

POOR EARNINGS.

November a Bad Month For Railroads.

DECREASES ALL ROUND.

Poorest Receipts For Any Month Since July 1894.

Canadian Roads Suffered—Only One Important Gain Reported by a United States Road.



ALLROAD earnings for November in Canada and the States promised little, and on this account the bad returns cannot altogether be called disappointing. The returns for that month, are by far the poorest for any month since July, 1894.

The unfavorable exhibit of October is fairly outcome, and in number and size of the November decreases make the month a record breaker. The total earnings of 115 railroads for November aggregate \$38,154,762, a decrease of 10.1 per cent. from November a year ago, which month showed a gain of 4.3 per cent. over November, 1894.

There was only one gain reported among the groups of American roads, according to Bradstreet's, and that a trifling one by an eastern road. The granger and central western groups each report more than 17 per cent. decrease, and the Pacific roads a falling off of 13.8 per cent.

The gains made by the Mexican roads have been a feature of the month deserving attention. For November every Mexican road shows a gain, and the increase over a year ago in the whole group is 15 per cent., while for the eleven western companies it is 7.7 per cent.

Only 26 of the 108 systems covering 115 roads reported for November show gains over the November totals a year ago. The most gains and the largest volume thereof are reported by the western companies. Only one Pacific road shows an increase, and only two out of 34 central western roads a trifling one, as are also the gains shown in the granger group, by two small roads out of 14 reported.

Perhaps the best example of increase is obtained from the following tables of larger increases and decreases during the month:

Table with columns for Railroad Name, Increase/Decrease, and Total. Includes entries like International & Great Northern, Western New York & Ontario, etc.

The number of large increases is the smallest for many months, while the decreases outnumber any recent monthly record.

For eleven months the total earnings of 113 companies aggregate \$408,675,841, a gain over a year ago of 1.9 per cent., and following an increase in 1895 of 4.8 per cent.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

Interesting Items From the Exhibition Company's Directors Yearly Statement.

Following are the principal matters of interest in the Montreal Exhibition Company's directors' annual report, which was read at yesterday's meeting.

First it contained the intelligence that the negotiations entered into last year with the Government have been slightly modified, the amount to be paid each year of holding an exhibition to be \$13,000.

The report then gives the particulars of the great fire of July 30, when the principal buildings on the exhibition grounds were reduced to ashes, and several badly damaged.

The small attendance at the exhibition was unsatisfactory, although there was a noticeable increase in the numbers of visitors from Vermont and the New England States.

The reduced attendance may be attributed to the following causes: "The destruction of the buildings by fire, which led the public to believe that it would be impossible to have new buildings erected in time for holding a successful exhibition."

"The fact of other exhibitions in the Province being held at the same time. "The lack of interest taken in the exhibition by the citizens of Montreal."

"The directors have much pleasure in stating that although the reasons given above account for the limited attendance, yet the exhibition as a whole was up to the usual standard of excellence. A number of letters have been received

from many well-known breeders congratulating the management on the superiority of the exhibition, especially under such adverse circumstances and regretting the want of cordial co-operation from the citizens and press of Montreal. The opinions of several experts of the highest reputation are also on record respecting the excellence of the exhibits and reflecting the highest credit on the management of the exhibition."

A feature of the exhibition brought out in the report worthy of mention is contained in the following paragraph: "In accordance with the wish of the Hon. Commissioner of Agriculture for the Province, four special prizes were offered for essays on farming subjects to be competed for by bona fide farmers who were exhibitors at the exhibition. There were several competitors, but each of the four prizes was won by Mr. James Dickson of Tremblouville, P.Q."

The treasurer's statement shows receipts, including a debt balance of \$48,000 to have been \$33,000. Of this sum, the gate receipts were \$11,928.55, and exhibitors tickets \$300, making the total \$12,228.55. The disbursements for all purposes were \$33,048.55.

SOLDIERS EMBARK.

British Soldiers Leave Halifax for England on the Allan Liner Carthaganian.

Mr. George Hannah, passenger manager of the Allan Line, has returned from Halifax, where he represented Messrs. H. & A. Allan at the embarkation of the British soldiers on the Steamship Carthaganian for England. It will be remembered that some time ago that ship brought out drafts for the garrison at Halifax and Bermuda, and on Wednesday, at 12 o'clock noon, sailed with 490 passengers, including soldiers, officers, families of officers and servants.

The necessary alterations and fittings for the troops were made before the Carthaganian left England under the supervision of the military authorities and were complete down to the minutest details. General Montgomery-Moore and Colonel North, informed Mr. Hannah that he had never seen a steamer of the merchant marine so well adapted to the purposes of a troop ship. Every arrangement that would be provided for the soldiers in barracks was to be found on the Carthaganian down to a prison, hospital and mess hall. Every detail, including the provisions for the men, were carefully inspected, and the transport officer, Col. Collari, pronounced everything perfectly satisfactory down to the three brands of champagne which, according to the military specifications, the ship was called on to carry for the officers' mess. The soldiers were marched on board in squads of sixteen and allotted to their quarters.

As is usually the case when the regulars leave Halifax, there were lots of sorrowing wives left behind to mourn, more or less, the early departure of their gallant soldier husbands. A downpour of rain the day of sailing prevented as large a crowd as usual witnessing the departure, but, nevertheless, there were many pathetic scenes, but it is a standing joke in Halifax that the sorrowing wives wait anxiously long forward to the arrival of the next regiment.

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IMPORTANT QUESTIONS.

Butter and Cheese Men Come to a Decision re the Stamping of Cheese.

A meeting of the Butter and Cheese Association was held in the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon, with the object of discussing the proposed amendment of the Dominion act to provide for the stamping of the date of manufacture upon Canadian cheese for exportation. President Grant occupied the chair. Mr. McLagan submitted a motion expressing the desirability of commencing with the present associations throughout the country in order to arrive at some common ground of procedure in regard to the proposed legislation, and that the Agriculture Department correspond with the dairy associations of Great Britain, in order to give them views on the subject.

The meeting adjourned until next week, when the Provincial Government bonus to the butter trade will come up for consideration. Referring to this subject incidentally one of the members of the association declared that the bonus was the greatest fraud ever perpetrated. Instead of benefitting the trade, the money filtered into the hands of brokers, schemers and tricksters. The discussion on this subject when it comes up promises to be very warm.

ATHLETIC EDUCATIONIST.

Mr. Penkham, of Brockville, Leaves the Town—Other Brockville Items.

Brockville, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—It is reported here to-day that the collegiate institute board is about to lose the principal of that institution, Mr. W. A. Penkham, B.A., who has been offered a better position. At the last session of the Ontario legislature an act was passed providing for a board of education for the Province and Mr. Penkham has been offered the permanent chairmanship of that board and will likely accept. Deep regret will be felt at his departure as he has placed the Brockville School in the best principal in the Province. He is also the star wing of the Ontario Intermediate champion football team and the club will miss his services greatly.

Word is received here to-day of the death, at Toronto asylum, of a former resident, Edward McNally. The remains will be interred here to-morrow under masonic auspices.

Madame Albani will appear in the opera house to-night and the plan is filled. Many from the surrounding towns have secured

AN OLD BANK FAILS.

First National Bank of Hollidaysburg, Pa., Suspends Payment.

Hollidaysburg, Pa., Dec. 15.—The First National Bank of this place, the oldest bank in this section of the State, and one of the original fifty-seven National Banks in the United States, suspended business this morning. The notice posted on the front door says the suspension is in account with the following: "The closing of the First National Bank has precipitated the failures of Martinsburg Deposit Bank, of Martinsburg, and the Williamsburg Bank, of Williamsburg, both of this county. These two banks (the stocks of which are controlled by the First National Bank) the failures of these banks have produced great excitement."

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What's Stealing With the Poor is Kleptomaniac With the Rich.

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"Kleptomaniac," explained Magistrate Kudlich. "Oh, I see; when a thief is wealthy it is a case of kleptomaniac. Ah, if this was some poor woman whose cheeks were pale with hunger, holding in her arms a poor little half-starved babe, should dare to venture into your store, and suffering from the torture of the thought that now, in the present-giving time, her innocent little babe must be denied the trifles that brighten a child's life, should take something from one of your counters, no matter how valueless, she would be a thief, and you would be most zealous in prosecuting her. Kleptomaniac for the rich, stealing for the poor, such is the distinction."

The woman was discharged.

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MONTREAL, DECEMBER 15.

A WORD OF REGRET.

To our readers who looked in vain this morning for The Herald at their breakfast table we again express our regret—our regret that we cannot be with them at both breakfast and supper.

CLEARING THE GROUND.

The tariff enquiry has done one thing very conclusively. It has knocked out the theory that the duty does not raise the price of the articles upon which it is imposed.

Now it seems that this is admitted to be a mistake—some of us may claim never to have allowed it to be anything else—but it is now admitted by protectionist manufacturers themselves; not by one or two, but by nearly all who have appeared before the Ministers.

