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RE[illegible]D OF TWO SALOONS INVESTIGATED MINUTELY.

Supplying Drink to Drunkard, Hastening His Death, Charge Against Fraid Restaurant—Metropole Cafe Manager Says He Cleared Out the 'Old Crowd'—Mr. Roberts Denied the Right to Cross-Examine.

A strenuous effort by the Metropole [illegible] and the Fraid restaurant people was made yesterday afternoon to prove to the License Commissioners that the owners of these two places were deserving of being entrusted with licenses for the sale of liquor, and that their places of business were respectable.

The whole afternoon was taken in hearing these two cases. The objection entered against the Metropole was that it harbored women of bad repute.

In the case of the Fraid establishment, specific accusations, one of them backed by affidavit, had been laid before the Commissioners. According to Mr. Joseph Clarke, an employee of the James William Warehousing Company, Prince street, one James Heefey, deceased, had had his life shortened by being supplied with liquor at Fraid's.

At the opening of the sitting, Judge Bazin, in French, and Mr. Recorder Weir, in English, passed judgment on a request presented to them in writing by Mr. John H. Roberts, asking permission to cross-question witnesses himself. Mr. Roberts's contention was to the effect that the law conferred upon him such a right as the one asked, but, notwithstanding, if the Commission should deny such a right, he submitted that he should be granted his request as a privilege.

The request was refused, both Judge Bazin and Mr. Recorder Weir contending that there is no reason for enlarging the privileges that up to now have been accorded only to members of the Bar. In conclusion, both magistrates emphasized the point that no one can represent another person before their tribunal unless he is a lawyer, and they added that the circumstances did not justify them in departing from this rule.

The case of Fraid was then called, Mr. Joseph Clarke, the signer of the affidavit, containing the allegations against the house, being the first witness. Questioned by Mr. William Patterson, representing the Dominion Alliance, he said, in substance, that James Heefey was a periodical drinker.

When sober, he was very economical, but when he was on a spree he became a spendthrift. On Jan. 4, 1910, Heefey started drinking and kept up the spree till February 12, when he was taken ill. Although witness had asked Abrahamson, the supposed proprietor, to stop supplying Heefey with liquor, he had repeatedly seen the deceased coming out of the restaurant in an intoxicated condition and carrying beer bottles under his arms.

At this juncture, while the witness was explaining that he had done all he could to save Heefey's life by calling two doctors to his bedside, Mr. S. W. Jacobs, attorney for the Fraid establishment, stopping him, said:

'Never mind, Mr. Clarke, the fact that the man is dead shows that there must have been doctors called near him.'

The witness was afterwards cross-examined by Mr. Jacobs, to show that he was on bad terms with Abrahamson, the manager of the place. The witness admitted that they had had words together, because Abrahamson had accused him of playing the part of an informer.

Questioned by Mr. Recorder Weir, Clarke positively stated that during Heefey's last spree, he had seen him every day coming out drunk from Fraid's place.

Dr. James D. Duncan was next called. He had attended Heefey, who had died of acute tubercular pneumonia. When he was called in a professional capacity to Heefey's bedside, he found him suffering from the effects of protracted overindulgence in alcoholic liquors. It was quite possible that this continued intoxication had hastened Heefey's death.

Mr. George Elliott, secretary-treasurer of the Williamson Warehousing Company, situated directly across the street from the Fraid's saloon, said the place was a continual temptation to the number of employees working at the Williamson's warehouse.

The Metropole Cafe case was then taken up.

A Leonard, the manager of the dining-room, stated that previous to taking up his present position he had kept a saloon near the Chicago Stock Yards. He claimed he had purged the place of its 'old crowd,' by refusing admittance to any one 'who did not look good to him.'

Witness referred to his tireless efforts in pruning down a certain class who attempted to frequent the place. He had actually thrown out several persons.

'Ah, you threw some persons out?' questioned Mr. Patterson, counsel for the Dominion Alliance. 'Now tell us why you threw them out.'

'They were not worthy to come to the Metropole,' answered witness.

'Why were they not worthy?' asked Mr. Patterson.

'I didn't like the looks of their faces,' replied witness, amidst laughter.

Other employees of the cafe also gave testimony as to its good character, after which Mr. Perron, addressing the commissioners, declared that though, previous to the taking over of the establishment last April by the present owners, there might have been something left to be desired in the manner in which affairs had been conducted, efforts had been made by the present proprietors to better matters. The owners were contemplating building another and larger hotel at a cost of $200,000, and they were ready to promise, if accorded the license for another year, to close up the upstairs dining-room altogether, and to exclude from the premises all unaccompanied women. The case was then taken en delibere.

The application of Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly for a renewal of license was then taken up and granted without comment. The following cases were then arranged for future hearing: J. Murray, en delibere; P. McCoogan, next Wednesday; A. Aubertin, to-day; Wm. Allen, next Wednesday; J. Levesque, to-day; Q. Brabant, to-day.

GILDING IT OVER.

FEDERATION OF EMPLOYERS WILL FIGHT STRIKES.

Strong Combination of Building Trades Confront Trades Unions With Power to Order a General Lockout

That the strikes of 1910 in the building trade considerably upset the equanimity of the building trades is considered by Trade Union circles to be the reason for a move which is now being consummated by the Builders' Exchange.

Starting with the beginning of the year the Master Plumbers' Association has formed a federation with the Builders' Exchange for purposes of offence and defence, the Plasterers' Association is stated to be considering a similar move, and, it is understood, the painters and electricians will also join the federation, thereby making the strongest group of employers in Montreal.

The various interests will not give up their present offices or autonomy, but will use the rooms and the facilities of the Builders' Exchange and have representatives on their board of directors. This combination means that if strikes threaten in the building trade in future the strikers will have the whole force of the employers to fight against.

In trade union circles this is regarded partly as a tribute to their strength, but more particularly as a very serious proposition which will have to be faced in the near future. It means, for instance, that if the bricklayers declare a strike this year, the co-operation of the masters in the allied trades can be called for by the Builders' Exchange and a general lockout declared until such time as the strikers secede.

Whilst at the Builders' Exchange such an idea is pooh poohed, leading members naively state that such a proceeding would not be beyond the possibilities of the newly formed alliance.

Similar federations in other trades and other cities have generally meant an early trial of strength between the united masters and the united trade unions, but if such a thing is being contemplated in Montreal, no hint of it is being allowed to leak out from the various executives.

TWO TOWNS BURIED

Earthquake in Russian Turkestan Results in Widespread Destruction.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—A despatch from Tashkend, Russian Turkestan, says there are unconfirmed rumors that the towns of Przhevalsk and Karakolpek, in the territory of Semirechinsk, were destroyed by yesterday's earthquake, and that a lake has formed on the site of the former place. Each town has a population of about [illegible].

Communication with the disturbed region is still impossible, and the Government here has no advices to-day substantiating the latest alarming reports.

SOCIALISTS' PROTEST.

The Socialists of Montreal will hold a mass meeting in the Labor Temple on Sunday afternoon to protest against the trial, behind closed doors, of Dr. Kotoku and other Japanese socialists, whose only crime appears to be that they are socialists. Dr. Kotoku was one of the delegates at the Stuttgart conference, which was held while the Russo-Japanese war was on, and Russian and Japanese delegates met on friendly terms while their countrymen were fighting.

MONTREAL DRY DOCKS

Company Likely to Reach Agreement for Construction With Government.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—It is stated here that the promoters of the Montreal dry-dock scheme will notify their demands in regard to a Government subsidy in such a way that the differences which exist will be bridged over and the subsidy granted. One of the points of difference has been that the company has asked for progress payments, whereas the law provides for payment of the subsidy only when the work is completed. The modified proposal, it is expected, will be more in conformity with the provisions of the statute.

CONSERVATION FUND.

Establishment to be Requested From Government.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—It is understood that at the Dominion Forestry Convention, to be held in Quebec shortly, a resolution will be adopted asking the Dominion Government to spend a large sum on the conservation and renewal of Canadian forests. It will be proposed that the Government set aside a big appropriation each year for a long period for this purpose.

TROUBLESOME PROBLEM

Committee is Still Wrestling With Question of Exhibition Site

EXACTING CONDITIONS.

Grounds Must Be Near the Centre of City and Easily Policed and Drained.

Speaking of the progress made to date with regard to the selection of a site for the Montreal Exhibition, Mr. Henry Miles, secretary of the association, said to-day:

'The question of deciding upon a site for the exhibition is surrounded by more difficulties than the public generally are willing to concede. It is desirable to have the widest comment and advance criticism possible. The directors have been working before the public and have been devoting a great deal of time and attention to the important trust in their hands. "Witness" readers might think over a number of the vital considerations which make the selection of a suitable site a difficult problem among which are the following:

One hundred acres are required for exhibition purposes.

At least a hundred and fifty acres must be secured to in any sense carry out the idea of establishing at the same time a public park.

'The cost of the property is important as there is a limit of capital.

'The site must have good railway facilities for the delivery of an enormous volume of freight in a very brief period.

'The railways cannot be compelled to go to great expense to reach a given site, and as they carry exhibition freight at half rates the business profit does not exist to encourage heavy expenditures upon the part of any of the lines.

'The cost of getting to and from the exhibition should be reasonable, say, five cents.

'The steam railways cannot handle profitably such traffic, and will not undertake it.

'The street railway must of necessity carry the visitors to the exhibition.

'The site must be located where the street railway can handle up to a hundred thousand or a hundred and twenty-five thousand people within twelve or thirteen hours, or say, forty to fifty thousand people after six o'clock at night.

'If it takes three hundred cars to handle a given number of people for a distance occupying twenty minutes, it will take six hundred cars to do the same work should the distance take forty minutes, and the same calculation will apply as the distance from the centre of population is increased.

'Street car transportation is congested, as it is, at times and under normal conditions, and the company has some six hundred cars in regular service to-day.

'Water is a necessity. Fire protection must be provided, and on a satisfactory basis.

'It would be unwise to construct buildings where they could not be protected from fire; and there would be few exhibitors where insurance was impossible, or possible only at prohibitory rates.

'Exhibition grounds must have a perfect system of drainage. Consider the enormous cost of draining independently a large area, say, a hundred and fifty acres.

'If an exhibition is easily and quickly reached frequent individual visits could be counted upon, while if the trip took an hour or more, and the communication was an unsatisfactory one visitors to the grounds would be fewer and would not repeat.

If the exhibition site is reasonably near the centre of population of the city, a reasonable cab tariff would be possible. The cabmen of Montreal could assist in the transport of people to and from the grounds, and in somewhat relieving congestion, and incidentally reap a rich harvest. The cabmen could help the exhibition, and amongst them annex $40,000 to $50,000 of new money in two weeks' time. If the site is at too great a distance, the cabmen can neither help the exhibition nor themselves to any extent.

Very few of the sites offered have any of the important necessities named, while many can boast of being ideal in several other respects.

Electric light and power must be available.

While distance from the centre of Montreal's population is one and an all-important consideration, that is by no means all in itself. This centre, it has been estimated, may be taken at three points—which is correct?

Corner Bleury and St. Catherine.

Corner Sherbrooke and St. Lawrence.

Corner Sherbrooke and St. Denis.

There would appear to be four sites offered that comply with the majority of the essential requirements noted.

1st. At Longue Pointe, within the city limits. Water, fire protection, drainage, and freight connection possible. Street railway — distance and cost to be considered.

2nd. At Maisonneuve. Water, fire protection, drainage satisfactory. Freight connection and street railway features not determined. Cost excessive, and distance to be considered.

3rd. Park avenue extension, within the city limits. Water, drainage, fire protection, and freight connection satisfactory. Distance and street railway service practical.

4th. Site adjoining Notre Dame de Grace Ward. Drainage, water, and freight connection practical. Cost, distance and street railway connection to be determined or considered.

Electric current is available at all of above.

From the point of view of distance alone, the number of possible sites for the holding of annual exhibitions may even be reduced to two, and this, it may be said, is dependent upon the report of the transportation interests, who are now considering the subject, and then it will be for the directors to decide if a successful exhibition can be conducted at the point preferred, or one to investigating further toward securing something more satisfactory and which will offer to those who will operate the exhibition in the future a greater measure of encouragement in the outlook for success. We must have a first class exhibition, and from its inception the site alone can marr or make.

It is anticipated the a meeting being held this afternoon will develop the views of the passenger and freight carriers.

MANY NEW ELECTORS

Over 16,000 Signed the Lists This Year.

Keeping step with the general advance of the city, the electoral lists just completed show a large increase. This year young men and others who vote on manhood suffrage alone signed the lists to the number of 16,668. Last year this class gaining the right to vote numbered only 10,858.

The lists are to be placed with the city clerk on Saturday, and will remain there for inspection for fifteen days. Then the Board of Revision will consider the changes asked.

NO WINTER CARNIVAL

Railways' Reply Received too Late to Make Arrangements

PUBLIC APATHETIC.

Financial Guarantees Could Not be Secured so 'Ten Days of Sport' is Off.

At a meeting of the members of the Association of 'the Montreal Carnival of Winter and Summer Sports', held to-day. The following resolution was passed:

'In view of the fact that the official reply from the Eastern Canadian Passenger Association was only received on December 9, 1910, and considering that the City of Montreal, and the Merchants and Citizens have refused to subscribe a sufficient sum to guarantee a successful 'Ten Days of Winter Sports' for this season, it is hereby resolved that the proposed 'Ten Days of Winter Sports' be abandoned.

CITY WANTS BIG LOANS

By-laws Recommending the Borrowing of $13,000,000 to be Presented

That Montreal is going in for big things will be made more evident at the meeting of the council next Monday, when by-laws for various loans, totalling $13,000,000, will be presented. The legal department are now working upon these, and will have them ready for the consideration of the aldermen at the morning caucus.

The loans are as follows:—

For a filtration plant, $1,500,000.
For underground conduits, $5,000,000.
Public works, $4,500,000.
Working capital, $2,000,000.

There is a possibility that some of these amounts will be reduced by the aldermen.

A NEW DEPARTMENT

Proposal to Centralize the Work of Inspection

One of the changes which Mr. Janin, the newly-appointed chief engineer, hopes to introduce is the establishment of a department of inspection. The idea of this is to centralize the work. At present inspectors from the health, water, and incineration departments go about as their chiefs direct. This causes unnecessary trouble to the residents, which, Mr. Janin believes might be obviated, and the work better done, if one inspector made the examination for the three departments. Each man would, of course, be given a much smaller district to make this possible.

Mr. J. W. O'Neil, who has the supervision of the water works inspection department, is spoken of as head of this new department.

A PARLOW MATINEE.

Mr. L. M. Ruben and Mr. E. G. Lawrence announce a special Parlow matinee at popular prices at Windsor Hall next Saturday afternoon at 3.30, in which Kathleen Parlow will appear, assisted by Mr. F. H. Blair.

HOTEL FIRE AT WINDSOR MILLS

'Chateau Windsor' Was Totally Destroyed During Last Night.

THE LOSS WILL BE $75,000.

Many Guests Were Forced to Leave Hurriedly, Losing Personal Effects.

Windsor Mills, Que., Jan. 5.—Chateau Windsor, one of the best known hotels in the Eastern Townships, was burned to the ground during last night. Many guests in the building at the time had narrow escapes and lost all their belongings. It was feared that the fire would spread and wipe out a part of the town, so a call for help was sent to Sherbrooke. The building is ruined, only the walls remaining. The loss will be about $15,000.

ON TO WASHINGTON

Cabinet Delegation Leaves to Discuss Tariff and Fisheries.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—This is the day of the ministerial exodus to Washington. The party which left this afternoon in connection with the tariff negotiations and which will remain in Washington for at least a fortnight, is made up of the Hon. Messrs. Fielding and Paterson; Mr. Russell, tariff expert of the Department of Finance; Messrs. Viets and Rourke, secretaries to Mr. Fielding and Mr. Paterson respectively; Mrs. Fielding, Mrs. Paterson, Miss Edith Fielding. It is stated that at Washington Secretary Knox and President Taft will both take part in the final negotiations.

Sir Allen Aylesworth and the Hon. L. P. Brodeur, who also left for Washington to discuss with American and Newfoundland authorities fisheries regulations on treaty coasts, expect to be back in the Capital in time for the opening of parliament on Wednesday. The report that the Hon. G. P. Graham was also going to Washington in connection with the proposed international commerce board, is definitely denied.

Mr. Graham has gone to Montreal, and will spend the week-end at Brockville.

'MY WIFE IS INNOCENT'

Boy Husband Accused of Stealing Denies Wife's Complicity.

Michael O'Byrne, aged 20, who appeared in the Arraignment Court this morning to answer two charges of theft, has a wife whom he did his utmost to exonerate. In the first, to which he pleaded not guilty, he was charged with stealing furniture worth $60 from Madame Orsalo, 32 Lagauchetiere street. He admitted stealing furs, an overcoat and a watch, of the total value of $90, from James Sutton yesterday, but when Detective McCann, who made the arrest, mentioned that prisoner's wife had tried to dispose of the articles, O'Byrne protested that the woman was entirely innocent. She did not know the goods were stolen, he said, and he alone was guilty. Judge Leet fixed Thursday, January 12, for enquete, and the prisoner was led from the dock still declaring his wife's innocence.

NEW YORK WANTS HIM.

Colored Man Arrested Here Said to Have Shot a Man.

Albert Snell, colored, was arrested last night by Detectives O'Donnell and Leclair, at the request of the Pinkerton Agency.

The complaint against Snell is that about the middle of last July, in the city of New York, he shot, with intent to kill, at one Nathan Burney, also of New York. Snell, it is said, missed his aim, and 'nstead of shooting through the heart, the bullet entered his victim's knee.

After being indicted, Snell was allowed out on bail, Mr. Ed. A. Warren, real estate broker, of New York, going his bondsman for $1,500. It is now alleged that he jumped his bail, and it is on the information given to the Pinkerton Detective Agency by Mr. Warren that Snell was traced here and arrested yesterday.

The charge laid here, pro forma, against the accused, is that of vagrancy. Enquete has been fixed for Jan. 11, to give time for the American authorities to prepare the extradition documents.

COMPLAINS OF INSPECTION.

Mr. Recorder Weir Says Milk Should be Given Bacteriological Examination.

Mr. Recorder Weir has written the Controllers complaining of the present system of milk inspection. Not only, he says, should the city take action against milkmen who fail to clean their milk cans or who dilute the milk too freely before putting it in the cans, but a bacteriological examination of the milk should be held and action taken against all those selling that which is impure.

MR. BROWNE WILL WAIT.

Mr. Fitz-James E. Browne has decided to wait until after the mass meeting, which is to be held in Victoria Hall this evening, before definitely deciding whether he will enter the field as mayoralty candidate in Westmount.

RETURNING HOME.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 5.—The Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Postmaster-General of Canada, sails for home via New York on the White Star liner 'Celtic' on Saturday.

GOOD ICE CROP.

The inspectors engaged on the river supervising the cutting of ice state that the crop this year will be a good one.

IS DESPERADO LEADER ALIVE?

London Police Believe 'Peter the Painter' Has Escaped

SEARCH IS ORDERED.

Victim Murdered by Anarchists Branded on Each Cheek With the Letter 'S.'

London, Jan. 5.—Another element of mystery to-day developed at the inquest into the death of Joseph Beron, whose mutilated body was found on Clapham Common last Sunday. The murder is attributed by the police to the Hounsditch anarchist burglar gang, two members of which were killed in the raid on their den on Tuesday.

The physicians who examined Beron's body said that they found on each cheek a wound cleanly cut in the form of the letter 'S.' The witness declared that this deliberate cutting did not cause death, was quite symmetrical, and obviously symbolical of a secret society. They had never seen anything of the sort before. The inquest was adjourned to January 30. The police accept the theory that Beron was killed by the members of an organization of veiled purposes, who left the sign of their order on the body of the victim.

The police are not satisfied that 'Peter the Painter' was one of the two men killed in the Sidney street battle, and are now working on the theory that he is alive and still at large. Throughout the night two hundred armed officers scoured the district of the East End, where the outlaws are supposed to have lived, and another spectacular fight is promised should the fugitive be cornered.

CANADA, CENTRE OF EMPIRE

Sir Frederick Young Declares He Would be Content Under Canadian Administration

London, Jan. 5.—Sir Frederick Young, vice-president of the Royal Colonial Institute, and a veteran advocate of Imperial unity, tells the 'Morning Post' that some people believe Canada will so develop eventually as to become the centre of the Empire. If this belief is realized, he sees no objection to the removal of the controlling government to the Dominion, and would be as content under Sir Wilfrid Laurier as under Mr. Asquith or Mr. Balfour.

VALLEE ARRESTED.

Provincial Police Take Charge of Alleged St. Martine Murderer.

News having reached Chief McCaskill, of the Provincial Police, that the coroner had allowed Arthur Vallee who is accused of killing Zepherin Primeau at Ste. Martine his liberty without bail, the chief yesterday afternoon communicated with the Attorney General's department, at Quebec on the subject. Much surprise was expressed by the Quebec authorities at the unusual procedure on the part of the coroner, and orders were given to have the man taken into custody at once. Chief McCaskill accordingly sent two of his men, Lapointe and Girard to Ste. Martine to make the arrest.

On arrival at Ste. Martine the officers found the accused in bed suffering from a severe cold and threatened with pneumoia. Learning the serious effects of a seventeen mile drive to Valleyfield, the officers hesitated to take the journey under the circumstances, so Constable Girard took Vallee in charge, but decided to remain with him at his father's house until such time as his state of health will permit of his removal.

TRACE OF AIRMAN.

Cap and Glasses, Probably Those of Cecil Grace, Found.

Brussels, Belgium, Jan. 5.— The Aero Club to-day received a despatch from the president of the Ostend Aero Club stating that 'an aviator's cap and glasses, probably those worn by Cecil Grace, supposed to have been lost in the North Sea, had been picked up at sea off Mariarke, on the Belgian coast.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

A HINT TO OTHERS.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.')

Sir,—I was impressed with the frank statement in your New Year's greeting:

'The publishers of the 'Witness' do not want to make money out of it. . . But they do wish to carry it on for the good of the country.'

To this noble ideal all true citizens should gladly respond with ready aid wherever possible.

Last night I asked a personal friend of mine if she took in the 'Witness.' 'O yes!' was the reply. 'We are always on the lookout for the 'Witness.' I buy it through my grocer. Owing to circumstances we have lately resorted to a new grocer, and upon my asking for the 'Witness' I found he did not sell it. I kept on asking for it, and now he has a number of copies on sale. There seems a great demand for the 'Witness' in the Annex. You get the news in the 'Witness' without sensational exaggeration.'

Speaking personally, you captured me as a subscriber many years ago by refusing to publish any report of a then famous or notorious prize-fight. If all the forces of evil are against you, that is a mighty reason why every lover of purity and righteousness should stand with you. Most heartily do I wish you 'A happy New Year.'

Yours in sincerity,

G. OSBORNE TROOP.

St. Martin's Rectory,
Montreal, Jan. 3, 1911.

SENTIMENT IN STOCK MARKET MUST IMPROVE.

Pessimists See Poor Trade and Cry Depression—Securities Hold Firm.

Unquestionably there is a better underlying sentiment pervading financial circles. There is no enthusiasm yet. The tendency is still conservative, and yet a feeling exists that the readjustment, if we may term it that, is fast nearing completion.

It is believed that the security market has fully discounted unfavorable possibilities, while some brokers express opinion that now it is more of a question as to the next period of activity. They are inclined to believe that when this appears it will be on the up side.

As to the immediate future, much will depend as to the extent of the January investment demand. Should this show any volume it might prove of sufficient stimulus to encourage speculative confidence.

It is doubtful if the condition of trade is so quiet just now as some would have us believe. In many lines business is being curtailed, but this very curtailment should bring the cure.

The slowing down of business activity at any time or place cannot but result in an accumulation of money. This should make possible the placing of large corporate loans which in itself would furnish the ways and means for business enlargement.

It is true that considerable undigested securities are hanging over the market, but these may disappear largely in the near future, as arrangements are under way to absorb them as far as possible.

Trading was quite active this morning and sales were well distributed. The different leaders held firmly at recent good levels, and with the exception of one or two they were inclined to make fractional gains.

A feature of the session was the buying of Bank of Commerce stock, which sold up to 215, while some far trading was done in other bank and bond issues.

New York, Jan. 5.—The market moved in an irregular and uncertain way this morning. There was a large volume of selling, but the sales were pretty well absorbed and, although the market would react a half a point or so, it would soon rally again, and the absorption was about equal to the supply of stock.

Consumers' Gas was the feature, advancing easily on reports of an increase in the dividend, and the strength in this stock affected other gas stocks. The rise in the Philadelphia Company was thought to have some relation to the strength in United Railways of San Francisco, by which it is controlled.

The Bank of England statement was construed unfavorable, the reserve being much lower than the average of the first week of the year. The money situation, however, was not much of a factor, as the speculative element is convinced that by next week money will be very easy.

The action of the Inter-State Commission in regard to rates is still the most important immediate factor in the market, and in this connection its order reducing a local rate on the S. P. was not altogether liked.

The sales to noon were 215,000 shares.

WILL FURNISH RELIABLE DATE ABOUT CANADA

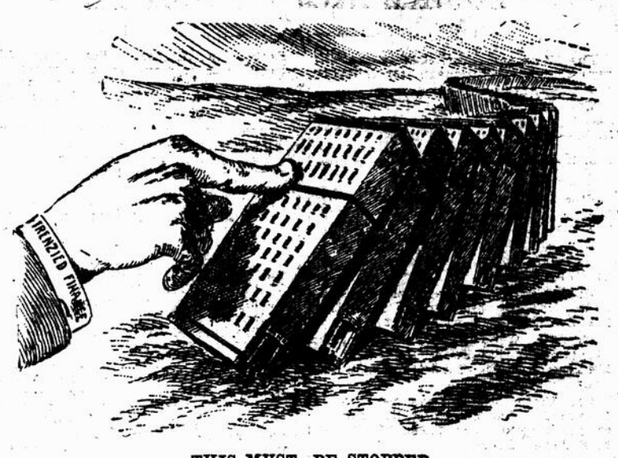
The growth that has taken place in the industrial development of Canada, and the necessity of manufacturers and industries of all kinds securing additional capital, in order to carry on their business on a larger scale than in the past, has rendered the formation of the Corporation Agencies of Montreal welcome at the present time.

The new concern will have an authorized capital of $500,000, of which $300,000 is being paid up. It will have the right to do business throughout Canada. Its main object is a two-fold one, as on the one hand it will help the foreign banker or investor to secure the most reliable information possible regarding any Canadian undertakings, enterprises, promotions or properties.

The company will also be in a position to advise, or assist Canadian interests in organizing new undertakings, or in the reconstruction of going concerns.

C. P. R. IN LONDON.

Canadian Pacific Railway was quoted 202 3-4 in London this morning.



THIS MUST BE STOPPED.
—Adapted New York 'World.'

MR. SCHWAB OFF TO EUROPE---HE IS OPTIMISTIC.

New York, Jan. 5.—Mr. Charles M. Schwab has just sailed for Bremen, and previous to his departure he stated to friends that general business conditions have not been up to the mark, but there are ample indications of improvement.

Mr. Schwab.

"All kinds of industries," he said, 'are getting on their feet. We have no reason for pessimism.'

Japan, he pointed out, has placed with New York Shipbuilding Company an order for a new battleship, and I believe this will be a forerunner of other orders, not only from Japan, but from China.

Mr. Schwab was not prepared to say what his trip abroad meant, but he expressed confidence in the future, and predicts a good year during 1911.

The Grand Trunk Railway for November showed gross increased $25,000, but expenses increased $135,000. Canada Atlantic net profits decreased $28,500, Grand Trunk Western net profits decreased $52,000, while Detroit Grand Haven showed a net gain of $17,000. For the entire system the net decrease was 173,500.

BANK OF ENGLAND

Following is the weekly statement of the Bank of England with comparisons:

	This week.	Last week
Circulation	£28,520,000	£28,610,000
Public deposits	12,565,000	11,707,000
Private deposits	49,202,000	44,255,000
ovt. securities	17,399,000	15,899,000
Other securities	40,384,000	36,633,000
Reserve	21,849,000	21,195,000
Proportion	35.40	37.86
Bullion	31,749,000	31,165,000

FINANCIAL PERSONALS

Mr. J. C. Stubbs will shortly resign from the Harriman Pacific.

Mr. A. W. Morrice has resigned as vice-president of the Louisville and Nashville Railway.

Mr. Thomas E. Plant has retired from several leading corporations in the United States.

Mr. Eugene Foss has resigned as director of the Eastern Steamship Company, as well as other corporations.

LAKE SUPERIOR STOCK.

Lake Superior Corporation stock was quoted this morning on the Philadelphia market at 29 1-4 to 1-2. Incomes were offered at 63.

COLORADO AND SOUTHERN.

Colorado and Southern, fourth week December, earnings show a decrease of $2 010, a monthly increase of $40,871. From July 1 there is an increase of $370,841.

HUDSON'S BAYS STRONG.

Hudson's Bay stocks were strong in London to-day at 112 bid.

COBALT SILVER SHIPMENTS FOR 1910---RECORDS.

Cobalt, Jan. 5.—The Cobalt silver camp, as predicted, has made a new record for shipments during 1910, which exceeds the splendid output of 1909 by slightly over 4,000 tons.

The past year has been one of much activity throughout the camp, and shows that the silver region is productive of immense wealth.

Practically all the big mines, as well as several new ones, have been heavy shippers, and the total estimate sent out during 1910 amounts to 34,000 tons, as against 30,000 in the previous year.

The total shipments from the Cobalt camp since its inception are estimated at 112,500 tons, while the bullion shipments to December 31 last is close on to 930 tons, estimated in value at around $500,000.

The outlook for the ensuing year is exceptionally bright, and several of the leading mining properties are preparing to exceed during the present season the record output of last year.

Smelter Shareholders Voted to Amend Company's Certificate of Incorporation.

New York, Jan. 5.—Stockholders of the American Smelting, at a special meeting, voted to amend the company's certificate of incorporation so as to increase the capital stock to $115,500,000, the increase being in common stock.

The stockholders also approved the plan to issue $15,000,000 six percent convertible bonds of the American Smeylters Securities Company, which will be convertible into American Smelting & Refining Company's common stock when bonds sell above par.

The increase in common stock is to provide for the conversion of these bonds, which are offered to the stockholders at par.

Cobalts More Active

Following are this morning's sales of Cobalts reported by Gordon and Shorey:—

Hollinger, 50 at 4.46, 100 at 4.45, 50 at 4.47, 100 at 4.45, 50 at 4.46, 35 at 4.50.
Right of Way, 100 at 15½.
Beaver, 500 at 26½.
La Rose, 100 at 4.48.
McKinley, 100 at 1.41¾.
Little Nip, 1000 at 13.
Temiskaming, 2500 at 80.

Unlisted Securities

Following are this morning's sales and quotations of unlisted securities, furnished the 'Witness' by Mr. W. P. O'Brien:

	Bid.	Asked.
Price Bonds	86¼	86½
Asbestos Bonds	66	69
Laclede 5s	102¼	103
Brewery pref	92	95
Bonds	101	103
Can. Power	50½	51½
Bonds	79c	80
Cereal com.	17	24
Pref	75	80
Hillcrest com	36	36½
Pref	86¼	86¾
West. Can. Power	55 3-8	55½
Bonds	85¾	86

SALES.

La Rose, 800 at 444.
Ca. Power, 25 at 50, 25 at 50¼.
Can. Power bonds, 5000 at 80, 16,000 at 79¾.
Hillcrest, 50 at 36½.
Mex. Tram., 50 at 50 3-8.
Sherbrooke, 13 at 26½.
Scotia bonds, 700 at 76.
West. Can. Power, 20 at 55, 3 at 53, 25 at 55, 100 at 55½.
West. Can. Power bonds, 1000 at 86.

KEPT UP EARNINGS.

New York, Jan. 5.—In December the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company kept up its lead in earnings over previous years. Total for that month was 6 percent larger than in December of 1909. At this rate the company will have revenues for the fiscal period of $1,000,000, or more larger than for the record-breaking year 1909-10. Its net earnings likewise will probably show a good increase.

FLOUR BUSINESS STEADY.

Business in flour proceeds steadily without new features. Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.60; seconds, $5.10; winter wheat patents, $4.75 to $5; Manitoba spring bakers, $4.80; straight rollers, $4.35 to $4.50; straight rollers, in bags, $2.00 to $2.05; extras, $1.65 to $1.75.

OATS ARE FIRMER.

There is a firming tendency in the oat market, and prices are slightly higher. No. 2 Canadian western, 40c to 40¼c; extra No. 1 feed, 39c to 39½c; No. 3 Canadian western, 38½c to 39c; No. 2 local white, 38c; No. 3 local white, 37c; No. 4 local white, 36c.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO.

Chesapeake and Ohio.—Nov. gross increase $113,262, net decrease $146,977, surplus after deducting charges, taxes and credit, other income decrease $208,899.

Five months gross increase $1,124,881, net decrease $329,301, surplus after deducting charges, taxes, and credit other income decrease $935,637.

SUB-TREASURY LOSS.

New York, Jan. 5.—Sub-treasury lost $1,823,000, to the banks on Wednesday, making cash net loss since Friday $1,823,000.

TEXAS AND PACIFIC.

Texas and Pacific earnings for the fourth week in December show an increase of $515; a monthly increase of $75,569, and from July 1 an increase of $1,353,374.

LOCAL CROWD SELLING.

New York, Jan. 5.—Selling of cotton has been mostly by local crowd. The trade is looking for 11,100,000 for ginners figures.

RELIEF IN M.S.R. MAY COME FROM LONDON SOON

Information from London would indicate that arrangements are progressing favorable towards absorbing the Montreal Street Railway deal, and that good news in this respect is expected shortly.

It cannot be denied that the recent heavy buying of Montreal Street by the interests now in control, has left a heavy mantle over the local stock market situation, as between $7,000,000 and $10,000,000 of good money is tied up as a result, and until this, or at least a good proportion of it, is released, along with other like issues, there will be good cause given to the pessimist to associate himself with the 'bear' element in St. Francois Xavier street.

Those who know the men behind M.S.R. have confidence in their ability to relieve the situation, and the introduction of the recently-formed Montreal Tramways and Power Company in London may solve the question.

MONEY IN CANADA IN EAGER DEMAND ---OTHER CENTRES

Leading St. James street bankers are of the opinion, according to private correspondence received from London, that money will soon be very easy at that centre, while on the other hand they have reason to believe that money in New York is likely to remain in a somewhat strained condition until loans in the American metropolis fall near the level of deposits.

It may be said, however, that money in Montreal, and for that matter throughout Canada, is not any too easy at present, though reliable houses can get all the necessary funds to supply the demand at a rate from 5 to 5 1-2 percent.

It is pointed out by bankers that money is being largely employed in extensions and improvements all over the Dominion, and that funds are in eager demand. They look with a certain amount of satisfaction at the present favorable situation from a monetary point of view, and do not expect any difficulty in meeting all legitimate demands.

Stock Exchange Talks

The outlook for 1911 is for a continuance of good trade and profitable rates of money. As far as can now be seen there is likely to be no pressure for money; but bankers' funds will be usable at good rates, and it is probable that for 1911 the average will be higher than it has been for 1910.

The past year has been one of the most profitable periods that Canada has experienced, and bankers have fully participated in the good times. At no time during the year did they experience difficulty in employing their resources, and for the whole twelve months were able to employ their funds in loans and in discounts at profitable rates.

Allowing for the small depreciation in gilt-edge securities, the profits of our banks and private corporations for 1910 will be large. Moreover, the general condition of the banks is very strong, inasmuch as the prices of their investments have been written down to low figures.

This means that when profits decline in consequence of cheaper money the banks will derive great advantage from the appreciation in the prices of securities which will come in a period of cheap money.

The name of J. P. Morgan does not stand for art or artfulness; it does not stand for millions or infallibility; but it stands for integrity. Mr. Morgan's bluff 'No' or brusque "Tisn't true,' is worth more in the world of financial than columns of explanations from somebody else.

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MONEY ON CALL FIRM.

New York, Jan. 5.—Money on call firm at 5 percent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1-2 to 5 percent. Exchanges, $421,788,645; balances, $24,175,931.

GRAIN RECEIPTS.

Receipts of grain at Fort William and Port Arthur Wednesday are as follows, in car loads: Wheat, No. 1 Northern, 1; No. 2 Northern, 11; No. 3 Northern, 18; No. 4 Northern, 6; No. 5 Northern, 3; No. 6 Northern, 4; total, 48 (as against 158 last year); oats, 16; barley, 6, and flax, 1.

