUKEE GLOVE BOUT**

Fight Takes Place Next Monday
Night—Goes Ten Rounds.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 22.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion, will act as referee on Monday night in the ten-round glove bout in this city between Bob Moha, of this city, and Tommy Quill, of Boston.

**Fur Coats
Fur-Lined Coats
Fur-Collar Coats**

At January prices.

\$25.00 Fur-Collar Overcoats,
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\$24, \$26 and \$28 Hand-Tailored
Overcoats, in the best imported
Irish chevots, English chevots,
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beavers. Tailoring that commands
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Handsome Negligee and Pleat-
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arrived today, selected from our
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Other special lines at **53c** and
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Make very acceptable gifts.
Gold and silver mounted, silk,
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VERY SPECIAL PRICES.

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Another large shipment to
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AND THE GREAT RECORD OF CLOTHING SELLING OF THIS STORE is becoming a matter of history in the annals of Clothing merchandising in Western Ontario. The news of our GREAT 20-DAY CLOTHING CLEARING SALE spreads out over the whole Western Peninsula like the electrical ether wave of the Marconi Wireless, striking a responsive chord in every home in every town and city, every village and district within a radius of over half a hundred miles, bringing in customers and their friends by the hundreds, and orders by mail and telephone from as far north as Stratford, Goderich and Southampton, and from Woodstock right up to Windsor and Chatham. THE GREAT ADVANTAGE OF BUYING HERE, where all the best makers' goods are concentrated, is fast being recognized by the shrewdest buyers of London and Middlesex. As well might the farmer of a seven-acre plot claim to compete with the man of a four hundred-acre farm in the overhead cost of his produce, as the small clothing manufacturer, making for a half dozen stores, to equal the values of a house with six of Canada's largest makers (each making for over four hundred of Canada's brightest clothing stores), catering with quality and keen quotations for our orders.

WE SIMPLY COULDN'T RESIST THE TEMPTATION—One of Canada's best manufacturers came to us with his overmakes of Suits and Overcoats; the prices were so ridiculously low that we simply could not resist the temptation. Will hand them out on Saturday.

Overcoats at \$9.60

Overcoats that most houses would call \$16.00 garments, and that would have to be sold at that figure if bought at the regular prices.

Overcoats at \$12.20

You can save enough on one of these Overcoats to make a whole family happy with handsome gifts. Come and see.

Overcoats at \$7.48

Handsome black beaver, heavy twill lined, and convertible collar, Tweed Overcoats, the best \$10.00 Overcoats ever shown in London.

Overcoats at \$4.80

These Coats were purchased at exactly half wholesale prices. We hand you over the benefit of our buying as a Christmas gift.

To make a record of Suit Selling on Saturday, every Colored Worsted and Scotch and Irish Tweed Suit in our house will be marked at interesting prices, and they are all of this season's make here again.

\$5.50 and \$6.00 Suits for **\$3.20**
\$7.00 and \$7.50 Suits, for **\$4.80**
Suits that are worth up to \$10.00 **\$5.80**
\$10.00 and \$12.00 Suits at **\$7.60**
But more interesting still will be our lines at \$8.60, \$9.60, \$11.60, \$12.20, \$14.80, \$16.20 and \$19.75.

**A BIG DAY FOR THE BOYS IN OUR
OVERCOATS AND SUITS.**

Suits at \$1.18 and \$1.98, \$2.40, \$2.98, \$3.98 and \$4.80, that in most stores would cost almost double.

Boys' \$7.50 and \$8 Convertible and College Overcoats, \$5.20
Other lines very special at \$3.90, \$4.60, \$4.90, \$5.90 and \$6.90

**HANDSOME HOLIDAY GIFTS IN SPLENDID
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In a magnificent abundance of selection; New York's and London, England's, handsest patterns; everything that's in good taste 50c, 75c, 90c and \$1.00

**100 DOZEN OF THE REGULAR
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Boys' Nor-west Gauntlets, in buckskin, shades of tan and mocho. 75c and 95c

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**GOLD-PLATED LINKS AND SCARF
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Our three for a dollar Dowler special
Hose are readily acknowledged the great-
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Pyjamas, Night Gowns, in many
special lines.

Christmas Mufflers

75 dozen Knitted Mufflers, one and two clasp, Phoenix, Monarch and Bradley; three special lines 25c, 35c, 50c

**SILK MUFFLERS, IN REEFERS
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In a very choice array of colors, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00.

**Combination Brace, Garter and Armet
Sets 50c, 65c, \$1.00 and \$1.40**

Silk-Plated Web Braces, handsomely boxed. Special 25c

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CAPS.**

25c, 50c, 75c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.25.

**Extra Staff---Extra Parcel Boys and Extra Hands in Our Workshop---
Don't Forget That a Dowler Overcoat or a Dowler Suit Makes
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**R.H. & J. DOWLER 176-178
Dundas St.****M'INTOSH OFFERS BAT
NELSON THREE FIGHTS**

Former Title Holder Can Have Battles
in January, February and March.

Battling Nelson may go to England and meet some of the English lightweights before he engages in return bouts with either Wolgast or Moran.

Nelson today received a letter from Hugh McIntosh, Australian fight promoter, who is at present staging bouts for the National Sporting Club of London, offering the former lightweight champion three bouts in the British Isles. Nelson is undecided as to whether he will accept or not.

One of these bouts is to take place in January, another in February, and the last in March.

TALES OF GREAT 'UNS

When Bill Armour, then manager of the Cleveland team and owner of the Toledo club, went to Burlington, Ia., and plucked George Stovall from the bushes, he grabbed a youngster all ready to break into the big league. And the streak of blue fire Stovall left behind him is still remembered.

The old-timers on the Nap payroll, Lajoie and Bradley especially, didn't treat the recruit very well at first. Strange to say, for men who could shoot a ball across the infield and hit a man's glove, they took to throwing wild, making it difficult for the big first baseman to get the ball. The impression gained ground that the vets were trying to show up the kid, and the crowd got after them.

On the way from Burlington Cleveland Armour impressed four vital points on Stovall. What he said to him was:

"Always get the ball before you get the bag; the bag is no good without the ball."

"If you have to step away from the

bag to take the throw, do it; never let the ball get by for the sake of keeping your foot on the bag."

"Every time you hit the ball run it out, no matter how small your chance of reaching first ahead of the ball may be."

"Keep talking all the time you are in the game. Never mind what you talk about, just keep your jaw working; have something to say all the time."

Stovall obeyed. He became one of the best fielding first basemen in the business. He still goes to first like a coit, and he is one of the gabbiest infielders playing. He is one seasoned veteran who never forgot his manager's instructions—and that's why three or four American League clubs want to take him at almost any price today.

When Rube Waddell was burning up the American League for Connie Mack in Milwaukee, which was before the team was transferred to Philadelphia, he made the wise one sit up and take notice one afternoon.

The Brewers were playing the first of a double-header, and it went 17 innings before Waddell finally beat the White Sox, who were playing against the foam blower.

Waddell looked so good in that first game that Mack decided to use him in the second, and said, as the big fellow walked to the bench, hot and flushed: "Rube, do you think you can work in the second game?"