They perhaps, then proceeded to an assurance that duties do not raise prices. The fact is, and it should be frankly stated, because this whole question is, in all conscience, confused enough because of the disingenuousness of the protected interests—the fact is, that it is possible that in some particular lines of industry, lines which require but little capital to engage in them, or which for some other reason are in many hands, rendering combination impossible, and competition is therefore maintained, a protective duty may, for certain periods at least, not operate to raise prices.

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At the preferential trade conference in London on Thursday, Lord Masham paid a tribute to Sir Charles Tupper, recently Canadian High Commissioner in London, who, he said, was the originator of the idea of preferential trade with the colonies.

CUBA.

The rumor of the death of Maceo, the Cuban insurgent leader now seems to have had abundant confirmation. At first it had a suspicious likeness to scores of former rumors as to the cutting off of this intrepid man.

The Spanish troops, and that as a result the position of the Spanish Captain-General Weyler may shortly become one of real danger. But Spanish censorship of the press despatches renders it impossible to form anything like an accurate estimate as to the position of affairs in Cuba.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Good morn—evening! And no word of welcome from the Star or Witness into the evening field?

As we remarked yesterday, you haven't all the news until you have The Herald.

Yesterday The Herald went into thousands of homes where a morning paper is never taken.

If competition be really the life of trade our sympathies are with our across-the-street contemporary.

Of the seats captured by the Conservatives on the 23rd of June, North Ontario is the second to be vacated by the courts. There has been no unseating of Liberal members.

The Gazette is too flattering when it says: "The gentlemen who have lately had control of The Herald have shown that they know how to make an attractive newspaper."

The Gazette approves of us. It doesn't agree with our convictions regarding the morning field, but we believe in harmony with us as to the advantageousness of the change.

It is reported that dandelions were in bloom in Toronto on Monday last. The dandelion that could have succeeded in blooming in Montreal on Monday could have established a claim to be known as a hardy perennial of the hardest kind.

Said a Hamilton man yesterday, in commenting on The Herald's action: "When the Hamilton Spectator abandoned the morning field, after being in it for forty or fifty years, a howl went up so loud that you would have imagined every man in the city was a subscriber to the morning edition. As a matter of fact, its circulation was very small. And it was never as strong or as prosperous as it is to-day, with an evening edition only."

Most gratifying was the reception yesterday tendered the evening edition of The Herald—far more so, in fact, than could reasonably have been expected.

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The Gazette says that an open discussion of the Liberal policy would spoil the Liberal plan of telling one story about the Manitoba school settlement in districts in Cornwall, where Catholics are numerous, and another in places where Protestants form public opinion.

TWO MEN.

He was the head of a prosperous concern, and he stood in his own luxurious office. Around him were every evidence of wealth; for the world had used him well. He raised. He paced the floor, he stamped his feet, he tore his hair. He flung himself into a comfortable arm-chair; he wriggled and scowled and grinned and growled. He sprang up and seized the telephone, and called men left, right and left. And all for what? Because some one had told the would-be purchaser of three barrels of apples that they were selling for five cents a barrel less than the expected price.

There were \$200 in his pocket. He touched it, he burnt him and he swore. It was money, and money alone, was the cause of his utter desolation. It was this that forbade the true man to give him a hand; it was this that made the true woman gather up her skirts and hurry away. He cursed it. He looks at the bright, happy faces around, and there is a wistful longing in his gaze. But in the world's happiness he has no part! A sigh wells from the great loneliness of his heart. He draws his hand across his brow, as if to shut out the sight, and turns him in the glittering saloon over the way. There, at least, would he find welcome, so long as he had money. He takes a last, lingering look at the beautiful world around; he curses his fate; and then he wends his way to fortuneless.

He takes a glass, another, and yet another, and the meek little bar piles him till the bright world goes out, and all is darkness. It is just 24 hours, and Jack stands again on the streets. He rubs his eyes to make sure he is awake. He feels his pockets. There is not a cent in them. What has happened? He only knows that he woke in a cell a few hours ago; was brought to court, charged with drunkenness and being picked up on the street in an insensible condition; \$10 or 20 days in jail. He feels his pocket and discovers a lone \$10 bill. He hands it over and walks on his way to the water-front.

He stands on the crowded street again, friendless as ever, and without a cent in his pocket. Once again the hopes of better things cherished throughout the long voyage have been shipwrecked. He smiles at the irony of fate and at his own utterable folly, and in four words gives vent to his feelings, "Well, I be d—"

TO CHECK WEALTH'S INFLUENCE (The Outlook.)

Senator Hoar, in a speech delivered last week, in Boston, told some plain, homely truths in a plain, homely manner. We hope that men whom he spoke of and a wider circle than he spoke of at that meeting or by the Boston press, will hear and heed his message. We quote: "It is not strange that the people of the new States who see colossal fortunes acquired by forbidden ways, by the fraudulent management of great railroads, by the perversion of corporate powers bestowed by Government for public use and for public ends, or by gambling in stocks, or in the necessities of life, should strive to imitate the example on a smaller scale. It is not strange that a Kansas or Nebraska farmer, who reads the railroad history in the city was a subscriber to the morning edition. As a matter of fact, its circulation was very small. And it was never as strong or as prosperous as it is to-day, with an evening edition only."

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GRAND TRUNK.

Recent Revenue Statement Compares Very Favorably.

The revenue statement of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada for the month of October compares very favorably with those of previous months. The increase in gross receipts on the combined system amounted to as much as \$231,828, while the increase in expenditure was only \$23,329, the increase in net profit thus reaching \$208,499. The Company has thus been able to work so cheaply may be ascribed to the new manager, for the four months to the end of October gross receipts have increased \$74,151, and net earnings have increased \$23,448, and net earnings have increased \$50,333. For the year 1895 the Company's earnings fell short of fixed charges by \$150,000. For the first half of 1896 the results were some \$28,000 better than for the corresponding half of 1895, and in the four months to the end of October there has been a further improvement of about \$50,000. In all, therefore, the Company is some \$70,000 better off than last year. For fixed charges in the present year the Grand Trunk has been able to pay in net profit of about \$74,000 in excess of its fixed charges, whereas in 1895, when the deficiency was \$150,000, or 1894, when it was \$141,000. In 1893, when the Chicago Exhibition helped to swell its earnings, it had a profit of \$137,000. We think that the improvement in gross and net earnings will continue, otherwise the Company would be in a most serious position. —London Statist.

Hetty Green Silenced Them.

It isn't everyone that has the nerve to present a political discussion in a street car, but Mrs. Hetty Green, New York's richest woman, has, and this is how she went about it the other day. "Gentlemen," she observed, "are you aware that the election is over? There is time for all things, politics included. I wish you would stop talking politics until you get home, and not deaf, and you make me nervous."

THE BOARD OF TRADE.

Yesterday's Meeting of the Council Discussed the Coming Tariff Enquiry.

The Council of the Board of Trade met yesterday afternoon in attendance were Robert Bickerdike, president; John Lorrance, vice-president; John McKergow, 2nd vice-president; Charles F. Smith, secretary; Charles Chaput, James Crathern, David MacFarlane, Charles McLean, Wm. McNally, H. Miles, William Nixon, James E. Rendell and David G. Thompson.

A communication was read from the Minister of Finance in regard to the tariff enquiry which opens in the city to-morrow. He expressed the opinion that it was very desirable both for the economy of time and to avoid needless repetition that the various branches of trade should select representatives, and when this is impossible or inconvenient the commissioners would have to hear individual citizens, so far as reasonable time would permit. Also that those who are to appear must facilitate their views as briefly as possible from memoranda, the reading of such to be followed by such questions as the Ministers might wish to ask. This had been found to be the most satisfactory method at other places. The communication advised that the meeting would be open to the press.

The secretary reported that 30 applications were in which were not provided for. Under the circumstances the council ordered him to inform the Ministers of this fact and request them to extend their stay in the city for two or three days longer. The Port Warden Board of Examiners reported on the complaint of a local dealer in sugar and molasses in respect to non-representation on a survey. The board expressed the opinion that the Port Warden's action in being in accordance with the act governing that office. The council after considering the matter and examining the act since last meeting agreed with the examiners report, finding that the act does not contemplate arbitration, but places the decision in all matters connected with the office in the Port Warden's hands, with authority when he thinks necessary to employ one or two experts to assist him in arriving at a conclusion.

The council, however, was inclined to think that the importers should have some representation on the survey, and appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Miles, Chaput and Rendell to consider the advisability of amending the act in that direction. Mr. Miles had prepared a statement which assisted the council greatly in regard to the matter. It gave a digest of that portion of the act concerning the matter under consideration, and suggested the need for its amendment in the interests of importers. A letter was received from the chairman of the British Columbia Board of Trade, in which he acknowledged the receipt of the council's suggestions as to the need for amendments to the mining legislation of that Province, which suggestions were made in response to a request from that committee. The chairman asked the council to accept his thanks for the valuable points it had given to his committee, and promised careful consideration.

THE ANCIENT CAPITAL.

Archbishop Begin Returning—Dismissal of Deputy Post-master Laberge—Other Notes.

Quebec, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Dr. Dionne, Provincial Librarian, whose trip to Europe has provoked several questions from the left side of the Legislature, has just returned to his office. A despatch received at the Cardinal's Palace, announces that Archbishop Begin has arrived at New York. His Grace will spend to-day with Mgr. Fabre in Montreal, and will reach here to-morrow.

