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THE CHIEF DECLINES TO DENY CHARGE

Chief Detective Carpenter Will Not Make His Defence Through the Press, But Will o a Committee.

Ald. Lebeuf's trip to Paris is a subject that Chief of Detectives Carpenter is unwilling to discuss. Whatever he knows about it he will tell, if he has to, to the committee of investigation appointed to enquire into the management of the Police Department. It will be remembered that in the course of the charges Mr. Recorder Poirier brought against the chairman of the Police Committee, he mentioned the fact of a certain alderman having gone to Europe at the expense of the then Chief of Police, Colonel Hughes. Ald. Lebeuf admitted that he "was that certain alderman," and explained that Colonel Hughes offered him a pass which he had received from the Allan Line, and that he had finally accepted it. It has since been stated that Ald. Lebeuf did not go to Paris on a pass, but that his passage was paid by certain parties who had raised a subscription for the purpose. The parties mentioned in this statement as being most interested in the raising of this subscription were Colonel Hughes, Chief of Detectives Carpenter and Mr. Charlebois, tailor. Since that time Chief Hughes has been dismissed from his position as head of the Police Department.

HEAD OF THE DETECTIVES.

This morning Chief Carpenter greeted a Herald reporter who called upon him with all the affability and geniality for which he is so justly famed. The chief is always an interesting talker with an infinite fund of anecdote and reminiscence at his tongue's end, so that it was some little time before the reporter found a favorable opportunity to broach the object of his mission. The opportunity came at last in connection with some remark of the chief's upon newspaper stories.

"By the way, chief," the reporter ventured, "have you been reading the newspapers recently?"

"Well, not more than usual. Why?" Chief Carpenter answered.

"Because in one of them on Wednesday there were some statements made in which your name was mentioned in connection with those of ex-Chief Hughes and Mr. Charlebois, a subscription and a free trip to Paris for the chairman of the Police Committee."

NEWS TO THE CHIEF.

"Was there, really? Funny thing I always miss that sort of thing. Fact is, you see, I never read the papers carefully. In fact, I might say I don't read them at all. Just see them, you know, in the house and in the street, and that sort of thing, but never read them. Oh, no."

"Then you didn't see the article in which the statements were made?"

"No, I didn't. How could I? I tell you, I never read the papers."

"Would you care to see it?"

"Not particularly. I may run across it some time, but I'm not very much interested."

"I happen to have the paper with me, Mr. Carpenter. If you don't mind, I'll just read you what—"

WOULD NOT HEAR.

The chief leaned forward in his chair and the baffling little smile that had wreathed his face so far died out as he answered:

"I don't want to hear it; I don't want to know anything about it more than I've heard."

"Then you do know something about it?"

"All I know is that I've been told my name was mentioned in connection with certain statements. When I was told, I asked whether I was accused of having done anything wrong. I was told that I was not. I didn't want to know anything more."

"Is there any truth, then, Mr. Carpenter, in the statement that you joined with Chief Hughes in raising a subscription to pay Alderman ——"

There wasn't the vestige of a smile on the chief's face now; his eyebrows were crunched together and there was a nasty little gleam in his eye as he broke in:

THINGS GOT INTERESTING.

"Stop! I'm not going to be cross-examined on this matter by you or by any one else. Do you understand? You can't cross-examine me."

Just a short while before, the chief had been telling a little group of reporters that he'd never yet met the man or gang of men who could bluff him. The reporter had no reason to doubt his word, so he waited until the glitter had died out of the chief's eye before he ventured to breathe again. The chief was the first to speak.

"Whatever I may know about this," he said, "and whatever I've got to say, will be said at the proper time to the proper authorities. Whatever I have done I can explain. I am ready to accept the full responsibility for my actions. I will take shelter behind no man's back. Nobody can charge me with having been influenced in anything I have ever done in my capacity as chief of detectives. There has been a committee appointed to investigate the charges brought against Ald. Lebeuf and the entire conduct of the Police Department. If that committee calls upon me to explain anything I have done or been concerned in the doing of I will present it with a statement of plain facts. But until the committee calls upon me I refuse absolutely to discuss the matter."