"Don't know until I get warmed up," announced the left-handed freak, as he grabbed a towel and mopped his face.

In 1904, when the going was rocky for the Athletics, Rube Waddell, sitting in front of the hotel in New York one evening, announced to several newspaper men: "They say virtue is its own reward, and I guess it is a fact."

"How's that, Rube?" one of the correspondents asked.

"Well, I promised Connie I'd behave this season, and I've kept my word so far, but I ain't winning half as many games as when I was working both sides of the bar."

The oldest city in the world is Damascus. Tyro and Sidon have crumbled on the shore; Baalbec is a ruin; Palmyra is buried in a deadly silence; Nineveh and Babylon have disappeared from the Tigris and Euphrates. Damascus remains what it was before the days of Abraham—a centre of trade and travel—an isle of verdure in the desert, "a presidential capital," with martial and sacred associations extending through thirty centuries.

The most accurate timekeeper in the world is said to be the electric clock in the basement of the Berlin observatory. It is inclosed in an airtight glass cylinder, and has frequently run for periods of two or three months with an average daily deviation of only fifteen-one-thousandths of a second. Yet astronomers are not satisfied even with this, and efforts are continually being made to secure ideal conditions for a clock by keeping it not only in an airtight case, but in an underground vault where changes neither of temperature nor of barometric pressure shall ever affect it.

To Cure a Cold

While you sleep, take "Weeks' Break-Up-a-Cold Tablets," 25 cents. Anderson & Nelles, authorized agents, vxz

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When you pay more than the Rayo price for a lamp, you are paying for extra decorations that cannot add to the quality of the light. You can't pay for a better light, because there is none. An oil light has the least effect on the human eye, and the Rayo Lamp is the best oil lamp made, though low in price. You can pay \$5, \$10, or \$20 for some other lamp, and although you get a more costly lamp, you can't get a better light than the white, mellow, diffused, unflickering light of the low-priced Rayo.

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OLDTIME ROW AT CIVIC MEETING

Ex-Ald. Cooper and Ald. Tancock Had Lively Time in East London.

WORD "LIAR" PASSED

Ald. Tancock Said There Was a Certain Ex-Alderman Who Had Not Paid His License Fees for Three Years.



Ex-Alderman Cooper furnished the fireworks at a public meeting held in the East End Hall last night under the auspices of the East Side Boosters' Association.

He clashed with Ald. Tancock as soon as the latter made a reference to "an ex-alderman who had not paid his auctioning fees for three years."

Ex-Ald. Cooper arrived at the meeting, accompanied by a large cane, and as soon as Ald. Tancock had delivered the sentence about the auctioneer the ex-alderman gripped the big stick and started up the centre aisle, leaving in his wake a trail of sulphur and marks, to the effect that Ald. Tancock was not only a liar, but an unwashed one, and several other kinds, and that he would make his "prove his libel."

For ten minutes or more there was an uproar as Ald. Tancock endeavored to go on with his speech, and ex-Ald. Cooper tried to divert him and ask him questions. Finally Mr. Cooper took the platform and in forcible English told the people what Ald. Tancock had been doing and had not been doing through the year.

Cathcart Street Again.

In the course of his speech Ald. Tancock touched upon the Cathcart street matter at the request of a citizen, who said he wanted to know what the trouble was all about.

Ald. Tancock explained that last year's council had against the wishes of the people, put through a bylaw for a curb and gutter. The work had to be done on this year, and at one end of the street the drain was two feet higher than it was at the other. The road was a clay one, and when the improvement was started in order to make a good job of it a lot of work was required.

Mr. Cooper Makes Charge.

Ex-Ald. Cooper charged Ald. Tancock with spending a large sum of money to fix up the Proof Line road because he wanted to drive over it.

Ald. Tancock, in reply, said he was born at Masonville, and often drove out that way. He usually went out to his old home, he explained, by way of Adelaide street, and very often returned around by West London, and really used the road very much. He denied that he had had the road fixed for his own use.

Mr. Cooper in the course of his remarks said that an alderman was sitting at the council board and could not own property in London and could not qualify.

Talks of Junks.

"This man," he said, "can vote to send fifty men to Ottawa. That trip cost the city fully \$1,000. They talk about the old council spending money on junks, these fellows have spent more than we ever did. They accused us sometimes of being dishonest, but I want to say that in all the thirteen years that I sat at the council I never saw a dishonest act. These men—some of them are in the hall now—last year came out and told you what a bad lot we were. They have been there now for a year, and I want to ask them what did they get?"

"What did you get?" he shouted. "I want some of you to tell me what did you get?"

Ex-Ald. Cooper said that \$150 had been spent at the armories, and he thought it was wrongfully expended. He referred to the power banquet at Berlin, and then wanted to know why it was proposed to charge \$5 a plate in London.

"They couldn't get enough people to go at that price," said the ex-alderman, "and had to call the thing off."

The Snow Bylaw.

Mr. Cooper said he would like to see the council that would make him shovel the snow from in front of his residence, as some of this year's men proposed to do.

"They don't know how to be men," he said. "Wait till I am mayor and after next, and I will show them what they will do."

Ex-Ald. Cooper made an attack on Ald. Tancock about the furnace which had been destroyed in Ald. Tancock's home.

"He wanted the city to pay him \$150 for a furnace which cost \$117," he shouted, "and because I wouldn't stand for it, he got the knife into me. I want to tell you gentlemen that if I am elected there is going to be something doing in the council next year."

WORK ON G. T. P. IS FORGING AHEAD

Mr. E. J. Chamberlin Back From Prince Rupert Speaks of Progress.

ROAD FINISHED IN 1913

This Winter 3,000 Men Will Be Employed on Contracts East of Edmonton.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Mr. E. J. Chamberlin, vice-president and general manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific, who returned from Prince Rupert last evening, again expressed the opinion at the Windsor, that early in 1913 their system will be completed from the head waters of the Bay of Fundy at Moncton to Prince Rupert, on the Pacific Ocean. He went up the Skeena about two hundred miles and states that there will be no less than six thousand men employed this winter on the different contracts east of Edmonton, and on the several sections of the Pacific slope.

As for the work completed east of the Rockies, Mr. Chamberlin drew attention to the fact that they have a completed road from Lake Superior to a point two hundred miles west of Alberta, or 1,500 miles in all. After January, he stated, no less than eighteen hundred teams will be employed getting in supplies for the work to be carried on next year, west of Edmonton, and fifteen hundred were engaged last year at the same work. On the Pacific side work was being done on the four tunnels on the Upper Skeena representing a total of about 2,200 feet. The first was completed, and while the second will be pierced in March, the third and last tunnel will be completed later in the season. This work has been done quickly, and few accidents have occurred. As regards the gap of four hundred miles which the Grand Trunk Pacific had yet to put under contract, Mr. Chamberlin made the following statement:

All Surveyed.