EGG PRICES KEEP UP.

Strictly new laid eggs are selling all the way from 50 to 60 cents per dozen. Selected, 32 cents; No. 1 stock, 27c, and No. 2, 24 to 25 cents.

HAY MARKET STEADY.

A steady demand exists for all grades or hay. No. 1 hay, $11 to $11.50; extra No. 2 hay, $10 to $10.50; clover, $7 to $7.50; clover, mixed, $7.50 to $8; No. 2 hay, $9 to $9.50.

LEHIGH VALLEY.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.—The Lehigh Valley board was divided over the 10 percent dividend rate. President Baer did not vote for it. Other directors were partly in sympathy with him, but finally voted for 10 percent.

Opinions on the Market

J. S. Bache & Co.—The prospect for a fair increase in railway rates by the Interstate Commerce Commission was instrumental in assisting the advance. We believe the market is entitled to quite an upward movement during the present month and we advise the purchase of the market around present level for a long pull.

Miller & Co.—The so-called undisclosed short interest remains of large proportions and this important factor, coupled with the steady improvement in the fundamentals, causes us to reiterate our conviction that higher prices are ahead.

E. & C. Randolph—A good deal of talk is beginning to be heard of the probability of the Interstate Coerce Commission giving a favorable decision on the rate question some time this month.

FAKE REPORTS ON SCOTIA MINE ON FIRE ARE DENIED

Mr. Thomas Cantley at North Sydney---Mine Will be Running Soon

Officials of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company are much annoyed by the circulation of reports to the effect that one of the big collieries at North Sydney is on fire and that much damage to the mine No. 3 will likely follow as a result of the conflagration.

Mr. Cantley.

Mr. Thomas Cantley, general manager of the company, who is now at North Sydney, sent the 'Witness' the following telegram:

North Sydney, C. B., Jan. 5.—'Please have the 'Witness' deny the fake stories to the effect that No. 3 mine is on fire. There was no fire in the mine at any time, and it will be working again in a few days.'

Mr. Cantley, accompanied by Mr. Brown, superintendent of mines, is in the mine directing the work of searching for the entombed miners.

Vice-President of U.S. Steel Will Likely be Promoted

New York, Jan. 5.—Departments of United States Steel are well organized at present, and if a president is selected, the office will probably fall to First Vice-President W. B. Dickson, who has been identified with the Corporation since its existence.

Resignation of Mr. Corey will necessitate the election of a new member of the finance committee. It is stated that there is no conflict among the Steel Corporation representatives over the question of prices.

Discount Rate Unchanged

London, Jan. 5.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged at 4 1-2 percent to-day.

STOCKS IN LONDON.

London, Jan. 5.—American stocks in London developed heavy tone early, and in the afternoon were weak, with quotations 1-4 to 3-4 below parity in all active issues. Consols were firmer and general market for most part steady. Copper stocks were weak in spite of some strength in Rio Tinto.

Although bank return made bad showing, money was easy. Some improvement is reported in investment demand for stocks. Foreign houses expected to sell stocks rather freely on balance.

TORONTO COBALTS ACTIVE.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—Following were the Cobalt sales this morning:—

Beaver, 500 at 26½, 500 at 26½, 6,500 at 27½ future, 500 at 27 future; City, 400 at 20, 500 at 19½; Lake, 1500 at 13; Crown, 200 at 245, 100 at 244, 200 at 243, 150 at 247, 250 at 248, 250 at 249; Great Northern, 1500 at 10¾; Hargraves, 500 at 25½; Kerr, 50 at 675; Little Nip, 500 at 12¾; McKinley, 1000 at 140, 100 at 140½, 1600 at 141; Right of Way, 7000 at 15¼, 500 at 15¾, 2000 at 15½ future, 9000 at 15, 1000 at 15 future, 2500 at 16 future, 500 at 14⅞, 5000 at 15½, 500 at 15⅝, 4000 at 14¾, 4700 at 14½; Rochester, 2500 at 4¾, 300 at 4⅜; Temiskaming, 800 at 79¼, 500 at 79⅜, 500 at 79; Trethewey, 500 at 120, 500 at 119½; Wettlaufer, 300 at 107.

HEARD IN THE CHANGE HALL

Mr. J. S. Norris was given a hearty welcome in the hall to-day. He had been absent at St. Catharines and environs for two weeks, where he was spending the holidays with relations.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on January 31. Nominations will have to be in by January 20. None as yet have been received.

It was said to-day that the bad potato crop in France and other European countries would have an appreciable effect in decreasing wheat supplies.

Mr. J. Ogden Armour says that the packing business last year was exceedingly prosperous and he expects better results this year. Relations between live stock and packing industries are becoming more mutual each year, he says.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Jan. 5.—Butter easy, receipts 7733; state dairy common to finest, 19c to 28c; process common to special, 19c to 24½c; factory held, 22c; do., current make, 20c to 21c.

Cheese steady, unchanged, receipts, 963.

Eggs steady, receipts 10,810; State, Penna and nearby hennery, white, fancy 45c.

TRAMWAYS IN LONDON.

London, Jan. 5.—Mexican Tramway stocks were traded in at 126 to-day.

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT.

Mr. McLeod, ex general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, will doubtless take the present opportunity of again emphasizing his points regarding the need for a more thorough audit of the public banks. An Ottawa despatch says: 'The suspension of the Farmers' Bank and the circumstances attending it are regarded as a striking argument in favor of a public audit with which such a condition could hardly have developed. The case will form a subject for discussion when the bank bill comes before the House. Inquiry at the finance department elicited the reply that no officer will be sent to investigate. There is no provision, it is said, in the Bank Act for departmental action until it has been shown that false returns have been made to the Government.'
Winnipeg 'Tribune.'

Scalping Operations in Winnipeg Wheat Pit Accompanied the Advance.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—Manitoba wheat market advanced a cent this morning on the strength of American markets, which are in strong hands.

There was no cash demand, or export demand, but only scalping here. The grain dealers expect wheat to go over the dollar mark before long.

Wheat Prices Were Both Higher and Lower—Millers in Ontario Make Purchases

Toronto, Jan. 5.—Traders made bids a fraction higher for May wheat at Winnipeg on Wednesday morning, notwithstanding favorable crop advices, as summarized in 'Broomhall's Weekly' foreign crop review, and a closing quotation 5-8d lower for wheat futures on the Liverpool corn exchange.

On the other hand Continental markets were higher, and Bradstreet's estimated a decrease of 1,750,000 bushels in the visible supply of wheat during the week, as compared with last year; however, the compilation showed that there was a total increase of over five million bushels, as well as an increase of over a million bushels in the visible supply of Canada. After midday the market eased a little and closed 3-8c lower.

Local grain dealers reported a moderately quiet demand for wheat from Ontario millers, but it was interesting to note that several of the larger mills received and filled Old Country orders for flour only a half cent below our market. Minor grains are steady, and only fairly active, and Ontario wheat is dull and unchanged.

Quotations are as follows: Ontario wheat: No. 2 winter wheat, 85c to 86c outside according to location. Manitoba wheat, No. 1 northern, $1.01; No. 2 northern, 98½c; No. 3 northern, 95½; winter storage, Goderich, 1c extra.

Oats—Canada western No. 2, 38½c; No. 3 Canada western, 36½c at lake ports for immediate shipments; Ontario No. 2 white, 32c to 32½c outside; No. 3 white, 31c to 31½c outside, 34c to 35c on track Toronto.

WHAT GRAIN MEN HAVE TO SAY

The small and insufficient crop of wheat in France and the consequent heavy demand from that country has been the mainstay of prices this season. 'There can be little doubt,' said a local exporter, 'that without this special demand prices would have been decidedly lower.'

This is the first season in many years that France has imported wheat on a large scale. France this year will require to import about 9,000,000 quarters—only half of which they have as yet received. The last period of dearth was 1897-8, when ten million quarters were imported.

The 'Statist' gives the Russian wheat crop, with comparisons, as follows:—

THE RUSSIAN WHEAT CROP.

	1910. Qrs.	1909 Qrs.	1908 Qrs.
Spring	65,665,000	71,850,000	52,500,000
Winter	30,975,000	25,800,000	18,430,000
Total	96,640,000	97,650,000	70,930,000

CHICAGO CATTLE PRICES.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Cattle receipts estimated at 12,000; market, 5c to 10c lower; beeves, $4.65 to $7; Texas steers, $4.25 to $5.50; western steers, $4.80 to $6; stockers and feeders, $3.75 to $5.80; cows and heifers, $2.60 to $8.30; calves, $7 to $9.25.

Hogs receipts estimated at 26,000; market, slow; 10c lower; light, $7.80 to $8.10; mixed, $7.80 to $8.15; heavy, $7.85 to $8.15; rough, $7.80 to $7.80; good to choice, heavy, $7.90 to $8.15; pigs, $7.50 to $8.15; bulk of sales, $8 to $8.10.

Sheep receipts estimated at 20,000; market, weak; native, $2.60 to $4.50; western, $2.25 to $4.50; yearlings, $4.75 to $5.80; lambs, native, $4.75 to $6.60; western, $5 to $6.60.

TORONTO CATTLE MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—Trade active, prices steady, 142 loads in to-day including 1,844 cattle, 1088 sheep and lambs, 190 hogs and 202 calves.

Export cattle choice, $6.00 to $6.25; export cattle medium, $5.50 to $5.75; export bulls, $4.50 to $5.00; butchers' cattle choice, $5.75 to $6.00; butchers cattle medium, $5.00 to $5.25; butchers cattle common, $4.75 to $5.00; butchers' cows choice $4.50 to 4.75; butchers' cows, common to medium, 3.50 to $4.00; butchers' bulls, $3.50 to $4.25; shortkeep feeders, $5.00 to $5.25; feedingsteers, $4.75 to $5.00; stockers choice, $4.50 to $4.75; stockers light, $4.25 to $4.40; canners, $1.75 to $2.25; milch cows choice each, $60 to $75; milch cows, common to medium, each, $35 to $55; springers, each, $35 to $70; sheep, ewes, $4.25 to $4.60, steady; bucks, $3 to $3.50, steady; lambs, $5.75 to $6.10, steady; calves, $3.00 to $8.50, steady.

Hogs, f.o.b., $7.15, fed and watered, $8.40.

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PRODUCE ASS'N. ELECTS BOARD FOR YEAR 1911

The annual meeting of the Montreal Produce Merchants' Association will be held next Tuesday. The nominations for office were completed yesterday afternoon, and general satisfaction was expressed on 'Change this morning as to the individual nominations.

As there was no opposition whatever to the various officials named all are chosen, they were elected by acclamation, the new electorate will be as follows:

President, Mr. John A. Gunn; vice-president, Mr. John H. Scott; treasurer, Mr. Richard Grey.

Executive Committee—Messrs. F. X. O. Trudel, Albert Dalrymple, Wm. H. Clive and Arthur Jones.

The Arbitration Committee are: Messrs. A. C. Wieland, H. A. Hodgson, A. McCullough, P. W. McLagan and A. J. Brice.

Consols Unchanged Americans Heavy

London, Jan. 5.—Consols were unchanged at 79 9-16 for money and 79⅝ for the account, while American stocks in London were heavy, 1-8 to 3-8 below parity.

Montreal clearings for week ending Jan. 6, 1911, show the following comparisons:

1911	$37,386,376
1910	40,401,963
1909	29,388,746

STEEL ACTIVE ON A DECLINE.

There was quite a lot of activity in Steel Common this afternoon, which opened at 60—made a series of sales at that price and then steadily declined to 59 1-8. Shawinigan Woods were active and firm.

Wall St. Closed Steady

The New York stock market closed steady this afternoon, with C. P. R. at 197 3-8; Reading, 153; Union Pacific, 173 1-4, and Steel, 74.

THURSDAY MORNING BOARD.

Ex. div. to-day percent—Shawinigan, 1 percent.

Shawinigan—660 at 110 cum. div., 3 at 111 cum. div., 50 at 109, 50 at 108 7-8, 75 at 109, 80 at 105.

Telephone, 21 at 141.

Street Ry., 50 at 222, 50 at 222½, 50 at 224, 8 at 222¼.

Detroit, 50 at 69, 25 at 69¼, 200 at 69.

Mackay com., 25 at 81¾.

Tor. Ry., 3 at 123, 25 at 123½.

Quebec Ry., 100 at 60, 5 at 59, 50 at 60, 50 at 60 15 days flat, 5 at 59½, 10 at 59¾ 15 days flat, 155 at 60.

Soo com., 75 at 132½, 75 at 132 5-8, 25 at 132 3-8.

Rio, 25 at 103 1-8, 5 at 103½, 175 at 103.

Richelieu, 15 at 94¼.

Porto Rico, 4 at 52, 6 at 53, 25 at 52½.

Pacific, 10 at 196 7-8, 100 at 197.

Power, 5 at 143½, 9 at 142½, 192 at 143.

Halifax, 25 at 131¼, 25 at 130½, 25 at 131.

Ottawa L. and P., 25 at 130, 30 at 130¼.

AFTERNOON BOARD.

Richelieu & Ontario—10 at 94.

Canadian Pacific Railway—50 at 197, 8 at 197½.

Power—25 at 142.

Scotia—50 at 85¾.

Duluth Superior—10 at 50.

Rio Bonds—$20,000 at 96¾.

Textile Common—25 at 61¾.

Laurentide—25 at 180.

Quebec Bk.—9 at 128 1-2.

Woods—25 at 140, 15 at 140.

Merchants' Bank—7 at 180, 3 at 180.

Illinois—25 at 90 1-4.

Detroit Ry.—5 at 69.

Cement Com.—1-2 at 24, 100 at 23 3-4.

Penman—50 at 61.

Quebec Ry. bonds—$,000 at 85, 2,000 at 85 1-2.

Crown Reserve—25 at 250, 200 at 250, 100 at 250.

Toronto Ry.—50 at 123 1-4.

Asbestos common—25 at 11 3-4, 25 at 11 1-4.

Ottawa Power—35 at 133.

Montreal St. Ry.—22 at 224.

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Steel Corporation—10 at 60, 50 at 9 5-8, 25 at 59 1-2, 50 at 59 1-2, 25 at 59 3-8, 25 at 59 1-4, 75 at 59 1-4, 50 at 59 1-8.

Shawinigan—25 at 109, 50 at 109, 1 at 110, 100 at 109, 25 at 109.

Iron, pfd.—100 at 102 1-2, 25 at 102 1-4 50 at 102 1-4, 25 at 102.

LONDON MONEY RATES.

London, January 5.—Money on call, 2 percent and 2 3-4 percent.

Discounts: Short bills, 3 1-8 percent and 3 1-4 percent; three months, 3 1-4 percent and 3 5-16 percent.

ANOTHER RAILWAY DECREASE

United Railways of St. Louis earnings for November show a net decrease of $17,638; 11 months net decrease of $242,055.

CHEESE AND BUTTER.

Receipts of cheese to-day 72 boxes; last year same dae 6. Western 11¾c to 12c; and Easterns 11¼c to 11 3-8c.

Butter receipts to-day 201 packages as against 342 same date last year. Choicest, 25½c to 25¾c, and seconds at 24c to 25c.

MOVING PICTURES AND THE CITY TAX

In Practice Court this afternoon, Mr. Justice Bruneau granted the motion for sixteen writs of certiorari asked by moving picture show owners, to appeal from the judgment rendered in the Recorder's Court condemning them to pay a $20 fine for refusing to pay the tax of $500 imposed by the city.

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ANNOYED AT THE CITY

Residents Protest at Snow Being Dumped on Fletchers Field

TALK OF LEGAL ACTION.

The Controllers Say They Were Unable to Keep This Locality Clear.

...tion against the city is threatened by persons living about Fletcher's ...d. Their grievance is that in spite ...ll that has been said snow is still ...ng dumped here. This not only ...es unsightly piles now, but leaves ...r piles of ice in the spring, and ...n melting, uncovers all kinds of ...se collected along the streets with ... snow.

...some time ago the Controllers re...mmended that no snow be dumped ...Fletcher's Field. Mr. Ainey states ...they found it impossible to have ...s request observed, for the Street ...ilway Company, which was counted ...pon to carry the snow, asked forty ...nts a cubic yard for doing this, a ...which was considered exorbi...ant.

...Mr. Barlow, the city surveyor, states ...at the wish of the Controllers has ...en complied with in as far as was ...possible. No snow has been dumped ...below Duluth avenue, but only at the ...north end of the field, between Mount ...Royal avenue and Marie Anne street. ...What will be done with the protest ...of the residents has not been decided ...yet.

FIGHTS HIS SENTENCE

Proprietor of Oxford Cafe Petitions for Writ to Quash Judge Leet's Sentence

John J. Whyte, proprietor of the Oxford Cafe, is not taking lying down ...a sentence of Judge Leet, passed in ...December 7, condemning him to a fine ...of $20 and imprisonment for three ...months in the common jail for refilling bottles in the Regent Cafe, in violation of the Quebec License Law, the complainant being a collector of revenue, Louis H. Boisseau.

This morning Mr. Murphy presented a petition before Mr. Justice Bruneau, asking for a writ certiorari, declaring the conviction illegal. Besides declaring that there was no evidence to prove him guilty of the offence, the petitioner declared that if the court ...adhered to the principle of not interfering with a magistrate's award on the tried merits of a case, there was a collateral fact, namely, that of the accused not being a licenseholder, and therefore not being subject to prosecution under the License Law, which placed the case within the jurisdiction of the Superior Court. In addition that part of the sentence condemning the petitioner to pay the expenses of his conveyance to and from jail was illegal, because no definite amount was stated as the expense, consequently, it would be impossible for the petitioner to obtain his release in the ordinary way, according to law by handing over the amount to the jailer at the expiration of sentence.

Mr. MacFarlane, who appeared for the Magistrate's Court, said the petition must fail because its only valid ground, the collateral fact of the petitioner not being a licenseholder at the time the offence was alleged to be committed, was unsubstantiated.

Mr. Desaulniers appeared for Mr. Boisseau.

His Lordship took the matter en délibere.

THE LATE MR. DUNCAN DOUGALL.

News has reached the city of the death of one of the most prominent citizens of Windsor, Ont., Mr. Duncan Dougall, B.A. Death came suddenly on Friday last, the cause being acute indigestion. The funeral took place on Sunday, and the pall-bearers included the first citizens of the city. Deceased was born at Amherstburg in 1839. His father was Mr. James Dougall, a brother of the late John Dougall, of Montreal, and was with his brother a pioneer merchant first in Toronto and afterwards in Windsor, opposite Detroit, where through troubled times he kept the British flag flying. He was also a noted nursery man. Deceased gained his High School education in Montreal, and graduated at McGill University in 1860. For a time he practised law in Toronto, then moved to Windsor, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was an active Liberal and held the office of deputy-reeve of the county for a time. As a member of the Church of England he was an active worker. He is survived by his widow and one brother, Mr. C. R. Dougall, of Victoria street, Windsor.

GOVERNOR ASSUMES OFFICE.

Boston, Jan. 5.—Eugene N. Foss, a native of Vermont, business man of Massachusetts, realized a long-cherished wish to-day in assuming the office of Governor of the Commonwealth.

In some respects his inaugural address was an echo of the last campaign, and included recommendation for direct nominations, the initiative and referendum, the rights of labor to organize and be protected, the constitutional amendment of the income tax, and reforms in elections.

POSSESSION OF THEATRE.

The possession of the King Edward Palace, the moving picture theatre on St. Lawrence Boulevard, is the subject of a suit entered yesterday in the Superior Court. The place was to be repaired for the present proprietor, Z. Howand, by Jos. Laurier, under a contract of $6,900, with the place as security. Of the amount $3,000 has been paid, and in default of the remaining $3,900 the plaintiff, through his lawyers, Messrs. Trudeau & Fillon, takes action for the possession of the theatre.

TAKES OATH OF OFFICE.

Augusta, Me., Jan. 5.—Mayor Frederick W. Plaisted, of this city, took the oath of office in the House of Representatives to-day and is now the Governor of the State of Maine, the first Democrat to hold the office in thirty years, or since the completion of the term of his father, the late General Harris M. Plaisted.

PIANOS TO RENT.

Pianos rented from $2.00 per month upwards. Six months' rent allowed if purchased. One-price system and easy terms of payment. Sole agency for Steinway and Pianola Pianos. Daily demonstrations at NORDHEIMER'S, Limited, 610-612 St. Catherine street west. Corner of Mountain street. Phone, Uptown 2664.

REGULATE COLD STORAGES

Authorities Would Prohibit Them Keeping Produce for More Than One Year

In the report of the Pure Food Department, to be submitted to the Board of Control next week, the subject of cold storages is dealt with at some length, figures being quoted to show the seizures made there during the past year. It is stated that some mutton had been kept for upwards of two years, and had become entirely dried out and unfit for food. In connection with this, it is understood, goes a suggestion that a by-law be prepared, making it illegal for any food to be kept in storage for a period longer than one year. The authorities think that such a measure is needed in the interests of the public health.

CASE OFT DELAYED

Judge Choquet Making Study of Michaud Mystery.

The case of Chevrier and Perreault, found guilty of abducting Cecile Michaud, was further postponed by Judge Choquet to-day to next Tuesday. Their legal representative was informed that it would be no use to make application for bail, as such an application could not be granted.

When seen at the recess by a representative of the 'Witness,' and asked if he had any objection to state what were his reasons in delaying sentence, Judge Choquet said: 'I am scrutinizing the whole Michaud case in all its gruesome details, and I have even gone to the spot the girl visited on the night of her disappearance, and that other in Westmount where her body was found. This is one of the most puzzling and complicated cases I have ever heard of, and I am delaying sentence to try to satisfy both my conscience and public opinion.'

MAY BE CHAIRMAN

Sir Geo. Gibbons, K.C., Likely to be Appointed to Waterways Commission

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—It is understood here that Sir George Gibbons, K.C., is likely to be the chairman of the Canadian branch of the permanent International Waterways Commission to be organized in accordance with the terms of the Waterway Treaty. He has been chairman of the Canadian section of the present commission. Mr. J. B. Hunter, Deputy Minister of Public Works, is mentioned as a possible member of the commission. W. J. Stewart, of the existing board is another likely member.

M. P. NEED NOT APPEAR.

Action for 'Treating' in Soulanges Election Postponed Till After Parliament Prorogues.

Mr. Arthur Lartie, M.P., for Soulanges, obtained an interlocutory judgment from Mr. Justice Bruneau this morning, exempting him from appearing in court on January 23rd, and postponing till fifteen days after the prorogation of Parliament, the case which is brought against the member by Elir Bourbonnais to annul his election, and deprive him of his seat and civic rights for seven years, as a penalty for 'treating' in his candidature for the election of October 1908. It is a constitutional doctrine of the English law that a member of Parliament cannot be summoned as a witness while the legislature is sitting, and on this the judgment was based. If the motion had not been granted it might be taken as an award suspending the applicant's membership of the House, while the election suit remained pending.

FIFTEEN KILLED; MANY HURT

South African Express Rolled Down Embankment.

Queenstown, United South Africa, Jan. 5.—Fifteen persons were killed and forty or fifty others injured in the wreck of a passenger train near Cathcart, Cape Colony, early to-day. The train, which was loaded with holiday-makers from East London, left the rails and turning over rolled down an embankment.

CONTRACTORS' DELAY.

Indemnity for delay in the execution of a contract was the chief ground of a suit entered yesterday in the Superior Court. Mrs. R. Desjardins is sueing D'Ambroise Freres, contractors, for $5,300 as damages caused by the non-completion of four apartments in Edward Charles avenue, in the Annex, which were to be built by the defendants and finished by October 1st, 1910, under penalty of $25 a day for every day in retard. There is a further claim of $500 for diminution in the value of the property caused by delay and $800 paid to another contractor to complete the building, and $600 for additional expenses of registration, etc. The action was entered on behalf of the plaintiff who sues under the title of Dame M. L. Senez, by Mr. Surveyer.

SAVED CHILD'S LIFE.

Constable Norman Tierney, of No. 6 station, plucked a three-year-old child, Edward Walker, from a perilous position yesterday. The boy was mounting the steps of a street car, with his mother, when the car started. Both were thrown off, and the boy fell where he would have been crushed by the step of the car. Tierney dragged him out of harm's way.

The boy lives with his parents at 58 Delorimier avenue.

TRADE AGENTS TRANSFERRED.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Mr. Pousette, the Canadian trade commissioner at Durham, South Africa, who has been transferred to Buenos Ayers, will visit Canada, and make a study of the trade conditions here before going to the Argentina Republic. Word has been received at the Department of Trade and Commerce, that the Capetown office has been closed, and Mr. J. A. Chesley has gone to Durham to replace Mr. Pousette.

COCAINE CASE.

James Drake, of St. Charles Borromee street, arrested last night by Constables Martin and Daoust, was found guilty this morning in the Recorder's Court of being a vagrant and having cocaine in his possession. On the first charge he was sentenced to three months in jail, without the option of a fine. On the accusation of illegally carrying cocaine, he was sentenced to $25 and costs or ninety days in jail.

Y. M. C. A. BUILDING BURNS.

Kalamazoo, Mich., July 5.—The Y. M. C. A. building in this city was completely destroyed early to-day, with a loss estimated at upwards of sivty thousand dollars, partially covered by insurance.

JAILBIRD TO EARN MONEY

Whatever He Makes Will be Transmitted to His Family

NEW LAW IN ACTION.

Sentence by Mr. Recorder Weir in Non-support Case This Morning.

For the first time in the history of our courts of justice, and in virtue of an amendment passed at the last session of the Legislature, section 15 of the Revised Statutes, Recorder Weir, this morning, in sentencing Robert Elford, of Coursol street, to six months in jail for non-support, directed that whatever money he may earn, as a prisoner, be remitted to his family.

This is the first application of a new law.

HUNDRED THOUSAND VOTERS

New Lists Show that There are this Number in Montreal.

The municipal and provincial electoral lists just completed have now been tabulated by wards and show that there are in the city 104,225 electors, 83,327 of whom are qualified and 20,898 disqualified by reason of non-payment of water and business taxes. The list by wards is as follows:—

	Qualified Voters.	Disqualified Voters.
East	688	295
West	1,343	284
Centre	813	295
St. Ann's	3,693	1,610
St. Joseph	2,862	1,665
St. Andrew	2,752	521
St. George	2,829	677
St. Lawrence	3,543	1,424
St. Louis	4,046	1,575
St. James	2,292	988
Lafontaine	4,819	897
Papineau	5,506	2,574
St. Mary	2,872	1,794
Hochelaga	3,444	1,042
St. Jean Baptiste	3,520	1,269
Duvernay	2,431	831
St. Gabriel	2,977	1,360
St. Denis	9,414	243
St. Henry	6,005	103
Ste. Cunegonde	2,478	28
Mount Royal	621	11
Delorimier	1,656	731
Laurier	7,567	3
N. D. de Grace	1,308	264
Emard	826	370
Longue Pointe	1,088	68
St. Paul	719	28
Bordeaux	544	42
Rosemount	210	...
Cotes des Neiges	170	3
Ahuntsic	311	26

BURGLAR PLEADS GUILTY

But Gets Free Through Official Mistake

Mr. Arthur Ware, manager and president of the Ware Advertising Company, waxed wrfught in the Enquete Court this morning when he found that a charge of burglary made by him against Alfred Le Blanc, alias Choquette, had been dismissed on Tuesday owing to Mr. Ware's non appearance. Le Blanc came before Judge Lanctot on Christmas morning and pleaded guilty. The further hearing was fixed for Jan. 5, but through some mistake it was called on the 3rd, and as Mr. Ware did not of course turn up on that day the prisoner was let go. When Mr. Ware's indignation had subsided sufficiently to enable him to think what was best to be done, he promptly swore out a fresh warrant, and the police are now having a lively hunt for the man whom a clerical error enabled to slip from the fingers of the law.

The facts of the case are as follows: On Christmas morning about 1.30, as Mr. Ware was returning from Midnight Mass, he found the door of his premises in St. Genevieve street, broken open, and entering found the man Le Blanc or Choquette inside. Le Blanc had formerly been in the employment of the Ware Company, and knew his way about. He was taken into custody, and on a search being made at his place a quantity of tools, which, Mr. Ware identified as his property, was found there. These Mr. Ware believes to have been the results of previous burglaries, as various articles had been missed from the company's premises recently. 'If they succeed in catching him,' declared Mr. Ware, as he left the court this morning, 'I may be able to bring home several burglaries to him.'

WESTMOUNT ARREST.

Serious Charge Brought Against a Woman.

Agnes Guthrie, giving her address as 1088 Greene avenue, Westmount, has been arrested by the high constable's officers charged with being a procuress. A warrant in connection with the same affair has also been issued against a man, whose name is being withheld pending arrest.

The woman pleaded not guilty this morning, and was remanded.

MISSING BALLOON SIGHTED.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—A news depatch from Copenhagen reports that a balloon supposed to be the German Hildebrant, missing since Dec. 29, passed over Hoeganaes, Sweden, last night. No passengers were visible.

A BAD RECORD.

'Bob' Keegan, well-known to the police, was sentenced to one year in jail by Judge Choquet to-day, on a charge of theft.

The record of Keegan is a bad one; although not an old man, he has already been sentenced thirteen times for drunkenness, and once for theft.

STOCK SALES THIS P.M.

Following are this afternoon's sales of stock up to 2.20 p.m.:

Steel Corporation—100 at 60. 10 at 60, 25 at 60, 15 at 60, 25 at 60, 25 at 60, 25 at 60, 10 at 60¼.

Woods—100 at 160, 50 at 160, 100 at 160, 4 at 160, 6 at 160.

Molsons Bank—8 at 206, 1 at 206.

Poods—25 at 142£.

Quebec Bank—10 at 128½, 10 at 128½.

Shawinigan—10 at 109.

NEW BANK TO START.

Officers of the defunct Northern Bank of New York are considering starting a new bank to handle the business of the old institution.

New Stock of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company is Contemplated

Rumors of the issuance of $20,000,000 to $30,000,000 additional stock of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. early in 1911 are persistent. It is even hinted that stockholders will erceive rights some time this month.

The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. will make no issue of stock for many months. In fact it could, if desired, get through 1911 without putting out any securities. In any event it is unlikely that new stock will issue before next fall, and whether it comes then or not is a matter that the next six months only can determine.

Conversion of the 4 percent bonds into stock is progressing at a fairly satisfactory rate. At the moment there are about $39,000,000 of the bonds still outstanding, but the prospects are favorable for a material reduction in this amount during the next few months.

C.P.R. is Carrying on Active Railway Extensions in British Columbia Now

Vancouver, January 5.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy is instituting a policy of active railway development in British Columbia for next year.

The Canadian Pacific Railway's most important project in the interior of the province will be the building of the Kootenay Railway, which will extend from Golden on their main line to Fort Steele, on the Crow's Nest Pass line, a distance of 175 miles.

This line, which will be finished this year, will open up a good fruit farming and mineral area.

On Vancouver Island the company will extend the scope of its operations. New lines are being planned, and a big impetus is to be given to the colonization movement.

Irrigation Work Will Render Alberta Lands Splendidly Productive

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 5.—Irrigation work in Southern Alberta is being rapidly pushed forward in the eastern portions of the Canadian Pacinc irrigation block.

The expenditure involved, some $8,000,000, will make 600,000 acres of the most productive land in the world available for wheat growing. It is expected that a large portion of this will be in the market this year.

There are indications of another great influx of people from the United States for settlemen on the prairies. In spite of the 'Why go to Canada?' campaign in the States, the interest of Americans in the West is continuing.

Alberta is Being Thickly Settled With Immigrants From the States and East

Calgary, Jan. 5.—The valuable wheat lands of Alberta are rapidly being taken up, and there is no doubt that farmers from the United States and Eastern Canada are satisfied that the district is the most profitable one in which to settle.

The official report issued by the Land Office shows that nearly 100,000 acres of land have passed from the hands of the Dominion Government to private citizens in the Calgary district, and that during the past month or two several hundred homesteads were taken up.

Sears Roebuck & Co.

Boston, Jan. 5.—The recommendation of the directors of Sears, Roebuck & Co. that an extra dividend of 33 1-3 percent in stock be declared will be acted on at the annual meeting of the company next month.

If the recommendation is concurred in at the annual meeting, the intention is to pay the dividend May 15, 1911, to stock of record April 1.

Freight Rates Case May be a Long Protracted One

Washington, Jan. 5. — The Interstate Commerce Mommission is not prepared to promise a decision in the freight rate cases by Feb. 1, but the members hope to dispose of the case soon after that date.

It is estimated here that the dicision will be made before March 1, and possibly before Feb. 15, provided nothing unforeseen occurs. The arguments start next Monday, and will last about two weeks.

Calgary Grows Rapidly Figures Which Show it

Calgary, Jan. 5.—Statistics for 1910 show a remarkable rate of increase in all departments for Alberta in general, and Calgary in particular. Two hundred and fifty additional schools are placed to Alberta's credit during 1910, and the percentage of customs increase of that province during the year was 140.5. Customs collections at Calgary during the year totalled $1,025,378. Assessed values in Calgary have increased 71.84 percent during the past year. Banks in Alberta now total 190.

CHICAGO STOCK EXCHANGE.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Sales on the Chicago Exchange in 1910 were 894,362 shares, compared with 1,604,118 in 1909 and 3,477,111 in 1899. Bond sales were $7,347,000, compared with $14,888,500 in 1909 and $12,253,250 in 1899.

BANK STOCK INCREASE.

Application is being made to the Dominion Treasury Board for permission to increase the capital stock of the Union Bank of Canada from $4,000,000 to $8,000,000 in accordance with plans announced in connection with the purchase of the United Empire Bank.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILWAY.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.—It is announced that any quarterly divided which may be declared at the meeting of the directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad held February 1, will be payable on February 28, as registered February 4.

GRAIN RECEIPTS.

Following are Tuesday's receipts of grain at Fort William and Port Arthur, in car-loads; Wheat, No. 1 northern, 1; No. 2 northern, 19; No. 3 northern, 17; No. 4 northern, 14; No. 5 northern, 5; No. 6 northern, 2. other grades, 6. Total, 73 (as against 100 last year); oats, 12; barley, nil; flax, one.

MILLING STOCK LISTED.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—Ther was listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange Canadian Cereal and Milling Company common stock, $1,250,000, and preference stock, $1,250,000.

OTTAWA BANK CLEARINGS.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Bank clearings for the year 1910 in Ottawa show an increase of over twenty millions over 1909 the figures reading: $193,714,899.55 for 1910, and $173,181,977.98 for 1909.

LESS RUBBER STOCK.

Intercontinental Rubber Company, has filed certificate decreasing capital stock $500,000, by retiring 5,000 shares of preferred stock bought in and canceled during 1910.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Women's Art Society has arranged for a luncheon on Tuesday, January 10, at the studio.

Mrs. F. E. Thompson, Park avenue, has returned from a visit to friends in Quebec.

Mrs. E. P. Judge has been spending a few days in town from Brome, visiting friends.

Miss Helen Mumford, Staynor avenue, Westmount, is visiting in Toronto, the guest of Miss Duggan.

Mrs. A. H. B. MacKenzie, 1012 Dorchester street West, is visiting friends in Hamilton, Ont.

Miss Louise Kimball, of Enosburg Falls, Ont., is the guest of Miss Martha Scott, Mance street, Annex.

Mr. W. W. Wilson is leaving tonight for New York, to attend the Madison square Gardens Automobile Show.

Mr. Victor Drury has returned to Montreal, after spending the holidays at the Capital, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. James Mills.

The engagement is announced of Miss Beatrice Weir, daughter of the Hon. R. S. and Mrs. Weir, to Dr. James R. Goodall.

Mr. and Mrs H. D. Gamble, who have been visiting in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hope, returned to their home in Toronto yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. H. Dussault and family, St. Hubert street, spent the New Year holidays with Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Dussault, in Sherbrooke.

The Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. Lennox Mills have arrived from Kingston on a short visit to Archdeacon and Mrs. Norton, at the Rectory, 67 University street.

Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier are being entertained this evening at the Parliament Buildings, Quebec, when the Hon. A. and Mrs. Turgeon are giving a dinner in their honor.

Dr. C. W. Colby and family, who have been occupying 'Broadview,' Stanstead, have returned to their residence in Montreal, on Pine avenue.

