

THE HON. A. G. BLAIR

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RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—It is now definitely known that the Hon. Andrew G. Blair has turned his back on politics, and is to become chairman of the Railway Commission, whose organization was sanctioned by parliament last session. That body will take over the functions of the Railway Committee of the Privy Council, and regulate the tolls upon and the operation of railway lines throughout Canada. The ex-minister is already engaged in a preliminary study of the organization and practical working of railway commissions in the United States, so that our tribunal may profit by the experience of those which have been in existence for years across the border. He has already made himself familiar with the Massachusetts commission, and left this morning to follow this up by an examination of the methods followed in New York State. From there he will go on to Washington to learn what he can at first hand about the organization of and the course pursued by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The appointment to the Railway Commission is for ten years. So wide are the powers vested in that tribunal under the new Railway Act that Mr. Blair in his new capacity will exercise most of the functions which belonged to him as Minister of Railways.

MR. BLAIR IS IN TOWN.

The Hon. A. G. Blair, former Minister of Railways and Canals, arrived in Montreal in his private car "Musoka" via the Canada Atlantic Railway shortly before noon to-day. He was seen at the Windsor Hotel in company with Sir Louis H. Davies, and stated that he would be leaving for New York this evening.

CONVICTED OF VAGRANCY.

Mr. Recorder Poirier this morning expressed his loathing for a certain class of young men. Armand Carpentier, a young man of apparently twenty-five years of age, faultlessly dressed, was up charged with vagrancy. The action was brought under section 207 of the Criminal Code. The complainant was Detective Guerin, of Mr. Carpentier's staff. A number of witnesses said that Carpentier did not have to work. Evidence for the prosecution showed that he worked, it appears, for some time at a small salary, but his mother, who is seventy-three years old, is forced to work for her living. Mr. Recorder Poirier fined him \$50 and costs or three months in jail. Carpentier paid the fine.

AN EARLY MORNING FIRE.

At 3.15 o'clock this morning the eastern division of the fire brigade was called to 654 Berri street, occupied by F. D. Robert as a grocery store, where a slight fire originated from an unknown cause. Ten minutes' work sufficed to extinguish the flames.

LIQUOR AND HOLIDAYS.

The "Patrie" deplores the fact that the most solemn holidays seem to be made the occasion of great drunken debauchery, and it says: "On Saturday—the day after Christmas—over thirty poor miserable creatures appeared before Mr. Recorder Weir charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Is this not most afflictive?"

MR. TARTE ON MR. ROSS.

Referring to the Liberal defeat in North Renfrew, the "Patrie," Mr. Tarte's organ, after stating that it considers Mr. Ross an honest man, expresses regret that he should be in the whirlpool where the ship of which he is pilot is struggling in efforts that are in no way chivalrous, and it concludes as follows: "Any how, the government of which he is the leader is doomed to soon disappear. Its days are numbered."

MR. MOTT'S TRIP.

Mr. John R. Mott, the secretary of the World's Student Christian Federation, will travel for some time in Europe in the interests of that organization. Mr. Mott left New York on Dec. 26, and will arrive in Edinburgh on Jan. 1, where he will address meetings at the Volunteer Convention of Europe, which is to be held in that city from Jan. 2 to 6. He will be occupied in visiting the different British universities until Jan. 11, when he will leave for the continent to make a tour of the French and Italian universities. From Jan. 22 to 24 he will attend the first Students' Conference of Italy to be held at Rome. He will sail for New York on Jan. 27.

APPLY FOR LIQUOR LICENSES.

The following have made application for hotel and restaurant licenses, or renewals thereof, to Mr. A. B. Archambault, secretary of the License Commissioners:—

Andrew H. Hawthorne, restaurant, 118 St. Francois Xavier street. Thomas J. Lafontaine, restaurant, 169 Ropery. Ernest Lacasse, restaurant, 231 Seigneurs. John Mulcahy, restaurant, 24 Jardins. Celina Vincelle, restaurant, 1780 Notre Dame. Thomas H. Vanneton, restaurant, 169 Ontario. Narcisse Trudeau, hotel, 260 Notre Dame. Malvina Trouette, restaurant, 70 Bleury. Alphonse A. Lapointe, hotel, 391 St. Catherine.

SIR R. BULLER.

Sir Redvers Buller, V.C., one of the most popular soldiers wearing His Majesty's uniform, was sixty-four on Dec. 11. His record has included in all eleven hard-fought campaigns. General Buller is generally regarded as a brusque, harsh, tactless man, though (remarks the "West-

minster Gazette') it would not do to say such a thing in Devonshire, where Sir Redvers is adored by one and all, and where they will tell you that the country does not boast a more kindly man or a better landlord. Sir Redvers is not only a man of war, but has strong literary leanings also. In miniature editions of two English classics always accompany him. He never starts on a campaign without Bacon's "Essays," and the "Essays of Elia." Among more modern authors, Ruskin, Matthew, Arnold, and Meredith are his three prime favorites, and of the first-named he has a splendid collection of early editions.

SIX MONTHS IN JAIL.

Charles Leblanc, alias Charles Prudhomme, convicted of having stolen tools from Aristide Laberge, a stone cutter, was to-day sentenced to six months in jail by Mr. Lafontaine. His Honor expressed his utter contempt for any one who would take away a poor man's means of making a living.

LOCOMOTIVE EXPLODED.

Port Jervis, N.Y., Dec. 29.—Frank Loven, a fireman, was killed; Ira Wallace, engineer, probably fatally injured, and three other railway men badly hurt by the explosion of a locomotive on a westbound Erie train near Hankins to-day.

SITUATION AT KISHINEFF

STORY OF FRESH ANTI-SEMITIC
OUTBREAK DENIED.

Washington, Dec. 29.—At the instance of President Roosevelt, who has interested himself in the reports of massacres and contemplated massacres of Jews in Kishineff, the State Department is making active enquiry through its diplomatic and consular officers with the view to ascertaining the exact situation as affecting these people. The United States consular agent at Odessa cabled the United States State Department to-day that there has been no fresh outbreaks at Kishineff as reported.

Simon Wolf, representing the N. B. R. R. and Adolphus S. Solomons, of New York, one of the trustees of the Baron de Hirsch fund, held a conference with the acting United States Secretary of State, Mr. Loomis, to-day in which the situation was discussed. Mr. Loomis showed them the Odessa despatch. They did not present a petition and will not do so unless later information proves the situation to be as serious as reported.

MURDERED MISSIONARIES

DETAILS OF THE MASSACRE OF
JOHN G. TATE AND HIS
PARTY IN AN AFRICAN
FOREST.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Mr. Lyon, United States Minister, has reported to the State Department from Monrovia, Liberia, the details of the massacre in an African forest of a white missionary named John G. Tate, with all of his following, eighteen in number. The massacre took place on March 15, 1901. The first detailed account has just come to hand in an affidavit by Mrs. Mary L. Allen, a white missionary in Liberia. She had the story from some of the native Do tribesmen. Tate had a large mission and farm and maintained a school, and altogether nineteen people were in the mission when it was surrounded in the night. All were murdered and their heads taken as trophies. Mr. Lyon has communicated with the Liberian Secretary of State with a view to securing fuller information and perhaps the punishment of the Doos.

ONTARIO MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Following is an additional list of town nominations for Mayor:—

Stayer—J. W. Bethune, re-elected by acclamation.
Oshawa—F. L. Fowke, W. F. Cowan, J. F. Grierson, Alphonse Hinds, E. S. Edmondson.
Tilsonburg—Wm. Vivian and C. H. Denton.

Parkhill—Wm. Boyce and A. W. Humphries.

Deseronto—John Dalton, A. S. Val-
leau, John Newton, M.D.; Joseph
Staunton, James Dryden.

Hespeler—Geo. D. Forbes, acclamation.

Penetanguishene—George E. Cope-
land, Chas. E. Wright, John J. Drum-
mond, Alphonse Tessier.

Gravenhurst—J. A. C. Grant and
Wm. M. Moody.

Cardinal—Reeve, Hugh McArthur, by
acclamation. Councillors, W. Edmond,
W. Dillon, A. Vancamp, G. Robinson,
Jas. Thomson, J. Kavanagh, P. J. Brindle.

Iroquois—Adam Harkness, Reeve, by
acclamation. Water and Light Com-
missioners, C. E. Cameron, W. A. Cou-
ter, by acclamation. Councillors, E.
M. Dakin, Jas. Tindale, T. W. Hare,
W. J. Marsh, A. T. Sherman.

A FATAL REAR-END COLLISION.

Fort Wayne, Ind. Dec. 29.—Limited
train No. 5, westbound on the Pennsyl-
vania Railway, was wrecked about six
o'clock this morning, in a rear-end col-
lision with a freight train near Lar-
well, west of here. No passengers were
injured. The barber was the only one
hurt, and his injuries were not serious.
Raf Snyder, baggage man, was killed, and
the fireman, Stoffer, and the engineer,
Herbert, were badly injured.

THE CURSE OF THE AGE.

New York, Dec. 29.—In an address be-
fore the Church Club of the diocese of
Long Island, Prof. G. T. Ladd, of Yale,
has declared that the greatest curse of
this country is the terrible greed for
gold. The trade classes, he declared,
are so tightly drawn at the present time
that a break is bound to come soon. The

worst existing troubles in the United
States and England, asserted the pro-
fessor, are self-indulgence and high liv-
ing, which will eventually bring ruin to
any powerful nation.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Dr. L. J. Lemieux has returned from
Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Spencer and fam-
ily spent Christmas with friends in Ot-
tawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Robertson are
spending a couple of weeks in London,
Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Baumgarten and family
are spending the Christmas season at
Ste. Agathe.

The dance of the 65th Regiment takes
place this evening at the armory in the
Drill Hall.

Mrs. T. Berthiaume and the Misses
Berthiaume have returned from their
trip to Europe.

Mr. L. Silver, B.Sc., science teacher
of the High School, Quebec, is spending
the Christmas holidays at Montreal.

Mr. Conway Cartwright has arrived
in Canada from India, and is visiting
his parents, Sir Richard and Lady Cart-
wright.

Mrs. James Ross is giving the children
of the Protestant Orphans' Asylum, a
Christmas treat this afternoon, at her
home, Peel street.

Mr. H. T. Machin, assistant provincial
treasurer, and Mrs. Machin, are the
guests of the Misses Hale, at "The Cot-
tage," Melbourn street, Sherbrooke.

Mrs. Roderick Mackenzie, Kingston,
has sent out invitations for a young
people's dance at the Bank of Mont-
real, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 30.

The Rev. E. J. Bidwell, M.A., head-
master of Bishop's College School, Len-
noxville, and Mrs. Bidwell, are guests
at the residence of the Very Rev. Dean
and Mrs. Williams, Quebec.

Mr. Stuart H. Dunn, Miss Dunn and
Miss Macfarlane left this morning by
C. P. R. for New York, where they will
take passage by the S. S. "Cedric" for
England and the Continent.

The friends of Mr. Shuldham H. Hill,
who has been a patient at the Royal
Victoria Hospital for some time, will be
pleased to learn that he will be able
to return to Quebec in a few days.

Mr. Arthur Kittson has been trans-
ferred from the Bank of Commerce, Mont-
real, to Toronto, and has left for that
city, after spending Christmas with his
father, the Rev. Canon Kittson, Ottawa.

The members of the Executive Com-
mittee of the Ladies' Grand Ligne Mis-
sionary Association met yesterday, and
after transacting the business were
entertained at a tea given by the
treasurer, Miss Cramp, at her home,
62 McTavish street.

The marriage of Miss Laura Pelletier,
of Quebec, to Dr. Guay Le Bouthillier,
of Manitoba, was solemnized yesterday
morning at the St. Louis Chapel of the
Basilica, the Rev. Curs Faguy officiating.
The bride, who was given away by Dr.
A. Potvin, of Quebec, wore a navy blue
travelling suit, with sable furs.
The groom was accompanied by his step-
father, Mr. A. T. Trudel, of the Public
Works Department. After spending
some time in Montreal and Ottawa, Dr.
and Mrs. Le Bouthillier will proceed to
their home in Starbuck, Man.

A pretty wedding took place on Thurs-
day evening, Dec. 24, at 5 p.m., at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bouteille,
Danville, Que., when their only daughter,
Miss Mary Winnifred Bouteille, was mar-
ried to the Rev. Andrew Dunn Reid.
The Rev. W. D. Reid, of Taylor Presby-
terian Church, Montreal, brother of the
groom, was the officiating clergyman.
The bride was attended by her cousin,
Miss Bouteille, of Hartford, Connecticut,
and the groomsmen were another brother,
Mr. Allan Stewart Reid, of the Presby-
terian College, Montreal. The home of
Mr. and Mrs. Bouteille was tastefully
decorated with evergreens, the wedding
party standing under a beautiful bridal
arch, while the ceremony was being per-
formed. Mr. Reid is the second son of
the late Mr. Joseph Reid, of Leeds, Me-
gantic, and is settled in the Presbyterian
Church of Katonah, New York. The
wedding presents were numerous and
costly. Shortly after the ceremony, Mr.
and Mrs. Reid left on their wedding
trip.

Mrs. H. Fortier, 571 Sherbrooke street,
gave a largely-attended and successful
tea yesterday afternoon, at which she
was assisted in receiving by her daugh-
ters, Miss Fortier and Miss Kathleen
Fortier. The decorations of the rooms
were very attractive. The tea-room was
arranged with holly, tied with bows of
red ribbon, and vases of red carnations,
and candles shaded in red threw a warm
light over all.

Mrs. T. A. Emmans, Mrs. Granger and
Miss Curran presided at the table, and
they were assisted by Miss Guimet, Miss
Donnelly, Miss Mabel Sawyer, Miss Ka-
tie Doyle, Miss Emmans and Miss Flor-
ence Fortier. The green and red decora-
tions harmonized effectively with the
colors of the drawing-room, where the
hostess received, wearing a gown of
mauve crepe de Chine. Miss Fortier
was dressed in white crepe de Chine em-
broided in black dots, and Miss Kath-
leen Fortier was in white organdie. An
orchestra furnished music during the tea
hour.

THE CHARITY BALL.