Mr. Edmond, son of Sir H. G. Joly De Lotbiniere, has just received a bronze medal from the Canadian Humane Association, for having saved, in September last, a sailor named Laganiere, from a watery grave.

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WHAT PRICES.

The Outlook From Present Indications. STATISTICAL POSITION. Requirements Estimated to be Greater Than the Surplus.

A Balance of Thirty Million Bushels Estimated by a Leading English Authority.

There appears to be a lull in the speculative wheat markets, which, taken in connection with the decline in the price abroad, a lack of demand for export as well as a falling off in the demand from mills, seems to indicate that the bulls are somewhat less confident than they were some time ago. As predicted, the price of spot wheat has touched and passed the dollar mark and it is only fair to add that the strength of the statistical position of the cereal is such that "dollar wheat" is far from being an unduly high price. Bradstreet's last week showed a net falling off in the available stocks during November of 618,000 bushels, on both coasts, whereas the usual November crop movement results in a net increase of 10,000,000 bushels and more. Records of the movement of wheat make it plain that white net gains weekly in available supplies did not appear this year until the end of August, which was quite as late as a year ago. It gave a digest of that portion of the act concerning the matter under consideration, and suggested the need for its amendment in the interests of importers.

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MOUNT ROYAL CEMETERY. Meetings of the members of the various protestant denominations, being proprietors of this Cemetery, for the purpose of electing, by a majority of votes, the number of trustees to which each denomination is by law entitled, will be held at the office of the Secretary, 196 St. James Street, on THURSDAY, the 17th DECEMBER, next, in the following order: 1. Members of the Church of England, to elect eight trustees, at 3 p.m. 2. Members of the Presbyterian Church, to elect eight trustees, at 3.45 p.m. 3. Members of the Methodist Church, to elect one trustee, at 4.15 p.m. 4. Members of the Congregational Church, to elect one trustee, at 4.30 p.m. 5. Members of the Baptist Church, to elect one trustee, at 4.45 p.m. 6. Members of the United Brethren Church, to elect one trustee, at 5.15 p.m. Twenty-one trustees. By order, G. DUNFORD, Secretary-Treasurer.

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NONDESCRIBT. Remarks Upon the Servant Girl Question.

LIKE MISTRESS, LIKE MAID. A Word About the Needless Captious Man.

It is Doubtful Whether Men Manage Their Workmen Better Than Women Manage Servants.

Some women have a way of grumbling at men, of sneering at their views, classing them in one great disagreeable whole, and remarking with decision that they think this and do so. And probably most men do neither, though a few male specimens may. But women are not the only sinners in this respect. A large number of men permit themselves to grow (in print and by word of mouth) when they are tired of attacking the fashionable woman, the bicycle woman, or the working-woman, they turn against the house-keeper-woman, and "say things" at them. The other day some one set out to prove that women should not grumble at servants, because the worst of them were only reflections of the mistress, and, in any case, the management of servants had been left to women for ages, and in their trade against them only the incompetency of women to manage affairs was shown.

It is a question if men-servants give their men-employers any better service on the whole. The office boy has the reputation for being quietest his ease, once out of the eye or ear-shot. The nurse girl and the office boy are about as far from this, but women haven't undertaken to manage the office boy. The man who does odd jobs about the place is not likely to be any more faithful than the average maid-servant. If a man refers to his gardener, honest as the day is long, energetic, taking a live interest in the garden and the green-house, valuable for his knowledge and his thrift, pit against him a trained cook—one who has learned, as the gardener learned, by long years of application, the man will say that it is so likely the comparison will be made between a professed book-keeper and an untrained general servant. The man will say, "Look at my travellers; if they were as careless or as inefficient I wouldn't keep them." He undertakes to regulate his engines in all the departments of their work, maybe he wouldn't be quite so ready to let the travellers go.

It has been observed by many that the house-keeper for a bachelor or a widower, is very often the house-keeper who has her own crooked way about supplies. In some instances, she undertakes to regulate his outgoing and incoming, and, if he is not entirely unacquainted with the lions in the way of dismissal and a new installation, he puts up with it, ingloriously submits, and deprecates himself to himself and to his neighbors. "Well, of course, they're not. There are honest women-workers, as well as honest men-workers, but they don't apply for positions too deep. In farm-work it is just the same. The "milkmaid" who has been at it seven and ten years with the same master 20 years ago, is shifting from one place to another to-day, and the sons of the farm-laborer, like the sons of the farmer himself, are flocking to the cities. The daughters of the laborer, well into the thirties, are going into factories or work-shops, but the farm-house kitchen sees the coming and going of no more unsettled and unsatisfactory a lot of helpers than the cow-house and barn-yard.

The average servant requires more training and teaching now than, perhaps, at any time; and the average mistress either has less, or takes less, time to do it. There are competent servants, of course, but they command better wages than equally competent ones did years ago and that is a good thing; no sane person ought to complain of better wages. There are incompetent mistresses, too, and it is such a pity that the governing class haven't married them or had them for their mothers. It is not reasonable to treat the woman-worker in the kitchen as a machine, and at the same time to demand of her intellectual qualities that machines never possess. It is futile to expect a woman to be a servant, to do daily her mistress's errands, "like master, like man," is a saying for the feminine portion of the community as well. An inconsiderate woman of the slave-driving type, expects too much if she believes her servants will grudgingly exceed their routine work and do more. It is a great puzzle to guess what a woman who does not understand house-keeping thought she would do when it came up to her and waited to be attended to. Suppose she can have two, three or more trained servants, well into the thirties, but they are not to be had. The man who marries a man on a one-servant income, or less, what in the name of eating and drinking and sweeping and dusting did she intend to do? It is most expediting to be the ignorant mistress of an ignorant maid, and humilitating if the maid happens to be a scornfully-inclined, half-efficient one. There is only one way out of the difficulty. The house-keepers must learn to keep the house in all its details, if only that they may teach others to do it for them.

A number of short and most interesting articles by prominent Canadian women writers have been prepared and published in the form of a Special Christmas and New Year Souvenir Number. Lady Aberdeen, Lady Chapman, Mme. Laurier, Mme. Flynn, Francoise, Laura Conan, Mme. Dandurand, Yvonne, Mlle Marie Beaurpe, Lizette, Genevieve and Suzette have each contributed to the charming work. Mlle Eva Beigne has composed for the occasion a berceuse entitled "The Cradle of the Angels." The Souvenir Number was compiled by Francoise de La Patrie.

Quebec Basilica Fire. Quebec, Dec. 15.—(Special).—Further investigation into the fire at Basilica showed that the entire interior of the sanctuary is ruined and will have to be renewed. The gold and silver service of the cathedral, which was preserved in a vault escaped injury, but some of the valuable vestments and ornaments were not so fortunate. Among them were the precious and jealously guarded chasubles, etc., presented to the basilica by Louis XIV., of France, over 20 years ago. They were seriously damaged, especially the silver and gold embroidery, for they were soaked in water and smeared with smoke. The smoke also filled the whole interior of the church and caused some damage to it. As it is, the damages are estimated at some \$15,000.

WOMAN'S REALM

MOODY TO WOMEN, FOLK LORE NIGHT

Special Service But a Few Men Went. Dr. Drummond Reads Unpublished Poems.

RUSSELL SAGE WAS ONE. DR. JOHNSTON PRESENT.

Evangelist Specially Severe on Rich Men. Told Stories of His Interesting Life in Africa.

New York, Dec. 15.—Evangelist Moody stepped to the front of the platform in Carnegie Hall yesterday afternoon, looked quizzically around the house, and said: "Well, I notice that a few men have got in. But I thought it was thoroughly understood that this service was for women. I am glad to see so many women here. I am sorry that there was not room for more of them."

The hall was crowded from platform to roof with women. They waited around the doors for an hour before they were opened and jostled for position with an aggressiveness suggestive of a Paderewski concert. Men were stopped at the doors; the few that Mr. Moody noticed in the hall were in the box tiers. They were admitted through the stage entrance. Russell Sage was among them. Mrs. Sage was with him, carrying a brand-new Moody and Sankey hymn book. Mr. Sage kept his seat during the service. Mrs. Sage sang the different hymns and stood up for the benediction. Mr. Moody did not know that Russell Sage was present until the service was over. Nevertheless, he preached a sermon directly at rich men and Christian workers. He lauded the rich man who was not ashamed to stand up for Christ when he was on trial before Pilate, and protested against the Saviour's journey to the cross.

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"Some people thought that because I limited this service to women I was going to preach about women's rights and women's wrongs and women's evils, and all that sort of thing. I do not devote my Sabbath to any such topics. All I have to say to women about such matters is this: I would give a great deal more to prevent evil than I would to cure it. If I had millions I would put it in that direction."

"Some of you have ungodly husbands—scoundrels, unbelievers. Do not give up your family prayers on that account. Insist on having them. We are a pack of cowards, the whole lot of us. I once opened a dance hall in Chicago. The proprietor sent out invitations wholesale, and I have to say to women about such matters is this: I would give a great deal more to prevent evil than I would to cure it. If I had millions I would put it in that direction."