Mrs. A. Baumgarten, McTavish street, has been laid up for the past two weeks with the grippe, and was unable to sperd the holiday as expected in St. Agathe.

Mrs. Hayter Reed and her son, Mr. Jack Lowry, who have been visiting Mrs. Charles Harriss at 'Earnscliffe,' left yesterday for Toronto, where they will spend a few days.

Mrs. T. Chase Casgrain, 83 Durocher street, was hostess at a young peoples' dinner on Tuesday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fremont, of Quebec. The party numbered twelve.

Mr. J. D. Scott, of Regina, Sask., has returned to the West after spending a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, Mance street, Annex. Miss Violet Scott, who has spent the holidays with her parents, has returned to Macdonald College.

The marriage takes place in London on January 31 of Miss Grace Mackenzie to Count de Lesseps. Sir William and Lady Mackenzie, Mrs. William Beardmore, and Mr. Joe Mackenzie leave shortly for England, to be present at the ceremony.

The marriage of Miss Georgina K. Nicholson, graduate nurse of St. Luke's Hospital, Ottawa, to the Rev. Wm. McNicol, of Thessalon, Ont., was celebrated on Tuesday evening, the Rev. Dr. Ramsay officiating. The bride, who was unattended, was given away by her brother, Mr. Wm. Nicholson, B.A., of Montreal. The wedding trip will be to points in Western Ontario, and thence Mr. and Mrs. McNicol will proceed to their home in Thessalon.

Mrs. Holton Learmont, formerly Miss Margaret Dale, held her first reception since her marriage yesterday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Learmont, who assisted in welcoming the guests. Pink roses were used in the decoration of the reception room and the tea table, where Mrs. Huntley Ward Davis, Mrs. Stanley Bagg, Mrs. P. D. Bancroft and Lady Johnson were in charge, with Miss Stanway and Miss Mabel Murray Smith as helpers.

Mrs. W. Hope entertained at dinner on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of last week, in honor of her guests, Mr. and Mrs. Gamble, of Toronto. On Friday evening covers were laid for twelve, those present being Sir Montagu and Lady Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. James Ross, Miss Angus. Yesterday Mrs. Hope was hostess at a luncheon in honor of Master Charles Hope, who is home for the holidays. Covers were laid for eight.

Mrs. Paul McKay Stroud, formerly Miss Vida Roberts, was 'at home' for the first time since her marriage yesterday afternoon and evening, at her residence 22a Souvenir avenue. Mrs. Stroud, wearing her wedding gown of white satin embroidered with pearls, was assisted in receiving by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Wallace Stroud, who wore a handsome violet robe. The tea room was presided over by Mrs. Williamson and Miss Bingham, and those assisting in serving were Miss Helen Stroud, Miss Mollie Ferris, of Phillipsburg; Miss Shannon, Miss Cutt, and Miss Matheson.

Mrs. Howard Strachan, formerly Miss Mildred Corneil, was receiving for the first time since her marriage yesterday afternoon, at her residence, 641 Belmont avenue. Mrs. Strachan was wearing her wedding gown of white satin, with mlaon overdress and rose point lace trimming, and carrying a bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. She was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. C. R. Corneil, and her sister, Mrs. Burnett, of New York. Mrs. Corneil was gowned in grey satin, with trimmings of duchess lace, and Mrs. Burnett had on a draped robe of green satin. Miss Claro MacKay and Miss Eva Strachan were in charge of the tea room, where there were tasteful decorations of pink and white blossoms and greenery. The young ladies who assisted in waiting on the guests were Miss Grace Hall, Miss Irene Griffen, Miss Alma Chapman, Miss Freda Scarff, Miss Muriel Telfer Miss Cherry Riepert, Miss Lilian May, and the little Misses Mildred Burnett and Alexa MacKay. Crimson roses formed the decorations in the living room, and in the drawing room yellow and white flowers were prettily arranged.

The residence of Mr. James W. Fitzpatrick, Ottawa, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Tuesday afternoon, when Miss Annie Fitzpatrick was married to Mr. Matthew F. Fairlie, of Cobalt, son of the Rev. John Fairlie, of Kingston. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Herridge, assisted by the Rev. John Fairlie. The bride, who was given away by her father, was wearing a gown of mnon de soie over white satin, with trimming of pearl and crystal beads, a veil and wreath of orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. She wore the groom's gift, a pearl necklace. Miss Marjorie McKeen was the bridesmaid, gowned in pale blue crepe de chine, with opalescent and silver trimming, carrying a bouquet of pink roses. The bride's brother, Mr. Louis J Fitzpatrick, attended as best man. A pretty feature of the wedding procession was the aisle formed by six young friends of the bride, who held pale-colored ribbons. After a reception, attended by a large number of friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fairlie left for a trip to the south. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. W. Henry Bell and Miss Grace Bell, of this city.

THE BRAELEE CLUB.

The third dance of the season was marked with a large attendance on Tuesday night, at the Victoria Hall, dancing being kept up till a late hour. Announcement was made that the fourth annual 'Braelee at home' was to be held on the 20th January, when the entire building was to be taken over by the club. The committee in charge are anticipating a much larger attendance than in former years, and are sparing no trouble to make the evening a success. Among the guests present on Tuesday were noticed Mrs. C. A. Cunningham, the Misses McGovern, Taylor, A. G. Doyle, E. W. Blaiklock, H. Warburton, Barwick, O. Barwick, M. Graham, E. Smith, G. Bennett, E. Dodwell, A. Seaman, A. G. Paul, Lavis, C. Currie, O'Neill, J. C. Bayette, A. Wilkins, E. C. Smith, M. Tremaine, O. Noad, M. Shaw, Hodges, Sherley, Donnelly, C. Mackay, Moore. Members and friends present included Messrs. Cunningham, J. Milloy, Reg. Stroud, W. R. McLaren, C. Kane, M. Milloy, W. Blaiklock, G. G. Hodges, W. Harding, F. Chapman, H. W. Simpson, A. McNally. E. Prime, J. Baillie, jr., L. Anderson, F. Paul, M. T. Burke, D. McLennan, E. Donnelly, M. Barford, D. Ross, F. J. Stroud, R. R. Stroud, R. Wilkins, T. Tremaine, F. Meade, L. Jones, H. Coughtry, W. A. Kennedy, C. E. Sherley, C. Edwards, N. Edwards, H. McGregor, W. Abbott.

Measures to be Taken to Protect Lumber Areas

Victoria, B.C., Jan. 5.—Forest protection in the interests of the great lumber industry of British Columbia is about to be undertaken by the Provincial Government.

The Royal Commission on Forestry has made valuable recommendations relating to protection from fire. This duty is to be undertaken by the Government through the agency of a permanent forest organization.

These steps will strengthen the position of the lumber industry in British Columbia.

It is estimated that over $200,000,000 is invested in the lumber industry of this province.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Reported by W. J. Bird, 17 St. Francois Xavier street. Tel. Main 31.

	Sellers	Buyers		Sellers	Buyers
Bell Tel. Co.	111	110	Dom. I. & S.	....	....
B.C.P.R.A.A	....	83	" pfd	102¾	102¾
Can. Con.	40½	39	Duluth com	....	....
Can. Pac. Ry.	197¼	197	pfd.	....	....
Crown R've	251	2.50	Halifax Ry	....	132
Detroit Ele.	69¼	69	Hav. Elec.	....	....
D.C. Steel com	....	....	Mex. L. & P.	87	86
" pfd.	....	....	" pfd	....	....
Ill. Trac.	91	90	M. & St. Paul	132¾	132½
Int. Coal 'm	....	....	pfd. xd.	....	....
Int. C. & C. pfd	....	....	Mt. L. H. & P.	143	42¾
Int. Port. C.	....	....	Mont. St. Ry	224	22.6
L. of Woods com	140	....	New St. Ry.	....	....
" pfd.	....	....	Mont. Steel	164	....
Lau. Paper	183	180	" pfd	....	....
" pfd.	....	....	Mont. Tel.	....	....
Mackay com	....	92	Nipissing	....	....
" pfd	....	....	Sao Paulo	....	....
Nor. Ohio	39¾	....	Shaw W. & P.	109	108
N. S. Steel	86	85	St. John Ry.	....	104
" pfd.	....	....	Toledo	8	7¾
N. W. Land	....	....	Toronto	124	123¾
Ogilvie com	130½	129½	Tri City pfd	....	0....
pfd.	125	....	Twin City	108	17 ⅜
Penmans	61½	61	West India	....	....
" pfd	....	85½	Winnipeg	198	....
R. & O. Nav.	94	93¼			

BANKS

B. N. A.	....	....	Nationale	....	....
Commerce	220	215	N. W. Brunsw'k	275	....
Dom.	....	....	N. Scotia	....	....
East. T.	....	170	Ottawa	....	....
Hamilton	....	....	Quebec	129	128
Hochelaga	157	156	Royal	242	241½
Imperial	....	....	Standard	....	....
Merch.	186	....	Toronto	214½	....
Molson	206½	205	Union	150	....
Montreal	245½	245			

COTTONS

Can. C. Cot.	....	....	Dom Tex. pf	99	97½
D. Tex. com	61¾	61¼	Montreal	137	131

BONDS

Bell Tel.	....	103	Ke'w'n Mills	....	102
Can. C. Co.	....	....	L. of Woods	....	....
Can. Con.	....	....	Lau. Paper	....	110
Cable	....	....	Mag. I. D.	....	....
Dom. Coal	97½	....	Mex. E. L.	85	84
Dom. Cot.	101	....	Mex. L. & P.	89	88½
D. I. & S.	....	95½	Mt. L. H. & P.	....	91½
Halifax T.	....	....	Sao Paulo	....	....
Hav. El. R.	....	....	St. John R.	....	....
Mt. St. Ry.	100	....	Textl. S. A.	97½	95¼
M. Wareh.	....	....	" " B	89	....
N. S. S. & C.	....	....	" " C	87	86½
N. Sco. Cn.	....	....	" " D	97½	95
Ogilvie M.	....	112½	T. Y. Ry.	....	....
Series B.	....	112¼	Wes. Indias	....	90
Price Bros.	....	....	Win. Elec.	....	....
Rio de J.	....	96¼	Win. Hot'l	10	1....

SHIPPING NEWS

OUTWARD.

Montfort, left St. John .. .. .. Dec. 4
Corinthian, arr. Glasgow .. .. .. " 3

INWARD.

Pomeranian, arr. St. John, N.B., Dec. 4
Mongolian, arr. Philadelphia .. .. " 4
Patris, arr. New York .. .. .. " 4
Breslau, arr. New York .. .. .. " 4
Oceania, arr. New York .. .. .. " 4
Furnesia, arr. New York .. .. .. " 4

SCHOONER ON FIRE.

Early this morning the schooner Mary Ann Lydon caught fire at Government wharf, Portsmouth; Kingston fire fighters were called and saved the craft from total destruction. The stern and cabin were burned. The run of the brigade was very hard, as the route lay along the lake shore for two miles.

ROYAL GEORGE ARRIVED.

In spite of predictions to the contrary the Canadian Northern liners are behaving excellently under the rough weather of the Atlantic in winter. The Royal George, which left Bristol last Thursday at 5.30 p.m., arrived at Halifax at 8.20 a.m. to-day, making the passage in six days and a half. She encountered bad weather all the way across.

Royal George carried 26 saloon, 54 second, 243 third class passengers. Some of these will leave this afternoon on the I.C.R. Maritime Express, which will reach Montreal to-morrow afternoon, and others by the C.P.R. leaving to-morrow morning. These will arrive here on Saturday.

CANADA REPORTED.

The White Star-Dominion liner Canada was reported 80 miles east of Sable Island at 3.15 a.m. to-day, and is due at Halifax this evening and Portland to-morrow. She carries 64 cabin and 189 steerage passengers.

Judge Gary Gives Opinion on Conditions of Industry

Judge Gary, in commenting on the steel trade situation said: 'I am a conservative optimist. I believe in making the most of the facts but not in going one hair's breadth beyond them. I have just as much reason for feeling that business will be good in 1911 as these who are talking bad business at this time for saying it will be bad.'

DIED.

GOUGH—At Ottawa, on Jan. 4, 1911, Charles Archer Gough, of the Finance Department, eldest son of the late Major Thomas Gough, Rifle Brigade, aged 58 years.

HAY — On Dec. 28, 1910, at 107 MacDonell avenue, Parkdale, Toronto, Maude H., wife of Elymer Hay, late of Montreal.

ST. JOSEPH'S WARD IN WEST

Should be in Southern Division Says Ald. Dandurand

As was indicated at the meeting of the Committee on Legislation last night a number of aldermen do not favor the proposed redivision of the city into five districts.

Ald. Dandurand, of St. Joseph's ward, states that he is not opposed to the scheme, but believes St. Joseph's should have been put in the Southern division instead of the West, as its interests are closely allied with the wards spoken of for the South.

Ald. Gauvin, of Papineau ward, says that his electors favor a fixed number of aldermen, but he is not sure whether or not they approve of the division as suggested.

'Let the city make good its promises to the new wards before any new divisions are talked of,' says Ald. Bastien, of Ahuntsic. 'I want to consult my electors before I decide what is right in this regard.'

NO ONE TO BLAME.

Jury's Verdict in Yesterday's Hoist Fatality.

Itwas shown at the inquest held at the morgue this morning on John Culshaw, who was killed in a fall down the elevator shaft of the Willis buildings under construction at Drummond and St. Catherine streets yesterday, that the plank which struck and knocked him down the shaft had been loosened by the ascending hoist, and John Ingles, superintendent of construction, was on the hoist. The verdict of the jury was that no one was criminally responsible. The plank was on the edge of the hoist pit.

Culshaw, who was married, lived at 173 Ontario Street East. He came from Ormskirk, a small village in the north of England, and had been here over eighteen months. Coroner McMahon conducted the inquest. Dr. Dugas gave medical evidence.

FIRE IN VACANT HOUSE

Fire which did much damage in a vacant house in St. Agathe lane, owned by Mr. J. Labrandie, broke out at 10.34 last night.

GAS JET CAUSED FIRE.

A gas jet in a candy store window, started a fire at 464 St. Denis street, at 6.30 last night. The damage was small.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The treasurer of the Montreal Protestant House of Industry and Refuge thankfully acknowledges the following contributions:

To the current account—Estate late R. A. A. Jones, $386.83; Erskine Church, $25; A. C. Leslie & Co., Limited, $26; Jonathan Hodgson, $50; Henry Birks, $50; Mrs. W. J

Weekly Calendar

WEEK OF PRAYER—Central District.

THE MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION INVITES ATTENDANCE AT THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

FRIDAY, 8 P.M.—Meeting in Emmanuel Church.
SATURDAY, 4 P.M.—Mass Meeting for the City for United Prayer, in St. James Methodist Church.

Edinburgh Missionary Conference

REPORTS BY
REV. H. SYMONDS, D.D., and
REV. PROF. R. E. WELSH, D.D.

MASS MEETING

in EMMANUEL CHURCH (Drummond Street), on FRIDAY, 6TH JANUARY, at 8 p.m., under auspices of Montreal Laymen's Missionary Movement, and Montreal Ministerial Association.

ALL CORDIALLY INVITED.

Caledonian Society LECTURES.

An Address will be delivered by GEO. A. CAMPBELL, Esq., B.C.L., upon "SOME FAMOUS SCOTTISH LAWYERS," in the St. Andrew's Home, on FRIDAY, the 6th January, 1911, at 8.15 P.M. Visitors, introduced by Members of the Society, will be cordially welcomed.

W. E. DIXON, Secretary.

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WEEK OF PRAYER

JANUARY 3RD TO 7TH, 1911.

During the week of prayer meetings will be held at the

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,
502 Dorchester Street West.

Every morning from 11 to 12 o'clock. All ladies are most cordially invited to attend.

FRIDAY—Missions.
SATURDAY—Consecration.

WINDSOR HALL

(Windsor Hotel),
FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 6, at 8.30.

KATHLEEN PARLOW

Reserved Seats, 75c to $2.00, at Nordheimer's Music Store and Morris Michaels's News Stand, Windsor Hotel.

ANNOUNCEMENT

In order to comply with the numerous demands for seats, L. M. RUBEN and E. G. LAWRENCE announce a

SPECIAL
PARLOW MATINEE

AT WINDSOR HALL,
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Matinee Prices, 50c and $1.00.
Seats now on sale.
(New Scale Williams Piano used.)

NOTICE.
GREENFIELD PARK

A meeting of the residents and property holders of the territory known as Greenfield Park, in the Parish of Longueuil, within the boundaries of King Edward Avenue on the north-east; Lapiniere Road on the north-west, Cote Noire Road on the south-east, and the boundary of the Parish of Laprairie on the south-west, will be held in St. Lambert Town Hall, on Saturday, January 7th, 1911, at 8 p.m., to receive the report of the Committee appointed to consider the question of seeking incorporation of the property within the above-mentioned boundaries as a town.

A large attendance of those interested is requested.

F. W. HORNSBY,
Jan. 4th, 1911. Sec.-Treas.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of

THE TRAVELLERS INDEMNITY COMPANY OF CANADA

will be held at the Head Office of the Company, Room No. 20, Royal Insurance Building, Montreal, on MONDAY, the 9th day of January, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon.

GEO. C. G. TRAQUAIR, Secretary.
F. F. PARKINS, Vice-President.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MAILS.

To be closed at the Post Office during the Week Ending Jan. 7th, 1911.

Jan.
4, 7.45 a.m. La Lorraine, G. T. Atlantic
• 4 6.00 p.m. " Supplementary.
•• 6 10.30 a.m. Corsican, Allan.
6 7.45 a.m. Oceanic, White Star
• 6 6.00 p.m. " Supplementary. C. P. R.

•Letters may be posted up to 6.00 p.m. Other matter should be posted before 6.00 p.m.

••Parcels are forwarded by this steamer; latest time of mailing is 9.30 a.m. on Friday.

Letters for the above mails may be posted at Station 'B' up to within 15 minutes, and at Station 'C' up to within 30 minutes of the above-mentioned hours of closing.

•Matter for registration close at 5.15 p.m.

•Letters for Registration should be posted three-quarters of an hour before closing of mail.

APPROVES CHURCH UNION.

But Hamilton Presbytery Seeks Further Consideration.

Hamilton, Jan. 5.—The Presbytery of Hamilton discussed the General Assembly's remit on union yesterday, when the following resolutions, moved by the Rev. Dr. Ratcliffe, of St. Catharines, were adopted:

1. The Presbytery approves generally of the basis of union sent down by the Assembly.

2. The Presbytery cannot, however, assent to the removal of the bar to the Assembly's final action on this matter until the whole question has received mature consideration by the presbyteries, sessions and congregations and substantial unanimity has been attained.

MR. LAVERGNE AND HIS LECTURE.

The town of Joliette has been considerably excited over a matter which is causing much discussion. Mr. Armand Lavergne, M.P.P., had been invited to deliver a lecture on 'French Society Before the Conquest.' The lecture was to be given in the Seminary Hall, under the patronage of Bishop Archambault. It was claimed by the Liberals that it was scarcely the thing to give such prestige to one of the champions of nationalism. During the course of his sermon on Sunday, Bishop Archambault stated that he had been misinformed, and would not have given special countenance to this proposed lecture had he thought it was to be made a bone of contention between political parties. His Lordship withdrew his patronage from it. So far as can now be seen, the lecture will not be given.

GOES TO SHERBROOKE.

Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 5.—Arthur Lockhard, B.A., principal of Huntingdon Academy, has been appointed principal of the Sherbrooke High School to succeed Mr. E. C. Irvine, resigned.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1911.

We gather that our recent article on the study of French in schools has awaked a great deal of comment in connection with the discussion now going on in educational quarters. There is to be in a day or two a meeting of school principals over the whole question. It appears that for some time the so-called 'direct' method of teaching, to which we referred as that by which we learned our own language, has been, through the zeal of a competent leader, working its way into the schools for some time. It is at this disadvantage, that it requires teachers of native ability, who have a colloquial knowledge of French as well as a correct accent. In view of the small opportunity many of the teachers have had to acquire these, it has had to fight its way under grievous difficulties. We are told that limited as has been the proficiency of teachers in the past, the French course in the School for Teachers has of late years been considerably cut down. No one can very well question that the right way to learn a living language is nature's method, such as we have urged. But, like most things that are best, it is possibly the most costly. Any teacher with a smattering of French can teach it out of a grammar or an Ollendorff, but to teach it colloquially requires not only a teacher who can speak French, but one who has some natural gift for inventing the means of imparting it. We cited what is done in schools abroad, in contrast to what is not achieved in many years in our own schools; but it is fair to remember how much better equipped, on the average, the teachers are who bring about such results.

The startling deaths of the airmen Moisan and Hoxsey, on the same day, and as a result of exhibition flying, has given pause to the British Aero Club, which has determined henceforth to discourage the reckless endangering of life in flying competitions. The toll of death paid during last year, the number being about thirty, may seem to be a heavy one, but considering the rapid advance in the science and art of flying during that period, it is light compared with the toll that has been paid and is being paid for every advance in the arts and sciences of transportation, lighting, power distribution, and what not. On the other hand, the toll is heavy in the sense that most of it was paid unnecessarily. That is really the distressing feature of it. As the airman Robert Loraine says, the great majority of the fatalities in the past year were due to carelessness or recklessness in some form, and were not incurred in advancing the art of flying. There is this to be said, however, about the present monoplanes and biplanes, that the aeronaut has to balance all the time, as the bicyclist does, and that in the case of the aeronaut the slightest relaxation or a moment of forgetfulness, may mean death. Mr. H. G. Wells believes in a future when flying will be the ordinary means of rapid locomotion; but that will be, he thinks, when the present machines shall be superseded by machines which will have automatic stability. The present balancing machines will, however, long retain their popularity for individual excitation, even though they do not promise ever to become of practical use in the passenger transportation business.

There will never be any end to trouble in Point St. Charles and the very important region beyond it till the subway nuisance is abated. When that subway was proposed the Witness' pointed out that the railway company which had a right to cross the highway with a single, and presumably with a double, track, had, without check from our supine City Council, added track to track till it had made the great southern artery of the city a part of its shunting yard. This was not the railway's fault so much as that of the city, which permitted such encroachment here and on Mountain street and elsewhere. We pointed out that the railway where it left the bridge was at a level much above that of Wellington street, and that from there to the canal there was no engineering difficulty in carrying the main line at a level that would make it no longer a mischievous obstruction to intercourse in a growing section of the city. Indeed, we pointed out that there was in the dike a ready-made high-level way that would, if necessary, serve this purpose. The difficulty was not with the main line but with the shunting tracks. We pointed out that the whole of the property in that great region would be vastly increased in value by the removal of this obstruction to intercourse and the free opening of streets. All the same, the railway and the aldermen agreed together that the city should build a subway as its only safe crossing of the track. The subway was built, reaching levels liable to be flooded, and leaving too little headway, at least for modern street cars. As the traffic on other crossings increases we shall have the same difficulty repeated over and over again. Would it not be better to face the matter and do the thing right?

It is probable that before long Paris will be placed in direct communication with the sea. A plan to accomplish this was discussed seriously as long ago as 1822, and has been revived from time to time since. It is now, however, more a live question than ever before, in consequence of the railway strike, and the threat of starvation, which attended it. The London 'Standard' says that according to the highest estimate the total cost would not exceed fifty million dollars. From the sea to Rouen the Seine is sufficiently deep, but from there to Paris it is suggested that a canal should be cut, to permit of the passage of steamers drawing twenty-two feet. Such a steamer can carry 4,500 tons, or as much as 450 European railway trucks, and it is anticipated that in a single day enough provisions could be conveyed into Paris to feed the entire population for nearly three weeks. In addition to other advantages the building of a canal could be made the means of saving Paris from disastrous floods. The depth and speed proposed would not effectively make Paris a modern sea port. If it would, Rouen would now be an entrepot of commerce rather than a conservatory of majestic and quaint architecture

IMPROVEMENTS AND TAXES.

The Board of Control has, as some of the Commissioners lamented in speaking their New Year's wishes through the 'Witness,' got to the end of its resources. During its first year it had a certain unexpended surplus to come and go on, inherited from days of stagnation; and no one of us but has been delighted with the splendid progress made during 1910. But if this progress is to go on there must be some relief from liability, or some new resources. It is not that the city's income is not ample to meet its needs. The trouble is that the sins of the fathers are being visited on the children. Reckless of those who should live after them, the city fathers of unblest memory, mortgaged the city up to the hilt, and borrowed every cent they were allowed to, to squander among their own friends and on their own generation, leaving only the narrow margin on which they could not borrow as annual resources. These unholy debts are our portion forever. If, then, we are going to do anything effective for the modernizing of our city we must have more means. We shall be told that every year's assessment enables us under the law to borrow more. Oh, of course! Continue the process of robbing posterity, as we have been robbed. We may say that we are altogether in favor of borrowing from posterity for acquisitions such as parks and squares, which shall be handed down to posterity as assets of ever increasing value. But to rob posterity to pay for things that we are going to use up is acting the criminal part of robbing our heirs of their patrimony, of which we are the trustees. Pay as you go ought to be our motto. It is the only honest one.

All sorts of licentious promises have been made to the suburban wards to induce them to join us. Such was the obstruction offered by many of these municipalities to the city's growth and to its good government; such was their prodigality, knowing that the city would some day have to pay, that, failing any provincial legislation to right the wrong done the city by their reckless creation, it was good policy on the part of the city to make even grievous sacrifices to bring the evil to an end. Some of the promises were of improvements which when made would be assets to the city. These were in principle the least objectionable. Others were of immunities from taxation, which, in view of the fact that the new wards would certainly cost the city far more than they would at the best contribute to its exchequer, amounted to direct robbery. Some of these iniquities were consented to by Montreal; others were imposed upon her by a legislature which does with Montreal what it will. At all events, in addition to the crying needs which years of incompetence and squandering have left to us, and in addition to the improvements which our age and our aspirations demand of us, we have incurred enormous liabilities for the improvement of farm properties which value themselves for assessment at a hundred dollars an acre.

We have this at least to congratulate ourselves upon, that we are among the most lightly taxed of cities. And we must remember that the same money does not go anything like as far to-day as when the present rates of taxation were fixed. With a reasonable hope that the money will be well used we can face an addition to our burdens in a far more cheerful way than when we knew the money would be—to use a gentle word—wasted. Possibly the best way to right matters would be to transfer some of the expenses, such as the making and keeping of streets, as other cities do, from the city treasury to the abutting properties. This system has more than one advantage. It prevents raids upon the city's funds for private emolument, it creates emulation between street and street, and it gives those most interested in the local conditions a certain proprietorship in them and oversight over them which must tend to better management. In any case it would seem as if the property owners of Montreal must, if they want to be citizens of no mean city, screw up their courage to facing heavier burdens.

FORESTRY AT QUEBEC.

On the eighteenth of this month the Canadian Forestry Convention will meet at Quebec, in accordance with the official summons issued by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. As already noted in the 'Witness,' this convention is under the auspices of the Canadian Forestry Association, and His Excellency the Governor-General has kindly consented to open it. The president of the Canadian Forestry Association will occupy the chair, and it is expected that the convention will be addressed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Messrs. R. L. Borden, Clifford Sifton, chairman of the Commission of Conservation; Sydney Fisher, Frank Oliver, Sir Lomer Gouin, Jules Allard, Frank Cochrane, W. C. H. Grimmer, His Grace Mgr. Begin, Archbishop of Quebec; R. H. Campbell, Dominion Superintendent of Forestry; H. S. Graves, Chief Forester of the United States; Dr. H. S. Beland, M.P.; Dr. B. E. Fernow, Dean of the Faculty of Forestry of the University of Toronto; Achille Bergevin, of the Quebec Fish and Game Protective Association, and Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt, Dominion Entomologist. The Legislature of Quebec will be in session and the Commission of Conservation will hold its annual meeting at Quebec on January 17. It is hoped and expected that hundreds if not thousands will be attracted to the Ancient City and will attend the meetings of the convention. To encourage this the railway companies have granted single fare rates for the round trip from points east of Fort William. The secretary of the Canadian Forestry Association, Mr. James Lawler, whose address is Canadian Building, Ottawa, requests those who expect to attend the convention to send in their names at once, as it will greatly facilitate the work, and those so sending in their names will receive advance programmes and all other necessary information. Forestry is a cause to which the 'Witness' has devoted much time and space, and it is pleasant to find the knowledge of forestry spreading broadcast to-day under the guidance of statesmen and scientists and 'practical' men of every description.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS.

The Quebec Government has once more shown its zeal for general education in the appointment of a provincial supervisor of Catholic school inspection. This has been, we understand, done at the instance of the Catholic Committee of the Council of Public Instruction. Mr. Magnan, of the Laval Normal School, has been made inspector-general of the primary schools of the province which are under Catholic direction. There are thirty-seven Catholic inspectors, and Mr. Magnan's duties will be those of general supervision, by personal visit and otherwise, of the work of the inspectors. At the same time, the government, as the result of representations from the Protestant Committee, has appointed Mr. J. C. Sutherland, B.A., of Richmond, as a special officer of the Department of Public Instruction. While more active supervision of the work of the Protestant inspectors is provided for, the immediate purpose of Mr. Sutherland's appointment is to afford the opportunity to the department to come into more frequent contact with the school boards of the province, in order that the needs of the latter may be better known and that local efforts in the direction of progress and efficiency may be encouraged and stimulated. The need of this outside work has long been felt and urged by Mr. Parmelee, the able English secretary of the department, and several years ago he did some admirable missionary work in this direction; but the increased duties of the office during the last few years have prevented him from undertaking it as frequently as he wished. The work of the department has increased through the increased number of special grants to the schools, and also in correspondence from within and outside the province. It is intended that Mr. Sutherland shall assist in the work of the department, and that both Mr. Parmelee and he will devote a portion of their time to the special work of visiting the school boards.

We have frequently advocated the necessity of such work in the interest of the rural schools. This feature of departmental activity is indispensable everywhere for the successful working of elementary school systems. It was by constant visiting to all parts of Ontario that Dr. Egerton Ryerson, when superintendent of education, was able to accomplish so much for the public schools of that province. Mr. Parmelee is well qualified by his experience, and his large grasp of our educational conditions, to do something effective for the improvement of our Protestant rural schools; and in Mr. Sutherland he has well qualified and competent assistance. For a number of years Mr. Sutherland has taken an active part in education in the province, both in connection with the superior and the elementary schools, and has discussed the special needs of the rural schools frequently in the press and on the public platform. During the last six years he has been a member of the Council of Public Instruction, and has acted on several of the important sub-committees during that time. This experience, added to the fact that he has been a school commissioner at Richmond, has doubtless given him a good acquaintance with the details of our school system, and we have every confidence that he will thoroughly justify the appointment.

LOST LIFE IN FIRE

Rev. Brother Leontien Perished in College Fire at Granby —Loss $75,000

Granby, Que., Jan. 5.—The loss as a result of last night's fire in St. Joseph's College will be over $75,000. Such was the statement given out by Dr. J. E. Lessard, chairman of the Catholic School Commissioners. The insurance is only thirty thousand dollars. The Rev. Brother Leontien, whose body is still in the ruins, was fifty years of age and assistant superior. Brother Jos. Daniels, superior of the college, was seriously injured by jumping from the third story. Thirty-three students were in the building, but escaped.

(Se also Paget 10.)

GREATEST EMPIRE BUILDER.

Lord Strathcona's Tribute to Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 5.—A striking tribute to Mr. Joseph Chamberlain as an Empire builder was paid by Lord Strathcona at Birmingham yesterday. He said Birmingham people must be very proud to have among them one who had done more to consolidate the dominions across the sea than any other man in the British Empire. Representing Canada in England he knew nothing of party politics, but he was glad to pay tribute to such a statesman, and joined them in their ardent wish that Mr. Chamberlain might be spared not only to the people of Birmingham, but to the Empire for many years.

WOMAN STRIKER DIES.

Chicago Garment Worker's Death Due to Cold and Exposure.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Another name was added to the death list of the garment workers' strike yesterday, when Sarah Gibbs, a 19-year-old striker, died at an hospital as a result of cold and exposure during her service as a strike picket and as a news girl for the benefit of the strikers. Miss Gibbs was one of the first garment workers to walk out, and in the succeeding weeks she was so active in the work of helping her fellow strikers that she became ill, and died a week after being taken to the hospital. The strikers' relief committee will pay the expenses of her funeral, and five thousand strikers are expected to follow her body to the grave to-morrow.

SERVED IN LEGISLATURE.

Mr. Walter Beatty, Veteran Brockville Land Surveyor, Dead.

Brockville, Jan. 5.—News was received here to-day of the death at Delta of Walter Beatty, for many years the Conservative representative for Leeds in the Provincial Legislature. He was a land surveyor by profession, and in October last returned very ill. Since that time he has gradually declined. Deceased was one of the best known land surveyors of the province, and in the early days he did pioneer work on Crown lands in Ontario and Manitoba. He also served as a scout with the Canadian troops in the Riel rebellion. Mr. Beatty was a former warden of Leeds and Grenville, and a man universally esteemed. His funeral will be held at Delta on Saturday afternoon.

WANTS CANADIANS.

Gravesend Offers to Accommodate Coronation Contingent.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 5.—The Mayor of Gravesend offers Lord Strathcona civic hospitality if the ship bearing the Canadian coronation contingent of 700 anchors off the town, which is the entrance to the port of London. Lord Strathcona has promised to forward the offer to Ottawa.

FIRE IN MAISONNEUVE.

Fire broke out in the block of houses on Third avenue belonging to Mr. J. Cote, 21 Aird avenue, yesterday afternoon at three o'clock, and did damage to the extent of about $2,000. Sub-Chief St. Pierre and the brigade soon extinguished the flames, which were thought to have been caused by a plumber's lamp.

RECIPROCITY IS ENDORSED

By Eastern Ontario Dairymen Regarding Dairy Produce

AT ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Improvement in Farming and in Dairying Strongly Urged by Mr. C. C. James.

Perth, Ont., Jan. 5. — The thirty-fourth annual convention of the Eastern Ontario Dairymen's Association opened here yesterday. The convention went on record as favoring reciprocal trade with the United States in dairy products. Col. Matheson, the provincial treasurer, spoke against reciprocity, which he claimed would destroy our industries. Reciprocity, he said, would allow poor American cheese to supplant the good Canadian manufacture. Col. Matheson intimated that the government was not in a position to give any increased aid to the association.

Thoughtful and introspective was the address of Mr. C. C. James, the deputy Minister of Agriculture. His department now depends on methods of practical instruction rather than on preaching the uplift of farming and dairying. The deputy minister's statement that Canadians do not produce enough eggs and poultry for our own consumption came as a surprise.

Senator Derbyshire, Brockville, urged improvements. Greater advancement in the future can be made by improving the individual farmer. The instructors this coming year should devote most of their time to a house to house canvass in instructing the farmers.

Henry Glendenning, Manilla, president, said the wisdom of the Ontario Government in giving free instruction in dairying was demonstrated in the greater uniformity of fine cheese leaving our shores for the world's markets. Exports of cheese from Montreal the past season were 17,000 boxes greater than the previous year.

John W. Hyatt, Picton, and James E. Anderson, Mountain View, introduced a motion urging the Dominion Government, in the pending trade negotiations between the States and Canada, to provide for complete reciprocal trade in dairy products. The motion carried unanimously.

SIR WILFRID'S TRIP

Premier at Quebec to be Interviewed Regarding Harbor Commission.

Quebec, Jan. 5.—Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier arrived in town last evening and are the guests of the Hon. Adelard and Mrs. Turgeon during their stay in Quebec. The federal premier will have quite a busy time while here. In addition to the many social functions which have been arranged in honor of himself and Lady Laurier, Sir Wilfrid will be interviewed in regard to a number of matters which are at present agitating Quebeckers, among them reorganization of the Quebec Harbor Commission. The idea is to have a commission composed of three members, similar to that of the city of Montreal. The town of Levis wants to be represented on the commission if it be reorganized. Another important question is that of choosing a new site for the local branch of the Marine Department to establish their workshops in. A strong movement is afoot to have the shops removed to the mouth of the St. Charles River, while other interests want the shops to be located along the river front at Wolf's Cove.

OBITUARY.

LORD COLLINS.

London, Jan. 5.—Lord Richard Henn Collins, who was created a life peer in 1907, died here yesterday. He was born in 1842. He acted as arbitrator on the Venezuela boundary question in 1897.

FRANCOIS LA MERINIERE, ARTIST.

Antwerp, Jan. 5.—The landscape painter, Francois La Meriniere, died yesterday.