New Year's eve is the date of the
Charity Ball this year, which will be
held in Windsor Hall. This ball is not
alone a social event, which is always
looked forward to with pleasant antici-
pation. The funds derived from this
entertainment will be devoted to the
new Maternity Hospital, a well-known
and most deserving charity. The com-
mittee are working hard, and deserve
every encouragement from charitably dis-
posed citizens.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE

WANTS DOMINION LEGISLATION
FOR SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The Lord's Day Al-
liance of Canada, through its president,
the Rev. Dr. Potts, and its secretary,
the Rev. J. G. Shearer, is asking the
Dominion Government to enact legisla-
tion for Sabbath observance as a day
of rest all over the Dominion. They
had conferences to-day with the Min-
isters of Justice and Customs, and Dr.
Potts made the following statement to
the "Witness" correspondent, of the
mission which brought him to the cap-
ital:—
A decision of the Judicial Committee
of the Privy Council this year was
given to the effect that the Provincial
Legislatures have no authority to legis-
late for Sabbath observance where any
thing of a criminal nature is involved.
This function belongs to the Central
Parliament at Ottawa, and Mr. Shear-
er and myself are here to ask for the
enactment of a statute that will cover
Canada from ocean to ocean. Our chief
desire is to secure the recognition of
Sunday as a day of rest, and in this
object we have with us all the Protest-
ant churches, together with the sym-
pathy of the Roman Catholic Church
and the labor bodies. We had a splen-
did reception at the hands of Sir Wil-
frid Laurier last year, and I feel sure
from the conversations we have had
to-day that the government is with us
in the desire for Sabbath observance.

BENNINGTON MURDERESS

MRS. ROGERS SENTENCED TO BE
HANGED—LEON PERHAM SEN-
TENCED TO LIFE IMPRIS-
ONMENT.

Bennington, Vt., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Mary
A. Rogers, convicted of the murder of
her husband, Marcus H. Rogers, was sen-
tenced to-day to be hanged on the first
Friday in February, 1905.
Leon Perham, the self-confessed accom-
plice of Mrs. Rogers, was sentenced to
life imprisonment.

SIR RICHARD CARTWRIGHT

WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION IN
SOUTH OXFORD.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Sir Richard Cart-
wright has intimated to the Liberals of
South Oxford that he will not seek re-
election in that district. It is too far
from Ottawa for him to devote the at-
tention he would like to its local inter-
ests. The Minister of Trade and Com-
merce, however, has not the remotest
idea of dropping out of politics, but in
the next parliament will probably be
found sitting for an eastern constitu-
ency. His home is in Kingston.

A PRISONER'S ESCAPE.

Norwich, Conn., Dec. 29.—Abbot L.
Stoddard, of Providence, R.I., who was
held in the police station to await a
hearing to-day on the charge of stealing
promissory notes and other valuable pa-
pers to a face value of about \$40,000, es-
caped last night, and the police have
been unable to trace him. Stoddard was
of good appearance, and the police al-
lowed him to occupy the women's room.
He forced a window some time in the
night and got away. His absence was
not discovered until to-day.

PAID THE PENALTY OF HIS
CRIME.

Auburn, N.Y., Dec. 29.—Frank White,
colored, who killed his employer, George
Clare, an Oswego county farmer, in a
corn field on Sept. 15, 1901, met death to-
day in the electric chair. White enticed
Clare into the corn field upon the pre-
text that the cows were in the corn, and
while his back was turned he deliberately
fired several bullets into his body un-
til he fell to the ground dead. Stealing
his wallet, White transferred the con-
tents to his own pockets, and then, to-
gether with his revolver, hid the wallet
under a stump. White fled to Oswego,
but some fascination drew him back to
the scene of the murder, where he was
arrested. Soon afterward he confessed,
and guided the sheriff to the place where
he had hidden the wallet and revolver.
He kept his watchers in great suspense
during his last days in the corridor for
the condemned, by his violent attempts
to sham insanity. He ran amuck in the
narrow confines of his cell on the day
before Christmas, smashing everything
breakable, and was only subdued after
the prison hose had been turned on him
for a quarter of an hour. He was after-
wards kept in irons and his watch re-
doubled.

SANTO DOMINGO REVOLUTION-
ISTS.

Washington, Dec. 29.—With three re-
volutions raging on the island the forces
of Jimenez, within four hours of San
Domingo City, and excitement prevail-
ing, Mr. Powell, United States minister,
thinks the situation demands the pres-
ence of an additional warship, and in a
cablegram, dated yesterday, appeals to
the American State Department for aid.

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THE NEW WESTMINSTER CATHE-
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London, Dec. 29.—The Most Rev. Francis
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new cathedral of Westminster this morn-
ing with impressive ceremony. The ca-
thedral is the first Roman Catholic ca-
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itan See of England since the Reforma-
tion. It is situated half a mile west of
Westminster Abbey, and is a magnificent
structure of the Byzantine style, with a
great campanile of red brick, banded
with Portland stone, three hundred feet
high, and crowned with a metal-covered
dome surmounted by a double cross of
bronze. The expenditure on the entire
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PRESIDENT OF THE CLOVER LEAF
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Chicago, Dec. 29.—T. P. Shonts, presi-
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Railway prior to its absorption by the
Lake Shore, has been elected president
and general manager of the Clover Leaf
road (Toledo, St. Louis and Western), in
place of Benjamin Norton, resigned.

STRUCK BY A TRAIN.

Iroquois, Ont., Dec. 29.—Early this
morning a teamster named Thomas Mor-
rin, who lives near the Grand Trunk sta-
tion, was found in an exhausted condi-
tion, with a leg broken and other-
wise injured. He had been struck by a
passing train and thrown into the ditch.
He was taken to the hospital at Corn-
wall on the Moccasin.

KILLED BY A FOOTPAD.

New York, Dec. 29.—Dr. J. M. Otto
was found unconscious early to-day on
the sidewalk at Fifth avenue and Thirty-
sixth street. The back of his skull had
been crushed and he died soon afterward.
To all appearances, the doctor was the
victim of a highwayman, who had been
frightened off before he had time to
search the dying man's pockets.

IN THE FAR EAST.

Japanese now Prepared to Check
any Advance by Russia

MINISTERS HOLD PROLONGED
SITTING.

Tokio, Dec. 29.—An extraordinary
meeting of the Privy Council yesterday
approved the issue by the cabinet of an
emergency ordinance authorizing the
guarantee of the principal and interest
of an issue of 10,000,000 yen debentures
for the purpose of expediting the work
on the Seoul-Fusan Railway, which is
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PELEE'S OBELISK

ITS FORMATION AND DISAPPEAR-
ANCE EXPLAINED BY DR.
RUSSELL.

Scarcely less curiosity than that result-
ing from the volcanic outbreak in the
West Indies over eighteen months ago,
has been caused by a feature of Pelee's
behavior which seems to be without any
exact parallel or precedent. In all the
modern literature on this general subject
it is practically impossible to find any
account of the gradual development of a
column, a thousand or more feet in
height, at the very summit of a moun-
tain. Probably such things have hap-
pened before, but owing to the shortness
of the time during which masses of this
kind remained visible they have not been
observed. Even so, they must have
been singularly rare to go unrecorded.
The unique character of the phenom-
enon in question lends peculiar value to
the explanations offered a week or two
ago in "Science" by Dr. Israel C. Rus-
sell, author of "Volcanoes of North
America," and one of the highest living

authorities in vulcanology.
At the outset the reader is reminded
that in the centre of a volcano there is a
conduit reaching downward from the
crater to an unknown depth, approxi-
mately circular in form, and several hun-
dred feet in diameter. Up into that
passage is forced molten or plastic rock
from below at times of special activity.
In one type of volcano the material flows
out freely and quietly in a liquid condi-
tion. That is what happens with Maun-
a Loa, in Hawaii. In another class,
of which Pelee is a representative, the
visible product is solid, either dust or
small fragments being ejected with ex-
plosive violence. The chemical composi-
tion of the latter substance differs lit-
tle from the former. Whatever be the
dissimilarity in condition in the two in-
stances after the lava reaches daylight,
there can be no doubt about its fluidity
inside the bore, nearly or quite all the
way up to the top.
During the first stage of the eruption
on the island of Martinique, Prof. Rus-
sell says, the uppermost portion of the
rising column was continually being shat-
tered by explosions of steam in the ma-
terial itself. Either by contact with
water or through other influences the

summit of the moving mass was suffi-
ciently cooled to render the discharged
material solid. But as destruction kept
pace with the ascent, the top of the col-
umn never got above the rim of the cra-
ter. Only a slight change in the gener-
al situation, however, made it possible for
the mass to show itself. A diminution
of the water supply lessened the rate of
disintegration, while the pressure from
below was maintained. The extreme
upper part remained rigid, and thus be-
gan to protrude more and more. An ele-
vation of over one thousand feet was ob-
served, and but for losses, which Prof.
Russell goes on to discuss, the height of
the obelisk might have reached 3,000
feet. At its base it was 500 or 600 feet in
diameter.

This enormous monument differed from
the cones often seen in old volcanic cra-
ters in this important respect. They
are composed of ashes and small frag-
ments. Pelee's obelisk was solid, although
its interior was intensely hot. Light
was emitted from fissures in its sides,
and small quantities of steam which is-
sued from the mass bore further testi-
mony to its temperature. As soon as
continued growth from the upward move-
ment of the column in the volcanic con-
duit ceased several influences began to
operate injuriously on the protruding
mass. Rain water obtained access to
the cracks and led to numerous minor
disrupting explosions. Similar agencies
around the base of the column, inside
the crater, acted even more powerfully.
Friction between the sides of the col-
umn, whose exterior was rigid and prob-
ably irregular in outline, and the inner
surfaces of the channel through which it
emerged would give rise to no end of
shocks and jars that would still further
promote destruction. In time the visi-
ble part of the column was completely
wrecked.

On the probable fate of the remainder,
after the activity of Pelee has entirely
subsided, light is thrown by Dr. Rus-
sell in the book already referred to. He
says that the material in the conduit of
volcanoes often hardens into a rock
which is more compact and enduring
than its surroundings. When the
weather had partially destroyed the lat-
ter, the former are exposed, and stand
like towers on castles or castles upon a
mountain peak. Several striking speci-
mens of this sort exist to-day in New
Mexico. Such columns resemble the
Pelee obelisk in origin, of course, and in
general appearance. But they are re-
vealed only by the subsequent removal
of their environment, while the phe-
nomenon observed on Martinique last
winter and spring resulted from an ac-
tual upward movement above the crater.

COLOR CHANGE IN ANIMALS

THEORIES CONCERNING THE WHITENING IN WINTER.

The winter whitening of animals,
though of intense interest to zoologists,
is very imperfectly understood. Most
writers are satisfied to believe that this
color change was perfected somehow un-
der the action of natural selection for the
protective purposes of adaptation to en-
vironment. Its origin they leave as an
unsolved problem.

I find, however, that the change has
a deep physiological significance. There
is, for instance, in mammals a definite
sequence in which the various parts of
the body whiten. This sequence corre-
sponds to the summer accumulation of fat
in the panniculus adiposus. Thus the
belly, where peripheral fat is thickest,
is permanently white, and the rump, where
also fat accumulates thickly, is usually
the first part to whiten in winter.

Many northern mammals and birds not
usually regarded as of the winter whiten-
ing category are lighter in winter than
in summer. The whiteness or white
patches assumed in the former season
correspond to the fat tracts, so that these
species may be regarded as subject to
that process.
In the Northern summer most animals
accumulate fat, always in a definite
manner as regards the regions where it
is deposited. This fat is indicative of
deficient oxidation and of sluggish me-
tabolism, and the process of its accumu-
lation is, therefore, one of atrophy. The
fat accumulation and atrophy are most
marked in autumn, at which season
metabolism is therefore lowest. With
the onset of winter cold the atrophy may
extend to the hairs. Their pigment (as
observed by Metchnikoff) is then remov-
ed, always, however, commencing with
those parts where peripheral fat is thick-
est, and atrophy, therefore, greatest.
Should there be a change of coat at
this time the new hairs are influenced
by the same conditions. In very cold
countries they come up white all over
the animal; in more temperate regions
the parts only where fat is thickest are
white.

Although a pigmented hair can thus
undergo atrophy and lose its pigment, I
know of no case where the color is re-
placed. Animals once whitened remain
so until the spring moult.

These facts apply broadly to birds and
mammals, but the hare and stoat are
the species which I have studied espe-
cially.

Similar laws govern a great deal of the
distribution of the white color through-
out the vertebrate phylum, whereas the
connection between white color and the
peripheral fat tracts (thus indicating lo-
cal atrophy) may be widely traced. Thus
domestic animals, nearly all of which are
prized most for their power of accumu-
lating fat, exhibit a strong tendency to
the development of white patches. In
both these and in wild animals the belly,
where occurs the principal fat tract, is
the most frequently white part; next
follow the rump and the base of the neck,
the limbs and the head.

Marked exceptions are no doubt fre-
quently due to unusual arrangements of
the panniculus adiposus. Thus in the
badger, a representative of a family in
which the back is usually whiter than
the belly, I find a correspondingly ex-
ceptional arrangement of the fat tracts.
The white of the head—the "blaze"—
of horses, the facial stripes of the bad-
ger—often affects regions not of fat ac-
cumulation, but where the skin imme-
diately overlies bone and membrane
(frontals and nasals and zygomatic arch),
which thus seem to produce an atrophy

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similar to that caused by underlying
fat.

In many animals the hair atrophy as-
sumes the form not of whitening, but of
baldness. Marine mammals are hairless
in proportion to the development of their
peripheral fat layer; fattening cattle lose
their hair, while the baldness of man
corresponds in position to the "blaze" of
horses, and the bare buttocks of mon-
keys to the white rumps of other ani-
mals.

Yellow and red frequently follow the
same rules of distribution as white. They
are well known to be fat pigments.

I must carefully guard myself against
the extension of my theory to all cases
where white occurs in vertebrates. It
is obvious that not all animals are sub-
ject to this atrophy, and that there must
be other causes for absence of pigment.
It seems highly probable from what I
have written that the known unevenness
of animal coloration is but the external
indication of uneven nutrition in different
regions of the body.—Captain Barrett
Hamilton, in "Nature."

ROYAL ARCANUM.

With the joint meeting of Montreal
Council No. 1154, and Aberdeen Coun-
cil No. 1907, held last evening in the
R. A. Hall, the Royal Arcanum closes
the best year in its history. Despite
the intensity of the weather, and the
many other attractions, there was a
large gathering of enthusiastic Arcana-
nians. Dr. J. Barker Vosburg, regent
of Montreal Council, presided, having
on his right and left Mr. A. I. Mor-
rison, D.G.R.; Mr. Wm. Brown, P.R.;
Mr. F. Arthur Jackson, P.R.; Mr. J.
H. Murdoch and Dr. W. Grieve
Nichol, P.R. Five candidates were pre-
sented for initiation into the mysteries
of "W.M.C." three from Aberdeen, one
from Montreal, and one from Prince
Albert Council. A pleasing event dur-
ing the evening was the presentation to
Montreal Council, by Mr. A. I. Mor-
rison, on behalf of Miss Vosburg, daugh-
ter of the regent, of a beautiful set of
silk banners, for use in Duty
IX. The presentation was received
with cheers, and a hearty vote
of thanks was accorded the fair donor.
Montreal and Aberdeen Councils were
congratulated on the splendid progress
they have made this year. After the
business meeting all present sat down
to supper, after which the usual loyal
toast was drunk with enthusiasm, and
speeches were made by Messrs. Vosburg,
Morrison, Nichol, Brown, Jackson, Sea-
brooke, Murdoch, Patterson and Cresce.