RETURN OF HON. MR. ANGERS. Hon. A. R. Angers, who in company with Hon. J. S. Hall, has been representing the Province of Quebec in the Indian annuities case, stated to a reporter last evening that he was unable to say what future action the government would take in the matter, but he supposed that they might proceed against the old Province of Quebec. Messrs. Angers and Hall had attended the Canadian Club dinner in London, together with Hon. Mr. Doherty and Hon. A. S. Jones, of Halifax. The latter was on the Pacific Cable Commission.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES. The accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer of the St. Andrew's Society Ball Committee have been completed and show a surplus of \$250.00 to be transferred to the credit of the charitable fund of the Society. Montreal is to have a visit next June from the distinguished Buffalo Bill, and his Wild West Show. Arrangements for the transportation of the show over the C.P.R. have been made.

MILLS ON HEREDITY. Important Lecture Before the Women's Club.

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A lecture, full of interest and concentration of thought was delivered by Dr. Wesley Mills before the Montreal Women's Club yesterday afternoon. The meeting was held as usual in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Mrs. Robert Reid presiding.

In introducing his subject, "Heredity in Health," Dr. Mills paid a high compliment to the members of the Montreal Women's Club for having themselves chosen a subject of such far-reaching importance. The lecturer declared that as science has ever been a dispeller of myths, so it would prove in the question of heredity also. The existence and laws of heredity was a subject for the deepest investigation. In studying heredity other than parents must be taken into account to explain certain results.

"We count a man fortunate," said Dr. Mills, "who marries into a good family, and rightly so, as desirable off-spring may be expected from such a man. If an entire family be studied it will be found that few of the characteristics of the parents will fail to be reproduced among the children. There is not, at the present time sufficiently established confidence in the invariability of the law of cause and effect. If this law were properly regarded the lives of the generality of men would doubtless be better ordered. The principle of the dual relationship existing between mind and body is as yet only recognized by the few. The question of heredity assumes broader proportions when we realize that we are reacting on each other. The great mass of people are quite incapable of making any mental analysis for themselves."

"Heredity resembles in a physical sense as much more easily recognized than mental," said Dr. Mills. "The student will not fail to detect hereditary traits unnoticed by the ordinary observer or even the parents themselves. 'The theory,' said Dr. Mills, 'that we can make ourselves what we choose is too wide and indiscriminate in its application. It is simply impossible for the majority to develop great mathematical, musical, and so on. Man of all animals is most influenced by environment. The question of heredity should be better and more generally understood. The laws of heredity do not differ in men and women. It is a common error to suppose that the power of inheritance should ever fail. Even peculiarities may be transmitted. Darwin gives some very odd illustrations of this in his works. What is termed complex heredity is shown by similarity in attitude, walking, voice, gestures, laughing, etc., and is very strong testimony to this fact.' The lecturer concluded his most able address by saying, 'Let our aim be to produce, then, the right kind of people.'

A hearty vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the lecturer, and the questions were asked and discussion followed. A short musical programme was given by Mrs. Renouf, piano; Miss Bengough, violin; song, Miss McMartin.

EXPERIMENTAL FARM. The Ottawa Flag Reviews the Work Accomplished. The Government Experimental Farms is the subject of an article in the last issue of the Ottawa Flag. After dealing with the steps taken in Parliament and out before to establish five experimental farms was passed the writer says: "In the widely different climates which prevail in the several Provinces and territories of the Dominion, the production of agricultural products must necessarily vary, and while the aim has been to carry on the experimental work with some degree of uniformity, those special lines of investigation required to meet the more pressing needs of each district have received greater attention. The general work on the farms has included the testing of all the most promising sorts of cereals for productiveness and earliness of ripening. Roots, fodder crops and the growing of Indian corn or maize for ensilage have also been included, and these experiments have been associated with the feeding of cattle with the object of ascertaining the relative value of these several products in producing beef and milk. Many experiments have also been conducted in the feeding of swine with the coarse grain and other less valuable and bulky farm products, and converting these into pork. Poultry has also been kept at each farm, and the relative value of some of the well-known breeds for egg laying tested. Experiments covering a period of five or six years have been in progress to ascertain the best time for sowing or planting the more important agricultural crops."

A large proportion of the crops of all the most promising and productive cereals grown at the several experimental farms are distributed each year, chiefly from the Central Farm, in packages of three pounds each. These are sent free to farmers on application, for the improvement of seed, and if properly cared for, one of these packages will, by the end of the second year, usually furnish the sower with a comparatively large area. The demand for these seed samples is now so great that it has been found necessary to limit the number sent to each applicant to one. More than 35,000 applicants were supplied with samples this year. The annual report, it is pointed out, is an important feature of the work of the experimental farms.

They are sent to every farmer who asks for them and the mailing lists now include 20 applicants. For the past three years over 20,000 letters have been received at the farm. The Flag has come to the conclusion that the work is highly appreciated by the farmers, and that the results already achieved have convinced the most skeptical of the very great usefulness of the Government Experimental Farms.

CANADIAN NEWSLETS.

Doings in Our Own Country Condensed into Small Compass for Herald Readers.

Ald. J. W. Johnson has announced himself as a candidate for the Mayoralty of Belleville.

Premier Greenway, of Manitoba, and Hon. Clifford Sifton, leave Winnipeg for the East to-morrow.

George H. Campbell, manager of the Winnipeg Electric Railway, has resigned his position to go into gold mining.

A baby, in rich clothing, was found in Victoria University grounds, Toronto, yesterday. It has evidently been murdered.

Andrew Davidson, carpenter and contractor and keeper Upper railway contractor, of Kingston, Ont., is dead.

At Cheltenham, Ont., while some children were playing on the Credit River yesterday the ice gave way under them. The little son of Mr. A. H. Frame was drowned.

Lord Aberdeen visited the Manitoba College, Winnipeg, yesterday and in the evening attended a grand ball at Government House.

Robert Mackenzie, sr., of Sarnia, Ont., aged 70, is dead. He was a brother of the late Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, ex-Premier of Canada.

An insane woman named Catherine Hall, of Ontario, near Walkerton, Ont., committed suicide in the jail, where she was confined.

The rate-payers of Guelph will vote on a by-law to raise \$20,000 to provide for the city furnishing its own electric light.

D. B. Hanna, for several years auditor of the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway, has been selected as General Manager of the new Dauphin Railway.

Rev. H. F. Laflamme, a missionary to India, who has been visiting his friends at Winchester, Ont., left yesterday for India to resume his work.

A convention to choose a candidate to represent the Liberal party in South Brant at the by-election will be held at Brantford next Saturday.

The nominees for the North Brandon vacancy in the Manitoba Legislature are Messrs. A. C. Fraser (Liberal), and A. Postlethwait (Independent Patron).

Nominations for Saskatchewan took place at Prince Albert. The only nominees were Mr. Thomas O. Lewis and Mr. John R. McPhail, both Liberals.

A Manitoba & Northwestern Railway train ran into a high snowbank Saturday at Birtle, and was derailed. Fireman Doulos was severely scalded, and Roadmaster Walters had his collar-bone broken.

Mary, the eight-year-old daughter of George Hartford, residing near Newmarket, Ont., was killed yesterday by the accidental discharge of a gun in her own hands.

The Newfoundland Government proposes taking steps to arrest Captain DeLoe when he arrives in England despite the action of the Canadian judge in denying the indictment of manslaughter against him.

Mr. John C. Hoffman, Stratford, Ont., formerly a dry goods merchant, was stricken with apoplexy while on the train from the west, near Forest, on Saturday evening. He died shortly after reaching home.

Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, has informed Mr. Lount, M.P., Toronto, that the Government will increase the grant for the reception of the British Association from \$10,000 to \$15,000. The fund now amounts to \$7,500.

John Bertram, driver of the Ronald fire engine of the Toronto Brigade, was thrown from his seat going to a fire on Sunday night, and was killed. He was married only last Thursday and was the sole support of an invalid mother.

Charles E. Ewing, Collector of Customs, Coburg, Ont., died in his bed on Monday. Ewing had been employed in the customs service for over thirty years and had been collector at this port for 15 years. Mr. Ewing was 66 years of age.

At Niagara Falls, on Monday, the first piece of steel in the construction of the new Grand Trunk Railway artery bridge was placed in its position, being the skewer bar or shoe cap, weighing 46,170 pounds.

A Trenton, Ont., despatch says: Considerable diptheria is reported from a number of places in the Midland district, but the precautions which have been taken have prevented the disease from spreading to any great extent.

The death took place at Woodstock, Ont., yesterday of Mrs. A. W. Francis, mother of Mr. J. L. Francis, proprietor of the Woodstock Times, and widow of the late A. W. Francis, who was killed in the St. George's accident.

Willis Jordan, an old colored man, desired to marry a young mulatto girl of twelve years at Windsor. The girl was dressed up and taken before an issuer of licenses, before whom Jordan swore she was eighteen. The old man has just been found guilty of perjury by a jury.

At the Brantford Assizes Jacob Hill, an Indian, 74 years of age, was sentenced to six months in the common jail for manslaughter of Abe Clause, his step-son. Robert Carpenter, was sentenced to seven years in Kingston Penitentiary for the manslaughter of his wife, Lettie Carpenter, near Hagersville.