"This stretch of about four hundred miles has all been surveyed, and finally located for some time past, and will, no doubt, be put under contract during the coming year, but as it would be very difficult to carry on the work, along this section of our road, before the east and west contracts are well nigh finished, you can see that there is no unnecessary delay. Following the first section of 100 miles immediately east of Prince Rupert, a second 130 miles of road is under way, and this, with a stretch east of the Rockies constitute the most difficult and costly work on our entire system. The work, however, presents no engineering difficulties that have not already been as good as overcome, and when it is all done, we will have the finest railway in this or any other country on the American continent. Coming back to the four hundred mile stretch yet to be given out to contract, there are three hundred miles of this in direct touch with the Fraser and other water communication, so the difficulties of getting in supplies and material for construction will not be considerable, hence the claim that the gap will be filled without very much difficulty. In a word it is much easier than the work to which I have just alluded."

It is evident from Mr. Chamberlin's remarks last evening that the company is a going concern, much attention to the section designated as the Vancouver branch, which may strike southward from the main line at Fort George, although he said that further surveys may cause the company to change the location of the starting point. There are, however, three parties in the field, finding the best possible way down from the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific to the harbor of Vancouver, a distance of about 500 miles. Mr. Chamberlin said this branch will not be started until the main line is through to the coast. Prince Rupert is a going concern, and the Pacific terminal of the G. T. P., but that company is too progressive to overlook the importance of such an important section as Vancouver, hence their legitimate desire to obtain as early as possible all data and information touching the character of the country tributary to that half of a thousand miles of branch railway, running southwest from Fort George or some other equally important point on the main line west of the pass.

"How much steel will you lay on your branch lines during the coming year?" was asked.

"That is exactly what the president asked me this afternoon, and I surprised Mr. Hays by saying that I would at least require 675 miles of steel for the branches during 1911," replied Mr. Chamberlin.

While visiting the country both east and west of the Rocky Mountains, Mr. Chamberlin reached the conclusion that the mineral wealth of the country traversed by the Grand Trunk Pacific will surprise the world. He consequently expects thousands in there the coming spring, as he fully believes that the right-of-way will be practically covered by prospectors.

WORKMEN FROM SCOTLAND

Men Wanted To Build the Grand Trunk Pacific Road.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Mr. W. Stewart of the firm of Foley, Walsh & Stewart, contractors for the mountain sections of the Grand Trunk Pacific, which will represent an outlay of many millions of dollars, has left for Scotland to secure labor for the gigantic undertaking.

There is very little labor available on the Pacific coast, and public sentiment will not tolerate, nor will the Dominion or provincial governments sanction the importation of Asiatic labor. Mr. Stewart is hopeful of getting the five thousand men he needs to build the road through the mountains. He says those men will make good settlers, after the road is constructed. "They will cost us more," said Mr. Stewart, "than Asiatics would have done, but the railway and the country will have the advantage of five thousand acclimated settlers of the finest race the world has produced."

DECLARES M'SORLEY HAS MADE CONFESSION

That He Packed and Shipped the Body Found in Barrel at Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Chief McCaskill, of the provincial detective force, received the following telegram at noon today:

"Toronto, Dec. 22.—J. G. McCaskill, chief Government detective: Body Matthew Johnston buried Nov. 19. Stolen from cemetery Nov. 22 by McSorley. Son going to Montreal to get body. McSorley under arrest. (Signed, J. E. Rogers, chief Inspector Government police.)"

According to a statement, given to the press this morning by Superintendent Rogers, of the provincial police, John McSorley, of Jarvis, has confessed to Inspector Reburn, who arrested him at Jarvis last night, that he packed and shipped the body which was found in a barrel in a cold storage warehouse in Montreal.

Inspector Reburn, who was in communication with the provincial police headquarters this morning, says that McSorley told him that he got the body from a man whom he had never seen before. He was arraigned before the police magistrate at Jarvis this morning and remanded. He will likely come up for trial at Cayuga. It is thought likely that he will be confronted by a charge of forgery, brought by the G. T. P., as he is accused of having signed the name of another man to the shipping bill. Johnson's second son left Jarvis this morning to claim his father's body, which is in the keeping of the Attorney-General of Quebec.

A ROYAL HOLIDAY.

London, Dec. 22.—King George today dropped political cares for the time being and went to Sandringham for the Christmas season. The royal family is still in mourning for the late King Edward, but this will not inter-

Sale of Silk Waists Worth \$2.25

Most stores would have kept these for a January sale, but we put them on sale tomorrow. Beautiful Silk Waists, in the very newest style; front of tucks and insertion, fashionable, new long sleeves, all sizes, but in white only. Every waist regular \$2.25 value. On sale special,

\$1.89

MAIL ORDERS FILLED.



Special Regal Taffeta Underskirts, Worth \$2.50 Each, Special \$2.00

Fine quality Regal Taffeta, with deep shirred flounce and dust frill; especially suited for the new style skirts. These make handsome Christmas gifts. We have all sizes. On sale Saturday for

A "Hurry Out" Sale of Stylish New Millinery at One-Half Off

A Christmas Hat—You save one-half and are assured of exclusiveness, style and quality. Kingsmill's Millinery is very moderately priced at all times, but a half-price offer will mean a crowd of eager buyers. Come early.

Women's Silk Hosiery Specials

PRETTILY BOXED FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

PURE SILK STOCKINGS, with lisle top and foot, in all the newest shades, champagne, pink and sky; excellent for wear; a handsome Christmas gift. Per pair

SILK LISLE STOCKINGS, with all the appearance of silk; sky, Copenhagen, pink, mauve, bronze, London smoke, navy, rose, white, etc.; guaranteed fast colors. Special, per pair

Women's and Children's Warm Winter Coats at Half. An Important Sale. Come

Every coat in the store in this sale, and all new this season; all colors, all cloths, all styles and all sizes. Hundreds to choose from. A new coat will make a handsome Christmas gift. Prices are

Saturday's Handkerchief Special

Mourning Handkerchiefs, regular 50c and 65c each. On sale

Special Lincn Handkerchiefs, crossbar all linen, three for

Real Honiton Handkerchiefs. Special, each

MEN'S TAPE-BORDER HANDKERCHIEFS, regular 22c each, special, dozen, \$1.25



See Our Handbags, Purses and Musical Cases.

Kingsmill's

Christmas Belts, Collars, Ties and Ostrich Boas.

Kingsmills

Store Open Tonight from 7:30 Till 10 o'Clock



Sole Agents for Wertheimer GLOVES

Two-Clasp "Sovereign," gusseted fingers, Paris points, in gray, ox-blood, tan, navy, green, brown, white and black

Two-Clasp "Waldorf," pique sewn and gusseted, in new shades gray, green, tan, navy, brown, white and black

Two-Clasp "Carlton," very fine quality kid, overseam, gusseted, with Paris points or embroidery, in beaver, fawn, gray, tan, brown, white and black

"Astoria" Reindeer Gloves, neat and warm, in gray, beaver and new green

Special line of French Suede Gloves, in gray and black

Two-Clasp Tan Mocha, fur lined throughout. Special, \$2.50

\$1 Kid Gloves 79c

Fine French Kid Gloves, two-clasp, some with gusseted fingers; tans, browns, grays, champagne, white, mode and black; every pair worth at least \$1.00. On sale

Hearth Rugs \$2.35

Worth a lot more, all colors, finest Axminster qualities. Only a few left.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. EARNBURN TUNNEL TO SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND TORONTO. Arrive from the east—3:45 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:15 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Depart for the west—12:00 a.m., 12:15 a.m., 1:30 a.m., 3:30 a.m., 5:30 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:15 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

LONDON AND WINDSOR. Arrive—10:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m., 4:50 p.m., 11:35 p.m. Depart—6:35 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 9:10 p.m.