His mouth had given birth to a new smile by this time and his eyebrows were back in their accustomed position. He regarded the incident as closed and arose to show his visitor out. The reporter had been breathing safely for several moments.

"Your position is clear, Mr. Carpenter," he said, "but there are just one or two things I should like to ask you."

"I tell you, I won't be cross-examined," and the smile died an early death.

"You're chief of detectives, aren't you?"

"I think that's pretty well known."

"Who is in authority over you?"

"I am subordinate to the chief of police."

"And the chief of police is under the jurisdiction of the chairman of the Police Committee?"

"Yes."

"As chief of detectives you are stated to have joined with the chief of police in providing a free trip to Paris for the chairman of the Police Committee. Can we state that you did not do so?"

"I tell you, I wont be ——"

But the rest of what the chief said was lost behind the door that suddenly came between him and the reporter.

out avail. The police of No. 7 station were notified and the body was taken there and afterwards to the morgue. The man was identified as Alexander Anderson, a junk dealer, of 104 Congregation Street, Point St. Charles. At the morgue an autopsy will be made and an inquest will be held. The deceased was well known, and bore the reputation of being a sober, industrious man.

MARCONI TO OPERATE ON LAND

American capitalists, who are interested in wireless telegraphy, are keeping in touch with the Canadian Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company, though the Canadian and American companies will operate independently of each other.

Mr. J. N. Greenshields, K.C., solicitor for the Canadian company, was in New York conferring with some of the Americans interested. The American company has been incorporated under the laws of the State of New Jersey.

Mr. Greenshields is out of town today, and the details of his trip could not be learned, but Mr. J. P. Oppe, an English gentleman who is interested in the company, was interviewed at the Windsor. He stated that all the money necessary for the development of the scheme was already secured, and that none of the stock of the new company was for sale.

The company has been incorporated under Ontario Government laws, and is now seeking Federal incorporation with a capital stock of $5,000,000. It is almost entirely English capital that is in the enterprise. Considering that it is just 53 weeks since Marconi announced that he had transmitted electric signals across the Atlantic, everyone interested in th ecompany considers that great progress has been made.

TROLLEY CARS ON ST. HELEN'S ISLAND

Two important amendments to the charter will be discussed by the Charter Committee this afternoon.

The first of these is proposed by Ald. Ames, who desires the Legislature to accord the city the privilege of utilizing a portion of Mount Royal Park as a site for a contagious disease hospital - a thing which is not countenanced by the charter at present.

Ald. Couture wants to obtain the right to erect telephone, telegraph and electric light poles in Mount Royal Park, and to operate a line of trolley cars on St. Helen's Island.

The latter idea is doubtless in anticipation of the construction of the proposed Royal Albert bridge, which is to skirt the Island to the east.

J. P. MORGAN IS SUED BY A FRIGID TENANT

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

New York, Dec. 26.—J. P. Morgan, whose slightest wish is law unto the anthracite coal railroads and operators, must answer in a municipal court for his alleged failure to supply coal enough to properly heat an apartment house owned by him at Park avenue and Eighty-second street.

Dr. Harris Neversale, who occupies the drug store on the ground floor of the building, is the plaintiff, and will ask for $250 for inconvenience caused him in business and a severe cold he contracted during the recent cold snap. Summons would have been served on the magnate, but the process man was unable to find the defendant. He will make another effort to-day.

LATE DR. TEMPLE'S REMAINS.

They Were Removed To-day to Canterbury, For Interment There To-Morrow.

London, December 26.—The remains of Dr. Temple, the Archbishop of Canterbury, were removed this afternoon from the Archiepiscopal Palace at Lambeth to Canterbury, for interment there to-morrow. There was no display. The body was taken to the railroad station in a simple, pair-horse hearse, followed by two carriages containing relatives of the deceased. A surpliced choir sang an anthem at the station as the coffin was placed on board the train.

20 COAL COLLIERIES ARE CLOSED; MINERS ABSENT.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—A report from the mining region to-day is to the effect that twenty Philadelphia & Reading collieries and two washeries are idle because of the failure of the men to return to work after the Christmas holiday.