POLICE MAGISTRATE LOVE, OF LONDON.

London, Ont., Jan. 5.—Police Magistrate Love died last evening after an illness extending over several months.

SENATOR ELKINS.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 5.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia, died at midnight last night after a mysterious illness of four months.

His doctors were utterly unable to diagnose his ailment, but it is supposed to have been an abscess of the liver. Senator Elkins has served since 1896 and was a multi-millionnaire. He was secretary of war under President Harrison. He was the author of the Elkins law, prohibiting railway rebates, and as chairman of the Inter-State Commerce Committee of the Senate was prominent in railway legislation. His daughter, Miss Katherine Elkins, has been frequently in print as the probable financee of Prince Luigi, of Savoy, known here as the Duke of the Abruzzi.

YOUTHFUL DEPRAVITY.

Boy Confesses to Having Killed Companion.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Leslie Callson, 13 years old, to-day confessed that he shot and killed John Wisniewski, eight years old, hid the body in the cellar of his home, and for six weeks professed complete ignorance of the whereabouts of his former playmate.

The body of Wisniewski was found on Tuesday night, and for twenty-four hours Carlson steadfastly denied any knowledge of the manner in which the boy met his death. He told the police to-day that the shot Wisniewski while the two were playing 'Indian.'

VOCAL CULTURE CLASS.

A decided novelty as a branch of church work was inaugurated in October last in the Emmanuel Church, when a class was organized for voice culture under the direction of Miss Beatrice Fraser, now the contralto soloist of the church. The importance and value to the church of such work has been already shown in the results, and the class will resume its weekly meetings to-night at 8 o'clock.

MEETING OF S. P. F. G.

A meeting of the Society for the Protection of Fish and Game is planned to be held on the 9th of next month, in the Windsor Hall, when representatives from the different societies under the Province of Quebec rules will attend.

TO SERVE TWELVE YEARS

James J. Gallagher, Mayor Gaynor's Assailant, Sentenced on Second Charge

New York, Jan. 5.—James J. Gallagher, who shot Mayor Gaynor last August, was sentenced yesterday to twelve years' imprisonment on his conviction in Jersey City on an indictment charging him with assaulting, with intent to kill, William H. Edwards, commissioner of street cleaning of New York. The jury was out forty minutes and the trial lasted but one day. In addition, Gallagher will have to stay in prison until the cost of his prosecution has been paid by prison service.

Gallagher showed no emotion when the verdict was read and sentence pronounced.

Two of the men who found Gallagher guilty also served on the jury which yesterday declared him sane, after listening to expert testimony as to his mental condition by a lienists engaged by state and defence.

Commissioner Edwards was the chief witness for the state. He recounted the scene on the deck of a trans-atlantic liner on the morning when Mayor Gaynor planned to sail for Europe. He told how he had seized Gallagher an instant after the shot which wounded the Mayor had been fired. Edwards grasped the prisoner about the waist to show just how he had been wounded by a second shot from the latter's revolver. Gallagher offered no objection to the illustration.

SPECIAL TRAIN TO LYNCHING.

Railway, it is Held, is Not Liable For Supplying Cars.

Vicksburg, Miss., Jan. 5.—Because a railway company furnishes a special train to a party of men, and it is used to convey a mob bent on lynching, the railway company cannot be held liable for damages. In effect this decision was rendered yesterday by Judge Niles in the United States District Court.

In the suit at issue, Mrs. Annie Rogers, whose husband was lynched at Tallulah, La., several years ago, sought the recovery of $50,000 from the Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific Railway. In her petition Mrs. Rogers held that the railway company was liable for damages, because they furnished a train which transported the mob from Monroe, La., to Tallulah. Rogers was charged with killing John Brown, a planter of Girard. Both men were prominent.

THE LATE MRS. E. D'ALBENAS

The funeral service of Mrs. E. d'Albenas took place this afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Wright, Clarke street, and was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Amaron, an old friend of the family. Mrs. d'Albenas was well known in the city as an earnest missionary worker. For some time she was a Bible woman, and after retiring from that work she identified herself with Taylor Church, taught in the Sunday-school, and was a moving spirit in the Woman's Missionary Society, where she will be missed. She leaves three sons to mourn the loss of a devoted mother: Prosper, Dwight and Paul d'Albenas.

OIL DRIVEN SHIP.

Washington, Jan. 5.—A new method of driving transatlantic ships is about to be tried by a prominent ship company, according to consular reports. The new vessel, to be 8,000 tons, will be unique in design in that the steam boilers and external chimneys are to be done away with. In their place will be two oil-burning engines of the non-explosive type, developing 1,500 horse-power, and making 129 revolutions per minute, are to furnish the means of locomotion. The external appearance of these engines will not differ greatly from that of the steam engines.

ORIGIN OF 'PUNCH' DINNERS.

If Douglas Jerrold did not originate 'Punch,' writes Clarence Rook in the 'Daily Chronicle,' he started the famous 'Punch' dinners. The 'Punch' Club' originally was not confined to members of the journal's staff. It was partly convivial, and partly devoted to the discussion of the forthcoming number, and they met every Saturday night at the Crown Tavern, next to the whistling oyster shop in Vinegar yard. The club included Clarkson Stanfield, Landseer, Charles Dickens . . . and the centre of it was always Douglas Jerrold, with his curious eyes, his small stature, and his infinite capacity for work and jest.

FOUR KILLED IN WRECK.

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 5.—In the Northern Pacific yards in Cheney early yesterday, North Coast Limited No. 2 struck the rear car of Burlington passenger train No. 42, eastbound. Three coaches were wrecked. Four trainmen are believed to have been killed and a number of trainmen and passengers are reported seriously hurt.

The Burlington train No. 42, eastbound, arrived in Cheney in plenty of time to make the siding. An unexplained delay of five minutes saw the Burlington train still on the main line.

NEW DEPARTMENT OFFICES.

Mr. Geo. Janin, recently promoted from the position of Superintendent of the Water Works, to the new office of City Engineer, will have his offices adjoining those of the Controllers on the sencond floor of the City Hall. This will place him in immediate touch with the Board, and with the Road department. Two engineers are to be engaged to assist Mr. Janin in his work.

ELEVEN HURT IN WRECK.

Quincy, Mass., Jan. 5.—Eleven persons were injured in a collision here to-day between a car on the Old Colony Street Railway and a barge carrying workmen employed at the plant of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company.

THE WEATHER

VERY COLD.

Probs.—Strong winds, very cold, big snowfalls. Friday, very cold.

Yesterday's maximum and minimum temperatures were:

Victora, 48, 44.
Kamloops, 20, 18.
Edmonton, 38, 16.
Calgary, 46, 26.
Qu'Appelle, zero, 8 below.
Winnipeg, 8 below, 22 below.
Port Arthur, 12, 24 below.
Parry Sound, 10, 8.
Toronto, 20, 8.
Ottawa, 4 below, 12 below.
MONTREAL, 4 below, 10 below.
Quebec, 2, 10 below.
St. John, 58, 8.
Halifax, 52, 20.

Pressure movements continue with unusual rapidity. Very cold weather prevails over the greater portion of the Dominion, with snow falls in many parts of Saskatchewan and Ontario.

Washington, Jan. 5.— Forecast: Eastern States and Northern New York —Fair on the coast, snow and colder in the interior to-night; Friday, fair in east; local snows in west portion; moderate to brisk southwest to northwest winds.

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WOMEN ARE BARRED

In Five Academies of French Institute.

Paris, Jan. 5.—The five academies which make up the Institute of France met in joint session yesterday to discuss the question of the eligibility of women for membership, which has been raised as the result of the strongly supported candidacy of Mme. Curie for the Academy of Sciences.

After a long and animated debate a resolution was adopted by a vote of 88 to 52 that the election of women was contrary to immutable tradition, which would be wisest to respect. At the same time the assembly recognized that it had no right to impose its decision upon the different academies as separate units.

The motion was adopted by a vote of 79 to 52.

FIRE IN LABORATORY.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Fire broke out in the Inland Revenue laboratory on Albert street shortly after 12 o'clock today. Owing to the extremely cold weather and blazing chemicals, the fire was a difficult one to deal with, and burned for a couple of hours. The damage has not been ascertained, but will be several thousand dollars.

HANGED AFTER THREE TRIALS

Cork, Ireland, Jan. 4.—William Scanlon, an American army pensioner, was hanged to-day for the murder of his mother-in-law. The crime was committed in 1909, and Scanlan, who had had three trials, was convicted on purely circumstantial evidence.

WESTERN BANDITS ACTIVE.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 5.—The mail car of the Northern Pacific Coast Limited, which left Seattle last night for St. Paul, was robbed by two masked men, who boarded the train just as it pulled out of the King street station. Henry Hall, a mail clerk, was shot and wounded.

MORE M'GILL RESULTS

The following additional results of the Christmas examinations at McGill were posted yesterday:—

FOURTH YEAR ARTS.

ECONOMIC HISTORY.
Class I.—Angus, Clearihue, Curric, Kerry.
Class II.—Dixon, Tannebaum, Newcombe, Cook.

FRENCH.
Class I.—Grimes, Schafheitlin, Hammond, Williams.
Class II.—Lariviere and Hayden, equal; Van Vliet.
Class III.—Lindsay, Greor.

GREEK AUTHORS.
Class II.—King, Paterson.

PHYSICS (including Third Year Honors).
Class I.—Papineau-Couture; Maclean and Thomas, equal; Bissett.
Class II.—Meadows.
Class III.—Lochhead, James.

MORAL PHILOSOPHY.
Class I.—Angus, Roback; Johnson and Percival, equal; Heney, Tremblay; Wanklyn and Booth and Hughes, equal.
Class II.—Muhlstock and McQueen and Bolingbroke, equal; Robinson and Gibbins and Ellison, equal; Davidson (Roy); Hannah and Reid, equal; Hatcher, Wolland.
Class III.—Davidson (Wray), Cherry, Beckwith, Allan.

THIRD YEAR ARTS.

ASTRONOMY.
Class II.—James.

ECONOMIC HISTORY.
Class I.—Pearse, Babcock.
Class II.—Going, Knatchbull-Hugessen, Kert, Youngheart, Mathewson.
Class III.—Walker (H. F.), Chenier.

FRENCH.
Class II.—Manny, Braeuer Bennett, Harris; Gronin and Stewart, equal.
Class III.—Budyk, Kneeland, MacEwon, Bocquet.

FRENCH (SPECIAL).
Class II.—Mathewson.
Class III.—Kert, Henry.

GREEK AUTHORS.
Class I.—French.
Class II.—Lindsay.

PHYSICS.
Class I.—Cockfield, Gordon, Stalker, Molleur.
Class II.—Blake.
Class III.—Barlow.

PHYSICS (HONORS).
Class I.—James, Wheeler.

SECOND YEAR ARTS.

FRENCH.
Class II.—Silver, Dale-Harris, Morison (C. K.), Leonowens, Mount, Nicholson, Cream.
Class III.—Reinhardt, Common, Penny, Atkins, Brown and Wilder, equal; Gall and Pedley and Cameron, equal; Church and Sacksner, equal; Hecht, Lighthall, Lovett, Fortier, Bridgman, Lowry and MacIlwraith, equal; Macaulay.

FRENCH (ADVANCED).
Class I.—Bruneau, Corbett.
Class II.—McGarry, Morison (M.), Fisher, MacSween, Honey and Duff, equal.
Class III.—Robinson.

GERMAN.
Class II.—McSween, Goldbloom and Mount, equal.
Class III.—Bieler.

GEOMETRY.
Class I. — Silver and Dale-Harris, equal; Miller.
Class II.—Penny, Lariviere.
Class III.—Ross, Macnaughton and McConkey, equal; Molleur, Macaulay, Barwick.

GREEK.
Class I.—Machaughton and Dale-Harris, equal; Stewart.
Class II.—Dewey.
Class III.—MacLean, Bradbury, Wolland, Matheson.

HISTORY.
Class I.—Dewey, McCormack, Bruneau and Hecht, equal; Walsh, Bieler and Nicholson, equal; Fisher and Heaton and Macnaughton, equal.
Class II.—Farthing, Stewart, Common, Bridgman, Atkins, McVey, Shanly, Morison and Morgan, equal; Henry and Penny, equal; Lovett and Wilson (W. G. A.) and Lighthall and Ross, equal.
Class III. — Shearing, Maclean and Trapp, equal; McConnell, McLeod, Stevenson, Scott, McIntosh and Nehin and Wilder, equal; Honey, Fortier.

POLITICAL ECONOMY.
Class I. — Stewart, Macnaughton and Dewey, equal; MacLeod (D.) and Hecht and Lighthall, equal.
Class II. — Bridgman and Comman, equal; Bruneau, McVey and Fisher, equal; Penny and Farthing and Hodgson, equal; Morison.
Class III. — Henry and Atkins and Nicholson, equal; Wilson (W. G. A.) and Trapp and Morgan and Heaton, equal; McConnell and McIntosh, equal; Ross and Bieler, equal; Stevenson (R. B.) and Scott and Campbell (D. J.), equal.

PHYSICS (HONOR.)
Class I.—Miller, Lariviere.

ZOOLOGY.
Class I.—Duff, Fritz.
Class III.—McLeod (W. M.), Macleod (D.), Shanly.

LATIN.
Class I.—Corbett, Bruneau and Macnaughton, equal; Harris, Mount; Dewey and MacSween, equal; Fritz and Goldbloom and Stewart (J. G.), equal.
Class II.—Duff and Chaffey and McGarry, equal; Bieler, Brown, Silver, Gall, Morison (M. L.), Morison (C.), Church and Pedley and Reinhardt, equal.
Class III.—Fisher, Common, Hecht, McLean, Nicholson; Atkins and Cameron, equal; Penny; Leonowens and Robinson, equal; Honey and Stewart (C. J.), equal; Lowry, Heaton, Sasksner; Jeakins and Henry, equal.

ELEMENTARY PSYCHOLOGY.
Class I.—Bieler and Corbett and Roback, equal; Honey, Morison (M.).
Class II. — McCormack and McVey, equal; Reinhardt; Farthing and McGarry and Matheson and Morison (C. K.) and Chaffey, equal.
Class III. — Trapp and Williams, equal; Walsh and Bradbury and Stevenson, equal; Cameron; Hodgson and Jeakins, equal; McIlwraith

FIRST YEAR ARTS.

GREEK.
Class I.—Robinson.
Class II.—Goodrich, Naughton; Donaghue and Millson, equal; Samson.
Class III.—Fairgrieve; Findlay and Fowler and McNaught, equal; McConnell, Rattray, Little.

GREEK (BEGINNERS).
Class I.—Jess.
Class II.—Morrison, Stewart.
Class III. — Ellis, Bramley-Moore, Bott.

COMMERCIAL HISTORY.
Class II.—Walley.
Class III.—Bates, Shaughnessy, McKeown.

ARITHMETIC.
Class I.—Shaughnessy, McKeown.
Class II.—Bates.
Class III.—Walley, Waugh.

NEW CIVIC DEPARTMENT.

City Engineer Requests a Body of Assistants.

The appointment of Mr. Geo. Janin as city engineer, will, it now develops, necessitate the opening of an entire new department at the City Hall. Mr. Janin has sent a request to the Board of Control for suitable quarters, for a secretary, two engineers, and a staff of clerks. It is understood that this does not mean new faces will be seen in the City Hall, but that a number of the men now employed there will be transferred to the new department.

NO FIRE IN MINE.

Sydney Colliery Not Seriously Damaged by Explosion.

North Sydney, N.S., Jan. 4—No signs of fire have been found in Colliery No. 3 of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, where eight men were entombed yesterday with the resultant death of at least six.

The mine has been but slightly damaged and it is expected that operations within it will be resumed in a week.

Of Interest to Women.

The 'Witness' Daily Fashion Hint.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN

During the holiday season the various local councils have suspended their activities with the exception of the philanthropic efforts that Christmas time calls forth.

May the New Year see the carrying to completion of many a cherished plan, and may every local council make itself felt as a power for the highest good.

A note of rejoicing comes from Great Britain in a letter from Dr. Ogilvie Gordon (convener of the standing committee on education) to the international press convener, Miss Naber, of Amsterdam: 'You will rejoice to know that before the dissolution of our parliament on Nov. 28, the royal assent was given to the education bill which empowers the local education authorities of England and Wales to carry on bureaus for giving advice and assistance to boys and girls in the choice of suitable occupations. Scotland received these powers by act of Parliament two years ago, so that now we shall have a complete national service of information bureaus at work under the education departments. As you know, this movement was placed on the propaganda of the I.C.W. at the executive meeting held in Paris in 1906, and was supported by the full council at their meetings in Geneva and Toronto. Our British National Council has taken a leading part in the appeals for legislation there, and has been strongly supported by national associations of teachers and by philanthropic bodies working among juveniles.

Preparations are already under way for an international executive meetings in Stockholm next September, which will probably be attended by a number of Canadian members.

TRAINING IN HYGIENE.

Among the employments to which some of England's 'surplus million' are turning is the work of inspectors, lecturers on hygiene, relieving officers, etc. In preparation for such appointments, proper training is necessary.

The National Health Society, London, under the presidency of H.R.H. Princess Christian, holds special courses of training lectures for ladies who wish to work for the certificate of the Sanitary Inspectors Examination Board—under the authority of the Local Government Board—or to qualify as teachers of hygiene and sanitation under the County Council scheme of technical education. The training, besides, is intended for those who wish to become lecturers on health subjects or to prepare for a nursing career.

Part of the training consists of lectures on elementary anatomy and physiology, municipal hygiene, first aid in accident and disease, elementary nursing, and elementary physics and chemistry, as well as home hygiene, and the care of children.

The society's diploma in itself carries a great deal of weight. A rule has been made that candidates must be women of education, while in order to qualify for the diploma students are required to attend all the lectures. In addition, pupils are advised to take advantage of the special facilities which are arranged for short courses of practical work in hospitals or infirmaries—an experience which is of inestimable value to those who intend to take up any of the health professions which are offered to women to-day. The lectures are also open to a limited number who do not intend to take up any of the subjects professionally, and certificates, after examination, are granted to those who do not wish to qualify for the whole diploma.

CORONATION DRESS IN DETAIL

The instructions issued by the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal, 'by His Majesty's command,' to the peeresses who are to attend the coronation of their Majesties, go minutely into detail in regard to the robes or mantles appertaining to their respective ranks. The mantle in every case is of crimson velvet. The distinction lies in the number of rows of ermine, the width of the miniver edging, and the length of the train on the ground. The mantle of a baroness is edged round with minever pure, two inches in width, the cape is 'powdered' with two rows of ermine, and the train lies three feet on the ground; a viscountess wears two rows and a half of ermine on the cape, and her train is a yard and a quarter on the ground, the width of the miniver edging being the same as for a baroness; a countess has three rows of ermine on the cape, the miniver edging is three inches in breadth, and the train a yard and a half on the ground; a marchioness adds a half row of ermine on the cape, a quarter of a yard to the train, and the miniver edging of the mantle is four inches wide; while a duchess wears a mantle, like the others of crimson velvet, the cape powdered with four rows of ermine, the miniver edging five inches wide, and the length of the train on the ground two yards.

The coronets, of course, are distinctive, but the caps of all the coronets are of crimson velvet turned up with ermine, with a tassel of gold on top.

The dress worn by peeresses on this great occasion is governed by regulations, in almost every detail. It consists of a kirtle of crimson velvet bordered all round, with a narrow edging of miniver scalloped in front, plain otherwise. The kirtle, which may be fastened down the back or in front, opens from the waist, widening gradually down to the ground. It may also be gathered back in three festoons, each tied back with a bow of gold tinsel. The sleeves should be about nine inches long, and have two narrow rows of miniver, below which are five lappets varying in length; the outer one, three inches, the inner one, one inch, each edged in a similar manner with miniver. Peeresses may wear white lace sleeves below these lappets. The petticoat should be white, or slightly cream-colored, with lace, embroidery, or brocade, in accordance with the taste of the peeress. The brocades must be of gold or silver on the petticoat, as it would not be correct to introduce any color.

MODES FOR THE SOUTH.

Midway between the winter and the spring a demand comes from a fortunate section of the feminine community for frocks and hats and all the etceteras of dress meet for the realms of sunshine and blue sky.

The exodus to the south is the compelling cause of the cry for something new and less winter-like in apparel than is being worn now.

By a close scrutiny of these modes it is possible to read the minds of the designers of dress and to hazard a shrewd guess at what their ultimate plans will be. For in the sunshine frocks and hats they issue they are feeling their way to the tastes of their clients, and that which pleases them we shall see later on elaborated and variously applied.

The scheme of the frocks now being prepared for southern wear is quite simple. As no feature of a frock dates

DAINTY COLLAR AND CUFF SET:

The business girl who wants a feminine touch to her tailored suit of wool serge or mohair will find a collar and cuff set such as illustrated acceptable. Embroidered in bold orange, blue and green, in Wallachian design, or heavy tan linen, such a set would please the most fastidious.

it more distinctly than its sleeves, it should be noted that these new costumes do not have sleeves that hug the wrists. Sleeves of elbow and three-quarter lengths are evidently to be exploited again, the width increased, while no sign of the dividing of sleeve from bodice is indicated, the 'one piece' still prevailing.

The ways of those who go to tropical and semi-tropical winter resorts will be strewn with flowers, and their hats will be decked with them. Straw turbans will take the place of fur ones, and divers novelties in straw will be eagerly looked for. Coarse weavings are now introduced, some of glossy satin straw and others of a dull fibrous-looking straw, suggestive of twigs and the nesting places of birds. There is a restraint in the size of the new hats, neither do the turbans act as extinguishers. Worn rather low on the head they certainly are, but the coiffure is not completely obliterated, as it is by the winter models.

A DECORATION IDEA.

The pretty Japanesy blossoming twigs of paper used for decoration can be made quite well at home after a little practice—indeed, where there is a houseful of young people one could scarcely devise a better pastime to keep them merry on a winter afternoon.

The necessary materials are dead twigs, some fairly thick but soft paper, and some sealing wax. First of all the petals are torn from the paper. Almost any soft paper will do, but a kind that leaves rough edges is best. Do not try to cut the petals; the natural effect can only be got by tearing. Sometimes several sheets of paper can be torn at once if they are held firmly to prevent slipping.

The next process is to curl the outer edges of the petals by drawing them between the thumb and a knife blade as one curls a feather. Everybody who has made paper roses understands this process, but in this case the curling must be very slight indeed, or the flowers will have a withered look. The object is to give the petals a look of rounded softness.

The petals are then fixed on the branch by the help of sealing-wax. A little is dropped on the base of each petal, and the petal pressed against the stem before the wax cools. Or good glue may be used. Care must be taken not to use petals of exactly the same shape in any one blossom.

Some sense of the artistic is, of course, necessary in making successful flowering branches. The blossoms must not be all on one side of the stem or too regularly placed. Conjure up memories of blossoms of last spring to help you, or get a Japanese print which shows a branch of almond blossom as a guide.

Experience teaches which are the best tints and textures of paper to use. Pink and white are usually good colors to combine. If the only branches procurable are dingy ones, a sponging or a coat of varnish will restore them.

SIX POTATO RECIPES.

Potato Puff.—With two cups of mashed potato, mix one cup of milk and two level tablespoonfuls of butter, and season with salt and pepper. Beat two eggs light, then put them with the potato and beat all together. Put into a buttered baking dish, and bake until the mixture is puffed, and golden brown in color.

Potato Omelet.—Add two-thirds of a cup of milk to a good-sized cup of mashed potatoes, and season with salt and pepper. Beat three eggs well, then beat them into the potato mixture. Melt a tablespoonful of butter or dripping in a frying pan and let it get quite hot, then turn the potato into it, and cook until browned on the bottom. Set the pan in a moderately hot oven until the mixture is puffed, then fold the omelet and serve hot.

Baked Potatoes.—Medium-sized potatoes are best for baking. Wash them well, using the vegetable brush if necessary, and place on a pan. Bake in a hot oven until soft. When removing them from the oven prick the skins to allow steam to escape. Serve at once.

In the Half Shell.—Select nice-shaped potatoes, wash, and bake. When you remove them from the oven, cut a slice from the top of each, scoop out the inside, and mash. To the pulp from six potatoes add two tablespoons butter, three tablespoons of hot milk, salt and pepper to taste; then add the whites of two eggs well beaten. Refill the potato skins and brown in a hot oven. Grated cheese may be sprinkled over the top or finely chopped ham may be added to the potato mixture.

Escalloped Potatoes.—Wash, pare, and cut six potatoes into thin slices. Put in layers in a baking dish, adding to each layer small pieces of butter, pepper and salt and a sprinkling of flour, or a layer of breadcrumbs. Cover with hot milk and bake in a moderate oven until the potatoes are soft. Cover during the first half of the cooking.

Delmonico Potatoes.—Cut some cold boiled potatoes into small dice. Make a white sauce from a tablespoon each of butter and flour, and a cup of milk, seasoned with salt and pepper, and cooked. Toss the potato lightly into the sauce, turn all into a baking dish, sprinkle the top liberally with grated cheese, and bake to a light brown.

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ECHOES OF CONFERENCE.

The central point of the Week of Prayer observance this year is likely to be the mass meeting in Emmanuel Church, on Friday evening, at which echoes of the great Edinburgh Missionary Conference are to be given by the Rev. Professor Welsh, the Rev. Dr. Symonds, of Christ Church Cathedral, and, if possible, by the Rev. Dr. Robert Johnston. This conference has been spoken of as the most important gathering in the Christian Church since the days of the apostles. Every one interested in the spread of Christianity should be informed of the purposes, aims and results of the conference. As there is no way open to Montrealers in which this can be so adequately done as by hearing these satisfactory reports, it is safe to say that the gathering on Friday night will be a large one.

SEEK ANOTHER CANAL.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—Petitions are being circulated asking the Dominion Government to consider the feasibility of a canal across Western Ontario from Goderich to Hamilton.

First Friday of Our January Sale; Prices in Keeping With the Day

LADIES' NEW BOOTS

Every pair Goodyear welted, And all sizes 2½ to 7.

At **$2.49** Pair

ON SALE FRIDAY

Ladies' new Goodyear welted patent Blucher boots at $2.49
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These are $4.00, $4.50 and $5.00 boots in every particular of make, style and finish.

ODDS AND ENDS AT $1.98

Some splendid boots, too, but more or less broken in the range of sizes, clearing at . . . $1.98
(First Floor Up.)

The Muslin Sale

Fancy embroidered muslins, suitings and fancy piques, lace striped lawns and embroidered Swiss; really high class fabrics; slightly soiled at the edge; widths 27 to 30 inches; regular prices .45, .50 and .60;
January sale price . . . . . .25 a yard

Embroidered muslins and vestings; a good assortment of patterns, only a limited quantity but all good designs; regular price .18, .25 and .30;
January sale price, Friday 12½

Very good quality of ginghams in stripes and small checks; assorted colors; a quality that will give entire satisfaction; regular price .12½;
January sale price, Friday 08

The Linen Sale

72-inch bleached table damask; guaranteed pure Irish linen; very fine satin finish; good wearing quality; assorted patterns; regular price .90;
January sale price, Friday 69

Crash roller towelling with red border; all pure linen; regular price .10;
January sale price, Friday 08

Extra large bath towels; white and colored with fancy stripes; closely woven and very durable; regular price .65;
January sale price, Friday, per pair 55
(First Floor Up.)

Articles Found at Murphy's and Yet Unasked For.

1 Mink stole:
1 Parcel containing three holly boxes and two smaller parcels:
1 Box of chocolates:
6 Ladies' umbrellas:

Owners should call at our enquiry office, prove their property and have it returned to them.
(Enquiry office, Balcony floor.)

33⅓ p.c. Off All Our Winter Suits

All our tweed suits of winter weight;
All our velvet suits of winter weight;
All our cheviot suits of winter weight;
Will be on sale Friday at a discount of 33 1-3%

The marked prices are from $25.00 to $65.00; you can figure out for yourself what the saving will be.

Let us make it clear that there are no broadcloth suits included—but in the three materials mentioned there is a choice from both black and colors.

Velvet Dresses

We have not more than twenty of those new $27.50, $30.00 and $40.00 velvet dresses, recently bought in New York to sell at $18.75

If you want one it would be safer to get it right away.
(Second Floor Up.)

Little Girls' Coats and Dresses

On Sale Friday—14 two-piece college dresses in navy blue serge, for girls of 4 to 14 years of age; marked at 5.75 and $6.75; January sale price Friday, $4.45

Also for girls 2 to 5 years, twenty-one coats, heavily lined and interlined, Alice blue, navy blue, red, shepherd's check; marked prices $3.95 and $4.25; January sale price Friday, each $2.48
(Second Floor Up.)

Silk Remnants

(Ground Floor)

1 to 6 yard remnants of

—Satins	—Messalines	—Chiffon Taffetas
—Louisines	—Foulards	—Fancy Silks
—China Silks	—British Geisha	—Peau de Soie

Some few of these remnants are black, the rest are made of several colors; the silks themselves are .50, .65, .75, .85 and $1.00 qualities—the remnant price Friday, per yard 29

British Geisha Silks, .32 a Yard

(Fifty cent quality) Forty-six different shades and black.

Oddments of Ladies' Coats,

$6.95 Each

The marked prices are $11.95, $12.50, $13.50 and $18.00; all are this winter's full length style; all are winter weight; their only drawback is the broken range of sizes; but if we can fit you at all we can do it at $6.95
(Second Floor Up.)

Belts Each .15 or 2 for .25

The biggest reduction in stylish belts we have offered for a long time. In the lot are silk shirred belts, leather belts, elastic belts, fancy braid belts; regular stock and a collection of samples. Hundreds to choose from—all the ordinary sizes and some extraordinary values from .25 up to $2.50, for each .15
(Ground Floor.)

Untrimmed Shapes

ON SALE FRIDAY

10 Black beaver shapes . . . .
8 Large black velvet shapes . .
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15 Large and medium satin and felt shapes . . . . .
Values $4.50, $6.50, $8.50, $10.00 and $12.00.

AT **$2.00** A PIECE

TRIMMED HATS

Fifteen of our own hats that were $7.50, $10.00 and $12.00 clearing Friday at each $2.50
(Second Floor Up.)

Fancy Goods and Notions Reduced to January Sale Prices

Satin lined fancy baskets; regular 89; Friday, each 59

Fancy work scissors of best quality warranted steel; gilt handles; nickel plated blades; regular .50 per pair for 38

The finest, strongest and best quality black mohair bootlaces, 36 and 45 inches long, to be had in the city; at, per dozen laces 10

Gauges for adjusting the hang of your skirt; easily adjusted and strong; regular .25, for, each 19

100 pairs of hose supporters; various styles; plain and fancy elastic; regular .25 to $1.25 pair; on sale Friday, per pair 10

Victoria collar supports—2 on a card with double piece extra for joining the ends of collar; 2 sets for 25

Clasps and chains for boas or furs; in gilt, silver, gunmetal or French gray finish; regular prices .25, .35, .50 and .65 each; on sale at, each 10

Fancy Linens--Half Price

Venetian lace doylies and centre pieces, with pure linen centres; beautiful designs; all round pieces—

6 inches, regular	.25;	sale price	.12½ each
12 inches, regular	.75;	sale price	.38 each
20 inches, regular	$1.50;	sale price	.75 each
24 inches, regular	2.50;	sale price	$1.25 each
30 inches, regular	4.00;	sale price	2.00 each

Embroideries

New, sweet little beadings, insertions and edgings; all in matched sets, all delightfully dainty and worth at least 12 cents a yard.
January sale price, Friday 07½

Another line somewhat finer, and worth .15 a yard, at 10

And perhaps the best line of embroideries you ever bought for so little as . . . . .12 and .15
(Ground Floor.)

The Feather Boa Department Signalizes Its Return Home to the Ground Floor

Marabout of very fine quality in grey, navy, brown, sky, plum and purple; per yard, .50

Ostrich by the yard in grey, black and white; per yard $2.25

Flat ostrich fibre in strips 1 yard long; black, grey, white and natural; each . . . $2.00

Twelve only thick, warm, marabout collars trimmed with chenille tassels; brown or grey; regular $9.50; Friday, each $7.75
(Ground Floor.)

OUR FRIDAY, 8 to 10 a.m. Table of JEWELLERY ODDMENTS.

Is well worth a visit if you wish to pick up at a much reduced price some piece of jewellery worth up to $1.50 for 19

Sale Priced Toilets

Piver's toilet waters; regular $1.25 for . . . $1.19
Piver's lotions; regular .75 for 69
Piver's face powder; regular $1.00 for 73
Hudnut's Violet sec toilet water; regular $1.19; 99
Roger and Gallet's Violette de Parme face powder; regular .50 for 43
Light backed hair brushes; good quality bristles; regular .50; Friday, each . . .25
Roger and Gallet's Violette de Parme toilet water; regular .75 for 67
Odd military brushes, worth up to $2.50 each, on sale Friday at, each 69
(Ground Floor.)

The January Sale of Whitewear

The first Friday of the sale is brimming full of sterling values—the best possible quality at the least possible prices. Every garment up to the Murphy standard. If you can't come down phone your order to the department.

Nightgowns

Nightgowns, fine cotton; high neck, long sleeves; buttoned front; yoke has 18 hemstitched tucks and four rows of fine embroidery insertions; hemstitched lawn frills on neck and sleeves; lengths 56, 58 and 60 inches; regular value $1.25; Friday 75

Nightgown, fine cotton; high neck, long sleeves; 24 small tucks and two rows of fine embroidery insertion; fine embroidery frills on neck, front and sleeves; lengths 56, 58 and 60 inches; regular value $2.00; Friday sale price $1.25

Underskirts

Underskirt, fine English cotton; flounce tucked and row of insertion and frill of embroidery; dust ruffle of lawn; lengths 38 to 44 inches; regular value .89; Friday sale price 59

Underskirt, fine English cotton; 8-inch flounce of heavy fine embroidery; lawn dust ruffle; lengths 38 to 44 inches; regular value $1.50; Friday sale price $1.00

Drawers

Drawers, fine nainsook; Isabelle style; no fullness at waist or hips; wide bell bottom; tucked frill; lengths 23 to 27 inches; regular value .45; Friday sale price 35

Drawers, fine nainsook; Isabelle style; ruffle of fine embroidery; wide bell bottom; sizes 23 to 27; regular value .90; Friday sale price 65

Corset Covers

Corset covers, fine cotton; fitted style; narrow fine embroidery ruffles on neck and arms; pearl buttons; sizes 32 to 42 bust measure; regular value .45; Friday sale price 35

Corset covers, fine nainsook; deep lace all round neck run with silk ribbon; lace on arms; sizes 32 to 42 bust measure; regular value .35; Friday sale price 25

Princess Slip

Princess slip, fine nainsook, lace beading and frills; silk ribbons; tucked; sizes 34 to 42 bust measure; regular value $1.50; Friday sale price 95

Combinations

Combinations, drawers and corset cover, fine nainsook; Val. lace insertions and frills; silk ribbons; sizes 34 to 42 bust measure; regular value $2.25; Friday sale price $1.50

Extraordinary Value in Fine Corsets

Handsome Royale model; fine white coutil; medium high bust; draw string; very deep unboned extension skirt; slashed front with hooks; all fine rustproof steels; wide side steels; four strong garters; lace trimmed; sizes 18 to 26 inches.

Another medium Royale model in fine batiste; medium low bust; skirt extension; rustproof steels; wide side steels; four strong garters; wide satin ribbon with lace edging; sizes 18 to 26 inches.

Both these models are worth regularly $2.00 a pair; Friday sale price $1.25

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Wanderers' Sensational Finish—Bruce Stuart Interested Spectator

WANDERERS' WONDERFUL WIN RENFREW'S REMARKABLE ROUT

Game Opens in Scratchy Fashion With Renfrew Faster and More Scientific Combination—Wanderers at Sea Until Smaill's Inclusion Turns Defeat into Victory.

ERNIE JOHNSON HERO OF THE MATCH.

Five Thousand Spectators Experience Sensational Thrills in Last Ten Minutes—Brilliant Finish to Mediocre Start—Protest Lodged—The Mysterious Bruce Stuart.

Arrival at the Arena about 8.15 p.m. found the capacious seating accommodation about half filled, and a remarkable absence of the mad rush at the doors for tickets usually associated with so important a hockey fixture as the one under discussion.