The annual meeting of the Halton Reform Association was held at Milton yesterday afternoon, when the following officers were appointed for the ensuing year—President, Dr. McCrimmon; First Vice-President, M. J. H. McCollum; Second Vice-President, Mr. Robert Stewart; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. W. L. Dick; Township Presidents—Essex—Mr. William Moore, Trafalgar—Mr. Henry Robinson, Nelson—Mr. John Readhead, Nassagaweya—Mr. M. Beattie.

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An Important Hockey Match To-Night

MONTREALERS AND VICS.

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That Sharkey Row—Local and Telegraphic Sporting News.

To-night will see the hockey season opened in good earnest with a match between the Montrealers and their old rivals the Victorians and as the proceeds of the gate are to go toward helping the Vics on their Winnipeg trip's expenses, a large crowd will undoubtedly turn out.

The Argyle Hockey Club has elected the following officers: Hon. President, A. Davidson; President, E. McGowan; Vice-President, J. Gallagher; Secretary, L. Stewart; Treasurer, W. Sandiland; Captain, P. Lenhan; Committee, F. Singleton, L. Stewart and W. Sandiland. Any person wishing to join will please apply to L. Stewart, Secretary, 5a St. Ignace street.

MORRISBURG AT WORK. Morrisburg, Dec. 15.—The Morrisburg Hockey Club has elected the following officers: Honorary President, J. H. Meikle; President, H. Montgomery; First Vice-President, N. J. Peopere; Second Vice-President, R. E. Gibson; Third Vice-President, G. H. Merkle; Secretary-Treasurer, F. R. Chalmers; Committee of Management, W. H. Rose, S. Couteau, G. H. Merkle, and F. R. Chalmers.

HARD AT WORK. The Shamrocks and Victorians practiced in the Victoria rink last night. Each club had enough men out to make two full teams. The play was in excellent form.

THE RING. CORBETT TALKING AGAIN. New York, Dec. 15.—James J. Corbett, who is considered the greatest of the good judges of fighting men to be the most remarkable boxer of modern times, is not the physical wreck some of his enemies would have the public believe.

On the contrary, this wonderful young man from California is stronger, heavier and more active than he ever was before. It is true that he devotes a great deal of time to his stage work, but he does not neglect the exercise which has been part of his daily routine since the idea of developing his muscles struck him years ago.

Corbett does not work to improve his muscular system as he used to. His ideas are as much advanced on this subject as they are ahead of the times in connection with glove fighting. Corbett is a close observer and a real fighting genius. His careful studies of other fighters help him out so far as primitive ideas are concerned, for upon slight suggestions he builds many practical plans of attack and defence.

He is an inveterate blower and readily improves upon punches, invented by others. But he is original if anything. Corbett is as great a master of boxing as Paderewski is of the piano.

To have astonished the sporting world by beating with comparative ease the great John L. Sullivan, might have satisfied the ambitions of most athletes. Not so with James Joseph Corbett. He is anxious to knock the aspirations of Robert Fitzsimmons into a cocked hat, and until he has had a try at the dangerous New Zealand blacksmith, the conqueror of Sullivan and Mitchell, and the others will not be contented.

Corbett is far too level-headed not to realize that Fitzsimmons is by long odds the most dangerous man in the world for him to tackle. As Corbett has for nearly two years been quietly sipping up his rival's ring tricks. He hopes to surprise Fitzsimmons by his knowledge of the latter's methods. Moreover, Corbett has some new blows which he says are carefully secreted on the inner side of his cuffs, so that no one can guess what they are.

"If Fitzsimmons reckons he can play on me the tricks that he worked on Hall, Maher and Creedon, he'll get left," said Corbett, yesterday morning, after he had finished his work at Wood's Gymnasium. "He'll get left badly, for I'm getting on to his curves every day, and I intend to spring some brand-new tactics on him in the bargain."

Corbett puts in nearly an hour every day at a pulley and machine. His desire is to develop the muscles in his forearms, and he has found this plan an excellent one for the purpose. It suits his ideas exactly.

"Everybody understands that fighting men have changed their styles of attack during the past few years," Corbett explained, as his attendant proceeded to give him an alcohol rub. "Nearly all of the old-time methods when bare fists did the work have been abandoned. In the days of turf fights men were frantically cut up and a majority of the fights continued for hours. Playing for a punch on the jaw was not dreamed of. The jugular vein was supposed to be the spot to try for. Now it has changed. All the fighters aim for the jaw."

intend is that no chance will be presented on my side of the house. But speaking of forearm development, this man Fitz has an advantage over most of us. His experience as a blacksmith is responsible for this. His forearms are splendidly developed, and to this more than anything else may be attributed his wonderful hitting powers at his own pulling his arm back for a swing. In swinging a man leaves himself open to a cross-counter or a hook punch."

"It was not my good fortune to have big forearms," he continued. "I never had any hard work to do when I was a youngster. I have developed my muscles by gymnasium work alone. So Fitzsimmons had the better of me to begin with. My forearms now will pass muster though, and the Californian held them up for inspection. 'I fancy myself able to deliver as hard a hook punch as Fitzsimmons ever could send in, and I know I can land often than he can. I am convinced that I can beat him inside of twenty rounds. If I fail he can talk all the money.'

"Fitz's favorite blow is a right-hand upper cut, sent inside his opponent's guard to the chin. He is at times dangerous with his left in the same way. I will be on the lookout for a strong one, and if he lands it will be my last luck. I am not so sure that I did not use this hook punch before Fitz did. It was a favorite blow of mine when I was the boxing instructor at the Olympic Club in San Francisco. Perhaps he employed the blow before he came to this country."

"From what I have seen and heard of Fitz he is a trifle more partial to swinging blows than I am. I hope my calculations in this direction are not wrong, for he'll be an easy mark under such circumstances. If he chooses to indulge in straight hitting and clever boxing he will be harder to settle, but I am certain that I can outbox him."

Corbett is in splendid shape physically and could prepare himself for a finish fight in three weeks. He will remain in this vicinity until arrangements are completed for his fight with Fitzsimmons, and he is ready to cancel his theatrical engagements at one week's notice.

"When I have settled with this fellow," said Corbett, "I shall be taking the care of myself. Fighting is not so bad, but training continually is a great deal worse than driving a street car. Of course I do not follow all the old rules of dieting and running. At the same time I am obliged to take great precautions against catching cold, and I must do a certain amount of hard work every day. If a man could fight without training, the country would be overrun with fighters. They wouldn't be worth \$3 a ton, as Arthur Chambers once said. Acting is a heap better than fighting, but if I hadn't learned how to put up my hands I don't suppose I would ever have taken to the stage. I have worked hard to make an actor of myself, and if I do say I'm a fair light comedian. But I'm improving all the time and I hope to occupy at no distant day a place on the stage that the advertising I aimed in fighting could not gain for me alone."

Jim McVeey, Corbett's trainer, is of the opinion that the big fight will not last five rounds.

"Corbett will whip this dufer in a gallop," says the trainer. "It's a cinch if I ever saw one." And "Kid" Egan, Corbett's business manager, is of the same mind.

THE MACE-DONOVAN FIGHT. New York, Dec. 14.—About 2,500 people attended the Mace-Donovan benefit at the Broadway Athletic Club to-night. In addition to the ex-heavyweight champion of the world and the one-time American middle-weight champion, a host of other bygone stars were on the scene. The science of the present day was well represented by James J. Corbett. Among the spectators were men well-known in the higher walks of life who were present to show their appreciation of the many art.

The contest was commenced with a three-round bout between Charley Norton and Dan Keefe, of Newark. Jim Hall, the Australian, and Pete Burns, of Harlem, then gave a lively "go", which pleased the crowd immensely. The old veterans, George Rooke and John Donaldson, both of whom have left the force of John L. Sullivan's blows, were the next pair. They smiled as they played at "jab and counter" for three one-minute rounds and got a great ovation.

A tremendous burst of applause greeted John Sullivan as he was announced to make a short speech. He spoke briefly thanking the audience for their hearty reception, and bespeaking for pugilism a successful revival in this country if the managers of the sport were true to the public and careful of keeping faith. He received quite an ovation as he retired. Billy Edwards, the ex-light-weight champion, and Arthur Chambers, of Philadelphia, his old rival, then sparred three rounds. Chambers was quite fat, but Billy was down like. They did not bother about the going, but sat down when they were tired and three rounds were more than enough for them. Bob Armstrong, the colored heavy-weight from Chicago, was pounds heavier and inches taller than Tommy Kelly, of Hoboken, and the latter had a hard time to keep away for three rounds. Barney Anton and Dooney Harris followed. Barney got a big floral horseshoe before he put on the gloves.

George Dixon was heartily cheered when he was introduced, as was "Kid" Lavigne. Neither would make the loudly requested speech. A great reception was accorded to Corbett as he came into the ring to box three rounds with Jim McVeey, his sparring partner. The champion looked in good shape. He was as lively as a kitten and gave a beautiful exhibition of science. Joe Choyinski and Peter Maher were next introduced, and bowed their acknowledgments. When the stars of the evening came on there were 2,500 people in the house.