Ten collieries also are closed down because of high water. It is the miners' custom to lay off Christmas and the day following, but the officials had hoped the men would return to work to-day because of the coal shortage.

END OF A TOURNAMENT.

The tournament of the Montreal Chess, Checker and Euchre Club will conclude to-morrow night, when Messrs. Cameron and Perry will play three games to decide the championship. The prize for the chess championships is a silver cup.

MASCAGNI'S DIFFICULTIES INCREASING

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Mascagni must face the severest of all his trials, for Richard Heard, his manager, flatly refuses to be discharged, and says that he will remain at the composer's side until Feb. 1.

Distance, time or place makes no difference to the manager, and if the composer should sail for his home in Italy, Heard would sail, too, and even ship before the mast if his financial condition showed no improvement.

Such fidelity as the manager is displaying has rarely been seen around Chicago, but Mascagni is blind to it all.

"Send him away," he muttered Wednesday, when the manager appeared at his door, and Heard was not admitted.

"This is how it stands," said Heard. "I can discharge Mascagni, but he can't discharge me. I'm fond of Mascagni. I like his society. Don't you know, I would be willing to organize a little company and fill all the dates that have been made. That shows you that I'm no quitter, and that I'm loyal.

"Now, see how he treats me. This morning I went to see him. His wife came to the door. She looked at me and I looked at her. 'You can't come in,' she said. I bowed rather low, and when I again stood at my full height the door was closed.

"I called again, and then again. Say, I can give you a fine description of the outside of that door. It's been some time since I was up there, so I will go again. Of course, if they need any assistance, I want them to know that I'm in the neighborhood."

Heard was gone about three minutes. 'Find them in?" he was asked.

"Didn't even answer the knock. That's no way to treat a fellow. Here I have sunk almost $5,000 in that tour, and I had to borrow money this morning. Let's see how I stand," and the former manager reached into his pockets. "Just $2.73, and it's a long way to Boston, and poor walking. We managers have some tough experiences occasionally. Of course, I don't want to go to Boston just now. I'll wait until Mascagni is able to travel, and then I will go with him."

"Any danger of trouble?"

"There might be a whole lot. Mascagni owes me $3,772. He has $4,000 of the common fund in his possession. I want a settlement. He won't settle. He also has some of my music that he has refused to return. Then, I own part of the costumes. There may be trouble."

Heard is not the only man who has suffered by the failure of the Mascagni company. A letter was received at the Studebaker Theatre from him today. It was addressed to Henry W. Savage, manager of the Castle Square Opera Company, and read:

"I am stranded here, having been on the advance of Mascagni. Can't you use me in some capacity; if necessary, in the chorus?"

George N. Loomis, general manager of the former opera company, arrived from New York yesterday, and it is expected that he will compel Mascagni to make some sort of a settlement.

Figures upon the tour are now given for the first time. They show that the tour was a losing venture all the time. For the first twelve days in December the receipts were $6,610.98 and the expenditures $12,041.61, a net loss of $5,430.63.

SEVERAL BIG FIRES IN THE U.S. TO-DAY

Marlboro, Mass., Dec. 26.—In place of Marlboro's City Hall, fire which swept through that structure early to-day left a heap of ruins. Against the broken walls is piled a mass of debris, which includes the entire property of the city's public library. The total loss is estimated at from $360,000 to $50 000. There were 25,000 volumes in the library.

Michael O'Brien, a fireman, who was struck by fragments of a falling wall, will probably die.

Schnectady, N.Y., Dec. 26.—Maxon's block, one of the principal business buildings in this city, is a total loss. One man is believed to be in the flames. Loss over $100,000. While the fire was at its height, there was an explosion in the cafe of Devine's hotel, and several other buildings in the neighborhood trembled from the impact.