'Wot did I tell yer,' quoth a chronic croaker to his pal. 'This is what the National Hockey Association has done for 'ockey and it'll be worse before the season is out.' What his pal's opinion on the momentous question was, cannot be chronicled in these columns, as an unfeeling attendant gently but firmly bade the pessimistic ones move into their seats, and make way for those who were continually streaming in, the result of which (the streaming, not the croaking) was a magnificent crowd of well over 5,000 enthusiasts being treated to a hockey game, the first two portions of which were as slow and uninteresting as the last twenty minutes were as electrifying and sensational.

Not that the Wanderers as a combination showed anything like a glimpse of their old style, which very few for a moment expected on their first appearance, but the scintillating brilliance of one or two of the players more than counterbalanced their lack of combination as a team, and sent the most lukewarm enthusiast away with the impression that Montreal professional hockey would again be worthily represented by the Wanderer Club. But this is anticipating events.

The only change in the line-up from that which appeared in yesterday's 'Witness' was the inclusion of Gilbrain in the place of Sprague Cleghorn. The Wanderers played the champion seven of last season, and when the teams lined up, the Arena presented that well-filled appearance usually associated with a senior hockey fixture.

The game opened in very scratchy fashion, both teams showing over anxiety, particularly the Wanderers, who, it was obvious, were playing their first match of the season.

Renfrew played by far the better combination, and had evidently benefited by their game with Quebec on Saturday, and opened the score in the first ten minutes. The reverse seemed to have a steadying influence on the Wanderers, who occasionally gave signs of their old style. Ernie Johnson was the stage centre limelight of the home bunch, and from a clever run equalized the score. Hyland was conspicuous by some good attempts to score in the early stages of the game, but failed to get his eye in until that 'bung hole' shot of his, which put the home side one up, put the top hat on Renfrew's hopes and aspirations.

Ernie Johnson's equalising goal was an electrifying, sensational masterpiece, and which thrilled the huge crowd present. A great fellow Ernie and a great skater. Time after time he broke up the dangerous runs of Taylor and Smith, and in order, as it were, to vary the monotony, went through the visiting bunch time after time, and twice at the right time and did the right thing. In fact, there's nothing the matter with Ernie, he's all right.

Ernie Russell put in some good effective work, being fast and tricky, while Pud Glass was just good at times. Gardner failed to shine at all, and it was an astute move to substitute Smaill in the last twenty minutes of the game for this player, as it undoubtedly turned almost certain defeat into victory.

Riley Hern played a brilliant game in goal, saving time after time when the visitors appeared certain to score. For the visitors, Lindsay played a great game in goal, and was hardly to be blamed for the shots that scored. Odie Cleghorn worked hard, but Smith and Taylor stood out alone, especially the latter, who treated the spectators to some sparkling tricky runs, time after time going clean through the home bunch, except Riley Hern, who, on several occasions did not wait for the final shot, but rushed out, and with success, to intercept it.

It was a great finish to a poor start, and yet the game was not to be compared for speed and crispness to that between the Canadiens and Ottawa on Saturday last.

Bruce Stuart was an interested spectator of the game, and is evidently not as much finished with hockey as he is cracked up to be. The question is when is he going to sign?

Renfrew lodged a protest after the game on the eligibility of Smaill.

THE GAME.

Renfrew brought the disc down to home goal, but it was soon returned, Johnson and Russell being conspicuous in clearing their lines. Over-anxiety on the part of the home lot was responsible for some scratchy work both in defence and attack, the chief offender in this respect being the Wanderers.

Taylor came down in whirlwind style, squirming in tortuous fashion through the home lot, his final shot going wide. Cleghorn put in some pretty work for the visitors, but the latter seemed unable to get his eye in.

Ernie Russell got a nasty one on the ankle, limping in stiff fashion. Hyland made a pretty run from a pass of Johnson, but shot over the net among the spectators. Gardner was the first to go off—crime, tripping.

Ernie Johnson made a great run and was very conspicuous in checking Smith and Taylor, taking the puck time after time with his characteristic single-handed slashes, very dis-concerting.

Gillerain got through, shot into the Wanderers' goal. Riley Hern got the puck in the teeth, and from rebound smith banged it into the net whilst Hern was on the floor feeling how many teeth he had lost.

Wandersr 0, Renfrew 1.

The enormous crowd present seemed to be very divided in their allegiance by the cheers which greeted the downfall of the champions.

The success stimulated Renfrew to further deeds of daring, and they made the Wanderers look like a lot of novices. Taylor's eccentric gyrations being amusing, but very effec-

Johnston came to the rescue and made a magnificent run, but failed to score. Riley Hern saved a hot one from Rowe. Macnamara was sent off for being too attentive to the man, when it was the puck that should have claimed his undivided attention. Odie Cleghorn put in a 'rasper,' skinning the varnish off the goal upright. Ernie Russell's golden locks shone with distinction from some good work. Pud Glass, who had not up to then caused much of a sensation, secured the puck and from a seemingly impossible angle put the rubber comufortable, making the score—

Wanderers 1, Renfrew 1.

The home side now played as if they understood the game, Johnson, Russell and Hyland putting in some fancy tricks for just a little while only, until Renfrew took up the argument, Taylor being a host in himself. Great player Taylor. Riley ran out of his goal and cleared successfully when Renfrew looked like scoring, taking the puck off the stick of Smith.

THE SECOND TWENTY.

Rowe was sent to Coventry for footwork, bringing Johnson heavily to the ice, who was the star of both teams with his long, fast runs.

Smith made a pretty run, pickin the Wanderers one after another and treating Hern with a beauty.

Wanderers 1, Renfrew 2.

The Renfrew seven played the home side to a standstill, and Riley was kept busy, assisted by Marshall and Johnson, who covered him well. Johnson went off for something. Lyndsay saved three certain scoring shots. Good goalkeeper, Lindsay; never gets flustered—Pud Glass just misses scoring, Ernie Russell tests Lyndsay, who flicked the puck off his leg guard as to the manner born. Pud tries his hand at scoring. Same result—Lyndsay too good.

Gardner went off hurt or tired or something. Magnificent save by Lyndsay, sent in by Russell, who looked disappointed when the Renfrew goalkeeper adroitly turned the puck round the corner. End of second portion—

Wanderers 1, Renfrew 2.

THIRD AND LAST TWENTY.

Anxious consultation among officials of Wanderers results in astute move, permissible according to the rules, of putting Smaill on instead of Gardner, who was still finishing off his penalty. Walter Smaill, a good player and a great favorite, jumped on the ice, and from the moment he came on a difference in the style and play of the Wanderers was noticeable. They combined better and made a great onslaught on the Renfrew goal. The sensation of the game arrived when Johnston, whom most people expected would do something big, electrified and thrilled the crowd with as pretty and clever a run ever seen on the Arena and whipping the puck into the net.

He almost repeated the operation a few moments later, but was tripped up. Russell being handy, secured, but shot wide. The pace became very fast, Taylor and Smith trying hard to get another goal. Cleghorn was knocked out, Marshall falling over him. Hyland went off to equalize. Both were on soon after. The rest apparently did Hyland good, as he found the spot with a splendid shot from a different angle, whilst soon after Walter Smaill made the result a cinch by scoring another.

Wanderers, 4; Renfrew, 2.

Renfrew were by no means done with, and Hern was tested with some hot shots, having on several occasions to rush out and clear. Johnson sprained his knee, falling awkwardly, but was soon on again. Smaill played a great game on both defence and attack. Such a transformation in play as that shown was as welcome as it was remarkable, and Wanderers ran out winners of their first game by 4 goals to 2.

WANDERER.

Hern
Marshall
Johnston
Glass
Hyland — Russell — Gardner
O
Gillerain — Smith — O. Cleghorn
Rowe
Taylor
McNamara
Lindsay
RENFREW.

Smaill replaced Gardner in second period.

Referee—Bob Meldrum; assistant, Mr. R. Percival.

GAMES SCORED.

First Period.

Mins.
1.....Renfrew.....Smith.. .. .. 6.30
2.....Wanderer....Glass.. .. .. 3.20

Second Period.

3.....Renfrew.....Smith.. .. ...19.00

Third Period.

4.....Wanderer....Johnston.. ...21.30
5.....Wanderer....Hyland.. .. .. 4.30
6.....Wanderer....Smaill 3.00

PENALTIES.

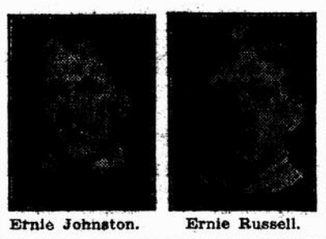
First period — Renfrew — McNamara, 3 mins.; Gillerain, 3 mins. Wanderer—Gardner, 3 mins.

Second period—Renfrew — Rowe, 3 and 3 mins.; Smith, 3 mins. Wanderer—Russell, 3 mins.; Marshall, 3 mins.; Gardner, 3 and 3 mins.; Hyland, 3 mins.

Third period—Renfrew — Smith, 3 mins.; Cleghorn, 3 mins. Wanderer—Russell, 3 mins.

Total, Renfrew, 21 mins.; Wanderer, 19 mins.

TWO 'EARNEST' PLAYERS.



Ernie Johnston. Ernie Russell.

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT STARTS.

Pittsburg, Jan. 5—The thiree cushion billiard league will resume its tournment when the Pittsburg players meet their New York opponents here to-night. This will be the first meeting between the eastern and western clubs, and the games will be continu-

THE McGILL HOCKEY TEAM, WITH SPARES, THAT WILL LEAVE ON FRIDAY NIGHT FOR BOSTON, WHERE THEY PLAY HARVARD IN THE ARENA.

TAYLOR FIXED UP

Hockey Cyclone Satisfied With Financial Guarantee.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—The rumor was abroad again to-day that Fred Taylor had broken off with the Renfrew Club, and that there was a probability of his returning to the Ottawa team. The old chestnut of trading Lake for Taylor was likewise resurrected. But there is absolutely no possibility of Taylor leaving the Renfrew Club.

Taylor had kicked over the traces this fall, because the Renfrew Club has not been able to make good its promises to him. These were repeated last week, and in addition Taylor received from one of Renfrew's citizens a letter assuring him that the club would faithfully carry out its part of the agreement. Even this did not satisfy the Listowel cyclone, and, finally, Mr. James Barnett offered to deposit with the manager of a local bank $5,000, to be turned over to Taylor's account in the event of the hockey club failing to carry out its contract. Taylor accompanied Mr. Barnett to the bank and the agreement was drawn, and, should the club not make good its promises by April 15th, Taylor will be $5,000 ahead, the bank manager being instructed to pay the money over to him should he complain again. Consequently, Taylor is tightly tied to the Renfrew Club.

President McGee, of the Ottawas, stated to-night that they had no intention of making another effort to get Taylor. The proposal to trade Lake for Taylor was disposed of long ago, and while Ottawa would like to land the fast coverpoint, the fates seem to be against them. Taylor is still employed in the Interior Department. If Bruce Stuart applies for his release the Ottawas may make some kind of an offer to stave him off.

It is probable that the Ottawas will use eight men in Saturday's game against Wanderers. Gaul will likely start out on the line, Darragh succeeding him in the second period. The new rules allow for such changes and the Ottawas believe that the Wanderers will start with Marshall and Gardner, in their usual positions, and then drop them in favor of Smaill and Roberts. To date the sale of season tickets breaks all records, and it is likely that six or seven thousand people will witness the clash between the oldest rivals in the N.H.A. Fast ice is assured, which should favor Ottawa, for when Wanderers vanquished the red, white and black in the decisive game last year, the conditions were the reverse, the game being played on a soft, slushy surface. The final practice takes place to-morrow.

CITY HOCKEY LEAGUE.

Garnet on Top, Having Won Each Game Played.

The race in the City Hoskey League is becoming very interesting, and after three weeks' playing the Garnets hold the lead with three straight wins—but their last two victories have been very close. Nationals follow along closely, and although they have not been defeated the Cercle St. Jacques team came within an ace of beating them, holding them to a drawn game. The Astors stand with them with two wins and a draw, and are going at a fast clip. The Cercle St. Jacques and Baillargeon Express have each lost two and drawn one; they are both well balanced, and, with any sort of luck, would have had at least one victory to their credit. The Stars are probably the surprise at the present time in the large, although they have lost their first three games, two of them should have undoubtedly been wins, and before long they will be right upon th eheels of the leaders. They have an excellent team, and can stand a fast pace throughout.

Next week's games will take place on Monday evening, and now that the holidays are over each week's play will be on Monday. These next three games should be more interesting than ever, and another record attendance is expected. The matches are as follows:—

8 to 9—Baillargeon Express vs. Cercle St. Jacques.

9 to 10—Stars vs. Astors

10 to 11—Garnets vs. Nationals

The present standing of the league is as follows:—

Club.	W.	L.	D.
Garnet	3	0	0
National	2	0	1
Astor	2	0	1
Cercle St. Jacques	0	2	1
Baillargeon Express	0	2	1
Stars	0	3	0

McGILL'S LAST PRACTICE.

Team Chosen for Boston Trip Leave Friday Night.

Last night the McGill septette held a rattling good practice at the Victoria rink, and finally wound things up before leaving for Boston. Art Ross, the coach, and H. M. Strang, the manager, both of whom will travel across the line, were on hand. Art Ross has got the players into first class shape, and there is little doubt that Captain Sargent and his puck chasers will win in the American towns.

On Saturday night McGill plays Harvard in the Boston Arena, and on Monday night they play the New York A. A. in the St. Nicholas rink.

The team that has been picked is as follows, and it will be seen that there is not much change from last year:

Goal.....Wendyatt.
Point.....Moseley
Cover.....Cessils
Rover.....Scott
Centre.....Pink Blair
Left Wing.....Bert Sargent (captain).
Right Wing.....Davidson
Substitutes—Ramsey, G. Masson, Forman, Thomson.

RUSSELL WHEELER IN FORM

Wins 880 Yards Event at M.A.A.A. Rink Last Night

The feature of the first of the club handicap meets on the M.A.A.A. rink last night, was the 880 yards event, won by Russell Wheeler, from scratch, in 1.20 4-5. The effect of zero weather was felt on the ice, which was rather brittle for speeders, though well-suited for pleasure.

Two meets a week will be held this month. The next comes off on Saturday afternoon at 1.30.

Last night's results were:—

Boys' race, 440 yards, short blades—1, C. Lyall; 2, J. Willock.

Junior 440 yards—1, W. Marks (2 yards); 2, G. Grace (25 yards).

Senior 880 yards—1, R. Wheeler (scratch); T. A. Mason (60 yards). Time 1.26 4-5.

Intermediate 880 yards—1, R. Logan (scratch); P. Lyall (scratch). Time, 1.31.

880 yards backward—1, A. Mason (scratch); C. Drew (50 yards).

Starter, J. Drury. Timers, J. Moore and R. C. Irwin. Judges, F. C. Wheeler, D. Logan.

McGILL BASKETBALL.

University Team Resumed Practice Yesterday.

The McGill University basketball team resumed practice yesterday, and although there was not a large crowd out, it was a beginning.

Full practices are to be held on Friday and all next week, in preparation for the intercollegiate series which starts soon.

The team should this year have a good chance to retain the silverware which they won last year.

Harry Cockfield is the new captain, and is playing a star game at home as last year. Tiny Calder, the manager, is playing in his old steady way at defence. At present it looks doubtful whether or not Stuart Forbes will be out. His recent attack of fever has left him weak. Frank Fortier, another senior company man, is on deck for guard. Tony Douglas and Dixon are trying forward, and the whole aggregation looks like a winner.

KINGSTON'S OFFICIAL WITHDRAWAL.

Inability to Raise a Team the Cause

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Official notification of Kingston's withdrawal from the senior O.H.A. series was received by Secretary W. A. Hewitt yesterday morning. The chief reason for the vital step taken by the Frontenacs was the approaching departure of George Richardson, their sterling right wing and the backbone of the club, to the Old Country. Without him it was felt that the team would be badly crippled, and this, coupled with the fact that two or three of the other players are travellers, and would not be available for all matches, brought up the determination to retire rather than remain in the competition with a non-descript team.

Commenting on Kingston's retirement the 'News' says: Now that Kingston has 'backed up' the fight for the senior O.H.A. championship virtually resolves itself into a local affair. Stratford, with a pick-up team, did fairly well against Parkdale on Saturday, much better in fact than the score, 10 to 3, indicates, but the wise ones do not concede the classic city septette a look-in for the supreme honors. The defection of the Limestone City came as rather a surprise. They were counted upon to be decided factors in the campaign in view of the strenuous battles they have figured in in the past, and it was little thought that they would 'run out' at the last moment.

THE PROTEST.

Claim Smaill Ineligible to Play Last Twenty.

The Renfrew protest, which was fyled with President Quinn before the team left the rink, is based on section 6 of the rules. The rule states that players may be changed at any time in the first two periods, but that substitutes must be placed on the ice, and the game proceed without any interruption as a result of the change. As Gardner had 30 seconds of a penalty to serve when the second period ended, Renfrew officials last night claimed that the rule was being violated when Smaill was not eligible to go on the ice before the second period ended. The point will offer a ticklish argument for the league.

ECONOMIC SCHEDULES.

Arranged to Save Thousands in Railroad Fares.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 5.—According to statements marde here by Mr. Barney Dreyfuss, the joint schedule committee of the National and American leagues has arranged the schedules for both leagues so that each club will save between one and five thousand dollars in railway fares next year.

He says that each of the clubs has been travelling many extra thousands of miles every year, and that the joint schedule body has cut down the number of miles to the lowest ebb. He would give no exact instances of this, and said that his hearers would have to await the deliverance of the new schedule.

'We will grant no higher classification to either the American Association or the Eastern League,' said Mr. Dreyfuss.

CAMP FIRE NIGHT

For Y.M.C.A. Snowshoers on Friday, Jan. 6th.

The annual event of the Y.M.C.A. Snowshoe Club is to be held to-morrow evening. Past Camp Fire Nights have always formed a very enjoyable entertainment for the Club's members, and judging from the arrangements which have been made, it is certain that this year's will be up to the usual standard.

Club members should meet at the Y.M.C.A. at 8.15 p.m., or at the head of Peel street at 8.45 p.m., when they will march up the mountain to the fire, where refreshments will be served.

INSURANCE HOCKEY

Royal Queens Beat Liverpool London and Globe.

The Insurance Hockey League was opened last night by an exciting game between the Royal-Queen, present champions, and the Liverpool & London & Globe at the Jubilee Rink, resulting in a win for the former club of 9—0.

The score is not a fair indication of the play, as the Liverpool aggregation showed up much better in mid-ice than in front of the nets. Young Brady, of this club, was easily their star, his stick-handling and skating being a feature of the game.

The Royal-Queen boys showed their old time dash, and form, and their scoring ability shows a great improvement over last year.

The teams were made up as follows:—

L. & L. & G.

Fraser.
Cliff Walsh.
Ross.
Pitman.
Henderson. Brady. Brennan.
O
Beveridge. Glover. Henrichon.
Brown.
Lowe.
Donohue.
Peterson.
Royal-Queen.

Brunet replaced Donohue at half-time.

Referees—Lawrence Earl and Hector Campbell.

BASKETBALL AT ST. PAT.'S.

Royal Scots Win Good Game by 34 TO 24.

The first basketball match in the Montreal City and District Intermediate League to take place in the new club house of St. Patrick's A.A.A. was fought out last night between St. Patrick's and the intermediate team of the Fifth Royal Highlanders, the latter taking the honors by 34 goals to 24.

The teams were both strong and fairly evenly balanced and every vantage point was keenly contested throughout the game. St. Patrick's led at half-time by 13 baskets to 10, but the Highlanders' defence stiffened up in the second half and allowed few to pass them. The Rev. Father McShane placed the ball.

Teams and officials were:

Highlanders.		St. Patrick's.
R. Daly	R.G.	J. Ryan
T. Robinson	L.G.	J. O'Loughlin
J. Stuart	Centre	J. Rocha
A. Banks	R.F.	F. Markum
A. Seymour	L.F.	F. Robb

Referee, A. Plow.
Umpire, Sergt. Prettie.
Timekeepers—Messrs. Robertson and Sully.

INTERCOLLEGIATE SWIMMING.

Gathering of McGill Water Enthusiasts To-night.

The intercollegiate swimming meet is to be pulled off soon, and a gathering of those interested takes place to-night. Last year the local collegians won, but a great many of their scorers have left, including Smith, Maltby, Alford, McRae and Ferrier, leaving only Kerry and DeHart of last year's bunch.

WESTMOUNT A. A. A. LEAGUE.

Basketball Schedule to be Resumed on Friday.

The second section of the Westmount A.A.A. Basket Ball League schedule will open up to-morrow (Friday) evening, Jan. 6. At 8 o'clock Art. Brophy's team will lock horns, and a ding-dong contest is expected, as both teams have won all their games so far. At 9 o'clock 'Dug' Sutherland's team and J. Brown's team will exchange greetings. The so-called tailends, who have been practising faithfully expect to upset the calculations of the knowing ones, who already have the championship placed.

AT VICTORIA TO-NIGHT.

Opening Games in Manufacturers' Hockey League.

The Victoria Rink to-night will be the scene of the opening clash in the Manufacturers' League, and, as each club in the league claims to have a championship team, there is no doubt the games will be closely contested. The matches as scheduled for to-night are—

8 to 9—Allis-Chalmers-Bullock Co. vs. Montreal Locomotive Works.

9 to 10—Canadian Pacific Railway vs. Bell Telephone Company.

10 to 11—Grand Trunk Railway vs. Montreal L. H. & P. Co.

EASTERN LEAGUE AVERAGES

Baseball Figures of Leaders in Each Position.

New York, Jan. 5.—The fielding averages of the players in the Eastern League were made public to-day. The leaders in each position are:

First Basemen—Arndt, 996 for 42 games; Williams, Buffalo, 994 for 16 games; Slattery, Toronto, 993 for 83 games, and Abstein, Jersey City, 990 for 118 games; Cockill, of Montreal, 986 for 121 games.

Second Basemen—Fitzpatrick, Toronto, 979 for one game; Smith, Montreal-Buffalo, 972 for 141 games; Rath, Baltimore, 970 for 19 games; Atz, Providence, 969 for 101 games, and Mullen, of Toronto, 962 for 138 games.

Third Basemen—Dunn, Baltimore, 979 for 12 games; Zimmerman, Newark, 948 for 155 games; Yeager, Montreal, 948 for 134 games; Wood, Buffalo, 947 for 14 games, and Beton, Rochester, 945 for 30 games.

Shortstops—Rock, Providence, 944 for 125 games; Fitzpatrick, Toronto, 942 for 30 games; Atz, Providence, 939 for 25 games; Holly, Rochester-Montreal, 939, for 124 games; Louden, Newark, 933 for 142 games, and Vaughan, Toronto, 933 for 128 games.

Left Fielders—Anderson, Rochester, 1000 for 34 games; Kelley, Toronto, 1000 for 18 games; Kelly, Newark, 984 for 144 games; Moran, Rochester, 980 for 28 games; McCabe, Buffalo, 977 for 15 games; Joyce, Montreal, 976 for 22 games, and Delhanty, Toronto, 971 for 136 games.

Centre Fielders—Meyers, Newark, 974 for 14 games; Shaw, Toronto, 971 for 27 games; O'Hara, Toronto, 969 for 118 games; Getman, Newark, 976 for 121 games; Henline, Buffalo, 965 for 137 games, and Jones, Montreal, 964 for 143 games.

Right Fielders—Demmitt, Montreal, 1000 for 25 games; McDonald, Toronto, 1000 for 17 games; Schmidt, Baltimore, 1000 for 17 games; Johnston, Buffalo, 1000 for 13 games; Henline, Buffalo, 1.000 for 12 games; Wheeler, Jersey City, 986 for 41 games, and McCabe, Buffalo, 982 for 101 games.

Pitchers—Lee, Newark, 1000 for 38 games; Vickers, Baltimore, 989 for 55 games; Taylor, Buffalo, 989 for 34 games; Savage, Rochester, 987 for 31 games; Steele, Providence, 986 for 35 games; Mueller, Newark-Toronto, 979 for 35, and Rudolph, Toronto, 976 for 41 games.

Catchers—Ryan, Jersey City, 1000 for 13 games; Holtz, Newark, 1000 for 11 games; Spahr, Jersey City, 987 for 25 games; Martel, Rochester, 984 for 13 games; Hearne, Newark, 976 for 74 games, and Blair, Rochester, 971 for 145 games.

Club Fielding—Newark 960, Toronto 956, Montreal 957, Jersey City 956, Providence 956, Buffalo 956, Rochester 955, and Baltimore 951.

NOTES and COMMENT

The mysterious Bruce Stuart was looking on.

What a game the Canadiens-Wanderers clash will be. Think of the excitement.

A very astute move to substitute Smaill—for Gardner—more astute to keep him on the team all the time. He is worth his position.

It was hard to believe it was a Wanderer crowd at the Arena, until Johnston put the finishing touch on the game.

Martel, the Renfrew manager, was far from pleased at the substitution of Walter Smaill for Gardner, and this is his reason for defeat.

M. L. H. & P. HOCKEY.

Officers Elected for the Ensuing Year.

At a meeting of the Montreal L. H. P. Company Hockey Club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. president, R. M. Wilson; hon. vice-president, W. Beach, president, F. Gilbert; secretary, G. W. Parks; treasurer, F. J. Dunn; manager, L. Temple; captain, P. Heffernan.

The season opens to-night at Victoria rink, and Captain Heffernan expects to have the winning team for this season.

OPERA HOUSE FOR CITY

Montreal Musical Society Plan to Provide One.

The success of the Grand Opera Company in Montreal during the long run at His Majesty's Theatre this season, has decided the prominent musical people of the City that Montreal has arrived at the stage in the growth of a city, when a theatre, to be devoted solely to Grand Opera is possible. The idea has been gathering strength, particularly among the financial backers of the Montreal Musical Society, and yesterday it received no little encouragement during a talk between Lt.-Col. Frank Meighen, president of the society, and Mr. Harry Higgins, president of the Hotel Ritz. Mr. Higgins is greatly enamoured of the project, as it would undoubtedly be an aid to the hotel. The sum and substance of the conversation was, that in view of the great interest taken in grand opera during the season, Montreal could well afford a building, and such a building, with continuous grand opera would undoubtedly stimulate the interest of the public.

Lt.-Col. Meighen announced last night that if the plans reached consummation, the house would be built under the auspices of the Montreal Musical Society. Matters will move slowly however.

Mr. Higgins left last night for New York. He stated that the preliminary details had been concluded, that all legal formalities had been observed, and that work on the Sherbrooke street site would be begun early in the spring.

TOLL GATES MUST GO

City Proposes to Take Them Over and Pay Companies $4,000 a Mile.

Mr. L. J. Ethier, city attorney, is of the opinion that the city has the right to take over the toll gates within the present city limits, upon paying the turnpike companies at the rate of $4,000 a mile, unconditionally.

Consequently, on the authority of the City Council he has sent the Montreal Turnpike Trust a formal notice that the city intends to take advantage of its right to acquire the toll roads on these terms. If the trust refuses to hand over the roads and submit to the abolition of the gates the court will likely be called upon to decide the matter. The toll gates are in the newly annexed wards. There are nine of them, and the city is now calling upon the company to cease collecting tolls, to remove their gates inside the city limits, and to give free access to the general public.

SNOW STORM IN ITALY.

Rome, Jan. 5.—A very heavy snowfall has interrupted railway communication in the north.

THIRD ROUND IN FRIENDLIES

Curlers Start on Third Serie—Ice Very Keen—Some Big Surprises

ST. ANDREW'S BEAT ST. LAWRENCE.

Thistle Lead Caledonias by Eleven Points—Mr. Fred Allen, Well known Curler, Dead.

The third round of the Friendlies was entered upon last night at the rinks enumerated below, when some remarkable results were reported.

The cold snap had left the ice in a very peculiar state, which possibly accounted for some of the results.

The St. Andrew's rinks hold a clear lead of the St. Lawrence Club of 21 points. A large number of players turned out, over 36, who after the games were entertained by the club.

The results of games played are as follows:

St. Andrew's.		St. Lawrence.
J. E. Hawkins		A. H. Campbell
W. J. McArthur		J. Richards
J. H. Armitage		Dr. W. M. Fisk
J. G. Stewart		H. Drysdale
Skip—26		Skip— 5
A. R. Vallance		S. W. Pettes
E. Schfartz		W. G. Laing
H. Fortier		J. Morison
A. Milne		G. A. Forbes
Skip—18		Skip— 3
J. W. Hall		J. Laing, Jr.
W. Rodden		H. Oram
Laz. Rubenstein		J. Ash
J. B. Kinghorn		W. H. Griffin
Skip— 6		Skip—15
C. E. A. Paterson		J. Ettenberg
J. E. Tanner		R. Lanthier
D. B. Swinton		J. H. Gallagher
W. Murphy		D. Anderson
Skip— 5		Skip—11
55		34

MONTREAL VS. HEATHER.

Heather went away with such a commanding lead as to practically destroy all interest in the games from a Montreal point of view.

The scores are as follows:

Montreal.		Heather.
C. Hare		J. Christie
Dr. J. J. Ross		W. F. Smith
W. W. Walker		W. M. Campbell
J. B. Bell		J. Baillie
Skip—13		Skip—12
C. E. Schaeffer		J. L. McCulloch
J. W. Pyke		J. W. Sueden
W. O. H. Dodds		A. L. Robertson
J. McColl		J. G. Cornell
Skip— 4		Skip— 9
J. C. Paterson		C. Vibert
J. A. Bucknell		L. A. Henderson
E. Barry		C. A. Hutchison
Dr. Elder		D. McCallum
Skip—12		Skip—10
Creighton Nash		Dr. T. P. Shaw
E. E. Howard		F. J. Parsons
Dr. Cameron		H. Russell
H. E. Suckling		G. Cornell
Skip— 5		Skip—15
L. Lewis		B. Burland
H. R. Trenholme		G. Hall
P. W. McLagan		E. Liersch
A. Hodgson		G. W. Wood
Skip—12		Skip— 6
J. G. Borthwick		A. G. Burton
S. Huxley		W. Rutherford
W. S. Gardner		F. F. Barr
Col. Miller		R. Thompson
Skip— 9		Skip—20
55		72

THISTLE VS. CALEDONIA.

Judge Archibald and Mr. Mussen were conspicuous on the Thistle rinks, each putting up good scores, their position over that of the Caledonias being 11 up. Results are as follows:

Thistle.		Caledonia.
H. H. Worsfold		H. W. Munday
F. N. Slade		H. M. Stanway
E. A. Bernard		H. G. Punnett
T. B. Reith		W. L. Thom
Skip— 9		Skip—10
J. G. Morrison		E. H. Brown
C. M. McCuaig		P. C. Orlivie
J. Cleghorn		T. H. Ryan
D. Kinghorn		W. R. J. Hughes
Skip— 7		Skip—13
R. J. Dale		W. P. Currie
F. Tofield		J. Ward
J. W. Anderson		J. Currie
W. D. Aird		W. Currie
Skip—10		Skip— 6
K. Dawes		C. Edlington
A. Scott Ives		D. R. Campbell
R. J. E. Chapple		E. H. Copeland
W. H. C. Mussen		J. L. Eaves
Skip—16		Skip— 6
T. H. Fiett		W. Livermore
S. C. Phillips		H. Ross
J. Adair		D. Cameron
W. W. Mowat		W. H. Boon
Skip—11		Skip—12
L. Yorston		J. E. Parker
E. C. Amos		D. A. Finlay
R. H. Barron		F. B. Locker
Judge Archibald		A. E. Harvey
Skip—14		Skip— 9
67		56

OUTREMONT VS. LACHINE.

Lachine put a check on the triumphal march of Outremont last night, leading them by 12 points on the evening's play. Scores are as follows:

Outremont.		Lachine.
E. C. Peterson		W. Boyer
J. B. S. Peake		E. Thayer
H. McKenzie		A. O. Frye
J. Anderson		A. McLean
Skip—10		Skip— 7
C. E. Frost		W. L. McKee
W. B. Gunmow		W. F. B. Henry
H. G. Lee		E. W. Robertson
J. Young		Rev. R. Hewton
Skip— 7		Skip—12
J. F. Richardson		S. W. Hobart
Dr. Laidley		A. S. Laing
J. C. Walsh		A. P. Bastable
R. C. Binning		F. J. Craig
Skip— 8		Skip—11
R. N. Tomlinson		W. Halliford
H. W. Norton		J. McGowan
A. W. Bremner		J. Johnston
R. A. Nixon		G. S. A. Oliver
Skip— 7		Skip—14
32		44

Utica, N.Y., Jan. 5.—W. Fred Allen, last year the president of the National Curling Club of America, and long identified with curling in the United States and Canada, died at his home in this city this afternoon, following a brief illness.

LOWER PULLMAN RATES.

Reductions are Authorized in New York State.

Albany, N.Y., Jan. 5.—The Public Service Commission yesterday granted permission to the Pullman Company to revise its tariff of sleeping car charges within the State of New York. The result of this order reduces the charge for upper berths from $1.50 to $1.25; from $2 to $1.60, and from $2.50 to $2. The reduction in rates becomes effective on Feb. 1, 1911.

LEGISLATION FOR AIRSHIPS.

Martford, Conn. Jan. 5.—Two unusual features of Governor Baldwin's initial message to the legislature are recommendation for legislation providing for the registration and supervision of flying machines and dirigible balloons and the extension of the elections privilege to women

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Notices of births, marriages and deaths must invariably be endorsed with the name and address of the sender, or otherwise no notice can be taken of them. Birth notices are inserted for 25c; marriage notices for 50c; death notices for 25c, prepaid. The announcement of funeral appended to death notice, 25c extra; other extensions to obituary, such as short sketch of life, two cents per word extra, except poetry, which is 50c per line extra, prepaid.

Annual subscribers, whose names appear on our lists, may have announcements of births, marriages and deaths (without extended obituary or verses) occurring in their immediate families, free of charge, in which case name and address of subscribers should invariably be given.

BIRTHS.

KNOWLTON — At Lennoxville, Que., on Jan. 2, 1910, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Knowlton.

KNOWLTON—At Lennoxville, Que., on Jan. 2, 1911, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Knowlton.

MARRIED.

GRUER — TEMPLETON — At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Wm. Templeton, Marbleton Place, Riverfield, on Dec. 28, 1910, by the Rev. R. L. Ballantyne, Miss Annie Templeton to Mr. Lawrence Gruer, of Norton Creek.

DIED.

DOUGALL — At Windsor, Ont., on Dec. 30, 1910, Duncan Dougall, barrister, aged 71.

FLECK — At Belfast, on Jan. 2, 1911, the Rev. Dr. James Fleck, late pastor-emeritus of Knox Presbyterian Church, Montreal.

PERLEY—At St. Luke's Hospital, Ottawa, on Jan. 2, 1911, Mary E. Smythe, beloved wife of Geo. E. Perley, C.E., Public Works Department.

FRASER—At Mascouche Rapids, on Jan. 3, 1911, Ann Robinson, aged 76 years, relict of the late James Fraser, formerly of Kilkenny, Que.

KINNELL — In this city, on Jan. 4, 1911, at 287 St. Antoine street, Grace Wilson, widow of the late David Kinnell.
Funeral private.
St. Louis, Mo., papers please copy.

MATILE — At Bayside, L.I., on Friday, December 30, 1910, aged 62, James Henri Matile, of Washington, son of the late Prof. G. A. Matile, originally of Neuchatel, Switzerland, and brother of Mrs. J. D. Dougall, of Flushing, New York.
Interred in Flushing Cemetery.

MACDONALD—On Jan. 2, 1911, at 208 James Street, Ottawa, Donald R. Macdonald, aged 85 years.

McNAUGHTON—At the Montreal General Hospital, on Dec. 30, 1910, William McNaughton, of Quebec, aged 67 years.

MANNARD—On Jan. 4, 1911, in his 49th year, Edward Mannard.
Funeral on Friday at 2.30 p.m., from 31a Favard Street, Point St. Charles.

Those sending notices for the above column may send with them a list of names of interested friends, together with a one-cent stamp for each address, and marked copies of the 'Witness' containing the notice will be promptly mailed. For addresses in foreign countries three cents will be required.

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LOAN WAS LACKING.

So Seaman's Union Official Ended His Life.

Detroit, Jan. 5.—Gerald F. Pierce, business manager of the Lake Seamen's Union, was found dead in bed at the Brunswick Hotel yesterday afternoon with a bullet wound in his head. He had been dead several hours.