Mace and Donovan entered the ring at 10.30. Parson Davies acted as master of ceremonies. He spoke in behalf of the beneficiaries, thanking the press and public for the generous support accorded to the enterprise. He especially thanked Mr. Al Smith, and that gentleman was called to the platform and cheered loudly. The veterans had on long white trousers and were stripped above the belt. Parson Davies, who acted as referee, stated that there would be no decision, as the set-to was to be a scientific exhibition of a friendly nature. Donovan was very active on his feet and danced all around the old Englishman, tapping him lightly on the face and body with open gloves. Mace, on the other hand, was a cock and used his left well. In the second round Mace took out his false teeth and threw them to his seconds. In the third round Mace shoved his left in straight a couple of times and Mike sent a pretty hot one to the jaw. They had some lively tapping in the last round and the old fellows looked to be in earnest for a second, when Parson Davies called time. They shook hands and there were loud cries of draw. Both men were loudly cheered at the conclusion.

The final event was a ten round bout between Jack McKeck and Jimmy Rose, both of New York, at 115 pounds. Dick Roche was the referee. In the earlier rounds McKeck did the better work by far, shooting his left to the heart frequently. He stopped nearly all of Rose's rushes with straight punches on the face. Rose woke up in the eighth and reached McKeck's jaw seven times. The ninth was evenly contested. McKeck did most of the leading in the tenth though Rose

did some clever stopping. The referee awarded the bout to McKeck.

LYNCH DENIES EVERYTHING. San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The hearing of Fitzsimmons' suit against Sharkey for the \$10,000 purse was resumed this morning. Dr. Lestig, medical examiner for the National Athletic Club, testified that he was denied admission to Sharkey's dressing room after the fight. Fitzsimmons then testified that he did not strike a foul blow and he illustrated to the court how he struck Sharkey. Master Lynch agreed upon a referee.

D. J. Lynch, Sharkey's manager, then testified that the first he knew of Earp's appointment as referee was about 4 o'clock on the afternoon of the fight. He had never heard Earp's name mentioned in connection with the affair before then. Five days before the fight he made a small bet on Sharkey, the smallest he had made on any of the Sailor's contests. Neither he nor Sharkey had any interest whatever in the National Club. He was on the timers' stand during the fight, and did not go near the ring after the battle, but when Sharkey went out he went to the dressing-room and waited for the Sailor to be brought in. He did not testify to the statement of Billy Smith regarding the treatment Sharkey received. He did not know how Dr. Lee came to be called in. Lynch said he sent for a good physician to report at the Windward.

"Did you ever ask Smith if you could not do business with Hiram Cook as referee?" he was asked.

"I did not."

"Did you have an understanding or agreement with the referee to award the \$10,000 to Sharkey, whether he won or not?"

"I did not."

Lynch explained that he did not accept the men suggested by Julian for referee as they were Julian's personal friends or sympathizers, or had made bets on Fitzsimmons. Sharkey will be examined to-morrow morning.

THE SHAMROCKS ENTERTAINMENT. The weekly entertainments of the Shamrock A.A.A., at their clubhouse, promise to be a popular feature of this season's events. The opening will be on Friday next, when an excellent programme will be given. Apart from the usual numbers given by gentlemen appearing at the box office here, there will be several boxing bouts of interest on the card. Jimmy Dwyer, who was given the decision over young Norton the other night in a 10 round fight, will meet Jimmy Murray, both of whom were in the ring with the mite in three round bouts, and the feature of the evening will be the contest between Prof. Rooney and Buffalo Costello. The latter will also give a bag-punching exhibition early in the evening, and of interest. The car service to the grounds on Friday evening will be satisfactory, according to promise, and it is certain that the hall will be filled to the doors.

THE WHEEL. WELL-EARNED MONEY. New York, Dec. 14.—The closing scene of the big six days' bicycle race, held at Madison Square Garden last week, was



JEM MACE IN POSITION.

enacted at the Hotel Bartholdi to-day. At noon the successful competitors gathered at the hotel and received in gold the rewards for their long hours of pedaling. All of the men who took part in the race were present, and most of them looked to be in good condition.

Hale, the winner, received \$1,200. Mace, 2,233 class, received \$300. Second Day, 3,223 class, received \$250. 4,235 class, received \$200. Third Day, 5,227 class, received \$250. 6, Five-mile race, received \$150. 7, Special, received \$150. Fourth Day, 8, 2,400 class, received \$200. 9, Free-for-all, received \$300.

SKATING. THE M.A.A.A. RINK. Even before the cold snap had arrived, work on the M.A.A.A. rink had progressed far towards completion, and now will lack Frost's generous aid it seems probable that the opening will be made on Thursday evening. The electric light was put in yesterday, and now it only requires a couple of floodlights and a stove to make the rink what it has been in former years—the largest and best in Canada.

SNOWSHOEING. ST. GEORGE'S OPENING NIGHT. The opening night of the St. George Snowshoe Club proved that there was nothing the matter with old St. George's. About 30 members sat down to dinner at six-thirty, this number being increased to 90 at 8 p. m. evening wore on. An enjoyable programme of music had been arranged by the Entertainment Committee.

The first ladies welcome will be held on Tuesday evening the 15th, and as this is the first one, extra care has been taken to see that everything is in good order.

also in the party. The crew rowed its very best. There was a dash in the work and a confidence that has been lacking for the last few years. As one man remarked, it was more like the days when Hancock used to run things. Everybody seemed satisfied.

In the three weeks that Mr. Lehmann has had charge of the Harvard oarsmen he has worked wonders. When the crew got back Captain Goodrich led his men in three cheers of Mr. Lehmann, then three cheers for Harvard and then three more "rahs" for Mr. Lehmann. The genial coach responded in a short speech in which he thanked the oarsmen for their cordiality, expressed his satisfaction with what he had seen of their work through the last few weeks and hoped to see them all again next March.

BOWLING. THE M.A.A.A. WON. The following is the result of the M.A.A. and Victoria Rides match:

Table with columns: M.A.A.A., Strings, Total. Rows: Michaud, Gardner, Willson, Baird, Baille, McElroy.

THE WEEK'S GAMES. The second teams of the Montreal and Victoria Rides' bowling teams will play their opening game on the M.A.A.A. alley this evening, and on Thursday night, at the same place, the third teams will come together.

TURF AND TRACK. RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS. New Orleans, Dec. 14.—Splendid weather and a fast track and an attendance of 5,500 people marked the races to-day. The betting was heavy and four favorites won.

First race, 8 furlongs—Frank Lambert won, Magie 8 second, Hirsch third. Time—1:16.5.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Ivory, won. Sugar Cane second, Pop Dixon third. Time—1:17.

Third race, 1 mile and 20 yards—Ida Pickering won, Logan second, Trixie third. Time—2:14.5.

Fourth race, 7 furlongs—Fannie Rowen won, Nicolini second, Chugnut third. Time—2:07.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Gaston won, Olympia second, Pat Morrissey third. Time—1:17.

Sixth race, 1 mile and 20 yards—Rossmar won, Buckmore second, Sampson third. Time—1:42.

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STAGE AND PLATFORM.

"Wang" is Back Again—"Silver King" at Francis—"Oliver Twist" at the Queens—The Royal.

Dear old "Wang," with all its wealth of pretty music, clever dialogue and handsome costumes, is once more with us.

The principals in "Wang" are all excellent, led of course by Hart with his rich powerful voice and his able histrionic work. Mr. Hart received a thoroughly warm welcome and a huge bouquet of roses into the bargain.

There were several new people—new at least in their characters of last night. Miss Norma Kopp as Prince Mataya, is a surprise. She was a pretty and painstaking Gillette, but in Mataya she has a role admirably suited to her, and she bears well comparison with other Matayas. Mr. W. A. Daniels is a really capital Francis, and Miss Pauline Harvey, both acted and sang the widow in a manner deserving warm praise. Another new comer is Miss Elsie Barton, who played Marie very prettily, and got good accolades for "Every rose must have its thorn." Frank Casey is the same funny Papa.

All the well worn songs were encored, "You must ask of the man in the moon," "Elephant in his hands," "Baby," "You'll find another fellow," etc., were thoroughly enjoyed. The chorus, particularly the male, is good, a little tinkering in numbers, but good just the same.

"Wang" is a standard attraction, and merits crowded houses.

The Francis has one of the best attractions of the season in "The Silver King," that fine old drama by Henry Arthur Jones, which has held its own for years against all modern productions.

It is a difficult piece to undertake, and that the company should succeed as they have done is certainly an agreeable surprise to the numerous friends of this popular house. A few little hitches occurred, as is not unusual in first performances, but these will be avoided in future performances. That the audiences yesterday were pleased was shown by their frequent hearty applause, and Francis audiences have been known to expect something good. Mr. Emmet C. King made an excellent "Silver" King, and Miss MacGregor won the house by her portrayal of the character of Nellie Dever. All the other parts are in good hands. The vaudeville bill is first-class. It is headed by Mr. Raymond Moore, the author of "Sweet Marie," whose songs made a big hit. The phantoscope, Edison's latest invention, proved a strong attraction, and its views held the house for half an hour. "The Silver King" will hold the boards every afternoon and evening this week at the usual popular prices.