SHIPPING NEWS

The Canadian Pacific Atlantic line S.S.
Monmouth, from Bristol, arrived at St.
John, N.B., at 1 p.m. on Monday.
The Canadian Pacific Atlantic line S.S.
Montcalm, from St. John, N.B., for Lon-
don, via Antwerp, arrived at Antwerp at 5
p.m. on Sunday.

The Allan line R.M.S. Parisian sailed
from Halifax at 2.30 this morning with 13
first cabin, 55 second and 21 third class
passengers.
The Allan line R.M.S. Pretorian, P.S.
passengers, who were landed at Halifax, left
on the I. C. Railway train at 3.55 p.m. on
Monday. The remaining passengers pro-
ceeding by the C.P.R. train at 9 a.m. this
morning.

The Allan line R.M.S. Tunisian, from
Halifax, on Tuesday, Dec. 23, arrived at
Liverpool at 8 p.m., on Monday, and at Liver-
pool at 11 o'clock this morning. Her time
to Mowille was 6 days, 11 hours, which is
a very fast trip for this season of the
year.

OBITUARY.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—The Rev. H. J. Petry
died yesterday at his residence, at St. Denis
avenue, after a rather lengthy illness.
The deceased, who was an M.A. of Queen's Col-
lege, Oxford, was known throughout this
province. He occupied several charges in
this district and for a number of years
was curator of St. Peter's Church, in this
city, rector at Danville, P.Q., and assist-
ant minister at the Cathedral. For sev-
eral years past he was immigration chap-
lain at Grosse Ile. He was the father
of Mr. H. J. Petry, ex-headmaster of
Bishop's College School, and of Capt. W.
Petry, of this city.

Kingston, Dec. 23.—The death occurred in
the General Hospital this morning of Er-
nest J. Wells, B.A., tutor in botany at
Queen's University. He had been a sufferer
for three weeks from typhoid fever. He
graduated last spring in arts, taking the
prize medal in botany. He was only twen-
ty-one years of age. He lived here with
his sister, Mrs. Dr. I. G. Bogart. The re-
mains were taken to-day to his home in
Morrisburg for interment.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 29.—Mr. Jeremiah
M. Allen, president of the Hartford Steam
Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company,
died to-day. Mr. Allen was widely known
in insurance circles, and was a member of
various scientific and historical societies.
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VALLEYFIELD NEWS.

Valleyfield, Que., Dec. 29.—The annual entertainment of the Presbyterian Sunday-school was held in the Gault Institute on Christmas eve. Supper was provided, and music and recitation formed an interesting part of the programme, in which the following parties took part: Messrs. J. Oney, J. McKelkin, T. Merriault, Chadwick S. Hartley, R. Smith, and the Misses McLeslie, A. Armstrong, Henshaw, Hayston, Campbell and McLaughlin. The orchestra was in attendance, and added much to the interest of the evening.

On Sunday morning the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in the Presbyterian Church. The newly elected elders, Dr. Groulx, Messrs. T. Clyde and R. Carson assisted in the dispensing of the elements. At the evening service special Christmas music was rendered by the choir. The attendance was good in spite of the snowstorm and cold weather.

RICH GOLD STRIKE IN ALASKA.

Dawson City, Dec. 29.—The weather has been singularly mild for the past month. The thermometer has been as low as 13 below zero only once during the past week, and ranges from zero to two above, with no wind. It is stated that an enormously rich strike has been made by Louis Cardinal, of Ottawa, and others about ten miles across the border in Alaska. Cardinal starts to-morrow with a ten thousand dollar outfit to work the new strike, which is at the headwaters of the White river. Cardinal states that the ground goes from eighty cents to three dollars per pan, and is not near bed-rock. It is feared a stampede will occur, although Cardinal made every effort to keep the matter quiet. Cardinal worked for the Canadian Government locating the boundary line between Alaska and the Yukon. He believes it will prove an enormously rich district.

RAILWAY NEWS

Mr. William Whyte, the second vice-president of the C. P. R., and now in control of the company's lines in Western Canada, in an interview, appearing in the Winnipeg "Telegram," said: "The best man in the East cannot deal satisfactorily with Western matters. He is not in touch with the conditions of the people. The referring of everything to Montreal has been satisfactory to neither the company nor the West, so in future Winnipeg will manage the affairs of the road from the lakes to the Pacific, and we hope by this means that we shall satisfy the public and increase the earnings and prosperity of the road." Mr. Whyte added that there would be no great changes in the staff at present. Any changes that do take place will be made as they are found necessary.

Messrs. Chas. M. Hays, second vice-president and general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, and F. H. McGuigan, manager, were in consultation with the superintendents of the road yesterday. It is understood that the subject up for discussion was that of appropriations. Among the superintendents present were: Messrs. M. S. Blacklock, Geo. C. Jones, L. J. Ferritor, W. R. Tiffin and W. G. Brownlee.

LATEST NEWS FROM KISHINEFF.

New York, Dec. 29.—The latest news from Kishineff, says a "Times" despatch from Moscow, represents the Russian population as sullen and threatening and the Jews as apprehensive of further disorder.

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The Daily Witness.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1903.

Mr. W. J. Bryan, the advanced democrat and fiat money leader of the United States, has been making a pilgrimage among those anachronisms, the crowned heads of Europe. The Czar received him nicely, and so did the Pope, but the Kaiser has been too busy with his Christmas doings to see him. What a chance has been lost. Mr. Bryan might have gone home to tell his people that principalities and powers were not so bad after all, and Europe and the United States might have loved each other better. Though apart as the polls in their attitude towards government, the two men might have found much in common. They are both picturesque orators, who delight in setting every day standards at defiance. Moreover, extremes meet and radical leaders are often autocrats in their own spheres. John Wilkes confided to King George, after the storm between them had subsided, that he never was a Wilkesite.

A meeting will be held in Washington on the twelfth of January under the auspices of the National Arbitration Conference, at which the proposal to negotiate a treaty for the submission of all matters of dispute between Great Britain and the United States will be discussed. Invitations have been sent to a number of leading men to take part in the proceedings, and it is believed by members of the executive committee of the Conference that the meeting will lead to the acceptance of such a treaty by both governments. The present is considered a good time to reopen this question, as the two most difficult subjects of difference between the two powers have been settled, namely, the Bulwer-Clayton treaty and the Alaska boundary. These questions were in portentous dispute when the late Lord Pauncefote and Mr. Olney, United States Secretary of State, negotiated and signed a treaty of arbitration in January, 1897. Under its terms the two governments agreed to submit to arbitration all questions between the two countries which were not susceptible of diplomatic settlement. But the United States Senate declined to ratify the treaty under the belief, since confirmed, that better terms than could be got through fair arbitration could be obtained by dealing directly with Great Britain for the abrogation of the Bulwer-Clayton treaty and the delimitation of the Alaska boundary. These being out of the way, there are now no questions at issue between the two nations which even remotely involve serious dispute, and, it is pointed out, that Britain and France and France and Italy having entered into treaties of arbitration, a similar agreement between Britain and the United States would range the four great western free constitutional nations in practical support of the one principle in the conduct of international affairs that gives reasonable assurance of continued peace. As far as Canada is concerned, we should be glad to see an arbitration treaty arranged that would give us the prospect of having an impartial umpire in the settlement of our differences with the United States, and not one-sided and predetermined tribunals such as those that sacrificed Canadian claims to the exigencies of Imperial politics.

RAILWAY WRECKS.

The general superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway is reported to have said that 'nobody is to blame' for the derailling of the 'Duquesne Flyer,' by which some eighty passengers met with a horrible death. The general superintendent is not the person to pass judgment on the matter in any case, as he may even himself be the person upon whom blame should fall, but his premature opinion is worthy of notice because it is the attitude generally adopted on this continent, by coroners' juries and others, where railway wrecks are concerned. Whether or no the influence of powerful corporations hypnotizes jurors and the law officers concerned we have no means of knowing, but it is patent to all that nearly always an inconclusive verdict is given, and that in no cases is such punishment meted out as will prove an effective deterrent to such carelessness as has been the cause of the sudden and frightful death of those entrusted to this company's care. The cause of the disaster to the Duquesne express is not in doubt. Heavy timbers falling upon the track from a freight train preceding the passenger express derailed the latter, which was running at a rate of speed variously stated at from fifty-five to seventy miles an hour. But those timbers could not have fallen from the freight car if they had been properly secured, and the fact that they had fallen should have been known to some one before the freight train left the next station. It is for the coroner and district attorney of the place where the horrible catastrophe occurred to discover who is to blame. In Canada, we have had some bad railway accidents during the past twelve months, but nothing nearly so bad as this Baltimore & Ohio disaster, and not a few others. Indeed, it is the bitter complaint of the United States press and public without exception that upon the railways of no other country in the world is life so unsafe as upon those of the United States. And the reason is that the laws of the United States are less severe than in other countries (except perhaps our own) upon railway managers and servants for preventable disasters. In fact, railway managers on this continent are never held to blame when wrecks occur, although they may be caused by undermanning, or by keeping the train hands at work too many hours, or by lack of proper inspection, and other reasons for which the management in Great Britain would be held responsible. After such horrors as the recent train wreck it would be thought that public opinion would rise to such heights of indignation as imperatively to insure a general inquiry into the United States railways' system of working, and the insistence by law on all possible precautions. But experience does not predict any such result. The moans of the victims will grow fainter and fainter in the ear, the tears of the mourners will dry on the cheek, those who have lost their bread-winners will sink out of sight; the apathy of the public will steal over it again, until the Minotaur, more frightful than that which lived on youths and maidens of Athens, claims its victims again by the score and arouses a new and spasmodic fit of horror and indignation. Such stories of love and loss and despair as that which we publish to-day in connection with the Baltimore & Ohio disaster would be multiplied a thousandfold if one could trace the victims and those they leave behind them.

OUR MILITARY SYSTEM.

Under cover of the hurly burly of the fiscal fight, Sir Frederick Borden has been able to make some almost revolutionary changes in the military make-up of the Empire. He has been able to take advantage of what the slang of the day calls the 'psychological moment' to place Canada in relations with the military system of Great Britain in a way that may work both great good and great harm. The placing of Sir Frederick himself on the Imperial Defence Committee goes some way towards answering the objection commonly urged to Canada's taking up her share of the Empire's burden of defence, namely, that she owes nothing for defence so long as she has no share in the Imperial councils. We have never seen the cogency of this argument. It has seemed to us that as every nation needs an armament, and as we are dependent on that of Great Britain and have never been bashful about

invoking the British power, which power is implied in all our diplomacy, and in the larger diplomatic initiative which our government aspires to, it is clear that, unless we are satisfied to be mere dependents, clinging to the maternal apron string, we owe substantial co-operation. Whatever the objection is worth, however, this arrangement makes a sensible step towards removing it.

We have by no means the same satisfaction in another part of the achievement of the Minister of Militia, that which lays open the position of general officer commanding to members of the Canadian militia. To remove such misgivings as those which we believe we share with many able militia officers, it is explained that this does not mean that a Canadian will be chosen; it only puts Canadians on a par as to eligibility and seniority with imperial officers. This sounds all very innocent; but the effect of it is only too obvious. So long as the appointment was confined to a British army officer it was independent of Canadian politics. All that government had to do was to accept the nominee of the home authorities. Once appointed, the incumbent has no doubt often had to suffer political torture till he could bear it no longer. He has found that the political pull of some subordinate counted for much more with our government than his own utmost zeal for the betterment of the service. But at least he was not a party appointment. It is not to be expected that this party detachment will exist any longer. It is hard to imagine a Canadian Government using such a piece of patronage except as a party reward. With the best of intentions to act on purely patriotic lines the pulling and hauling will be such as no government can ignore or resist and the appointment will be the result of the political forces brought to bear. We do not look for such degraded appointments as occasionally make our civil service a 'hissing and a reproach' in the eye of the people, but it is to be feared that proficiency in election tactics will go as far as military capacity in fitting men for the position. What have we not seen in the matter of ministers of militia?

The arrangement by which Canadian officers can have the benefit of the British staff colleges is in theory an excellent one. The army of the Twentieth Century will consist for the most part of a people sufficiently trained to arms to be able to rush to their country's defence in time of need. This is the very opposite and negation of professional militarism. There should be no more standing force than is necessary for police duty, and for keeping fortifications in order. Volunteer corps, more or less trained for service, would supply the first line of such an emergency defence while other corps were being organized. But the needful thing is a body of thoroughly equipped officers, so well up in the latest developments of war as to be able to make the people into an army at the shortest notice. For this reason the opportunity thus opened to professional soldiers seems just what is wanted. The only fear is that those thus trained will put on the bad as well as the good of a system which is acknowledged to be largely an anachronism—a system which has in the past looked upon the army as a genteel lounging place for the wealthy and the useless, and which has not yet entirely rid itself of those unwholesome traditions. The suggestion that service in India should be offered to Canadian corps is worth thinking out. The corps which would thus go abroad would not be permanent regiments, as such we have not got. They would be such contingents as went out to South Africa, which would, as distinct organizations, be disbanded on their return. As offering service to the restless youth among us who are always spoiling for a fight these contingents would be of doubtful benefit to our people as such an experience, as a rule, serves only to accentuate the thriftless restlessness which is rather a vice to be conquered. But, as giving those men who are fitting themselves for command an opportunity in humble rank to learn their duties, they would be of the greatest service. On the whole, it is hard to say whether to be more pleased or displeased with the developments of Sir Frederick Borden's trips to London.

[For the 'Witness']

THE CHILDHOOD OF POETRY.

Oh, happy bards of olden days,
Ye sang a joyous song,
Imagination's brightest rays
Flashed from your golden throng.

Children, the children's song ye sang,
Sweetest and best of all;
With joy of life the welkin rang,
Danced fairy elf and fay.

Your tameless course swiftly sped,
Unharnessed, unrestrained—
We spur but sorry jades instead,
Bitted and curbed and reined.

The wonderland ye did not weigh,
The planets, moon and stars,

In balances, nor scorn to pray
To gods in those bright cars.

No plagiaristic charges then
Assailed your happy band;
Papyrus virgin was to pen,
Unscored the brown sea sand.

Oh, happy brothers ye have done
All that there was to do;
A handicapping race ye've won,
And who can vie with you?
And there, where angels' wings have
brushed
Who now will dare to tread?
There art: with faith and hope still
flushed
Who follow where ye led.

C.L.G.

AN EXPECTANT BRIDE

HEARS OF TRAGIC DEATH OF
SWEETHEART IN WRECK.

Her eyes sparkling with the light of love, glad that the end of her voyage had come, and that she was to spend Christmas as the bride of the man she had come from England to wed, pretty Miss Lillian Bennett ran the gamut of human emotions yesterday when the big liner 'Cedric,' on which she was a passenger, arrived in port.

