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DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

House to Hereafter Reserve Wednesday Evenings—The Preston Case---Mr. Hyman's Resignation --- Vacant Judgeship in British Columbia.

NIAGARA FALLS POWER---TRADE THROUGH CANADIAN PORTS—IMMIGRATION—CO-OPERATIVE BANKS AND INDUSTRIAL SOCIETIES—MASTERS AND MATES —MR. MACLEAN'S TWO-CENT RAILWAY FARE BILL.

..., Dec. 6.—Private members' day ... Commons led as usual, ... session of a somewhat miscel... of fare and an early ad... In accordance with the new ... adopted last session, the House ... sit on Wednesday evenings, ...day's proceedings were con... shortly after five o'clock. Mr. ... W. Fowler, of King's N.B., who ... considerably in the public eye ... was seen in his seat for the ... time this session.

PRESTON CASE.

Mr. Uriah Wilson, Conservative, of ... Addington, moved for a copy of ... evidence which was taken at ... investigation, promised by the Min... of the Interior last session, into ... subject of Mr. W. T. R. Preston, ... Commissioner of immigration in ... land, together with particulars of ... government position that Mr. Pres... now occupies, his duties, salary and ... ances. From what had transpired ... the parliamentary inquiry last sum... Mr. Wilson did not consider that Mr. Preston deserved much at the ... ds of the country. Why, then, had ... been advanced to the office he now ... as Canadian commercial commis... in the Far East?

The Minister of the Interior promised ... all papers bearing on this matter ... be submitted to the House. The ... promised investigation had been held, ... as the report was verbal, he was ... able to bring it down.

THE HYMAN RESIGNATION.

The leader of the Opposiiton renewed ... question as to whether any further ... mation was available regarding the ... Hon. Mr. Hyman's resignation of his ... Cabinet portfolio and his seat in the ... House of Commons.

Mr. Speaker answered that he had ... further word from Mr. Hyman.

The Prime Minister answered that so ... as Mr. Hyman's resignation from ... Cabinet was concerned he had writ... to Mr. Hyman asking him to recon... ... the same, but had not yet heard ... him in response thereto.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S VACANT JUDGESHIP.

Before the orders of the day were ... the Minister of Justice desired ... the House a statement in re... to the recent declaration of Mr. ... Pope, ex-M.P., that the vacant ... ship on the Supreme Court Bench ... British Columbia was for sale. It ... most undesirable, Mr. Aylesworth ... marked, that an assertion of this kind, ... calculated to prejudice our courts in ... public esteem of the country should ... allowed to go uncontradicted.

At this point the Speaker, at the re... of the Opposition, called atten... to the amended rule of the House ... which Mr. Aylesworth would have ... move the adjournment of the ... to discuss any matter.

Mr. Aylesworth replied that it was ... his intention to enter on any dis... He only wanted to state the ... The Minister of Justice, how... did not press the matter further, ... no doubt make his statement ... later stage.

NEGLIGABLE POWER AT NIAGARA FALLS.

... to Mr. E. A. Lancaster, Mr. ... said that it was impossible ac... to measure the quantities of ... flowing over Niagara Falls on the ... and American sides respective... The International Waterways Com... had taken no special evidence as ... proportions of water but had ... United States army report of ... the government was quite aware ... accurate determination of this ... of the highest possible im...

TRADE OF CANADIAN PORTS.

... of St. John, was informed ... there were imported from ... Kingdom to Canada, through ... States ports, goods to the value ... 8; imported from the United ... Canada direct, $49,275,031; in ... United States ports, $12,... $18,139,488; in 1906, ... States ports, $13,283,... $56,033,722.

IMMIGRATION OF THE SEASON.

The Hon. Mr. Oliver informed Mr. ... that 101,066 immigrants arrived ... from transatlantic countries ... immigration season just closed, ... from United States ports. Of ... had been destined to Que... the eastern provinces, 37,188 ..., 26,394 to Manitoba, 17,581 to Saskatchewan, 17,157 to Alberta, 12,541 to British Columbia, 16 to the Yukon. As to the location of immigrants in Ontario, the government was calling attention in its immigration literature to the demand for farm laborers and domestic servants in that province.

CO-OPERATION BANKS AND INDUSTRIAL SOCIETIES.

Mr. F. D. Monk, of Jacques Cartier, secured the second reading of his bill to provide the machinery for the organization of industrial and co-operation societies for carrying on any industries, businesses or trades, except life or fire insurance, whether wholesale or retail, including dealings in land and the business of banking under certain limitations.

It is provided that societies that go into banking must establish a suitable reserve and bind themselves to neither accept deposits from or advance money to other than its own members. The operations of any co-operative banking must be restricted to the electoral district within which it is organized. Mr. Monk referred to the remarkable success that had attended the work of these co-operative societies in other parts of the world.

The Finance Minister quite agreed that the success of co-operation was beyond dispute. The provincial legislatures could give all the powers proposed in the present bill other than the right to engage in banking. Mr. Fielding did not consider that there was the same necessity for co-operative banks in Canada as elsewhere, because, even in our own villages we have two and three banking agencies, but possibly the kind of bank that Mr. Monk proposed would serve a purpose that the larger banks did not cover, and might be of benefit, therefore, to the poor man. It must be borne in mind, of course, that it will be the funds of the poor man that these co-operative banks will handle, but consideration by a special committee would in all probability result in the provision of the necessary safeguards.

The Minister of Labor declared that the workingmen of the country viewed with much interest and pleasure the legislation that Mr. Monk proposed, and the Department of Labor would co-operate with Mr. Monk therein. The originator of these co-operative societies in Canada, Mr. Alphonse Desjardins, had succeeded in attracting much attention to the movement, and had done a great deal to encourage thrift in the country.

Mr. Monk's bill will go to a special committee to be named later.

MASTERS AND MATES ON CANADIAN VESSELS.

The balance of the sitting was given up to a discussion on Mr. E. A. Lancaster's bill, which provides that masters and mates of all Canadian vessels must be British subjects, A similar proposal was considered last session, but never got beyond the committee stage. The debate to-day showed that there is still considerable divergence of opinion as to the necessity for legislation of this character. Mr. Lancaster's chief point was that the United States issues no certificates to masters and mates who have not become American citizens, and that many of these are taking the bread out of the mouths of our own people by the right they enjoy at present to ship on Canadian craft.

The ground was taken by several members from coast constituencies that the legislation offered by Mr. Lancaster was unnecessary, and would certainly lead to friction ith the States.

The Minister of Marine declared himself in sympathy with the principle of the bill, and on his motion it was sent to a special committee for further consideration.

Mr. W. F. Maclean's bill in favor of a two-cent passenger fare on railways and to bring telegraph companies under the control of the Railway Commission will be taken up at today's sitting.

ALIENATION OF COAL LANDS.

Mr. Herron, M.P., of Alberta, has given notice of a resolution 'That in the opinion of this House the coal lands owned by the Goveriment of Canada should only be alienated under such conditions and subject to such control and regulations as will provide for an immediate supply of coal adequate at all times to the requirements of the people, and at a reasonable price to the consumer; and that in respect of coal lands already alienated legislative provision should be made for such control and regulation, in case of emergencies, as will in the future prevent loss and suffering to the people of the western provinces, through lack of fuel supply.'

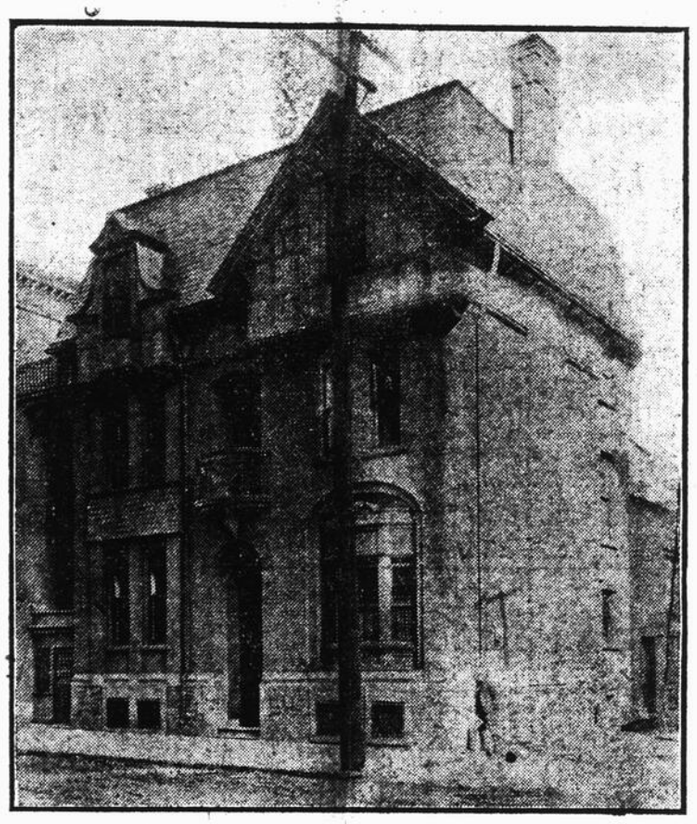
MINISTERS' MOVEMENTS

The Hon. Messrs. Gouin and Turgeon were at the government offices this morning. The Premier left for Quebec this afternoon.

ANOTHER GAMBLING CASE FIZZLES OUT.

Complainant Made an Affidavit Denying His Previous Charges.

THEN HE DISAPPEARED AND THE JUDGE TO-DAY DISMISSED THE NICHOLSON CASE.



NICHOLSON'S PLACE ON METCALFE STREET.

The now celebrated gambling charges against David Nicholson and Frank Brady reached an extraordinary climax to-day in the Enquete Court before Judge Choquet. They have both fallen to the ground owing to the fact that Oscar Lefebvre, the man who laid the complaints, has left the city and left behind him an affidavit in which he disclaims all knowledge of the character of the two houses in question, and says the prosecutions were instigated by Andy Maloney, who is himself described as a gambler, in a spirit of revenge.

The full text of this remarkable affidavit, sworn before Mr. Lafontaine, reads as follows:—

I, the undersigned, Oscar Lefebvre, commercial traveller, and now a private detective, duly sworn, say as follows:—

(1) That I made a complaint against the defendants about October 13, 1906.

(2) That I was informed by Mr. Gaston Boissonneault that the two defendants kept a gambling house, one at No. 164 St. Lawrence street and the other at No. 59 Metcalfe street.

(3) That I have inspected the two places, and I have seen nothing which could prove that these two houses were gambling houses.

(4) That the inspection was made on or before Oct. 11, 1906.

(5) That I did not say that the houses of Brady and Nicholson were gambling houses by examination or otherwise, but that all information I may have had was obtained from Mr. Gaston Boissonneault, and from Mr. Charles Bruchesi, and this on the day on which I was asked by Mr. Bruchesi to take out a warrant.

(6) I also declare that to the best of my knowledge and from what I have known from Mr. Boissonneault that these cases taken against the defendants, Brady and Nicholson, have been taken by Mr. Bruchesi at the instigation of a Mr. Andy Maloney, himself a gambler, and his client in these two cases.

I am also convinced that these cases are cases of revenge.

Sworn Dec. 4, 1906, and signed Oscar Lefebvre.

The preliminary magisterial investigation into the charge against Dave Nicholson, which was delayed so long because the accused has been away on business in the United States, was fixed for this morning.

The case of Brady has already been fixed for trial in the Court of King's Bench, though, in face of the above affidavit it, of course, cannot be proceeded with.

Directly Judge Choquet took his seat on the Bench he produced an envelope containing Lefebvre's affidavit, accompanied by a letter. In this letter Lefebvre said that as he was unaware when the case would come up against Nicholson, and as his mother was ill at home in San Francisco, he had gone to visit her. He did not know when he would return, but he left the affidavit for the judge to read.

'That is no reason why the case should be dismissed,' commented the judge. 'Nevertheless, I want to know who is going to represent Lefebvre.'

Mr. C. Bruchesi replied that he represented the man as advocate in the case.

Judge Choquet—This is a very serious case, and alleges an indictable offence. I must know if you are acting in the public interest or in the interest of a man who, in his affidavit, is charged with bringing the case as an act of revenge. Who is at the bottom of it?

Mr. Bruchesi—I am acting in the public interest, of course.

The Judge—In the public interest! But here is an affidavit in which the complainant himself says he has no interest whatever in the case, and that it is the vengeance of Andy Maloney that is at the bottom of the prosecution. I must have a bona-fide complainant in the case, but as the one in this instance has gone away, and left only this affidavit, I can do nothing, in face of that, but dismiss Nicholson, the defendant before me.

The judge added that if anyone was in earnest in the prosecution—and Mr. Bruchesi seemed as interested as a complaintiff could be himself, the whole circumstances of the case should be laid before a judge, and if they justified the charge that had been made in this instance, the police would be instructed to undertake the prosecution themselves.

SNOW OR SLEET

When birds to sunland southward wing,
And chilly winds begin to blow,
The babies that were born in spring
Think all delights are ended so;
But Jack Frost laughs aloud, 'Ho! ho!
There's joy ahead they little know,
They have not seen the snow!'

Then he begins to call his sprites
From the bleak, trackless north afar,
Where each one in the frozen nights
Has made from ice a crystal star.
And Jack Frost laughs in glee, 'Ha! ha!
These shine like bits of glittering spar
What flowers fairer are?'

And from the clouds he rains them down
Upon the cheerless earth below;
So thick they cover field and town,
So fair tre brooks forget to flow.
And Jack Frest laughs, well pleased, 'Ho! ho!
Could summer whiter blossoms blow?
What think you of my snow?'
—Arlo Bates, in 'St. Nicholas.'

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 6, 11 a.m.—The following are the maximum and minimum temperatures:— Parry Sound, 20, 10; Toronto, 32, 32; Ottawa, 14, 10; Montreal, 18, 12; St. John, 28, 4; Halifax, 24, 12.

High easterly winds with snow or sleet, Friday, high north-westerly winds and colder again.

The western disturbance has now developed into a severe storm now centred in south-western Ontario. Snow is falling in northern and eastern and rain in southern Ontario. Extreme cold weather prevails in Manitoba and the West.

New York, Dec. 6.—The local weather bureau has received the following special from Washington: South-west storm warnings 10.45 a.m. from Washington, North Carolina to New York. Storm central in lower lake region moving rapidly eastward. High south-west shifting to north-west winds are for the South Atlantic coast this afternoon.

1640-2 Notre Dame street, Montreal, Dec. 6, 1906.—Readings by Hearn & Harrison's Standard Barometer at noon

Yesterday, 29.80; 11 a.m. to-day, 29.80.

Temperature—	Max.	Min.
To-day	16	12
Yesterday	18	0

MR. RYAN'S MEETING.

A meeting in the interest of Mr. Percy C. Ryan, the Liberal candidate for St. Antoine division, will be held this evening, in Raby Hall, corner of St. James and Fulford streets. The speakers will include Messrs. L. A. Rivet, M.P.; J. C. Walsh, M.P.; G. W. Stephens, M.P.P., and A. Geoffrion, K.C.

THE SENATE

Senator David Invites Debate on Strikes and Utilizing of Militia

LIFE-SAVING STATIONS — NEW BRUNSWICK SENATORIAL VACANCIES—THE KING'S COLONIALS.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—In the Senate this afternoon, Senator Young gave notice of the committee on private bills that the time for the receiving of petitions, private bills and committee reports would be extended from December to February.



Senator David.

Senator David gave notice of a motion for papers relating to strikes and the calling out of the militia. He also asked for the Buckingham strike correspondence. He invited the senators to participate in a debate upon labor troubles, and declared he would offer an amendment to the existing law. He was opposed to municipalities being compelled to bear the cost of militia when it was ordered out for strike duty.

Senator Ferguson asked about the plans of the government for establishing life-saving stations and navigation warnings on Vancouver and Prince Edward Islands. He was led to the enquiry by the loss of the 'Valencia' on a Vancouver Island, with the loss of many lives, and the wreck of a Norwegian barque on Prince Edward Island, near East Point.

In the latter case, red-tapeism of the worst sort had cost men's lives. The vessel was ashore with men in peril on her decks, and in view of persons on the shore. It was found impossible to move the government officials to send aid, so tied were they by rules. When a private lifeboat was obtained the officials of the government railway refused to forward it by special train until sixty dollars was put up. The men were drowning in the meantime. The money for the train was supplied by a private citizen. While the officials of the government were doing nothing toward the rescue of the men, two young men, Austin Grady and William Campbell, put out in a dory, at the peril of their lives, and took three men off the wreck. The deed was a gallant one.

The Hon. Mr. Scott said the failure of the government officials had been most reprehensible. It would have to be looked into. He read a statement of the lights and lifeboats it was proposed to place on Vancouver Island, and added that it was planned to establish life-saving stations on Prince Edward Island.

Senator Sullivan thought there should be an inquiry into the whole question of coastguards, including those of the lakes.

Senator Ellis said there had recently been a shocking wreck on the north shore of New Brunswick. For three or four days men were exposed on a stranded vessel near the shore, but beyond aid, owing to the absence of life-saving appliance. They all perished. Soon after this there had been a Norwegian barque cast ashore in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, near a lighthouse, and every man perished. Senator Ellis thought the time had arrived when there should be life-saving stations all along Canada's coasts, where there was water-borne commerce. The Canadian coast was now well lighted, and saving stations should be the next step. Economy may have been a good reason why these stations were not established in the past. Now, however, the revenue of the country was so abundant the government hardly knew how to spend it. Senator Ellis hoped the Secretary of State would impress upon his colleagues the need of using some money for life-saving stations.

After some further talk, the matter dropped.

Senator Poirier asked a question in reference to the senatorial vacancies from New Brunswick, and offered to furnish good Conservatives who would accept the places. The Hon. Mr. Scott said the matter was engaging the attention of the government, and he hoped the places would be filled within a reasonable time. Senator Landry wanted to know if there had been a Solicitor-General appointed. Mr. Scott said that he had not heard of one.

Senator Domville moved for the papers respecting the King's Colonials. This was a regiment in Great Britain which aimed at the establishment of volunteer branch corps in all parts of the Empire, so that in time of peril there would be volunteers without waiting for the various colonial administrations to take action. The Prince of Wales was the colonel of the regiment. Senator Domville said he had written to the Prince of Wales suggesting that the name of the regiment should be changed to the King's Legion. He was confident that volunteers would be enrolled all over the world where there were British possesions. The organization threw no expense on colonial governments. Canada should establish branches of the regiments.

The bill to confirm the Japanese treaty was given a third reading. It consists of only two lines with the treaty attached as a schedule.

STILL DISCUSSING.

Another private meeting was held this morning at the Windsor Hotel between representatives of the Dominion Coal and the Iron & Steel companies. The gentlemen present at the confernce when interviewed this afternoon said that negotiations for a settlement of the difficulties betfween the two corporaions were progressing very favorably.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

King Menelik's reply to Britain, France and Germany regarding the arrangements for the Ethiopian Railway, while securing the integrity of the Abyssinian Empire, guarantees also the open door and commercial equality within for all countries.

Some English newspapers are announcing that Japan and Russia are again preparing for war, but these stories are characterized at the Russian War Office as 'complete inventions.'

At a meeting in the Second Baptist Church, of Rochester, N.Y., yesterday, Mr. Clinton N. Howard, president of the Prohibition Union of Christian Men publicly charged two women, a saloonkeeper, a lawyer, and an alderman with a shocking conspiracy to ruin his reputation, and declared further that the Rev. David M. Kirkpatrick, who had been forced to flee from the city nine years ago, was an innocent man, and merely a victim to a conspiracy similar to the one he (Mr. Howard) had just escaped. Mr. Howard says he learned of the conspiracy from one of the plotters, who had been converted in the recent Chapman revival.

A Harvard student lying with typhoid fever in his home in New York, had last night a hand to hand encounter with two burglars in the middle of the night. The doctor is expecting no serious results to his patient.

The story in the morning papers that Britain is arranging with Canada for an interchange of soldiers, Sir Frederick Borden says, is chiefly a misunderstanding. The only foundation for the report is that Canada, having difficulty in getting men to fill her permanent corps, is glad to get men of the disbanded British corps who are willing to come.

The 'Emma A. Harvey,' a 300-ton schooner from Machias, Maine, went ashore in the Bay of Fundy, near Digby, on Tuesday. Captain Berry and all the men but one managed, with great exertion, to get ashore, but once ashore they had to wander for hours before they could get shelter from the storm, and before shelter was reached Captain Berry had died from the exposure.

Queen's University is to get from Mr. Carnegie the last $100,000 on the $500,000 endowment they are now trying to raise. Already $250,000 of the required $400,000 has been secured.

A party of seventy-four Salvation Army settlers arrived at St. John on the 'Champlain' yesterday.

At the Royal Horticultural Exhibit in London the gold medal for the best provincial fruit exhibit has been won by British Columbia, and individual exhibitors in that province have secured seven silver medals and three bronze.

Tramps entered the Episcopal Church in Brampton, Ont., yesterday, stole the communion wine, rifled the Sunday-school missionary boxes, and then, while the sexton went for help, broke through a window, drove away with a horse from the church shed, and disappeared.

It is rumored that Ottawa is making an effort to have the chief consuls removed there from Montreal.

A deputation of Montrealers to-day waited upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier to ask that any company or person who may acquire the power of the Beauharnois Canal shall be required to furnish this city with all the power required and at the lowest possible rate.

Henri Sansregret, the motorman of the street car that killed Mr. John Morrison on St. Lawrence street on June 24 last, was to-day convicted on a charge of manslaughter, and sentenced by Judge Piché to six months' imprisonment.

Six of the Buckingham strike rioters have been committed to stand their trial at the Court of King's Bench.

The saloon-keepers of the city are strongly opposed to an early closing by-law.

WHY THE GAS WAS POOR.

The Power Company's Explanation in Regard to Complaints.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT SAID TO HAVE BEEN NARROWLY AVERTED.

Through the prompt action of an employee of the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company in emptying a large quantity of cold water which had been let into several tubes at the gas works last night by mistake, a serious accident, it is said, was narrowly averted.

Workmen were immediately put on to repair the damage, and this they accomplished after two hours' work.

Officials of the Gas Company, when seen this morning, said that it was unfortunate that the citizens should have been compelled to suffer from the poor gas supply for several hours last night, but it was one of those accidents which was liable to occur at any time.

A large number of people called at the offices of the company to-day to complain of the poor gas supply last night, and the gas officials gave them this explanation.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

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

Annual subscribers may have announcements of births, marriages and deaths (without extended obituary or verse) occuring in their immediate families free of charge, in which case name and address of subscribers should be given.

BIRTHS.

FARWELL—At Regina, Sask., on Nov. 27, 1906, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Farwell.

MARRIED.

CLAY—HALL.—On Nov. 20, 1906, at Lucknow, India, Joseph Miles Clay, B.A., I.C.S., eldest son of the late A. Lloyd Clay, I.C.S., and of Mrs. R. Daniell-Bainbridge, of Ainderby, Yorks, to Edith Marguerite Florence (Daisy), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Hall, of Hilicote, Dulwich, and 54, Bedford-square, London, England.

ELLIS - ALDRICH — At St. George's Church, Ottawa, on Dec. 1, 1906, by the Rev. J. M. Snowdon, William Cooley Ellis to Emilie Cecilia Aldrich.

FREEMAN — PRICE — On Dec. 4, 1906, at St. Alban's Cathedral, Toronto, by the Rev. Canon Macnab, Edna Rolph, daughter of Mr. James Price, to Marcus A. Freeman, of Newark, N.J., U.S.

PARMETER—RICHARDSON. — On Nov. 16, 1906, at St. Everilda's Church, Poppleton, by the Vicar, the Rev. J. Williams, M.A., Alfred Phillips Parmeter, son of Francis Parmeter, of Middle Lees, Clitheroe, Lancs, to Mabel, daughter of Richard Richardson, of Poppleton Hall, York, England.

DIED.

PERKELEY— At 'The Almners,' Chertsey, Surrey, England, on Dec. 3, 1906, Major-General Frederick George Berkeley, formerly of the 47th (Loyal North Lancashire) Regiment.

EDWARDS — At the Methodist parsonage, Mount Albert, Ont., on Dec. 4, 1906, Elizabeth Lathorn, beloved wife of the Rev. Thos. Edwards.

FOWLER — At 289 Bell street, Ottawa, on Dec. 5, 1906, Betsy Ann Gosling, beloved wife of Frederick Fowler, aged 58 years.

HOOD — At Milliken's Corners, Ont., on Dec. 4, 1906, Thomas Hood, in his 54th year.

JOHNSON.—At the residence of her son-in-law, F. J. Ramsey, Esq., Dunnville, Ont., on Dec. 3, 1906, Matilda Louisa, relict of the late H. T. Johnson, Esq., and youngest daughter of the late Col. Cotter.

McRAE.—At Vankleek Hill, Ont., on Nov. 16, 1906, John McRae, aged 83 years and one day.

PATCH.—Suddenly, at his late residence, 40 Belmont Park, on Dec. 4, 1906, John Sawyer Patch.
Funeral private. Please omit flowers.

SCOTT — On the 6th Oct., last, at Durban, South Africa, Isabella Wells, wife of John Scott.

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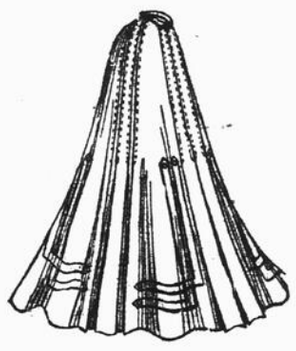
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THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 6.

RECIPROCITY IN SOLDIERS

NUMBER OF MEN OF THE ROYAL GARRISON ARTILLERY TO FOLLOW THE MANCHESTERS TO CANADA.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 6.—The Canadian Associated Press understands that a number of men of the Royal Garrison Artillery will follow the Manchesters to Canada early in the spring.

Regarding the latter regiment, imperial reciprocity in soldiers promises to be one of the results of Mr. Haldane's recent disbandment of some battalions of the British army, in the furtherance of the general programme of economy. The new movement will be initiated by one hundred and fifty men, who lately disbanded from the Third Battalion of the Manchester Regiment, who in January will proceed to Canada and join the Dominion's forces. The men, their wives and their families will all be taken over at the cost of the Canadian Government, and it is understood that contingents of the garrison artillery, which shortly will be disbanded, will follow suit. The War Office authorities are hopeful that the movement will develop, and that later a system of exchange will be arranged by which Canadian troops can be sent to England, and British troops sent to Canada, with the object of more closely welding the services into an imperial

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Sir Frederick Borden's attention was called yesterday to a despatch from England, speaking of the proposed system of exchange by which Canadian troops can be sent to England, and British troops sent to Canada, with the object of more closely welding the services into an Imperial force. The Minister of Militia replied that the report was based, at least in part, upon a misapprehension. What had actually occurred was that at the time when the War Office was recently reducing the strength of the Imperial army, one of the Canadian headquarters staff, who was then in London, suggested that Canada would be glad to have a number of these men for the permanent corps. As the men were quite willing to accept military employment under the Dominion Government, arrangements were readily made by which a number of them are now being brought to this country. We have had great difficulty,' added Sir Frederick, 'in securing the men we need for the permanent corps, and will welcome them that are coming to us from England. The statement about a system of exchange by which Canadians will be sent to England is, however, entirely premature.

SONS OF ENGLAND.

Following is the full list of officers elected last evening by Britannia Lodge, S.O.E.B.S., at their annual meeting: Past president, W. J. Grafton; president, F. Higginbottom; vice-president, H. A. Barter; chaplain, H. Kenwood; secretary, J. G. Gill, 1212 St. James street; treasurer, W. Roberts; first guide, H. Hall; second guide, A. Bailey; third guide, F. Mc-Combie; fourth guide, F. Mc-; fifth guide, J. Gaskell; sixth guide, A. Walker; seventh guide, A. Smith; outside guard, A. Hines; inside guard, Robert Tatley; auditors, S. Gray, J. Hall and W. Saunders; trustees, R. Hall, W. Knox, R. Lemesurier; representative on district council, D. Davis, A. Robinson, and D. Baldwin.

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DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE.

The Daughters of the Empire held their fortnightly meeting in Empire Hall on Tuesday morning, the president, Mrs. Duncan McCormick, presiding. Eleven new members were received into the society. Those interested in the 'Soldiers' cot fund' will be pleased to know that six hundred and fifty dollars was the sum netted at the recent military fair, held in the Victoria Rifles' armory under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire. The society hopes in the near future to realize the sum required, two thousand dollars, to endow the cot.

THE ROSENTHAL RECITAL.

The following tribute was paid Moritz Rosenthal, the Austrian pianist, the other day by one of the most experienced of American critics, Mr. Leonard Liebling, who said: 'This is the keynote of Rosenthal's personality as man and artist: He is masculine, through and through, and it is this splendid virility which has always effectually prevented him from making the slightest appeal to that portion of the public which mistakes slobbering for sentiment, egotism for inspiration, and exaggeration for emotion.' Rosenthal's Montreal concert will take place in the Stanley Hall next Monday night.