In a letter addressed to the coroner Peirce explained the act by saying he had loaned $400 to a 'business man and that he could not get it back in time to make his accounts balance. He did not name the person to whom he had loaned the money.

OUTREMONT ELECTIONS.

The nominations for the mayor and Controllers of Outremont will take place at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, at the Town Hall. It is expected that Mr. W. W. Dunlop and Mr. W. St. Pierre will be candidates in the South Ward in opposition to the present councilors, and that Messrs. W. J. Little and Ernest Pitt will present themselves for election in the West Ward.

DOCTOR ORDERED "FRUIT-A-TIVES"

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Plantagenet, Ont., Jan. 31st, 1910.

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READABLE PARAGRAPHS

WHAT IT MEANT!

A 'leading citizen' in an American town (says the 'British Medical Journal') was taken before the magistrates charged with assault and battery. One of the witnesses was a local doctor, who said that the defendant was suffering from 'phalacrosis.' Asked to define the disease, the doctor described it as 'a sort of chronic disease of an inflammatory nature, which affected certain cranial tissues.' He was not posing as an expert, but he had known some persons who were suffering from the disease become raving maniacs, others merely foolish; some showed destructive and pugilistic tendencies, while many others had suffered for years and had never shown any mental abnormalities. He refused to say anything further, and the jury promptly acquitted the 'leading citizen,' because, as the foreman explained, 'Doc said there was something the matter with his head.' When the case was over the prosecutor sought enlightenment as to the mysterious disease, and found that 'phalacrosis' meant—baldness!

KNEW HIS PLACE.

When the Crown Prince of Sweden married Princess Margaret he arrived at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, just when the perplexed officials were at their wits' ends to provide seats and observe due order of precedence.

As the prince was standing in the doorway with his attending groomsmen, one of the officials bustled up.

'Now, sir,' said he, scarcely glancing at the prince, 'who might you and your party be, and where am I to send you?'

'Where you put me doesn't much matter,' the prince replied, meekly. 'I am only the bridegroom.'

The statement that each person in the United Kingdom receives sixty letters a year is, we hear, causing some trouble to the Postmaster-General. An old lady writes complaining that during the past twelve months she received only 58, and would like him to search for the others at once.—Glasgow 'News.'

DISHEARTENED!

'Mamma,' said little Ethel, returning from school with a most discouraged appearance, 'I'm never, never going to study any more!' 'Why, dearie, what's the matter?' inquired the surprised mother. 'Why don't you want to study?' 'Cause it's no use,' was the impulsive answer, 'it's no use at all. I can't never learn spelling. Teacher keeps changing the words all the time.'

An intelligent Hindoo has been heard to define billiards as a game in which two men, armed with long sticks, poke at a ball, while one player says, 'Oh!' and the other 'Hard lines.' Golf seems to have similarly impressed the native South African mind. A Kaffir warrior was observed attentively watching the efforts of certain unskilful players to extract their ball from one of these deep bunkers which greatly abound on African courses. The following day, the same Kaffir was seen to be belaboring a great boulder with a huge pole, and shouting 'Hang it!' the while. 'This white man's game,' said the dusky child of Nature. 'Welly good game white man's game.' The story has the merit of being true. All golf stories are.

Children Cry
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WASPS-BULLETS.

A great general was taking his regiment into action. He sent forward a detail of men to make gaps in a rail fence to avoid the heavy loss sure to result if the whole body of men paused to tear it down. The coolest and finest man in the detail was a young soldier who had never been under fire before. When he began pulling down the fence he fancied he had disturbd a nest of hornets, as he thought he heard them singing fiercely about his ears. But the lad was not going to run from hornets when there was more serious business ahead. Ignoring the angry insects he opened the fence and rejoined the regiment without being stung. In a day or two he was surprised to hear that he was to be promoted. 'But,' he said, modestly, 'I don't think I deserve promotion over the others.' 'My boy,' replied the general, 'I saw you pull down that fence. You were the coolest man under fire I ever saw!' The man gasped, stared, and turned pale. 'What!' he exclaimed, regardless of grammar. 'Was them wasps bullets?' — Glasgow 'News.'

A Tenderfoot's Wooing

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By OLIVE PHILLIPPS-WOLLEY
Author of "Gold, Gold in Cariboo," etc.

SUMMARY OF THE PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

Jim Combe, the cowboy foreman of the Risky Ranche and young Anstruther, a tenderfoot Englishman, are both in love with Kitty Clifford. The party, in charge of Mrs. Rolt, the wife of the owner of the Risky, have met with bad weather, whilst on a holiday trip. The rivalry between the two men is acute, though Jim, knowing the ways of the country, has all the best of it. Wet through and overtaken by the darkness they camp in an old log hut, making themselves astonishingly comfortable by a roaring camp fire. Thanks again to Combe's deft management, the ladies spend a comfortable night in the old cabin, the men sleeping by the fire outside, under a fly. Moving on the next day they encounter a party of Chilcot Indians, who are most unwilling that the whites should camp in their neighborhood. Combe, however, has an idea that they have been stealing cattle, and wishes to investigate. Anstruther, in trying to photograph the Indian camp, manages to arouse the bitter hostility of the bucks, adding a finishing touch to their grievances by roaring with laughter at them.

CHAPTER V.

If Anstruther had not been young and reckless, and the ladies accustomed for years to look upon all Indians as inoffensive, there would have been but little sleep in the white people's camp that night.

The Indians did not sleep.

Through all that long night the hunters of the Chilcotens sat round their fire, smoking and muttering among themselves, casting now and again evil glances towards the spot where the white people lay.

Constant contact with men, armed with weapons of precision, has taken the courage out of the grizzly; it has had the same effect upon a tribe which is naturally one of the boldest and fiercest in Western Canada, but the instincts of the same age remain, and any one with half an eye would have recognized that dull glow in the forest gloom as a storm centre.

An hour or two passed by, the night deepened, the drone of growling voices went on and then a figure detached itself from the gloom and slipped without a sound into the firelit circle.

Just then Jim Combe stirred in his sleep, and throwing one arm restlessly from his blankets, turning over on his side towards the Indian's fire, muttering in his sleep.

As he did so the figure glided back into the shadows.

The bushes which seemed to have crept nearer to the fire listening, until their black leaves were tipped with red light, swallowed him up and for a full minute the droning ceased.

The silence which followed was more ominous even than that incessant muttering. The intent scrutiny of those watching eyes made itself felt. At last the chief spoke.

'The white dog dreams in his sleep,' he said, 'but his eyes are shut,' and at once the figure returned and took its place in the muttering circle. Good hunter as Khelowna was, he made a mistake. His forest training should have taught him, that the hunted feign often. If he had remembered that, Jim Combe might not have recognized in the fifth figure, Davies' murderer, an Indian who had been wanted by the police for the last three years. As it was Jim Combe knew what kind of a gang was travelling the Risky run that fall, and the hand, which was beneath the blankets closed quietly round the lock of his Winchest.

But he did not stir in his place. He wanted that man's life as every cowboy in the district did, who had ever heard of poor old 'Lofty.' Hart, shot through his cabin window as he read his home letters by lamplight, but he was not prepared to risk the safety of the women for the chance of taking a murderer.

So he lay still and watched, his whole body crying out for sleep and his half-closed lids heavy as lead.

Just before the grey of dawn came into the sky, he saw Khelowna hand something to his visitor, who put it into his shirt front and rising stole away.

One of the dogs which had lain all night just inside the edge of the firelight, rose and attempted to follow him. It was his own dog probably, for though it cowered at the chief's low growl, it took no other notice of his command. Stealthily one of the younger bucks reached for a billet of wood, and hurled it with so sure an aim, that the beast rolled over screaming with pain.

With a well feigned start Jim Combe sat up in his blankets, but he was too late. Davies' murderer had vanished.

'Cultus dog,' said the Indian who had thrown the billet and rising went after the beast which was crawling away on its belly dragging its hind legs after it and howling at every movement.

The dumb beast is not allowed to complain in an Indian camp and as this one would not cease howling, the bigger brute clubbed it over the head with a great tent peg, clubbed it until it lay very still.

That is the Indian method of making a sleigh dog obedient, and one reason perhaps why no Indian dog ever shows any sign of affection for its master. When the beast lay still the Indian passed a rope round its neck and tied it up to tree. The dog was not dead yet, and as it might possibly be made to work again he did not want to lose it, but it was too nearly dead to bite, so he took one of its hind legs and moved it sideways. The leg moved easily from the thigh in a ghastly unnatural fashion and the Indian laughed.

'Leg broke,' he said. His shot with the pine billet had been a good one. Under that grey blanket by the whiteman's fire a lover of dogs felt his flesh creep and his hands clench, but Jim Combe having been trained in a hard school, had learned when to interfere and when to bide his time. He could not help the poor beast now, and his first duty was to look after his boss's wife and that dear curly little head under the blue robe. After this the grey dawn began to come, a sad weird light sifting through the pine trees, whilst the fires died down, and the tiny chick-a-dees began to call among the boughs, warning their woodmates that those silent footed things who use the 'fire stick' were moving again in their lairs, and would soon be creeping up towards the high place whither the full fed stags were already sauntering for a day's siesta after a long night's feed.

With the first hint of light, a busy stir began in the Indians' camp, even before that the women must have been moving in their lean-to, for Emma bent and old began to put out strangely compounded packs, blankets rolled and corded, and bloody parcels of meat.

Then the lean-tos came down and they too were dissolved into packs and before the dawn had come, the Indian camp was completely dismantled, the pack horses loaded with hides and meat and everything ready for a start.

The Indians were apparently not going to stay to cook breakfast.

It had been a successful hunt even for the Chilcotens and every living thing in camp, except the braves, carried packs. Of course the braves would neither pack anything nor allow their saddle horses to be packed so long as there was a tottering old woman, a child, or a dog in camp which could possibly be made to stagger under another pound.

When the procession had wound away into the woods, the toothless old princess leading, bending under a mountain of rugs, followed by bundles under which tiny bare legs tottered, and dogs upon whose backs clattered pots and pails, by the fire there still lay one bale of cedar matting.

The young buck who had thrown the pine billet came round, kicking the charred sticks and peering amongst the young pines stripped of their feathery frondage, and growing giants brutally gashed and wounded, so that their life blood would ooze slowly away from them, leaving them dry and fit for the camp fire, but he turned over the brush bedding and looked at and corded, and bloody parcels of meat, anything could have been left hanging he found nothing.

The camp was empty, nothing had been left behind. Then his eye fell upon the bundle of cedar matting. It weighed nothing, so that he might have tied it on behind his saddle; it was worth nothing, so that he might have left it where it was, but his eye wandering round to find some one on whom to lay the worthless burden, fell upon his victim of the night before, crouching where it had been tied, its head stretched out along the ground, not dead but cowering to escape notice.

That was just what the Indian was looking for. Seizing the dog's rope, he untied it from the tree and dragged the unhappy beast towards the pack.

At the first jerk the dog howled with anguish and Mrs. Rolt whose ears were always open to a beast's cry of pain, turned sharply on her heel. The howl was of course rewarded with a curse and a kick, and then screaming at every movement, the poor brute was jerked along the ground, its broken bones grinding together as it went.

In its agony it tried to bite its tormentor, and in a moment a club was in his hand again.

'Oh, won't someone stop the brute,' cried Kitty almost in tears, but the elder woman, white with rage, said nothing. With her riding crop in her hand, and her fine nostrils wide and twitching, she was almost within striking distance of the Chilcoten when a strong hand caught her and swung her uncermoniously out of the way.

'You swine,' she heard as she was pushed on one side, and though it was not pretty English for Anstruther, her heart went out to the boy for it, as his fist crashed into the big Indian's face dropping him like a pole-axed ox.

Kisheenaw, for it was the chief's son, struggled to his feet. 'Want more, do you?' drawled the English voice now quiet and steady, and again the fellow went down and Anstruther stood over him ready to repeat the dose as often as the man should require it.

But a woman's voice cried to him, 'The rifle, Frank, the rifle,' and he was only just in time to put his foot upon it before the figure at his feet had got possession of it.

At that moment a man who had come running back from tending his horses stepped, white lipped and stern, in front of Kitty Clifford, so that she saw neither Kineeshaw nor the other Indians who had returned at the sound of the fighting, but she heard a rifle shot ring out and if she could have seen from where she stood she might have seen Jim square his shoulders and put his head back, like a man who prepares to take a shock But neither Anstruther nor Jim fell. Khelovna, though he had fired point blank into the group, had not dared as much as that yet. It was only the wretched dog which, with a strange instinct, had crawled for preservation to Mrs. Rolt, that turned over under her very feet and stretched itself in death. The blood of it splashed her skirt.

Then Jim jumped forward.

'Drop them guns,' you dogs,' he roared. 'Anstruther, cover those men and stand still. If they stir, shoot. Now, Khelowna, drop that gun or—' and his rifle said the rest.

The cowboy's tense face was working with rage, but the Indians, who were fortunately in a group and unsheltered by timber, saw that his Winchester was as steady as a rock and they knew a white man's voice when it meant business.

They knew, too, Jim Combe's reputation as a rifle shot, and when Khelowna dropped his empty rifle the rest of the band followed his example.

It takes a very brave man to shoot when another and a quicker man has the drop on him, and except behind cover Indians are not very brave men, neither are they good shots, and this they knew.

'Let him up, Anstruther,' ordered Jim, with his eye still on the group, 'and now, you dogs, git out of that! No! leave them rifles there. I want those in my business. If you put a hand to them I'll shoot, sure.'

Suddenly, but without a word of protest, the four braves slunk away, leaving behind them at one white man's command what they prized most in the world.

When they had gone, Jim turned to Mrs. Rolt.

'That's a bad business, a bitter bad business, I'm afraid; I lost my head a bit. We've got to git now, and only hit the high places between this and the ranche. Put Miss Kitty up, Anstruther.'

But Anstruther was busy collecting the rifles.

'No! never mind them. I'll fix them,' said Combe, and taking them one by one he smashed the stocks off them against the nearest pine tree.

'Won't do much shooting for a while with them things,' he commented, surveying his work of destruction, 'but Gee Whizz it's a bad business. Let 'em go,' and he put his foot in the stirrup and swung himself into the saddle whilst his horse galloped.

For six long miles he gave them no rest until Kitty was beginning to feel weak in her saddle, though Mrs. Rolt rode as if she would never tire, and then he pulled his horse into a walk.

'Take a bit of a spell now,' he said, 'and don't try to talk. We are all safe as long as it is light, and I don't suppose that they'll try to follow us any way, but we've got to make the ranche before dark, and that will keep us busy.'

How do women telegraph to one another? Have they some subtler sense which we male things have missed, or is it that, through much practice, they can really speak with their eyes?

This deponent knoweth not, but this he knows, that when the four horses were steadied to a walk, the natural tendency of them was to come together, but at a glance from the girl, Anstruther found himself in some unexplained manner, attached quite against his will to Mrs. Rolt, and riding ahead, whilst Kitty and Combe followed them.

When Mrs. Rolt had taken Anstruther far enough ahead, Kitty Clifford's colt sidled up to Jim's cayuse, and putting her hand timidly on the man's arm, the girl said:

'Jim.'

'Yes, Miss Clifford.'

'Why not Kitty, as it used to be?'

He flushed to the roots of his yellow hair.

'Kitty, then.'

'Why did you get in front of me when that Indian shot the dog?'

'Did I, Miss Kitty? I beg your pardon. Did you want to see him do it?'

'Don't be stupid. Why did you do it?'

'Didn't know as I did do it.'

'Didn't you, Jim? I think you did, old friend; but I wasn't worth it, Jim. I wasn't worth it.'

What he answered or what more he said, the prairie breezes may know. This only Mrs. Rolt told me; that Jim did not say then what he might have said, and what Mrs. Rolt hoped that he would say, because when they reached the ranche that night she did Kitty's hair for her, and the girl had no secret to confide.

Perhaps Jim had scruples about hitting a man when he is down, as he would have put it, or may be he did not want any mistake made between love and gratitude.

He was always a good sportsman, Jim.

(To be continued.)

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A RECORD YEAR.

THE IMPERIAL LIFE'S EXCELLENT STATEMENT REFLECTS COUNTRY'S PROSPERITY.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—The prosperity which has prevailed generally throughout the country during the past year is being reflected in a striking manner in the annual statements of our large financial and commercial concerns. A noteworthy example is that of the Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada, whose preliminary statement for the year ended December 31st, 1910, shows that the results of the company's operations in 1910 surpassed in every important particular those of any previous year in its history.

The new assurances effected and policies revived amounted to $6,500,000, and exceeded by over a million dollars the company's best record in any one year. The total business in force now exceeds $30,000,000. During the year the assets were increased by over $800,000, and now stand at $6,147,000; the income from premiums and interest amounted to over $1,370,000, an increase of $165,000. A new record was also made in the amount of surplus earnings, out of which profits to policyholders are paid, the net surplus over and above all liabilities, including policy reserves, now amounting to over $770,000. It is also noted that the death losses were again below those which were to be expected according to the standard tables of mortality.

The rate of interest realized on the company's funds was 6.52 per cent, an increase of .40 over that earned in 1909. This favorable rate is due to the fact that about 65 per cent. of the company's assets consist of first mortgages on improved farm lands in western Canada.

The policyholders and others having interest in this strong, progressive Canadian company are to be congratulated upon the marked success which has uniformly characterized its operations, and especially the success of the year just closed.

Mr. H. LeRoy Shaw, the Company's Provincial Manager at Montreal, states that the business at the Montreal agency during the past year was most satisfactory, and that prospects point to a very greatly increased business in 1911.

IMPERSONATED OFFICER

John Kelly, Montreal, as Inland Revenue Inspector Collected Whiskey Samples

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 5.—A man giving his name as John Kelly, of Montreal, was taken into custody here last night charged with impersonating an Inland Revenue officer and obtaining money under false pretences.

Kelly arrived in Windsor on Tuesday night, and at once made a round of the various hotels and saloons, where he announced himself as a government inspector, demanding that samples of whiskey sold across the bar be submitted to him for 'testing.' Kelly promptly swallowed everything put before him and announced that the 'test' was satisfactory.

Yesterday morning he visited Walkerville, and 'inspected' a team of horses which he found outside a butcher shop. For this Kelly charged a fee of two dollars, which the owner paid after being told that the inspector was a government official. At Peter's Hotel, Kelly tried to cash a cheque, but the police were after him by this time, and before any money changed hands the Montrealers was locked up.

CAUGHT COAT THIEF.

Clergyman Athlete Was Prompt in Acting.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—The Rev. W. A. Cameron, pastor of Bloor Street Baptist Church, is not only a very fine speaker but something of an athlete as well. During the progress of the Sunday-school festival in the church hall last night, finding the hall rather hot, he sauntered into the lobby for a little fresh air. Just as he opened the door he saw some furs trailing on the floor and disappearing through the doorway. Thinking this rather strange, he quickened his pace and saw a man laden with coats and furs racing towards Avenue road.

Although without a hat, and despite the bitter cold, Mr. Cameron immediately gave chase and caught his man. He promptly tackled the thief, and had the satisfaction of mildly chastising him, and afterwards burying his face in the cold snow while he secured the furs and coats.

Mr. Cameron, embracing the thief as well as the opportunity, spoke a few words of wisdom into his ear and let him go.

IN WESTMOUNT COURT.

Louis Morchso, and Tony Juliono, two Italians residing on Timothy street, failed to appear for their trial yesterday morning in the Westmount Police Court. They were arrested last week for being drunk and carrying revolvers, but were allowed out on bail of $35.

William Mollach, residing on William street, charged with begging without a license, was allowed to go by paying the costs.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

10,114 VESSELS ARRIVED AT NEW YORK IN 1910.

New York, Jan. 3.—During the year 1910 the total number of vessels arriving at the port of New York, according to the books of the Government at the Barge Office, was 10,174, of which 6,459 were steamers, and 3,655 sailing vessels. This shows a decrease of 646 vessels compared with the year 1909. The decrease in steamers was 344; and sailing vessels 302. British ships led all others with 1,964 arrivals, the United States being second with 716.

JUST ESCAPED CUSTOMS.

Five thousand tons of beet sugar arrived at Halifax from Hamburg on New Year's Eve by the steamer 'Monmouth' just in time to escape $21,000 customs duties. The cargo was not, as erroneously announced by newspaper despatches, consigned to the St Lawrence Sugar Refining Company, Limited.

LLOYD'S REGISTER CHANGES CONSTITUTION.

Captain Reed, port warden, communicates the information that Lloyd's Register of Shipping has decided to change its constitution. At a meeting of the committee held on December 15 last, it was decided to give direct representation to ship builders and engineers on the committee which controls the executive of the society. The reform has been instigated by the Consultative Committee, elected by British institutions, first formed in 1890. The work of this technical committee was reflected in the new rules of the society published in July, 1909, which embodied the results of the most advanced theory and practice in shipbuilding and marine engineering. Now it has been felt that in view of the great advance of engineering science and naval architecture, the management of the society's affairs should not be left in the hands of a committee, which has been composed hitherto only of shipowners, underwriters, and merchants, elected by public bodies in the chief ports of the United Kingdom.

AT THE Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. A. E. Shapleigh, widow of the late Dr. Shapleigh, formerly of the China Inland Mission, will be the speaker at the week of Prayer hour in the Young Women's Christian Association, to-morrow from 11 o'clock to noon. Mrs. Shapleigh is being introduced to Montreal friends by Mrs. William Y. King, also from the mission field, and formerly of Montreal. A series of meetings is being arranged to be addressed by Mrs Shapleigh in this city. Her subject to-morrow will be 'Missions'. To-day the speaker at the noonday meeting was Mrs. Walter M. Patton, wife of Professor Patton. Her subject was 'Homes and the Young.'

The Man and the Dragon

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SUMMARY OF THE PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

Price, editor and manager-in-chief of the Carthage 'News' at the age of twenty-nine, is in love with Vivian Dean and determines to win her. The girl herself at first remembers with amusement and a little contempt as a friend and conquest of the previous summer, which she had spent with a girl friend, Electa Chalmers, at Arcilla Dean, Vivian's acknowledged 'scalp-hunter,' had been also of the party. Through the influence of Tom Price had succeeded to his present position on the 'News.' Evans, political control of Carthage politics, had given him this chance to crush a political opponent, the head of the town street car line, the new franchise of which he energetically opposed. Nathan Price, connected with Bleeker, notes the growing importance, and persuades Vivian to use her influence with the young editor. He flatly refuses to be bought off by Bleeker, and is troubled by the revelation of Tom Evans' plans. Price's refusal to join the reform movement against Evans, a move of personal hostility, forces Everett to come to terms with Evans, who promises to play fair and square. He finds the young editor determined to carry on the fight and to run for alderman against Evans's choice on the franchise question, and, failing to break him, Evans instructs Dean to sell out the 'News' and to get rid of Price as its editor. Dean, while somewhat averse, is prevented from securing nomination. Vivian overhears the plot, and appeals to Price to cover Price's option by a loan to her, but he refuses, and the deal goes through. Her distress is great, on meeting John Price when the blow has fallen upon him, her heart goes out to him, and her love gives him strength to fight. He smiles at her warning, however, that he is in danger, and going to the open air meeting is set upon by Evans' emissaries, being saved only by Dean's arrival. In spite of Price's wishes he persuades Dean to have him taken to the meeting where Dean, deeply aroused, speaks for him. When Price is elected, but has to go home at once to the hospital. Vivian cancels her engagement at once, and causes a storm at home.

CHAPTER XXII.

Still in the Ring.

When John Price awoke from dreamless slumber about eleven o'clock on the morning following the caucus he endeavored to collect his faculties and remember just what had happened to him. The very fact that he was lying in bed at all when the sun was high in the heavens was strange enough, but the moment he tried to move he realized how stiff and lame he was in every fibre of his body. At last he managed to raise his hands to his head and then withdrew them as he gave an exclamation of astonishment. 'Why, it's only normal size, after all,' he muttered. 'I thought it must be swollen to the dimensions of a balloon—feels so light and so big.'

'Hush!' cautioned the white-capped nurse woman at his bedside.

But this admonition only served to rouse him from his state of semi-consciousness. 'Please send at once for Attorney Davidson and a stenographer,' he commanded, as soon as he was fairly awake.

'Dr. Agnew forbids you even to speak,' was the nurse's answer. 'We must let you have any visitors at all, at least a week.'

Price stared at her suspiciously; he was not quite himself as yet. 'Do they think they are going to hold me prisoner?' he queried rebelliously. 'I'd like to see them try it. I am in a good to bring half a dozen lawsuits this morning, and would rather enjoy doing some one for false imprisonment while I am about it.'

'Really, sir, you must be calm and rest.' Absolute rest is the command,' pleaded the young woman. 'Do please lie back on the pillow. I shall be blamed severely if you don't—discharged, perhaps.'

'I'd like to see any one dare discharge you on that account. I'd have Attorney Davidson mandamus him to reinstate you, instantly,' fretted Price, with a grim smile. He was in a litigious mood that morning, and consciously cross.

'What an awful pother over a broken head,' he continued, querulously. 'I'd have licked the whole drunken crew if it hadn't been so dark I couldn't see to dodge the sandbag. Whew! how my head aches,' and he leaned back upon his pillow, wearily.

'That's right, sir, rest yourself and you will be well all the sooner,' said the nurse, soothingly.

'And let knaves and cut-throats walk the streets of Carthage scot free, to boast that they have done me out? Not much!' cried the sick man, struggling up again, though he could scarcely repress a sharp cry of pain his sudden movement had occasioned. 'I'm more badly hurt than I supposed,' he acknowledged, 'but there are some things that must be done while I have the strength for them. Please send for Attorney Davidson at once. I can't let these physicians dictate to me.'

The poor little nurse was quite alarmed. She hadn't much experience in ministering to a wounded lion, and Price fairly resembled one in his rage of unreasoning impatience. As a matter of fact, he had never before known a day's illness in his life, and was scarcely well versed in the etiquette of the sick room.

The house physician, who now hurried to his side at the instance of the nurse, endeavored to soothe the editor's irritable impatience, and warned him that even a slight imprudence might seriously retard his recovery. But Price insisted that there were matters of importance which called for his immediate attention and admitted of no delay; and the physician became convinced that the man's ardent spirit would soon wear out his bodily strength were it not given some vent. So early in the afternoon, Price was permitted to have an interview with his attorney and dictate a number of letters to a stenographer.

Davidson was instructed at once to bring an action against Colonel Parkinson for breach of contract, with a demand for specific performance of the agreement to turn over the 'News' stock. 'I want that action brought this very afternoon,' declared Price. 'I want them all to know that I am still in the ring and able to insist upon my rights in the very teeth of the worst that force and fraud can accomplish against me.'

'I think you have a very good chance to win your case,' observed Davidson. 'In fact, I do not believe they will ever let it come to trial.'

'Of course they won't; but it's the delay they are playing for,' chafed Price. 'How long do you suppose they will be able to tie me up in litigation?'

'Oh, for a year or more,' returned the man of law, nonchalantly. He had been asked a similar question by impatient clients before.

'For a year or more!' exclaimed the editor. 'The law won't help me much in the present fight, then. Well, perhaps we may turn the tables on them and take the law into our own hands, before we are through with them,' he muttered.

'How about the men who assaulted you?' queried the attorney. 'Have you any suspicions, any evidence upon which I could file an information for you?'

'I have more than mere suspicion,' returned Price, with a smile of triumph. 'I shall hold that card up my sleeve and play trumps when they least expect it. The leader of the gang who attacked me is the prize-fighter known as 'The Red Spider.' I recognized him instantly. Spare no pains or expense to put your hands on that man, for he knows all about the story, and who was actually behind the business; and if handled rightly, he can be brought to time and made to tell what he knows.'

'That should be easy,' remarked Davidson, confidently. 'The fellow runs a low dive in the suburbs, doesn't he?'

'Nominally only. His backers use his fame among the toughs and bruisers as an advertisement. But he won't be found there for many a long day. He will have left the city, perhaps the State. We have to deal with a cunning crew, Davidson, who will stop at nothing to cover their tracks in this business; but we will beat them at their own game before the hand is played out.'

'That's the way to talk,' encouraged the lawyer, 'and you can rely on me. I will lay the matter before my friend, the district attorney, this very afternoon, and we will soon be hot on the scent.'

'I really thought you had more sense,' fumed Price, impatiently. 'Please bear in mind that you can't trust your best friend in this business,—if Tom Evans has a string on him. Keep away from the district attorney, the sheriff, the police, and public officers generally. Keep your own counsel, as far as you can; the ramifications of the machine extend into every branch of the city's life; for goodness' sake don't make the blunder of playing into their hands by handling this business as you would an ordinary crime. This is an unusual case, and we must meet the situation by unusual methods or nothing will be accomplished. Get hold of Allie Latham, who was with me on the 'News'; he'd go through fire and water for me, and what is more, he outclasses any lunkhead of a detective. He could give cards and spades to the whole Carthage police force, and play rings around them at that.'

'I will see him at once,' promised Davidson. 'What shall I tell him?'

'Give him your check for five hundred dollars and this assurance of immunity to the Red Spider, which I managed to scrawl here on the bed, this morning, when the nurse was out of the room. When he sees that, and has his pockets well lined, with promise of more, the Red Spider will be only too glad to return to Carthage, for he has nothing to fear from any one else.'

'You think he will dare turn States' evidence against his employers?'

'I think he will be useful to me. The matter may never get into court,' returned Price, with an inscrutable smile. 'Tell Allie Latham to find the Red Spider at any cost, travel to the end of the earth, search the four corners of the globe, if necessary, but to find that man and bring him back to Carthage as soon as possible.'

Davidson was filled with natural curiosity as to his client's plans, but Price took no man into his confidence further than the necessity of the occasion required, so the lawyer went away to carry out his instructions, leaving the wounded editor dictating to his stenographer.

As a matter of fact, Price felt instinctively that the Red Spider was the key to the whole situation. If he could only manage to lay his hands on the bruiser, he was confident that several persons would be in his power who richly deserved any punishment he saw fit to inflict. The prize-fighter was well known to be a henchman of Patrick Fagan. It was even whispered that Fagan drew a large income from the disreputable place conducted nominally by the Red Spider. Price, therefore, had strong foundation for the suspicion that the latter could tell an interesting story if he would. If this was the case, however, no pains would be spared to keep the fellow in hiding until the storm blew over, and only measures the most prompt and effective would succeed in locating him. It was largely on this account that Price had been so insistent with nurse and physician.

Now that this important undertaking had fairly been set afoot, he breathed a sigh of relief and proceeded to dictate several letters, wishing to let his loved ones know that he was improving rapidly, even though they were not permitted to see him. He wrote cheerfully to Dean and his mother of his speedy recovery, and of his determination to fight it out to a finish, despite temporary disability. To Vivian he addressed his first letter: 'It has to be in cold type and by means of an amanuensis,' he said, 'but you will understand why, and why I say so little. These are trying times, but fear nothing. I shall get on my feet and win out yet.'

To Nathan Everett he wrote: 'Kindly call upon me at your earliest convenience, as there are matters of mutual importance that I should discuss with you immediately. I think it is hardly necessary to say that I should not ask you to do this unless it were essential.'

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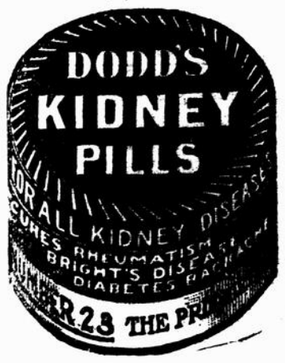

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got her work-bag, threaded a big needle with coarse black thread, found the button in the pocket, and taking the coat in her pink gingham lap began to sew

But her head was still full of her story, as she took the first stitches. Then she came to herself with a start.

'Oh, dear!' she exclaimed in dismay. 'I've sewed clear through the coat! And I've put the knot on the wrong side instead of on the right, under the button.'

But she was so anxious to get back to her book that she would not stop to cut it off and begin over again.

Through and through the four holes of the button, and way through the cloth to the wrong side, flashed her needle. Then she fastened the thread on the wrong side, too, in big stitches, and snipped it off. It was quicker to do it that way.

'There!' she said, 'it's on!'

But she never had sewed on one of grandpapa's coat-buttons like that before. Not a stitch ought to have been visible on the wrong side any more than on the right. Marian knew that. 'But it won't show,' she assured herself.

'Thank you, my dear,' said grandpapa, as he hurried on the coat. 'I don't believe every little girl can sew on a button as well as you can.' And he rushed off to catch his train.

Marian sat down with her book again. But she didn't enjoy the chapter as much as she had expected. Grandpapa's last words haunted her. She hadn't sewed on that button as well as she could.

'Captain!' a voice hailed grandpapa on the city street. 'We want you to get your picture taken.'

'What for?' demanded the Captain, startled.

'To put in the paper,' explained his friend. 'They are going to give a history of our regiment, Memorial Day, and your picture must go with that.' For grandpapa had been the hero of his regiment.

The Captain objected. But the other prevailed, and he unwillingly found himself before the photographer's camera. Just as he sat down, he unbuttoned his coat and threw back the lapels. He felt more comfortable so.

'An exact likeness,' every one said, and Marian as eager to see the paper. There was the fine old face she knew so well, and there—

'Oh!' Marian caught her breath with a gasp. There were all those clumsy stitches for every one to see! 'And I thought they wouldn't show,' she sobbed; 'because they were on the wrong side, I thought it wasn't any matter.'

But Marian was not consoled. She cut grandpapa's picture out of the paper and pinned it up where she could see it every day. And after that, when she felt like being careless about a thing because she thought it wasn't going to show, a look at those pictured stitches was enough. They made her do her very best.—'S. S. Times.'

WHAT SAITH THE SCRIPTURE?

January 5.

What must I do to be saved?—Acts xvi., 30.

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.—Acts xvi., 31.

Saved from wrath through him.—Rom. v., 9.—Arranged by G. W. Moon.

W. R. TRAVERS ON BAIL.

Bonds for $40,000 Supplied by A. M. Orpen.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—W. R. Travers, general manager of the Farmers' Bank, was released from jail yesterday afternoon, where he had been confined since Saturday night, when he was arrested, charged with theft of $40,000. The Crown accepted the bail bond for $20,000, furnished by Mr. A. M. Orpen, who had already given a bond of the same amount when Mr. Travers was arrested, charged with falsifying returns to the government. The hearing of both charges will be taken up on Friday.

C. T. Clarkson, curator of the Farmers' Bank, stated yesterday that there would be sufficient assets to redeem the note issue, without drawing upon the bank note guarantee fund deposited with the government.

"BED-TIME STORIES"

SEWING ON A BUTTON.

(By Alice M. Farrington.)

'Marian,' called mamma from her chamber, 'will you sew the button on grandpa's coat, please? My head aches so I can't.'

'Won't another time do?' answered a doleful voice from the depths of a book. 'I've just come to the last chapter, and it's so exciting!'

'No, dear,' said mamma, 'grandpapa is going to town in a few minutes, and must have his coat. He saved the button. It is in one of the pockets.'

Marian often sewed on grandpapa's buttons. She was proud of knowing how. Only, to-day, she would rather finish her story first. Reluctantly, she

FIVE OVERCOME BY STORM.

Kenora, Ont., Jan. 5.—A rescue party that was sent from Kenora yesterday brought in five lumbermen who were overcome by the storm ten miles south of here on Wednesday. They were returning to town from a distant camp when they became exhausted in the snow. Aid summoned by a passerby reached them none too soon to save their lives.

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'If there was any doubt that the Senator was defeated, this speech has completely dispelled that illusion. For his own utterances have defeated him.

'He stands pat on the tariff, on reciprocity with Canada, on the income tax, on the direct primary, on the election of United States Senators by popular vote, on the recall, on the initiative and on the referendum.

'And all of these issues are what the election was fought and won on in Massachusetts this fall. During the campaign this fall he evaded all these issues. We now see that he is opposed to every one of them. I do not see how he can offer himself as a candidate for the Senate under the circumstances.

'He is a discredited man in the eyes of the people, and for that reason could render no effective service in the Senate.'

SEDITION CASE.

Editor of Paris Paper to Help Edward F. Mylius.

Paris, Jan. 5.—Edward Holton James, a nephew of Henry James, the novelist, and also of the late Professor William James, of Harvard, who was formerly a lawyer of Boston, and now editor of the 'Liberator,' is going to London to assist Edward F. Mylius, one of the editors of the paper, who was arrested in that city on December 28 for selling copies of the journal mentioned. The paper contained an article which violently abused the British Royal family, and rehashed the old report that King George contracted a marriage at Malta in 1890. Mylius is charged with sedition.