STRAITFORD BRANCH. Arrive—8:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:35 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 11:25 p.m. Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:25 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE. Arrive—10:00 a.m., 6:10 p.m. Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:40 p.m.

Trains marked * run daily. Those not marked daily, except Sunday. MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY. Arrive—1:04 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m., 8:35 p.m. Depart—7:20 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 6:35 p.m., 10:11 p.m.

PERE MARQUETTE Holiday Excursions

Single First Class Fare For Round Trip Between all stations in Canada and

FOR CHRISTMAS—Good going Dec. 24-25; return limit, Dec. 27, 1910.

FOR NEW YEAR'S—Good going Dec. 31, 1910, Jan. 2, 1911; return limit, Jan. 3, 1911.

Minimum round trip excursion fare, 25c. Fare and one-third return, good going Dec. 21, 1910, to Jan. 2, 1911, inclusive (Sundays excepted); return limit, Jan. 4, 1911.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM Christmas and New Year's EXCURSIONS

BETWEEN ALL STATIONS IN CANADA At Single Fare

Good going Dec. 24, 25 and 26; return limit, Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1910. Also good going Dec. 31, 1910, and Jan. 1 and 2, 1911, valid returning until Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1911.

At Fare and One-Third Good going Dec. 21, 1910, to Monday, Jan. 2, 1911, inclusive, valid returning until Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1911.

Secure tickets and full particulars from H. E. RUSSE, G. P. A., and T. A. "Clock Corner"; H. M. HAYES, depot agent.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL "The Niagara Falls Route."

Christmas and New Year's

Return tickets will be sold to all stations in Canada, Detroit and Buffalo, at

Single Fare Good going Dec. 24, 25 and 26; return limit, Dec. 27, 1910. Also good going Dec. 31, 1910, and Jan. 1 and 2, 1911; return limit, Jan. 3, 1911.

Fare and One-Third Good going daily, Dec. 21, 1910, to Jan. 2, 1911, inclusive; good returning up to and including Jan. 4, 1911.

Full information and tickets gladly furnished at city office, 465 Richmond street. Phone 256. Thomas Evans, G. P. A., and T. A. S. H. Palmer, D. P. A., St. Thomas; O. W. Ruggles, G. P. A., Chicago.

WABASH WINTER TOURIST TICKETS

will be on sale Nov. 1 to April 30, at greatly reduced rates, from all Wabash stations to points in California, Texas, Old Mexico and other southern and western points.

The Wabash winter tourist route between the east and the west. For rates and other information apply to your nearest Wabash agent, or address J. A. RICHARDSON, district passenger agent, 61 Yonkers street, Toronto, and St. Thomas, Ont.

Traction Company Christmas Holiday Rates

Tickets good going Dec. 24, 25 and 26. Return limit, Dec. 27.

Also Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 2; return limit, Jan. 3.

CANADIAN PACIFIC Christmas New Year's Rates

Single Fare Dec. 24, 25, 26; return limit, Dec. 27. Also Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 2; return limit, Jan. 3.

Fare and One-Third Dec. 21 to Jan. 2; return limit, Jan. 4.

To all stations in Canada east of Port Arthur, Buffalo, Detroit, Niagara Falls, etc.

W. FULTON, G. P. A. and T. A., 161 Dundas street, corner Richmond.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP TICKETS

AMERICAN LINE. N. Y.—Plymouth—Cherbourg—Shampong Philadelphia—Queenstown—Liverpool.

ATLANTIC TRANSPORT LINE. New York—Direct.

RED STAR LINE. New York—Cherbourg—Dover—Antwerp.

WHITE STAR LINE. New York—Queenstown—Liverpool. N. Y.—Plymouth—Cherbourg—Shampong Boston—Queenstown—Liverpool.

New York and Boston—Mediteranean. WHITE STAR—DOMINION LINE. Portland—Halifax—Liverpool.

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To the Trade MACMILLAN, CALDER & CO. Wholesale

FURS

We have in stock a complete range of MINK, PERSIAN LAMB SABLE and OTHER FURS In a great variety of Styles suitable for CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY TRADE

Letter orders receive our immediate attention.

Two hunters in Ecorse Township, Michigan, while looking for rabbits recently, unearthed nine large "blue racer" snakes. The largest measured 9 1/2 feet, and the smallest 4 1/2. The hunters narrowly escaped the snakes' fangs, but finally beat the reptiles to death.

LOCAL MERCHANTS WELL PLEASED

Christmas Business Has Been
the Best in the History
of the City.

POSTOFFICE IS SWAMPED

Carriers Are Now Assisted by an
Army of Boys in the Work of
Distributing the Mails.

London merchants are more than pleased with the volume of business they have done so far for Christmas. "It is away above the average this year," is the way they express it. For ten days local merchants have been as busy as they could possibly be all day, and far into the night, supplying the demands of countless shoppers, not only of London, but from all over the district.

Thousands of shoppers have come to the city by train to take advantage of the splendid assortment of goods that London stores can give them. From the shopper's standpoint there has been little to desire this year, and those who have made the round of the stores and thoroughly investigated all the choice goods that were on display, have only words of admiration for the enterprise the merchants have shown in securing such a splendid lot of merchandise.

A Wonderful Display.
Never in London's history has there been such a large display of high-grade goods. It has been brought from all parts of the earth, and set forth in a most attractive manner. The shopping district of London never presented a busier scene than it has this year, and at night with the thousands of electric lights on the streets, and in the windows, and the gay decorations the scene was indeed a brilliant one. Shoppers have shown their appreciation of the merchants' efforts, too, by buying more largely than ever.

Big Business.
Stores, which two weeks ago were fairly bursting with merchandise, and had goods piled on every shelf, and in every corner, are rapidly being cleaned out, and by the end of the week will have no more on hand than is required for the normal business. In many instances not even this much will remain, as greater demands have been made than were expected, and stocks have been depleted.

This is particularly true of grocers, confectioners and book sellers, all of whom have done an enormous business. The toy shops are rapidly being emptied of their stocks, and by Saturday night, only odds and ends of big consignments will remain.

Jewelers report that they have been swamped with business. One engraver told The Advertiser that he simply didn't know which way to twist to get his work out on time.

"Everybody wants his first," he said. "And the goods are coming in so fast that I simply can't do them all on time."

Druggists have done a fine trade in fancy goods of all kinds, and all are well pleased with the business that has come to them.