A CIVIC RESIGNATION.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—D. D. England, City Park Board superintendent, who was charged with graft, resigned his position to-day.

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Ladies' White Satin 1 Strap Slippers, regular $3.75, $4.50, for $2.85.

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Men's Waterproof Boots, regular $4.00 for $3.00.

Men's Patent Kid Boots, regular $6.00 for $5.00.

Men's Patent Boots, regular $6.50, for $5.00.

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Special Tables, $1.00, $2.00, $3.00 and $5.00, consisting of Plates, Vases, Ornaments, Cups and Saucers, Chocolate Jugs, Muffin Dishes, etc.; splendid values; any of these would make a nice Christmas Gift.

4 Special Tables of goods at 10 percent to 20 percent discount.

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Special Tables of Rich Cut Glass at liberal discounts.

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Children's Shovels, Steel, with D shaped Wood Handles, regular price 25c, for 15c.

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Putz Red Liquid Metal Polish, regular 25c, for 15c.

Smoky City Cleaner, for cleaning wall paper, calcimine and fresco, directions on every tin. To introduce, 20c per tin.

Best quality White Enamel Paint for baths, hot water cans, furniture, wicker bedsteads, etc.; can be washed without injury; every tin guaranteed; regular 25c size for 15c; regular 50c, for 30c.

A few high grade Refrigerators; satisfaction guaranteed, less 25 percent.

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White Lined Saucepans, imported, enamel on seamless steel, with tin covers, guaranteed; 3 imperial pint size, 25c; 4 pint size, 30c; 5 pint size, 35c, and 6 pint size, 40c.

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20 percent discount off our large stock of Ladies' Bags, Purses, Card and Ticket Cases, Men's Wallets, Card and Ticket Cases, Commercial Travellers' Pass Books, etc.

Toilet Sets, with ebony furnishing and silver mountings, Jewel Cases, Tourist Cases.

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A late shipment of Christmas Opera Bags has just arrived with all the latest styles, including the Plaids, at a Special discount of 10 percent.

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Children of the Bible Series, beautifully illustrated, bound in white vellum, illuminated sides, a very dainty book for the child; regular price, 30c, for 19c.

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Assorted Chocolate, 40c per lb., for 25c.

Assorted Cocoa Cream Bon Bons, regular, 30c per lb., for 25c.

Assorted Fruit Drops, regular 30c for 20c.

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Toasted M. M. Muffins, for 15c per box.

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In the Lecture Hall of the
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY

The third of the series of Monthly Lectures will be delivered by Rev. Dr. BARCLAY, in St. Andrew's Home, on FRIDAY EVENING, 7th December, 1906, at 8.15 o'clock.

Subject: 'Literature—its Power and the Test of its Worth.'

The members and their friends are cordially invited to be present.

W. C. McALLISTER,
Hon. Secretary.

DOMINION ALLIANCE.

A Meeting of the Executive of the Alliance has been called for FRIDAY, at 8 p.m. at the Bible House.

The Early Closing Movement, with other important business, will be taken into consideration.

A full attendance of the members of the Executive is earnestly requested.

G. G. HUXTABLE,
Secretary.

At ACADEMY
To-morrow Afternoon 4.30
The Third Symphony Concert
Soloist—Miss EVA CAUTHIER,
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25c to $1.25.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8.

THE MEMBERS OF THE GUILD OF ST. ANNE,
Church of St. John the Evangelist,
will hold their ANNUAL TEA AND SALE OF FANCY WORK in the Parish Room,
On SATURDAY, 8th December Next
From 2.30 to 9.30 P.M.
ADMISSION .. .. 10 CENTS.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.

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MONDAY NEXT, 8.30
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FUTURE MEETINGS.

THE LITERARY STUDY OF THE BIBLE.

Prof. R. G. MOULTON, of the University of Chicago, will deliver a series of Lectures on the Literary Study of the Bible, for the benefit of Students, Sunday School Teachers, Christian Workers and others as follows:

THE LITERARY STUDY OF THE BIBLE AS DISTINCT FROM THEOLOGY AND CRITICISM.
Friday, Dec. 7th, at 8 p.m., in the David Morrice Hall, Presbyterian College, 67 McTavish street.

DEUTERONOMY, THE FAREWELL ORATIONS OF MOSES.
Saturday, Dec. 8th, at 8 p.m., in the David Morrice Hall.

THE BIBLE AS A STORY BOOK.
Saturday, Dec. 8th, at 8 p.m., in the David Morrice Hall.

THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES. Is Life Worth Living?
Sunday, Dec. 9th, at 3 p.m., in Strathcona Hall, McGill Y.M.C.A.

THE BOOK OF JOB.
Sunday, Dec. 9th, at 7 p.m., in Crescent Street Presbyterian Church.

THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH.
Monday, Dec. 10th, at 4 p.m., in the David Morrice Hall.

ST. JOHN'S REVELATION, A LITERARY INTERPRETATION.
Monday, Dec. 10th, at 8 p.m., in Knox Church.

The public are invited to all these Lectures.

MAILS FOR GREAT BRITAIN, EUROPE, Etc.
CLOSE AT MONTREAL.

Dec.			
11	9.30	a.m.	Celtic, White Star.
*11	6.00	p.m.	Supplementary.
12	9.30	a.m.	K. Aug. Victoria, Hamb-Amer.
*12	6.00	p.m.	Supplementary.
14	9.30	a.m.	Etruria, Cunard.
*14	6.00	p.m.	Supplementary.
**14	10.30	a.m.	Empress of Britain, Canadian Pacific.
18	9.30	a.m.	Baltic, White Star.
21	9.30	a.m.	Lucania, Cunard.
*21	6.00	p.m.	Supplementary.
**21	10.30	a.m.	Ionian, Allan.
25	9.30	a.m.	Majestic, White Star.
*25	6.00	p.m.	Supplementary.
28	9.30	a.m.	Umbria, Cunard Line.
*28	6.00	p.m.	Supplementary.
**28	10.30	a.m.	Empress of Ireland, Can. Pacific.

*Letters may be posted up to 6.00 p.m.—Other matter should be posted before 5 p.m. Registered before 5.30 p.m.
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BUCKINGHAM STRIKE

Six Rioters Committed for Trial.

CHARGES AGAINST MESSRS. ALEX. MACLAREN, DETECTIVES AND CORONER ADJOURNED FOR A WEEK.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.— Hilaire Charrette, Adelard Hamelin, J. B. Clement, Louis Landry, George Robinson Croteaux and Colbert Bastien six of ,the Buckingham strikers must face a jury at the next Court of King's Bench on charges of rioting and manslaughter as a result of the parts which they played in the fatal fight with the police on Oct. 8. They were formally committed to-day by Judge Choquet, of Montreal, who held court at Hull, and each was compelled to produce bail to the extent of $1,200 before he was given his liberty.

The charges against Mr. Alex. Maclaren, the brothers Cummings, and Detectives Thompson, Delorme, McManus, Picard, Liatt and Engrem, were adjourned for another week. Coroner Rodrigue's case was also shelved until Dec. 12.

When the charges against Mr. Alexander Maclaren and the police were called, the nine defendants pleaded not guilty. Owing to Judge Choquet and Mr. Aylen, counsel for the accused, being too ill to go on with the cases they were adjourned by the former for a week, after warning all the witnesses to be on hand. The witnesses for the defence include Messrs. F. Gorman, J. Pilon, J. Murphy and Smith, and the Misses Beaudry, Nevenny and Smith The bail for Mr. Maclaren and the police was renewed and Mr. Aylen intimated at the close that he might have considerable new testimony to produce.

Dr. Alex. Rodrigue was the next to answer the call. He is charged with neglecting his duty as a justice of the peace in not reading the Riot Act prior to the battle. He also requested a postponement on account of the absence of Mr. Charles Wilson, his lawyer. Judge Choquet had no objection, and Dr. Rodrigue's preliminary hearing will also be disposed of on Wednesday next. His was also a plea of not guilty.

'LAKE CHAMPLAIN'S PASSENGERS'

SEVENTY-FOUR SALVATION ARMY SETTLERS ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 6.—The steamer 'Lake Champlain,' with 264 passengers, including 74 Salvation Army settlers, arrived in port yesterday.. Most of the members of the Salvation Army party will settle in Ontario, but some few will go as far west as Vancouver. They are fine, sturdy-looking people, of good physique, and will undoubtedly make desirable settlers.

A party of five British school teachers, three gentlemen and two ladies, also arrived. They are part of the British teachers brought to Canada to study the Canadian school system.

CANADIAN CABLES

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 5.—The 'Financial News' has a long editorial on the tremendous future of Canada. It says the time will come when the Dominion must take her share of the burden of defence, and asks if it is too much to hope that the Mother Country and the oldest colony will draw closer together the ties of mutual self-interest before that time arrives.

London, Dec. 5.—Professor Hewins writes to the 'Standard' refuting the statements that British exports to Canada had not increased since the preference was granted.

London, Dec. 5.—Lord Hindlip, lecturing on British East Africa, thought the country would never compete in cereals with Canada, although there would always be a considerable local market.

GREAT DISTRESS IN HER THROAT

Not an uncommon experience was that of Mrs. H. S. Wilmot, of Shuler, N.S. Doctors failed, still a quick cure was found in 'Catarrhozone.' Notice this statement: 'I have been a most dreadful sufferer from bronchial trouble and catarrh. On damp days I would hawk and suffer great distress in my throat. I used all kinds of medicines, but didn't get permanent relief till I used Catarrhozone. It has strengthened my throat, cured my cough, and made me entirely well.' Refuse substitutes for the one reliable bronchial and throat cure. All dealers sell 'Catarrhozone' in 25c and $1.00 sizes.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

BASKETBALL GAMES

Britts Defeated Maples in Large Score for Senior Honors

Owing to the excellence of their combination and more accurate throwing the Britts outclassed the Maples last night by the score of 51 to 31. The game was fast from the outset, and resulted in a hurricane finish. Keen but gentlemanly rivalry prevailed. McCuaig was perhaps the star of the Britts, while Stewart figured prominently in the play for the Maples.

The teams and officials were as follows:
Britts—Watson and Finnie, home; Grovard, centre; J. and P. McCuaig, defence.
Maples—Simpson and Armstrong, home; Degan, centre; Stewart and Shaw, defence.
Referee, H. Matthews; umpires, E. Budge and Broadbury.

ROVERS THE VICTORS.

The Rovers almost doubled the score on their opponents, the Thistles, in the basketball match at the M.A.A.A. last evening. Each team was a man shy, and this disorganized the whole combination. Davison, of the Rovers, and Gomery, of the Thistles, played a very strong game.

The teams lined up as follows:
Rovers—Davison and Weber, home; Kay and Molloy, defence.
Thistles—Gomery and Wood, home; Patterson and Swift, defence.

STARS DEFEAT THISTLES.

The intermediate game played in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium last evening proved an easy victory for the Stars by a score of 56 to 21 points, more than a double score. The line-up of the teams follows:
Stars — Mann and Armstrong, home; Amour, centre; Hadley and Canerian, defence.
Thistles—Goodfellow and Hutchin, home; Goodfellow, centre; Smith and Tidstone, defence.

ARENA GRANTS INCREASE

According to the new contract between the Arena authorities and the local hockey clubs, the changes this season are in effect that the proportion of gate receipts will be divided 40 percent and 60 percent between clubs and Arena, the same division to be made for Stanley cup games. This is an increase of 6 2-3 percent to the clubs. On the other hand, the clubs have to guarantee a larger amount as a minimum, this being increased to $300. For instance, if the gate is less than $500, $400 possibly, the Arena will take $300 and the club will have $100 as its share. If the total receipts reach $500 the proportionate division will, of course, be $300 to the Arena and $200 to the club.

Another new clause in the contract covers an arrangement by which clubs may secure bonuses upon the gross earnings. If a club plays to a gross of $10,000 during the season, a bonus of $500 altogether apart from the usual division will be paid. This amount of bonus increases at such rate that if a total of $15,000 is reached, the bonus will amount to $1,000.

Other clauses of the contracts call for a fine of $25 for tardy arrival and delay in starting a match; this fine, of course, going to the league.

A club which defaults a date is liable to a penalty of $100, to be paid to the Arena Company for the purpose of covering whatever expenditure in the way of expenses has been made.

If at any time there is some evidence that a club is not playing up to the high standard to be set by the Eastern Canada Amateur Hockey League, a small jury will sit in judgment upon the club. This jury —committee it is called in the contract— is to be composed of a director of the Arena Company, a member of the executive of some club in the league. These two are to select a third member; if they fail to agree the Arena will appoint a third member. Then these three persons will decide as to the fitness of the club under consideration to remain in senior company. It can then be dropped, and provision made to replace it.

RUGBY RULES UNIFIED

Tigers and Argonauts Will Agitate for Canadian Rules on Saturday.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—As a step towards securing a uniform code of rules for the whole of Canada, the Ontario Rugby Football Union will, at its annual meeting, on Saturday next, discuss the advisability of abolishing the snap-back style of play and substituting therefor the scrimmage rule as adopted by the Canadian and Quebec Unions last fall. As matters now stand, there are in all five different rules played under in Canada—the snap-back in the O. R. F. U., the Canadian and Quebec rules, the Intercollegiate, the English rules, which are played in the Maritime Provinces, and the old fifteen man game in Manitoba.

Efforts have been made for many years past to bring about a unification of the rules, but without any marked success, until last year, when the Canadian Union adopted their new code, which is practically the same as that played by the clubs in the inter-school series.

It differs but slightly from the snap-back game and it is understood that the Hamilton Tigers and the Argonauts, who have both played under the new rules this year, the Tigers in the Dominion championship matches, and the Argonauts in the game for the city championship last week, both favor a departure from the snap-back.

BASEBALL

Stahl will Captain and Manage Boston Americans

Boston, Mass., Dec. 5.—It was announced last night that President John I Taylor, of the Boston American Baseball Club, had arranged with Charles S. Stahl, of Fort Wayne, Ind., centre-fielder of the team, to be manager and captain next season. Stahl was acting-manager during part of last season.

CURLING LAST NIGHT

The first scratch match of the Heather Curling Club season was played off on one of their four sheets of ice last evening, the summary of which is as follows:

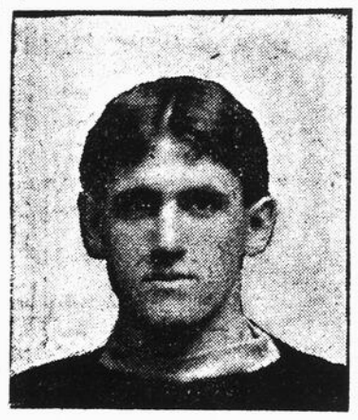
H. G. Pennett	H. Roffey
A. C. Hutchinson	Robert Simpson
W. B. Hutchinson	George W. Wood
Robert Thompson	C. W. Tofield
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BOWIE AND MARSHALL

Former Retires for Good and Latter Will Play With Wanderers.

'Jack Marshall will turn out with the Wanderers for practice to-night, and if he makes good, will figure on the team.' This interesting statement was made to a 'Witness' representative this morning by Mr. W. Jennings, the secretary of the club, who has now about completed all arrangements for his club during the season.

Coupled with this announcement comes the positive declaration from Mr. Russell Bowie to-day that he is done with hockey forever. This gives emphatic denial to the report in circulation last evening that the



RUSSELL BOWIE.
who to-day announced his retirement from hockey.

great forward and mainstay of the Victorias would figure on the Stanley Cup team before the season advanced much further.

The one outstanding defect of the Wanderers last season, if any, was their inability to score. It is stated that in this department they wish to strengthen themselves considerably. Bowie is one of the most effective scorers of any forward in the E.C.H.A., and in all departments of the game, easily ranks with Tom Philips, of Kenora, and the Smith brothers or McGee of Ottawa. As a finished stick handler he is unexcelled, and his tricks are innumerable.

A hockey authority, to whom the matter was mentioned, expressed regret that hockey people in the city were divided into so many camps. 'The Stanley cup could be retained in this city for ages,' he declared, 'if all the forces could be united, even apart from the professionals. There are entirely too many city clubs in the league, for more than one or two at most to show championship form. With all due respect to the abilities of the members of the Montreal, Victoria and Shamrock teams, perhaps only Blair Russel and Bowie would prove superior to any individual players now with the Wanderers. The presence of Bowie would ensure a forward line that could scarcely be beaten, if Gardner comes up to expectations, for Patrick makes almost an ideal rover. Blair Russell could be placed to great advantage at either wing, as he and Bowie can initiate a combination that takes spectacular play to disorganize. There can be no doubt that the Wanderers have made great efforts to capture Bowie, but he has proved obdurate. After having been identified for so long a time with the Victorias, which he captained last year, it was scarcely to be expected that he would leave his team mates.'

When spoken to to-day Mr. Bowie seemed surprised at the announcement that the Victorias would practice to-night.

The name of Russell Bowie has been one to conjure with in hockey circles. His great scoring ability, speed, tricks and capacity to stand punishment, marked him as one of the greatest forwards in Canada. Moreover, he ever displayed gentlemanly tactics in all his playing, and was everywhere respected. The announcement will be received with great regret in hockey circles generally.

Marshall will play on the Wanderers only if he can show his old-time form. Some consider his palmy hockey days at an end, while others believe that with practice he will round into shape, and make the best of them go the limit. That he has been a great player nobody will deny.

The rumor that Johnston might join Montreal is without foundation, as it has been learned on good authority, that he is signed with the Wanderers. Should his services, however, not be required, or in the event of his failure to furnish the high character of hockey required, he may return to Montreal. It is pretty generally understood that the M.A.A.A. would be glad to have Glass, and as he has not signed as yet with the Wanderers, he will probably figure on the Montreal line up. In fact it may be taken as truth that he will be with Montreal.

The M.A.A.A. hope to furnish some surprises when their line up is sent to the E.C.H.A. authorities, and are determined to keep fully up to the league standard.

HOCKEY PRACTICE TO-NIGHT

Wanderers and Victorias Open Season at Arena.

WANDERERS AND VICTORIAS OPEN SEASON AT ARENA.

The Stanley cup holders and the Victorias will turn out at the Arena to-night for the first hockey practice of the season. Among the Wanderers will be seen Hern, the new goal-keeper, Jack Marshall, Kennedy, 'Billy' Strachan, Bert Strachan, Jimmy Gardner, Johnston, Lester Patrick, Frank Patrick, Russel and others.

Mr. Blair Russel, president of the Victoria Club, stated that the line-up of his team was as yet undetermined, but there would be some interesting developments within the next few days. He could not say definitely if Bowie would be on hand, but no news had reached him that the latter would go to the Wanderers. He did not think such a step was likely. As for himself business engagements would prevent him from getting into proper trim, and he might not don a uniform. In another quarter, however, it was stated that he would in all probability get all possible practice and fill any breach liable to occur.

FIRST ACCIDENT REPORTED

Calgary, Dec. 5.—Hugh McQueen, the well-known hockey player, broke his leg last night while playing hockey at the Auditorium.

RICHMOND TEAM ORGANIZES

Richmond, Dec. 6.—The hockey season is on. The boys still have the fever and will endeavor to have a better club than ever this winter. At a meeting of the R. A. Club, held recently at the Grand Central Hotel, the following officers were elected:—President, J. D. Smith; hon. presidents, C. McIver and C. Withrow, vice-president, Dr. A. T. Lyster; sec.-treas., A. McCoo. The committee, composed of the officers and E. Percy Gomery, will make this winter a real live hockey season. A league meeting will be held at a future date, which will be announced.

WESTMOUNT GOLF CLUB.

The contemplated purchase or lease of new grounds for the laying out of links was the main project submitted to the Westmount Golf Club at their meeting last night. It was pointed out that the club's lease of the present links was almost expired and some new step would have to be made.

A site has already been noted, and found satisfactory for the laying out of an eighteen-hole course. The venue, at present a farm house, is within fifteen minutes' walk from Victoria Hall, and therefore conveniently situated, and possessing all the advantages of a country links. The total cost of the enterprise is estimated at $10,000.

The reports showed that though the club had not been so successful in matches this season, its financial position was good, there being a balance in hand. The ladies' section was in a flourishing condition and several matches against outside clubs had been won.

The winners of the various cups played for by the club members are: Yuille cup, C. B. Grier; Holden cup, J. G. Lewis, Ramsay cup, A. Morris; Pitblado cup; A. McKay; Grier trophy, J. S. Lewis.

The following officers were elected for next year:
Hon. president—G. A. Grier.
President—A. F. C. Ross.
First vice-president—H. J. B. Hamilton.
Second vice-president—C. E. Archibald.
Secretary—C. T. Hare.
Treasurer—E. Stanger.
Executive committee — Messrs. H. E. Smith, J. S. Lewis, E. W. Dawson, G. P. Butters, F. H. Wilson, A. D. Anderson.

MONTREAL MUST PAY

Cincinnati, Dec. 5.—The National Baseball Commission to-day decided in favor of the St. Louis National Club, which claimed that $750 was due them from the Montreal Club for playing Raub. The evidence in the case showed that the St. Louis Club sold Raub to Montreal last June for $750 and that the latter club had not paid over the money.

OUTFIELDER ARMBRUSTER RELEASED

Philadelphia, Dec. 5.—Manager Mack, of the Philadelphia American League baseball team, yesterday announced that he had released Harry Armbruster to the Toledo, Ohio, team. Armbruster is an outfielder.

KENORAS ARE FAVORITES

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 6.—The Kenora Thistles, challengers for the Stanley cup, are decided favorites in the Manitoba Hockey League, the first game of which will be played here on Dec. 19 between the Thistles and Strathconas.

Brandon and Portage la Prairie are each figuring on getting several Easterners, and hope to land the championship.

The Strathconas are not altogether decided on their line up, and it is possible that some announcement may be made soon which will cause surprise. Barney Holden has taken charge of the practice, and under his tutelage the team is expected to fast develop into a hard combination to beat. The Thistles are expected to play the same team against the Strathconas here as against the Stanley cup holders.

AN UNPLEASANT AFFAIR

A PASTOR CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 6.—The Rev. Mr. Charlton, pastor of the Disciples Church at Mapleton, a few miles east of this city, has been summoned to appear before County Police Magistrate Hunt on Friday, on a charge of assaulting Clinton Smith, of St. Thomas, in the basement of the church on Monday evening last.

At the close of a large tea meeting, a business load of young men and ladies drove down from St. Thomas. They arrived a little late, and were compelled to take a back seat. It is reported that some mischievous boys who were sitting behind them were guilty of misbehavior, which caused the pastor and others annoyance. After the performance, the St. Thomas people were awaiting their bus to come for them, when Mr. Charlton, it is alleged, went to them and made remarks which the St. Thomas people resented as unjustifiable. The pastor, it is understood, then struck young Smith in the face, and kicked him out. He also attacked the others, who made no resistance, saying: 'We are not here to fight.' It is supposed that Mr. Charlton thought they were responsible for the trouble. The St. Thomas young people are very indignant, and the facts will come out to-morrow.

MILITIA PAY CORPS.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The Militia Council has taken steps to organize a pay corps in connection with the Canadian militia as the nucleus of an organization that would be a very necessary factor in any force, that the Dominion ever has to equip for active service. The accountant of the Militia Department, Mr. J. W. Borden, already bears the title of Paymaster General. Major Ward, of Toronto, has been appointed assistant paymaster general, with headquarters in this city.

QUEBEC MEN ON TOUR.

Several members of the Quebec Transportation Club, recently organized, left Quebec yesterday at 1.45 p.m. by the Canadian Pacific Railway en route to Winnipeg, for their first annual trip.

HAD THIRTY-TWO BOILS AT ONE TIME

Two Bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters Cured Him.

Imperfect organic action of the blood, so, too, bad blood, is the result of imperfect action of every bodily organ. If the blood becomes impure, poisoned, contaminated in any way from constipation, biliousness or any other cause, the especially weak organ must suffer, or the whole system be diseased thereby, or the whole system must suffer in consequence.

Pimples, boils, blotches, ulcers, bad sores, abscesses, tumors, rashes, etc., are serious and perhaps incurable blood troubles may result. There is no medicine in the market to-day to equal the old and well known remedy,

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS

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DISPOSING OF A FORTUNE

THEODORE DAVIS WILL PROVIDE FOR HIS WIFE'S FATHER AND MOTHER.

Friends of Mrs. Theodore E. Davis of Beverly, Mass, whose husband is a skilled machinist in the United Shoe Machinery Company's factory there, and has suddenly come into possession of a quarter of a million dollars received from the Standard Oil Company for lands that have hitherto been regarded as valueless, reside in this city. The first act of Mr. Davis since acquiring his fortune, he says, will be to send them to their old home in Scotland, where a home in which they may end their days in the greatest comfort, will be purchased.

CONGREGATIONAL CLUB

The annual banquet of the Congregational Club will be held to-morrow evening in Emmanuel Church, commencing at 7 o'clock. The guest of the evening will be the Rev. W. T. Gunn, B.D., who was recently appointed pastor-at-large for the Congregational body. Mr. Gunn will address the gathering on 'Our Congregational Outlook.' The Rev. E. H. Tippett, president of the club, will occupy the chair.

AGRICULTURISTS TO MEET.

The general and annual meeting of the Hochelaga County Agricultural Society will be held on the 19th instant, at 2.15 p.m., in the City Hall of Montreal.

BOILER EXPLODED.

Eleven Persons Injured and Fourteen Buildings Destroyed by Fire at Lynn, Mass.

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 6.—By the explosion of a boiler in the four-story factory building of P. J. Harney & Company, shortly before seven o'clock this morning, eleven persons were injured and fourteen buildings destroyed by fire, with a total loss roughly estimated at $450,000. Of these structures, six were dwellings, one the railway station of the Boston and Maine Company, and the others mostly occupied by shoe manufacturing concerns. That no lives were lost or more people injured is attributed to the fact that the explosion occurred before the factory operatives had assembled. In the Harney factory there were not more than twenty hands inside the building when the boiler blew up at about five minutes of seven. Twenty minutes later there would have been six hundred employees at their machines. The flames spread with great rapidity, driven by a south-east gale, and swept through the district in West Lynn, in the vicinity of Allen and Charles streets. A general alarm summoned help from Boston, Salem and Saugus, and after two hours of fighting the flames were thought to be under control. The cause of the explosion was not known.

PAPAL CONSISTORY

AMONG THE APPOINTMENTS ARE THE NAMES OF SEVERAL CANADIANS.

Rome, Dec. 6.—At the secret consistory held to-day in place of the public consistory previously planned, Cardinal Samassa, Archbishop of St. Rigonia, Hungary, who was present, although still suffering from illness, received the red hat. The Pontiff preconised eighty-four bishops, including the Most Rev. James H. Blenk, as Archbishop of New Orleans; the Right Rev. L. S. Walsh, as Bishop of Portland, Maine; Mgr. John B. Morris, as Coadjutor Bishop of Little Rock, Ark.; Mgr. Giuseppe Avorsa, Papal Delegate in Cuba, as Archbishop of Sardinia; Most Rev. R. McDonald, former Bishop of Harbor Grace, Nfld., as Archbishop of Gortyna; Right Rev. J. March, as Bishop of Harbor Grace; Most Rev. E. J. McCarthy, as Archbishop of Halifax; and Right Rev. W. McDonald, Bishop of Alexandria, Canada. The most significant appointments were those of ten new French bishops, which were made without any opposition on the part of the French Government.

A PATENT CASE

New York, Dec. 6.—Judge Holt, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, handed down the decision yesterday reversing the findings of the court below sustaining the patents involved in the suit of the International Enamelling and Stamping Company and the Lalance-Grosjean Manufacturing Company, the plaintiffs against the New England Enamelling Company. The action was brought to prevent alleged infringements of the plaintiffs' patents by the defendant. Judge Wallace wrote a concurring opinion, in which he expressed himself as against the strict interpretation of patent specifications tending to grant what would practically be a monopoly of important industries.

MRS. BELL RELEASED

WAS IN PENITENTIARY TEN YEARS FOR TORTURING HER DAUGHTER'S CHILDREN.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 5.—Mrs. Cynthia Bell, of Ottawa, was released from the penitentiary this morning after serving ten years. In 1896 she and her husband were sentenced to life imprisonment for torturing the children of their daughter. Some years ago Bell was released on account of ill-health, and died shortly afterwards. Mrs. Bell is released on parole.

REAL ESTATE SALES

LARGE PROPERTIES AT ROCKFIELD AND NORTH OF CITY CHANGE HANDS.

Several important real estate sales have taken place during the past few days in the city and suburbs, including a large property at Rockfield, and the Lalonde farm, situated just north of the city limits.