Peabody, Mass., Dec. 26.—Fire in the plant of the Vaughn Machine Company here early to-day practically destroyed everything of value in the cylinder, pattern and carpentry departments. Estimated loss, $100,000; fully insured. About 100 men are thrown out of work.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN REACHES DURBAN

Durban, Natal, December 26.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain, who left Portsmouth, England, November 25, on board the armored cruiser Good Hope, landed here at 10.30 this morning. They received a warm welcome from large crowds of people.

TO RELIEVE SUFFERING.

Red Cross Society is Sending Representatives to Andijan to Care For Earthquake Victims.

St. Petersburg, December 26.—The Red Cross Society is sending representatives to Andijan (the town of Russian Central Asia recently visited by earthquakes) to organize relief, and has contributed $17,500 to the relief fund.

BOTH YUKON MURDERERS WILL HANG ON JAN. 20.

Ottawa, December 26.—(Special.)—The two Yukon murderers, Labelle and Fournier, will be executed on the same day, January 20th. Labelle was to have been hanged on the 10th, but it has been decided to have both executions on the same day.

OTTAWA METHODISTS SPLIT OVER THE GOWN

When Rev. Dr. Rose, so Garbed, Appeared Yesterday Part of the Congregation Left the Church.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—There is a rift in the Dominion Methodist Church over the Rev. Dr. Rose wearing a gown in the pulpit at yesterday's service.

When Dr. Rose appeared for the first time in his gown some of the congregation walked out. One of the dissenting parties, Mr. John Brouse, seen to-day, said that he walked out of the church whenever he saw the minister enter with the gown. They could have the church to themselves, as far as he was concerned, as long as the gown was recognized. He was one of those who opposed the innovation from the beginning, and he intended standing out.

Mr. Rose, seen about the mattr, said that he intended to continue wearing the gown.

It is a question of preference, not of principle, there being no law against it, and he will go on wearing it.

A GRANBY MAN TAKES HIS LIFE

He Lay on the Floor and Placed Muzzle of Shot-Gun to His Head.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Granby, Que., December 26.—Clement Bouchard, an employe of the Granby enamel works, committed suicide at six o'clock last evening by blowing the top of his head off with a shot-gun, the result, it is said, of domestic troubles. He left a letter setting forth the disposition he wished made of his effects.

Bouchard and his wife are said to have quarrelled on Tuesday, after which he left home.

Returning last evening, he prepared to take his life in the presence of his family, who, becoming alarmed, ran to the neighbors for assistance. They had no sooner left the house when the report of the gun was heard.

Bouchard had lain down on the floor and placed the gun to his right ear. Death was instantaneous.

Coroner Mathison is holding an inquest. The deceased comes from St. Hyacinthe.

CANADIAN NORTHERN WILL ASK FOR AID

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Mr. D. D. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern Railway, stated this morning that the company would apply for an act for its transcontinental line at the next session of the House of Commons.

"The company has not yet decided what it will ask for, but it is understood that no land grants are expected.

In repeating a former statement that no negotiations were going on between the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific, Mr. Mann said, "There is room out west for all of us."

ELEVATOR MAN'S HEAD SQUEEZED

There was an awkward accident in one of the large department stores the afternoon before Christmas, which alarmed a large number of people who were putting the finishing touches upon their Christmas shopping.

Elevator man Louis Papineau had a close shave on Wednesday afternoon in Carsley's store. He is in the General Hospital as a result. The elevator, he says, was overcrowded, and began to go downwards. Those in it pushed him forward, and his head caught between the elevator and the floor. That stopped the descent of the elevator. He was taken to the General Hospital, where it was found that beyond a cut on the forehead and other bruises he was not very badly injured.

COUNCIL APATHETIC REGARDING CONTAGIOUS DISEASE HOSPITAL.

At the meeting of the City Council on Wednesday afternoon the special contageous disease hospital committee made a report along the lines of the agreement reached earlier in the day with the representatives of the various general hospitals in the city.

In the report it was recommended that the committee "be authorized to offer the authorities of the English hospitals, and the Notre Dame Hospital, a sum of $15,000 per annum, for the care and nursing of a number of patients not exceeding 20 per diem, throughout the year, as well as a sum of $11 per diem, for patients over that number, who may be treated in them; and an arrangement be made for a term of 25 years, the hospitals to provide a suitable ambulance service and the city to disinfect the houses where contagion may have existed."