Hard on the Postmen.
Postmen and expressmen are perhaps the busiest men in the country this week. They have to handle the

shipping end of all the merchants of London put together, and an immense volume of business from outside. For days past the express cars have been piled to the roof with parcels, and every mail coach was simply crammed with big bags of matter.

The postoffice authorities say they have handled 50 per cent more matter this year than they ever did before. This morning the postmen had to take boys along with them, and each boy had a big sleigh, on which was placed a big box, piled high with parcels. As quickly as possible the men and boys got back to the office, only to fill up their bags and boxes from the big piles of matter awaiting them. As often as they returned, they always found an immense pile of letters, papers and parcels waiting for distribution, and every incoming train swelled the pile. So it will continue until Monday, and from now on the life of the carrier is one of unceasing toil. Some of the men say they fairly dream all night of the big bags of mail and big piles of parcels.

Waiting for Santa Claus.
Meanwhile in the homes of the city great preparations are being made for the celebration of Christmas. Thousands of children are lying awake at night and dreaming all day of the good things that Santa Claus is going to bring them. Thousands of busy housewives are up to their eyes in the work of preparing the Christmas feast and wondering if they put enough raisins in the pudding, or if the turkey is going to cook well, or if a thousand and one things may not happen to spoil the thing at the last minute.

Helping Others.
There is one aspect of the Christmas season that always brings satisfaction to a lot of Londoners and that is the chance to help make some poor folks less unfortunate than themselves. This work is being well looked after this year, and hundreds of people are doing little things, and are giving little things that will bring joy to men, women and little children.

The churches, the Salvation Army, and charitable organizations have been as busy as bees for some time seeking out people who are really in need, and as a result of their work many a home will be happier than it would have been had they not labored. "London is one of the best places I ever worked in," said a man engaged in charitable work. "All that we have to do is to let people know that we need money or supplies, and both are forthcoming in abundance. People here are very good indeed."

At Victoria Hospital this evening a Christmas tree for the nurses and patients is being held and many little gifts will be distributed.

Two Thousand Choice Turkeys.
Last night each one of McCleary's employees went home carrying a turkey neatly tied up in brown paper. No less than 765 turkeys were given away by the firm. Before Saturday it is estimated that London manufacturers will have distributed among their employees more than two thousand choice turkeys.

NATIONALISTS IN QUEBEC BY-ELECTION

St. John's, Que., Dec. 22. — Marcelin Robert, Liberal, and Henri Hebert, Nationalist, were today nominated for the provincial by-election in this riding.

Premier Sir Lomer Gouin, with Hon. Messrs. Mackenzie, Devlin and Decarie, spoke for the Government side and were given an excellent reception. The Opposition was represented by Mr. Teller, J. P. Prevost and Armand Lavergne, dealing mainly with the naval policy of the Federal Government.

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From the moment we began making clothes, we took the lead in selling them, and every year since we've gone further and further ahead of all competitors. This condition is inevitable, because:

FIRST—We make Ready-to-Wear Clothes that measure to the highest standard of correct dressers.

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Bountiful Clothing Specials for Men and Boys



Men's Suits

Very desirable patterns, in medium and dark colored high-grade fancy English worsted, mostly stripe effects, in finest, all-wool, winter weights and neat designs, in single-breasted style; sizes 36 to 42. Regular \$16.00, bargain price

\$9.98

Men's Suits

Very desirable patterns, in medium and dark colored fancy worsteds, all-wool, winter weights, single-breasted styles; sizes 35 to 42. Regular \$14.00, bargain price

\$7.48

Men's Convertible Collar Overcoats

In handsome Scotch tweed effects, novel weaves in diagonal, stripe and checked patterns, browns and several shades of grey, cut 50 inches in length, and the patented two-in-one convertible collar, easily and quickly adjusted. Regular \$20 and \$22, bargain price

\$14.98

Boys' Fancy Russian Overcoats

In two pretty designs, some single and some double breasted, buttoning close at the neck, with black velvet collar, military style to fit boys 3 to 8 years. Regular \$4.50 and \$5.00, bargain price

\$2.99

Christmas Offerings in Men's Furnishings

Our Men's Furnishings Department is overflowing with the choicest of gifts for men and boys. Just a few of the many specials you will find on our tables at Grafton's special prices:

Fancy Cashmere Socks 32c Pr

It simplifies Hosiery buying to be able to ask for it by number.

LINE NO. 23—At 32c pair, an unusually fine Cashmere Sock, in all the newest fancy shades. They would be excellent value at 50c the pair. Don't forget the price, pair

32c

Plain Cashmere Socks

Plain Cashmere Socks in a heavy weight, extra fine, with spliced heel and toes, a truly 50c Sock. The price has been cut in two for Saturday; bargain special

25c

Youths' College Ulsters

Neat patterns, in stripes of the favored wide wale diagonal weave, soft warm materials, full length, buttoning up to the chin, with military and convertible collar; sizes 29 to 35. Regular \$8.50; bargain price

\$5.99

Men's Trousers

In winter weight tweeds of medium and dark shades, also fancy striped worsteds, good range to choose from, well made, with desirable trimmings. Regular \$2.00 and \$2.25, bargain price

\$1.48

Boys' 3-Piece Suits

Of handsome rich tweeds, in fancy weaves, showing the diagonal effect with self or colored stripes on grey or dark fawn ground, double-breasted coat with long, shapely lapels, first quality lining; sizes 29 to 33. Regular \$7.00 to \$8.50, bargain price

\$4.99

Boys' 2-Piece Suits

In sizes 24 to 28, neat fancy woven tweeds, in dark and medium greys, olives and fawns; a good range of patterns, double-breasted coat with belt, a smart design; some with bloomers, some with knickers. Regular price \$4.50 and \$5.00, bargain price

\$2.99

Print Shirts 59c Each

This will be the greatest Shirt Sale we have ever attempted. 300 dozen of fine chambray, madras and percales to be placed on sale Saturday, worth \$1.00 and \$1.25. Get in on these before the sizes are broken up. Remember the price

59c

Line No. 29 at 17c Pair

This line is an extra heavy All-Wool Work Sock, a boon to the workman who requires cold-foot comfort, to be able to buy a 25c Sock, for pair

17c

DON'T FORGET WE HAVE AN ASSORTMENT TO SUIT THE MOST FASTIDIOUS IN HIGH-GRADE GLOVES, EXCLUSIVE NECKWEAR, DISTINCTIVE MUFFLERS, HANDKERCHIEFS, UMBRELLAS, BRACES AND COAT SWEATERS OF QUALITY.

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UNION MADE CLOTHING UNION MADE CLOTHING

"Sunkist" Oranges The Finest Fruit Grown

This Genuine Rogers Orange Spoon FREE

Save 12 "Sunkist" Orange wrappers and send them to us, with 12c in postage, etc., and we will present you with a genuine Rogers Orange Spoon, of beautiful design and highest quality. Begin saving wrappers today. Send 12 "Sunkist" wrappers and 12c for each additional spoon.

In remitting, please send cash when the amount is less than \$5; on amounts above \$5 we prefer postal note, money order, express order or bank draft.

We will be glad to send you complete list of our reliable premiums. We honor both "Sunkist" and "Red Bell" wrappers for premiums.