Mr. William McGee has sold to the Allis-Chalmers-Bullock Company a large property situated on the Upper Lachine Road at Rockfield, with a frontage of four hundred feet and a total area of eighty-four thousand feet. The property fronts along the company's works, and the purchase is said to have been for the purpose of preparing for extensions to the company's manufacturing premises. The sale price was $21,000, which is at the rate of twenty-five cents a foot. Ten years ago the same property was sold for $10,000.

The Lalonde farm, consisting of nearly two hundred and twenty-five acres, and situated to the north of the city limits, has been sold to a syndicate, through Mr. U. H. Dandurand. The price paid was two hundred thousand dollars. This property will be subdivided into building lots.

The sale of the property owned and occupied for many years by the Montreal Dispensary, and the purchase of new premises for its use, both of which were announced some weeks ago in the 'Witness,' were confirmed by the secretary, Dr. Carmichael, yesterday afternoon. The old property at 145 St. Antoine street, has been purchased by the C.P.R. for the extension of their track space, and the new premises are situated at the north-west corner of St. Antoine and Inspector streets, not far from the present offices. The dispensary will not occupy their new building until early in the summer.

SUPERIOR COURT.

JUDGMENTS BY MR. JUSTICE LAFONTAINE.

An action of damages for alleged slander, in a case of Kent vs. Ardagh, has been dismissed by Mr. Justice Lafontaine, the Court holding that the statement complained of and admitted, was not slanderous.

In a case of Dame Spooner vs. Kearns, the plaintiff claimed $1,000 on account of a criminal assault on her minor daughter, and the Court granted her $400.

In a case of Presseau vs. the Town of Lachine, the action was dismissed. The plaintiff claimed $1,368 damages, holding the Town of Lachine responsible for the loss which he suffered in a fire that totally destroyed his house. The grounds of action were: 1. The late arrival of the fire brigade, owing to the apparatus nearest to the fire starting off in the wrong direction. 2. One of the hydrants was found frozen. 3. The nozzle of another hydrant was choked with dirt and stones, and the hydrant was idle until the nozzle was fixed. On the first point, the Court found that the mistake was due to a high wind, which prevented the alarm whistle from being clearly heard. On the second point, the Court found that the hydrant was frozen and had been like that for some days, and that the defendant was guilty of negligence on this point, but only about two minutes were wasted by the hydrant being frozen and no serious consequences followed for plaintiff on this point. On the other point, the Court found that, even if true, such accidents happen frequently and cannot be imparted to negligence. The evidence further showed that the fire took from the stovepipe in Presseau's house, which was very flimsily constructed, and that nothing could have saved the house, which was a mass of flames at the time the first alarm was given.

In a case of Noar vs. the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, which was a claim for $200 damages on account of injuries received, the action was also dismissed, the Court holding that the plaintiff was himself guilty of gross neglect and was the sufferer by his own fault. Proof established that plaintiff could have avoided any accident by showing ordinary care.

THE COAL FAMINE

MONTREAL BUSINESS MEN FEEL HUMILIATED BY OUTSIDE INTERVENTION BEING SOUGHT.

One of the aspects of the threatened coal famine in Alberta and Saskatchewan, which has aroused great indignation among Montreal business men, is what they describe as the humiliating figure cut by the government in sending a representative to chase an American labor leader, Mr. John Mitchell, from place to place, to beg of him to kindly allow the mines at Lethbridge again to return to work.

The continuation of the strike in the new provinces is due, it is said, to the interference of United States leaders, and a strong sentiment is growing in Canadian commercial and labor circles, that the time has arrived when such strike difficulties as exist in the west should be settled without the assistance of foreign advice.

Failing to reach an agreement with the striking miners, representatives from the new provinces appealed to the federal authorities to interfere in the matter, and Mr. King, the Deputy Minister of Labor, was sent to Lethbridge to try and bring about a settlement with the miners. His efforts, however, failed and after consulting with the Hon. Mr. Scott, Premier of Saskatchewan, it was decided to arrange a meeting with Mr. Mitchell at Minneapolis. On arriving at that place the Canadians were informed that Mr. Mitchell had left for Indianapolis and they immediately followed the president of the Miners' Union, in order to place the situation before him and plead for his intervention.

On 'change during the past few days prominent business men have denounced the whole proceedings as quite humiliating to Canada, presenting as it did the spectacle of the Canadian nation bowing before a United States labor leader, endeavoring to secure his services in settling a purely Canadian matter.

Mr. Charles R. Hosmer, in speaking of the incident this morning, said that it was all very well to fly the Union Jack throughout Manitoba and the new provinces, but why seek foreign interference in matters that pertain strictly to labor in this country? Mr. Hosmer expresed the opinion that the time has arrived when Canadians should settle their own internal affairs, especially within labor circles, and that it was indeed unfortunate that we should be compelled to have to look to outsiders for their advice and influence.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT EXHIBIT

AWARDED GOLD MEDAL IN LONDON—OTHER AWARDS.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 5.—A cable from London was received by the Provincial Government to-day, announcing that British Columbia had been awarded the gold medal for the provincial exhibit, and that individual provincial exhibitors had captured seven silver and three bronze medals.

LAFONTAINE CLUB.

GAVE PRIVATE DINNER TO PREMIER GOUIN.

The president and officers of the Lafontaine Club, a local Conservative organization, gave a private dinner to Premier Gouin and Mr. Honoré Gervais, M.P., last evening, both gentlemen representing St. James Division, in which the club is situated.



SANTA CLAUS HAS BEEN WONDERFULLY SUCCESSFUL IN COBALT MINES.—Never had so much money to spend.—Has kept his head through a ail.—Believes the more one has the more they should think of others.—Thinks one great need of the age is for everybody to laugh more than they do, so is planning to give OLD and YOUNG a genuine laughing treat.

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SHIPPING NEWS

LAKE CHAMPLAIN PASSENGERS.

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VESSELS IN DRY DOCK.

Quebec, Dec. 5.—The following steamers were ready to-day to go into the Levis dry dock for the winter: Gaspesien, Druid, Lord Strathcona and dredge Progress, but when all preparations had been made to open the gates, one of the chains broke and work had to be suspended at once. If the chain is repaired to-morrow another attempt will be made to open the gate and get the vessels into the dock.

CHRISTMAS TRAVEL.

There is every indication that the number of people going from Canada to Europe this Christmas will beat all previous records. The C.P.R.'s 'Christmas boat' will be the Empress of Britain, which will leave St. John on Dec. 14, with 1,200 passengers; the Tunisian, which sails from St. John to-morrow and Halifax on Saturday, is the Allan's 'Christmas boat,' and has already booked about 800 passengers; and there are numerous bookings for the Dominion line Canada, which sails from Portland on Saturday.

TO BE CHIEF SPEAKERS.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 6.—Mr. Henri Bourassa, M.P., and the Hon. G. P. Graham, of Brockville, have accepted invitations to the Queen's medical dinner on Dec. 22, and will be the chief speakers on that occasion.

JUDGE CLEMENT APPOINTED.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The vacancy in the Supreme Court of British Columbia that occurred through the removal of Mr. Justice Duff to Ottawa, has been filled by the promotion of Judge W. H. P. Clement, who for about a year past has presided over the County Court at Grand Forks, B.C. Mr. Clement formerly belonged to the Ontario bar, and is the author of a well-known work on the Canadian Constitution.

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Saturday Advertising.

ADVERTISERS will find it to their advantage, in securing proper display and classification, to send in their orders early. The 'Witness' Office is open until 6.30 p.m., and insertion will not be guaranteed on orders for Saturday received after that hour on Friday.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1906.

The ladies of Germany, after deluging the hero of Koepenick with flowers and dainties, have subscribed to pension him. We should think the annuity could be bought at Lloyds on very favorable terms, as he is nearly sixty years of age, and is in prison for four years—not among friends. Is this hero worship, extended to a criminal, the result simply of the morbid sentiment that so often reveals itself when men have become notorious through crime, or has in it something more worthy of humanity? It seems that the delight of the German people in Voigt's exploit is due to their intense dislike for police and military oppression, and their keen relish for the absurd position in which von Koepenick, as they term the pseudo aristocrat, has placed the hated bureaucratic rule of the uniform. This ground of sympathy has been greatly strengthened since the searchlight has been thrown on the past career of this life-long criminal, as it is realized that, since his first lapse in early life, he has been practically condemned to criminality by the omnipresent persecution of the police system. With his remarkable nerve and unusual executive talents he might, but for the perfection of the police system, have become a leading manufacturer and prominent and useful citizen. But his country would not let him. Wherever he attempted to earn an honest livelihood, the police found him out and bade him move on. The world has had a lesson in criminology of how not to do it. It can ask itself in the light of this career how far punishment really is a cure for crime. As by every law of statecraft, as well as of Christianity, the cure of the criminal should be the main purpose of the government in dealing with him, it seems plain that mere punishment and persecution will have to give way to a form of guardianship and training that will keep ever before the prisoner the hope of being again a good and honored citizen.

A letter from the Rev. P. W. Philpott to the Hamilton 'Herald' throws new light upon the recent provincial election there. It seems that Mr. Scott, while being the candidate of the Conservative party, was considered by the temperance workers as even more representative of the liquor interests, and as one who, if elected, would undoubtedly put forth his utmost efforts in the interests of that business. Mr. Philpott states that about a year ago the Ministerial Association sent a deputation to wait on the Hamilton Council to petition for a by-law for the reduction of liquor licenses. He says that Mr. Scott appeared at that meeting as the representative of the licensed victuallers, and 'gloried in the fact that he had an opportunity to express his views. He said that he had listened for years to the lashing of the ministers, and regretted that he had not a longer time to tell them what he thought; but Mr. Scott had time enough that evening to make it plain that he was the bitterest kind of an antagonist to the temperance sentiment and effort, and his attack on the deputation was both untair and uncalled for. He charged the ministers with not being honest and sincere in making their request, and implied that the people could not be trusted to vote on an important measure of this kind.' From Mr. Philpott's letter it is to be gathered that the Christian and temperance voters almost as a body resented Mr. Scott's candidature, and that the labor candidate largely owed his success to that fact. There is a growing temperance sentiment in Hamilton, where, unfortunately, low saloons abound.

An unlooked for though not an unmerited compliment was paid to the efficiency of our understaffed police force yesterday at the important conference between the mayors of Montreal and the surrounding municipalities, called to consider the question of petitioning the provincial government to organize a service of mounted police to patrol and protect the less populous suburban districts on the island. It was stated at the meeting that the various outlying municipalities thought the good police protection in the city was driving all the scoundrels out into the suburban districts. Messrs. Campeau and Carpenter have certainly risen to the occasion that the recent outrages of highwaymen offered them, and by calling on their men for extra duty, they have well rid the city streets of many undesirable characters. If a certain number have slipped the 'ring,' and have gone into the suburbs, the authorities concerned will have in this fact a strengthened argument in favor of a service of mounted policemen, which, it is generally conceded, is the right thing to seek for. As usual, the appeal is to government on the ground that the municipalities, or, at least, some of them, 'could not possibly' pay for the necessary service. There is a reason for this, perhaps, in the fact that the vicinity of the city makes the suburban regions more liable than purely rural parts to be infested with dangerous characters. Yet, as these municipalities derive enormous advantage, if not their very being, from this proximity, and take from the city much that belongs to it, as its natural outgrowth, they might perhaps be asked to take the bitter with the sweet. Of course, each alone could hardly be asked to maintain an efficient police; but by combination a good deal might be done. Should these municipalities join the city, as would be the simplest thing to do, the city would have to supply the police, and they would bear their share of taxation. We are not at all speaking against a provincial police patrol, but it seems like a big proposition, and one that involves difficulties. The municipalities would certainly have to be taxed for it.

Mr. C. H. Stephens, K.C., sends the 'Witness' some very interesting notes on the gas question, which we publish to-day. He calls attention to the fact that the present company was formed in answer to a demand for gas in greater quantities and at a cheaper rate than it had hitherto been supplied. Those who remember those days can well understand the cause of that demand. Gas lighting was then in an immature state of rapid evolution. The gas supplied had to have chimneys to the jets and had to have glass bells hung over them to turn the smoke into soot where it could be washed away. Mr. Stephens finds that, without equal excuse, we are again in a condition of very badly needing more and better gas. His personal experience is similar to that of most of us, that the quantity and quality now being supplied is altogether insufficient, and is often barely equal to illuminating a room sufficiently for the user to avoid coming in contact with his furniture. Mr. Stephens recounts the movement of citizens in 1847, who set up a new gas company in opposition to the existing company, and he advocates a similar movement now. There is certainly room for such a movement. Those citizens who established the new gas company fifty-nine years ago made good money in the venture, and seem to have driven the old effete company out of business. A like result would reward the institution of a new gas company to-day.

After hearing recently how immigration agents in Germany were put in jail if caught at their work, so that an underground machinery was necessary, it is pretty cool for the leading imperial organ of that country to tell us that if we will only induce the disaffected Poles to come to Canada the Prussian Government will do everything to facilitate the movement, and say, 'take them and welcome.' The Poles are largely hard working agriculturists, who would make excellent, hardy and frugal farm hands, and many of them soon develop into prosperous settlers. They cannot as a class be called the pick of Europe. Slavs have not the aptitude that the Teutonic peoples have for self-government. As long as Poland has been known her people have been turbulent. In old times it was the nobles who kept up a ferment till the whole country was parcelled out, between neighboring empires, only to become a permanent distress to each of them. Now the trouble is with a people more or less imbued with anarchic sentiment. On this continent the same restiveness shows itself, largely in disputes about priests. We have heard of a number of cases in which the people barricaded their church doors against the choice of the bishop. This is no doubt to be expected among a people that has for generations made a religion of nationalism, and which has of late been leavened with universal sedition. It would probably pass away very quickly in the fresh free air of the prairies. We should gladly accept this present from the Kaiser, though without owing him any thanks, but the implication that we are to take Poles and not Germans is quite another thing, for we want all the Germans that will come.

TRADE DISPUTES AND FAMINES.

We may be allowed to rejoice that the threatened coal famine in the North-West has been brought to an end, even though our country should have had to sue to a foreign potentate for leave to work its own coal to save its own people from dying. It was assumed by both parties that it rested with this foreign potentate whether the people of our North-West should be frozen to death or not, and it seems that in practice they who attempt the task of mediation are not mediating between a company and its miners but between a company and John Mitchell. The joint embassy sought that mighty man at Minneapolis only to find there that he had gone six hundred miles further to Indianapolis, whither they folowed him to learn the fate of their country. It is of course understood that the Canadian Deputy Minister and the Saskatchewan Premier had nothing in the world to say to Mr. Mitchell They were dealing only with the miners' committee. That committee owed allegiance to Mr. Mitchell, however, and must needs lay their negotiations before him before concluding them. They were willing on certain terms to go back to work, if the Czar ordered them to, but not unless. They therefore set off on a pilgrimage to their sovereign. The Deputy Minister and the Provincial Premier had the choice between waiting indefinitely for their return or going with them. As practical business men they naturally concluded that it was not wise at such an acute stage of the proceedings to place days and nights between them and the men with whom they were negotiating. They acted in the way business men act when determined on success. As a matter of fact the negotiations were brought to a conclusion by the Alberta Railway & Irrigation Company accepting at the last moment a draft clause proposed by Mr. Mackenzie King, the enterprising Deputy Minister, which disposed of the last outstanding point between the company and the miners. The miners received a substantial increase in wages and the operation of the mines is resumed. The case suggests the need for legislation that will in some way make it impossible for any industrial disagrement to cut off the supply of an article essential to the life of tens of thousands, and that will obviate the national humiliation of practically making terms with a foreigner. The question of how this can be done is not so easily answered. The Railway Labor Disputes Act already empowers the Department of Labor to conduct a compulsory 'investigation' into any railway dispute that threatens seriously to affect the interests of transportation, and it is a question whether, in a case like that at Lethbridge or the similarly serious situation that developed in the coal mines of Nanaimo last year, the parties affected should not at least be bound to submit their differences of compulsory arbitration. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has earned the thanks of the whole country, and deep gratitude from the region affected, for the way in which it has been at its own cost rendering life on Saskatchewan farms possible. The management have been forwarding coal from Fort William, a distance of seven hundred miles, and have supplied it to dealers, with the distinct understanding that not more than fifty cents was to be charged for distribution. One does not like to imagine what might have been had this relief not come. The good of this service is not at an end, as the Lethbridge mines will be hardly shipping out a full supply for a month yet.

U. S. DUTIES DOWN; BRITISH DUTIES UP.

Mr. Fielding when introducing his revision of the tariff said he thought, upon the whole, that the changes in the preferential schedule would be in favor of Great Britain. In general, that remains to be seen, but it would appear that the changes in the cotton duties will have just the opposite effect. In the old tariff, for instance, the general duty on colored cotton was 35 percent and the preferential duty worked out at 23 1-3 percent. In the new tariff the general schedule has been reduced to 32½ percent, which is 2½ percent in favor of foreign imports; while the preferential schedule raises the duty on British colored cottons to 25 percent; the effect of which is practically to decrease the British preference by four points and a sixth, being thirty-six percent of the whole preference. It will be seen that the difference in the old tariff was 11 2-3 percent in favor of Great Britain, while in the new it is only 7½ percent, or a net difference of 4 1-6 percent, as we have said. In white cottons, the difference is fractional. The general schedule for white remains the same, while the new preferential tariff raises the duty against Great Britain from 16 2-3 percent to 17½ percent, or 3-4 percent. In grey cottons while there is no change in the general tariff, the preferential tariff reduces the duty against British goods from 16 2-3 percent to 15 percent, or 1 2-3 percent. Therefore, if British imports were equal on each of these three classes of cottons, the effect of the changes would be to raise the duty against Britain 3 1-4 percent all round. That is not the case, however, as Britain's sales to us of colored cottons far exceed those of grey and white together. Thus, during the fiscal year of 1905, we bought from her only 562,509 yds. of grey of the value of $18,036; of white our purchases were 11,924,028 yds. of the value of $908,401; while of colored we purchased 27,077,342 yds. of the value of $2,801,754. It will be seen by these figures that the preferential reduction on greys will be insignificant, while the increase on colored goods will be considerable. Great Britain's white goods, for instance, paid duty to the extent of $147,144 in 1905; on colored goods the duty amounted to $637,645; while on grey goods it was only $1,529. The effect of the new tariff on 1905 imports from Britain would have been, it seems, that those imports would have had to pay about $1,962 more duty on white goods, and $26,568 more on colored goods, while on grey goods she would have made the magnificent saving of about twenty-five dollars. This is leaving out of sight the reductions that would have been allowed on competing United States goods. If this be a specimen of the benefit to British trade of the new tariff, there will soon come across the sea to us some very unpleasant remarks about our boasted imperial preference and the loyal sentiment behind it. The dry goods section of our Board of Trade discussed the amended tariff yesterday, proposed some changes, and decided to go to Ottawa to lay them before Mr. Fielding. No doubt, when they are there, they will be curious to learn what led Mr. Fielding to discriminate against Britain in the important matter of cottons.

THE KOEPENICK CAPTAIN.

(New York 'Evening Post.')

Wilhelm Voigt, the renowned 'Captain von Koepenick,' has done much more than give all Germany the heartiest laugh of a generation. It was not because of his impudence and daring that the press persistently refused to regard him as an ordinary malefactor, and that his mild sentence of four years has pleased the public. Gifts of money and clothes, the promise of an annuity as cabled to-day, offers of aid of one kind or another, have poured in on Voigt from all over Europe; his achievements have already been dramatized, and, until the police interfered, Germany was deluged with picture postals celebrating his feats. Yet none of these things can be accredited to love of the startling, or to the German sense of the humorous. There is a deeper side to it all. It is as an unwitting protest against police tyranny and militarism run mad that Voigt's spectacular impersonation has struck home with the masses.

Badgered as they are by iron-handed authority, the people openly rejoiced that the laugh was on those whom they too often consider their natural enemies. But when the criminal was, by the merest accident, captured, the story of his life made him friends wherever it was told. He had gone wrong when very young and forged a postal order; for this he served no less than ten years. Coming out of prison helpless and friendless, always under police surveillance, he was next caught in an attempt to rob the strong-box of a court. He and his accomplices were armed when taken, but made no use of their weapons; they had hardly begun the breaking and entering when arrested; yet his sentence was fifteen years. That this was a barbarous injustice Voigt has insisted since his arrest, with the newspapers agreeing. Moreover, when he complained of this wrong at his trial, the court went out of its way to confirm his assertion that the sentence was indefensible, and that he had been illegally deprived of the right of appeal.

But the folly of the state did not end there. Serving his full fifteen years, Voigt left jail determined to lead an honest life. He settled first in one town, then in another. In one he plied his shoemaker's trade diligently, and established an excellent business. And then the police ordered him to move on. Wherever he stopped the result was the same: the police of the community to which he wandered demanded his papers, found him to be a jail-bird, and ordered him elsewhere. With the authorities apparently bent on making it impossible for him to be decent, he hid himself in Berlin and thought out, by himself, a plot which showed beyond dispute that if he had but had opportunity and training he would have been a man of force and career. It is this phase of Voigt's story which has stirred all Germany, this revelation that the police would make a man once a criminal always a criminal. The passport system—the same advocated by Senator Tillman and others for our Southern negro criminals since the Atlanta riots—stands revealed as a method of placing a man's destinies absolutely in the hands of the police. They are as free to decide where he shall live and whether he shall have a square deal as the police justices in certain of our States are able to make of children, black and white, practically lifelong victims of the immoral and indefensible chain-gang. In either case justice becomes a mockery, and the State, consciously or unconsciously, merely an agent in the making of confirmed and depraved criminals.

Naturally, Voigt's biography has brought out other stories of injustice. A man caught in the act of filching a pair of slippers was thrashed by the owner and allowed to go. But a policeman who witnessed the affair saw to it that the culprit received eight years at hard labor. A commercial traveller who forged the signatures to some business orders and subsequently committed perjury, received fifteen years at hard labor. His wife is on the verge of starvation; he himself has served twelve years, but his appeals for commutation of sentence are still ignored. Plainly, the German criminal code—indeed, the whole attitude of the government toward the criminal—calls for a complete overhauling. The newspapers and individuals who are urging reform are naturally grateful to the Capt. von Koepenick; his feat has called public attention to abuses which might otherwise have lacked publicity for years to come. Captain Dreyfus's martyrdom accomplished much for the reform of French military procedure; the Captain von Koepenick may achieve in the history of German penology a similarly honorable position. Wherever his story is read, it should cause people to ask whether modern humanitarianism determines their country's treatment of all of its offenders.

As for the military side of Voigt's lesson, the German uniform has been of late years a modern form of Gessler's hat, before which all must bow down. Army officers have ever been a privileged class; but their privileges have never rankled more than to-day, thanks largely to the propaganda of the Socialists. So much toadying to the war lords has there been that the spectacle of a physically broken ex-convict who had never shouldered a rifle capturing a whole town as if to the military manner born, has brought many persons back to earth. The spread of humanitarian ideas and of civilization is steadily subordinating the profession of arms; any attempt to make of its members a supreme social class, aristocratic and overbearing in all its tendencies, is bound to fail in the long run wherever tried. For, sooner or later, there will always come a shoemaker from his last to show how easily a uniform may be donned, a swagger assumed, and the hero of braid and brass reduced to terms of flesh and blood.

FOR PURE MILK

DR. LABERGE SUGGESTS THAT TWO OR THREE COMPANIES SHOULD CONTROL MONTREAL'S SUPPLY.

Dr. Laberge, civic medical health officer, has suggested that Montreal should follow the example of some other large cities, and have its milk supply in the hands of a few large firms. He cites as examples the city of Copenhagen, which is about the same size as Montreal, and which, he said, has but two milk dealers, and London, England, where seven or eight firms do the bulk of the trade. Why, he asked, should not the same system be operated in Montreal. He continued: 'The sale of nearly every other product of the farm and dairy has been transferred from the farmer to the capitalist, but milk is still in the hands of the small dealers. I am of the opinion that it would be altogether better to have this sale controlled by one or two large companies in all cities. It would be profitable for those who invested their money in the enterprise and helpful to solve the milk problem, that is always with us.'

There were in Montreal, Dr. Laberge said, 525 milkmen licensed, and hardly twenty of them are able to control the quality of their milk. How could they tell whether the milk they were selling had three percent of butter fat in it, or whether it contained more than two-tenths of one percent of acidity and the like. Could they tell whether the bacteria per cubic centimeter were more than 100,000. He feared that out of the 500 not one could give this information. But [illegible] not the slightest [illegible] already in the trade [illegible] thinking that some[illegible] ize the business [illegible] Such a company [illegible] atory and its chemist [illegible] a position to test [illegible] cordingly.

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MAISONNEUVE COUNCIL

Members Object to a Special Police Patrol

WANT BETTER WATER [illegible] FOR FIRE PROTECTION PURPOSES

The council of Maisonneuve [illegible] weekly meeting last night, Mayor [illegible] presiding. All the councillors were present.

On motion of Councillor [illegible] cial committee was appointed to [illegible] terview the [illegible] Montreal Water and Power Co. [illegible] the question of the [illegible] water supplied [illegible] the sprinklers to extinguish fires. The committee consists of Mayor [illegible] Councillors Michaud and [illegible]

On motion of Councillor [illegible] was decided to petition the [illegible] the water pressure in Maisonneuve [illegible] insufficient in case of fire, [illegible] on the company to maintain the pressure.

The question of organizing a police patrol for the suburban municipality which shall be under the control of the provincial authorities and the provincial government, was discussed.

Councillor Desilets strongly objected to the proposed organization, and understood that the men who would oppose this force were to be under the Government at Quebec. He did not approve of the [illegible] who intended to [illegible] be under the orders of [illegible] council, and amenable [illegible] theories.

The council took the [illegible] the question, and decided that the police force was sufficient to maintain order.

The valuation roll for 1907 has been homologated, showing a [illegible] mentation in the total value of property, and the council [illegible] increase in the revenue. It was [illegible] that the rate of assessment this year will remain the same as last, that is to say, one [illegible] cents.

DR. GRATTAN GUINNESS SPEAKS

Dr. H. Grattan Guinness, F.R.G.S., of London, England, director of [illegible] gions Beyond Missionary Union, is visiting the city to-morrow, on [illegible] Boston, and will address a meeting at 4 o'clock, in the lecture hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, in the interests of missionary work in South America. The public are cordially [illegible]

JUST OUT.

The following are the contents of this week's issue of 'World Wide':—

ALL THE WORLD OVER

Mr. Hill and Canadian Reciprocity—'Outlook,' New York.
Mr. Reid on Disarmament—New York 'Times.'
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Betraying Organized Labor—The [illegible] New York.
The Unrest in Germany—The [illegible] London.
Land Settlement in South Africa—Montreal 'Post,' London.
Exiles in Narym—The Doom of the Russian 'Political'—Correspondence of Manchester 'Guardian.'
The Short-Lived Dog—Horace Hutchinson in the 'Westminster Gazette.'

SOMETHING ABOUT THE ARTS

The Personality of Saint-Saens and Opinons on Music—New York 'Evening Post.'
A Painter's Memories—J. A. M. Whistler, in 'Pall Mall Magazine,' London.
The 'Improvers' of Shakespeare—'Academy,' London.

CONCERNING THINGS LITERARY

Love Universal—Poem, by Alexander Smith, 1830-1867.
The Backsliding of Heroes and Heroines—The 'Independent,' New York.
Talleyrand—A Mephistophelic Statesman—L.L.L., in 'T. P.'s Weekly.'
The Passing of Korea—By K. Kikuchi, A.M., in the New York 'Saturday Review.'
John Oliver Hobbes's Last Book—'Faith, City and Nonconformity'—Springfield 'Republican.'
The Effective Essay—Saturday Review, London.

HINTS OF THE PROGRESS OF KNOWLEDGE.

The Heavens in December—Campbell, in the Brooklyn 'Eagle.'
The Growth of Truth—By Wilson, M.D., F.R.S., Regius Professor of Medicine in the University of Edinburgh—'British Medical Journal.'
The Emigrants of the Year—'Spectator,' London.
A New Illuminant—'Chambers's Journal.'

So many men so many minds, [illegible] in his own way.—Terence.

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THE CASTELLANE DEBTS.

Paris, Dec. 5.—The reply of Maitre [illegible], counsel for former Countess [illegible] Castellane, in the suit brought [illegible] Countess's creditors, consumed [illegible] session of the court to-day. [illegible] how the tradesmen and [illegible] had been cleverly mixed [illegible] secured the perfect willingness of Madame Anna Gould to settle the legitimate debts, although a delay was necessary, as there were no funds from the trustee of the estate at her disposal at present. Counsel argued that it was unjust and illegal to attempt to make Madame Gould responsible for the enormous sums borrowed by Count Boni from usurers to meet his 'mad extravagances and princely prodigality.'

TAX COMMUTATION.

Protestant School Board of Maisonnueve Have a Grievance.