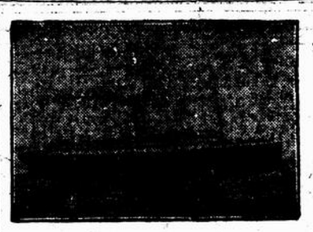
Mr. James declares he knows nothing of the alleged plot with which his name has been associated.

NO INTERFERENCE.

Spain Will Not Take Action in Portugal.

Madrid, Jan. 5.—Senor Canalejas, the Prime Minister, has issued an emphatic denial of the statements by Socialists at various meetings that Spain intends to intervene in the affairs of Portugal, and that she is sending troops to the frontier.

King Alfonso, accompanied by his aides and the Minister of Marine, has returned from his hunting trip. According to present arrangements, His Majesty will start to-day on his trip to Melilla. There has, however, been a severe hurricane at Melilla, and if the storm continues the voyage of the King will be postponed. The chiefs of the Kabyle tribesmen are in Melilla in readiness to salute the King on his arrival.



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NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICES — THE UNDERsigned, personally, as well as in his capacity of testamentary executor of the last will and testament of Alfred Roy, junior, in his life-time of the City and District of Montreal, hereby gives notice that he will apply to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, at its next Session, for the passing of an Act determining the powers of the testamentary executor appointed by said will, authorizing said testamentary executor and administrator to help the children and grandchildren of a testator, and authorizing said executor to raise the rent paid, by virtue of said will, to said testator's children for their own needs and usefulness, and the usefulness and needs of the grandchildren. ALFRED N. ROY, Jr., Testamentary Executor. Montreal, December 7th, 1910.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT J. C. Routhier, Physician and surgeon of the City of Montreal will, at the next Session of the Quebec Legislature, ask for the passing of a bill authorizing the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Province of Quebec, to admit him amongst its members, and grant him the necessary license to practice Medicine and Surgery and obstetrics in this Province. Montreal, December 5th, 1910. WILFRID BESSETTE, Attorney for the Petitioner.

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FIRE DESTROYS LAKE MEGANTIC BLOCK AND COLLEGE AT GRANBY

Students and Brothers Forced to Leave Building in Haste.

TWO MISSING; BROTHER HURT

Damage in Lake Megantic Estimated at $300,000—No Fire Brigade.

Granby, January 5.—St. Joseph's College, in the heart of the town, was destroyed by a blaze that broke out at eleven o'clock last night, and between 25 and 40 boys and 29 brothers, who were asleep on the third floor of the college, had to make a hurried exit from the building in their night clothes. They had no time to dress, the blaze spread so rapidly, and they had to run out into the street in their bare feet with the thermometer about 25 below zero. One of the brothers, to see that all the boys got out safely, had to jump from a window of the third floor. He was seriously injured, and it is feared that his spine is fractured.

While some of the brothers think all the boys got out of the building, there are two who have not yet been accounted for. But as the boys and brothers sought shelter in the different hotels and houses throughout the town, it is thought the two who are reported missing may have been overlooked in the excitement, and that they will turn up all right.

The fire started in the basement, and it was the smoke ascending to the top floor of the college, where the dormitories and private sleeping rooms were located, that gave the inmates of the building the first intimation that the place was on fire. The boys, who were all strangers in the town, and who were remaining at the college during the Christmas and New Year's vacation, were quickly aroused by the brothers. There was no time for them to dress, and they were hurried to the head of the stairs and started down to the main entrance. Some of them were overcome or frightened by the smoke, and the brothers had to carry and drag many of them down the three flights of stairs to the street.

CONDITION
IS CRITICAL.

The firemen of the town made a quick response after the alarm had been turned in, but the blaze had made considerable headway before it was discovered, and when they arrived with their apparatus the building was a mass of flames from the basement to the top story.

The brother who remained behind to ascertain if all the boys were out of the building, and his escape by the stairway cut off by the flames. There was no way for him to escape being burned to death but to jump. He struck the ground in a heap, and when picked up was unconscious. He was carried to the home of a physician, and early this morning it was said his condition was critical, as it was feared his spine had been fractured.

The fire fighters had to work hard to prevent the flames from spreading to the church and other buildings in the vicinity. But fortunately for them the college was set back somewhat from the street and separated from the other buildings. It was a three-story brick structure, erected about twelve years ago, and a new wing under construction was just about completed.

During the school season the college was attended by about 300 boys from Granby and the surrounding country.

Inside of two hours from the time the outbreak was discovered, nothing remained of the building but a heap of smoking bricks and timbers.

The brothers and pupils lost all their clothing and belongings, as they did not have a moment to gather up anything in their hurry to get out. The boys escaped with only their night shirts on, and suffered terribly from the bitter cold, before they could reach the houses and hotels in the vicinity.

MANY WERE IN DANGER

Occupants of Block in Lake Megantic Had Narrow Escape.

Lake Megantic, Que., Jan. 5.—Fire here caused losses approximating $30,000, completely wiping out the Begin block, the largest business block in the village, and came so near destroying two families that the inmates of the building all had to escape in their night clothes. It was shortly after two o'clock this morning when the alarm was given, the fire having been discovered through smoke choking a baby, and making it cough. But by that time the blaze had reached such proportions that nothing in the building could be removed, and the occupants barely escaped with their lives, and suffered severely from cold, the temperature being ten below zero, before they were take to adjoining residences and looked after.

The Begin block, which was the scene of the fire, was a three story frame block, consisting of the general store of Robitaille Bros., Balgarde's barber shop, and a tenement house, which was occupied by the Robitailles. These consisted of Mr. J. Robitaille, his wife and six small children, and Mr. H. Robitaille wife and baby.

There is no fire brigade in the village, the two local policemen being also the firemen, and their sole equipment is two or three lengths of hose with nozzles to match, which depend upon pressure from the local water supply. The policemen turned out, as also did most of the people of the village. The first thing was to rescue the inmates from the burning building, which was successfully accomplished.

ENTIRE BLOCK
WAS WIPED OUT.

By this time the block was burning fiercely from end to end and the flames had gained such headway that nothing at all was saved, it being impossible to remove any of the goods in the stores, or the furniture from the tenement. The meagre streams from the village hose had not much effect, and the fire was not ended until there was nothing left to burn. Fortunately there was no wind, so that there was little danger of the flames spreading.

The total losses are estimated at $50,000. Robitaille Bros. estimate their loss, household and business effects, at $18,000, while the barber shop loss will be about $1,000, and the rest is represented by the destruction of the building. Robitaille's loss will be heavy, as they carried little insurance. The building was owned by Mr. Denault, of Sherbrooke, and little is known here as to what amount of insurance he carried.

Nothing is known as to the cause of the fire, or even whether it started in the store, the barber shop, or the tenement, as before it was discovered it had spread from end to end of the building. It is, however, supposed that it must have started from an overheated stove, the night being intensely cold.

PEMBROKE THEATRE AND LIBRARY BURN.

Pembroke, Ont., Jan. 5.—Fire broke out in the People's Theatre yesterday afternoon, and before control was gained by the firemen, the building was completely gutted. The Pembroke Public Library, which occupied the upper floor of the building, with a two story brick structure, is a total loss, several thousand volumes of books falling prey to the flames. The loss to the theatre people is $1,200, with insurance of half that amount, while the loss to the owner of the building, James Stewart, is $10,000, on which there is only insurance of $5,000. The value of the books in the library was about $3,000, and the damage cannot be estimated as yet. Dr. Bromley, whose office building adjoins, had his premises damaged slightly by smoke and water. The fighting of the fire was difficult, owing to the bitterly cold weather that prevailed.

BLOCK BURNED
IN VIRDEN, MAN.

Virden, Man., Jan. 5.—During a blinding snowstorm shortly after midnight the Wainwright building, valued at $15,000, was completely destroyed by fire. The block was occupied by the branch Bank of Ottawa; J. P. Hood, jeweller; Coulter and Singer, barristers, and Bank Manager Dunnett and J. Hood occupied suites. Partly insured. The Hood and law firm's loss is estimated at between three and four thousand dollars. The bank is fully insured.

COLLEGE DORMITORY
COMPLETE LOSS.

Durham, N.C., Jan. 5.—Trinity College was visited by fire yesterday, which destroyed the Washington Duke dormitary. There was no loss of life, but the personal belongings of more than one hundred students were burned, together with many valuable records belonging to the institution. The loss is estimated at $100,000 with $40,000 insurance.

CARDINAL MUST PAY

Court in France Allows $100 Damages to Public School Board

Paris, January 4.—The Court of Appeals to-day confirmed the decision of the civil tribunal at Rheims which condemned Cardinal Ludovic Lucon, Archbishop of Rheims, to pay $100 damages to the Public School Teachers' Association. Te Cardinal was convicted in February, 1910, of attempting to injure the public schools by signing an episcopal letter forbidding the use in the schools of certain text books to which the church objected.

RETIRED FROM C. P. R.

Mr. Joseph Townsley, Superintendent of Telegraph Construction, Gets Presentations.

Mr. Joseph Townsley, superintendent of construction, Eastern Division of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph, retired on Jan. 1, having completed his allotted period of service with the company. On Christmas morning the linemen upresented him with a fur-lined coat as a token of the respect in which they held him during the many years they worked under his direction, and on New Year's morning the superintendents, inspectors and other officials of the department, from Vancouver to St. John, signified their esteem by presenting him with a gold-headed ebony cane, suitably inscribed.

Mr. Townsley was born at Rockfield, Que., in 1842, and served with the Montreal Telegraph Company for fifteen years. He left the employ of that company in 1882 to enter the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway as superintendent of telegraph construction and maintenance, which position he held until his retirement.

CURATOR APPOINTED.

Mr. Alexander Bergevin, proprietor of a general stationery and fancy store, at 417 St. Catherine St., east, has assigned after contesting two demands for abandonment, on the demand of La Librarie, and J. H. Derome, his creditor, for $495, and Mr. George Derome has been appointed provisional curator.

WIDER STREETS SOLUTION

This Expensive Step Absolutely Necessary to Give Good Car Service

Mr. L. J. Ethier, city attorney, announces that he will send to the Montreal Street Railway officials a letter ordering them to live up to their contract with the city as soon as he receives a minute from Council authoritatively informing him of the protest there made against the company's disregard of some clauses of the agreement, especially that relating to the construction of a double track line into Emard ward.

Mr. Barlow, too, is further considering the Street Railway problem. In his report to the Controllers, it will be remembered, the city surveyor recommended that streets be widened so that the company would be enabled to lay more lines in the heart of the city. This, he says, is the only way to relieve the congestion if subways or elevated tracks be not laid. Mr. Barlow has looked over the streets with the intention of seeing if some of them are not wide enough to permit laying of an aditional track. This, he says, seems impossible. Double tracks take about 20 feet, and neither Bleury, St. Lawrence boulevard or St. Denis streets are capable of giving room for more than this.

CALL FOR PLANS.

Controllers Preparing to Construct Subway in Point St. Charles.

Mr. Geo. Janin, the newly appointed city engineer, has been asked by the Board of Control to prepare plans for a subway under the Grand Trunk tracks on Wellington street, Point St. Charles.

LIEUTENANT RESIGNS.

Lieutenant Laramee, of the Workman street police station, has resigned from the police force after a continuous service of 34 years. Lieutenant Laramee did duty in the east end of the city for many years, but when St. Cunegonde was annexed, he was sent to the Workman street station.

THE MAYOR'S DEFENCE

May He Properly Ask the City Attorneys to Act for Him?

May the Mayor of Montreal properly call upon the city attorneys to protect his interests in actions brought against him personally for remarks made while in an official position? The question is raised by Mr. Gonzalve Desaulniers, who appears for the Rev. Philippe Geraund, a Syrian priest, who accuses Mayor Guerin of slandering him in the City Hall, and who is therefore seeking $199 damages.

'Our firm recently instituted a slander action against the Mayor for words he is alleged to have spoken with regard to a client,' said Mr. Desaulniers. 'To-day the city attorneys appeared for the Mayor and filed on his behalf a demand for further particulars. I consider that the city attorneys had no right to do this, nor had the Mayor any right to ask them to do so. Their duty is with the city's affairs, not attending to personal actions against the Mayor, and I object to the city attorneys being asked by Mayor Guerin to defend him in such matters.'

SNOW REMOVAL WORK

Costs More During December Than for the Same Month of 1909.

The snow removal up to the first of the year has cost more this season than last. Returns made at the road department show that the total cost of removal for the past December was $4,572.60, while for December, 1909, the cost was $4,226.17. This expense is borne equally by the Montreal Street Railway and the city on all streets where the company operates cars.

The snowfalls to date have been light, which accounts for an expenditure for street work which, though in excess of last year, is still far from heavy. Later in the season greater outlays of money will be necessary. In February last the cost of snow removal twice exceeded the $25,000 mark.

PETTY INCENDIARISM

Fire Commissioner Asks for Extra Staff to Suppress it

The fire commissioners put in a busy year in 1910, having investigated more fires and examined more witnesses than in 1909. As a result of the increase in the amount of work, commissioner Latulippe has written to Mayor Guerin asking for the appointment of an officer in each ward whose duty it would be to investigate all fires in the ward. In addition, he has asked that an expert be appointed to examine the premises after every fire and make a report on the cause, loss, etc. A regulation, compelling every person suffering loss from fire to send a report was also asked for.

In 1910 out of 1,666 fires reported 436 had been investigated, and 1,326 witnesses had been examined; in 1909 out of 1,431 fires, 402 had been investigated, and 944 witnesses had been heard. The report said that there was a good deal of petty incendiarism going on, which might be checked by better inspection.

DISRAELI CLUB.

Will Try to Persuade Alderman Robinson to Stand for Parliament.

It was stated by Mr. Bernard Rose, at the sixth annual meeting of the Disraeli Conservative Club, last night that every effort would be made to persuade Alderman James Robinson to contest the St. Lawrence parliamentary division at the next Federal elections.

Mr. Harry Bloomfield presided over the meeting, while Messrs. F. D. Monk and C. F. Doherty, M.P.'s, were the principal speakers.

Referring to the fact that the Jewish population now exceeds forty thousand, Mr. Monk said Canadians had a duty to perform towards their Hebrew fellow-citizens, to whom the most generous treatment possible should be extended. Mr. Monk felt that the Disraeli Club and similar associations could do much to assist the proper government of the country, by studying various political, fiscal, financial and industrial problems. Amongst the subjects now before the public which might be profitably discussed by the club, he suggested the carrying out of the conclusion of the government commission on transportation, that Montreal should be made a free port, and also the construction of the Georgian Bay Canal, which he believed would be of great benefit to Montreal. The navy question, Mr. Monk declared, was another question of great national importance, which should receive most careful attention from such institutions as the Disraeli Club.

Ex-Judge Doherty said the Conservative party was large enough to welcome people of all races and creeds who would work for the good government of their adopted country. He warmly congratulated the club on its growing strength and activity, and acknowledged the valuable help it had rendered in winning the St. Ann's division at the last general election.

Mr. Bernard Rose appealed to his co-religionists to support the Conservative party and severely criticized the immigration department of the present government. Pressure would be brought on Ald. Robinson, Mr. Rose declared, to get him to run for the Federal House at the next election.

The following officers were appointed: President, Mr. Harry Bloomfield; vice-president, Mr. Samuel Slapcoff; secretary, Mr. Sam Bloomfield; treasurer, Mr. J. Albert; executive committee, Messrs. H. Ernstein, L. Birke M. Singer, M. Goldberg, S. Lang, M. Cohen, and A. Shapiro.

SOVEREIGN BANK SUES.

The Sovereign Bank of Canada has instituted an action for $12,767.65 against D. J. Rattray and E. E. B. Rattray in guarantee. D. J. Rattray is described as a manager formerly of Montreal and now of parts unknown, while E. E. B. Rattray lives in Quebec, and the ground for the action is an advance made to the firm now insolvent of D. J. Rattray and Sons, of which the two defendants were guarantors.

CIVIL ENGINEERS MEET.

A meeting of the mechanical section of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers will be held to-night, when a paper by Mr. Thomas Reid, of the John Bertram & Sons Co., Dundas, Ont., on 'Recent Advances in Machine Tool Construction,' will be read by the author.

PRESIDENT SENDS GOOD WISHES.

Mayor Guerin's mail has been heavy with good wishes since the new year opened. Among the cards received is one from President Taft, of the United States.

A New Year's Talk

The beginning of the New Year is the fitting time for a newspaper, as for an individual, to go carefully over its past successes or failures, its present standing and its future propects.

50th ANNIVERSARY

The "Witness" has just finished celebrating its fiftieth anniversary. During that fifty years matters affecting every phase of political, municipal and social life have come up for attention.

The "Witness" has never been backward in taking a pronounced stand on these questions, particularly those relating to the moral and social well-being and doing of the people of Canada.

Though many people differ with it, it is generally acknowledged that it has always spoken with a clear conception of what was right, decent and moral, its Editorial teachings have been an immense influence for good.

The Publishers' only wish is to serve the country with EVEN more force and effectiveness in the future than in the past, and with their enlarged facilities in the increased size of their paper and with the augmented service of their Editorial and Reportorial staffs they will be able to publish daily during 1911 a paper better than has been.

"WITNESS" CIRCULATION

The activities of the management during 1910 have been centred largely on increasing the circulation. In this way they have been eminently successful, the number of regular subscribers having been augmented several thousands during the year.

"WITNESS" ADVERTISING

In issuing a paper of this high-class progressive character and continually growing influence you, as a business man and an advertiser, will recognize how important it is that the revenue-bringing, that is, the advertising department, should show continued activity and growth, more especially as thousands of dollars are given up each year rather than publish advertising which would, in the opinion of the publishers, be injurious to public health and morals.

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MONTH	1909 Inches	1910 Inches
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February	10,733	14,814
March	12,166	17,617
April	12,543	18,073
May	13,101	16,558
June	12,266	16,665
July	11,692	15,425
August	12,199	15,339
September	12,044	16,995
October	12,894	18,469
November	12,104	18,026
December	17,432	24,077
	149,294	209,296
		149,294
Increase		60,002 inches

This shows the very healthy increase of over forty percent (40%) this year over last.

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I am

Yours faithfully,

A. C. McPHEE,
Advertising Manager.

PUBLIC NOTICE

is hereby given that, under the Quebec Companies Act, letters patent have been issued by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, bearing date the first day of December, 1910, incorporating the Honorable J. P. B. Casgrain, senator, Douglas W. Ogilvy, real estate agent, H. W. Shearer, clerk, L. Fuller, clerk, A. Garceau, clerk, all of the City of Montreal, for the following purposes:

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To construct dwelling houses and other buildings upon such real estate or any part thereof;

To sell, lease, convey, mortgage, exchange, dispose of, or otherwise deal with such real estate or any portion thereof, and to develop, improve and lay out any such property in building lots, streets, lanes, squares or otherwise;

To make advances by way of loan to purchasers or lessees of any part of the company's real estate for building purposes or other improvements, with the approval of the shareholders, to aid by way of advances or otherwise in the construction and maintenance of roads, streets, water works, sewers and other works of improvement calculated to render the company's property more accessible and to enhance its value;

To take and hold mortgages, hypothecs, liens and charges, to secure the payment of the purchase price of any property sold by the company, or any money due to the company from purchasers or advances by the company to purchasers for building purposes or other improvements;

To open, search for, win and work in or under the said lands, and mine for any or all ores, minerals and metalliferous substances and products as may be found therein, and to acquire, own, develop, sell, lease quarries and mineral lands, mines, including coal mines, and mining licenses, oil wells and other products to be found in quarries and mineral lands, and to do such acts as may be necessary to carry on such mines or works connected therewith;

To carry on as principal as well as agents or factors a general quarry and contracting business, and to deal in and contract for the manufacture and supplying of stone in all forms, lime stone or products of a like nature;

To acquire by purchase, lease, concession, exchange or other legal title, and to hold such property, movable and immovable, as may be deemed necessary and requisite for the purposes of the company's business, and to pay for the same in cash, non-assessable shares, bonds, or other securities of the company, and to dispose of the said properties; To erect, construct, operate and manage all factories, stone crushers, machine shops, engine house and other necessary structures, and to use dynamite and other explosive needed for the operations of the company;

To purchase, acquire, hold, transfer, sell and dispose of shares, stock, debentures or securities in any other company having objects similar to those of this company or carrying on business capable of being conducted so as to benefit this company;

To issue, hand over and allot as paid up stocks, shares of the capital stock of the company hereby incorporated, in payment of any business, franchises, undertaking, property, rights, privileges, leases, mortgages, licenses, patents, contracts, real estate, stock, assets and other property or rights which the company may lawfully acquire by virtue hereof;

To sell or otherwise dispose of any portion of the real estate or other property owned by the company for such consideration, and upon such terms and conditions as the company shall see fit, and to accept cash, shares, debentures, stock, securities of any other company having object similar to those of this company in payment or part payment therefor;

To amalgamate with any other company having objects similar to those of this company;

The board of directors may treat the net proceeds of sales of land or interests in lands, after deducting current expenses, as capital, and may from time to time, repay the capital to the shareholders pari passu, provided that no capital shall be paid to the shareholders unless all liabilities of the company be first paid, under the name of "North Montreal Center Limited," with a total capital stock of ninety thousand dollars ($90,000.00), divided into nine hundred (900) shares of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each.

The principal place of business of the corporation will be in the City of Montreal.

Dated from the office of the Provincial Secretary, this first day of December, 1910.

JOS. DUMONT,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICE

is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec to obtain an act of incorporation under the Cities and Towns Act, to detach from the Village of Pointe Claire, and from the Parish of St. Joachim de Pointe Claire, those certain lots of land known as cadastral numbers 39 to 48 inclusive, and cadastral number 94, and a part of cadastral number 99, the property of one, W. S. Clouston, said territory being bounded on the north by cadastral lots numbers 130 and 108, and on the south by Lake St. Louis, and on the east by cadastral lot number 50, and on the west by the remaining portion of cadastral lot number 99, not herein included, and cadastral lots numbers 93 and 95, together with all the sub-divisions of the said cadastral numbers, and form the same into a separate corporation to be known as 'Cedar Park', said corporation to be constituted a municipality under the Cities and Towns Act, with such modifications as to taxation of property and other provisions of the said act as may be deemed advisable.

Montreal, December 6th, 1910.

H. A. HUTCHINS,
Attorney for Applicants.

Province of Quebec,
Ville St. Pierre.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Public notice is hereby given by the undersigned that on December the 20th, 1910, a petition was delivered to me, signed by more than thirty municipal electors of Ville St. Pierre, requesting a poll to decide if the municipal electors of the Town will adopt or not the following by-law:

'The sale of intoxicating liquors and the issuing of licenses therefor, are by the present by-law prohibited within the municipality of Ville St. Pierre, under the authority and for the enforcement of Section Fifteen of Chap. Fifth, of the fourth title of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, 1909.'

In consequence, I give notice that on January the 21st, 1911, next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon in the Town Hall of Ville St. Pierre, a meeting of the municipal electors will be held in order to hold a poll to decide whether the said by-law will be approved of or not, as may be the case, by the electors so assembled.

Given under my seal at Ville St. Pierre, this 21st day of December, in the year of our Lord, 1910.

P. D. HAMEL, Jr.,
Secretary-Treasurer.

NOTICE

is hereby given by James C. Tory, H. H. Kay, G. E. Williams, G. P. Carreau, R. B. Foster and others, all of Montreal, that application will be made at the next session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Life Underwriters' Association of the Province of Quebec for the purpose of promoting the welfare and interests of its members, and ensuring the proper and efficient carrying on of the business of life insurance and other purposes, and the obtaining of the necessary powers to that effect.

TRIBAUDEAU RINFRET,
Solicitor for Applicants.

Montreal, 17th December, 1910.

TEACHING FRENCH IN MONTREAL SCHOOLS

Question Raised by the 'Witness' is an Interesting One to Educationists.

...school commissioners have been ...up and right track for a long ... Progress is necessarily slow. ... have had many difficulties to ... with, and have had to overcome ... deal of bad feeling. But they ...rging ahead, and doing a good ... in the teaching of French.'

...above was emphatically stated ...night by Dr. S. P. Robins, late ...pal of the McGill Normal School, ... seen by a 'Witness' representa-

...ile dealing with the subject of ... French language in the English ...ls of Montreal, Dr. Robins stated ... the teaching of French in Mac...ld College was being neglected. ... time given to the French lesson ... been cut down to half the former ...d. Macdonald College ought to be ...ed up, he said, as that action was ...ical to the welfare of the stu...nts. If the necessary time was not ...en to inculcate the French lan...age into them, their equipment would be very faulty.

In the 'Witness' of last Friday, the statement was made that the school commissioners are asking themselves whether they are on the right track. The present outbreak of doubt and criticism of the 'natural,' or 'direct,' method of teaching is due to a folly which cannot be too severely censured, said Dr. Robins. 'A teacher who comes from outside the province took work in the Montreal High School, failed to pass his pupils, and then condemned the teaching system,' he said. 'It was the fault of the teacher, not of the system.'

'It makes me indignant to think that a man who comes from a non-French speaking country, who is wholly ignorant of the circumstances here and what we are trying to do, should be listened to when he criticizes unpleasantly what has been done,' said Dr. Robins.

Then this teacher had compared the schools of Montreal with schools in other places. They were not to be compared,' said the doctor. 'Here every child took French from the kindergarten up. The cities he referred to taught French to only a few selected pupils. That made an immense difference. Then those few who were taught French were introduced to the study at a much more advanced age. It was not fair to compare the exploits of pupils of 15 or 16 years of age with those of kindergartners.'

It was admitted that when the grammatical method of teaching from the text book and with the rules of grammar, made the pupils more proficient in book work. But the other method taught them to speak French almost instinctively, making them, in proportion to the amount of time spent in the study, as familiar with French as with English.

That was what was needed in the province of Quebec. What use was a knowledge of French to a citizen of Quebec if he could not speak and understand it well?

What use would the ability to write good French be in his every day dealings with French-Canadians? Would he want to have to write his conversations down so he could make himself understood?

Further, in the comparison of foreign with Montreal schools most of the students in the foreign schools had had the advantage of studying Latin. French is really a 'clipped' Latin. Almost without exception all the Latin masculines and neuters are masculine in French, and nearly all the Latin feminines are feminine in French.

Dr. Robins was connected with Montreal educational matters for over sixty years, so he was able to tell some of the history of the movement here. Fifty years ago there was considerable trouble which arose on account of the wretched teaching of French in the schools. It was due to the fact that the French teachers who were employed to teach French did not know how to rule English children.

At that time there still lingered traces of contempt for the French-Canadians, on account of the outbreak of 1837. Such feelings did not evaporate quickly. Consequently, a large number of people were utterly opposed to the teaching of French.

About 1870 or 1871, Dr. Robins took charge of the organization of city schools. At that time it was very hard to get good teachers. The then professors of French in McGill University taught also in the Normal School. Nothing Dr. Robins could do could prevail on him to adopt the conversational or direct method of teaching French. Instead the 'literary' French was being taught. Until they got Madame Cornu to teach French they had difficulties, but she turned out a number of good teachers. She introduced the teaching of French wholly in the French language into the Normal School. Then they began to make progress. Then the pupil teachers had to give lessons in the Model School in that way, and Dr. Robins began to get French taught in the right way. From 1883 until the dropping off of the Normal School, excellent work was done.

As evidence of the opposition at first, when Dr. Robins introduced the teaching of French into the schools there was a miniature rebellion out at Point St. Charles. The parents of the pupils refused to buy French textbooks for their pupils. It was very difficult to overcome that prejudice.

Dr. Robins praised the work of Mr. H. Curtis, saying that under him great improvement in the teaching of French had gone on. The method conceived by Dr. Robins was largely developed by Mr. Curtis within the last twenty years.

The direct method is now being introduced all over Europe and the United States.

The writer of the article in the 'Witness' spoke of the years spent by pupils in studying French. They were the years of very small children, said Dr. Robins.

DR. WALTER THINKS RESULTS ARE GOOD.

...mann Walter, M.A., Ph.D., professor of modern languages at McGill University, writes to the 'Witness' as follows:

The educational portion of the public ... Montreal is at present very ...agitated over the state of the ...ch teaching in the schools of ...treal.

...would seem that, some months ... a high school valedictorian made ...derogatory remarks about the ...French is taught in the High ... A Protestant school commis... on the same occasion, and just ...nolicly, voiced his support of that ...plaint. Believers in the import... of sound school discipline may ...take their heads and apply the ...mild opithet 'unfortunate' to the ... which this complaint was ... when they take into account the ...on of the persons making it and ... asion.

A commission was then appointed to inquire whether the complaint was well founded or not, a commission consisting of three clerical gentlemen no doubt admirably representing the three great divisions of the Protestant faith in Montreal, but, I feel sure, all far too modest to lay claim to the possession of any expert knowledge of French, let alone the teaching of French.

Still, let us be thankful that the public interest is at last aroused in something not directly connected with the size of our potatoes, and let us hope that this interest may be maintained for a little while at least.

In estimating the results of the French teaching in our schools, we must at the outset abandon all idea of comparing them with the final results obtained in German high schools, the conditions being so different that the very possibility of a comparison is excluded. The average age of the pupils of the highest class in a German high school is eighteen; the minimum time devoted to the study of French is four hours a week, in some of the lower classes as many as six; besides, these pupils lead a life of almost painful concentration, their curriculum is entirely free from frills, and athletics in our sense of the term are almost non-existent. Our own High School pupil, on the other hand, who, compared with a German boy of the same age, is in many respects astonishingly immature, gets five half hours a week, and, as the half hour system is applied in the case of most of the subjects, there is an attempt to teach almost as many different subjects during the school day as there are half hours, which, along with the Canadian boys' all-absorbing interest in sports, is apt to render concentration on any school subject peculiarly difficult.

A teacher in a Prussian high school must have studied four years, winter and summer session, at a university, most of the time being devoted to his special subject. He must then spend the better part of a year in undergoing a state examination more difficult and more searching than that required for the Ph.D. Then comes a year in a high school teachers' training school, and after serving another year as probationer in a high school, he may get an appointment. Add to this, in the case of the specialist in French, the proximity of France, which he is not slow to avail himself of, and we must admit that very few of our high school and academy teachers can hope to be specialists in the Prussian meaning of the term.

As to the method in vogue in our own High School, the natural method—the only method possible in the Province of Quebec—it is true its tendency is to somewhat limit the vocabulary, as a good deal of time has to be spent on rendering the learner skilful and ready in the use of the words he does know. But can we say that the High School boy's vocabulary is 'lamentably meagre?' For academical and literary purposes it undoubtedly is, but that only affects a very small percentage of the pupils. The rest may well be satisfied with their carefully selected vocabulary of between eighteen hundred and two thousand words, i.e., as long as the object of our high schools is to give a mere bread-and-butter education, and as long as the ideal of ninety percent of our boys is to make money. There is not much point in saying that few pupils leave our High School after nine years' study of French with a better conversational knowledge than could easily be acquired in a three months' holiday with a French family down the river, for with thirty-five teaching weeks in the year and five half hours a week in the case of the boy at school, and allowing, on the other hand, eight hours a day as the extent of the opportunity to hear and speak French in the case of the boy making a three months' stay with a French family, a very simple arithmetical calculation will show the three months to be the equivalent, so far as the length of time is concerned, of more than eight years of school instruction. Nor must we forget that continuity and the possibility of concentration are naturally on the side of the three months' holiday scheme.

While I am in favor of more reading and more advanced reading being done in the upper classes of the High School in the interest of our university teaching, I should be strongly opposed to the study of works taken from the classical literature of France. To boys in general, and to Canadian boys in particular, the works of Corneille and Racine are an utter weariness of the flesh, besides adding very little to their vocabulary. Even at McGill, where we are in the habit of coming pretty high, we begin the study of Corneille and Racine in the second year only. In any case, the average Englishman never learns to really appreciate the French classics, and I have in all my life not met more than about a dozen Englishmen who could honestly say they enjoyed French verse.

As to our public schools, no one can visit them, as I have done lately, and listen to the French teaching without being struck with the remarkable results achieved in the face of difficulties that might well have disheartened a less tenacious and skilful organizer than Mr. Curtis, the supervisor of French. The mantle of the early pioneers of the natural method—Dr. Robins and Madame Cornu—could not have fallen on worthier shoulders.

Here again the natural method is imposed by our very position as an English minority in a French-speaking province. This is unfortunate, as the natural method requires more highly qualified teachers than the old method, under whose benign sway it was quite possible to be a fairly effective teacher, provided one managed to keep a lesson ahead of the pupil.

The majority of our public school teachers come from the country schools, where the teaching of French leaves much to be desired. They often know next to nothing of French when they enter the Normal School at the age of seventeen, and after generally one year's training in a great variety of subjects, they are set to teach French among other things. The great majority are then taken in hand by Mr. Curtis, and many of them, not all, become efficient teachers of French, a result due no doubt largely to the overworked and underpaid teachers' own heroic efforts after school hours.

The result, in the public schools, as far as it has come under my observation, is, all things considered, something to be proud of. The grammatical drill is thorough, a carefully selected vocabulary of about fifteen hundred words is not acquired merely, but mastered and the conversational power, when tested by me, a perfect stranger, who made no effort to limit himself to what might have been gone over by the teacher, was most gratifying.

As the means are being supplied, improvements are continually made. The teaching of phonetics was introduced some years ago. The whole course is being revised and brought up to date by Mr. Curtis, and the Government has been asked for a special grant that will enable us in time to getz more highly qualified teachers. Let us not forget that all these schemes of improvement were well under way long before the valedictorian's shriek disturbed the slumbers of our School Commissioners.

H. WALTER.

Years of Suffering

A Desperate Case of Catarrh in the Head.

"My father had catarrh in the head for a long time. It was such a desperate case that he didn't knew what to do, but one of his friends recommended Hood's Sarsaparilla. He got a bottle immediately, and as soon as he commenced taking it he felt relief and after the use of two other bottles he was completely cured. He was so well pleased he has ever since recommended Hood's Sarsaparilla." Delle Aline Begin, Levis, P. Q.

Get Hood's Sarsaparilla today. Sold by all druggists everywhere.

PRUSSIAN PEASANTS WHO WALK ON STILTS.
FROM THE ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY NEWS

The Province of East Prussia, which adjoins the Russian frontier, and is inhabited by Lithuanians possesses many lakes and much marshy ground. The latter contains a great amount of turf. This the Lithuanians sell to the Germans, who use it as fuel. The turf gatherers walk over the marshy ground on stilts, carrying to the railway station on their heads the bundles of turf they have dug. At times men will do a little smuggling over the Prussian frontier, their stilts enabling them to cross boggy land, which stops the progress of Russian soldiers.

MONTREAL SOUTH

A very largely attended meeting of the Municipal Reform Club was held at the residence of Mayor Labonte o Tuesday night to complete arrangements for the coming municipal election to be held on Monday, the 9th inst. After the reports of the various committees had been received and adopted, it was decided to hold a public meeting in the Catholic schoolroom to-morrow (Friday) evening, when Messrs. Kilgallen and Lapointe, the retiring councillors—who are both members of the club, and both seeking re-election, and both heartily supported by the club—will give an account of their stewardship and declare their platform for the next municipal term. The election of officers resulted as follows: N. Labonte (Mayor), hon. president; J. W. White, president; Jos. Brisson, vice-president; F. Boire, secretary-treasurer; A. Humphreys, auditor; J. Glennie, sentinel.

Through the courtesy of Mr. W. B. Powell, manager of the Montreal & Southern Counties Railway, cars will stop at the polling place next Monday between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to accommodate those intending to poll their vote. Great interest is being taken in the coming election, as it is a great gain for the temperance cause, the remaining councillors and the two candidates being as one on the question. Every effort is being put forth by the club to secure the election of its two members, and up to the present the outlook is bright.

OPPOSE EIGHT-HOUR BILL.

Board of Trade Hold it Unfavorable to Manufacturers and Employees.

The Council of the Board of Trade at its weekly meeting yesterday decided to oppose the Eight Hours' Bill for Public Works, which Mr. Verville now has before the House of Commons, on the ground that it would increase unemployment and exclude most manufacturers from the chance of competing for Government contracts.

The Council, maintaining its opposition to garnishing of salaries for debt, yet supported the bill at present for the House removing the exception in favor of Dominion civil servants.

A vote of sympathy was expressed to Mrs. T. H. Newman on the death of her husband, whose place on the Transportation Bureau was filled by Mr. T. H. Wadleworth, Mr. R. M. Ballantyne being appointed chairman. The vacancy on the Council was not filled, as this month closes the term of office of the present Council.