The orange is the most luscious and healthful fruit. California excels in quality of oranges. The best of the California oranges are now packed in individual wrappers labeled "Sunkist."

Five thousand orange farmers in California do their own packing, shipping and selling. They grade and select their crop into "firsts," "seconds," etc. The firsts are fancy, tree-ripened, hand-picked, seedless, fibreless, thin-skinned oranges—every individual orange a perfect specimen of the finest variety of oranges. They are not only more healthful and more palatable than other oranges, but they are actually cheaper, for they are nearly all meat and nourishment.

Your dealer sells "Sunkist" Oranges. Ask for them. You will know them by the tissue paper wrapper in which each "Sunkist" Orange is packed. You can buy them by the box or half box. On the wrapper note the label, "Sunkist." Keep all the wrappers. They are worth money to you.

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Honesty, Ability, Energy and Thrift are four of the most important Success Qualities. Cultivate them all industriously. Start developing Thrift THIS week. Get the habit of saving a part of your weekly or monthly salary in our Savings Dept., where it will work night and day earning interest for you. Then, when YOUR opportunity arrives you'll have the money necessary to take advantage of it.

Assets over \$12,500,000; Paid-up Capital, \$1,900,000; Reserve \$1,900,000.

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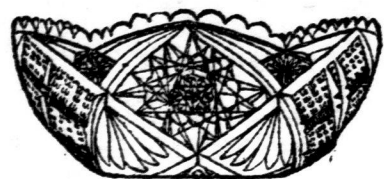
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For Two Great Days' Selling at

C. H. Ward & Co., Jewelers

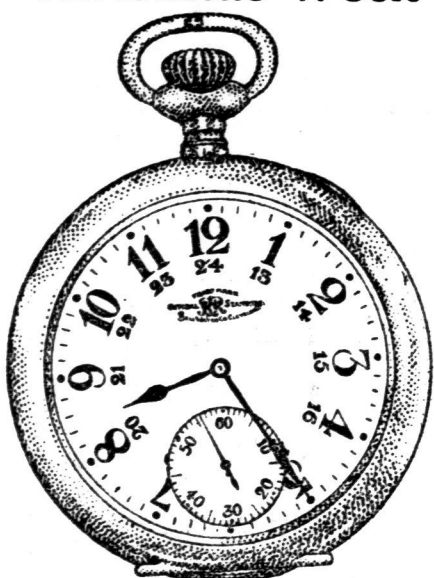
NO ONE WILL BE DISAPPOINTED who receives a gift that has been chosen from our stock. We have a choice selection of goods that are suitable as presents for fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, sweethearts or friends. If you wish anything in JEWELRY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, CUT GLASS, HAND-PAINTED CHINA, ROYAL CROWN DERBY, UMBRELLAS, WALKING STICKS, JEWEL CASES, CARVING SETS OR PEARL-HANDLED KNIVES AND FORKS, etc., you will find our values the best that can be offered.

Specials in Cut Glass



8-inch Bowls, at each.....\$2.75
5-inch Nappie, at each.....\$1.00
6-inch Bonbon, with handle.....\$1.75
Salt and Peppers, with sterling tops, per pair.....\$1.00 and \$1.25

Watch Specials for Christmas Week



3 only Gents' 16 size Open-Face, Fortune, gold-filled case, American movement; regular \$12.00, for.....\$6.00
Boys' Nickel Watches, regular \$1.50 for.....\$90c
Ladies' O size, Hunting case, gold-filled, Waltham movement, for.....\$8.00
Ladies' O size, 14k solid gold case with Waltham movement, for.....\$25.00
Ladies' O size, 14k solid gold case, with 17-jewel commercial Standard movement, for.....\$25.00
And others as high as.....\$175.00

See our Brush, Comb and Mirror Sets in silver, from.....\$7.50 to \$9.50

Specials in Pearl-Handled Goods

Pearl-Handled Knives and Forks, in beautiful oak case, regular \$10, for.....\$8.00

ROYAL CROWN DERBY SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK

CUPS AND SAUCERS, regular \$3.00, for.....\$2.15
BREAKFAST PLATES, regular \$2.75, for.....\$2.00
BREAD AND BUTTER PLATES, regular \$1.75, for.....\$1.25
Positively no telephone orders can be accepted for these articles after 10 a.m. Saturday.

Specials in Umbrellas

Gold and pearl handles, engraved; regular \$4.00, for.....\$3.25
Gold and pearl handles, engraved; regular \$6.00, for.....\$5.00
Gold and pearl handles, engraved; regular \$7.50, for.....\$6.50
Gold and pearl handles, engraved; regular \$10.00, for.....\$9.00



DIAMOND SPECIAL

Our regular \$5.00 Diamond Ring, mounted in 14k gold, this week for.....\$3.65

We guarantee them all to be cut stones, not chips.

THE STORE OF QUALITY.

OUR ENGRAVING DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED TO EXECUTE ALL OUR ENGRAVING BEFORE CHRISTMAS FREE OF CHARGE.

374 Richmond Street

Phone 1084

A PAPAL ORDER

Priests Forbidden From Acting as Officers in Fraternal Societies.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—It is announced at the apostolic delegation that an order has been issued by the Pope forbidding Roman Catholic priests to act as officers of industrial, co-operative, benevolent and fraternal societies, even in cases where membership is confined to Roman Catholics. The order will be of particular interest in the province of Quebec, where many co-operative societies have been organized by the curies in the rural districts.

STEAMERS ARRIVED
New York, Dec. 22.—Mendoza, George Washington, St. Louis, Liverpool—Carnegie, Zealand, Haverford, Lake Manitoba, Southampton—Adriatic, Havre—Niagara, Le Lorraine, Naples—Martha Washington, Duca degli Genoa.
Genoa—Canopic, Fishguard—Mauretania, Hong Kong—Empress of China.

Why Not Patronize an All-Canadian Cafe

WE ARE IT. COME AND SEE.
LONDON CAFE
231 DUNDAS STREET.
L. H. Martyn, Prop.
Frank A. Smith, Mgr.

MINOR ALLOWED IN POOLROOM

But the Proprietor Did Not Know Boy Was Under Age.

Jacob Harris was charged in the police court this morning with allowing a minor to frequent his poolroom in East London contrary to law. Harris stated that the youth in question had told his manager in the presence of a police officer that he was 18 last April. It was subsequently discovered that he will not be that age until April, 1911, and a charge was accordingly lodged against Mr. Harris.

The boy's home being in Lambeth, he was not present to give evidence, but Sgt. Birrell admitted the truth of Harris' claim that the boy had given his age wrongly. In dismissing the case, Mayor Beattie expressed his opinion that it is unfortunate under the bylaw as it stands at present the boys themselves cannot be prosecuted for playing pool, and hence very frequently give their ages wrongly. When a youth informs the poolroom keeper that he is 18 or over, he must either be admitted, or the poolroom licensee runs the risk of having proceedings brought against him for illegally ejecting the boy should the latter prove that he is 18 past.