The man who was to have led her to the altar at 'The Little Church Around the Corner' was dead. He, Ambrose Good, while hurrying to New York to meet his bride-to-be, was one of those who met death on Wednesday night in the terrible Baltimore & Ohio wreck, when the Duquesne Limited was dashed to pieces near Dawson.

Mr. Good and Miss Bennett, both natives of Wednesbury, Staffordshire, England, had been sweethearts almost since childhood. The two families looked with favor upon the growing love of the children, and when young Good, his school days ended, asked the girl's father for her hand, the father replied: "When you are able to provide the home and keep her as well as I have done, my boy, you may have our blessing."

Then young Good resolved to come to the United States and win his fortune, promising to make Miss Bennett his bride as soon as he was firmly established in the New World. They parted sorrowfully, but filled with hope, and the girl was left to wait.

Young Good, having relatives there, went to McKeesport, Pa., and found employment with a large mercantile firm. He was rapidly winning his way, and then it was that he wrote to his waiting fiancée to come to him.

"I cannot leave my business," he said, "because my employers cannot afford to let me go. We can solve the problem by your coming to me. I will meet you at the steamer, and we will be married in New York as soon as you arrive."

The girl hurriedly made her plans for the journey, and when the 'Cedric' left England she waved good-bye to all her relatives and friends and turned her face toward the land that was to be her home of the future.

Thus she was filled with joyous expectation yesterday when the liner came up the bay. Many of the passengers knew her romance, and they were almost as anxious as she for a glimpse of her sweetheart.

On the revenue cutter that went out to meet the incoming ship was a friend of Mr. Good, whose sad duty it was to break the news of the tragic death of her husband-to-be. He found his way to where Miss Bennett stood and introduced himself.

"Yes, I am Miss Bennett, of England," said the expectant girl. "If you are Mr. Good's friend, can you tell me when and where I shall meet him?"

His task was one that would turn the determination of any man with a heart. He was not equal to it. He turned from the young girl, and, taking another woman passenger aside, told her the tragic story.

"Never mind," said she. "Let me break the news to her, and thus from tender lips the girl, who felt her whole life had been wrecked, with her arms about the matron, wept out her heart."

"I don't know what to do," said Miss Bennett, sobbing in her grief. "I must go to Ambrose wherever he is, but I have only a few dollars and cannot. What shall I do?"

Among the passengers the difficulty was soon solved, and a well-filled purse was made up for her. Later in the day, George Good, a brother of the dead man, arrived from McKeesport. His meeting with the heartbroken young woman was affecting. She was anxious to go to McKeesport with him to look on the face of her dead sweetheart, and probably will do so.

"After that I shall go back to England," sobbed the girl. "What a different homecoming it will be to what we all expected. My people loved Ambrose as much as they loved me, and this will nearly kill them."—New York 'Journal.'

ous. It shrinks and protoplasm gathers round the nucleus. Circulation in the veins and capillaries is checked, and the movement also ceases, and the structure presents every appearance of death. Digo, cosin, and cochineal and a much scope are all that is required.—London 'Globe.'

GERMAN OFFICIAL POSTCARDS.

English and American people writing to their friends on the Continent are unaware that a plain card such as is permitted by the postal authorities in England and the United States does not pass as a postcard abroad. That there should not be unity of practice in this matter is much to be regretted, for the recipient of such missives abroad has to pay a fine of 3d. The German Post Department will receive as postcards only such as bear the official mark.

Surely some remonstrance should be made, for the post-offices abroad have nothing to gain by this bit of red-tapeism. The only difference between German official inland post-cards and a plain one is that they have the word 'postkarte' and the stamp printed on them; while the only difference between the German official foreign postcard and an ordinary card is that the words 'Postkarte-Weltpostverein' (Carte postale—Union postale universelle) stand in the left top corner, and the stamp in the right one. It is possible that the German Postmaster-General objects to the shape of the non-official postcard, but this objection also is indefensible from a practical point of view.—Berlin Correspondent, London 'Pall Mall Gazette.'

WOUND FROM CARPET TACK
CAUSES DEATH.

A peculiar circumstance caused the death in San Diego on Sunday night, Dec. 13, of Joseph H. Grier, who had come to San Diego to spend the winter with his wife and daughter, who preceded him thither. On Monday he arose from his berth in a railway car and stepped on the point of a carpet tack which lay on the floor. Septic poisoning set in, and the physicians found that they could not save his life. Grier was sixty-six years of age, and a prominent citizen of Fort Wayne, Ind. He was largely interested in the oil and land business. For a number of years he was general manager of the Indiana Oil and Land Company, and was also president of the Fort Wayne California Oil Company, with interests in Kern county.—San Francisco 'Call.'

WESTMOUNT ELECTIONS

THERE ARE INDICATIONS OF A
CONTEST IN MORE THAN ONE
WARD.

The Westmount election takes place on Monday, Jan. 18, the nominations being held a week earlier. Half of the Council retire.

Councillor Rodger is resigning his seat as representative of Ward No. 1, and Mr. C. A. Duclos, advocate, has consented to offer his services to the electors for the next term. No opposition to his election is expected.

For Ward No. 2, Mayor Cross, who retires, stands a good chance of being returned, having promised an influential deputation that he would continue to act and, so far, no other candidate is spoken of.

In Ward No. 3, represented by Councillor Borland, there will be a contest. Mr. William Galbraith, of 501 Lansdowne avenue, having consented to run in opposition. Mr. Borland has a great many friends, who are satisfied with his record at the Council board, but Mr. Galbraith is well and favorably known, and is a great fighter. The contest promises to be a warm one.

Ward No. 4 is also in for a stiff fight. Councillor Stevens is here opposed by Mr. R. Cunningham, of Cote St. Antoine Road. Councillor Stevens has been a very energetic representative of the interests of the electors, not only of his own ward, but of the town as a whole.

Whether his action in connection with several important measures has the approval of the electors is the point which is interesting Westmount residents, and will be settled at the polls.

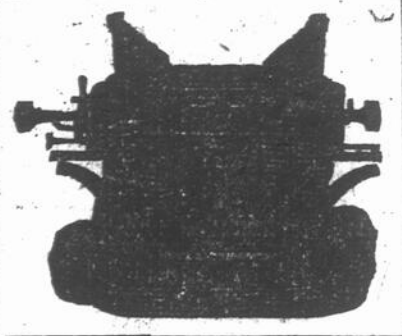
The Councillors who have served one year and will remain are Messrs. Knox, Plow, McLagan and Lee.

BERRI STREET BAPTIST MISSION.

The workers and friends of the Berri Street Baptist Mission visited the home of the superintendent, Mr. John W. Ede, on Christmas evening, and completely took him by surprise. Mr. R. Knott, the secretary of the Mission, on behalf of the workers and friends, presented Mr. Ede with a mahogany box as a small token of the esteem and appreciation of the faithful services he had rendered to the Mission since its organization. Mrs. A. Hastie, on behalf of the ladies of the Mission, presented Mrs. Ede with a china chocolate set in recognition of her efficient services as organist and as a slight token of the good will and harmony existing among the workers and friends of the Mission. Mrs. Ede was also the recipient of a beautiful watch from one of the workers as a mark of gratitude for help received by her singing. Mr. Ede responded in suitable terms, thanking the donors for their many kindnesses to himself and Mrs. Ede, and for their hearty co-operation in the work of the Mission, which was, humanly speaking, the secret of their success. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable social hour spent together.

DAMAGE FROM SPRINKLERS.

At 7.20 o'clock this morning, an alarm was sent in from the Dominion Bag Company's plant on St. Patrick street. When companies 12 and 15 arrived, they found a brisk fire raging in the cellar, which worked up to the second floor. Two streams and two babcocks extinguished the flames, the origin of which is unknown. The damage was slight, and apparently resulted in great measure from the factory's automatic sprinklers.



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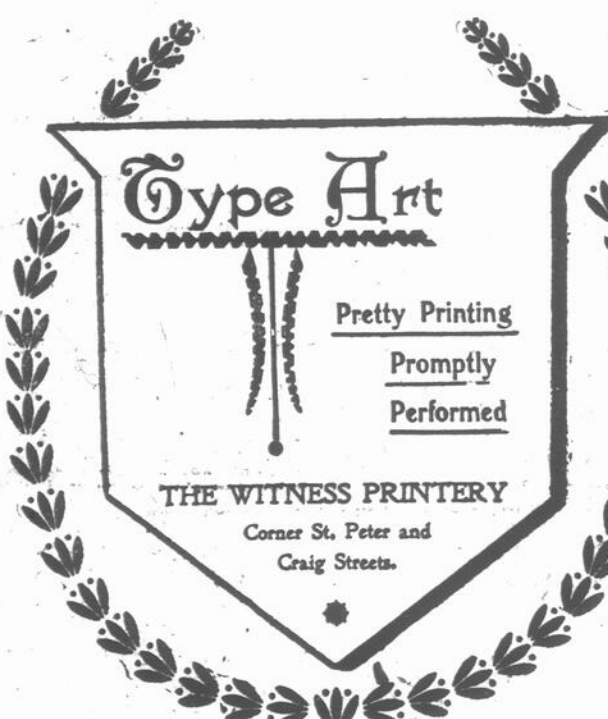
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TINY TRAVELLER.

Six Year Old Italian Boy Arrives in Montreal Alone

HIS MOTHER DIED ON THE VOYAGE AND WAS BURIED AT SEA.

There arrived at the Windsor Street Station of the C. P. R. this morning a tiny, bright-eyed, dusky-skinned son of Italy, a six-year-old child, a stranger in a strange land, utterly ignorant of his future, an orphan and alone. Of course, he was in charge of the conductor and he had a tag on his clothes which indicated that he was to be given in charge of Sybella Brighio, 71 Montcalm street, Montreal. And sure enough a woman who gave that name appeared on the arrival of the train to meet the little boy. She was accompanied by two or three men who identified her and declared she was the person authorized to care for the little traveller. She was his aunt, they said—his mother's sister.

Now, what is the story? How did the little lad, whose name even the officials did not know, come to arrive here alone? The explanation was one which stirred the hearts of the officials and the little knot of people who, out of curiosity, clustered around and smiled kindly upon him. His father had died in his native land and his mother was advised by friends to come to Canada. She decided to come to Montreal where her sister, above mentioned, had preceded her. On the way over the woman sickened and died, and was buried at sea. The steamer's officers then took a special interest in their little charge. He was probably the best cared for passenger on board. He was put aboard the train for Montreal, his destination having been learned from papers belonging to his mother, or probably from her dying lips. His friends here were telegraphed to and fortunately found and they met him and took him to their home to be one of their own. He was too young to realize his loss, but his aunt was broken-hearted over the loss of her sister, whose coming had been looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation.

THE LATE MR. CURRIE

THE FUNERAL TOOK PLACE THIS AFTERNOON.

The funeral of the late Mr. William Currie, of the firm of W. & F. P. Currie & Co., of this city, took place this afternoon from his late residence, 89 Union avenue, to Mount Royal Cemetery. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. J. Edgar Hill, D.D., pastor of St. Andrew's Church, of which deceased was an active member for upwards of thirty-five years. By the death of Mr. Currie Montreal has lost an ideal citizen, for his many character traits, integrity and consideration for others, he was a man of the strictest probity, and had gained the full confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. This was due to the fact that he combined the admirable qualities of prudence, foresight, sound judgment and earnestness in application to work. He was generous and took much interest in matters of public importance.

At the special request of the family, the funeral was of a private character. The principal mourners were Messrs. Robert and William Currie, jr., sons, and among those present were Ald. Robertson, Alex. Watts, G. Wiley Murray, John Livingston, Percival W. St. George, W. C. Hagar and W. Reed. On Sunday morning next the Rev. J. Edgar Hill, D.D., will conduct a memorial service.

ARMY COMMITTED.

Michael Armaly, up on three charges of obtaining goods under false pretences, was to-day committed for trial at the March term of the Court of King's Bench.

BOTH COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Emery Lalonde and Achille Lalonde, charged with stealing wire from the La Machine canal poles, were to-day committed by Judge Choquet for trial at the next term of the Court of King's Bench.

GRANTED A RESPITE.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—In the United States Court to-day the attorney representing Marshall, Field & Company, presented a petition that the firm be made a party to the demurrer in the bankruptcy case of John Alexander Dowie. The attorney also asked leave to have Dowie brought into court for examination. Judge Kohlstedt declined to accept to the latter request before Dowie returned from a trip to Australia.

WAR SHIPS ON THE LAKES

MOVEMENT ACROSS THE LINE LOOKING TO THE REPEAL OF THE RUSH TREATY.

Washington, Dec. 29.—An Ottawa despatch containing a statement credited to the Under Secretary of State, Mr. Pope, regarding the presence of warships on the great lakes has been printed here.

The United States State Department has not been informed up to this moment that the Canadian Government contemplates placing an armed cruiser on the lakes in addition to the few small national vessels now maintained there. Recently the Canadian Government laid down a couple of revenue cutters for lake service and although these were better vessels than those heretofore used, the construction was not regarded as violating the treaty. Attention was called to the matter by some of the congressmen from the great lake section and a United States naval officer visited the place and examined the vessel's construction, which gave rise to some feeling on the part of Canadians. As soon as Congress reconvenes there will be a renewal of the attempt to secure a repeal or modification of that section of the Rush treaty

between the United States and Great Britain that limits the use of navy vessels on the lakes.

The activity of Representative Alden Smith, of Michigan, has excited a corresponding move in Canada. He has heard that the Canadian Government is about to enter a formal protest against the location of the proposed United States naval training station on the great lakes. Mr. Smith is prepared to renew the attack on the Rush treaty, holding that it has had a paralyzing and disastrous effect upon the shipbuilding industries of the great lakes.

IT IS STILL COLD

IN SPITE OF PREDICTIONS OF WARMER WEATHER THE TEMPERATURE REMAINS BELOW ZERO.

The zero weather continues in spite of the contrary predictions of the weather bureau that we were to have higher temperatures. The thermometer has registered somewhat higher readings; but this afternoon the mercury shows a disposition to fall again. The readings at the City Hall observatory for the latter half of yesterday and the earlier part of to-day were as follows:—

Yesterday, 11 a.m., 11 below; 3 p.m., 15 below; 7, 16 below; 11, 13 below.

To-day, 3 a.m., 12 below; 7, 9 below; 11, 3 below; 2 p.m., 6 below.

The continued cold weather has had the effect of causing considerable trouble with the wires of the fire alarm telegraph system; the contraction of the wires and bindings causing a number of breaks.

THE CIVIC ELECTIONS

MORE ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES IN THE FIELD.

Nomination papers are being circulated in Papineau Ward, formerly St. Mary's Ward West, requesting Mr. H. Gauvin, druggist, to present himself as an aldermanic candidate in opposition to Ald. Chausse for seat No. 2.