A motion to place the report in the orders of the day for the next meeting was lost.

Ald. Ames urged that it was expedient to reach a decision before the expiration of the year, so that the money could be voted if necessary, but Ald. Laporte thought this unnecessary for the reason that the hospitals as proposed would not be ready before late in the autumn of next year. It would be time enough then to provide the money.

The report was laid on the table.

The appropriations for 1903 were laid before the aldermen, but will not be adopted until the meeting of the Council on Monday. The division of the funds available is so far as follows:

Finance	$1,831,200.00
Roads	766,563.00
Police	334,936.00
Fire and Light	390,663.00
Water	149,370.00
Market	28,147.00
Incineration	82,139.00
Health	48,594.00
Parks	43,475.00
Total	$3,675,587.00
Reserve fund	193,609.74
Grand total	$3,972,196.74

The amount of $1,831,200, under the head of Finance Committee, includes the amount of $1,100,000 of interest and sinking fund; $355,000 for school taxes, and $312,350 for salaries, and general requirements.

FOR STEALING IRON.

E. Renaud, Julia Little and F. St. Germain, accused of the theft of iron from a wharf, were this morning committed for trial by Judge Choquet.

VENEZUELAN ARBITRATION TO THE HAGUE

Washington, December 26.—The notes received from the European Governments interested in the Venezuelan controversy, including Venezuela, agree to submit the questio nat issue to the tribunal at The Hague.

A note is being prepared by Secretary Hay in which theh United States Government announces its hearty approval of such a course. There appears to be no question of the fact that it is the general understanding the Monroe doctrine is not to enter into the question of arbitration.

GERMANY IS WILLING TO REFER TO THE HAGUE

Berlin, December 26.—A semi-official note published to-day says:—

"As in the case of Italian note, the British and German notes, on Venezuela, presented December 23, declare that if President Roosevelt does not accept the post of arbitrator the powers would be prepared, subject to certain reservations, to submit the matter to The Hague tribunal."

The Lokal Anzeiger, of Berlin, published yesterday the following statement, evidently inspired by the Foreign Office:—

"The German Government has excluded from the scope of arbitration of the Venezuelan difficulty a claim of 1,700,000 bolivars (about $330,000), which must be paid immediately in cash before arbitration is begun."

THE VENEZUELAN SITUATION.

The Daily Mail Intimates That a Settlement Will be Reached by

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

London, December 26.—There is no definite change in the Venezuelan situation, but it is now regarded on all sides as certain that a settlement is relatively imminent.

The Daily Mail suggests that it will take the form of a payment by Venezuela of about £16,000 ($30,000), which, it is understood, is demanded initially by the powers, and the reference of all other questions to arbitration in some form or another.

"VETERINARIES, WAKE UP!"

Dr. Loudon Declares That Ontario Vets Are in a State of Lethargy.

Toronto, December 26.—(Special.)—"Wake up," said Dr. Tennant, London, to the members of the Ontario Veterinary Association, in the course of his presidential address. In the twenty-eight years of its existence, he said, the association had done nothing in the interests of the profession, and it was high time for them to shake off their lethargy. He advocated an active and aggressive campaign among the veterinary surgeons of the province that greater advancement might be made in veterinary science. He also believed the Ontario Veterinary College needed shaking up, and urged that the course be extended from two to three sessions, and that assistance be obtained for Professor Andrew Smith, who has charge of the college at present. Both the status and work of the college were sorely in need of improvement.

A $30,000 FIRE TO-DAY AT PETIT CODIAC, N.B.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Petite Codiac, N.B., December 26.—The most serious fire for seventeen years occurred this morning. It broke out in McLean and Ryan's clothing store. The building was occupied on the second floor by John Murray as a dwelling. The flames spread to J. J. McFee's large two storey store and dwelling then to Bleakney Bros.' general store. All these and two large warehouses belonging to W. Church were burned. Practically all the stock in the burned stores was lost, and the occupants of the dwellings lost all their household effects.