BATCH OF DRUNKS IN POLICE COURT

Magistrate Beattie Dispensed Justice Today.

In the continued illness of Magistrate Love, Mayor Beattie dispensed justice in the police court bench this morning.

George Clark, of Toronto, pleaded guilty to being drunk, but was released on condition that he lose no time in leaving for his home city. Clark has been looking for work in London, and one night recently was obliged to seek a temporary lodging in the police station. Thursday he became discouraged, and meeting a friend sought to drown his disappointment in hard drinks.

John Murphy, also from Toronto, admitted being intoxicated, but pleaded for an opportunity to spend Christmas at home with his mother.

Short Bread

We are specially proud of our Short Bread. You'll find none superior. Only the finest butter used in its making.

Sold at 20c a dozen, and in 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c pieces.

Mince Pies

Made with the finest of Mincemeat. This means a great deal, as Pies could be cheapened considerably by using some of the cheap Mincemeats on the market. Large pies, each.....25c
Pattees, each.....10c and 5c

The Plum Pudding

Is the point of interest of the Christmas dinner. You'll be proud if you serve Peters' make. We have only a few left now.

You will need some of our pretty

Christmas Crackers

To make your table decoration complete. Boxes of one dozen, containing hats, caps, musical toys, jewelry, etc., at 15c a box up.

Peters—2—Shops

Rennie's the Grocery of Values

Below are listed bargains that are money-savers. Kindly favor us with your order as early as possible, so that we can get the goods delivered to you in good time.

20 lbs. Dark Brown Sugar for \$1.00
18 lbs. Best Granulated Sugar \$1.00
3 pkgs Corn Flakes for.....25c
3 pkgs. Quaker Oats for.....25c
7 lbs. Rolled Oats for.....25c
7 lbs. Rolled Wheat for.....25c
7 lbs. Wheat Germ for.....25c
6 lbs. Rice for.....25c
6 lbs. White Beans for.....25c
6 lbs. Barley for.....25c
2 pkgs. (6 boxes) Eddy's Silent Matches for.....25c
2 cans Sweet Corn (on cob).....25c
6 pkgs. Armnia for.....25c
6 pkgs. Pearline for.....25c
Large, Solid Head of Cabbage 5c
10 different lines of Sweet Biscuits, regular 15c for.....10c
3 cakes of Special Toilet Soap 15c
Pure Lard, per lb.....17c

A Special Bargain

First-Class Dairy Butter, lb.....25c

Rennie's

The Saturday Bargain House
PHONE 714. 474 DUNDAS ST.

R. J. YOUNG & CO. :: R. J. YOUNG & CO.

Grand Clearance Sale Saturday

Everything in Christmas Goods To Be Cleared

Cortese Orchestra From 7:30 to 10 p. m.

FANCY DELAINES, SPECIAL 49c—Persian Delaines, Satin Stripe Delaines and Embroidered Delaines, in all colors, worth up to 75c. Sale price.....49c
JAP TAFFETA SILKS—A complete range of colors. Special.....19c
LADIES' UMBRELLAS—Silk and wool covers, natural wood and fancy handles, worth \$2.50 and \$3.00. Sale price.....\$1.98
\$1.50 BLACK PEAU DE SOIE—36 inches wide, beautiful black. To clear Saturday....98c
500 YARDS OF PLAIN AND FANCY SILKS—Values up to 75c. Sale price, Saturday.39c
LADIES' ALL-LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS—Regular value 8c. Sale price.....5c
HEMSTITCHED PURE LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS—Regular 12½c value. To clear.....8c
NEW AMERICAN HANDBAGS—MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES AT 1-3 OFF.
NEW LAWN WAISTS—With all-over embroidered front, sizes 34 to 42; regular value \$1.50. Sale price, Saturday.\$1.00
BATTENBURG CENTRE-PIECES—Only fifteen dozen left of 35c value. Sale price, Saturday.....25c

Children's Sweater Coats, Special 49c.

R. J. YOUNG & CO.

Children's Sweater Coats, Special 49c.

FURS

At Special Prices

Through force of circumstances or neglect there are many who have Christmas gifts to buy yet.

To these we advise the selection of Furs, and to select them here, for we have a great variety of furs in the latest designs at prices that are low for the quality.

BLACK HARE STOLEs, trimmed with tails and paws, splendid value, for.....\$4.75
BLACK HARE MUFFS, in large rug shape, trimmed with heads and tails, very handsome, only.....\$5.00
RUSSIAN FITCH SETS, of Empire muff and fancy stole, beautiful dark glossy fur, durable and very pretty, only.....\$20.00
NATURAL MINK FANCY NECKPIECES, of good quality, edged with shirred satin, finished heads and tails, only.....\$8.75
NATURAL MINK MUFFS, in Empire shape, made in three and four skin sizes, satin lined, great value, at.....\$22.50

Open Evenings **Raphael & Co.** 236 Dundas St.

He was instructed that if he wished to do so he must leave London at once. Matthew Rowe, charged with vagrancy, was remanded until Dec. 30.

The name of Albert Hughes continues to appear periodically on the police court blotter. A suitable place has not yet been found for this unfortunate man, but the relief fund for his benefit is now nearly \$50, and arrangements will shortly be made for his care and comfort.

One drunk claimed the leniency commonly accorded to first-timers, had his previous record questioned by the police sergeant, but was pardoned by Mayor Beattie in consideration of the Christmas season.

GASOLINE EXPLODES.

Albia, Iowa, Dec. 22.—One hundred thousand dollars loss was sustained by a fire in Albia today when four business blocks were burned. The fire originated in an explosion of gasoline in the lighting system in the drygoods store of H. J. Cramer & Co.

COWAN'S MAPLE BUDS

The most delicious of chocolate confections. They stand alone in their smoothness, richness and unique flavor. Insist on having COWAN'S. Name and design patented and registered.

THE COWAN CO. LIMITED, TORONTO.

FURS

Make Suitable Christmas Gifts

Fur season is now at hand. Call and let us show you some of the latest styles in Mink, Persian, Tibet, Lynx, etc. Cash or credit.

M. Fishbein & Co.
638 Dundas Street
OPEN EVENINGS

The Dominion Savings and Investment Society

DIVIDEND NO. 77

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of four per cent per annum upon the paid-up capital stock of this society has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the society, Masonic Temple, Richmond street, London, on and after the third day of January, 1911.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th inst. to the 3rd day of January, 1911, both days inclusive.
London, Dec. 12, 1910. NATHANIEL MILLS, Managing Director.

FARMERIAL COMMERCIAL

HAY WAS THE FEATURE OF THE LOCAL MARKET

Poultry Prices Remained Unchanged—Country Roads Are Good.

Considering the weather conditions, there was an unusually large supply of hay on the market this morning, and as is usually the case when there is possibility of the hay being wet, the demand was very dull. Up to 10 o'clock about 25 loads had been brought in, and fully 20 of these were still lined up on the market waiting for customers. The prices quoted were \$11 to \$12.50 per ton, but the small demand will likely bring them lower. The majority of loads will sell at \$11 per ton.