Mr. Gaspard Desere, broker, has definitely consented to present himself as an aldermanic candidate in Centre Ward for seat No. 2, which will be vacated by Ald. Laporte running for the Mayoralty.

Mr. Trefle Bastien, contractor, is asked to run in two wards, in St. James Ward, in opposition to Ald. Giroux and ex-Ald. Jeannotte, and in Lafontaine Ward, in opposition to Ald. Couture. It is expected he will accept the St. James Ward nomination.

Requisition papers are being circulated in St. Denis Ward, asking Mr. L. P. Dupre, notary, to run for the aldermanic seat to be vacated by Ald. Vallieres, who is to present himself in Duvernay Ward.

Mr. George Vandellac, undertaker, who opposed Ald. Hebert at the last elections, is to run for seat No. 2, St. Jean Baptiste Ward, vacated by Ald. Hebert, who is to run in the new Duvernay Ward.

AFTER TWENTY YEARS.

Mr. James Daniels, of Winnipeg, returned to the city on Saturday, after an absence of twenty years, to visit his mother, who passed away shortly after his arrival. As an old 'Witness' employee, Mr. Daniels looked in to see his confederates. He is now connected with the job printing department of the 'Telegram' Printing Company, Winnipeg. He has noticed surprising changes in his native city since his departure, and is fully of the idea that his adopted city will share in the importance of the Dominion.

ST. ANTOINE DIVISION

FORMAL REQUISITION TO BE PRESENTED TO ALD. AMES TO-DAY.

Ald. H. B. Ames will be formally presented with the nomination of the Conservative party as the standard-bearer for that riding at five o'clock this afternoon. The event will take place in the rooms of the Junior Conservative Club, No. 3 Beaver Hall square, and the requisition will be presented by the Hon. M. F. Hackett. There will be present also Messrs. R. L. Borden, F. D. Monk and a number of local Conservative leaders and workers. Mr. Ames, it is expected, will accept the nomination, and will be opposed by Mr. Peter Lyall. Owing to the busy season of the year, no effort has been made to get up a monster demonstration.

MR. LEONARD GOES WEST

HE MAY BE APPOINTED TO THE RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Mr. J. W. Leonard, until a few days ago manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway's western lines, left for Winnipeg this morning. It is understood that Mr. Leonard will take a few weeks' vacation, and there is a strong impression in railway circles that he will receive an appointment on the Railway Commission under Mr. Blair.

MAYOR COCHRANE'S CONDITION.

Mayor Cochrane's condition was reported to be somewhat improved to-day, but he is still confined to his bed, and there is no prospect of his being able to be about for some days. Meantime he is being represented at the City Hall by the Acting Mayor, Ald. F. E. Nelson, who will also respond to the toast of the city of Montreal at the Commercial Travellers' banquet to-morrow evening.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 29.—Sailed, SS. Dunmore Head, for Dublin, and Tritonia for Glasgow.

CATTLE MARKETS

East Buffalo, Dec. 29.—Cattle, receipts, 400 head; steady; prime steers, \$5.10 to \$5.25; shipping steers, \$4.50 to \$5.00; and butchers' steers, \$3.60 to \$4.90; heifers, at \$3.25 to \$4.65; cows, \$2.50 to \$4.15; bulls, \$2.50 to \$4.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.50 to \$4.00.

Veals, 65 head; 25c lower; \$8 to \$8.50. Hogs, receipts, 10,200 head; active; Yorkers and pigs, 5c to 10c lower; others steady; heavy, \$5.10 to \$5.15; mixed, \$3.10 to \$3.15; Yorkers, \$5 to \$5.05; pigs, \$5.10 to \$5.15; roughs, \$4 to \$4.25; stage, \$3 to \$3.50.

Sheep and lambs, receipts, 1,800 head; steady; lambs, \$5 to \$6.15; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wethers, \$4 to \$4.50; ewes, \$3.75 to \$4.00; sheep, mixed, \$2.25 to \$4.00.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Sixteen loads in to-day including 187 cattle, 400 hogs, 348 sheep and lambs, and seven calves.

Export cattle, choice, \$4.75 to \$5.00; export cattle, medium, \$4.50 to \$4.75; export cows, \$3 to \$3.75; export bulls, \$3.75 to \$4.25; butchers' cattle, choice, \$4 to \$4.25; butchers' cattle, medium, \$3 to \$3.75; butchers' cattle, common, \$2 to \$3.25; stockers, \$2 to \$3.25. Milch cows, each, \$30 to \$47.

Export ewes, \$2.40 to \$3.50; steady; export bucks, \$2.50 to \$3.00; steady; cull or butchers' sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.25.

Lambs, 4½c to 5c, steady; calves, \$2 to \$3 each, or 3½c to 5½c per pound; rug, light, all sold, prospects good.

Hogs, shiners, \$5.15; fats and lights, \$4.50 off cars.

Export cattle selling fairly well; butchers' cattle rather slow. There are no milch cows on the market to-day; choice milchers in demand.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Dec. 29.—The stock market opened active and irregular, partly due to the depression reflected from London, and partly from realizing on yesterday's advance, but the majority of stocks were higher. Missouri Pacific advanced a point; St. Paul, 4, and Amalgamated Copper on the running sales of 4,500 shares.

J. B. Picken and Co.'s wires.—The London market again comes lower, prices 1-8 to ½ below parity, the assumption of control of the Korean Railway by Japan adding to the seriousness of the eastern situation. A committee of preferred stockholders of the Chicago and Alton has been formed for sale of the preferred stock and stockholders are invited to deposit their stock, which will be sold at the committee's discretion. This has led to reports of a merger with other roads. The further selling of American stocks by London will have influence on stock movements to this country.

New York, Dec. 29, Noon.—Money on call firm at 5½; prime mercantile paper, 5½ to 6 percent.

New York, Dec. 29, Wall Street, Noon.—The market was active and somewhat higher, specialties making wide advances, but the movement became narrow in the most active stocks. Notable advances were American Express, 5; Brooklyn Union Gas and Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, 4; Railway Spring, 2½; preferred, 3½, and Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh, Anaconda, American Telephone and North-American, 2 to 3. Sugar gained a point, and Tennessee Coal, 1½; Consolidated Gas lost ¼, and Chicago and Alton, 1½. Bonds were firm.

Wall Street, 2 p.m.—Calling of loans by the banks in preparation for the year end disbursement, and the advance in call money rates to 6 percent started a general reaction in prices after noon. Earlier gains were largely reduced and some of the leaders sold below yesterday's close. Speculation was nervous and hesitating, but with a decided drop to railway stocks until well into the afternoon. Momentary steadiness followed the bidding up to 5½ of Amalgamated, but when the urgent demand for that stock ceased the entire list became heavy and dull again.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Specialty reported for the 'Witness' by C. D. Meek, St. Lawrence Street, Local Manager for J. B. Meek & Co., New York, by direct wire.

Stocks	Dec. 28	Dec. 29
Amalgamated Copper	48 1/2	49 1/2
American Locomotive	18 1/2	19 1/2
do. pref. ad.	7 1/2	7 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining Co.	127 1/2	127 1/2
do. do. pref. ad.	50	50 1/2
Am. Sm. & Refining Co.	50	50 1/2
Am. Car Foundry	18 1/2	19 1/2
Am. Locomotive	18 1/2	19 1/2
A. T. & S. F.	67 1/2	68 1/2
do. do. pref.	92 1/2	92 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	78 1/2	78 1/2
do. do. pref.	78 1/2	78 1/2
Brooklyn, R. T.	53	54 1/2
Chic. & Alton	35	35 1/2
Canadian Pacific	118 1/2	120
Canada Southern	67 1/2	67 1/2
Chic. & Ohio	67 1/2	67 1/2
Chic. R. & N. W.	168 1/2	170 1/2
Chic. R. I. & E. com.	143 1/2	145 1/2
Chic. R. I. & E. pref.	143 1/2	145 1/2
Celestial Southern	53 1/2	54 1/2
do. do. pref.	53 1/2	54 1/2
Consolidated Gas	126	126 1/2
Colorado Fuel & Iron	27 1/2	28 1/2
Corn Products	17 1/2	17 1/2
Cleveland, C. & S. L.	67 1/2	67 1/2
Detroit United Ry.	200	202 1/2
Delaware & Hudson	108 1/2	110 1/2
Denver & Rio Grande	70 1/2	70 1/2
Duluth South Shore & A. L.	12 1/2	13 1/2
Great Northern pref.	172 1/2	173 1/2
General Electric	172 1/2	173 1/2
Hocking Valley	172 1/2	173 1/2
Illinois Central	172 1/2	173 1/2
Iowa Central	172 1/2	173 1/2
do. do. pref.	172 1/2	173 1/2
Jersey Central	108 1/2	110 1/2
do. do. pref.	172 1/2	173 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	107 1/2	109 1/2
Manhattan Ry.	14 1/2	14 1/2
Missouri Pacific	94 1/2	95 1/2
M. & N. Com.	53 1/2	54 1/2
Metropolitan Trac.	124 1/2	125 1/2
N. Y. Central & Hudson	119 1/2	121 1/2
N. Y. Lake Erie & West.	28 1/2	29 1/2
do. do. pref.	68 1/2	69 1/2
do. do. II pref.	51 1/2	51 1/2
N. Y. Ontario & West.	22 1/2	23 1/2
Norfolk & Western	57 1/2	58 1/2
Omaha, com.	25	25 1/2
do. do. pref.	25	25 1/2
Pacific Mail	75	75 1/2
Pennsylvania R. R.	118 1/2	119 1/2
Pressed Steel, com.	30	30 1/2
Pressed Steel, pref.	60	60 1/2
People's Gas	98 1/2	99 1/2
Phil. & Read.	45 1/2	46 1/2
do. do. pref.	45 1/2	46 1/2
do. do. II pref.	45 1/2	46 1/2
Pullman	218	218 1/2
Public Steel & Iron	23 1/2	24 1/2
Rock Island	20 1/2	21 1/2
Southern Ry. com.	20 1/2	21 1/2
do. do. pref.	20 1/2	21 1/2
Southern Pacific	47 1/2	48 1/2
Tenn. Coal & Iron	37 1/2	38 1/2
Texas Pacific	25	25 1/2
Twin City	91 1/2	92 1/2
U. S. Leather, com.	7 1/2	7 1/2
do. do. pref. ad.	7 1/2	7 1/2
U. S. Steel, com.	10 1/2	11 1/2
do. do. pref.	85 1/2	87 1/2
U. S. Rubber, com.	11	11 1/2
Union Pacific, com.	79 1/2	79 1/2
Wabash, com.	37 1/2	38 1/2
Western Union Tel.	85 1/2	86 1/2
Wit. C. com.	17 1/2	17 1/2
do. do. pref.	38 1/2	38 1/2

LONDON QUOTATIONS.

London, Dec. 29, 4 p.m.—Consols for money, 15-16; 4s. for account, 88.

Amsterdams, 4. Erie, 30 3/4. Reading, 25 1/4. Atchafson, 70 1/4. do. first pref. 71 1/4. do. 2nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 3rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 4th pref. 71 1/4. do. 5th pref. 71 1/4. do. 6th pref. 71 1/4. do. 7th pref. 71 1/4. do. 8th pref. 71 1/4. do. 9th pref. 71 1/4. do. 10th pref. 71 1/4. do. 11th pref. 71 1/4. do. 12th pref. 71 1/4. do. 13th pref. 71 1/4. do. 14th pref. 71 1/4. do. 15th pref. 71 1/4. do. 16th pref. 71 1/4. do. 17th pref. 71 1/4. do. 18th pref. 71 1/4. do. 19th pref. 71 1/4. do. 20th pref. 71 1/4. do. 21st pref. 71 1/4. do. 22nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 23rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 24th pref. 71 1/4. do. 25th pref. 71 1/4. do. 26th pref. 71 1/4. do. 27th pref. 71 1/4. do. 28th pref. 71 1/4. do. 29th pref. 71 1/4. do. 30th pref. 71 1/4. do. 31st pref. 71 1/4. do. 32nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 33rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 34th pref. 71 1/4. do. 35th pref. 71 1/4. do. 36th pref. 71 1/4. do. 37th pref. 71 1/4. do. 38th pref. 71 1/4. do. 39th pref. 71 1/4. do. 40th pref. 71 1/4. do. 41st pref. 71 1/4. do. 42nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 43rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 44th pref. 71 1/4. do. 45th pref. 71 1/4. do. 46th pref. 71 1/4. do. 47th pref. 71 1/4. do. 48th pref. 71 1/4. do. 49th pref. 71 1/4. do. 50th pref. 71 1/4. do. 51st pref. 71 1/4. do. 52nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 53rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 54th pref. 71 1/4. do. 55th pref. 71 1/4. do. 56th pref. 71 1/4. do. 57th pref. 71 1/4. do. 58th pref. 71 1/4. do. 59th pref. 71 1/4. do. 60th pref. 71 1/4. do. 61st pref. 71 1/4. do. 62nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 63rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 64th pref. 71 1/4. do. 65th pref. 71 1/4. do. 66th pref. 71 1/4. do. 67th pref. 71 1/4. do. 68th pref. 71 1/4. do. 69th pref. 71 1/4. do. 70th pref. 71 1/4. do. 71st pref. 71 1/4. do. 72nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 73rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 74th pref. 71 1/4. do. 75th pref. 71 1/4. do. 76th pref. 71 1/4. do. 77th pref. 71 1/4. do. 78th pref. 71 1/4. do. 79th pref. 71 1/4. do. 80th pref. 71 1/4. do. 81st pref. 71 1/4. do. 82nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 83rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 84th pref. 71 1/4. do. 85th pref. 71 1/4. do. 86th pref. 71 1/4. do. 87th pref. 71 1/4. do. 88th pref. 71 1/4. do. 89th pref. 71 1/4. do. 90th pref. 71 1/4. do. 91st pref. 71 1/4. do. 92nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 93rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 94th pref. 71 1/4. do. 95th pref. 71 1/4. do. 96th pref. 71 1/4. do. 97th pref. 71 1/4. do. 98th pref. 71 1/4. do. 99th pref. 71 1/4. do. 100th pref. 71 1/4. do. 101st pref. 71 1/4. do. 102nd pref. 71 1/4. do. 103rd pref. 71 1/4. do. 104th pref. 71 1/4. do. 105th pref. 71 1/4. do. 106th pref. 71 1/4. do. 107th pref. 71 1/4. do. 108th pref. 71 1/4. do. 109th pref. 71 1/4. do. 110th pref. 71 1/4. do. 111th pref. 71 1/4. do. 112th pref. 71 1/4. do. 113th pref. 71 1/4. do. 114th pref. 71 1/4. do. 115th pref. 71 1/4. do. 116th pref. 71 1/4. do. 117th pref. 71 1/4. do. 118th pref. 71 1/4. do. 119th pref. 71 1/4. do. 120th pref. 71 1/4. do. 121st pref. 71 1/4. do. 122nd pref. 71 1/4.