DEPUTATION WAITED ON THE PREMIER YESTERDAY ON THE SUBJECT.

The Protestant School Board of Maisonneuve waited on the Hon. Mr. Gouin yesterday and requested that an amendment be made by the Quebec Legislature to a clause in the town charter with reference to the powers invested in the commissioners to commute taxes. The deputation, which consisted of Messrs. C. F. Bardorf and William Fenwick, was accompanied by the Hon. W. A. Weir, and placed before the ministers the situation as to the Protestant taxpayers in Maisonneuve.

Mr. Bardorf said that at the present time about one-third of the Protestant school taxes in that municipality were paid by two of the largest property holders. 'It appears,' said Mr. Bardorf, 'that about ten years ago an agreement was entered into with one of these proprietors for the purpose of commuting his taxes for an indefinite period. At that time the Protestant School requirements were not very heavy, but about three years ago the municipal tax of a second extensive taxpayers was commuted on account of the fact that he gave to the corporation several streets for public traffic, and on this ground he demanded that his school taxes should be commuted also.

The trustees entered into an agreement with this gentleman contrary to the advice of their solicitor.

'Both these contracts have expired within a year of each other, and now the taxpayer who had his taxes commuted three years ago is being billed for the full amount of his school taxes. He, however, ignored these accounts until the trustees intimated that the contract would not be renewed. He then wrote insisting that his valuation was placed too high. In reply, the trustees have asked him to supply a statement of what he considers a fair assessment of his property.'

'In 1903,' said Mr. Bardorf, 'a deputation from Maisonneuve interviewed the government on the same matter. One of the clauses of the charter says that school commissioners who represent the majority of the taxpayers are empowered to commute taxes, and I want to point out here that the Protestant trustees made no such request, and they have been surprised to find out that they have the right to commute taxes should they desire to do so. This privilege is contrary to the school code, and it is consequently irregular, if not illegal.

'We have decided,' concluded Mr. Bardorf, 'to appeal to the government to have the clause amended or removed from the charter. Men to-day are refusing to make the legal payment of their school taxes, and under the law of dissent as its exists in Maisonneuve the payment of school taxes is now evidently a question of public sentiment.'

EARLY CLOSING LAW.

DELEGATION SAW THE PREMIER ON THE SUBJECT YESTERDAY.

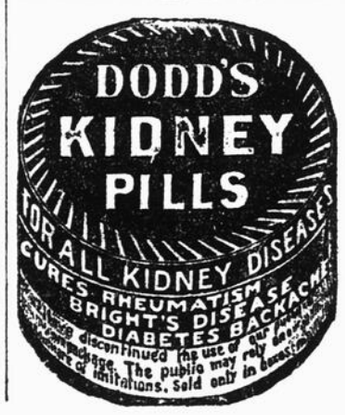
The Hon. Premier Gouin and the Hon. W. A. Weir were at the provincial government offices yesterday.

A delegation of the Early Closing Association, composed of the president, Mr. A. Quesnel, and Messrs. J. B. E. Poirier, G. L. Desaulniers and J. W. Ira Price, interviewed the Premier and were introduced by Mr. G. Langlois, M.P.P., for St. Louis Division. Their object was to ask the government to intervene and be represented in the appeal from the recent judgment of Mr. Justice Archibald holding the early closing civic by-law ultra vires. They represented that the government was greatly interested in the matter, as the by-law was based on provincial legislation, which was also attacked by the judgment, and the association not being wealthy, they considered that the provincial authorities should take action in the case.

The Premier complied with the request and told the delegates that while Mr. A. Globensky, K.C., would continue to act as counsel for the association, in this case he would also represent the Provincial Government when the case comes up before the Court of Appeal.

PRESENTS FOR PASTOR.

Last Saturday, after the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church at Arundel, Que., had completed their business, they called the pastor of the circuit, the Rev. W. G. Henderson, into their meeting and presented him with a well-filled purse, the contents of which are to be expended in the purchase of a fur coat for himself. On the occasion of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson's silver wedding in September, a purse containing $42 was presented to Mrs. Henderson, in addition to the silverware, which constituted the principal feature of the presentation.



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Proceedings in connection with the liquidation of the Great Northern Railway were begun in the Superior Court at Quebec yesterday as a result of the winding-up order given in Montreal at the request of Ross, Barry & McRae, the contractors who built the Great Northern Railway to Quebec. The company was incorporated under the laws of Georgia, with head office in New York. A commission was issued to examine the president, Mr. McNaught; the vice-president, Mr. H. Melville, and Mr. E. E. Ling, and to have the books produced and record filed. As it was found impossible to get any information from these gentlemen, an order was given for the transmission of the record to Quebec in order that the Quebec shareholders might be examined. The Quebec shareholders are all prominent business men, and have been summoned to give evidence.

DEATH OF A LAVAL STUDENT.

Mr. Frank O'Meara, third year student in the law faculty of Laval University, died yesterday mornisg in the Notre Dame Hospital, of typhoid fever, at the age of twenty-two years, after an illness of but twelve days. He was a son of Mr. O'Meara, advocate, of Ottawa, and was connected with the office of Messrs. Hutchins & Margolese. He was a great favorite with all his confreres, who had elected him a member of the council of students. As soon as the death of Mr. O'Meara was announced, the students of all the faculties held emergency meetings, passed resolutions of condolence, and sent both floral and prayer offerings. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon all the Laval students, headed by their band and the colors of the different faculties draped in mourning, accompanied the remains of their confrère from the hospital to the Windsor station, whence they were conveyed to Ottawa, where the funeral will take place to-morrow.

THE CHINESE NAVY.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.—According to the native newspapers, the proposed reorganization of the Chinese navy would cost $10,000,000, in addition to an annual expenditure of $8,000,000. The provincial viceroys, the papers add, are protesting that they were unable to raise the money, and the carrying out of the scheme has therefore been postponed indefinitely.

CHRISTMAS SUPPLIES

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TYPEWRITERS' CONTEST

MR. J. J. LOMAX TO MEET THE CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.

Arrangements are being made for a typewriting contest, to take place between Miss Rosie Fritz, of New York, who is known as the champion typewriter of the world, and Mr. J. J. Lomax, official stenographer and typewriter in the Montreal Criminal Courts. It is proposed to hold the contest during the five days' Business Exhibition, which opens in the Royal Scots' Armory, on December 10. Mr. Lomax is a remarkably fast and accurate operator on the typewriting machine, and great interest is being taken in this event, as well as in the open Canadian Championship and the French championship contests.

A committee of expert operators of typewriting machines is being secured to act as judges at the contests, which will be governed by strict rules, so that accuracy will be as strong a feature as speed. A large number of the city's typewriters are enquiring into the conditions governing the trials.

All entries must be in by five o'clock of the day on which the contest takes place, with an entry fee of one dollar, and the decision of the judges will be final, the competitor writing correctly the greatest number of words in an hour, after all penalties have been deducted, being declared the minner. In each class cash prizes of $20 and $10 are offered, with silver and bronze medals for the first and second winners.

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THE LIGHTING PROBLEM.

Beauharnois Scheme and Mr. Janin's Plan Compared.

SUB COMMITTEE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED SARAGUAY COMPANY'S OFFER.

This morning the delegation appointed to interview the Government at Ottawa in connection with the proposal to lease the Beauharnois canal water power for the purpose of lighting the city of Montreal, left for an interview with Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Those composing the delegation included the Mayor, Aldermen L. A. Lapointe, DeSerres, Levesque, and Lavallée.

It is estimated that to put this scheme into practical shape for lighting Montreal would cost in the neighborhood of eight million dollars, whereas the scheme proposed by the superintendent of water works, Mr. Janin, would cost only $2,000,000. Mr. Janin's scheme provides for the construction of a new covered aqueduct for the city's water supply, and the widening of the present open aqueduct from forty to a hundred and forty feet, and its use solely for power purposes, driving the water works pumping plant, etc.

At the present time it costs the city about six and a half cents to pump one thousand gallons of water. With the new scheme, driving the pumps entirely by water power derived from the open aqueduct when enlarged, the cost would be reduced to two cents per thousand gallons.

In 1904 the waterworks pumped 10,144,038,007 gallons. As the saving under Mr. Janin's scheme is four and a half cents per thousand gallons, if this total be divided by one thousand it will be found that in that year there were 10,144,038 thousands of gallons pumped, and reckoning a saving of four and a half cents per thousand gallons on this, the total saving, if Mr. Janin's scheme had been in operation in 1904, would have been $456,481.

In addition to this, there would be sufficient surplus power, so long as the civic water consumption did not increase, to provide for the whole of the city corporation lighting.

THE SARAGUAY COMPANY'S OFFER.

The sub-committee appointed by the Fire and Light Committee to consider the offer made by the Saraguay Light, Heat and Power company, has completed its report, which will be laid before the committee to-morrow afternoon.

The report is most significant. Briefly summarized, it states that the sub-committee has examined carefully into the personnel, constitution and plant of the Saraguay Company, and is fully satisfied as to the personnel, the bona-fides of the offer, and the plant. The plant, the report states, is in excellent condition, capable of great development, and a factor to be treated very seriously.

In conclusion, the sub-committee strongly recommend the Fire and Light committee to endorse their report, and to urge the City Council to open up business negotiations with the Saraguay company.

An Ottawa despatch this afternoon says:—'A deputation from the Montreal City Council arrived in the Capital to-day to interview Sir Wilfrid Laurier in regard to the sale, lease or use of the water power of the Beauharnois canal and to ask that in the event of the government making over the Beauharnois canal to any person or company they require a guarantee that the city shall be furnished at the lowest possible rate with all the water power the canal can provide, and that the city may need. Sir Wilfrid was assisted by the Hon. Messrs. Fisher, Brodeur and Lemieux in the reception of the deputation, which was made up of Mayor Ekers, Aldermen Lapointe, DeSerres, Lavallée, Levesque, Gadbois, Yates, and M. Martin, M.P.; the city clerk, Senator David; Mr. Z. Martineau, corporation counsel; Senators Beique and Dandurand, and Messrs. F. D. Monk, M.P., and Verville, M.P.

After a full presentation of their case Sir Wilfrid Laurier expressed himself as favorable to the leasing of the available power on the Beauharnois canal to one of the municipalities on condition that the latter should expend $60,000 the first year on urgent improvements, $20,000 a year to maintain the canal for purposes of navigation, for which it is still required to a certain extent, and $1,000,000 for the installation of the necessary plant to take full advantage of the available power. If the power was subsequently leased to any company the latter would first have to guarantee to furnish Montreal, Beauharnois and Valleyfield with whatever power they required at market prices, subject to approval. The prevailing price for power in Montreal was from $25 to $30. The price of power from the Beauharnois canal would be based on the cost of delivering the current in the metropolis. The canal would ultimately cease to have any value for purposes of navigation, and when this time came there was no reason why it should not be sold altogether.

Mayor Ekers, in his presentation of the city's case, declared that the people of Montreal were at present in the hands of a monopoly. In any arrangement the government made steps should be taken to control the price of electric power and light derived from the Beauharnois canal.

The Prime Minister made it clear that in the event of any company acquiring the available power on the Beauharnois canal it would have to agree not to amalgamate with any other competing company. If the terms he mentioned for the lease of power were not taken up by one of the interested municipalities they would be offered to any company that wished to develop the waters in question.

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CONSULS MAY MOVE

Report That Government Contemplate Stationing Them at Ottawa

MONTREAL BUSINESS MEN DO NOT THINK CHANGE A WISE ONE.

In business circles, the possibility is being discussed of the offices of the Consul-General being removed shortly from Montreal to Ottawa. This move is being considered, according to private information, by the various governments represented here, and is the result of the removal of Mr. Nosse by the Japanese government, some time ago, to the Capital.

Canada is now becoming such an important country that it is felt, by foreign nations, that they ought to be in more direct touch with the Dominion Government than it is possible to be through their ambassadors at Westminster. Consequently, it is anticipated that more important duties than those ordinarily associated with the Consular service will be assigned to the Canadian Consuls General, who, it is further thought, might then render more valuable service to the various diplomatic departments of the foreign governments than is now possible. Mr. Nosse, the Japanese Consul General, it is said, has found since his removal to Ottawa that it is greatly to his advantage to be at the seat of the Dominion Government, and it is understood the Canadian government considers the benefit a mutual one.

In the event of the head office of the Consulates being removed to the Capital, only subordinate officials will remain here. This, in the opinion of prominent business men, would be a distinct disadvantage to the commercial metropolis.

On inquiry this morning it was learned that the Consuls do not favor the proposed change. They believe that their place is in Montreal, as the business transacted through their offices is commercial, and not diplomatic.

It is understood, here, that the effort that is being made to remove the Consuls General from Montreal, has originated at Ottawa.

BIG SNOWSTORM

SPREAD OVER WIDE AREA, AND TRAINS DELAYED.

The heaviest snow storm this season began early this morning, several inches falling in the course of a few hours. The storm was spread over a wide area, and while traffic was not greatly delayed, all the trains coming in were from half an hour to an hour late. The C. P. R. express from Winnipeg, due at seven o'clock this morning, did not arrive until noon. The Street Railway Company had all their snow-clearing apparatus out at an early hour, and managed to keep all their lines clear. The snow is much welcomed everywhere, as the roads are very bad.

FATHER AND SON CHARGED.

Alexander Macdonald and his son, of the same name, were to-day remanded for enquete on Tuesday by Mr. Lafontaine charged with being concerned in the theft of $100 worth of clothing from H. Shorey & Co., clothiers, Notre Dame street west. The elder prisoner disclaimed all knowledge of the theft, and the younger Macdonald, who also pleaded not guilty, said he bought and paid for the clothing from one of Mr. Shorey's own men.

ALLEGED ACCOMPLICE ARRESTED.

Carl Sorensen, a Dane, who, with John Collins, already on remand, is alleged to have robbed William Dodds and Lewis Nelson, shantymen, of $18 and a cheque for $124.15, was arrested yesterday in St. Lawrence street by Detectives O'Keefe and Demers. Mr. Lafontaine remanded the accused until next Tuesday, a plea of 'not guilty' being entered.

EARLY AT WORK

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Ald. Mederic Martin, the new member for St. Mary's division, Montreal, to-day had an interview with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Messrs. Lemieux, Brodeur and Fisher, in which he pressed for the erection of a post-office in the part of Montreal that he represents. The ministers promised that his recommendations would be fully considered.

FAITHFUL SERVICE.

The Rev. Dr. Campbell of St. Gabriel's Celebrating His 40th Anniversary.

THE MODERATOR OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE PART IN CELEBRATION.

Arrangements have been made to commemorate the completion of the fortieth year of Dr. Campbell's pastorate in the St. Gabriel Church. The date is December 13th, but as it falls in the middle of the week, the celebration is to take place on the Sabbath and Monday following, the 16th and 17th of December, 'To give eclat to the occasion,' says the 'Church Circular,' the Right Reverend the Moderator of the General Assembly, the official head for the year of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Dr. Falconer, of Pictou, N.S., has consented to be present on Sabbath the 16th, and conduct the morning service, remaining over for the social gathering on the Monday. The Rev. Dr. Barclay, of St. Paul's Church, St. Gabriel's most stalwart ecclasiastical child, will conduct the evening service on the 16th. There will be a young people's rally in the afternoon of the 16th, at 3 o'clock, which will be addressed by Principal Scrimger and the Rev. W. R. Cruikshank, old friends of the pastor, who are specially interested in work amongst the young.

A social gathering will be held on Monday evening, when brief addresses will be delivered by representatives of the several denominations in the city which cultivate friendly relations with the Presbyterian Church, including the Anglican, Baptist, Congregationalist and Methodist Churches, interspersed with music from the choir.

The commemoration will be continued on the following Sabbath, Dec. 23, the morning sermon being preached by the Very Reverend Principal Gordon, one of Dr. Campbell's oldest friends, after which the Communion will be dispensed by the pastor. The evening service will be conducted by Dr. Fleck, pastor of the latest hive off from the old St. Gabriel Street Church.

Printed programmes containing particulars will be prepared and circulars inviting not only those at present connected with St. Gabriel's, but also all that have been connected with it at any time during the last forty years.

GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

H. Sansregret Sent to Jail for Causing Death of Mr. Morrison.

IMPORTANT JUDGMENT DEFINES THE DUTIES OF STREET CAR MOTORMEN.

Henri Sansregret, the motorman who was in charge of the street car that knocked down and killed Mr. John Morrison at the Pine avenue crossing on St. Lawrence street on Sunday, June 24 last, was to-day convicted on a charge of manslaughter and sentenced by Judge Piché to six months' imprisonment.

The judgment, rendered some weeks after the evidence in the case was given, is regarded as an important finding in view of the verdict of the coroner's jury exonerating Sansregret from any blame for Mr. Morrison's death.

Judge Piché said the accident happened on the day of the St. Jean Baptiste celebration, after Sansregret's car had been delayed by the passing of the procession. Rain had fallen during the morning, and this rendered the rails slippery, and the brakes of the car difficult to work.

The prosecution alleged that the car proceeded at an illegal rate of speed, and the evidence on that side estimated the speed at rates varying from twelve to, as on witness declared, twenty-five miles an hour. There had evidently been some exaggeration, but His Honor did not hesitate to accept the disinterested and reliable testimony of a number of the witnesses who said the speed of the car was from twelve to fifteen miles an hour.

The defence replied that the speed was not so fast as that, but was just 'ordinary speed.' The judge did not attach much value to that evidence, and he remarked that he had not to determine if the city by-law had been broken. A car might go thirty miles an hour, and at the same time the driver might not be criminally responsible for an accident in consequence. The question was whether Sansregret in this case took sufficient and reasonable care to avoid the accident. He had given evidence himself in a full and frank manner. He said after he left Rachel street he did not stop the car until, on approaching Pine avenue, he saw Mr. Morrison about to cross the road some twenty feet south of the crossing. He was forty feet from the car at the moment and the motorman thought he would stand while the car passed. Instead, he tried to pass at a run. Sansregret immediately applied his brakes and the reverse power, but owing to the slippery nature of the rails the car could not be stopped as quickly as it would have been under ordinary conditions—which was within a distance of the length of the car. The accused, as an experienced man, knew this fact and in knowing it he was criminally responsible for the accident because he should have driven the car at only that rate of speed which would enable him to stop it as quickly as it could be stopped had the rails been dry.

That was the point; and the judge quoted other judgments in support of his finding upon it. He said he hoped the sad experience of Sansregret would act as an object lesson to others. Under all the circumstances he could not pass a less sentence than that of six months in jail.

FINED FOR FAST DRIVING.

Thomas Woods, chauffeur, was to-day fined by Mr. Lafontaine $20 for driving an automobile at a speed beyond the regulation limit along Dorchester street.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Dr. J. C. Cadogan is at the Queen's on his way home from Ottawa.

Mrs. Laura McArthur is the guest of Mrs. F. G. Lockett, Kingston.

The Rev. D. S. O'Keefe, of St. John, N.B., is paying a short visit to Montreal.

Dr. T. G. Hamilton, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. Hamilton are in the city on a visit for a few days.

The Charity Ball taking place on Jan. 15 will be under the patronage of their Excellencies, who will be present.

Mrs. David Harte, of Sherbrooke street, and Mrs. W. Woodefield Cooke, of Bishop street, have issued invitations for tea on Dec. 12.

Mrs. J. Armitage Ewing (formerly Miss Nettie Smith) received for the first time since her marriage on Tuesday at 21 Chomedy street.

The reception for Mrs. Lester W. Packard on Friday, Dec. 7, will be postponed on account of illness. Mrs. Edward Packard will receive as usual.

Miss Sally Judah gave a small informal tea on Tuesday for her friends, Miss Chapleau, of Ottawa, and Miss Pharland, of Kingston.

The marriage took place in Lavell Mansions, on Nov. 27, of Mr. W. Percy Jackson, of Chicago, son of Mr. W. Jackson, Westmount, to Miss Grace Boynton, of Lavell. They will reside in Chicago.

Mr. Charles M. Hays, second vice-president and general manager, and Mr. F. H. McGuigan, fourth vice-president of the Grand Trunk Railway, and the party of Montrealers who were at Collingwood yesterday, returned to the city to-day.

Mrs. J. P. B. Casgrain, Dorchester street, gave a small house dance last night for her daughter, the guests numbering a hundred and fifty. The floral decorations were entirely of yellow chrysanthemums and palms. Mrs. Casgrain wore a hand-some panetea chiffon gown. Miss Casgrain was daintily gowned in pink spangled chiffon embroidered with rosebuds. Miss O'Meara was in white crepe de Chine and lace.

Mrs. Macfarlane (formerly Miss Louise Murray Smith) received yesterday for the first time since her marriage, at her residence, on Selkirk avenue. She was gowned in pale blue colienne silk. Her sister, Miss Mary Murray Smith, assisted in receiving. Mrs. Murray Smith presided over the teapot, and Mrs. Robert Loring poured coffee. They were assisted by the Misses Macfarlane, Grier, Pauline Hall, and Florence Wilkins. The polished mahogany tea table was decorated with deep pink cloves arranged in crystal vases. Pink and white chrysanthemums formed the floral decorations of the drawing room.

TRINITY BAZAAR.

To assist in raising funds to meet the expenditure for repairing Trinity Church a three days' bazaar, which is being held in the Fraser Institute, was opened yesterday afternoon by Mayor Ekers. The arrangement and decoration of the booths numbering ten, reflect great credit on those responsible for their artistic appearance. Fancy and useful goods of every description are to be found here, including a smart collection of Christmas presents, and prettily dressed dolls. Some of the ladies adopted a fancy dress; the 'Geisha girls' costume were quite picturesque; the palmists seemed to attract quite a crowd to their little tent. They adopted a quaint gipsy dress. The centre of the hall was occupied by the flower table, the other booths were arranged around, while the refreshment tables were chiefly set out on the platform.

BIG MINERAL FINDS IN LABELLE DISTRICT

Settlers Coming in From all Parts With Samples of Silver, Abestos and Graphite.

INDICATIONS OF GREAT MINING POSSIBILITIES NORTH OF MONTREAL AND EXTENDING TO COBALT RANGE.

Mr. L. O. Armstrong, head of the C. P. R. colonization and tourist department, returned to the city this morning from a trip in the Labelle district, north of Montreal, and in an interview with a 'Witness' reporter said that numerous finds of valuable minerals were being made all over that district.

At almost every station people came in with bags of samples—some silver, some galena, some asbestos, and some graphite.

'Everywhere,' he said, 'the greatest interest is shown in the constant finds that are being made, and the people throughout the district are talking mines to-day as they did two or three years ago in Ontario.

'The graphite deposits are already being seriously developed. Three or four firms are spending a good deal of money, and are meeting with much encouragement. There are four places where there are exceedingly large deposits—one at Allumette Island, onenear Calumet Station, one at Thurso, and another, the largest, near Labelle.

'A find of asbestos—and apparently a large one—has also been made in the Labelle district, while the silver that has been discovered there assays 62 percent.

'It seems to me that the farther north we go, and the more unfit the country becomes for colonization, the more indications there are of mineral deposits, and these deposits seem to be in the theatre of ancient volcanic eruptions. I think we shall have a mining development immediately to the north of Montreal, and that it will extend to the Cobalt range. Yet it was in this very Laurentian range that we were told a few years ago there were no minerals.'

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie Promises $100,000 to the Endowment Fund.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 6. There is a happy company about Queen's University to-day owing to the announcement of Principal Gordon that Mr. Andrew Carnegie, LL.D., an honorary graduate of the college, has promised a hundred thousand dollars to the Endowment Fund under easy conditions. Yesterday the Rev. Dr. Gordon received a letter from Mr. Carnegie's secretary stating that the distinguished Scotch philanthropist would be happy to make a gift of one hundred thousand dollars to Queen's and to complete the half-million endowment when the four hundred thousand dollars required has been subscribed. Already two hundred and fifty thousand dollars has been provided, and it is quite likely that the other one hundred and fifty thousand dollars will be forthcoming at a very early date. The gift of Mr. Carnegie will inspire zeal to not only make the endowment a half million, but to increase it to a million.

NEW SCHOOL SITE.

Westmount Commissioners Purchase Property on Upper Level.

NEW BUILDING TO BE ERECTED TO ACCOMMODATE THREE HUNDRED PUPILS.

An important real estate deal has just been completed by the Westmount Board of Protestant School Commissioners.

The property which has been purchased by them is situated on the upper level between Grosvenor and Lansdowne Avenue and is considered as ideal for school purposes.

The land is bounded by three prominent thoroughfares, and contains nearly one thousand square feet. The price paid is said to be in the vicinity of thirty-five thousand dollars, a figure which is considered moderate considering the valuation of land in this locality.

It was learned this afternoon that the Commissioners, through their chairman, Mr. Thomas Harling, will shortly consider the erection of a handsome new school building on the property just purchased, and that the new structure will afford seating accommodation for at least three hundred pupils.

APPALLING DEATH-RATE.

Over Half the Children Under Five Years of Age Succumb in Montreal.

THIS IS SHOWN BY MEDICAL OFFICER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1905, was issued this morning, its tardy appearance being further emphasized by the fact that only French copies were available for the press.

Dr. Laberge explains that in his statistics illegitimate and premature births have been excluded from calculations, in order to enable him to make a more logical comparison with other cities, because the greater portion of the illegitimate children do not belong to the city.

The mortality, calculated on this basis, is 20.6 per 1,000, which is 0.2 less than 1904, and a lower rate than that at Breslau, Prague, Milan, New Orleans, St. Petersburg, and Moscow, and identical with that of Rome.

Including the illegitimate and premature births, the death rate would be 22.96 per 1,000.

The death rate of children under six months of age was 30.42 percent, and of those under five years the appalling figure of 56.31 percent. The birth rate was 37.92 per 1,000, which is 13.81 per 1,000 higher than Toronto, and 1.5 per 1,000 more than the preceding year. The births were divided as follows: French Canadians, 44.19; other Catholics, 25.45; and Protestants, 21.77.

The full table works out as follows:—

	Total	Per 1,000	Surplus over Deaths
French-Canadians	8,169	44.19	3,168
Other Catholics	1,127	25.45	522
Protestants	1,576	21.76	511
Total	10,872	35.81	3,901

Marriages were recorded to the extent of 10.31 per 1,000 of the population, or .5 per 1,000 more than the previous year. They were divided among the nationalities as follows: French-Canadians, 9.99 per 1,000, or .45 percent less than last year; other Catholics, 8.20 per 1,000, or .18 less than the previous year; and Protestants, 14.50 per 1,000, or 3.42 percent more than last year. The details follow:—

	Total	Per 1,000
French-Canadians	1,818	9.99
Other Catholics	549	8.42
Protestants	913	12.24
Total	3,430	

The death statistics are:

	Total.	Popn.	Per 1,000
French-Canadian.	5,001	183,851	27.07
Other Catholics	965	44,208	20.42
Protestants	1,065	73,431	14.50

The highest death-rate was in St. Denis Ward, where the figures were 38.40 per thousand.

FINANCE

LOCAL STOCKS

MORNING SALES

Asbestos Pfd 10 @ 80
Bell Tel 5 @ 160½
Can Cot 10 @ 98
Can Cot 6 @ 98
Can Cot 5 @ 98
Can Cot 10 @ 98
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LOCAL ACTIVITY IN STOCKS.

Great Volume of Business on a Fairly Steady Market—The C. P. R. Boom.

PRICE WAS UP TO OVER 188 TO-DAY.

...TRADING IN CANADIAN PACI... AT THIS POINT. IRON WAS ...S, BUT A SHADE OFF— ...PASSING GAINED POINTS.

Exchange value of £1 sterling to-day is $4.85.

...tement of the Bank of England, ... not been received at this writ... expected to be satisfactory, there ...known facts, that of no increase in ...um discount rate and the strong ... of the London security market, ... on both matters having come ... this morning. The storm ... evidently caused some interruption to ... telegraph systems. In face of the ... prices in London, the New York ... was dull and weak, and as a gen... the bears had the better of the ... Money was away 'out of sight,' ... market operations must, under ... conditions, be a pretty expen... business. On the local market busi... was of a distinctly satisfactory vol..., and although some stocks were weak, ...re is an encouraging growth of specula... activity on this market, in pleasant ...trast to the exceedingly dull months of ...mmer and the early autumn. Canadian ...cific was again hoisted high upon the ...oulders of the bulls in that stock, and ...ched to 188½ on extensive business; ...ere was a slight falling off from that ..., but sentiment was very strong in ...gard to further price developments. It ...s remarkable that the stock should be so ...easily lifted at a time when New York is ...in almost a semi-state of stagnation, and ...it is a question if the 'lone march' can ...continue with out a corresponding rise in ...some of the other specialties. Iron com... was a shade down, but the market ...seems favorably disposed towards the stock. ...A settlement of the present trouble would ...immediately send the stock into a de... of excitement, and the recent high ... would look like the proverbial 'five-... in comparison. There was a lot of ...scored trading throughout the whole ...board and considering the growing public in... operators will certainly have a pro... period of activity if a little more ...careful nursing is exhibited than during ...previous boom seasons.