The total loss is about $30,000.

ADDRESS TO A FRANCISCAN.

At St. Michael's Church yesterday Ald. D. Gallery, M.P., on behalf of the A. O. H., presented an address to Rev. Father Dominick, of the Franciscan Fathers. The reverend father leaves on Sunday for the old country, and the address was a token of the high esteem in which he is held by the order.

GEN. MILES AT PEKIN.

Pekin, Dec. 26.—Lieut.-General Miles arrived here to-day on a short visit. He will be received in audience by the Imperial family and will review the Chinese troops to-morrow.

"BOXING DAY" IN LONDON.

London, Dec. 26.—"Boxing Day" is being observed in the customary manner throughout the United Kingdom. The city itself is as deserted as on Sundays, all the business houses being closed. In spite of the raw, threatening weather, the open spaces around the metropolis were well patronized. Many of the suburban and provincial theatres began the performances of their Christmas pantomimes this afternoon.

COLD, WITH SNOW.

Probabilities: Strong northeasterly winds; cold, with snow to-day and Saturday.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 46—52; Calgary, 4 below—26; Prince Albert, 20 below—4; Qu'Appelle, 30 below—6; Winnipeg, 30 below—18 below; Port Arthur, 14 below—8 below; Parry Sound, 22—28; Toronto, 14—22; Ottawa, 8—28; Montreal, 6—20; Quebec, 6—18; Halifax, 20—34.

MAYOR LIGHTHALL TO LEAVE COUNCIL

It is my duty to announce that I have decided not to be a candidate again for municipal honors, as I had previously stated that at first," said Mayor Lighthall to a Witness of The Herald yesterday, in reference to a letter of his action.

He referred to the first meeting of the Council in February and with his usual Westmount boss a man who has done much for the public interest. Mayor Lighthall has been six years in the Council, three of them as the Mayor's choice. He has been chairman of Health and Police, and has been actively identified with some important municipal achievements, such as the permanent sidewalk system, the continuation of the street railway up to the level of Westmount avenue, the system of building restriction lines, the new charter for the town, the organization of the Defence of the Montreal Warmington sales concerning rights to streets, the extension of the park system, of the boulevard system, and of Westmount avenue; and he was particularly active in the establishment of the library.

"Though I will be out of the field as a municipal representative," said Mr. Lighthall, "I will always be ready and eager to further Westmount's interests in any way in my power."

Mayor Lighthall would say little of the pressure that has been brought to bear to induce him to again take the field for the mayoralty, but it is common report that two of the talked-of candidates for the honor would retire in his favor were he to announce himself as out for election. His election to the Mayor's chair have been by acclamation.

Mr. Lighthall has not confined himself entirely to the municipal affairs of his own town, but has taken a broad interest in those of every Canadian municipality. He is honorary secretary of the Union of Canadian Municipalities and a past vice-president. So great is his activity in this respect that he was chosen as the union's representative to the convention this year of the League of American Municipalities, and read a paper at the proceedings, which was widely commented upon.

He is a worker of the hardest kind, for aside from his public duties and the work of a large legal practice, he is the author of several books that have been well received. A very thorough and conscientious man, Mayor Lighthall will be sadly missed from municipal life, where his public spiritedness was of infinite value.

DIED ON CHRISTMAS.

Body of a Junk Man Found in a Back Yard.

The body of a man was found on a balcony in the rear of 28 Ottawa Street this morning about 7 o'clock. At first it was thought he was asleep, and efforts were made to rouse him, but without avail. The police of No. 7 station were notified and the body was taken there and afterwards to the morgue. The man was identified as Alexander Anderson, a junk dealer, of 104 Congregation Street, Point St. Charles. At the morgue an autopsy will be made and an inquest will be held. The deceased was well known, and bore the reputation of being a sober, industrious man.

"On Guard."

THIS is the title of The Herald's new and intensely interesting serial story, which will be begun in The Herald's columns on Saturday, December 27.

It is from the pen of Helen F. Hetherington, the well-known author of "Hunted Down," "I Love Thee True," "Paul Nugent, Materialist," "No Compromise!" "Led On," etc.