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Colored Powdered Sugar	10c
Pure Maple Sugar	10c
Rock Sugar	12 1/2c

FLOUR.

Ocean Flour, in bbls.	\$4.60
Ocean Flour, in 7 lb. bags	20
Hungarian Flour, in bbls.	5.25
Hungarian Flour, in 25 lb. bags	65
Hungarian Flour, Household's Best, 25 lb. bag	75
White Frost Flour, 25 lb. bag	60
First Prize Flour, 10 lb. bag	25
Fine Pastry Flour, 10 lb. bag	2.25
Fresh Roll Oats, 7 lbs. for	20
Fresh Gold Dust Cornmeal, 7 lbs. for	20
Fresh Buckwheat Flour, 7 lbs. for	20
Fresh Scotch Oatmeal, 7 lbs. for	25
Benson Corn Starch, 1 lb. pkg.	7 1/2
Columbia Corn Starch, 1 lb. pkg.	5
Dominion Baking Powder, 1 lb. box	10

CEREALS.

Quaker Oats, 3 pkgs. for	25c
Vim Food, per pkg.	10c
Force Food and Malta Vita	12 1/2c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit and Malt Breakfast Food	12 1/2c
Grape Nuts and Germ Wheat Meal	12 1/2c
For your Breakfast try a tin of London Best Cocoa, 1-4 lb.	6 1/2c
1/2 lb. tin for	12 1/2c
Bendrop Dutch Cocoa— 3-16 lb. tin for	10c
1-4 lb. tin for	25c
Epps Prepared Cocoa, in 1-4 lb. tin, per lb.	35c
Fry's Homoeopathic Cocoa, in 1-4 lb. tin, per lb.	35c
Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate, in 1/2 lb. tablets, per lb.	39c

VEGETABLES.

Choice Dakota Potatoes, per bag	65c
Fine, large Beauty Potatoes, per bag	75c
Fine Quebec Turnips, per bbl.	\$1.15
Turnips, per basket	25c
Carrots, per basket	25c
Beets, per basket	25c
Onions, per basket	60c
Spanish Onions, 7 lbs. for	20c
Sweet Potatoes, per lb.	2 1/2c
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Ingersoll & Co.'s Cooked Hams, Beaver brand, per lb.	23c

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Crosse & Blackwell's Assorted Pickles	25c
Morton's Assorted Pickles	22c
Rowat's Assorted Pickles, 40 oz.	25c
Rowat's Assorted Pickles, 16 oz.	15c
Rowat's Assorted Pickles, 10 oz.	10c
Rowat's Assorted Pickles, 5 oz.	12 1/2c
Bourque Catsup	10c
Queen Brand Catsup	10c

Crosse & Blackwell's Marmalade, 7 lb. tin for	75c
Crosse & Blackwell's Marmalade, 1 lb. bottle	15c

Clark's Mince Meat, per lb.	10c
Pure Gold Mince Meat, 2 lb. glass bottle	25c
McCormick's Mince Meat, per lb.	10c
McCormick's Pure Jams, assorted, 1 lb. bottle	10c
Crosse & Blackwell's Jams, assorted, 1 lb. bottle	20c
Gard's Fruit Syrup, large bottle, for	20c

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CHURCH MUSIC

HIS HOLINESS THE POPE SEVERELY CRITICISES IT, AND ASKS REFORM.

Rome, Dec. 28.—The 'Osservatore Romano' prints a long letter from the Pope, to Cardinal Respighi, vicar-general of His Holiness, expressing a desire for a reformation in church music. The Pontiff is especially dissatisfied with the musical parts of the mass and vespers. He says that long musical compositions have been substituted for the devout psalmody of the clergy. They resemble old theatrical operas, and are of little worth, only serving to feed the curiosity of people of minor intelligence. His Holiness enjoins strict observance of the rules of the Gregorian chant. He condemns the transforming of such services into concerts, and says the organ is to be used only to support, not to drown, the singers. Long organ preludes and intermezzi are not to be allowed. The piano must never be used in church, nor any other noisy, frivolous instruments, like the drum, cymbals or bells.

TO INVADE TURKEY

MACEDONIANS SAID TO BE READY TO MOVE.

Salonica, European Turkey, Dec. 28.—The authorities are informed that four thousand Macedonian revolutionists, under the leadership of eighty Bulgarian officers, are ready to invade Turkish territory. An order was issued to-day requesting the Turkish officers to exercise extreme vigilance.

It is rumored that the second army reserve will again be called out.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 28.—The contest in St. Pierre and Miquelon for a representative to the French Chamber of Deputies resulted to-day in the re-election of M. Legrasse, by a small majority over M. Fromont, who it is understood, is in favor of the annexation of the colony to the United States. There is general dissatisfaction over the existing conditions. Riots took place last week at St. Pierre and Miquelon, as a result of the destitution caused by the comparative failure of the French fisheries on the Grand Banks, during the present season.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

PAUL MACY'S NEW YEAR. (Fred. Myron Colby, in 'Christian Intelligencer'.)

A bright fire was crackling and sparkling in the grate of a little crimson parlor. It was having a good time all to itself, playing over the warm colors of the room and flashing upon the books and pictures, when the hall door was pushed open and a dark-haired lad entered with a book in his hand. He ensconced himself in luxurious ease in a great chair by a window, and opening his book, began to read. The book was Dickens's interesting story of 'David Copperfield.' It had a great fascination for the boy, and he was soon so completely absorbed in the fortunes of little Davy that he did not think of anything else.

By and by he heard his name in the hallway, 'Paul! Paul!' He was just then reading where poor Davy was running away from Mr. Murstone and Grimby's to go to his great aunt's in the country. 'I wonder what she wants!' he muttered impatiently. But he did not answer, nor did he when he heard his mother's voice the second time.

Pretty soon the door was opened and his mother looked in. As Paul was completely buried in the recesses of the great chair, and that chair was standing back to the door, she did not see him, and she closed the door again.

Paul's face flushed, but he turned again to his book and speedily lost himself in the delightful narrative. An hour afterward the door opened again and a pair of small, dancing feet came into the parlor. This time it was Maud, his gray little sister, with her curly hair blown about, her cheeks aglow, and her dark eyes sparkling with pleasure.

As soon as she caught sight of her brother she gave utterance to an exclamation of surprise. 'Why, Paul! You here? Mother was looking for you an hour ago, and could not find you.'

'I was busy reading, I suppose,' said Paul, blushing to his temples. 'Oh, Paul, you must have heard,' said his sister, 'and she wanted you so much.'

Paul felt ashamed all day, and could not look his mother in the face. Even the interesting adventures of Master Copperfield could not altogether still the voice of conscience.

Two or three days afterwards as Mr. Macy was getting ready to go to his office, Paul followed him into the hall. 'Father,' he said very humbly, 'I wish you would do something for me.'

'What is it, son?' asked Mr. Macy, kindly. 'It is this, father,' said Paul, proceeding at once to business with boyish directness; 'to-morrow is New Year's, and you promised me a set of Dickens. Now, I would like the money, if you will let me have it, to spend myself.'

'Ah, ha! You have an eye to business,' said his father with a smile; 'well, the money is to be spent for you, and if you prefer to spend it yourself I see no reason why I should refuse you. But don't let the dealer cheat you.' And he took out a roll of bills from his pocket and placed a number of them in Paul's hands.

As the children were together that afternoon in the library a man came with a package for Master Paul Macy. Mrs. Macy was out, and so the children carried the box very carefully into the room, where it was opened. 'What can it be?' asked Maud wonderingly. 'I'll tell you,' said Paul, confidentially, as he set an oblong mahogany box with a queer glass top on the table and stepped back to look at it. 'It's an aquarium I bought for mother with the money I was to buy a set of Dickens with.'



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From Liverpool	Steamer	St. John	From Halifax
Dec. 10	PARISIAN	Jan. 2	Dec. 23
Dec. 17	PRETORIAN	Jan. 9	Jan. 4
Dec. 24	LAURENTIAN	Jan. 16	Jan. 11
Dec. 31	BAVARIAN	Jan. 23	Jan. 18
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ped back to look at it. 'It's an aquarium I bought for mother with the money I was to buy a set of Dickens with.'

'Oh, the pretty gold fish and the shells and the plants and the sea-moss!' exclaimed Maud, as she stood on tiptoe and looked through the glass. 'I am glad you like it,' said Paul, 'and I hope mother will. Ever since that day, Maud, when I was in the parlor reading 'David Copperfield,' and mother called me and I did not answer, I have felt horribly. I was getting real mean and selfish, and as our teacher said New Year's was a good time to make new determinations and begin a new life, I made up my mind to begin to-day. Then I wanted mother to know how sorry I was for being so naughty, so I bought this aquarium, for I know she wanted one, and I am going to tell her all about it.'

Maud kissed him on the cheek. 'It is hard to be good always, Paul,' she said, 'but if we pray God to help us I think we can do better than we do.'

'Well, I'll try,' said Paul. The next morning Paul had a servant carry the aquarium and a note he had written to his mother's room. Mrs. Macy opened and read the epistle, which was as follows: 'Dear Mother, I hope you will forgive me for being so mean the other day when you wanted me to help you. I am sorry, and am going to try to do better. I bought this with the money papa was going to get my Dickens with, but I shall feel better to know it is spent in this way. Paul.'

Of course she forgave him, and between her smiles and tears and kisses Paul felt like running away. He kept his New Year's pledge, though, and the following Christmas he found a nice blue edition of Dickens on his table.



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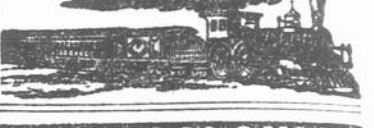
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E. LUSSIER, Attorney of the said City of Sainte-Cunegonde de Montreal. Montreal, 21st December, 1903.



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IN THE FRENCH CHAMBER

TEST OF STRENGTH GIVES THE
PREMIER A MAJORITY OF
ONE HUNDRED.

Paris, Dec. 29.—In the Chamber of
Deputies yesterday, during the debate on
the amendments to the budget proposals
adopted in the Senate, M. Combes, the
premier, raised the question of confidence
in the government, and obtained a ma-
jority of one hundred. An appropriation
for magistrates was questioned.

The premier said that the appropria-
tion was essential, that if it were not
voted he would tender his resignation.
The Chamber then restored several of the
appropriations suppressed by the
Senate, and consequently the budget will
go to the Senate again.

B. AND O. ACCIDENT

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS THE
RESULT OF HIS INVESTIGA-
TION.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 29.—B. W. Duer,
superintendent of the Pittsburgh division
of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway, has
made a complete investigation of the
cause of the wreck of the Duquesne Lim-
ited last Wednesday night, near Dawson,
Pa., and has found that no employee of
the Baltimore & Ohio Railway was re-
sponsible for the accident, which is de-
clared to have been unavoidable. A few
unidentified dead still remain at Con-
nellsville.

OBITUARY

London, Dec. 28.—Sir Wm. Allan, the
well known marine engineer, ship owner,
and member of parliament for Gatheshead
since 1893, is dead. He was born Nov. 23,
1837.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 28.—Guerdon Trum-
bull, aged 82, an artist of distinction, died
at his home in this city to-day. It was in
studies of fish that Mr. Trumbull achieved
his reputation. Mr. Trumbull's noted
works were 'Over the Fall,' 'A Plunge for
Life,' and 'A Critical Moment.'

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Alexander Sulli-
van, author and editorial writer, lately of
the Chicago 'Chronicle,' died to-day, after
a stroke of paralysis. During Charles A.
Cana's lifetime she was a frequent contri-
butor to the New York 'Sun,' and was
once an editorial writer on the Chicago
'Times.'

London, Dec. 28.—George Gissing, the
novelist, died of consumption to-day at St.
Jean de Luz, in the Pyrenees. He was
born at Wakefield, England, in 1857.

MR. ALPHONSE PARE.

The death is announced of Mr. J. Al-
phonse Pare, one of the leading citizens of
the town of Lachine, where he occupied a
prominent position as a general merchant.
Mr. Pare occupied a seat in the town coun-
cil for several terms, and was also audi-
tor of the corporation for many years. He
had been church warden, and when a young
man went to Rome as a member of the
corps of Papal Zouaves.

Mr. Pare was only 53 years old.

MR. JOHN STONEHOUSE.

(From a Correspondent.)

The Township of Reach, in the County of
Ontario, has lost by death another of the
old pioneers in the person of Mr. John
Stonehouse, who died on Dec. 14 at the age
of 86 years. Deceased was born in York-
shire, England, in 1817, and emigrated to
Canada in 1842. Two years later he mar-
ried his surviving partner, and together
they settled upon a bush lot in the Town-
ship of Reach, out of which they hewed a
comfortable home, and reared a family of
nine children, eight of whom survive their
father. Mr. Stonehouse was a man of deep
religious convictions, and exerted a healthy
moral influence in the community in which
he resided, and was always a liberal sup-
porter of the various schemes of the Meth-
odist Church, of which he was an honored
member. He was a staunch Liberal, but
never took an active part in politics. Ten
years ago Mr. and Mrs. Stonehouse left the
old homestead, and removed to Port Perry
to spend their closing days in quiet retire-
ment, and on Saturday, Dec. 12, they passed
the fifty-ninth anniversary of their mar-
ried life. On the evening of that day, how-
ever, Mr. Stonehouse was seized with an
illness which terminated fatally. Deceased
had been a constant subscriber and read-
er of the 'Witness' for over fifty years, and
he always highly esteemed it for its moral
courage and frankness in dealing with
questions affecting the home and the pub-
lic welfare.

A WARNING TO GIRLS

YOUNG WOMAN FROM MONTREAL
FRIENDLESS IN DULUTH.

A Duluth newspaper publishes a story
about two girls, aged nineteen and twen-
ty-one years, respectively, one of whom
was from Montreal, and whose experi-
ence may well be a warning to others
who are sometimes dissatisfied with the
restraint of home life.

An extract from the story gives the
following facts: 'Chief Troyer detailed a
detective this afternoon to investigate a
case where two young Canadian girls,
who came to Duluth to find employment
several days ago, are said to be inmates
of a house of ill-repute on St. Croix
avenue. It was reported that they had
very little money when they arrived in
Duluth and sought lodging on the Bow-
ery, the reputation of the district being
unknown to them. A young man on the
Bowery was said to have become ac-
quainted with them, and told them he
could get work for them in a restaurant
on Lake avenue, and lured them to the
house on St. Croix avenue.

Upon investigation it was found that
one of the girls was from Montreal and
the other from Fort William. Their
names were obtained and a little of
their history was learned.

A 'Witness' reporter called on the
mother of the Montreal girl and learned
that she had heard from her daughter
recently and was greatly distressed about
her. Since the girl left home two of
her sisters have died. Her father is also
dead.