Lieut.-Col. J. Burland complied with the unanimous wish of those present in accepting the invitation to represent the Board at the Canadian Forestry Convention, which sits in Quebec from the 18th to the 20th of January.

The annual report of the Port Warden with the financial statement of his office was submitted and was ordered to be forwarded to the Government for consideration.

The following members were present at the meeting:

George L. Cains, president; Jeffrey H. Burland, first vice-president; Norman Wight, treasurer; John Baillie, Geo. F. Benson, W. M. Botsford, D. W. Campbell, R. J. Dale, Huntly R. Drummond, Jos. Ethier, Alex. MacLaurin, J. A. Vaillancourt.

NOT CLEANING S OW.

Ald. Judge has informed the Board of Control that a number of proprietors in St. Paul's Ward are not cleaning the sidewalks running past their property. The Controllers will take steps to see that this is done.

MORE ENGLISH INSPECTORS

Changed System Results From Emancipation Lodge Trouble.

Because his work has been rendered difficult by reason of the hard feeling aroused against members of Emancipation Lodge, one of the public school medical inspectors has stated his intention of resigning in March. Should this action be taken, it appears a change in the make-up of the Board of Inspectors will result.

Dr. J. E. Laberge, superintendent of this department, says that the work as a whole would be better done were there four English-speaking doctors employed, instead of two.

The vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Phillimore will of course be filled by an English-speaking physician, the name of one now being before the Board of Control. Dr. Laberge believes the vacancy caused by the resignation spoken of should also be filled by an English-speaking doctor. He will also suggest that one more English-speaking man be added to the board, making its total strength eighteen, instead of seventeen.

If this change is made, the fourteen French-speaking doctors will do the work of the French-speaking schools, and the four English-speaking physicians that of the English schools in all parts of the city. This, it is believed, would bring about better co-operation between teachers and inspectors, and consequently would result in better work being done.

HOME ON VIGER SQUARE

Controllers Think this a Suitable Location for Detention Home.

It is the intention of the Board of Control to recommend that the Detention Home for Juvenile Offenders be established near the Court House. There are a number of places near Viger square, it is said, which would be suitable for this purpose.

The Attorney-General has recommended that this court, when established, be in the Court House, but this is not thought to be possible.

The Controllers do not believe that an Industrial Home in which the guilty children may be cared for is needed. The contention is that a number of institutions in which offending children are looked after are already established.

BOYS' FARM FESTIVITIES.

How the Christmas Season Was Spent at Shawbridge.

The boys of the Boys' Farm and Training School, Shawbridge, brought their holidays to a close on Monday night, after a very enjoyable break in the usual routine work.

Christmas Day falling upon Sunday, the day was not held as one of festivity, the only difference from the usual Sunday being marked by a carol service in the church, and fruit and sweets being served after dinner.

On Monday the boys had their Christmas dinner of pork, plum pudding, mince pies, oranges, bananas and sweets. The afternoon was spent on the ice on the river, the hockey team playing a match with the Shawbridge boys, which resulted in a win for the Home.

After a good supper the boys went into the school-room and had Dickens's Christmas Carol read to them by Mrs. Mathews.

On Wednesday the Ladies' Aid of Shawbridge held a tea meeting and concert at the school, and the boys were treated to a most sumptuous repast, afterwards enjoying the lengthy programme provided by the visitors.

On Saturday the boys of the Nazareth street Club, Montreal, under the care of their committee, Mr. Owen C. Dawson, Mr. Hugh Peck and Mr. S. Lemesurier, came out and played a hockey match and returned the winners, bearing with them the beautiful little silver cup presented by the last named, to be contended for. The evening was spent in a 'sing song' around a blazing wood fire in the dining hall, where much unsuspected talent was discovered.

On Monday the Shawbridge boys brought up a team to play a game of basket-ball in the gymnasium, and once more the Home lost. The superintendent and matron wish to express their gratitude to those ladies and gentlemen who so kindly helped with gifts, viz.:—

Mr. Henry Birks, basket-ball set and horizontal bars.

Mrs. J. H. Birks, a box of bananas and sweets.

Mr. Geo. B. Fraser, of Greenshields, Ltd., $20, to be spent upon the boys' treat.

The ladies and gentlemen of Shawbridge, for a supper and concert.

Also Messrs. Spalding Bros., for a very much appreciated gift of hockey sticks. This makes the second gift this winter from the famous sporting outfitters, the first being their athletic library, a very useful present for boys who are keen on sport.

To Mr. R. W. Reford and the Misses Dow we owe thanks for gifts of nightgowns and shirts, and to

Mr. J. Allen, for a dozen winter caps.

OUTREMONT COUNCIL

Ex-Mayor Dunlop Sends a Notarial Protest to the Mayor and Councillors

Mayor Beaubien presided at last night's meeting of the Council at Outremont, and the councillors present were Messrs. Ainslie, Cooke, Stuart, Bessette, Monro, and Robinson.

The secretary read a protest from Mr. W. W. Dunlop, ex-mayor, served upon the mayor and Council by Notary C. J. E. Charbonneau. It is stated in the protest that whereas the assessed valuation of property in the North ward is more than that of the other two wards put together, and that this ward contains more than three-fourths of the total population of the town; and, moreover, that a petition signed by 73 resident electors of that ward has been sent to the Legislature asking for the division of the ward in order to have a more equitable representation, the mayor and Council of Outremont are notified not to recognize the committee appointed at the citizens' meeting held on Friday last, and not to enter into any negotiations with that committee respecting the manner of settling the difficulty which has arisen. The majority of the men appointed on this committee are opposed to the division of the ward. Mr. Charbonneau adds: 'I hereby summon the said mayor and Council of Outremont to appoint a committee composed of electors promoting the bill sent to the legislature in order to arrive at a friendly settlement.

Councillor Stuart submitted a formal report of the proceedings of the meeting held last Friday, at which the question of dividing the North ward was discussed, and the report was adopted on motion of Councillor Munro, seconded by Councillor Robinson.

Councillor Monro, referring to the protest, said it was ridiculous, as the special committee had been nominated in a regular and legal way by the public meeting.

Councillor Bessette remarked that if those in favor of the division of the ward had wished to put other men on the committee they should have brought them forward.

In answer to Councillor Ainslie, the mayor stated that he had taken considerable pains to explain the whole position to the meeting before the vote was taken. He had given explanations both in French and in English. The appointment of the special committee had been fully and squarely stated in the motion which was read to the meeting before the vote was taken.

Councillor Monro thought this was merely a political or rather an electioneering war-cry.

Before the adjournment it was announced that the Council sitting in committee on Friday night, will confer with the special committee appointed at the citizens' meeting last Friday night.

A claim from the Curé of the Parish Church of Madeleine was submitted for $160, being the amount of damage done to the walls and roof of the church projected by the blasting on Wiseman avenue.

The building inspectors' report shows that he examined the church and found a number of cracks in the wall, but on account of the snow he could not make an estimate of the damage.

The mayor said that in a case of this kind the repairs should be done right away, before further damage was done through the melting of the snow.

A number of other complaints received from residents on Van Horne avenue, were referred to the building inspector.

Mr. Duchastel, town engineer, submitted estimates of work done by the contractors, which were ordered to be paid, as follows:

Mr. Duquette	$590.47
"	487.74
"	130.70
Mr. Laporte	473.38
Mr. MacDonald	734.00
"	320.87
Smith & Co.	884.00
"	515.10

REAL ESTATE.

COTE ST. LUKE ROAD.—Jas. A. Ogilvy, sr., has sold to Benjamin J. Boyer the south-east part of lot 64, Montreal cadastre, fronting on Cote St. Luke road and Snowdon avenue, for $25,000.

REGENT AVENUE.—Francois Villeneuve has sold to Moses Block lots 171-87 to 90, and 174-472 to 475, Montreal cadastre, with the dwellings, 1 to 15 Regent avenue, for $12,000.

ST. DOMINIQUE STREET.—Moscovitch Brothers have sold to Alphonse Richer part of lots 137-1 and 2, St. Louis cadastre, with the tenements 1559 to 1565 St. Dominique street, for $11,000.

QUESNEL STREET.—Edward Labreche has sold to Philias Vanier lots 77 and 78 in St. Cunegonde, with dwelling on Quesnel street, for $6,000.

DUROCHER STREET.—Henry Drysdale has sold to Annibal O. Distaler, lot 32-2-51, in Outremont, fronting on Durocher street, for $1, with other considerations.

HEBREW LADIES' BALL.

The Hebrew Ladies' Aid Society held their seventeenth annual concert and ball in Stanley Hall last evening, and the entertainment proved in every way the most successful that has been attempted by the society. The programme which preceeded the dance was excellent, and a large number remained for the festivities which continued until early in the morning. The president, Mrs. J. Manolson, in an address delivered in Hebrew, explained the work of the society and urged the ladies of the Jewish colony to give their aid in the good owrk that is being accomplished, by becoming members of the society. In retrospect she told what had been done for poor families, and the newly arrived in Canada, how the sick had been nursed, and the mothers of families taught to care for their children and their homes. The Rev. Dr. Abramowitz, Rabbi of the McGill College avenue Synagogue, presided.

The following programme was given: Song, Miss Jennie Heilig; song, Miss Bessie Rudolf; piano solo, Knech and Rufrecht; song, piano solo, valse, chant nationale, shadow dances, Miss Jennie Heilig.

GIFTS OF FATHER TIME.

'Father Time' will assume the functions of Santa Clause this evening in the lecture hall of Calvary Church. Owing to local circumstances there was no church Christmas tree this season for the children of the families of the Men's Own Brotherhood, but now it has been arranged to hold a novel gift festival, to take the place of the customery Yuletide festival. The room has been appropriately decorated. Mr. T. B. Macaulay, president of the Brotherhood will persided, and there will be an attractive programme in addition to the distribution of candy, fruit and toys of all descriptions.

WOULD TAKE REFERENDUM ON PROPOSED WARD REVISION

Committee on Legislation Think the People Should be Directly Consulted

TAXATION OF FARM LAND.

It Should Be Assessed at Its Commercial Value, Says Ald. Lapointe.

Two important questions, that of the redivision of the city for municipal electoral purposes, and of the necessity of making some new arrangements with regard to the improvement work demanded by the newly annexed wards, were discussed by the Committee on Legislation at last night's meeting. In neither case was a definite decision reached, but it was determined to send on the proposed redivision for the consideration of Council, with the suggestion that it might be wise to hold a referendum to enable the people to express their opinion, and to recommend that the expenditure in the new wards be limited to $400,000 a year until all the work promised is completed, or that the farm land be taxed at its true value and not at $100 an acre, as demanded by the terms of annexation.

As soon as the proposed redivision of the city into five districts was mentioned it became apparent that the aldermen held different views on the advisability of this move. None were positively opposed to it, but they felt doubtful if the people generally favored the change. Other aldermen believed the proposal to be in the best interests of the city.

'Ward revision of some kind is necessary,' remarked Ald. Brodeur. 'This scheme may not be the best one possible, but it gives us something definite to work upon.

'I would like an opportunity of consulting my electors,' said Ald. L. A. Lapointe. 'Unless they state their willingness, I do not see that I may properly vote to have my ward abolished.'

'I do not think the people of Papineau Ward are greatly impressed with the plan,' said Ald. Gauvin.

Many others spoke. The general idea being that a referendum on the question might well be taken. But proposal was sent on to Council without comment of any kind.

The debate upon the city's financial obligations to the newly annexed wards was more lengthy. Were all the works carried out which had been demanded and approved of Legislature, it was felt there would be no money left for the regular business of the city. 'The controllers,' Ald. Lapointe stated, 'have submitted their ideas on the matter to the city attorneys, who have drafted two alternatives for us to consider. These are that the amount to be spent in the eight new wards be limited to $400,000 a year until all the obligations are met, or that the farm land in these wards be taxed according to its commercial value, and not at $100 an acre, as provided by the terms of annexation.'

Mr. Lavallee, of the city attorney's department, was present, and explained the two proposals. 'Notwithstanding any law to the contrary,' he said, 'the city of Montreal without repudiating any of the obligations which it assumed by virtue of legislation regarding the annexation of certain adjacent municipalities, now part of Montreal as new wards, is authorized to limit the expenditure that it agreed to make in these wards, to a sum of not less than $400,000 each year, the said amount to be divided up at the discretion of the city until such time as all the obligations are fulfilled.

Ald. Lapointe spoke strongly in favor of the other proposal, that farm land be taxed at its true value. He gave illustrations to show what this would mean. At present the artificial value placed upon these lands is $2,019,287. Their real value is $14,772,134. Were the tax collected on this latter sum, the revenue would be so much greater that the city would be in a position to undertake more of the work agreed to.

Ald. Brodeur and Ald. Tetreau expressed the fear that a change in the mode of assessing farm land would result in a prohibitive tax being placed upon farms, but the committee determined to send the two suggestions on for the consideration of council.

Another amendment which it was proposed should be made to the charter met unanimous approval. It was to the effect that the city be given power to prohibit the sale of pistols, knives and similar weapons in all stores except upon order of the chief of police.

PARDONED MURDERERS.

Now Governor-Elect Demands Two Resignations.

Detroit, Jan. 5.—Governor-elect Osborn threw his first big thunderbolt yesterday when he formally demanded the resignations of two members of the State Prison Board for their action in bringing about the release of Frank Hayes and Edward Ascher, two murderers serving life sentences in the state prison at Jackson. Both officials were given forty-eight hours in which to tender their resignations, and unless they comply charges will be made against them.

Dr. J. F. Rumer and Mr. Rowland Conner are the names of the offending officials.

TAKEN OVER BY C. P. R.

On January 15th the Canadian Pacific Railway Company will officially take over the St. Maurice Valley Railway and the New Brunswick Southern Railway as part of the system. Both these roads have for some time been operated by the C. P. R., but have not as yet been included as part of the system. The St. Maurice Valley runs from Three Rivers on the Quebec main line of the C. P. R. to Grand'-Mere, a distance of twenty-seven miles. After January 15 this will be known as part of district No. 3 of the Eastern Division. The New Brunswick Southern runs from West St. John to St. Stephen, N.B., a distance of eighty-two miles, and will be operated as part of district No. 1 of the Atlantic division.

NEW BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Realizing that the present staff is inadequate to meet the needs of the larger city, the Board of Control has decided to recommend the addition of another building inspector to the present staff. The sum of $1,000 has been set aside as salary for this office. It is understood thirty applications have already been received, two from contractors, but none from architects. An examination will be held to determine the best man for the position.

THREE AIRSHIPS BURNED.

Breslau, Germany, Jan. 5.—Fire last evening destroyed three aeroplanes and five hangars at the Wilhelmsruhe aerodrome. An explosion occurred in the benzine tanks. Incendiarism is suspected.

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THIRTEEN STEAMSHIP COMPANIES INDICTED FOR CREATING MONOPOLY

United States Government Charges Detriment to Trade Through Illegal Agreement—One Company Forced Out of Business.

TWELVE INDIVIDUALS NAMED AS DEFENDANTS.

Agreement Regulated Forfeits and Fines Upon Members in the Control of Ninety Percent of Steerage Traffic.

New York, Jan. 5. — The Federal Government brought suit here yesterday under the terms of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law, in the United States Circuit Court of the Southern District of New York, against thirteen of the principal trans-Atlantic carriers, estimated to control ninety percent of the steerage traffic, worth to them $55,000,000 a year. Twelve officers of the defendant companies, all resident in America, are also named as co-defendants.

These thirteen companies, the Government charges, entered into an illegal contract on February 5, 1908, at London, England, by which they constituted themselves the Atlantic Conference, with power to apportion all traffic pro rata, impose heavy fines on members of the conference for violation of any of the articles of agreement, and wage cut-throat competition against all lines outside the conference. As a result, it is alleged, the Russian volunteer fleet, plying between New York and Libau, was driven out of business, and the Russian-American line was forced to make terms with the conference and enter its membership.

Suit was brought by Henry A. Wise, United States district attorney, acting under instructions from Attorney-General Wickersham, and in its petition the Government prays the court to 'enjoin the defendants from further agreeing, combining, conspiring to injure or destroy the business of any person or corporation engaged in the business of carrying steerage passengers between points in the United States and Europe. Further, that each, every and all of the defendant steamship lines be forbidden either to enter or clear any of their vessels at or from the port of New York or any other port of entry in the United States or any of its possessions, so long as they shall continue to operate under the aforesaid alleged unlawful combination or conspiracy.'

LIST OF COMPANIES NOW INDICTED.

The defendant companies, their capitalization, and the ports between which they chiefly ply, are as follows:

Allan Line Steamship Company, Limited, plying between Liverpool, Boston and Philadelphia, and Glasgow and Montreal; capital, $3,220,000.

International Mercantile Marine Company, a holding company; capital, $120,000,000.

International Navigation Company; a holding company.

The Anchor Line (Henderson Brothers), Limited, plying between New York and Glasgow; capital, $2,875,000, plying between Montreal and Liver-

Canadian Pacific Railway Company, pool; capital, $200,000,000.

Cunard Steamship Company, Limited, plying between New York and Boston and Liverpool; capital, $10,000,000.

British & North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, Limited.

Hamburg-American Line, plying between Hamburg, New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore; capital, $21,250,000.

Holland-American Line, plying between New York and Rotterdam; capital unavailable.

North German-Lloyd, plying between New York and Bremen; capital, unavailable.

Red Star Line, plying between New York and Antwerp.

White Star Line, plying between New York and Liverpool.

Russian East Asiatic Steamship Company, Limited, plying between New York and Libau; capital, unavailable.

Of these lines, the International Navigation Company, the British & North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, Limited, the Red Star Line, the White Star Line are subsidiaries of the International Mercantile Marine Company.

INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS.

The individual defendants, all officers of the defendant companies, but not all of them possible to identify here, are:

Philip A. S. Franklin, vice-president of the International Mercantile Marine Company.

Emil L. Boas, general manager in America and a director of the Hamburg-American Line.

Gustav H. Schwab, general manager in America and a director of the North German-Lloyd Dock Company.

Gustav H. Schwab, jr.

Charles P. Sumner, American agent of the Cunard Steamship Company.

Alexander E. Johnson, passenger agent for the Scandinavian-American Line.

Bryce J. Allan, of Boston, director of the Allan Line.

H. C. Van Fost, vice-president and director of the North German-Lloyd Dock Company.

William Coverly, president of Henderson Brothers, general agents Anchor Line.

John Lee.

Adrian Gips.

Max Straus.

The complaint charges that the defendants for some time past have been engaged in the United States, and particularly in the southern district of New York, in an unlawful combination to restrain a part of the commerce of the United States with foreign nations, and the apportionment of this commerce, with the exception of traffic consisting of steerage passengers forwarded through the Straits of Gibraltar, is given by the Government as follows:

Westbound.	Percent.
Allan Line	.62
Anchor Line	3.40
Cunard Line	13.75
Hamburg-American Line	26.53
North German Lloyd	19.61
Holland-American	6.53
*Red Star	9.71
*White Star	8.60
*American	6.68
*Dominion	4.47
Total	100
Eastbound.	
Allan Line	4.95
Anchor Line	3.93
Cunard Line	12.77
To Flume	2.35
Hamburg-American	12.35
Holland-American	6.10
North German Lloyd	18.79
*Red Star Line	8.56
*White Star Line	15.49
*American Line	8.72
*Dominion Line	1.50
Canadian Pacific Line	4.49
Total	100

*Subsidiary of the International.

This tabulation does not include the percentage carried by the Russian East Asiatic Steamship Company, which, it is explained, entered the conference recently against its will. A further alleged provision stipulated that whenever the monthly accounts of any line showed that it had exceeded or remained below its agreed percentage, it should either raise or lower its rates, to effect a redistribution, with the express stipulation that wherever possible rates should be raised rather than lowered.

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

The alleged contract enacted from each of its signatories the deposit of a promissory note for an amount equal to £1,000, for each one percent of traffic allotted to the signatory. Upon withdrawal of any member of the conference without permission from all other members, this deposit was to be forfeited. It was also subject to forfeit if any member failed to pay his four pounds' fine for each excess passenger. All forfeits and fines were to be divided among the members not penalized, and all matters in dispute were to be referred to an arbitrator, who was given the further power of imposing a penalty of £250 on any member who disobeyed any provisions of the contract.

'After the adoption of this contract,' said District Attorney Wise, in a statement issued to-night, 'it is charged that the lines party thereto held a meeting, at which it was agreed that they should act together to eliminate and destroy competition, and that for the accomplishment of this purpose a committee of three, consisting of agents in the United States, should be created with power to select steamships to be known as "fighting steamers,' and to advertise such fighting steamers to sail at the same time and from the same port as the steamers of competing lines and to advertise rates far below those advertised by such independent lines.'

WERE DRIVEN OUT OF BUSINESS.

These practices were put into effect to such good purpose, the Government charges, that the Russian volunteer fleet was driven out of business, and the Russian-American line was only able to re-enter the New York service through membership in the conference, which it was forced to join at a meeting held on September 1, 1909, in Cologne, Germany. At this meeting the provisions of the contract are said to have been extended to remain effective up to and including February 28, 1911, thereafter to remain effective from year to year, except upon notice of intention to withdraw, given on or before December 1, of any year.

All the competitive devices of the conferences are alleged to be in full force at the present moment against the Uranium Steamship Company, which plies between New York and Rotterdam, touching at Halifax.

When in March, 1910, the federal Government instituted an enquiry into the affairs of the defendant companies, the committee of three organized to direct reprisals on competing lines was disbanded, says the complaint, and rates for steerage transportation on the 'fighting ships' are said to have been altered from time to time.

CUBAN PRESIDENCY.

Two Candidates Will Oppose Gen. Gomez.

Havana, Jan. 5.—Alfredo Zayas, vice-president of the republic, announces his candidacy for the presidency, with the support of Major-General Pino Guerra and his brother, Colonel Ramon Guerra.

Gen. Loynaz del Castillo, now minister to Mexico, announces the candidacy of Gen. Eusebio Hernandez for president and his own candidacy for vice-president. Hernandez is the leader of the Miguelistas and former head of the Cuban democratic party. Gen. Loynaz del Castillo declares that any attempt on the part of President Gomez to secure a renomination would be the instant signal for a civil war.

Senor Ferrara, Speaker of the House of Representatives, reiterates in behalf of Gen. Gomez the president's firm resolution to accept a renomination.

16 SCIENCE MEN LEAVE.

Stringent Rule of Faculty Requires High Standard of Excellence.

The results that have been announced in first year Science at McGill have shown quite clearly that McGill is requiring a very high standard of excellence, and the exercises imposed are increasing in difficulty every year.

There is a rule in force that any student in first year Science who does not pass at Christmas in two out of the five mathematical subjects must leave college for the remainder of the session. This rule has proved disastrous to sixteen men this year.

It seems a hard policy to pursue, but as McGill cannot accommodate all who enter, stringent rules and high standards are required.

NEW GOVERNMENT QUARTERS.

Manitoba Will Erect New Buildings—Costing Two Millions.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—It was announced yesterday that the government will next year start the construction of new parliament buildings to cost a million and a half dollars. The new agricultural college and the rebuilding of the burned insane asylum at Brandon will cost another half million.

McGILL'S OWN NIGHT.

The McGill Vaudevillians have been preparing for some time for their performance, which has finally been arranged for Monday, January 12, at His Majesty's Theatre. The several acts are tinged throughout with McGill color and local wit. One of the leading acts has a scene depicting the campers, and a Donalda and a student are standing at the old historic tree at the gate reading the notices. The performers in this act are Messrs. W. H. Ludington and Hamer. This is followed by a scene in the office of a vaudeville theatre, manager (S. A. Hargraft), who rehearses the various applicants. The manager's stenographer (Buster Brown) takes a prominent part in the proceedings.

KEEPS GOLD IN CANADA.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Dr. Haanel, Director of Mines, has returned from an inspection of the new assay office at Vancouver, and says the completion of the refinery in connection with the Canadian branch of the Royal Mint will enable the placer miner of the Yukon to convert this gold, readily into Canadian cash, and not, as heretofore, send it to Seattle.

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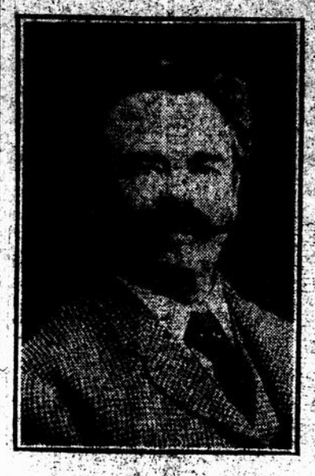

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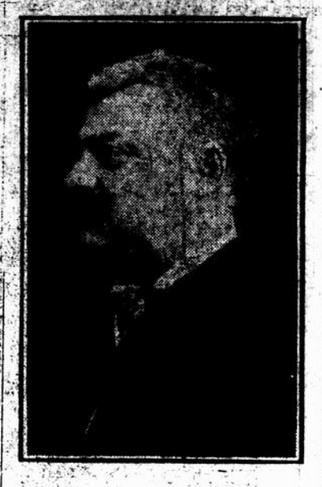

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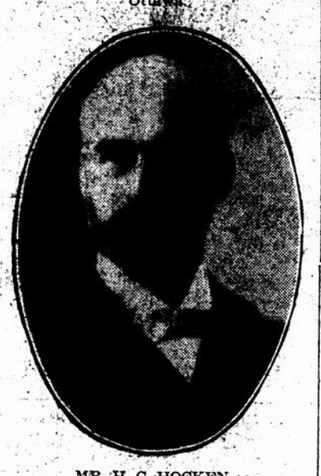

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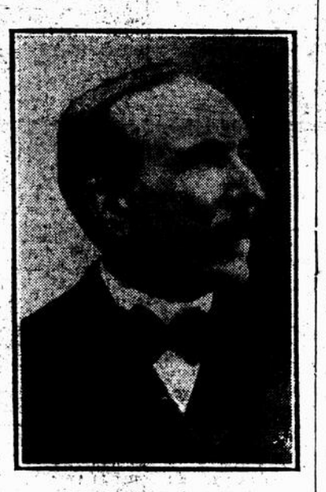

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MR. F. S. SPENCE, Toronto.

FAILED IN EMERGENCY

Well for Fire Protection Was Dry During Fatal Fire at Dresden.

Dresden, Ont., Jan. 5.—The coroner's jury inquiring into the death of former Mayor Hicks, killed at the fire here on Sunday, December 25, concluded its work yesterday afternoon, bringing in a verdict that the death of the deceased was caused by an explosion of heat and gases accumulating in the attic of R. Aitken's store. The cause of the fire is unknown to the jury.

The verdict adds that a proper inspection of the condition of the fire hose, engine and wells would have prevented the loss of the property. Dr. Wiley presided, and Crown Attorney Smith conducted the investigation. The Fuel and Light Company was represented by O. L. Lewis, Chatham, while G. E. Weir appeared for the town of Dresden and several private individuals. Messrs. Edwards, Toronto, and Frank, of Listowel, were present for the underwriters. Twenty-seven witnesses were heard and the principal evidence was that of members of the fire department. They testified that the well which was supposed to furnish water for the fire protection of the business section of Dresden contained not a single drop of water on the night of the fire. These wells were supplied by an intake pipe from the Sydenham river.

When the fire department reached the fire it was found that the well expressly sunk for the protection of the business section did not contain one drop of water. The hose was placed in the well and the engine started, with the result that no water was drawn and that a quantity of mud was drawn into the hose. The fire by this time had gained great headway.

When the engine was again started it was discovered that very little water could be drawn because the hose was plugged with mud that had been sucked in from the well.

Chief Hoyle stated that it was a part of his duty to inspect the wells. The last inspection he made of the business section well was in June last.

WITNESS WAS DOUBTED.

Judge in Immigration Inquiry Rebukes Former Interpreter.

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 5.—Giving his evidence before the Commission on Chinese immigration late yesterday, Yip On, formerly interpreter for the Customs Department here, and suspended on September 15, in connection with the passport scandals, found that a soft answer did not turn away wrath. At the close of the afternoon sitting, Mr. Justice Murphy commented omniously on the character of Yip On's answers and said that he would give him one more chance to 'make good' with his explanation of a certain cablegram.

It was all about a certain man named Mak Lee. On September 22 last Yip On received a cablegram from one Na Mow, in Hongkong: 'Cable late, Mak Lee coming.' The commission wanted to know what cable was late, but Yip On said he did not know. He had never sent a cable to Na Mow in Hongkong.

Counsel for the Dominion Government bombarded the witness with questions for two hours, but still Yip On 'did not know.'

START WORK EARLY

Controllers Preparing to Ask Tenders for Street and Sidewalk Paving

The controllers have decided to start the permanent works on the 15th of April this year, just two months earlier than operations were commenced last season. With the view of bringing this about, tender forms are now being prepared.

This early start will, it is expected, enable the execution of more work than was accomplished last year, though then extensive operations were carried on, $1,000,000 being expended for road work and $800,000 for the laying of sidewalks. The sums for these works, of course, comes out of the loan fund.

REPORT RECEIVED.

Of International Railway Board Negotiations.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—The report of the conference at Washington, which resulted in an agreement to organize an international commerce commission, has been placed in the hands of the Minister of Railways by Mr. Maybee, chairman of the railway commission. The necessary steps to give effect to the arrangement will be taken at Ottawa with as little delay as possible.

COLD WAVE IN FLORIDA.

Washington, Jan. 4. — Florida, the land of flowers and sunshine, is in the grip of frigid weather and by to-night the cold wave will have swept as far south as Miami and the extreme portion of the mainland.

To-day the thermometer stood at the freezing point at Jacksonville, while in the northwestern portion of the state the mercury fell from 12 to 14 degrees below. Great damage to the orange crop is believed to have resulted. Frosts are also reported from various points in the southwest.

Practically throughout the entire country from the Mississippi Valley eastward did the cold wave rule in the past twenty-four hours.

FILTRATION NEARER

Plans for Work Will Soon be Called for. Experts Will Tender.

Another step toward the new filtration plant was taken yesterday, the city attorneys commencing the preparation of a by-law providing for this work. This once being ready Council will be in a position to order the plans for the plant prepared.

Last week Mr. Geo. Janin, the new city engineer, was in New York, and there consulted with Mr. Herring, one of the experts who prepared the report upon which it decided to install the filtration plant. It is the intention of these skilled engineers to tender for the plans, and also for the work of construction. Indications are that they will be able to do the work for less than any other firm, and if so they will be given the contract.

The plant cannot be ready for use before two years, as the preparation of plans and the construction operations will take that time.

NOT LUCKY LIKE SHELDON.

Swindler Fined $600 and Will Serve Sentence.

Hollidaysburg, Pa., Jan. 4.—Chambers O. Templeton, of Tyrone, Pa., former state senator and a prominent attorney, pleaded guilty in the Blair county court here to-day to the charges of forgery and the embezzlement of moneys of his clients. Templeton was sentenced to pay a fine of $600, and to be imprisoned in the penitentiary at Pittsburg for an indeterminate period of not less than three years nor more than twelve years.

It was charged that Templeton embezzled more than $75,000 that had been entrusted to him by clients.

VULGATE REVISION.

Rome, Jan. 5.—The Pope yesterday received in private audience the Right Rev. Francis Aidan Gasquet, the abbot-president of the English Benedictines. The Abbot Gasquet is head of the commission appointed to revise the text of the Vulgate, and he reported progress on this work. He also said that illness would prevent him from visiting the United States and Canada at the present time, but that he expected to make the trip next summer, when he would deliver lectures in favor of revision.

FROM LONDON—FIVE DAYS.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 4.—Speaking at the Mackinnon lecture at Birmingham to-day, Lord Strathcona expressed the hope that in three years' time it will be possible to reach Quebec and Montreal in four and a half days, and the Pacific Coast in eight days.

GONE OR GOING.

GENERAL BALFOUR (to chief of staff, Sir A. Acland Hood):—'Well, Colonel; how have things been going with us?'

CHIEF OF STAFF.—'Everything is either gone or going. Tariff reform's gone! The Referendum's gone! The Lords' Veto is going! Plural Voting is going! Demmit, General, we're all going!'

—'Westminster Gazette.'

CRITICISM OF LONDON POLICE

Marshalling of Militia Against Two Anarchists Regarded as Error.

ONLY TWO BODIES FOUND.

Dead Criminal Thought to Have Robbed Boston Jewellery Store.

London, Jan. 5.—After reflection, sober thought of London appears to be that the marshalling of a great force of police and military to destroy a little nest of outlaws was a mistake.

A number of provincial papers criticise the authorities sharply. The Manchester 'Dispatch' says that Englishmen have been made to appear ridiculous, and that the affair is one which the country will be glad to forget.

The impression is gaining ground that the policemen should have dealt with the business without calling upon the soldiers, and that the summoning of the Horse Artillery was a particularly unnecessary move.

Nothing has since developed to establish that more than two men held the tenement against several hundred police, two half companies of Scots Guards from the Tower of London, a detachment of horse artillery with two machine guns and a gatling gun, and a fire brigade, to say nothing of the tens of thousands who lent their moral support, expressed in vociferous cheers.

It was reported that during the night the police had discovered a third body in the ruins, but this is not true. Only two men are known to have been killed. The police had located, according to their belief, 'Peter the Painter' and 'Fritz' in a lodging room on the top floor of the tenement house in Sidney street.

DREW FIRE FROM ANARCHISTS.

Some of the critics point out that instead of walking upstairs, kicking in the door, and taking their men, or taking whatever any officer is like to get in the discharge of his duties, they summoned the landlady from the upper floor and then reconnoitred about the house until they drew the fire of the anarchists from the windows of their room. The battle, then begun, ended in the burning alive of two human beings within the sight of as many of London's thousands as could scrowd upon the adjoining rooftops. The extent of the popular excitement aroused by the unprecedented exhibition will be better understood in the light of the fact that the circulation of the local newspapers of Tuesday evening was greater than at any previous time since the critical stages of the Boer war were heralded in the capital.

The intense interest hardly abates yesterday and the evening papers had prepared for a tremendous special sale.

The presence of the Horse Artillery although their guns were not brought into action, seems to irritate many more than any other incident. There is some mystery as to who was responsible for the employment of the military. The Home Secretary, who personally directed the operations of the combined forces during the latter part of the seven hours' battle, is credited generally with having authorized or approved the unusual measures taken.

For a time public concern over rumors of anarchist plots hatched in London appears to be overshadowed by the discussion of the manner in which two suspected anarchists were disposed of.

The newspapers are becoming almost panicky on the subject of anarchists. They are publishing suggestions, such as the strengthening of the Aliens' Act, calling the international police to hold a conference with a view to united action against anarchists, and for similar purposes, and some of the newspapers even propose the promulgation of new laws to prevent any private citizen from purchasing a revolver, except under high license and strict registration. These papers also declare that every non-naturalized alien should be licensed and compelled to take out police permits of residence, to be renewed annually, and that in suspicious cases finger prints should be taken to prevent impersonation.

MAY HAVE BEEN WANTED IN BOSTON.

New York, Jan. 5.—From private descriptions it is believed at police headquarters here that the two men killed by the London police in the attack on an anarchists' den were wanted in this country for the robbery of the jewellery store of Samuel E. Ullion, in Boston, last March.

The names of the two described are Harry Rothstein, alias 'Kavok the Blacksmith'; Jacob Goldberg, alias 'Red Tracy.' Kavok the Blacksmith is said to have been the inventor of an instrument known as the 'Can-opener,' which rips up an ordinary safe as easily as a real can-opener would slice into a can of preserved peaches.

Bail for each of the alleged burglars was first fixed at $20,000, but the amount was afterwards reduced to $5,000. Straw bail was furnished, and the men jumped their bonds.

The morning papers publish interviews and statements from numerous magistrates, and other officials connected with the administration of the criminal law. They, almost without exception, advocate stringent measures against aliens, and a more effective application of the existing aliens act.

The newspapers also print many letters, articles and editorials from foreign papers, criticising the police methods, and suggesting that a couple of desperadoes might have been smoked out or dealt with without such an enormous display of force.

SCARLET FEVER EPIDEMIC.

Twenty-two Deaths in Month in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—There have been twenty-two deaths from scarlet fever in this city during the last month, and 122 cases.

MR. ROBLIN'S HEALTH.

Will Spend a Month in Cuba to Recuperate.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—The Premier, Mr. Roblin, whose health has not been robust, leaves this week to spend a month in Cuba.

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