...The New Liskeard 'Spectator' says that ...branches of the Montreal and Standard ...banks are to be opened in Cobalt. The ...former have purchased the Running build... and the latter have leased one of the ...stores of the Donaldson block. Our finan... seem to have confidence in Cobalt.

...A regular quarterly dividend of 1 per ...cent on the preferred shares, and a regular ...quarterly dividend of 1 percent on the com... stock in the Mackay Companies, will ...be paid Jan. 2 next to shareholders of re... as they appear at the close of busi... on Dec. 15. The transfer books will ...be closed from Dec. 17 to Dec. 31, inclu...sive.

...Mr. Shaw, the Secretary of the United ...States Treasury, has given notice that on ...Dec. 15 he will anticipate interest without ...discount, amounting to $12,000,000.

...Montreal Electric Railway Company's ...earnings, in American gold:

...week ending Dec. 2, 1906	$30,780
...week, 1905	26,436
...Increase	$4,344

...The index number shows cost of com... highest since February, 1884.

...The Bank of England rate of interest is ...raised to-day at 6 percent.

...The C.P.R. new equipment is valued at ...$6,000,000 on order or in course of deliv...ery.

...The rise of stocks in Wall Street rose in ...sympathetic dealing in sympathy with the ...rise of London, where the order of ...Council had a favorable effect on senti... The opening advances here were not up ...to London parity, and realizing prices ...soon made themselves felt. Canadian ...issues opened 2¾ higher than last night: ...Canadian Pacific, 1 1-4; American Smelting ...and Iron a point, and Union Pa... fractions. Great Northern pre... the first sales made at 250, com... last night, followed by sales at ...

...The Toronto & Canada Loan directors ...declared a half yearly dividend of 3 ...per cent. Jan. 2. The annual meet... will be held Feb. 20.

...The Dominion's October gross increase, ...over last year, decrease, $8,056; four ...months increase, $111,842, four months ...increase $140,872.

...The distribution of interest payments ...on bonds announced by Sec... Shaw will release nearly twelve ...millions at the close of next week, and the ...Street will respond well to this ...which has caused decided gains ...in the American list in London ...Prices will not go very far to ...discount improvements, and as the trad... position is bearish, renewed attacks ...from this quarter may be looked for.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK MEETING

Profits for the Year Were $279,610, or 10.10% on Capital Stock.

The annual meeting of shareholders of the Eastern Townships Bank was held yesterday afternoon at the head office in Sherbrooke, and a statement of earnings presented that gave general satisfaction to those present, although the return of profits was not quite as heavy as in the previous year. The profits for the year, after deducting charges of management, interest due depositors and ample provision for all losses, amounted to the very favorable total of $279,610.24, which is equal to 10.10 percent earned on the average amount of paid-up capital during the twelve months ending Nov. 30. The paid-up capital has increased during the bank's fiscal year from $2,500,000 in November, 1905, to $2,932,790, as shown in the annual report just published. The average capital was about $2,771,000. A sum of $260,000 has been placed to the reserve account, bringing that fund up to $1,860,000. The premiums received on the new issue of capital stock amounted to $258,674, making a total amount available for distribution, inclusive of $24,566.18 brought forward from last year, of $563,850.42. The official data of the annual report will be found elsewhere in this issue.

RUSSIAN CROP FAILURE

The crops in seven provinces of Russia have proved almost total failures, in 21 provinces, the harvests were very poor, and in consequence about 20,000,000 people will need assistance for from four to ten months to stave off starvation until the new crops are available. The area of the present famine is the largest in fifteen years, and it has been calculated that it will cost $75,000,000 to tide the people over the famine period.

THE RUBBER BOND ISSUE

The Canadian Consolidated Rubber Company, Limited, is offering $1,000,000 of the 6 percent forty-year gold coupon bonds, of which full particulars are given elsewhere in this issue. The bonds are a portion of the authorized bond issue of $2,600,000, of which $1,439,000 has already been issued, and are redeemable at $110 after Oct. 1, 1911, at the option of the company. The balance is held for the company by the Royal Trust Company. The Canadian Consolidated Rubber Company, Limited, is an industrial corporation with which some of the best known of Canada's industrial captains are associated. The policy of the company is that of the younger school, active and aggressive progression, tempered, of course, with a due regard for existing conditions and the outlook of the country's trade. The corporation has acquired the Canadian Rubber Company of Montreal, Limited; the Granby Rubber Company, Limited, Granby, and the Maple Leaf Rubber Company, Limited, of Port Dalhousie, Ontario. The bonds for which the subscription list will soon be open are of $1,000 denomination each.

AVERAGE COST OF LIVING

Figures showing the average cost of living as of Dec. 1 compiled by R. G. Dun & Company, show that there has been a marked advance in prices as compared with Nov. 1 when it reached a high water mark.

In the lapse of one month the cost of living has advanced from $106.68 to $108.14, reached on Dec. 1. The cost of commodities is the highest since February, 1884.

In discussing the subject of trade the authority says the rise in prices is fairly representative of the greater demand that has followed increased prosperity throughout the nation and because of the advance in wages which has lifted the purchasing power of the people above all previous records in this and other nations.

A VIEW OF THE COBALT SLUMP

A view taken in Toronto of the Nipissing situation is that the New York manipulators may be aiming to affect Government properties offered for sale, such as Cobalt and Kerr Lakes, in the hope that would-be tenderers will be frightened off, leaving the field tolerably clear for the manipulators. To this it is answered that not only is the Government not bound to accept tenders which, in their opinion, are not high enough for the property offered for sale, because transactions for their purchase would be direct between the Government, which would, of course, guarantee an absolutely clear title, and the buyers. There would be no middlemen, no complications as between original discoverers and others.

MARKET GOSSIP.

Mining stocks were strong and high on the local curb, with the advance in Nipissing. The following sales were recorded to noon: Silver Leaf, 700 at 21, 500 at 22, 400 at 24; Green Meehan, 100 at 160; Silver Queen, 50 at 265; Foster, 50 at 318; Trethewey, 100 at 220, 50 at 215.

A lot of 50 Shawinigan was sold on the curb at 40 this morning.

It having been considered in some quarters that only multiples of seven would be accepted on the rights of Montreal Street Railway stock, the company has announced that all fractions of the rights can be transferred up to and including Dec. 31.

Directors of Toronto Railway Company have declared the usual quarterly dividend of 1½ percent, payable Jan. 2; books close Dec. 15.

Money on call in New York opened at 29 percent and rose until 29 percent was touched; the noon rate was 27 percent.

The New York curb: Nipissing stronger at 17 to 17½; McKinley, 2⅝ to ¾; Foster, 2¾ to 3⅛; Silver Leaf, 22 to 27; Silver Queen, 2½ to 2⅝, and Trethewey, 2⅛ to 2¼.

Granby was very strong at 13¾ to 14¼.

Sales on the New York Stock Exchange at noon to-day were 320,000.

Earnings of the Montreal Street Railway for the fiscal year to date were $942,872, an increase of $8,002.15.

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA AND THE AUDIT.

General Manager Has Engaged Two Experienced Chartered Accountants From Edinburgh.

TWO BANKS NOW HAVE INDEPENDENT AUDIT, WILL OTHERS FOLLOW?

Mr. W. P. **Hunt**, the manager of the Montreal office of the Bank of Nova Scotia, told the 'Witness' this morning that Mr. H. C. McLeod, the general manager of the bank, who resides in Toronto, has decided upon a form of independent audit for the bank. Mr. McLeod was at the time of the last revision of the Bank Act, an advocate of Government inspection, and came out very strongly in favor of an accounting of banks by chartered accountants who were in no way connected with the regular business of the bank. Mr. McLeod now announces that, pending a suitable amendment to the Bank Act, or the adoption by the associated banks of an effective system of inspection, the Bank of Nova Scotia will follow the methods of the banks in Scotland, under which each bank employs a chartered accountant to examine and verify the statement on behalf of the shareholders. The Bank of Nova Scotia has engaged two chartered accountants in Edinburgh to undertake the work preparatory to issuing the seventy-fifth annual statement to its shareholders, which will be about the third week in February.

Mr. Hunt could not say just how the executive would require the work of accounting done, but thought that the head-office books would be thoroughly overhauled, the system of head-office inspection of branches being thought by most authorities a sufficient check to local accuracy.

The Bank of British North America was the only Canadian Chartered bank to have the system of independent audit previous to this amendment.

COBALT STOCK QUOTATIONS

The following are yesterday's closing quotations of the mining stocks listed on the Standard Stock and Mining Exchange, Toronto, specially reported for the 'Witness' by Greville & Co., Limited:

	Asked.	Bid.
Abitibi	54	....
Albert	70	....
Amalgamated	1.00	....
Buffalo	4.25	3.50
Cleveland	1.15	1.00
Clear Lake	65	....
Foster	3.20	3.11
Gi lpin	80	....
Gordon	75	....
Green-Meehan	1.65	1.62
Hudson Bay	160.00	137.00
Kerr Lake	6.25	6.00
McKin. Dar. Savage	3.00	2.25
Montreal	55	....
Nipissing	17.25	16.50
Peterson Lake	72	70
Red Rock	1.20	85
Rothschilds	50	....
Silver Leaf	21	20½
Silver Bar	50	40
Silver Queen	2.65	2.55
Temiskaming	1.80	....
Trethewey	2.10	2.05
University	17.00	14.50
Watts	1.00	....

GRAND TRUNK NOVEMBER

Gross earnings of the Grand Trunk Railway for November amounted to $3,760,728, or an increase of $314,654 over the same month of 1905, equivalent to slightly over 9 percent.

The following table is made up of weekly earnings to show the short period increases for the month:

	1906.	1905.	Inc.
Nov. 1 to 7 .	$ 884,204	$ 810,248	$73,956
Nov. 8 to 14 ..	888,206	793,366	94,340
Nov. 15 to 21 ..	$76,486	791,904	84,588
Nov. 22 to 30 . .	1,111,832	1,050,556	61,276
Total . .	$3,760,728	$3,446,074	$314,654

PROVISION MARKET

A fairly active jobbing trade is reported in dressed hogs at $9 to $9.25 for abattoir fresh-killed, and at $8.25 to $8.75 for country dressed per 100 lbs. There continues to be a steady demand for all lines of cured meats from both local and country buyers.

DAIRY PRODUCE

The market continues quiet, although some improvement is reported in the demand for November makes. Quotations are unchanged at 12c to 12¼c for November make Ontarios, and 11¾c to 11⅞c for easterns. Octobers are quoted at 12½c to 12¾c for Ontarios.

The market is firm under a good demand, fancy creamery quoted at 25¼c to 25½c, under finest at 24c to 24¾c, and dairy at 21c to 23c, acording to quality.

MORNING EXCHANGE SALES.

Laurentide—2 at 92.
Mexican—25 at 57.
Can. Conv.—25 at 61.
C. Col. C. bonds—$2,000 at 97¼.
Tri City—10 at 94.
Bank of Montreal—6 at 256¼.
Hochelaga Bank—15 at 159¼.
Mex. Elec. bonds—$1,000 at 80.
Coal—25 at 67½.
C.P.R.—25 at 187, 100 at 187¾, 50 at 187½ 60 at 187¾, 125 at 188¼, 175 at 188½, 125 at 188⅞, 5 at 188, 100 at 187½.
M.S.R.—4 at 244, 12 at 245½.
M.S.R. Rights—19 at 14¾, 8 at 15, 15 at 14¾, 6 at 14⅞.
Twins—50 at 108.
Scotia—15 at 70, 35 at 70¼.
Nipissing—115 at 17⅝, 10 at 17⅝, 60 at 17⅝.
Telegraph—100 at 162.
Power—100 at 94.
Mackay preferred—40 at 69½, 230 at 69, 11 at 69¼.
Detroit—100 at 84, 30 at 83¾, 25 at 83⅞.
Toledo — 125 at 29½, 100 at 29.
Merchants Bank—50 at 169.
Iron—50 at 26½, 175 at 26¾, 125 at 26½, 25 at 26⅝, 100 at 26¾, 125 at 26⅝, 10 at 27, 25 at 26⅝, 200 at 26½, 50 at 26⅝, 20 at 26 1-8, 50 at 26½, 100 at 26⅜, 50 at 26¼, 75 at 26.
L. of Woods—10 at 89½.
Mackay—50 at 73.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

London, Dec. 5.—The offerings at the wool auction sales to-day amounted to 10,292 bales. Merinos were keenly competed for by eleven sections. The home trade brought mediums and slipes largely. Americans took a few parcels of Victorian greasy crossbreds.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES

FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, $4.40 to $4.60; strong bakers, $3.90 to $4.10; winter wheat patents, $4 to $4.20, and straight rollers, $3.75 to $3.85, in wood; in bags, $1.65 to $1.75; extra, in bags, $1.50 to $1.60.

ROLLED OATS — $2.10 to $2.15 in bags of 90 lbs.

OATS — No. 2, 42½c per bushel; No. 3, 41½c to 42c; No. 4, 40½c to 41c.

CORNMEAL — $1.35 to $1.40 per bag granulated, $1.65.

MILLFEED—Ontario bran in bags, $19.50 to $20; shorts, in bags, $21; Manitoba bran in bags, $19.50 to $20; shorts, $21.

HAY — No. 1, $12.50 to $13 per ton on track; No. 2, $11.50 to $12; clover, $10; clover, mixed, $10.50 to $11

BEANS— Prime pea beans, in car load lots, $1.40 to $1.45 per bushel.

POTATOES—75c to 85c per bag of 90 lbs., in carload lots.

PEAS — Boiling, in broken lots, $1.10 to $1.15 per bushel; in car lots, $1.05.

HONEY — White clover in comb, 13c to 14c; dark, 9½c to 10c per lb. section; white extract, 10c to 10½c; buckwheat, 6½c to 7c per pound.

PROVISIONS — Barrels short cut mess, $22 to $24; ½ brls., $11.75 to $12.50; clear fat back, $23.50; long cut heavy mess, $20.50; ½ barrels do., $10.75; dry salt long clear bacon, 12¼c to 12¾c; barrels, plate beef, $12 to $13; half barrels do., $6.50 to $7.00, barreis; heavy mess beef, $11.00; half barrels, do., $6; compound lard, 8c to 9½c; pure lard, 12½c to 13c; kettle rendered, 13½c to 14c; hams, 14c to 15½c, according to size; breakfast bacon, 10c to 16c; Windsor bacon, 15c to 16½c; fresh killed abattoir dressed hogs, $5.25; alive, $5.60 to $6.80.

EGGS — New laid, 32c; No. 1 candled, 21c.

CHEESE— October made, Ontario, 12½c to 12¾c; November made, 12c to 12¼c.

BUTTER—Choicest creamery, 25¼c to 25½c; medium grades, 24c to 24¾c.

ASHES—First pots, $5.40 to $5.50; seconds, $4.70 to $4.80; pearls, $6.50 to $6.60

MINING QUOTATIONS

The following are the latest quotations for British Columbia mining stocks, furnished by Robert Meredith & Co.:

	Bid.	Asked.
Consolidated Mines	15¼	160
Can. Gold Fields	7¼	8¼
Granby Consolidated	13½	13⅝
Rambler-Cariboo	27½	30
North Star	15	20
Monte Christo	2	3½
White Bear	9	10
California	..	6
Virginia	6½	10
Deer Trail	..	2
International Coal	65	67½
Sullivan	7	10
Cariboo-McKinney	3	5½
Denoro	10½	16
Diamond Vale Coal	22	25½
Dominion Copper	5	5¼
Novelty	3	3¼

MONUMENT TO ALEXANDER MUIR

Collection to be Taken up in City Schools

SCHOOL BOARD FIXED CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS THIS MORNING.

Before the end of the year a collection is to be made in all the schools under the jurisdiction of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners, in aid of a fund for the erection of a monument to the memory of Alexander Muir, and also to provide a fund for the benefit of his widow and invalid daughter. This decision is the result of a communication received by the board this morning from the Toronto Board of Education, saying that school children throughout the Dominion are to be asked to subscribe to these objects. Mr. Muir was the author of the Canadian national song, 'The Maple Leaf Forever,' and the communication further pointed out that he was for more than fifty years an able and loving teacher in the county of York and Toronto. The treasurer of the fund is Mr. W. C. Wilkinson, City Hall, Toronto.

In recommending the matter to the principals of the school, the board will order that the collections be not more than one cent a child,

At this morning's meeting of the Board, Principal Shaw presiding, it was also decided that Christmas holidays for school children shall extend from the last Friday before Christmas till the first Thursday after New Year's Day.

The new Commercial and Technical School is to be insured for a term of three years for the sum of $125,000, and the contents of the building for a like period, for $8,000. Satisfactory premiums for the same were announced. William Le Mesurier was appointed caretaker of the school.

The Board confirmed a recommendation of the school management committee that the cookery department in the Aberdeen School be remodelled, at a cost of $100, to provide for increased attendance.

It was announced that the chairman of the Hygiene Committee had refused to allow Dr. Yates, on behalf of the Board, to take away from the health office any statistics relating to the recent medical inspections of the schools, although it was stated he would be allowed to examine these statistics.

Dr. Barclay thought this was most unfair, as statements of a most alarming character had appeared in the press as to the conditions of the schools generally. If any of the Board's schools were in the terrible condition described, the Board ought to have official intimation of it. If they were not in that condition, it was not fair that they should come under the general condemnation. It was decided to write asking the Hygiene Committee to send the Board an official copy of their report.

Dr. Barclay and Mr. Binmore (treasurer), were asked to meet representatives of the Catholic School Commissioners to see if they are willing to join the Board in introducing in the Provincial Legislature a bill for the amendment of the act under which the time of payment to the Board of the proceeds of the city school tax is determined. The present system is very unsatisfactory to the Board, there being at the present time money belonging to the Commissioners at the City Hall, and yet they cannot get it.

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GUILD OF ST. ANN.

On Saturday, Dec. 8, the members of the Guild of St. Ann (Church of St. John the Evangelist) will hold their annual tea and sale of work in the school room. The officers are: Mrs. Fred. Howard, president; Mrs. Marling and Miss Covernton, vice-presidents; Mrs. Sutherland Taylor, treasurer. The following ladies will be in charge of the tables:.

Fancy work—Mrs. Fred. Howard, Mrs. Percy Marling, Mrs. S. Howard, Mrs. St. George, Mrs. Meredith.

Housekeepers—Mrs. Hebden, Mrs. Torrance, Mrs. Harris.

Home-made candy—Mrs. Rendell, Mrs. Auchmuty, Miss Rothwell.

Toys and orange tree—Miss Isabel Rendell, Miss Davida Wigmore, Miss Gladys Heward.

Butterfly tea—Mrs. Brooks Claxton, Mrs. Creighton Nash, Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Miss Covernton.

There will be a very attractive table of fancy articles from ten cents to one dollar.

PRINCE ALBERT'S ELECTION.

Prince Albert Council, No. 1293, R. A., held its election of officers last evening in the Inglis Bui'Eag, and it was the liveliest in the history of the Council, there being a record attendance of officers, members and visitors, and there was keen competition for several of the offices. The result was as follows: Representative to Grand Council, W. P. Crites; alternate representative, F. Arthur Jackson, P.R.; regent, R. T. Johnson; vice-regent, J. Goldstein; orator, R. J. Sutherland; outing past regent, W. P. Crites; secretary, R. L. Richards, P.R., re-elected; collector, W. Liddell, re-elected; treasurer, D. Fred. Johnson, P.R., re-elected chaplain, F. Bassett, re-elected; guide, T. L. Fell; warden, R. J. Gordon; sentry, Chas. Muggeridge, reelected; Trustees, D. W. Grieve Nichol, P.R.; H. C. Organ, and Geo. W. Liddell, P.R. At the business meeting one new member, Bro. T. L. Fell, of West New Brighton, Council, N.Y., was admitted by card, and a flash-light photograph was taken of those present for identification purposes, after which all repaired to the supper room, where refreshments were served and an interesting programme of songs was rendered by the Prince Albert, R.A., male quartette.

OBITUARY.

Battleford, Sask., Dec. 5.—Mr. Chas. H. Bradburn, barrister, of this place, and a member of the firm of McGuire, Bradburn & Earle, died to-day of typhoid fever. He was the son of Mr. Thomas E. Bradburn, M.P.P. for the city of Peterborough, and was at the time of his death in his 31st year. He was educated at Upper Canada College, Trinity University, and Osgoode Hall, Toronto. He was admitted to the Ontario Bar in 1901. After practising for two years in Peterborough as a member of the firm of Hatton & Bradburn, he came here in 1903. He was prominent in fraternal societies, being immediate past master of the local Masonic order, and a member of the I. O. F. He was also town solicitor and secretary of the local Board of Trade, and took an active part in all public matters, being a prominent Conservative. He leaves a widow and infant daughter, residing here.

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At Berthier, on Tuesday morning, while Dr. C. E. Amaron, in a room apart, was preparing his lantern for an illustrated lecture to be given in the evening, the acetylene generator having produced too large a quantity of gas, an explosion took place which very nearly cost the lecturer his sight, not to say his life. Although he is suffering severe pain from the burns on his face and hands, the attending physician anticipates no serious results and hopes that Dr. Amaron may resume his work before very long.

ASSESSMENT APPEALS.

The Royal Electric Company has given notice in the Recorder's Court to appeal against the assessment of their property in St. Ann's Ward. The appeal is for a reduction of from $150,000 to $75,000 on the buildings, and from $8,500, assessed rental of the said buildings, to $1,400. The Imperial Electric Company has also filed a notice that it will appeal for a reduction of assessment from $25,700 to $10,000 on its property in Mentana street, Duvernay Ward.

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Arrangements have been made through the authorities of the Presbyterian College of Montreal for a course of seven lectures on 'The literary study of the Bible,' by Prof. R. G. Moulton, of Chicago University, beginning to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, in the David Morrice Hall, and continuing until next Monday.

Prof. Moulton belongs to a distinguished English family of scholars and is himself well known as a most original thinker and writer on literay subjects. He is especially the editor of the 'Modern Reader's Bible,' in which all the available typographical devices of the present day are most skilfully used to bring out the meaning of the Scriptures. This series, in which the several books are published in small separate volumes, has had a very large circulation and has done much to make many obscure portions of the Bible both intelligible and interesting to the average reader.

Professor Moulton is a most magnetic lecturer and has proved his capacity to interest large audiences both in Britain and in the United States. This course is one that cannot fail to be of the greatest value to Sunday-school teachers, Christian workers, and to the religious public generally as well as to divinity students. The lectures are open freely to all who desire to attend, and it is expected that those who are able to be present at the first of the series will not voluntarily be absent from any of those which are to follow.

Professor Moulton will address McGill men and women in Strathcona Hall, on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 9 at 3 o'clock. Prof. Moulton is at the head of the department of general literature, at the University of Chicago. The subject will be 'Is life worth living?'

CRESCENT STREET CHURCH.

Professor Moulton will preach in Crescent Street Church on Sunday evening on 'The interpretative reading of the Book of Job.'

JURY DISAGREE.

The jury trial in the case of Mrs. Theophile Emond, who claimed $15,000 from Mr. Thomas Forde, a contractor, on account of the death of her husband, who was killed while working at the construction of the M. A. A. A., on Peel street, was concluded last evening. The case was heard before a mixed jury, and they failed to agree, the French-speaking jurors being apparently in favor of granting an indemnity, while the English-speaking jurors thought that the contractor could not be held responsible. Mr. Justice Lafontaine accordingly dismissed the jury

VAGRANTS IMPRISONED.

'Billy' Talylor, Alexander McDonald, and James Kelly, who were arrested last week on charges of vagrancy, were yesterday sentenced by Judge Piché to six months' imprisonment. The three men were suspected by the police of being concerned in thefts from drunken men, but there was no evidence to convict them on that charge.

FROM WITNESS' FILES.

SIXTY YEARS AGO.

Sixty years ago officers in the Prussian army were placed in a dilemma. The penal code punished them with imprisonment in a fortress if they accepted a challenge to a duel, and the court of honor deprived them of their commission if they refused.

FORTY YEARS AGO.

A book by Dr. Hamelin, a United States army inspector, and a nephew of the noted missionary at Constantinople, was rousing the attention of the world. It was an investigation of the awful Andersonville Prison. He reported that in an unhealthy locality, a space in a dense forest of tall pines was stripped of every particle of shade, and twelve acres of it packed with 15,000 men, like the immense shoals of fish in the ocean, with less space to each than is allotted to the dead in the graveyard, and crowded as much as a parlor fifteen feet square with fifteen adults in it, and mostly sick. The kitchen for that multitude, if run vigorously day and night by assistant relays of industrious workmen, could have furnished the cooked rations for but 5,000 men. 'After the cars, with their scanty burdens of food, had passed into the prison and distributed their contents, ten or fifteen thousand of the haggard and starving men might have been seen in the central portion of the prison trading with each other. Some of the poor wretches would be offering a handful of peas for a knot of wood no larger than the fist, in order that they might cook their allowance; others offering in barter the remnants of their clothing—a cap, or shoe, or anything they possessed—for a morsel of food.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

The French Cabinet resigned. The premier was M. de Freycinet, who is at the present time busy pushing through the Chamber a bill to control the speed of automobiles.

General von Moltke was making a strong appeal in the Reichstag in favor of the German Army Bill, involving a large increase in the army. He was opposed by both clericals and socialists. An amendment reducing the proposed increase from seven to three years was finally carried on Jan. 4, 1887.

Mrs. Letitia Youmans, the founder of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Canada, was carrying on a successful Scott Act agitation in Bruce county.

RAILWAY THEFTS

DINING CAR COOK UNDER ARREST BELIEVED TO KNOW SOMETHING OF OFFENCES IN MONTREAL.

William Hannabury, second cook on the I. C. R. dining car 'Tobique,' was arrested at Moncton on arrival there of the Maritime express from Montreal yesterday morning. On being arraigned later in the day before Mr. Kay, the police magistrate, on a charge of theft of material from the I. C. R. dining car, to the value of $3, he was remanded until Friday for examination.

Hannabury is a young married man, belonging to Halifax, and has been under surveillance by I. C. R. and G.T.R. detectives for some time. Chief Williams thinks Hannabury knows something about the epidemic of valise stealing from the Bonaventure station, in Montreal, of late. In the prisoner's pocket was found, among other things, a silk handkerchief containing the name of 'H. Paxton Baird, Woodstock.' In his valise, when arrested, were a number of articles belonging to the car. While in court the accused remarked to the clerk that this was his first offence and if he was let go it would be his last.

Detective Williams is communicating with G. T. R. and C. P. R. detectives respecting the missing articles.

WOMAN DRUNK IN CHURCH.

Among the prisoners condemned in the Recorder's Court yesterday to a fine of one dollar for drunkenness was a woman named Marie Cormier, who was found lying in Bonsecours Church, and the only strength the drunken woman had left in her body was centred in her arms which clasped a bottle of gin tightly to her breast.

IN LIQUIDATION.

Mr. Justice Taschereau has granted the petition of Will H. Newsome, Ltd., asking a winding up order to put the J. S. Dunn Co., Ltd., in liquidation, and Mr. J. McD. Hains was appointed provisional liquidator.

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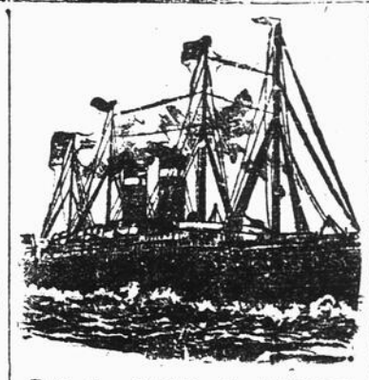
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Credit is largely due to Lieut.-Colonel Gardiner and Mr. Wm. Seath, for the enrolment of the life members, and to Messrs. D. A. Doig and Alex. McFee for the ordinary members.

The society has to regret the recent removal by death of many members, including Messrs. John Bennett, Donald Gunn, Geo. Ross Robertson and W. H. Weir.

THE MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The executive committee of the Missionary Institute have wound up the business of the institute, which was held in the American Presbyterian Church recently. According to the report of the secretary the total number of registrations amounted to 192, the congregations being represented in the following order: Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists and Anglicans. The treasurer, Mr. W. S. Lee, reported that the expenses of the institute were about $275, and that the amount had been received in registration fees and collections. Entire satisfaction was expressed with the institute, and it was unanimously decided to hold similar sessions next year, if possible. The direct result of the institute is that many local churches will have mission study classes. Resolutions of thanks were passed to the trustees of the American Presbyterian Church; to the chairman of the committee, the Rev F. M. Dewey, M.A.; to the treasurer, Mr. W. S. Leslie; to Mr. Frank Peden for the use of his office; to the Y. M. C. A.; to the press; to the secretary, Mr. H. T. Owens, the latter being accompanied by a handsome presentation as an acknowledgment of the services rendered by Mr. Owens.