There were only two loads of oats in today, one of the loads selling at \$1 per cwt., while the other was sold at a lower price. A couple of loads of straw were brought in, but the demand was so dull that low prices were paid for them.

Turkey Prices. There is no change in the price of egg or poultry prices, and it is difficult matter to judge from today's indications whether the price of turkeys will be lower at tomorrow's market.

The farmers in today say that the country roads are excellent for sleighing, and if they continue more so until tomorrow there should be one of the largest Christmas markets of the year.

Quotations are as follows:

Grain Per Cwt.
Barley, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Oats, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Grain, Per Bushel.
Wheat, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Hay, per ton, \$11.00 to \$12.00
Straw, per ton, \$6.00 to \$6.50

Dairy Produce.
Butter, store, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Butter, creamery, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Butter, fancy, retail, lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Butter, fancy, dairy, lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Eggs, fresh, dozen, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Eggs, basket, dozen, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Honey, strained, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Honey, sections, dozen, \$1.00 to \$1.10

Turkeys, lb. retail. \$1.00 to \$1.10
Turkeys, lb. wholesale, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Chickens, lb. retail, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Chickens, lb. wholesale, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Ducks, lb. retail, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Ducks, lb. wholesale, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Geese, lb. retail, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Geese, lb. wholesale, \$1.00 to \$1.10

Poultry, Alive.
Ducks, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Chickens, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Old fowl, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Chickens, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10

Beef, by the carcass. \$1.00 to \$1.10
Mutton, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Yearling lambs, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Dressed hogs, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Veal, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Pork, forequarters, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Pork, hindquarters, \$1.00 to \$1.10

Live Stock.
Select hogs, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Fat sows, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Stags, per cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Excess, extra, cwt., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Which ewes, per pair, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Small pigs, per pair, \$1.00 to \$1.10

Hides and Wools.
Lambskins, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Wool, washed, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Wool, unwashed, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Hides, No. 1, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Hides, No. 2, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Hides, No. 3, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Calveskins, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Tallow, rendered, per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Sheepskins, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10

Potatoes. \$1.00 to \$1.10
Lettuce, per dozen, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Celery, dozen bunches, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Carrots, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Red cabbage, dozen, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Cabbage, dozen, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Beets, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Turnips, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Peppers, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Squash, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Cauliflowers, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Egg-fowl, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Parsnips, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Pumpkins, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Mushrooms, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Sweet potatoes, retail, lb., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Parsnips, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10

Fruits.
Apples, per bu., \$1.00 to \$1.10
Apples, per barrel, \$1.00 to \$1.10
Cranberries, per quart, \$1.00 to \$1.10

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 24c to 25c; dairies, 24c to 25c. Cheese—Steady; 10-lb. blocks, 15c to 16c; 5-lb. blocks, 14c to 15c. Young Americans, 15c to 16c. Eggs—Steady; 10c to 11c. Pork—Steady; 10c to 11c. Lard—Steady; 10c to 11c. Tallow—Steady; 10c to 11c. Hides—Steady; 10c to 11c. Wool—Steady; 10c to 11c. Sheepskins—Steady; 10c to 11c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Wheat—Easy; receipts, 500,000 bushels; second crop, 10c to 11c. Corn—Steady; 10c to 11c. Oats—Steady; 10c to 11c. Barley—Steady; 10c to 11c. Rye—Steady; 10c to 11c. Clover—Steady; 10c to 11c. Alfalfa—Steady; 10c to 11c. Hay—Steady; 10c to 11c. Straw—Steady; 10c to 11c.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—Oil opened and closed at \$1.20.
OFF. CITY, Pa., Dec. 22.—Credit balances, \$1.20.

PRODUCE.
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Wheat—Closed; No. 1 hard, 10c to 11c; No. 2 hard, 9c to 10c; No. 3 hard, 8c to 9c; No. 4 hard, 7c to 8c; No. 5 hard, 6c to 7c; No. 6 hard, 5c to 6c; No. 7 hard, 4c to 5c; No. 8 hard, 3c to 4c; No. 9 hard, 2c to 3c; No. 10 hard, 1c to 2c; No. 11 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 12 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 13 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 14 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 15 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 16 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 17 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 18 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 19 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 20 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 21 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 22 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 23 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 24 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 25 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 26 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 27 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 28 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 29 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 30 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 31 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 32 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 33 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 34 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 35 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 36 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 37 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 38 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 39 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 40 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 41 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 42 hard, 0c to 1c; No. 43 hard, 0c to 1c; 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Annual Banquet.
The Upper School, 1909, London Collegiate Institute, will hold their annual reunion and banquet in the institute on Tuesday evening next.

Board of Works.
There was a short session of the board of works last night. There was no business to be transacted, a few

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accounts being passed. Those present were Ald. Tancook (chairman), Ald. Pocock, Ald. Saunders, Head Engineer Van Cleave and Secretary Baker.

Annual Christmas Tree.
The Hermitage Club held their annual Christmas tree last night in their club rooms in the Masonic Temple. Every member received a present of some sort, and a great deal of amusement resulted. Mr. C. E. Carruthers acted as Santa Claus. A good programme concluded the fun.

Ferguson-Powell.
On Wednesday evening, Dec. 14, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Powell, London Township, Miss Phoebe Beatrice Ferguson, of Southgate, the ceremony was performed by Rev. John Mahan, of Thorncliffe Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson will reside at Southgate.

Caudwell-Melbourne.
At Hamilton on Wednesday, Dec. 21, Miss Jean Louise Melbourne, only daughter of the late A. K. Melbourne and Mrs. Melbourne, was united in marriage to Mr. Thomas H. Caudwell, of Winnipeg, Man. The wedding was celebrated by Rev. D. B. Hamilton in St. Paul's Church, Hamilton.

L. D. S. Christmas Tree.
The pupils of the latter Day Saints' Sunday school held their annual Christmas tree last night, and spent a most enjoyable time. Mr. William Fligg presided, and during the evening a programme of recitations, songs and instrumental pieces was rendered by the Sunday school scholars. The report for the last six months was presented, and showed that under the superintendency of Mr. Frank Gray it has grown rapidly, and is very prosperous. The prizes for merit will be presented on Sunday.

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Donnelly-Marsh.
At the Baptist parsonage, Wellsville, New York, on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14, 1910, Mr. Charles Donnelly, of Union, Ont., and Miss Ada Marsh, of Wellsville, N. Y., were united in marriage by the Rev. Ira Hataing. The groom's present to the bride was a gold watch and chain. After many congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly left on the B. and O. afternoon train for Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and will be laid up for some time. First Methodist Church subscribers to the sanatorium fund will kindly pay their subscriptions at his office, 401 Clarence street, and same will be credited.

McClary's Make Merry.
The employees of the McClary Manufacturing Company held a very sociable dance in the dining-room on York street, last evening, which was very much appreciated by all present. Col. Gartschore, manager, and Mr. Somers, superintendent, were prominent figures on the floor. Much credit is due the committee, who, under the chairmanship of Mr. George Moll, had the arrangements in hand. Music was furnished by the orchestra under the direction of Mr. C. Vernon Davis.

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