She was a respectable girl, but got
on with bad companions, who induced
her to leave home, said the widowed
mother. 'I often told her to be careful
of the company she kept and warned
her of false friends, but she would al-
ways say, "Mother, you are always
against me enjoying life and think I can-
not take care of myself." She was good-
natured, sociable and took everybody to
be a friend. She was too unsuspicious
and confiding, and I fear is now suffering
the penalty, and tears filled the sorrow-
ing mother's eyes.

A lady writing to the 'Witness' from
Duluth advises Canadian girls going there
to apply to the Y. W. C. A. or the
Bethels, when they will be given ad-
dresses of respectable boarding-houses
and helped in every way possible.

CHINESE FESTIVITIES

NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN
IN STANLEY STREET CHURCH
LAST NIGHT.

The annual gathering of the Chinese
Sunday-schools of the city was held last
evening in Stanley Street Church, the
Rev. F. M. Dwyer presiding. The lec-
ture hall was filled with Chinese scholars,
teachers and friends, notwithstanding the
severe cold weather. After a Gospel
song, prayer was offered by the Rev. F.
A. Steven. Then followed readings,
recitations and songs by Chu Kee, Lam
Fook, Hum Mey, Ling Yau, Wong Ying,
Hoo Kim, Chu Pituk, Lu Wah, and Joe
Lun. Special interest attached to a
reading, 'Is it nothing to you, O ye
Christians?' by Hum Kwong, and to a
very well rendered and excellent recita-
tion upon the 'Books of the Bible,' by
Lee Suey.

A novel pleasure was also afforded by
Chinese children and Mrs. Chin Seng's
contributions to the programme. The
latter sang very sweetly a Chinese Christ-
mas song, while of the former Georgie
Kee and Frankie Chin, aged eight and
six years respectively, recited very suc-
cessfully a lengthy Bible exercise, con-
cluding with a song of praise to God the
Giver. Tiny Miss Kee, aged six, sang
'When He Cometh,' very pleasingly. The
meaning of Christmas was earnestly ex-
plained in Chinese by Mr. Chin Seng,
the Chinese native preacher, and a Chin-
ese prayer by Jo Ho concluded the
Chinese exercises. Others taking part
in the programme were the Rev. F. A.
Steven, returned missionary of the China
Inland Mission; the Rev. Colin Duguid,
Dr. Thomson, Mr. Douglas Mitchell, and
Mr. Shoemith, who reinforced the musi-
cal features with the cornet and effec-
tively rendered a solo accompanied by
Mr. Biltman.

The length of the programme preclud-
ing greetings from the superintendents
present. At the conclusion, Mr. Ardley
and his teachers dispensed ample refresh-
ments to all. The scholars all received
a Christmas message on retiring.

POLITICAL NOTES

CONSERVATIVE LEADERS WILL
ADDRESS A BIG GATHERING AT
SHERBROOKE IN JANUARY.

On Jan. 13 and 14 there will be a big
Conservative demonstration in the Cle-
ment Theatre, Sherbrooke. The principal
speakers will be Messrs. Borden,
Monk, Tarte and Foster. The annual
meeting of the Eastern Townships Liberal
Conservative Association will be held on
the afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 14, also
in the Opera House, and in the evening
the banquet to Mr. R. H. Pope, M.P.,
will be held in the Art Hall.

A MIXED MEETING.

At a meeting of Liberals and Con-
servatives at Marieville, Que., yesterday,
the Hon. J. I. Tarte was the principal
speaker. The gathering was presided
over by Mr. Gillett, a Liberal, and
Mayor Costigny, of Marieville. Mr.
Tarte's speech was of a strong protection-
ist nature.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

At a Conservative convention held
yesterday at Sherbrooke, Mr. J. B.
Jordan, M.P., was nominated to represent
the party for Dorchester County in the
coming fight.

ONTARIO POLITICS

THE HON. E. J. DAVIS, OF NORTH
YORK, MUST ANSWER FUR-
THER QUESTIONS.

At Osprey Hall, Toronto, yesterday,
Judge Oiler gave judgment on the mo-
tion by the petitioner in the North York
election protest proceedings to compel

the Hon. E. J. Davis to attend and sub-
mit to further examination as to evidence
before the general election of May, 1902,
and to answer a certain specified ques-
tion. The protest is against his return
in the by-election of January, 1903. The
judge decides that the protest regarding
the general election was disposed of, and
that election held valid; therefore Davis
is not bound to answer questions regard-
ing it except the particular one specified
as follows:

A question (No. 179) was asked of the
respondent: 'Now, do you still refuse to
say whether there was any discussion
between you and Absalom Wilson with
reference to his appointment to a public
position prior to the general election?'

The respondent, on the advice of coun-
sel, refused to answer, and he was then
asked: 'And this refusal is with the
knowledge that the question is asked on
the ground that we assert the matter was
again dismissed and renewed prior to the
by-election?'

Counsel for the respondent, 'Quite so.'
The question was not answered. Held
that it should have been. Order made
directing that the respondent shall re-
attend before the examiners. No order
as to costs. The opinion expressed as to
the principal question argued, does not
affect the right of the petitioner if so
advised, to raise the same question be-
fore the trial judge and to frame his par-
ticulars accordingly.

A ZION FOR CANADA

SAID THAT DR. DOWIE WILL ES-
TABLISH HEADQUARTERS AT
WINDSOR.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 29.—Dr. John
Alexander Dowie, 'Elijah, the Restorer,'
is coming to Detroit and Windsor next
week, according to information received
from official sources by members of the
Flying Roll colony here. The purpose
of 'Elijah' in coming to Windsor is
no less than to make this city the
Canadian capital and headquarters, 'the
Zion of the Dominion,' according to
the report. The purpose of Dowie to
leave for Australia is not affected by
this trip to Windsor, for the members
of the Flying Roll colony believe it is
his intention first to make a short evan-
gelical tour of Canada, accompanied by
his 'host' and heavenly choir. 'We have
no doubt whatever of the reliability of
our information,' said David Livingstone
McKay, the 'little David' of the New
Eve house here.

New York, Dec. 29.—A special from
Chicago to the New York 'World' to-day
says: 'The Rev. Stephen Merritt, one of
the trustees of the John Street Metho-
dist Church, in New York, has been ex-
communicated by John Alexander Dowie
because of an attack on Dowie in the
New York 'Christian Advocate.' Dr.
James M. Buckley, editor of that jour-
nal, sought to disprove the claims which
Dowie made to conversions in New
York, and quoted a letter from Mr. Mer-
ritt, in which the latter disavowed al-
liance to the restorer.' When Dowie
saw the article he called his cabinet to a
council in Zion City, and then it was
that Mr. Merritt was formally excommu-
nicated. The edict as officially pub-
lished is in part as follows:

'In the name of the Most High God,
I deliver James M. Buckley and Stephen
Merritt unto Satan for the destruction
of the flesh, that their spirits may be
saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

'May it be that their bodies perish
they shall truly repent and be saved.
'If they will not repent all men and
angels will say their damnation is just.'

GAME TO ROAM AT WILL

DR. WEBB WILL HAVE THE
FENCE AROUND HIS PRESERVE
REMOVED.

Utica, N.Y., Dec. 29.—Dr. W. Seward
Webb, who owns an extensive park at
Nebraska, in the Adirondacks, has de-
cided to take down the famous wire fence
which surrounds eight thousand acres of
his forest, and confines hundreds of head
of the choicest game animals. The deci-
sion was in no wise influenced by the
opposition to extensive estates and parks
in northern New York and the Adiron-
dack Mountains. The great fence,
which was of a height and strength to
restrain moose, elk, deer and wild boars,
was a difficult thing to maintain, and
game wardens were compelled to patrol
it throughout the day. From time to
time moose have escaped, and in the
last few months much of the fence was
destroyed by falling trees, which had
been ruined in the forest fires. The
vegetation in a very considerable portion
of the enclosure was ruined by the
flames, and game found it difficult to get
enough to eat. Extensive lumbering
operations are also carried on in the park
at this time, and all trees touched by the
flames will be marketed. Under the
circumstances Dr. Webb concluded to
release the herds of elk, moose, deer, etc.,
in the collection of which he has expend-
ed a fortune. Several families of beaver
will now be free to roam the wilds.
Many miles of water routes will be open-
ed through the destruction of the wire
fence.

ABEEL IN THE TOILS.

Welland, Ont., Dec. 29.—J. N. Abeel,
of New York, who was arrested at
Niagara Falls on suspicion of being the
person who represented himself as J.
Ogden Goelet, Jr., and entered upon an
engagement with Miss Grace Anderson,
was brought here yesterday afternoon
in charge of detectives. It was thought
he would receive a hearing, but as
Judge Wells was out of town the hear-
ing will probably take place to-morrow.
The case is causing considerable inter-
est, a number of detectives being here.
The prisoner, who intends fighting ex-
tradition, has engaged W. M. German,
M.P., K.C., to defend him. He is at
the Dexter House, in charge of the
Chief of Police.

ST. BRIDGET'S REFUGE.

The census of St. Bridget's Night Refuge
for the week ending Dec. 27 is as follows:
Irish, 168; French, 122; English, 19; Scotch
and other nationalities, 4. Total, 314.

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Rheumatism is welcome to this offer. For
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cific for Rheumatism. For nearly 20 years
I worked to this end. At last, in Germany,
my search was rewarded. I found a costly
chemical that did not disappoint me as other
Rheumatic prescriptions had disappointed
physicians everywhere.

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COLONIZATION SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING HELD YESTER-
DAY.

The Colonization Repatriation Society
held its annual meeting yesterday, the
president, the Hon. J. D. Rolland, in the
chair.

The report of Dr. T. A. Brisson, gen-
eral agent, showed that the Ottawa
government had allowed the society a
grant of \$6,000, of which amount \$2,000
is to be expended for the construction
of wharves on Lake Nominique.

The announcement was made that,
owing to the ineffectualness of the
present system of inspection, all agents
in the different districts will be ob-
liged to make monthly reports on the
number of settlers who establish them-
selves. This practice will come into
force with the beginning of next year.

It was resolved that a general meet-
ing of the society should be held every
three months instead of only once a
year, and that the board of directors
should meet every month.

The following were elected directors:
The Hon. J. D. Rolland, A. Racine,
O. Faucher, J. D. Demall, the
Hon. L. O. David, A. Chauvin, A. P.
Simard, the Rev. J. A. Grenier, and
Damase Parizeau.

At a subsequent meeting of the
Board, the following officers were elect-
ed:—The Hon. J. D. Rolland, presi-
dent; Mr. A. Racine and Mr. O. Fau-
cher, vice-presidents; Dr. T. A. Bri-
sson, general agent, and Mr. L. E. Car-
penter, secretary-treasurer.

The lot of land drawn for annually
by the members was won by Mr. J. La-
pointe, of St. Jovite.

BOON FOR THE CITY

EMPOWERED TO COLLECT AN AS-
SESSMENT ROLL OF \$45,000.

The judgment of the Court of Re-
view in the case of Benoit vs. Ste.
Marie, and the City of Montreal opo-
sant, reported in yesterday's 'Wit-
ness,' has more importance than would
appear at first sight. The amount in-
volved in the present action was com-
paratively small, but the claim of the
city brought on the question of the right
to collect the assessment roll as pre-
pared for the St. Catherine street ex-
propriations, from Harbor street to the
eastern limits. For the issues raised,
that roll was contested, but the Superi-
or Court, maintaining its validity, and
that holding was confirmed by the Court
of review yesterday. The effect of this
decision is to enable the city to collect
the whole of the assessment which re-
presents some \$45,000.

Another portion of the same judg-
ment, which recognizes the city's right
to the proceeds of the sale of a property
accepted as security in exchange for a
cash deposit, in connection with a con-
tract given to the Prime Paving Co.,
will again add some \$5,000 to the civic
treasury.

CANADIAN RECORDS BROKEN.

The Winnipeg 'Tribune' published on
Saturday, Dec. 19, a Christmas number
which for size and quantity of adver-
tising outvalled all Canadian competi-
tors. This big issue contained sixty reg-
ular size pages of news, special Christ-
mas matter and holiday features, and had
a handsome lithograph frontispiece. The
advertising pages contained 282 columns
of advertisements, which is the largest
amount of advertising ever carried in a
single issue of any Canadian newspaper.
The paper was got out by the regular
staff and printed on the 'Tribune's' big
Hoe press.

FENIAN RAID VETERAN DEAD.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—Captain Joseph
Kennedy, a veteran of the Fenian Raid
and the Riel Rebellion, died yesterday
morning at his residence, aged 57 years.
He has resided in Winnipeg for twenty-
five years and was formerly of Peter-
borough.

KING CHRISTIAN'S HEALTH.

Gmunden, Austria, Dec. 28.—The con-
dition of King Christian, of Denmark, is
officially said to give no cause for any
etc. He has postponed his departure
for home in consequence of a chill.

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MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES

RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S NOMINATIONS IN ONTARIO.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Nominations for the municipal offices throughout the Province of Ontario took place yesterday. The following results are announced in addition to those announced yesterday:

Ottawa.—Following are the aldermanic candidates nominated:

Victoria Ward—Sam. Rosenthal, W. E. Brown, George F. Fleming, Donald Masson, George Kidd, R. R. Smith.

Dalhousie Ward—Moise Plouffe, George R. Rose, William Hill, Thomas E. Rock, Joseph Foster, G. W. Shoudis.

Wellington Ward—W. J. Campbell, W. J. Kidd, A. E. Sanderson, James Davidson.

Central Ward—Samuel T. Davis, Fred M. Journeaux, R. V. Sinclair, Daniel Storey, Charles G. Pepper.

St. George's Ward—J. G. Kitt, Robert Hestey, Michael O'Leary, W. R. Stroud, Walter Cunningham, D. I. Brown, T. P. Murphy.

By Ward—Alfred Desjardins, Thomas Payment, Bernard Slattery, John Terence, Gilbert Julien, John Davis.

Rideau Ward—J. C. Roger, J. E. Askwith, J. C. Grant, O. E. Culbert, Frank Proctor, B. Slinn.

Ottawa—J. M. Lavoie, N. Champagne, C. O. Boudreau, E. D. Gauthier, Charles Massé.

Hamilton—Mayor W. J. Morden was re-elected mayor by acclamation. For aldermen from the city at large: H. S. Wallace, H. G. Wright, James Phelan, C. K. Donville, W. M. Main, R. L. Craig, E. A. Fearnside, William Nicholson, Thomas Allan, T. J. Stewart, William Birrell, H. Sweeney, Thomas Church, J. P. MacLeod, C. H. Taylor, S. G. Biggar, William McGill, Daniel Sullivan, Samuel Howard, George Chapman, James Matthews, Hugh Robinson, William Finlay, P. C. McRidge, Edwin Skelden, C. T. Grantham, C. S. Kerr, C. Duffin, W. T. Tar, M. J. O'Reilly, C. C. Baird, H. B. Kingdon, J. M. Eastwood.