WOLF HUNT WELCOMED

PEOPLE MAY EVEN COME FROM ENGLAND TO TAKE PART IN IT.

The wolf hunt in Northern Ontario, which Mr. L. O. Armstrong, of the C. P. R. tourist department, is organizing for the Canadian Camp Club, is arousing widespread interest, and already quite a number of inquiries have been received from those who would like to join in the expedition. Quite an unusual number of inquiries from English sportsmen as to winter hunting in Canada have been received by the C. P. R. this week, and in the replies that are being sent mention is made of the wolf hunt, so that it is probable that Englishmen may come out specially to take part in it. A rough calculation as to what the cost will be shows that for those coming from New York $115 will cover expenses, including railway fares, special clothing, share of tents, food, etc.

CALGARY CANADIAN CLUB.

Calgary, Dec. 5.—A Canadian club is being formed here to encourage the study of the institutions, history, arts, literature and resources of Canada, much on the lines of the Winnipeg Club.

Nervous? There are many causes of nervousness, but poor blood heads the list. The doctors call it anemia. The blood lacks red corpuscles. At your first opportunity, consult your doctor about taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Ask him if he has anything better for weakness, debility, nervousness. If he has, take it. If not, take Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Get well, that's what you are after. We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines! J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

A GIGANTIC TASK

THOUSANDS OF TONS OF PIG IRON BEING REMOVED FROM THE WHARVES.

The gigantic task of removing more than fifteen thousand tons of pig iron from the wharves confronts Messrs. Drummond, McCall & Co. A big staff of men have been engaged for the work, and it is hoped that early in the new year the last load will have been shipped to its destination This metal was brought to Montreal by vessels making their trips late in the season. Much of it will be used locally, but outlying districts like Drummondville, Longue Pointe and Turcot have sent in large orders..

The undertaking, which at other seasons of the year could be carried on with despatch, is being greatly hampered by the scarcity of labor and cars, as the railways, at this season of the year are extremely busy. Moreover, wharf laborers desert the city upon the first appearance of a cold snap, and at the present time they are hard to get.

The great extent to which iron is being employed in building operations, it is explained, induces those who deal in it, to get as large a quantity as possible forward by the close of the season to tide them over till the next spring.

Mr. W. Walsh, who is superintending the work of removal, stated to-day that everything was progressing most favorably, and, although the water in the harbor is four inches higher than at the close of navigation, it is expected the total shipment will be removed without danger of being submerged.

FIRE ECHOES.

CAPTAIN MANN CONFINED TO THE HOUSE AS RESULT OF AN INJURY.

As a result of the big fire on Monday night at the corner of McGill and Notre Dame streets, Captain Arthur Mann, of No. 20 fire station, is confined to his room with a painful wound, a nail having pierced his rubber boot and entered his foot.

Messrs. Perrin, Freres & Cie. estimate their loss at between twenty-five thousand and thirty thousand dollars. They carried insurance in a number of companies, as fallows:

Manitoba	$20,000
North British Mercantile Co	16,000
Queen Insurance Co.	10,000
Norwich Union	5,000
Western Company	5,000
Atlas	5,000
Mount Royal	5,000
Connecticut, Hartford	5,000
Montreal, Canada	5,000
Total	$76,000

LICENSED VICTUALLERS

WILL OPPOSE EARLY CLOSING OF BAR ROOMS.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Licensed Victuallers' Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Monument National. The following officers were elected by acclamation:—President, Victor Lemay; vice-president, James McCarrey; secretary, Ald. L. A. Lapointe; treasurer, Victor Bougie; directors, Messrs. H. A. Dansereau, Napoleon Tremblay, N. Gauthier, Jos Barriteau, E. Masse and A. J. Ayotte. The following were elected a board of advisers:—Mayor H. E. Ekers, ex-ayor H. Laporte, Ald. M. Martin, M.P.; Ald. Robillard and Messrs. J. M. Wilson, Thos Kinsella and J. M. Fortier.

Some discussion took place regarding the proposal recently made by the local clergy and temperance workers that hotels and restaurants should be compelled to close their bars at seven o'clock on Saturday evenings, and 10 o'clock other nights. This proposition met with little approval from the members of the association. It was resolved that such measures as might seem necessary should be taken to protect the interests of the licensed victuallers in this matter.

TRANSPORTATION ITEMS.

Mr. W. W. Finley, of Washington, has been elected president of the Southern Railway, in succession to the late Mr. Samuel Spencer, who was killed in a wreck on his own railway recently. Mr. Finley had been the second vice-president of the company since 1896.

The following appointments have been made on the New York Central Railway: C. J. Grammar, vice-president in charge of freight traffic; C. E. Daly, vice-president in charge of passenger traffic, and Ira A. Place, vice-president in charge of legal matters. Nathan Guilford, traffic manager, resigned through ill-health.

McMILLAN GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The jury on the murder charge against Hugh McMillan, for causing the death of Oscar Lauzon by striking him with a club, returned a verdict of manslaughter to-day, with a recommendation for mercy. Judge St. Pierre, who is presiding at the Hull Assizes, will not deliver sentence for a day or two.

LAVAL-RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

Laval University, which failed to take part in the last competition for the Rhodes scholarship, will, it appears, enter the field this year, and the name of Mr. Guy Morey is mentioned as a competitor from the Montreal branch, while Quebec will furnish two others.

MR. NEWTON BEERS IS COMING.

Mr. Newton Beers is coming. He will characterize, in monologue, his popular fraternal play, entitled 'David and Jonathan.' The entertainment will be presented before Lansdowne Lodge, No. 9, I.O.O.F., in their hall at 990 St. Catherine street, east, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 19th. Mr. Beers is styled, 'The Oddfellow Entertainer,' and 'The Entertainer of Odd Fellows.'

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Dated at the Office of the Secretary of State of Canada, this thirtieth day of November, Nineteen Hundred and Six.

R. W. SCOTT, Secretary.

OUGHTRED, PLACE & PHELAN, Attorneys for applicants.

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Notices.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Frederic Villeneuve, James Villeneuve, Eugene Villeneuve, Rachel Villeneuve, Alphonse Morin and Dame Susan Anne Walker Villeneuve, will apply to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, at its next session for an Act to authorize the Trustees appointed under the will of the late Honorable Joseph Octave Villeneuve to increase the allowances of the said Frederic Villeneuve, Eugene Villeneuve, Jacques Villeneuve, Rachel Villeneuve and Alphonse Morin and to ratify certain acts of the said Trustees. Montreal, 1st December, 1906. FREDERIC VILLENEUVE, Solicitor of the Applicants.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec by the Vendors and Purchasers under the Deed of Sale and Conventions from Dame Marceline Labranche, widow of the late Louis Labonte et al., to the Society of the Montreal General Hospital, of the immoveable property known upon the Official Plan and in the Book of Reference of the St. Louis Ward in the City of Montreal by the number two hundred and thirty-eight (238), with dependencies, said Deed passed before F. G. Crepeau, Notary Public, the 26th November, 1906, and registered in the Registry Office for the Registration Division of Montreal East, on the 21st November, 1906, under the number 67327, for the passing of an Act to declare legal said Sale and to ratify said Deed. Montreal, 30th November, 1906. SELKIRK CROSS, Solicitor for Applicants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Francis Henry Wilfred Bovey, of the City and District of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, member of the English Bar, will make application to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec at its next session for the passing of an Act to authorize the Bar of the Province of Quebec to admit him to the practice and profession of the law after passing the requisite examinations. Montreal, 4th December, 1906. FLEET & FALCONER, Attorneys for Applicant.

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Miscellaneous.

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WEEK END STORIETTE.

Cousin John's Nipper.

(By S. Alice Ranlett, in the 'Christian Endeavor World.')

Mrs. Burdon folded her nephew's letter, and looked mournfully at her daughter, Mary. 'To think,' she sighed, 'of having a yapping dog under foot! It does seem a little mite inconsiderate of John to ask that of us. And it's a poodle, one of those white yarn dogs that are always snapping and snarling.'

'But it's for only three months,' replied Mary; 'and perhaps it doesn't snarl; anyhow, it doesn't bite, Cousin John says; and he is so kind that we ought to take care of his dog while he is away.'

'Yes,' answered Mrs. Burdon, 'I don't feel to say no; but it is a real cross, especially when we are just trying to make that dear little kitty feel at home. Like as not, the dog will drive her away, and it's dreadful unlucky to have a cat leave you; still, of course, we can't refuse John's request.'

'Well,' said Mrs. Borren, who was making a neighborly call on the Burdons, 'I trust the creature will prove more of a comfort than you fear for. And now, if you will let me have the table-cloth, that one with the ivy-leaf pattern, if you'd just as soon. I presume likely the minister's mind is set above table-cloth patterns; still, when you're going to have him to tea, you like to set out your best, and my company cloth is six inches too short. And I'd like an ounce of your Oolong tea and a few lumps of sugar. Thank you kindly; when you have the minister to tea, I'll be real pleased to help you out.'

Mrs. Borren, with a cup in each hand and the glossy folds of white linen hanging over her arm, disappeared behind the lilac-bushes. Mary exclaimed: 'That woman acts as if we kept a general store! I wonder she didn't want to borrow the cow!'

'Now, Mary,' answered her mother, 'it's neighborly, besides being scriptural, to lend to those that ask. Mrs. Borren doesn't seem to have the faculty of being forehanded, and we can generally make it convenient to let her have what she wants.'

A week later, the expressman, dragging into the Burdon kitchen, a hamper from which issued demonstrating whines, said, 'I hope you folks will enjoy keeping this critter more than I've enjoyed getting him here; he seems terrible uneasy.'

'What a big basket for a little yarn dog!' Mrs. Burdon exclaimed. 'Mary, put poor kitty into the pantry, and give her a handful of catnip, so she won't feel slighted, while we attend to the dog.'

When the cat was blissfully wallowing in the aromatic herb, Mary cautiously opened the hamper.

'Mercy on us!' cried Mrs. Burdon, as the cover flew up and an inquiring black head was thrust from beneath it, 'Why, it isn't a little yarn dog, after all. It's as curious a looking animal as I ever saw, fore parts curly wool, and the rest of him smooth, short hair, except those panties on his knees and the rosettes on his hips and the feathery bunch at the end of his tail; all black, too, hair and eyes and all, not a mite of color except his red tongue and white teeth. Didn't Cousin John call him a poodle?'

'Yes, mother,' Mary answered, 'a French poodle. See how glad he is to be out of the basket.'

Round and round the kitchen ran the dog, barking and looking sharply about with his snapping black eyes.

'Well,' said Mrs. Burdon feebly, 'if John hadn't said he was kind, I certainly should have my doubts. You shut the pantry door so he can't get poor kitty, didn't you? How will kitty endure that black monst—French poodle? But we must be good to him for John's sake. His name is Nipper, isn't it?'

At this question the dog bounded to Mrs. Burdon't side, and, looking keenly into her face, demurely lifted his black paw to shake hands.

'Well, he has manners, anyway,' said Mrs. Burdon; 'and here's a note tied to his collar. Why, Mary, John says the creature's hair doesn't grow that way, but is clipped, and we may just let it grow natural; and he says that, if the frills and rosettes are a silly fashion, Nipper is an intelligent little fellow with a heart full of love.'

All through the evening Nipper walked from Mary to her mother, gazing intently at them as if questioning their fitness to be his friends; of this he satisfied himself, and conceived a special devotion to Mrs. Burdon, from whose bedside at night he absolutely refused to budge.

As Nipper became at home with the Burdons, his affection for his new mistress manifested itself in ways both touching and amusing. If she went away from the house, he was disconsolate, and, taking between his paws one of her collars or handkerchiefs, lay moping, neither eating nor sleeping, until her return. If anyone took an article from Mrs. Burdon's room or person, he yelped and raged until it was restored, and once he ran barking after Mary into church, because she carried her mother's hymn-book.

He was full of unaccountable freaks, and disliked some persons so much that it seemed as if he could scarcely keep his teeth away from them; and the grocer and the postman would not go into the yard unless they were sure that the dog was secured. But he never bit anyone, and after a short bark at a stranger he became calm and well-behaved, and his many clever tricks, vivacious ways, and funny, original pranks won him friends among the neighbors, who liked to see him beg, with uplifted paws and melting eyes, lie prostrate, 'playing dead,' fetch his collar to go to walk, and, with mischievous expression, deftly open doors secured by latches and buttons.

Mrs. Burdon returned the dog's devotion to her, and spoiled him with petting. One day, when Mary hastened to the kitchen, hearing a great commotion there, she found Nipper alert upon a chair, looking on with snapping eyes and joyous barks while Mrs. Burdon, armed with dust-pan and broom, and with threatening cries of 'Scat!' was chasing the terrified kitten round and round the room.

'Why, mother,' exclaimed Mary, 'whatever—'

'I'm just showing Nipper that he needn't feel a mite kept down by the cat,' said Mrs. Burdon. 'Poor fellow, he was afraid of those cruel, sharp claws of hers, and I wanted him to understand that I'd protect him from the old thing.'

The Burdons were always thoughtful of persons' possible fear of the dog, and kept him shut up when visitors were in the house; so, on the afternoon when the sewing circle met with Mrs. Burdon, Nipper, who delighted in society and bustle, was an unwilling recluse in the dark eaves-closet, from which muffled whines and remonstrating barks crept to the ears of the ladies, and they begged that Nipper might be allowed to enliven the gathering.

The liberated dog made all haste to the social scene, and walked about, peering with glittering eyes into the guests' faces, and receiving their fondlings and flattering remarks, until in his tour he reached Mrs. Borren, who, having neglected to bring her own sewing implements and apron, had been fitted out by her hostess with the needed articles. When Mrs. Borren stretched out her thimble-hand ingratiatingly toward Nipper, he promptly laid aside his company manners, and flew into a fury of barking, with black eyes snapping and white teeth ominously showing.

'Mercy me! What ails the dog?' cried Mrs. Borren, jumping from her chair. 'Call him off, Mary, call him off!'

In vain was Nipper called off; barking and raging, he leaped about the unhappy woman, holding in his teeth the hem of her apron. Mrs. Burdon tugged helplessly at his collar, until an idea came to Mary, who exclaimed: 'O Mrs. Borren, I think it is the apron; he knows it is mother's, and he never likes it if even I take any of her things. Let me untie it; there, see!'

With a joyous bark Nipper took the apron, dropped it at his mistress's feet, and kissed her hand, while Mrs. Borren breathed a sigh of relief. But the dog returned to the attack, sniffing and growling.

'Have you anything else of mother's?' asked Mary. 'Oh, yes, the thimble and the scissors; see, that is all that he wants.'

And, truly, when all the borrowed articles had been restored to their owner, Nipper paid no further attention to Mrs. Borren, but went through his parlor tricks to the delight of his house.

Although Cousin John had requested the Burdons not to trouble themselves about Nipper's fancy hair-dressing, when the dog's jetty curls began to grow long and thick, his appearance was so changed that Mary said, 'I don't believe his master would know Nipper; and I believe I can clip him, mother, if you will pet him and make him contented.'

So one day, when the dining-room table had been cleared and covered with a sheet, Nipper was conveniently disposed upon it, and the clipping and feeding went on so much to his satisfaction that he wished the experience to be of daily occurrence; and each morning, after breakfast was removed, he sprang upon the table, stretched himself out, and looked with pleading eyes from Mary to her mother. As the two women stood laughing at him in this attitude, on the morning after the sewing circle, suddenly, at the click of the gate, he leaped from his place through the open window; his exit was followed by a succession of snarls, barks and feminine screams.

When Mary hurried to the door, she saw Mrs. Borren, brave in her best street suit, with a display of white lingerie, alertly scaling a load of hay which Jacky Appleby had just driven into the yard; Jacky, with mingled horror and unholy glee, was gazing at Nipper's frantic plunges after his victim; Mrs. Borren, from her perch, was poking her blue parasol at the dog, crying: 'Call off the dirty black brute. Mary, call him off!'

Mary, choking back her laughter, tried to drag Nipper away from his game, but every stab of the parasol threw him into a new frenzy. At last she said, 'Isn't that mother's parasol?'

'Yes,' replied Mrs. Borren, shortly, 'is there any reason why I shouldn't have it? I didn't steal it; she said I could have it just as well as not, and it matches my blue suit perfectly.'

'But it is the parasol that is exciting Nipper. If you will just drop it.'

Down came the parasol, which Nipper caught deftly and carried to his mistress, in the doorway, where he remained, looking on with entire indifference while Mary and Jacky assisted Mrs. Borren to descend from the hay.

'How naughty you are, Nipper!' said Mrs. Burdon, holding him by the collar and stroking his head, while Mrs. Borren, closing the gate with a vicious snap, gasped: 'It's my opinion, Jane Burdon, that you had better get rid of that animal; he's an unmitigated nuisance. I just stepped into the yard to ask the favor of your shopping-bag, and that creature burst right through the side of the house like a raging hyena.'

'I am so sorry,' replied Mrs. Burdon; 'wait just a minute, and I will bring the bag; Mary, take the parasol to Mrs. Borren.'

'No, no, I won't wait,' said that lady, starting apprehensively at Nipper's threatening growl when Mary touched the umbrella. 'I'm obliged to you, but I'll go on, or I shall miss my train.'

Mary, caressing the dogs black curls, whispered, 'Nipper, you are a treasure.'

But Mrs. Burdon said, 'Nipper, you are a very, very naughty darling; you must learn to be polite to the neighbors.'

For some weeks Mrs. Borren came no more on borrowing errands, and Nipper paid no more attention to her than sniffing suspiciously at her skirts, as if to learn whether she had about her any of his lady's property. But the approaching marriage of Emeline Lane, Mrs. Borren's niece, was an occasion of such special need that once again she went for help to her obliging neighbor.

'If you'd just as soon, Mrs. Burdon,' she began, 'as long as you aren't going to the wedding yourself, if you would lend me your real lace fichu, it would lighten up my polka-dotted black India silk; don't you think so? And then, if I could take your chiffon bonnet with the white laces; my bonnet is trimmed with violets, and they do look a little mite sombre for a wedding, and of course on Emeline's account. I want to do honor to the occasion. And, Mrs. Burdon, I don't like to ask too much, but would it put you out if I should wear your new patent-leather shoes? I'd be real careful. Thank you so much; I always say you're a good neighbor.'

On the wedding day, when Mrs. Borren set out, brave in her borrowed lilacs and lace, Nipper was secured in a back room; and there Mary and her mother left him, when, an hour later, they went to the city.

Mrs. Borren had walked up the church aisle, happily conscious of her becoming bonnet and fichu, and Emeline, her pretty, thoughtful face half hidden by the white mist of her bridal veil, was listening to the minister speaking the first sentences of the marriage service, when there was a rush up the aisle and a curious sound of sniffing, followed by a series of short barks. Two or three men sprang toward the source of the disturbance, a jet black dog with gleaming, elfish eyes and wonderful curly frills and pompons. Of course, it was naughty Nipper who had freed himself, and by chance or by some mysterious dog-sense had put himself on the track of Mrs. Borren, at whose respectable black India skirts he was now violently scratching, occasionally making a dive at his victim's head.

'It's no use,' the poor woman cried, as her would-be protectors pursued the dog. 'You can't get him off; he's done it before. He's bound to have these things. Why didn't they shut him up?' she wailed, removing the chiffon bonnet, which Nipper promptly seized and carried out of the pew; then, snapping threateningly at those who would restrain him, he returned to the attack, while the astonished wedding company gazed at Mrs. Borren removing the lace from her neck, and at the amazing dog depositing this beside the bonnet in the broad aisle and going back to claw again at the polka-dotted skirts.

'O my goodness me!' groaned Mrs. Borren. 'He won't be satisfied without every last thing. Who would think the brute would know each identical rag Mrs. Burdon owns?'

Scratch, scratch! Snap, snap! Bark, bark!

'It's no use,' she continued, with crimson, perspiring face, turning to a cousin beside her, 'it's no use. He's bound to have them. Jennie, just untie my shoes.'

'Why, Cousin Miranda, what do you mean?' asked the astounded Jennie.

'Don't ask any questions; do what I say. I know him; he'll never be satisfied any other way.'

With gleaming eyes Nipper trotted away, bearing first one and then a second shining shoe of ample dimensions.

For one breathless moment there was a brave struggle for decorum, and then a shout of joyous laughter; only poor Mrs. Borren sank into her seat with uncovered head, unadorned neck, and burning face, and wept bitter tears over the front of her polka-dotted India.

When the people could be quiet, the service proceeded, though Emeline giggled between her vows, the bridegroom chuckled, and the minister grew red in the face, struggling with the recollection of the episode. At the end of the ceremony the bride stopped the procession to kiss Aunt Miranda, hiding herself in her diminished splendor, and to say: 'Never mind. I don't,' while the bridegroom added: 'It's all right, Aunt Miranda; you've made our wedding the most cheerful occasion of the kind that I ever assisted at.'

Meantime, the triumphant Nipper, having merrily dragged one shoe from his booty over two miles of a dusty country road, reached home just as Mrs. Burdon and Mary arrived.

'Mary, Mary,' cried Mrs. Burdon, 'what is Nipper bringing?'

'Why,' Mary replied, gingerly examining the crushed and grimy object, 'it looks like—yes, it is one of your best shoes. Why in the world is Nipper dragging it about town?'

'O Mary!' gasped Mrs. Burdon, 'I lent the shoes to Mrs. Borren, to wear to the wedding. Oh! how did Nipper get them? What has happened? I left him shut up in the attic chamber, and felt perfectly safe about him.'

'I have seen him lift the latch of that door,' Mary replied, 'and the window in the passage is open and near the ground. But, oh! what do you suppose he has been doing?'

Late in the afternoon Jennie Borren came to the Burdons' to return the chiffon bonnet and fichu, and, between spasms of laughter, she told the tale. 'Poor Cousin Miranda!' she said; 'she felt as if she'd go right through the floor, and she declares she'll never borrow so much as a teaspoonful of soda again as long as she lives.'

'You jewel of a Nipper,' whispered Mary.

But Mrs. Burdon shook her head, and said, caressing the dog's jetty curls, 'You're a naughty, naughty, darling Nipper.'

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

AS CROSS AS A BEAR.

'You're as cross as a bear,' said Bess to Billy.

Uncle Jim whistled. 'Bears aren't cross to members of their own family,' he said. 'Now, I knew a bear once—'

Bess and Billy both ran to him and climbed up on his lap.

'Did you really ever know a bear?' cried Billy, with wide open eyes.

'Well, not intimately,' said Uncle Jim, 'but I used to go hunting them when I was up in Canada, and one day I was out with a hunting party, and we saw right straight in front of us—what do you suppose?'

'A real bear!' gasped the children in concert.

'Yes, a real mother bear and her little son. The dogs started after them, and the mother bear began to run, but the little baby son couldn't run as fast as she did, and the dogs were gaining on him, so what do you suppose the mother bear did? Leave her little son behind? No, sir-ee-ee. She picked the baby up on her stout nose and tossed him ahead; then she ran fast and caught up to him and gave him another boost that sent him flying through the air. She kept this up for a mile and a half. Then she was too tired to go any farther, and the dogs surrounded her. Then she sat up on her haunches, took her baby in her hind paws and fought the dogs off with her fore paws. And how she did roar!'

Bess shuddered.

'You could hear her miles away. She never forgot her baby; kept guarding him all the time. When the mother was shot the baby cub jumped on her dead body and tried to fight off the dogs with his little baby paws. That's the way the bears stand by each other. Sometimes I think they love each other better than brothers and sisters. Hey, Bess, what are you crying about? I guess I won't tell you any more bear stories if that is the way you feel.'

'Billy,' sobbed Bess, 'you're as good—as good as a bear!'

Then they all laughed together and forgot what they had been cross about.—New York 'Tribune.'

'WHAT SHALL WE DO TO-DAY?'

O the deeds we will do the days to come
And the words that we mean to say
Will lighten the hearts of the sin-sick souls,
But what shall we do to-day?

O the burdens we'll lift from the hearts of men,
O the tears we will wipe away,
And the songs we will sing to the faltering ones—
But what shall we do to-day?

To-day is the span of our life, no more
Can we measure or clasp or mould.
There may be no morrow for us, dear heart,
No future to use or hold.

O let us give from our store at dawn,
Give 'till the gloaming fades away.
All we may do for the sons of men
Is the good we can do to-day.
—Ruth Sterry, in 'Bookman.'

DIVINE BREATHINGS.

THURSDAY, DEC. 6.

CHRIST DIED FOR ALL MEN.

Every man by nature is under sentence of death, for all have sinned. (Ro. v., 12.) Jesus by the one offering of Himself became a substitute for every sinning man who trusts in His death. Jesus died the just one for the unjust. He bore our sins in His own body on the tree. Jehovah laid upon Him the iniquity of us all. (I. Pet. ii., 18; ii., 24; Isa. liii.) By His stripes there is healing. Provision is made for all. Whosoever will, let him come. Christ died that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but receive eternal life. He that believeth on the Son hath life. The gift of God is eternal life in Christ. (Jno. iii., 16, 36; Ro. vi., 23.) The one condition is faith or trust shown by obedience. God's provision of the manna was for all Israel, but those who would not gather it, must die. Canaan was promised to all Israel, but no unbeliever reached it. Jesus told the Jews of His day, that if they believed not on Him, they would die in their sins. (Jno. viii.) It is easy to be saved. One trustful look to Jesus brings life. 'Look unto Me and be saved.' Remember the thief on the cross. Christ rejected, or neglected, brings eternal punishment. (Matt. xxv., 46; II. Thess. i., 9; Matt. xviii., 8.) Christ says that the man who eats, drinks Him, that is, believes and trusts, has now eternal life, and shall never perish. No one can pluck out of His hand, 'more happy, but not more secure, the glorified spirits above.'

DAILY TEXT.

December 6.

Fear the Lord.—Prov. iii., 7.

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Perhaps no other organs work harder than the kidneys to preserve the general health of the body and most people are troubled with some form of Kidney Complaint, but do not suspect it. It may have been in the system for some time. There may have been backaches, swelling of the feet and ankles, disturbances of the urinary organs, such as, brick dust deposit in the urine, highly colored scanty or cloudy urine, bladder pains, frequent or supressed urination, burning sensation when urinating, etc.

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[OFFICIAL REPORT.]

THE EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK

Annual Meeting of Shareholders Was Held Yesterday.

NEW DIRECTORS ELECTED.

Messrs. Shirley Ogilvie, Montreal, and C. A. Robertson, Winnipeg, Replace the Late Messrs. Wood and Brown.

Sherbrooke, Que., Dec. 5—(Special).—The [illegible]eighth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Eastern Townships Bank was held in the board room of the bank at Sherbrooke at two o'clock on Wednesday, Dec. 5, and in addition to the directors there were present: F. M. Stanton, Newport, Vt.; F. D. Spaulding, Barrington; Edwin Howe, Hatley; S. A. Baldwin, Norton Mills; D. Wilson-Smith, Johnsbury; Chas. Ward, Derby Line; Col. H. R. Fraser, Dr. F. J. Austin, Captain Bennetts, of Sherbrooke; and others. The President took the chair and the General Manager acted as secretary. Colonel H. R. Fraser and Mr. F. D. Spaulding were appointed scrutineers of votes.

The directors' annual report was read as follows:—

In submitting the accompanying Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement your Directors have pleasure in informing the shareholders that the gross profits for the year under review have been satisfactory, but, unfortunately, the Bank has been called upon to bear exceptional losses in Montreal and St. Hyacinthe, which have been fully provided for, written off from the year's profits, and dividends have been declared, a substantial sum carried forward.

Your attention is directed by reference to the Balance Sheet that $2,000 has been contributed to the Officers' Guarantee Fund, $200,000, premium on new stock, $50,000, transferred to the Reserve Fund, and the balance, $75,749.46, now stands at the credit of Profit and Loss for future appropriation. Your Directors, therefore, have every reason to believe that the result will be considered on the whole satisfactory.

Business throughout the country has been satisfactory in nearly all lines, with the farming community especially so, the dairy product being rather in excess of last year and bringing better prices.

It is gratifying to note the great increase in immigration, a large proportion being of the better class with sufficient means to enable them to make a good start in the country; it is to be regretted that more of them do not find homes in the older provinces—those that have done so are doing well.

The wrecking of the Ontario Bank is one of the unfortunate incidents of the year. That the failure of such a large institution did not cause any disturbance in financial circles, and that its creditors were not seriously inconvenienced is a matter of congratulation. It has, however, again raised the question of Government or independent inspection, and the matter is now under consideration by the Bankers' Association and the Finance Department of the Government. Your Board would favor any well-devised system which will safeguard the interest of the shareholders and the public.