The stock company playing at the Queen's Theatre last night presented "Oliver Twist," and it is evident from the large audience present that Charles Dickens' celebrated story has lost none of its interest for Montrealers. The portrayal of the principal characters as seen last night was excellent. Mr. Charles H. Collins as Fagin, did the part to the satisfaction of the audience. The part of Bill Sykes was taken by Mr. Albert Brunning, late of the Mantell Company, and in his hands it lost none of its old-time interest. Grace Sherwood as Oliver Twist, and Helen Robertson as Nancy Sykes, were in parts that suited their abilities. Mr. Charles E. Fisher was the Artful Dodger, and Mr. Clayton Legge, who has done good work here before, did well the small role allotted to him on this occasion. The other parts were well looked after.

In the vaudeville line, the attractions this week are specially good. Miss Lizzie B. Raymond, in her character songs, made a decided hit. The Royal Japanese troupe are always enjoyable in their acrobatic and other feats and were warmly welcomed. Don Leno is the weakest of the turns, there being too little harmony and too much facial contortion. On the whole he was rather amusing.

The production next week will be—"Lena," by the Foscari. Mr. Edwin Varney, will personally direct the production, he will also appear as "Nathan, the Apostate," or, as the character is most familiarly known, "The School Master."

Melodrama replaces vaudeville at the Royal this week. "A Country Merchant" is the unpretentious title of a clean, well-staged piece which pleased a fairly large audience last evening. The plot hinges on the loss of a large sum of money by Ellen Baxter a country postmaster who keeps a thief. It turns out that his wife gave the pocket containing the money to an honest farmer in mistake for a purchase of corn starch. Of course there are many complicated details, and variety is lent by occasional selections from an eccentric and musical quartette. Charles Cowles, as the postmaster, and Mrs. Annie L. Inman who takes the part of his wife Patience, sustain difficult parts well. Annie Louise Barron as Phyllis Loring, the heroine, and C. Saunders, a gouty colonel are equally worthy of mention, while the other parts are fairly well sustained. Taken altogether the Royal bill should draw good houses.

MR. AUGUSTE VAN BIENE. The next celebrity, new to our public, to visit our shores this season par excellence equally worthy of mention, is the distinguished actor-musician, Auguste Van Biene, of whom an English critic has written: "There are two things worth living for—

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SAVE THE GIRLS.

Women's Protective Immigration Society Meets.

ANNUAL REPORT WAS READ

It Shows Excellent Work Done During the Year.

Ald. Penny, M. P., Makes a Speech—Well-Known Ladies Are the Officers.

The 15th annual meeting of the Women's Protective Immigration Society was held at the Home, 84 Osborne Street, yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. Goff Penny M. P., in the chair.

There were present Messrs. D. A. Watt, John Hooblan, Marquette, Armstrong, Mrs. Hugh Allan, Mrs. Gillespie, Hon. Mrs. Wand, Mrs. Greenhields, Mrs. A. Taylor, Mrs. Botterell, Mrs. R. Mackay, Mrs. Cramp, Mrs. Bernard and Mrs. Percy Vosburgh, hon. secretary-treasurer.

The annual report was read by the chairman, in which was acknowledged the grant of \$1,000 received from the Dominion Government. During the year 163 immigrants have passed through the Home, of all denominations, including 126 English, 10 Irish, 18 Scotch, 1 Welsh, 2 French, 2 Germans, 5 Swedes and 1 Dane.

The number of immigrants received into the Home this year has not been so large as before, in consequence of increase in steamship storage rates, which was to be deplored.

A system of Government-assisted immigration, conducted on strict principles, was greatly to be desired. Those that have passed through the Home have been of a decidedly superior class, not one instance of wrong behavior having been reported.

The following ladies and gentlemen were mentioned as being interested in the work of the society: Mr. L. M. Fortier, of Ottawa; Mrs. Fibre, the daughter of the president of the United British Women's Association; also Miss Hope, connected with the same Association, and Mr. F. H. Art, Mrs. Cox, first vice-president, went to Ottawa to meet delegates and consult with regard to the extension of work in the North-west. The president, Mrs. Gillespie, spent some time in Edinburgh last spring, where she met Lady Victoria Campbell and other ladies connected with the Scotch Branch of the U. B. W. E. Association. Mrs. Gillespie was also kindly received by ladies of the same Association in London, and was present at a meeting held in the Imperial Institute, at which Lord Loch presided.

The Rev. J. Patterson, Mr. Hooblan, Mr. Marquette, Dr. Kirkpatrick and others who had assisted the Home, were thanked for their kind services.

The treasurer's report, showing a balance of \$196.13, was adopted.

Ald. Penny then made a few remarks, touching on the annual report, which he considered a most favorable one.

The society, said Ald. Penny, was most worthy, and should receive every possible encouragement. It was hoped that a vigorous scheme of immigration would be pursued by the present Government, as yet it was early to know what to expect.

Ald. Penny then moved that the report be adopted, which was seconded by Mr. D. A. Watt, and passed unanimously.

The election of officers then took place, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. Gillespie; first vice-president, Mrs. John Cox; second vice-president, Mrs. E. S. Clouston; third vice-president, Miss Macdonald; hon. secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Percy Vosburgh.

Board of Management—Mrs. Hugh Allan, Mrs. A. Allan, Mrs. Botterell, Mrs. Leonard, Mrs. Brakenridge, Mrs. Cramp, Mrs. Asplund-Howe, Mrs. G. W. Hamilton, Mrs. Robert Mackay, Mrs. Reuben Taylor, Mrs. Sutherland Taylor, Mrs. Shaughnessy, Mrs. G. Abbott-Smith, and Mrs. Percy Vosburgh.

A cordial vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Smith to Ald. Penny for presiding on this occasion, which was carried unanimously.

THE COMING BANQUET.

Tickets Ready To-morrow—To Be an Event in Canadian History.

The committee having in charge the Laurier banquet had a rousing meeting last night. Among those who were present were: Thomas Cote, in the chair, Hon. J. J. Tarte, J. X. Perrat, L. A. Wilson, Lomer Gouin, E. N. St. Jean, Camille Piche, J. N. Greenhields, Ed. Guerin, W. A. Weir, C. A. L. Fisher, G. W. Stephens, Jr., J. P. B. Casgrain, Ald. Marsden, E. G. Penny, M. P., H. Dupre, Ald. Prevost, Louis H. Boisseau, H. Gervais, O. Lamarche, Dr. G. Maillet and others.

Mr. Cote explained at length the details of the arrangements, as already printed in The Herald. They were very satisfactory to all.

The following gentlemen were appointed as a committee to take charge of the finances: Louis H. Boisseau, treasurer of the Club National; J. X. Perrat, Lomer Gouin, Lawrence A. Wilson, and G. W. Stephens, Jr., with Thomas Cote, ex-officio member.

The tickets will likely be ready to-morrow and may be had from any member of the committee or at The Herald, Patrie or Cultivateur office.

Mr. Cote will be at the Cultivateur office every day from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., to give information to those who need it.

PERSONAL.

Assistant General Manager Tait was in Toronto yesterday, and held a conference with Superintendent Leonard, respecting the company's affairs.

Mr. A. Davis left for Brockville this morning to make an examination of the waterworks system of that town.

Mr. Thomas Cote has severed his connection with La Presse.

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News of the Suburbs

NEWS OF THE POINT.

A Candidate Out For Local Parliamentary Honors.

J. McCARTHY IN THE FIELD.

A Street Railway Route Change is Wanted.

Mr. Stephens Speaks, Jr.—Dr. Sexton Delivers an Important Lecture.

The people of Point St. Charles are anxious to get up to the west end of St. Catherine street the most direct way possible, and seeing that the Guy street line cannot be finished before spring, they would like to have the Centre street cars go around Chaboulez square and direct up Windsor street, and they would like this done immediately.

Mr. Geo. W. Stephens, Jr., delivered a lecture at the St. Charles Hall on Sunday evening, under the auspices of the Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Society. The subject of the lecture was a review of the life of Gladstone. Important political and historical events were illustrated with line views. The lecture, which was listened to through-out by the large audience, was characterized by Mr. Stephens' brilliancy, and at the close a most cordial vote of thanks was accorded. Next Sunday Capt. R. C. Adams will deliver a lecture on "The Day of Rest."

Last night almost interesting and instructive address was delivered by Dr. Sexton, in the Methodist Church, Point St. Charles. Mr. Blackader presided, and there was a large attendance. The reverend doctor took for his subject: "If a man die, shall he live again." This question, he said, cropped up in all ages, and on all occasions it was regarded a vastly important one. The natural reply seemed to be "To whom, or what source shall we turn for information." Men in all these ages, looked to man's own creation for an answer. The dogmatic reply, says "No." None even the length of saying, that man's origin consisted in a blow of wind and ended in gas (laughter). After referring to the works of the late Prof. Huxley and others of that class of would-be atheists who rested on the point, that seeing no one came back from the hereafter, not much could be said. These were the sect termed Agnostics. They did not like to be called Atheists, but they were Agnostics. Now what was an Agnostic? He turned it up and discovered that the Greek version of the word was "don't know," and the English, equivalent to "ignoramus" (laughter). That being so, he concluded the proper position for those who did not know, was to hold their tongues. There were the Secularists, they were a modified class of the former, who stood on the ground that even if there was a possibility of knowing, they would not trouble to ascertain.