Twenty-one of these are to be elected for the whole city. It is probable that several of those nominated will drop out.

Kingston.—The mayoralty candidates were nominated at the City Hall. They are: William G. Craig, Mayor Bell and Christopher J. Graham. There were numerous speeches in connection with the event. It was shown that the deficit in the year's work was \$3,300. The present debt of the city is \$93,878, a reduction of \$23,868 for the year. The debt includes \$251,000 of waterworks debentures. The aldermanic nominations occurred at noon. The aldermanic candidates are:

St. Lawrence Ward—S. H. McCallum, John Carson, J. M. Mowat (acclamation).

Cataraqui Ward—J. Gaskin, J. Malen, John Hunter, W. Strange, J. McLeod, M. Sullivan, D. Reeves, N. C. Polson.

Rideau Ward—Ald. Meek, Kampp, Hoag (acclamation).

Sydenham Ward—J. S. R. McCan, J. M. Shaw, R. H. Abbott, M.D., R. E. Terry, G. Sears.

Ontario Ward—W. B. Dalton, R. E. Kent, A. W. Richardson, J. J. Behan, J. H. Bell, S. Harkness, T. J. Rigney.

Frontenac Ward—Joseph Tait, R. N. F. McFarlane, J. S. R. McCan, Dr. Sands, D. Cooper, E. B. Thompson.

Victoria Ward—F. King, W. E. Bassam, H. Angrove, N. P. Wood, G. Mills, and John McKelvey.

St. Thomas.—For mayor, Charles Francis Maxwell, by acclamation. For water commissioners, Charles Seraze, James Esawia. For street-railway commissioners, William E. Idsardi, Robert McAdell, William Trott, Ed. Horton. For aldermen: Sherin Chant, Alfred E. Hookway, Richard Sanders, Leonard Lutton, Alf. M. Hutchinson, Harry A. Turner, penny, William Trott, Thomas Meek, Pat. Meahan, Calvin Lawrence, George A. Ponsford, Fred. Guest, Percy A. Honinger, James Keon, Thomas G. Courtenay, Albert Synder, Ed. R. Moylean, John Mallon, George F. Hair, Mich. H. Andrews, Robert McCullick, William D. Boyce, James Egan, Andrew J. Clark.

Stratford.—Mayor, William Heppburn was elected by acclamation here today for a second term. Aldermen—M. Babb, J. Barnett, Wm. Daly, William Davidson, D. Dempsey, M. J. Dillon, G. Douglas, E. Duffon, E. Editt, D. Ferguson, W. Ferguson, J. Hamilton, T. Holaday, W. Hurley, R. Jones, S. Mallon, W. McCully, C. McHugh, S. McCrimmon, G. McLagan, W. Norfolk, J. Orr, A. Panton, H. Pauli, T. Savage, J. Schmidt, J. Stamp, J. Trow, J. Welch.

Windsor.—For Mayor, J. W. Drake, D. W. Bedford and John R. Swinden. The latter is the leader of the Windsor colony of Prince Michael's Flying Roll.

LIQUOR LICENSES

DEALERS, WHO ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE BROKEN THE LAW, UP BEFORE THE COMMISSIONERS.

At the meeting of the license commissioners held yesterday afternoon, the case of John Donahue, who conducts a restaurant at 111 and 111½ Mountain street, was taken up. Mr. Henry Timmis, secretary of the Citizens' League of Montreal, asked that the application of Donahue for a license be refused, as he believed him to be a most flagrant violator of the law. He said on Sunday, Mr. Timmis declared, and the proximity of his place to the Boys' Home was not exactly conducive to the moral growth of the inmates thereof. Asked by Judge Desnoyers if there were not other licensed places in Mountain street, he said that there were, but that he had no complaint to make about them.

The next witness was Mr. S. J. Carter, of 805 Dorchester street. He is a member of the Mountain Street Methodist Church, and he testified to having repeatedly seen men entering and leaving Donahue's place on Sundays. He had also received information from different people to that effect. He could not say whether the place was open after hours or not. Asked by Mr. Timmis whether the opposition to the reissue of a license to Donahue grew out of the fact that the Boys' Home sought possession of the property now occupied by Donahue's restaurant, he said that, so far as he knew, there was no ground for that statement.

Cross-examined by Mr. D. R. Murphy, K.C., the witness said he did not know whether the people he saw going into Donahue's place were friends or relatives of his or not. "Well, Mr. Carter," said Mr. Murphy, "so, whenever you see anybody going into a saloon on Sunday, you think he is going after liquor, eh?"

"Why, yes," replied the witness. "I don't think I am very far out when I see a lot of men entering or leaving a saloon, in thinking they are coming for a drink, or have just had one. I am a member of the church just across the street, and every Sunday I see people entering and leaving Donahue's place. I have been going up and down Mountain street for twenty-five years, and I have noticed that on Sundays Donahue's place has a system of signals when anybody comes. If the coast is clear they enter, if not they are kept waiting."

Mr. James R. Dick, superintendent of the Boys' Home, when asked what he thought of re-issuing a license on the property in question, replied that he had tolerated the nuisance so long as it had become more or less accustomed to it. He did not know from personal knowledge that the place was open after hours—he was not out late enough at night to swear to this.

Asked by Mr. Murphy, K.C., whether he had not gone to Mrs. Leroux, the owner of the property now under consideration, to see what terms might be made for purchasing it, he replied no, and that furthermore the Boys' Home did not need the property. He had noticed a continual stream of men entering and leaving Donahue's place on Sundays for months. Had during the summer on Sundays and come out, looking 'pretty well satisfied.' In answer to a question put by Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dick said he did not see anybody go into the place in question last Sunday nor on the Sunday before that. He said he had no personal object in opposing the issuance of a license to Mr. Donahue; personally he bore him no ill will. The Boys' Home had occupied its present position for thirty-two years, and he had been connected with the institution for twenty-one years.

The Rev. Melvin Taylor, pastor of the Mountain Street Methodist Church, read a resolution passed by the official board of the church on Dec. 16, protesting against the granting of a license to Mr. Donahue for the property in question.

Mr. Francis Archambault, chief of the Revenue Police, said he had received a complaint from the Citizens' League about Donahue's place being open on Sundays. He sent some men, who watched it, but could detect no violation of the law.

Mr. Murphy, counsel for the applicant, said that the refusal of a license to his client would mean his ruin, and that he would practically be turned on the street. It was true, Mr. Murphy went on, that Donahue had already been convicted once for violating the liquor law, but there had been only one conviction, and little abuses like this naturally spring out of the business. Mr. Donahue was a most respectable man, and has solemnly pledged his word to obey the law in future. He would move his license from Mountain street at once, were it not for the fact that he had entered into a lease for another year.

Judge Desnoyers asked Mr. Timmis what he thought of Donahue getting the license for another year, now that he had resolved to run a respectable place. Mr. Timmis thought that if Mr. Donahue had sincerely resolved to run a decent place, his application might be granted, but, of course he left that to the license commissioners.

Judge Desnoyers, on behalf of the license commissioners, desired it recorded that no license should be granted to restaurants on Mountain street after the end of 1904. The case of Mr. Donahue was therefore taken under advisement until the last of January. If in that time no additional complaints are on file, his license will be granted.

Complaints were also made against the place conducted by Ryan & Lamarche at Vitre and St. Urbain streets. It was said that women were allowed to enter the premises indiscriminately. It was decided to refuse a license for this place.

The following are those whose licenses were granted yesterday: Fabien Côté, 86 St. Lawrence; Mathilda Viens, 334 Craig; P. Crepeau, 281 LaGauchetière; D. Corbail, 857 St. Catherine; J. Lantot, 726 Ontario; A. Lauzon, 1227 St. Lawrence; J. Belanger, 80 Berri; A. Decarie, 103 St. Paul; G. Marks, 110

Belleville—Alderman W. W. Chown was elected Mayor by acclamation. Nominations for aldermen: Ald. McFee, Ald. Sulman, Ald. Sinclair, Messrs. Panter, Peterson, Marshall, Green, Cooper, Pope, S. Burrows, W. H. Gordon, T. Manly, T. Thompson, Wm. McIntosh, W. MacGraith, J. Marshall, W. Hughes, T. McGinnis, F. Keethson, J. Rabbitts, W. Bleeker, S. Harris, H. Hunt, J. H. Starding. And of this number ten are to be elected.

Arnprior—For Mayor, Dr. Oranston and James J. Grag. For aldermen: Messrs. Halloran, E. A. L. Baird. For aldermen: Ward 1, A. G. Montgomery, W. H. Turnbull, W. J. Westwood, A. Quinlan, W. M. Charlton, S. Sunnaby, G. Schram, J. Ruddick. Ward 2, R. C. Middlemiss, R. Hall, J. Pitcher, U. Culmore, A. Steamer, A. Harley, A. Scruton. Ward 3, J. J. Inglis, R. Waddington, W. N. Andrews, W. S. Brewster, W. M. Charlton. Ward 4, C. H. Carman, S. R. Stewart, J. W. Blackney, W. J. Boldy, F. Corey, A. L. Baird. Ward 5, G. Bickles, W. Almas, E. Dyer, J. C. Watt, J. Newham, J. A. Leichan, D. Waterous.

Chatham—Mayor W. E. McKeough was re-elected here by acclamation to-day, for a second term. Water commissioners, Messrs. Bray and Sheldon, were re-elected by acclamation; twenty-five men nominated as aldermen.

Guelph—Mayor, J. H. Hamilton and ex-Ald. John Newstead nominated for Mayor. For aldermen—Ald. Croue, Ald. Barker, Geo. Hastings, J. E. Day, Jas. Hewer, Robt. Dowrie, Ald. Stull, C. L. Dunbar, G. L. Higgins, Ald. Barber, Andrew Crosbie, G. B. Ryan, W. D. Williamson, Ald. Scott, Lincoln Goldie, J. C. Leary Stewart, J. W. Lions, B. Petrie, Ald. Newstead, Jno. Kennedy, Ald. Struthers, Robt. Barber, Ald. Mahoney, Geo. Penfold, Edward Palmer, R. E. Nelson, Ald. Carter, W. Jackson, George Howard, Geo. Bond, Adam Linton, John E. McEldrick, John Crowe, C. E. Howitt, R. L. Torrance, Wm. Russell, R. C. Kennedy, Jno. Hilscoett, Ald. Malone.

St. Mary's—Mayor, R. S. Graham, by acclamation.

Walkerville—Mayor, J. E. Dobie, acclamation.

Simcoe—Mayor, Charles A. Austin and Robert E. Gunton.

Dresden—Mayor, Asa Ribble, I. B. Webster, Elie Haplett, R. P. Wright.

Niagara—Mayor, Wm. Miller, acclamation.

Collingwood—Mayor, W. A. Hogg, James Guilfoe.

Listowel—Mayor, F. W. Hay, acclamation.

Thorold—Wm. Monroe, acclamation.

Owen Sound—Mayor, W. Agger, acclamation.

Barrie—Mayor, Boyce, acclamation.

Meaford—Mayor, J. D. Hamlin, Chas. Watt, Robert Agnew.

Napanee—Mayor, M. S. Madole, G. F. Rutten.

Welland—Mayor, J. Best, acclamation.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY AT SARNIA

NIGHT WATCHMAN KILLS HIS WIFE, THEN TURNS THE REVOLVER ON HIMSELF.

Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 29.—Yesterday morning the citizens of Sarnia were shocked to learn of a double tragedy which was enacted by Joseph Boyd, a night watchman at Tunnel station. Two pistol reports alarmed the neighborhood, and upon investigating, Mrs. Boyd was found dead in the kitchen with a towel in her hand, and Boyd was in the front room with a revolver by his side. The family were in comfortable circumstances and the nice home, which is now the scene of murder and suicide, was built only two years ago. Boyd was 45 years of age, and leaves a family of five children, three of whom are quite small. Three of Boyd's brothers live in London. No cause for the act can be assigned, but the doctors say Boyd's mind had become affected owing to severe exposure to the cold weather in the tunnel.

HAS REACHED STUART LAKE.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 29.—Mr. A. S. Going, C.E., the Victoria engineer and explorer engaged in the Grand Trunk Pacific reconnaissance work, for whose safety considerable alarm has been expressed, has reached Stuart Lake, in Northern British Columbia. No further news of Mr. Going's party than that of their arrival at this point is chronicled.

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HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

Cornwall, Dec. 29.—Miss Sarah Smith, who resides on York street, had a very narrow escape from death last evening. Her house having taken fire from an overheated stove pipe, she attempted to get to the upper story to save some valuable articles, and was overcome with smoke. Not returning, her neighbor, Mr. Palmer, went to see why, and he was overcome. Then a third person was with great difficulty that they were taken out of the burning building. After several hours' work by the physi-

cians, Miss Smith was partially restored to consciousness. Mr. Palmer was not so bad, but both are in a critical condition. The fire brigade was promptly on hand and saved the building. The thermometer was 12 below zero.

NEARLY ASPHYXIATED

A PORTLAND WOMAN TURNED ON THE GAS AT ST. LAWRENCE HALL.

About four o'clock yesterday afternoon, the attention of the management of the St. Lawrence Hall was called by a messenger boy to one of the rooms, whence issued a strong smell of gas. The boy, who had smelt the gas as he was passing through, answered a call, had traced it to a locked door. He broke open the door, and found a woman lying prostrate on the floor, and the gas jet turned full on. When the manager, Mr. Brown, arrived, he found that the woman was still alive, and sent for doctors, and for the ambulance from the General Hospital, where the woman was conveyed in a very weak state.

Two days before she had registered herself at the Hall in the name of 'Mrs. Marchand, Portland, Me.' and it appears that she came to Montreal in search of her husband. She found him, but it is alleged, only to learn that he had another wife living when he married her, and she even met the first wife. It was after the interview that she returned to the hotel, and a tragedy was narrowly averted.

Enquiry at the hospital to-day elicits the information that Mrs. Marchand is progressing favorably towards recovery.

CHARGED WITH THEFT.

George Nesbitt, of Dorchester street, and Frank Skelton, of Dorion street, were arrested yesterday afternoon by Constables Sanguinet and Martin on the charge of stealing copper wire from the Bell Telephone Company's poles on the wharf. They pleaded not guilty and were remanded.

DEATH SENTENCE.

New York, Dec. 29.—Frank H. Burness, self-confessed murderer in the first degree for having on Nov. 10 shot and killed Capt. George B. Townsend in the cabin of the schooner 'Charles K. Buckley,' in Brooklyn, because the latter refused to pay him money the prisoner alleged to be due him, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Crane in the County Court to die in the electric chair in Sing Sing some time in the week beginning Feb. 8.

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