The Bank as well as the community at large has met with a serious loss during the year in the death of your Vice-President, Major Israel Wood, one of the original shareholders, and a Director for twenty years, and also Director Henry Beckwith Brown, both men of ability and good judgment, with the best interests of the Bank always paramount.

In consequence of a fire having rendered the property purchased by the Bank in Montreal untenantable without heavy expense, it was decided to proceed with the erection of our new office building without delay. The old building has been demolished and plans are being prepared so as to be ready to go on with the work the coming spring. Several new offices have been established during the year showing good results.

The usual careful and thorough inspection of the various Branches has been made.

All which respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM FARWELL,
President.

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the year ending November 15th, 1906.

Balance at credit of profit and loss brought forward from November 15, 1905	$ 24,566.18	
Profits of head office and Branches, after deducting charges of management, interest on deposits, and making provision for bad debts	279,610.24	
Premium paid on new issue of capital	259,674.00	$563,850.42
Appropriated as follows:		
Dividend No. 95, of 2 percent, payable April 2nd, 1906	$54,351.43	
Dividend No. 96, of 2 percent, payable July 2nd, 1906	55,914.42	
Dividend No. 97, of 2 percent, payable Oct. 1st, 1906	57,835.11	
Dividend No. 98, of 2 percent, payable 2nd January next	58,000.00	
Transferred to reserve fund	260,000.00	
Transferred to officers' guarantee fund	2,000.00	488,100.96
Balance carried forward		$75,749.46

J. MACKINNON,
General Manager.

GENERAL STATEMENT, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1906.

LIABILITIES.

To the public		
Deposits in the Bank in Canada	$2,582,015.00	
Deposits payable on demand	2,701,643.06	
Deposits payable after notice	9,987,066.67	
Balances due to other banks in Canada .	55,765.13	
Balances due to other banks in United Kingdom	17,668.70	$15,344,158.56
To the shareholders:		
Capital paid up		$2,932,790.00
Reserve fund		1,860,000.00
Reserved on account of rebate on bills discounted, unmatured	$35,000.00	
Dividend No. 96, at the rate of 8 percent per annum, payable 2nd January next	58,000.00	
Dividends unclaimed	3,992.10	
Balance profit carried forward	75,749.46	172,741.56
		$20,309,690.12

ASSETS.

Gold and silver coin on hand .. ..$	154,331.07	
Dominion notes on hand	1,109,153.00	
Deposit with Dominion Government for security of bank note circulation	106,090.00	
Notes of and cheques on other banks ..	592,963.54	
Due from other banks in Canada	818,832.37	
Due from other banks in the United Kingdom	5,057.72	
Due from other banks in foreign countries	813,557.87	
Dominion and Provincial Government securities	167,073.42	
Canadian municipal debentures and foreign public securities. .	471,400.00	
Other bonds, debentures and stocks. .	149,266.20	
Call loans on bonds and stocks	2,182,968.33	
Total assets immediately available . ..		$6,570,683.32
Current loans, discounts and advances to the public	13,046,340.03	
Loans overdue (estimated loss provided for)	71,882.67	
Real estate (other than bank premises) . .	54,532.19	
Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank	62,737.90	
Bank premises and furniture, including safes and vault at Head Office and branches	486,300.69	
Other assets	17,213.12	
		13,739,006.60
		$20,309,690.12

J. MACKINNON,
General Manager.

The President reviewed the report, and made a few remarks on the business of the country generally. Vice-President Miner, Director Flumerfelt, the General Manager, and Messrs. Sherman and Mansur followed with brief addresses, after which the report was adopted.

Feeling reference was made to the loss sustained by the Bank during the year in the deaths of the late Vice-President, Major Israel Wood, and Director Brown.

THE DIRECTORS.

The ballot resulted in the election of the following directors: William Farwell, S. H. C. Miner, N. W. Thomas, G. Stevens, C. H. Kathan, J. S. Mitchell, A. C. Flumerfelt, Frank Grundy, Shirley Ogilvie (Montreal), C. A. Robertson (Winnipeg), the last two gentlemen being elected to fill the vacancies occasioned through the deatrs of Major Wood and Mr. H. B. Brown.

At a meeting of the new board Mr. Wm. Farwell was re-elected President, and Mr. S. H. C. Miner, Vice-President.

COMMERCIAL.

METAL AND HARDWARE ANNUAL MEETING

At the annual meeting of the Montreal Metal and Hardware Association, held yesterday, it was decided to join the Wholesale Dry Goods Association in sending a deputation to Ottawa to endeavor to have the duty on packages removed. As the packages are useless, and are either thrown into the cellar or are chopped up for firewood, importers do not think they should be charged duty upon them. The Wholesale Grocers' Association will also be represented on the delegation, and it is expected that the Wholesale Druggists will, likewise, join in.

The president, Mr. G. A. Kohl, submitted to the meeting his report of the business transacted during the year, and it was unanimously adopted.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

President—Mr. George A. Kohl.
Vice-president—Mr. T. L. Paton.
Treasurer—Mr. J. H. Hanson.
Directors—Messrs. A. A. Brown, H. W. Dorken, H. J. Fuller and J. R. Kinghorn.

Mr. G. A. Kohl was unanimously chosen for nomination to the Council of the Board of Trade as the association's representative on that body, and Mr. George A. Charles, of the United States Steel Products Export Company, was admitted to membership of the association.

Those in attendance at the meeting were:—Messrs. George A. Kohl, president, in the chair; J. R. Kinghorn, T. H. Newman, H. J. Fuller, J. W. Pyke, William McMaster, William Starke, G. J. Crowdy, Alex. Gilt, T. L. Paton, A. A. Brown, J. H. Hanson, James Davidson, and H. W. Dorken.

LARGE NEW COTTON MILLS

It is announced that the Dominion Textile people will build large new cotton mills at Shawinigan Falls, operating 100,000 spindles and employing well on to 2,000 hands. The company, which has already been organized under the North American Cotton Company's charter, obtained at Ottawa last year, will have a capital of $2,000,000 preferred and $1,000,000 common stock. While the Dominion Textile Company will subscribe for a large block of the company's securities and control its output, a number of the company's friends are also heavily interested in the undertaking.

It is understood, however, that the public will have an opportunity to subscribe for the stock on exactly the same terms. Shawinigan Falls has been chosen as the site of the new mills because of its immediate proximity to excellent water power and because of the supply of the best French-Canadian labor in the vicinity of the Falls and of Grand'Mere. It was said yesterday that free sites had been offered elsewhere and even bonuses had been offered, but the promoters decided upon Shawinigan Falls as the better locality for such a mill.

The new railway from Three Rivers to Shawinigan will be completed soon, thus giving the enterprise double railway communication. A contract has been made with the Shawinigan Water and Power Company for 2,500 horsepower. The plans of the new mills are being prepared by Mr. F. P. Sheldon, of Providence, R.I., and it is expected that the project will be completed by the fall of 1907.

SALARIES ADVANCE

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 5.—Several thousand employees of the Michigan Central Railroad have been granted an increase in wages ranging from one cent to four cents per hour. Switchmen on all divisions of the road, except the Canada Southern, will be paid the increase, dating from Nov. 1.

ANOTHER LOAN ABSORPTION

Toronto, Dec. 6.—It was announced today that the Standard Loan Company is taking over the Canadian Savings, Loan & Building Association. The merger involved assets of close upon two million and a half dollars. The agreement has been revised by the registrar of loan corporations and executed by the directors of both companies. A special general meeting of the Canadian Savings Association has been called for Jan. 17 to ratify the amalgamation, which will effect a saving of $25,000 a year in working expenses. The Standard Loan Company is purchasing the whole of the assets of the Canadian, which will cease to exist. The latter company has 5,000 shareholders, and assets of $900,000, comprising mortgages and a small proportion of real estate. It has about $300,000 of permanent stock and over $500,000 of instalment stock. Mr. W. J. Hambly, the president and manager, will occupy a seat on the board of the amalgamated company. The Standard Loan, of which Mr. W. S. Dinnick is general manager, has absorbed several smaller concerns during the last few years.

THE IRON AND STEEL DISPUTE.

Ottawa, Dec 6.—Mr. Fielding has had conferences with the representatives of the Dominion Iron & Steel and the Dominion Coal companies. While it is not true that the contending interests have decided to constitute Mr. Fielding as sole arbitrator in the dispute, it is understood the minister has tendered his good offices to endeavor to reach a settlement.

IMPERIAL PAPER MILLS BONDHOLDERS.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 5.—A specially summoned meeting of the prior lien bondholders of the Imperial Paper Mills of Canada was held to-day, and after a lengthy and somewhat acrimonious discussion a committee of four was appointed to represent and protect the interests of the bondholders, with the objects and powers subject to conditions to be defined by an instrument of trust which should forthwith be prepared by them and circulated among the signatures.

DULUTH FOUR MONTHS

The Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway earnings for the four months comprising the present fiscal year, were as follows:

From July 1 to Oct. 31—			
Gross. earn.....	$1,186,523	$1,090,212	$96,311
Opr. ex... . .	758,643	693,301	65,342
Net earn. . . .	$427,880	$396,911	$30,969
Other income . .	3,172	3,197	x25
Total income . .	$431,052	$400,108	$30,944
Int. and taxes....	350,566	346,566	4,000
Surplus	$80,486	$53,542	$26,944

x Decrease.

NEW YORK IMPORTS

New York, Dec. 5.—The volume of business done by importers in New York, according to the records in the office of the collector of customs during 1906, will far exceed all previous records. For the year ending Dec. 31, 1906, there were 294,127 importations received. Up to to-day there were 300,270 recorded for the present year, and it is estimated by the customs officials that the importations during the year 1906 will amount to at least 325,000.

THE WORLD'S NEW GOLD

The final estimate of the director of the mint of the world's production of new gold in 1906 places it at $376,289,200, an increase of nearly $20,000,000 over 1904. The largest producers in 1905 were: Africa, with an output of $113,329,110; the United States with $88,180,700, and Australasia with $85,926,500. The important gains were $7,716,000 by the United States, $27,415,200 by Africa, and $2,655,000 by Mexico; losses were $1,913,000 by Canada, $1,840,800 by Australasia, and $2,511,600 by Russia. All of the silver-producing countries showed a falling off in output of that metal compared with the previous year.

CATTLE MARKETS

East Buffalo, Dec. 5.—Cattle— Receipts, 250 head; slow; unchanged.

Veals—Receipts, 150 head; active and 25c higher, $4.50 to $9.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,800 head; fairly active and barely steady; heavy, $6.65 to $6.75; mixed and yorkers, $6.70 to $6.75; pigs, $6.75 to $8.80; roughs, $5.75 to $6; dairies, $6.30 to $6.60.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 7,000 head; active; sheep steady; lamb, 5c to 10c higher; lambs, $6 to $7.90; Canada lambs, $7.65 to $7.70.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Cattle—Estimated receipts, 24,000; steady. Beeves, $4 to $7.40; to $7.50. cows and heifers, $1.60 to $5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.40 to $4.50; Texans, $3.80 to $4.60; westerns, $3.90 to $6; calves, $5.50 to $7.50.

Hogs—Estimated receipts, 30,000; steady. mixed and butchers, $6.05 to $6.45; good heavy, $6.30 to $6.45; rough heavy, $6.95 to $6.15; light, $5.95 to $6.40; pigs, $5.60 to $6.25; bulk of sales, $6.20 to $6.40.

Sheep—Estimated receipts, 22,000; steady. Sheep, $3.95 to $5.60; lambs, $4.50 to $7.75.

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Applications for the Bonds may be made to the Bank of Toronto and Branches, or to The Royal Trust Company, Montreal, who will furnish copies of this Prospectus and forms of subscription on application.

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In the presence of ....(SEAL)

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THE GAS COMPANY'S HISTORY.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.')

Sir,—In order to the further enlightenment of the public on the gas question, I send you a few notes on the history of the present company, which you may consider of sufficient interest to publish.

By reference to the preamble of the Act of Incorporation of the present company (given below) it would appear that history sometimes repeats itself. When the present company was formed it was apparently in answer to a demand for 'gas in greater quantities and of better quality and at a cheaper rate' than the same had hitherto been supplied. Speaking of the quantity—the gas furnished to us at present seems to be worse than it ever has been, worse even than it was last winter. In my library three jets serve barely to get around without tumbling over the furniture, and are of little or no use for any other purpose whatever. As to the price—there is no doubt that it is far in excess of what the company has a right to charge if the matter was properly investigated. There is room, therefore, for a movement similar to that of 1847, by which we may secure gas of a better quality and at a cheaper rate than we can get at present.

C. H. STEPHENS.

The present Montreal Gas Company was incorporated in 1847 by the name of the New City Gas Company. As this name implies, there was already in existence at that time a gas company which company was called the Montreal Gas Company.

The capital of the new company was fixed at twenty-five thousand pounds, and the directors elected at the first meeting, held on May 8, 1847, were John Mathewson, William Lunn, James Ferrier, David Kinnear, Dugald Stewart, Alexander Urquhart, Archibald McFarlane, Thomas Molson, Joseph Savage, James Scott, George D. Watson, Henry Mulholland and Canfield Dorwin.

The preamble of the new company sets out that—

'Whereas, the great and increasing extent of the City of Montreal, and the great demand for a cheaper and more effective mode of lighting the public squares, streets and places in the said city, as well as the shops and private dwellings therein, render it desirable that more than one company should be established for the purpose of furnishing gas for the lighting of the said city; and

'Whereas, the several persons hereinafter named have by their petition, prayed that they and such others as may be incorporated under the style and title hereinafter mentioned, for the purpose of supplying the said city with gas in greater quantities and of better quality and at a cheaper rate than the same as has hitherto been supplied.'

By the act of incorporation which followed, the city was empowered 'To take up the whole of the stock of the said company on paying such an advance upon the shares as will cover the interest on the instalments paid previously to the work of the company having gone into operation; as well as any other loss of interest which the shareholders may have sustained by reason of the interest not having been equal to the legal rate of the province, and that they consent and agree that the charge to be made to the consumers of gas, shall not exceed such price as shall be sufficient to produce an annual profit on the work of eight percent per annum.'

By the next section this act was not to affect the incorporation of any other company with a like purpose.

By another section power was given to open the streets, on observing due precaution and after two days' notice to the city: all pipes therein to be marked so as to distinguish them from those of any other company.

By the act of 1849, passed two years after the incorporation, the capital was increased to fifty thousand pounds, and other changes made to facilitate the working of the company, but none which affected the rights of the public or the franchise bestowed upon the company.

By the act of 1860 the capital was increased to six hundred thousand dollars, and the shares were fixed at forty dollars a share; but no changes were made in the fronchise.

By the act of 1872 the capital was increased to four million dollars (It must have been a good thing to have been a shareholder of the Gas Company in those days), and the value of the property which the company was empowered to hold was also increased. By this act no changes were made in the franchise, except that the company was empowered to extend their work to the adjoining municipalities, on obtaining their consent. Power was also given to the city to indicate streets in which they desired gas pipes to be laid, and to enjoin the company, if they refused to lay them; the company being reserved the right to the decision of a judge of the Superior Court as to whether the circumstances warranted the outlay.

By the act of 1879 the name of the company was changed to that of the Montreal Gas Company (the old Montreal Gas Company apparently having disappeared) and, at the same time, the company was empowered to sell gas for cooking or heating, as well as for lighting, and also electricity, subject to agreement with the corporation.

By the act of 1901 the company was given the right to amalgamate with any other company, upon conditions set forth in a contract which should be deposited in the office of the Provincial Secretary; and, in the same year, the

Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company was incorporated with a capital of $1,000,000 divided into shares of $100 each, and was given power to 'manufacture, buy or otherwise acquire and dispose of, in any manner whatsoever, gas, electricity or any apparatus and supplies used in connection therewith, and make and dispose of any by-products arising from their manufacture.'

They were also given power to 'lease and operate the works or undertakings, in whole or in part, of any person or corporation carrying on or authorized to carry on any business within the purposes of the company, and may acquire and hold the stock or bonds of any corporation having the power to carry on any like business.'

They were also given power to 'exercise the franchise and charter rights of any company whose business and undertaking it may acquire by lease or purchase.'

They were also given power to amalgamate or consolidate with any corporation, in the stock or bonds of which it is authorized to invest, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the two companies and set out in a notarial deed to be deposited in the office of the Provincial Secretary.'

They were also given the power 'in the city of Montreal, or at any place in the Province of Quebec within a radius of one hundred miles from the said city, to enter upon and construct, under or over the streets and public highways, all such pipes, lines, conduits and other constructions as may be necessary for the purposes of its business, all such work to be performed with as much expedition as possible and under the directions of the municipality in which the works are situated, provided that the company be responsible for all damages which it may occasion.

Provided always that the company cannot place its wires, poles, conduits or other structures necessary for the purposes of this act in the streets of the city of Montreal or of any other municipality without giving previous notice of one month to that effect to the municipal authority; and provided:

(a) That in erecting its works or installing its material or apparatus it shall cause no useless damage;

(b) That it shall take all possible care to leave the streets or public highways free and uninterrupted;

(c) That it shall protect its works and accessories by all suitable means;

(d) That it shall repair the streets and public highways with due diligence;

(e) That it shall repair all damage which it may have caused by its works or by the installation of the accessories;

(f) And that it shall be responsible for all negligence in respect thereof.'

THE LATE MR. G. M. SMITH.

The funeral of the late Mr. G. Maitland Smith took place yesterday afternoon from St. Martin's Church, where a most impressive service was conducted by the Right Reverend Bishop Carmichael and the Rev. H. P. Plumptre. Floral tributes were sent from the office staff and employees of the British American Bank Note Company, and the Canadian Lithograph Company, as well as from St. Paul's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and the Scottish Rite Lodge, both of which lodges Mr. Smith was connected with. The chief mourners were: Messrs. G. F. C. Smith, father; Edwin Gough, uncle; Dudley Gough and the Rev. G. W. Parker, Compton, cousins; Mr. F. W. Frith, Lennoxville, and Mr. A. R. Howell, brothers-in-law.



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'A BLACKMAILER'

PROHIBITION LEADER DECLARES CONSPIRATOR TO RUIN HIS REPUTATION BECAME CONSCIENCE-STRICKEN.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 4.—Clinton N. Howard, president of the Prohibition Union of Christian Men, startled this city last night by an address at the Second Baptist Church, in which he charged a lawyer, an alderman, a saloonkeeper and two women with conspiracy to ruin his reputation. While he gave no names, he designated the persons in the plot so plainly that many know who are meant. Howard had advertised that he would expose a Black Hand plot at this meeting, and the big church was crowded. He charged that the conspirators are in the pay of a saloonkeeper; that the plot was hatched in a Powers block lawyer's office, and the initial funds raised to pay the tools—a detective and two women.

'They hired an attorney and he hired detectives,' said Mr. Howard. 'Rooms were to be rented—a flat in my own ward. A young woman was to be hired to come to my house in the dead of night and lure me out with her on an errand of mercy, perhaps of sickness or of death. She was to tell me that the sick or dying woman was her mother. As the lawyer said, she was to pilot me down there and "we'll do the rest." A woman was to be in that room to represent the mother. Men would have been secreted in a closet—the hired detective and his accomplices, who would have seized me and forcibly disrobed me. Then they would have called in their nefarious hired witnesses, who would have pretended to break into the room and swear falsely how they found me.

'I say, thank God for the Chapman revival, for one of the men in the plot was led to go to a sermon and by means of it to reveal the plot.

'And they had their story ready for the newspapers. A newspaper of this city was pledged to publish it. Their lawyers were retained, their base women hired, and they were to divide among them the big money which the Bowers building lawyer assured them was in it for them all when the trap was sprung. Their lawyer was to say $50,000 was our price of silence. Then—they know well that I have not that sum—he was to tell me, if I would keep my mouth shut, to swear on my word of honor never to say another word against the liquor traffic, "we won't tell."'

Howard's other sensation was the declaration that the Rev. David M. Kirkpatrick, who was caught in a room with a woman and forced to fly from the city nine years ago, was innocent and had been the victim of a plot executed by the same lawyer, who, Howard says, planned his (Howard's) ruin.

'Let them know that I know the name of the "blond Elsie" who was to bait the hook,' Howard continued. 'The lawyer was told that I said once in this pulpit that I was "partial to blondes," and he said, "We'll give him what he likes." I like blondes; I didn't marry one, and I wouldn't trade what I've got for all the blondes in the world.

'There was an alderman of the Common Council in the plot. Let that alderman know that I know him and who conferred with him in his office; and we know the names of the other men for whom he was acting and who had knowledge of the plot.'

Howard says he has proof of the conspiracy and District Attorney Warren will take the complaint to the grand jury.

REV. DR. G. W. HILL DEAD

WAS FATHER OF MRS. G. OSBORNE TROOP, OF MONTREAL.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 5.—The Rev. G. W. Hill, late rector of St. Paul's, Halifax, N.S., died to-day at Dorking.

The Rev. George William Hill, son of the late Captain N. T. Hill, of the Royal Staff Corps, was born in Halifax, N.S., on Nov. 9, 1824. He was educated at Acadia College, and at King's College, Windsor, N.S., (B. A., 1847; M.A., 1853; D.C.L., hon., 1877). He was ordained deacon in 1847, and priest in 1850, and was sent not long afterwards to England on a mission on behalf of King's College. He was professor of Pastoral Theology in that institution from 1854 to 1859, and was afterwards curate and rector of St. Paul's, Halifax, and chaplain to the Legislative Council of Nova Scotia. He resigned these appointments in 1885, and went to Switzerland. Subsequently he was appointed rector of Gravely, Herts, England. Dr. Hill was one of the founders of the Nova Scotia Historical Society and became its president for a term. Besides other published works he was the author of 'Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotians,' (1858); 'Reviews of the Rise and Progress of the Church of England in Nova Scotia,' (1858); 'Memoir of Sir Brenton Haliburton,' (1864); and a 'History of St. Paul's Church, Halifax,' (1878). In September, 1849, he married Emma, daughter of the Hon. M. B. Almon, M.P.P. Dr. Hill was father-in-law of the Rev. G. Osborne Troop, of Montreal.

PASSENGER FELL OFF TRAIN.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 6.—A passenger, J. H. Hanson, of Fairmount, N.D., fell off a Wabash express at Jennette's Creek early yesterday morning, and was instantly killed. It is thought he walked out on the platform and lost his balance. He was noticed to fall by a fellow passenger. The body and effects were brought to this city, and will be shipped to Fairmount, N.D.

DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual social gathering of Church of England Sunday-school workers will take place on Monday, Dec. 10, at eight p.m., in the Synod Hall, University street. The programme will include addresses, music, an exhibition and demonstration of Sunday-school machinery, and refreshments. All Sunday-school workers are cordially invited.

SICK STUDENT ATTACKS BURGLARS

DESPITE NURSE'S PROTESTS HE GAVE BATTLE TO MIDNIGHT MARAUDERS.

New York, Dec. 5.—Edward Crowinshield, a Harvard student now ill with a fever at the West End avenue home of his father, Frederick Crowinshield, an artist, sprang from his bed to-night, and, despite the protests of his nurse, gave battle to two burglars whose operations had attracted his attention. With unaccountable strength, the patient had got the better of one of the intruders, when the other came to his rescue and the two overpowered Crowinshield. The struggle aroused the sick man's father, who arrived with a revolver and drove the burglars in flight through a rear window. The young man was hurriedly put back to bed, having, according to physicians who were hastily summoned, experienced no serious results in his midnight encounter.

LOST ON THE PRAIRIE.

Craik, Sask., Dec. 5.—Miss McDonald, of Aylesburg, was lost on the prairie, returning from a neighbor's last night, and when discovered at noon to-day her condition was such that recovery is hopeless. Her brother, who also became lost while searching for his sister, is in a serious condition.

SALVATIONISTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 5.—Commissioner Coombes, of the Salvation Army, to-day interviewed the Provincial Government in regard to the Army's proposal to bring laborers from Great Britain to this province.

A TRADE MARK CASE.

The firm of Albert Soaps, Limited, acting through their attorneys, Messrs. Cooke & McMaster, have entered an action in the Exchequer Court against Drysalters, Ltd. The plaintiffs complain that the defendants in placing on the market a special brand of soap known as 'Mother's Favorite Soap,' have adopted methods constituting an infringement of their own rights in the manufacture and sale of their own brand of 'Baby's Own Soap,' and they ask that the defendants may be enjoined from making use of their present label and from putting their soap on the market in such a way as to interfere with the Albert Soaps, Limited.

CORDASCO GETS DAMAGES.

Mr. Justice Robidoux rendered judgment yesterday in the case of Antonio Cordasco vs. Thomas Vendetti. This was an action for damages on account of statements published in Vendetti's newspaper, 'La Verita,' after the investigation held two years ago by Judge Winchester, on the influx of Italian immigrants. The Court found that the remarks published in 'La Verita' against Cordasco were not justified, and he was awarded $50 damages.

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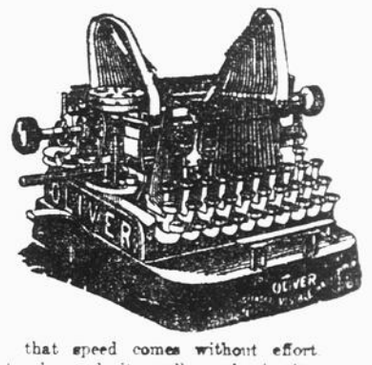
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The Barber—'Are you the next? 'I gentleman.—'The Westminster Gazette.'

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FURTHER ADVICE REQUIRED.

A recent fire was the cause of a Norfolk agricultural laborer losing the greater part of his furniture. The vicar of the parish headed a subscription list, and mainly by his efforts the sum of nine pounds was raised for the benefit of the family. Fearing that, as is so often the case, the money would not be laid out to the best advantage, the reverend gentleman accompanied the man and his wife to the furniture stores and advised them in their purchases. They totalled to seven and sixpence above the amount collected, which sum the vicar generously paid from his own pocket.

'There now, I think we've finished,' he remarked to the couple. 'I'll bid you good morning.'

A whispered consultation between man and wife followed.

'The missus was wonderin' whether you understood bicycles, sir,' explained the man, 'and she thought, if you did, maybe you wouldn't mind givin' me a hint about what sort of machine I'd better buy.'

'You surely can't afford to buy a bicycle,' James,' remarked the amazed vicar.

'Oh, yes, sir,' chimed in the woman, proudly, exhibiting a cheque for ten pounds; 'we got this here from the insurance people this morning.'—London 'Tit-Bits.'



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LIST FOR THE PRESENT.

London 'Evening Standard.')

'black list' of habitual drunk- many, as in England, and verdtfeger had the misfortune on it. He is now off—as the fficial notice, issued by the able of Hildesheim, indicates: o. 16752. Henry Schiverdtferger, er, having died May 23, 1900. against serving him with al- rs is now superfluous. For the name is removed from the Dr. Gerland.

udent who had gone to pass a examination had the misfor- blucked.' By way of breaking his parents he wrote home:— a grand time here; everybody me. The professors were os- and asked me to come back term.'

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

'I'll be glad when it's all over.' is the plaint of many and many a woman, uttered in much weariness of body and mind, during the rush that we always manage to get into in the days preceding Christmas. After it is 'all over' one is apt to breathe a sigh of relief and satisfaction, feeling at the same time that there was a good deal of enjoyment after all, in the work, and the excitement, and the mystery. One would not really be willing to leave out any part of the Christmas preparations—the gift making and sending, the planning of dinner and Christmas tree, even the shopping—but one cannot help sometimes wishing that the results could be accomplished with a smaller outlay of energy and nerve force.

The Christmas shopping is certainly a somewhat strenuous undertaking, especially for the woman of only moderate means, and many demands upon them. With all her practice in shopping, it must be owned that the average woman has never succeeded in either reducing it to a science, or elevating it to an art. The 'average woman' expends a great deal more energy and nerve force in her shopping expedition than is necessary, but then, about the last thing she thinks of economizing in is the outlay of her own vitality.

The 'average man's' Christmas shopping may be a drain on his purse, but he never dreams of permitting it to make desperate inroads on his time or strength. If he cannot relegate the whole thing to some woman relative or friend, he takes half an hour extra from his business at noon some day, goes to one of the big departmental stores—or the jeweller's, or the furrier's, according to the kind of article he has in mind—and when he comes out it is with the pleasant consciousness of having fulfilled his mission. The purchase may have been a few dollars more than he expected, and it may not be exactly what he intended but it is 'off his mind,' and he is not going to worry about it. 'We women' feel ourselves too expert, or too conscientious, for such hasty, reckless methods of expenditure, not to mention that we have much more to look after, and the sums we have to spend may not usually admit of that elastic 'few dollars more than expected.' But we can improve on our own methods, even in the direction of man's expedition and matter-of-course serenity after the event.