Of all animals, man was the only one who had a conception of the future; he fears death and never dies. There was no other animal who feared death. Man conceives a future, indicating there was a future for him. There was nothing in the world which indicated stability; every mountain even were objects of continual change. The changes in the human frame were more apparent and rapid than in any other being; but there was something underlying all in which there is no change, and preserving the individuality of man—the mind.

Some people, he went on, had a curious conception of brain; an intellectual man was called a brainy man. A man with a large head was supposed to be very wise. He once met a man with an unusually large head, who was very wise (laughter). It was as easy to measure, or weigh brain, as it was to weigh a few pounds of ideas. The mind in its primitive form, was conscious, sense, preserving individuality. If consciousness is preserved, personality will be there, thence immortality.

When man dies what becomes of his mind? The mind passes away into another region, which demonstrated the immortality of man. After going into the question of man's natural hatred of injustice, even though precised by himself, he showed, that even in any work of fiction the moral faculty of man was displayed. In touching on the question of religion, which was visible in all lands, even among the savages, the opinion prevailed among some that religion was invented, for instance, by the priest. It might be as well concluded that a butcher invented appetite for beef (laughter).

Several questions were read by the chairman, all of which were answered to the satisfaction of the audience.

Afterwards an unanimous vote of thanks to the doctor terminated the proceedings.

Mr. J. McCarthy, licenced grocer, Ottawa street, is announcing himself a candidate in the field for a seat in the Local Assembly. Mr. McCarthy, if he runs, will do so on the Conservative ticket, and against "all comers."

WESTMOUNT NEWS.

Growing Church and Its Popular Pastor.

TOWN COUNCIL IN SESSION.

Some Important Matters Under Discussion.

The Herald's Change Warmly Welcomed by Citizens of the Flowery Suburb.

The Heather Curling Rink opened last night and the brawny lovers of the staunch Scottish game were busy.

The Herald's change to a evening paper and its new Westmount office, received much favorable comment at all hands in this vicinity last evening.

There was an overflow communion service at Melville Presbyterian Church last Sunday and the pastor Rev. John McGillivray, is deserving of much praise on his untiring efforts in upbuilding the church.

In five years the continuous growth necessitated an enlarged place of worship, and accommodation was provided in the plain truth and the Gospel first, has ever been the motto of the pastor and his willing helpers.

At the special meeting of the Council held last evening there were present Mayor Evans, Councillors J. H. Redfern, J. E. Hutchison, W. Greig, T. C. Bulmer, J. E. Walker, J. E. McCormick and the solicitor Mr. K. R. Macpherson.

The Montreal Street Railway was given permission to build a switch on Sherbrooke street between Prince Albert and Clarendon Avenue.

The Westmount Football Club held a meeting Saturday evening which was well attended by many athletic enthusiasts of the town.

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WANT DAMAGES NOW.

Street Railway's Remarkable Letter to Council.

ANOTHER TOWER SCHEME.

Will Again Attempt to Obtain Borrowing Powers.

Ald. Kinsella Appointed Acting-Mayor—Assessors for 1897—The Proposed Viaduct to Bonaventure.

The monthly meeting of the City Council was held yesterday afternoon; it was a very quiet, but long one. The two orders of the day were the appointment of an acting-Mayor, and of assessors. Ald. Kinsella was appointed for the ensuing three months.

The report of the Finance Committee was that the seven present assessors be re-appointed, and that Mr. J. Hamilton Ferns be appointed in the late Mr. Thomas' place. Ald. Rainville moved that this report be adopted, but Ald. Stevenson moved in amendment that the name of Mr. J. M. M. Duff be substituted for Mr. Ferns'. Only Ald. Sadler and Stevenson voted for this, and the main motion was carried. Mr. J. T. Dillon was appointed chairman of the board.

The Montreal Street Railway, through its secretary, Mr. Martin H. Watts, communicated the decision of the directors on the ultimatum of the council. The company constructed the line to Sherbrooke Street as far as they could, but the council took no steps to be assured that the Government would permit the crossing of Seigneurs Street bridge, and positively forbade the company to make connections with existing lines which would have given the public some advantage from the line. The city now demanded that these connections should be made at a season of the year when it would be impossible to do so properly. The company notified the city that it would demand compensation for loss and injury caused by being forced to build the line and being prevented from using it. With regard to the extension up Cote des Neiges hill, the directors repeated their opinion that the road was not properly graded for a trolley line, and their request that the city should refer the question to proper and independent experts. The letter continues: "The directors would draw your attention to the fact that should the city determine upon trying to force them to construct their line up this hill, before they could succeed, they must take the matter into court, as the directors declare without hesitatingly that this company will not construct its line to the city boundary on Cote des Neiges hill, until the question of whether this street is properly graded, and is suitable for a trolley line has been considered and pronounced upon by experts to whom both the city and the company have confidence, the directors further reserve all the legal rights and privileges of the company in this matter, waiving or abating none of them. At the same time the directors are prepared to meet the representatives of the city and discuss the matter in a reasonable and business-like fashion, though they will not allow their company to be unfairly deprived of its rights nor its contract with the city lightly disregarded."

Ald. Stevenson said such a letter, full of mis-statements, should not be allowed to pass without protest, and hoped the council would make a vigorous and effective protest.

On Ald. Prefontaine's suggestion the letter was referred to the Road Committee to report to next meeting.

By a resolution passed by the Road Committee condemning the cars in use on Ontario and Wellington routes, and the company wrote to say that new cars were being built.

Mr. Francois Lapointe, describing himself as "Architect City Tower Company," presented a printed letter, making a request in connection with the proposed international exhibition and the council's desire to "improve and beautify" Mount Royal Park. Canadian and American capitalists were willing to organize a company with a capital stock of \$400,000, to construct a steel tower 600 feet high, and 238 feet at its base. Ground 550 feet by 350 feet was needed for this, and Mr. Lapointe asked for the necessary location, "embodying the following attractions: For electric displays, an obelisk, a skating rink, a restaurant, a theatre, and all things pertaining to and connected with the operation of such a tower." The ground was asked for a period of fifteen years "from the completion of the tower, without any indemnity from the company to the City of Montreal." The city, it was alleged, would "be the largest returns from the noted attraction," and after the expiration of the fifteen years would acquire possession of the tower. Work would begin within six months of the granting of the franchise, to be completed in one year.

This communication was referred to the Road Committee.

Ald. Penny presented a petition from owners on Emile Street, offering to make over the street to the city, and this was referred to the Road Committee.

A Road Committee report, approving of the plan for the East End station, Scotch brick is being used for the exterior, while local brick will be used throughout the interior.

Ald. Prevost was not satisfied with this, and considered that Laprairie pressed brick should be used for the outside.

Ald. Prefontaine explained that Mr. Shaughnessy had told him that the company were quite willing to use local material, but as the plans called for a rough brick the Laprairie brick could not be used. The whole thing was only a matter of interest of the city.

The report was adopted after some further talk.

On motion of Ald. Prevost, seconded by Ald. Dupre, it was resolved to oppose the bill to amend the charter of the Union Abattoir Company as detrimental to the interests of the city.

Ald. Stevenson was anxious to have the Legislature asked to legalize a severe penalty for ringing false alarms than at present.

Ald. Prefontaine moved, seconded by Ald. Prevost, that the civic delegation to Quebec be instructed to again put in the City Bill the "howling clause," and if this could not be done to withdraw the bill. He referred to the treatment at ways accorded to the City of Montreal by the members of the Legislature, and

NEWS OF THE POINT.

A Candidate Out For Local Parliamentary Honors.

J. McCARTHY IN THE FIELD.

A Street Railway Route Change is Wanted.

Mr. Stephens Speaks, Jr.—Dr. Sexton Delivers an Important Lecture.

The Herald's Change Warmly Welcomed by Citizens of the Flowery Suburb.

The Heather Curling Rink opened last night and the brawny lovers of the staunch Scottish game were busy.

The Herald's change to a evening paper and its new Westmount office, received much favorable comment at all hands in this vicinity last evening.

There was an overflow communion service at Melville Presbyterian Church last Sunday and the pastor Rev. John McGillivray, is deserving of much praise on his untiring efforts in upbuilding the church.

In five years the continuous growth necessitated an enlarged place of worship, and accommodation was provided in the plain truth and the Gospel first, has ever been the motto of the pastor and his willing helpers.

At the special meeting of the Council held last evening there were present Mayor Evans, Councillors J. H. Redfern, J. E. Hutchison, W. Greig, T. C. Bulmer, J. E. Walker, J. E. McCormick and the solicitor Mr. K. R. Macpherson.

The Montreal Street Railway was given permission to build a switch on Sherbrooke street between Prince Albert and Clarendon Avenue.

The Westmount Football Club held a meeting Saturday evening which was well attended by many athletic enthusiasts of the town.

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