The woman who, in her shopping expeditions maintains a fine mental poise and calmness of spirit is not the average, but the exception. There is the undecided shopper who cannot quite make up her mind what she does want. She sees a red leather case that would do very nicely for John, but she doesn't quite decide to take it, thinking she will just look at what they have in a few other places. Nothing appeals to her as any better, so she goes back for the first admired article, only to find that it is gone, and it is only then she decides that that handsome red leather case was exactly what she wanted. There is the regretful shopper, who worries because she didn't get a pink or blue silk fascinator for Edna instead of the violet one; and the vacillating shopper who wants her purchase exchanged after it is wrapped up, and when the second is in like case, just about concludes that she liked the first better after all. There is the economical shopper who wastes dollars' worth of nerve tissue worrying because she paid ten cents more for Tommy's train of cars, and fifteen cents more for Marjorie's doll than she could have bought them for elsewhere if she had only known in time, and there is the over-careful shopper who flits about from counter to counter without actually making a selection, lest she may be able to do still better, spending hours in indefinite search for the greatest bargains, and returning home tired to death, and with very little to show for it.

The successful shopper, one who achieves most satisfaction, with considerable enjoyment and the smallest amount of trouble and worry, is she who lays some definite plans in good season, with a fairly wide margin for incidentals and the unforeseen. Her system combines prevision and calculation, with chance and the study of the Christmas 'ads.' Perhaps she first goes the round of the shops by way of acquiring ideas and suggestions; then makes out provisional lists on paper, and begins to fill them out as far as she shall find them most practicable and desirable as she goes along.

Whatever system or plan of action she adopts in regard to her Christmas shopping every one of us would do well to keep in her mind at the start that she must get through with it—even if she accomplish all, or nearly all, she wishes to do—at least with such poise and spirit and conquest of melancholy as will leave her able to enjoy Christmas joy and festivity, instead of being 'glad when it's all

Now that Christmas is less than three weeks away, the great body of shoppers may be reminded again that it is in their power to materially lessen the burden on the salesmen and saleswomen, to whom the Christmas season means a time of confusion, late hours, and fatigue. If those who can so arrange it would do their shopping in the morning hours, when both buyer and seller are fresh and rested, and would get the greatest part of it over with early in the season, they would be doing a good deal to lessen the strain on those behind the counters, and incidentally would have a better opportunity of being served, and also, if anything, a more complete stock to choose from. The 'Christmas spirit' can be exemplified in this as in other ways.

'DRESS.'

The December number of 'Dress' is not only a presentment of the modes of the month, but also a handsomely finished Christmas magazine. From the brilliant and timely cover, throughout, the illustrations are a succession of artistic surprises. The fashions are presented in a beautiful and an eminently practical form. The articles on the present and the coming modes are well written and illustrated effectively. Among the full-page engravings are dinner and ball dresses, reception and evening gowns, walking and tailor-made costumes, by Paquin, Drecoll and other well-known designers. A dinner gown, by Panem, is in pale green marquisette, delicately embroidered in green, white, and gold with just a suspicion of black, and this is shown in an exquisitely tinted engraving. The Paris notes are illustrated with drawings by Drian. Among the special features are dressing table hints, an illustrated article on lighting the boudoir, and some toques for the débutante. The centre page is entitled 'The Christmas Dance.'

PRETTY AND EASY TO MAKE.

A pretty work-bag can be made with a round, square, or octagonal box, such as the fancy boxes that candy comes in, for a foundation. Cover the outside of the box with Dresden ribbon, having the floral design forming a continuous wreath around the box. Make the bag, which fastens in the top of the box, of a plain silk in a color harmonizing with the ground of the ribbon. The bag can be finished with a two-inch hem, or a facing of the Dresden material, and the box can be edged with a narrow gold braid or gimp. Gather the bag about the inside top of the box, and draw it up in the hem at the mouth with silk cord and tassel, or ribbon. One such work-bag had the box-part covered with ribbon in a design of violets and green leaves, the bag being of green silk faced with the ribbon, and tied with a violet cord. A useful, and less expensive bag, can be fashioned from flowered cretonne and plain sateen.

A serviceable and attractive cushion for a 'den' is made of grey linen, or brown holland. One who cannot embroider can work one of these cushions in a conventional design in cross-stitch, the rather loosely woven threads of the material serving as a guide. A brown linen or holland, worked with dull blues, reds and pale tan is artistic; so is grey worked in shades of blue picked out with burnt orange. The combinations give scope for individual taste, but the tints chosen should be soft and harmonious, rather than bright and contrasting. The linen, decorated with cross-stitch in colors, forms the basis of many useful articles.

THE 'WITNESS' DAILY MODEL



NO. 1,094—GIRLS' DRESS IN VEST EFFECT.

In this neat little dress the waist is joined to the box-pleated skirt, and has a bertha over the shoulders. The effect at the closing is attractive, forming a vest to skirt depth, with a band trimming and closed with buttons and buttonholes, a box pleat being formed at each side of the front. The skirt is circular, and gathered at the waist, and is finished with a belt of leather or of the same material if desired. The sleeves are in short style with turn-over cuffs.

The pattern is cut in four sizes, 6, 8, 10, and 12 years. For eight years it requires 5½ yards of material 27 inches wide, or four yards 36 inches wide.

PATTERN COUPON.

Please send the above-mentioned pattern as per directions given below.

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N.B.—Be sure to cut out the illustration and send with the coupon, carefully filled out. The pattern cannot reach you in less than a week. Price 10 cents, in cash, postal note, or stamps. Address, 'Witness' Pattern Department, 'Witness' Block, Montreal.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA

Colonel Gaedke Says the Time for a Renewal of Hostilities is not Ripe

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF BOTH COUNTRIES WILL POSTPONE HOSTILITIES.

London, Dec. 5.—Simultaneously with an announcement in some of the English newspapers that some of the Lloyds underwriters have been insuring against an outbreak of war between Russia and Japan in 1907, at five guineas percent, Col. Gaedke, whose articles and correspondence in the Berliner 'Tageblatt' during the recent war attracted universal attention, writes to that journal a remarkable article on the military position in the Far East. Col. Gaedke recognizes that the time for a renewal of hostilities is not yet. He says there are clear signs that the air is loaded with electricity, but the financial condition of Russia and Japan will postpone hostilities. Russia's naval strength in that region need not be considered. Still, Japan intends to have eight battleships of the 'Dreadnought' type afloat within eight years, while the continued increase of her fighting strength is also remarkable. For a time Japan increased her army only by four divisions raised during the war. She now intends to increase it to twenty divisions, gradually forming ten army corps. The cavalry also will be increased considerably. Machine guns will be attached to every infantry regiment. The railway troops and balloon detachment will be raised, and the fortress artillery increased. The authorities are meditating a reduction of the period of military service from three to two years. Meanwhile, Russia's artillery position in the Far East has been considerably bettered. She had only 88 battalions there before the war, and now has 187, including the European divisions, which remains at Harbin until April 1, when Japan and Russia should evacuate Manchuria, according to the treaty. Altogether, in West Siberia, Trans-Baikalia and the maritime provinces, Russia has nine divisions of rifles and one of foot, with three reserve brigades of foot. The latter are twice as strong as they were before the war. Thus Russia has fifteen field and reserve divisions, not including the force at Harbin, each of sixteen battalions, totalling 256 battalions, as compared with only 136 mobile battalions at the beginning of 1904. Her cavalry strength is about the same as it was before. Her field artillery has been increased from 18 to 63 batteries, each of 80 horse, in peace, forming 90 batteries of eight guns in war. There are 16 mountain batteries, 10 heavy mortar batteries and 46 siege batteries. The railway troops and sappers remain as before. The fortress artillery at Vladivostok has been raised to 12 batteries. The railway guards number from 20,000 to 25,000, although Russia's portion of the railway has been reduced. Col. Gaedke thinks that Russia's strategic position in the Far East has improved very much. Vladivostok has become a very strong fortress. Harbin, probably strongly fortified, would be besieged immediately upon the outbreak of war. Communication with European Russia is now shorter and less liable to interruption.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—The reports of warlike activity on the part of the Japanese in Manchuria, published in London, are characterized at the War Ministry to be complete inventions. The officials here have not received any information tending to confirm the reports.

DR. CRAPSEY DEPOSED

FORMAL CEREMONIAL PERFORMED BY BISHOP WALKER AT BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 4.—Bishop Walker, of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Western New York, this morning formally deposed the Rev. Algernon S. Crapsey, rector of St. Andrew's Church, of Rochester, N.Y., from the ministry of the Episcopal Church. The ceremony took place in St. John's Episcopal Church, and was witnessed by three Episcopal ministers selected by the bishop to act as official witnesses.

EARTHQUAKE IN WEST INDIES

Kingston, Island of St. Vincent, B. W. I., Dec. 4.—A prolonged earthquake shock was felt here last night. It lasted fully eighty seconds. The vibrations were slow. The people of Kingston were thrown into a state of panic. No other shock felt here has ever lasted so long.

The islands of Barbadoes and St. Lucia also felt the shock. It was most severe on the island of St. Lucia. There has been a continuation of earthquake shocks here, at irregular intervals, and of varying severity, since last February.

BANK TELLER MISSING.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5.—William C. Anderson, collection teller of the First National Bank of this city, is missing, and President E. F. Swiney admitted to-day that Anderson was short $9,000 in his accounts. The bank officials have sworn out a warrant for his arrest.

ETHIOPIAN RAILWAY

King Menelik Adheres to Proposed Internationalization Scheme

BUT WITH RESERVATION THAT IT WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH HIS SOVEREIGN RIGHTS.

Adis-Abeba, Abyssinia, Dec. 5.—King Menelik has at last sent his reply to Great Britain, France and Italy regarding the proposed arrangement for the internationalization of the Ethiopian Railway. It is understood that the King adheres to the suggested arrangement, but with the reservation that it shall in no way limit his sovereign rights. By this arrangement the integrity of the Abyssinian empire, the open door and commercial equity for all countries are guaranteed.

ELEVATOR FELL

THREE PERSONS CRUSHED TO DEATH AND ANOTHER FATALLY INJURED.

Chambersburg, Pa., Dec. 5.—Three men were killed, one was fatally injured, and five others were severely hurt at Waynesboro to-day, by the fall of an elevator in the Geiser Manufacturing Co.'s shops. Eleven men were on the lift, together with a five-ton milling machine and heavy truck, when a cable parted. The men were dropped twenty-five feet with the machinery, into a pit, and George Freeman, John Torson and Larar Papian were crushed to death. Nicholas Bunson was fatally injured. All of the injured were brought to the hospital in this city.

SIR CHARLES WYNDHAM

NOTED ENGLISH ACTOR TO RETIRE FROM THE STAGE.

London, Dec. 5.—Sir Charles Wyndham, presiding at the annual dinner of the actors' benevolent fund, announced his early retirement from the stage. 'It is in the very nature of things,' he said, 'that a short time hence will see my withdrawal from the career to which I have devoted so many happy years.' He added that he would appear again as chairman at the fund's dinner.

'CAPTAIN KOEPENICK'

GERMAN LADIES RAISE A PENSION FUND FOR VOIGHT, THE SHOEMAKER.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—William Voight, the cobbler whose exploit at Koepenick is certainly without parallel, is experiencing equally unparalleled circumstances in his imprisonment. Creature comforts for the inner man reach the prison for him daily. A number of lady sympathizers have subscribed a fund for securing him a pension for life. No German malefactor was ever so lucky, but no malefactor ever before convulsed two hemispheres with laughter.

CONVICTS FIGHT

RIOT IN A PRISON AT LISBON.

Lisbon, Dec. 5.—A riot which is probably unique has just occurred in Setubal convict prison. It did not arise from ill-treatment of the prisoners, but from a purely political faction fight among the convicts, professing, respectively, Monarchist and Republican views. The wardens were reinforced by the local infantry, but were unable to keep the rivals in hand, and the climax to their mutual reprisals was the firing of the Monarchists' dormitory by the Republicans. The fire brigade was called out, and while the firemen fought the flames the incendiaries sang Republican songs and jeered the homeless Monarchists. The governor of the prison subsequently enlisted the firemen to quell the rioters, who had come to blows. Streams from five hose pipes achieved what the wardens failed to accomplish.

A PECULIAR FATALITY

MR. J. D. FROST FALLS AGAINST HIS BED AND DIES FROM INJURIES.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—As a result of broken ribs received in an accident in his room, at the Palmer House, where he was a guest, the death took place last night of Mr. J. D. Frost, an American gentleman, aged 75 years, who was identified with the Ontario Asphalt Company. About two weeks ago Mr. Frost fell heavily against the bed. Whether the fall was caused from a fainting spell or from slipping when he attempted to turn on the light is not known. At the time Mr. Frost did not call any person in the hotel, and it was not till the following morning that he complained of intense pain at the base of his ribs and told of the accident of the previous night. His remains were shipped to New York.

PRIZE CONTEST.

The Most

Artistic Photograph

A great deal of interest is being taken in the Sovereign Photograph Contest which the 'Illustrated Witness' has announced to close on Dec. 31. It will be a trial of skill. Any photographer, amateur or professional, man, woman or child, may compete, and there is no restriction as to subject. The prize will be awarded for what the judges decide to be 'THE MOST ARTISTIC PHOTOGRAPH.' Entries should be sent in as early as possible. All photographs submitted become the property of the publishers. Mark, 'Photo Contest,' and address: The Editor, 'Illustrated Witness,' 'Witness' Block, Montreal.

REVISING VOTERS' LISTS

Between Now and December 20 Young Men May Register Their Names.

Between the present time and the 20th instant all householders, property-owners, and salary-earners living with their parents, in the city and province, who are not already on the electoral list, can qualify for a vote at the next Provincial or Federal election.

There are two lists at present being prepared, one for the Provincial elections, and the other for the Federal elections.

All proprietors or tenants who pay a rental of at least $30 per annum, and all sons living with their parents and in receipt of at least $300 a year, or possessed of at least $300 worth of property, either in their own right or through their parents—that is to say—their parents must possess property to the value of $300 for each son living with them who desires to qualify, are qualified for the provincial lists. Proprietors can qualify for as many votes as they have properties in different electoral divisions, but those qualified on income alone can qualify for only one vote.

For the Federal lists the qualification is the same. Corporation employees, while not allowed to vote in civic elections, are fully entitled to do so in Provincial or Federal elections.

Those wishing to have their names inscribed on the electoral rolls, either Provincial or Federal, can do so by appearing at the city assessors' office, asking for a qualification paper, filling it in and taking the oath before a justice of the peace or a commissioner of the Superior Court. There is no charge either for the qualification paper or for the administration of the oath. These qualification papers can also be obtained at any of the political clubs, or on application to the government offices, or at the various newspaper offices in the city, or at political headquarters. Applicants must be British subjects and over twenty-one years of age.

PROBATION SYSTEM.

MRS. FREDERIC SCHLOSS ADDRESSES SENATORS AND M.P.'S REGARDING JUVENILE DELINQUENTS.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Frederic Schloss, chairman of the Juvenile Court and Probation System in Philadelphia, addressed a meeting of senators and members of parliament in the Railway Committee of the House of Commons to-day in favor of the establishment throughout Canada of a probation system on lines that have already given such excellent results in the United States. The passage of a Dominion law would impose no outlay on the part of the federal authorities, but would merely provide machinery of which the provincial courts may avail themselves in dealing with juvenile delinquents. The Speaker of the Senate suggested that the necessary legislation should be introduced in the Senate which would have more time to devote to its consideration than the House of Commons.

THE CODEX MENANDER

PROF. LEFEBVRE DISCOVERS ANCIENT PAPYRI IN EGYPT.

London, Dec. 5.—Prof. Lefebvre, of the Egyptian Department of Antiquities, has disinterred a large number of leaves of papyrus of the Codex Menander, containing over twelve hundred lines. The leaves are not continuous, but there are five hundred lines from each of two plays. Two more plays are represented by smaller quantities. These will enable modern scholars for the first time to form an independent judgment of the style and genius of the famous Greek comic dramatist.

STORM ON BRITISH COAST

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH TOWER IN SCOTLAND BLOWN DOWN.

London, Dec. 6.—A severe gale is raging on the coast. The steamer 'Baltic' was not able to leave her dock at Liverpool until early this morning.

Among the many accidents reported is the destruction of the wireless telegraph tower at Machrihanish Bay, Scotland, which was 450 feet high, and weighed two thousand tons. This tower was erected for wireless communication with America. It collapsed, and crashed to the ground. Fortunately it fell clear of the adjoining buildings, and nobody was injured.

'LONDON TIMES'

ORDER FOR ITS REORGANIZATION GRANTED BY COURT OF CHANCERY.

London, Dec. 5.—The Chancery Court to-day granted an order allowing the reorganization of the London 'Times' into a joint stock company. This marks a notable departure in the traditional methods of the representative English journal. The court, in granting the order, also directed that a general accounting be made of the assets. The order was granted by mutual consent, all the proprietors agreeing to the reorganization.

SHELL EXPLODED

ONE MAN KILLED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION AT IONA ISLAND.

Highland Falls, N.Y., Dec. 5.—A six-inch shell exploded at the Government naval station at Iona Island to-day, instantly killing Henry Sloat, of Tompkins Cove.

ONTARIO BANK CASE

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The affidavits asked for by Judge Winchester, were filed today in the application for a commission in the Ontario Bank case. The new affidavit of Detective Mackie gave the Crown-Attorney and 'listening to evidence in the Police Court,' as his source of information. Previously he did not give this source in the affidavit backing up the charge of theft against Charles McGill, on which the order for the commission was applied for. The motion was adjourned to-day to allow Mr. P. E. McKay, McGill's counsel, to cross-examine Mackie.

CREW SUFFERS

SCHOONER 'HUDDEL' BLOWN ASHORE AT DIGBY, N.S.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 5.—The three-masted schooner 'Rebecca W. Huddel,' Captain I. W. Scott, hailing from Boston, which sailed in ballast from Salem on Friday last for St. John, drifted ashore near Digby last night, with both anchors gone and sails blown to ribbons. With local assistance she was pulled off unhurt, and beached at Joggin. The captain and all the crew are frostbitten, the mate, George Puckett, of Newfoundland, very badly. On Saturday evening the 'Huddel' made Partridge Island light, and signalled for a tug, but it could not find her owing to heavy vapor, and, with both anchors down and under bare poles, she was driven across the Bay of Fundy, bringing up yesterday a few miles below Digby Gut. Last evening anchors were slipped and, under a small remnant of sail, she was worked into Digby Gut on flood tide.

Chatham, Mass., Dec. 5.—The barquentine 'Bonny Doon,' of New York, was saved from destruction on Great Round Shoal, at the eastern entrance of Nantucket Sound, and six of her crew from death, to-day, by the arrival of the Monomoy Point life-saving crew and two revenue cutters. For more than thirty hours the fate of the barquentine, which sailed from St. John, N.B., for Vineyard Haven, on Nov. 26, hung in the balance. Twice it was thought that she was about to go to pieces. When the life-savers and the cutters arrived alongside to-day, they found her aground, and half full of water, but apparently seaworthy, with six of her crew on board and two others not far off on Great Round Shoal top. The cutters collected the crew, hauled the vessel off the shoal, and started for Vineyard Haven, dropping the life-savers as they passed Monomoy Point to-night.

ALGECIRAS TREATY

FRANCO-SPANISH AGREEMENT APPROVED BY SIR EDWARD GREY.

London, Dec. 5.—The French and Spanish ambassadors to-day presented at the Foreign Office the 'verbal note,' containing the Franco-Spanish agreement with respect to Morocco. Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary, expressed his complete approval of the understanding arrived at.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations to-day considered the Algeciras treaty in relation to Moroccan affairs, and ordered that it be favorably reported to the Senate. This action was taken after a committee, consisting of Senator Spooner, Lodge, and Bacon had been named to phrase a resolution which would declare that the United States had no intention of interfering in the regulation of European international affairs. The vote on the treaty will be taken on Dec. 12.

RAN AMUCK

CRAZED BY WHISKEY FINLANDER SHOOTS FIVE MEN BEFORE HE IS KILLED.

Ashtabula, Ohio, Dec. 5.—John Kejampaa, a Finn, while crazy drunk late last night, ran amuck, armed with a revolver and a knife, attacking nearly everyone he met, with the result that five men were more or less seriously injured. Kejampaa was finally shot dead by a policeman after a hand to hand fight.

BRIGANDS IN SICILY

PEASANTS TERRORIZED BY FAILLA AND THE SALOMONE BROTHERS.

Rome, Dec. 5.—The notorious brigand, Failla, who was supposed to have emigrated to America, has reappeared in the Province of Caltaniesetta, Sicily, where he has joined the Salomone brothers, who are brigands. The three are terrorizing the farmers, whose dread of revenge prevents them from co-operating with the police to capture them. Some who have given information or refused to pay blackmail have been shot. Failla is punctilious in having his doings accurately described. The 'Ora,' a newspaper of Palermo, printed a story of the murder of a farmer. Failla wrote to the editor, pointing out inaccuracies in the story, and relating the whole affair, with the omitted details. The police are now organizing a party of military sharpshooters to hunt the brigands.

GERMAN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA

PROPOSAL TO GIVE NATIVES RESERVATIONS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF AMERICAN INDIANS.

Berlin, Dec. 5. Before the budget committee of the Reichstag to-day, Herr von Lindequist, Governor of German South-west Africa, announced that fourteen to sixteen thousand Herreros had surrendered owing to the present influence of the missionaries. 'The government's policy,' he added, 'is to give the natives reservations similar to those of the American Indians. They will require watching by soldiers, however, as the natives' old love of freedom, theft and robbery, is too strong to expect them to adopt a life of quiet and labor. The Herrero district is fully pacific, but about three hundred Withois are still on the warpath in the south.'

RUSHING COAL TO FARMERS

C. P. R. WILL HAUL FUEL FROM LETHBRIDGE AS FAST AS MINERS CAN DIG IT OUT.

The C. P. R. is making tremendous exertions to stave off the coal famine which has been threatening in Saskatchewan for the past week or so, and is hauling in coal from various points to the districts most affected. Now that the miners have gone back to work at Lethbridge, cars are being rushed there to haul away the coal and distribute it as fast as the miners can dig it out. This of course means a considerable derangement of the C. P. R.'s freight traffic, but as it is a matter of life and death to the farmers, their interests are put before all else.

On the eve of the settlement of the coal strike Sir Wilfrid Laurier telegraphed to Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, asking him if he could possibly despatch a special trainload of coal, with rights over all traffic to Bladworth, Saskatchewan, to relieve the coal famine there, and in some other places around. Sir Thomas immediately wired in reply:

'Am afraid that even if the mission of the Premier of Saskatchewan and the Deputy Minister of Labor, Mr. Mackenzie King, at St. Paul, be successful, it may be some days before Lethbridge can furnish any quantity of coal. Meantime the provincial authorities and Mr. Whyte are co-operating with a view to preventing any suffering from want of fuel. We are drawing upon our own coal supply at Fort William, and forwarding as rapidly as possible to points designated by the authorities. Shipment made to Bladworth. Anticipating present conditions, because of strike, instructions were given at the end of September to put every available car into the coal traffic, even at the risk of delaying grain shipments. Had this not been done, there would indeed have been a famine. As it is Mr. Whyte does not think that you need fear any serious consequences.'

A despatch from Winnipeg this morning states that Mr. W. White, second vice-president of the C. P. R., returned to the city yesterday, after spending several days looking into the coal situation in the west. Mr. Whyte was obviously deeply impressed by the necessities of the situation on the prairies, and spoke in terms of the fullest sympathy with the settlers, who might possibly be in want of the fuel necessary to warm their homes. The coal which was shipped west from Fort William, he said, has served to alleviate immediate needs in many places, and cars will be rushed to the Lethbridge mines. It will be a month, however, before these mines will be running at full capacity again.

CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE

HEARS SUGGESTION THAT TEXT BOOKS ON CANADA'S RESOURCES BE PREPARED.

At the meeting of the Chambre de Commerce yesterday Principal Lalime, of the St. Hyacinthe Business College, appeared with about twenty pupils of his graduating class to give a demonstration of the practical results of his special 'lightning method' of arithmetical calculation. The young men solved most satisfactorily a number of difficult problems submitted to them, and the professor explained that his system was based on reasoning. What he sought to accomplish was to make the pupils 'read' figures fluently and not merely 'spell' them, as was generally done. This method afforded not only excellent mental gymnastics, but had a practical value, particularly to those who intended to go into business.

Mr. D. Parizeau suggested that the committee on agriculture recommend competent authorities to get up a manual on the natural resources and commercial wealth of Canada for use in schools. The proposal was deferred for further consideration.

Letters were read from the Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Postmaster-General, and from Mr. F. D. Monk, acknowledging receipt of the chamber's endorsation of the establishment of rural co-operative banking concerns.

It was announced that the chamber would issue a special number of its 'Bulletin' for Christmas, containing many valuable contributions on the trade and commerce of Canada.

FIRE RECORD.

Providence, R.I., Dec. 5.—Fire at the plant of the American and British Manufacturing Company, successors to the Corliss Steam Engine Company, to-day caused damage estimated at about $150,000.

ATWATER AVENUE CARS.

On and after Monday, Dec. 10, the Atwater avenue cars will turn at Atwater avenue and St. Antoine street. A stub car will operate on Atwater avenue, between St. Antoine and St. Luke streets.

CANADIANS IN URUGUAYAN [illegible]

MEN RELEASED OF SENT TO FALKLAN BY BRITISH [illegible]

Halifax, N.S., Dec. [illegible] Steamship Company [illegible] Canadians on Montevideo, the British minister [illegible] Canadian soldiers [illegible] Uruguayan authorities [illegible] the British [illegible]

MONGOLIANS IN CALIFO[illegible]

TEST CASE TO BE [illegible] COURTS

San Francisco, D[illegible] from Washington [illegible] the Department of [illegible] have been instructed [illegible] to the courts to [illegible] state statute that [illegible] of Mongolian descent [illegible] rate school.

BRITAIN HAS TROUBLE, TOO.

London, Dec. 5. [illegible] declaration in his message [illegible] yesterday on the treatment [illegible] Japanese in the San Francisco [illegible] particularly appeals to [illegible] the present time because [illegible] and Australia a similar [illegible] ing has created embarrassment [illegible] Imperial authorities. During [illegible] ent week the home [illegible] a Transvaal ordinance [illegible] the privileges of Indians [illegible] those long resident in the [illegible] quite recently the government [illegible] accept an Australian proposal [illegible] ential tariff provided the [illegible] shipped in vessels not employing [illegible] seamen.

The newspapers here point [illegible] western states of America [illegible] opoly in this anti-Asiatic movement [illegible] er that the President's message [illegible] a lesson which might well be [illegible] in other quarters than that [illegible] is directly addressed.

TRAMPS ENTERED CHURCHES

STOLE MONEY AND COMMUNION WINE AND CREATED HAVOC IN EDIFICES IN BRAMPTON, ONT.

Brampton, Ont., Dec. [illegible] night several persons broke into a number of churches here and created great havoc. At St. Paul's [illegible] quantity of money was taken from children's Sunday-school money [illegible] and at Grace Church great damage was done to the Sunday-school library. The caretaker of Christ Church, on entering the building to prepare for [illegible] found two men sleeping in the [illegible] garten class room. He gave the [illegible] alarm, but upon re-entering the room found that the men, whom he had locked in while he went for help, had got out through a window and effected communion wine had been taken, everything turned upside down, and [illegible] end of the building broken open.

A horse and vehicle were taken from Grace Church shed and driven a distance from the town, where they were abandoned, the horse returned. No trace of the miscreants has been found.

FIRE RECORD.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 5. [illegible] destroyed part of the plant of the American Car & Foundry Company at Depew, and at one time threatened the whole suburb. One building 500 feet, once the main building of the Union Car shops, was totally destroyed. The loss is estimated at $75,000.

North Battleford, Sask., Dec. [illegible] C.N.R. oil house at this point was totally destroyed by fire this morning. There was a large stock of gasoline and oil in the warehouse, and the inflammable nature of these products [illegible] at saving the contents.

ELECTRICIAN KILLED.

Kingston, N.Y., Dec. 5. [illegible] ing against machinery [illegible] stalling to-day, Bishop [illegible] electrician for the Marbl[illegible] pany, at Sangerties, was [illegible] by the short circuiting [illegible] current.

ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL

Toronto, Dec. 5. [illegible] tions for membership [illegible] Medical Council resulted [illegible] lopathic, Dr. J. S. Hall [illegible] division of Toronto [illegible] Henderson, Strathroy; Dr. [illegible] Thomas; Dr. E. A. P[illegible] T. Adams, and Dr. [illegible]

THE FATAL LEVEL

St. Thomas, Dec. [illegible] A. Anderson and L. Long[illegible] Taylor, near Rodney, [illegible] evening over the [illegible] by place. Both were [illegible] west-bound Michigan [illegible] men were killed [illegible] was also killed [illegible] into matchwood.

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