"On Guard" is a narrative of English life, full of incidents of adventure, and embracing a pretty love story. It will repay perusal.

Begins in Herald Saturday, December 27.

Through The Herald's Sieve.

HOWEVER, CASTRO may have a better time next Christmas.

THERE IS still time for the Hon. Rud. Kipling to repent having written it.

OF COURSE he is a handy clown,
Loose-jointed and all that,
But how does Santa Claus come down
A chimneyless steam flat?

AFTER YESTERDAY'S plum pudding, in-

dustry can be excused if it feels a little bit like getting down to-day.

THE DIPLOMATIC TRUST IN VENEZUELA.

The Minister of Britain
He spake to Bowen thus:
I'm leaving in a hurry,
I wish to have no fuss.
So kindly run my office
While I keep out of sight—
Now, do I say aw, really'—
And Bowen sa I "All right!"

Then came the noble German
And called on Bowen too;
He said "I haf a somdings
To speak about mit you!
I leave once mit excitements,
Dere yet vill be von fight,
Just tend the counter for me"—
And Bowen said "All right!"

The gentleman from Holland
He also spoke as such,
He's having his vacation
While Bowen runs the Dutch;
And lo! the proud Italian
Has now remark d "To flight!"
"You sell a de bananas!"
And Bowen says "All right!"

Happy New Year!

"I've sworn off wearing open-work hosiery," stated the fair damsel.

"Mercy!" cried her friend. "What a sacrifice!"

"I know it is, but I hung a pair of them on the Christmas tree and all my presents slipped through the holes.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Toronto girl who found a ton of coal in her boot.

PEACE REIGNS ON EARTH, except about Venezuela and thereabout. This exception can hardly be said to count. There is more printer's ink than blood being spilt over this disturbance.

SULLIVAN AND CORBETT are to act as waiters at the Salvation Army Christmas dinner in Toledo. Next thing we know, the War Cry will be running a sport page.

THE JANUARY BARGAIN situation is next on the programme.

IF EMP. WILLIAM and the Hon. Rud. Kipling ever met in a dark alleyway there would be a first class reproduction of two trolley cars coming together.

A MAN ENTERED a doctor's office in Philadelphia, bit the occupant's ear and hastened away. This idea of not being able to get along without a meat diet is becoming a nuisance.

A SEWING MACHINE may not be hereditary, but it runs in the family.

NOW TO EARN THE MONEY to pay the bills.

AND NOW IF the price of turkeys wants to go up let it go.

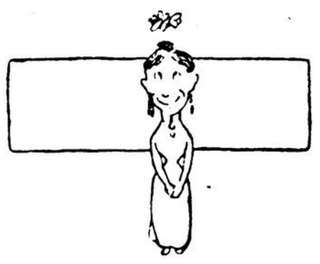
BUT THE FACT that Christmas is over doesn't help the coal situation any.

THE RICH MAN thinks that he is doing good work if he can give the poor man indigestion on Christmas Day.

Useless Mistletoe.

We read in song and story of the maiden coy and fair,
Who takes a sprig of mistletoe and sticks it in her hair,
And then eludes the fellow who would claim the precious kiss,
And giggles as he follows. She may be a pretty miss,
But I care not for such pleasure as embracing her may be—
The girl who doesn't need the mistletoe's the one for me.

Let others fasten mistletoe upon the chandeliers
And, screeching, seek the corners every time a man appears,
Let them run and let them giggle, let them dodge and dare and tease,
All their wiles may be alluring, they may



have the grace to please,
But I care not for such pleasures as to flirt with them may be—
The girl who doesn't need the mistletoe's the one for me.

VENEZUELA seems to be quite able to owe the money.

Give Him Time.

Poor little Venezuela's woes
Ar bound to end some day,
But wh will be the man to clear
The fr the all away?
"Oh, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Dooley,
He's the greatest man the country ever knew——"

IT SEEMS to be quite a long time between predictions with Prof. Perrin.

IN THE CASE of the Venezuelan revolution it is difficult to tell where the last one leaves off and the new one begins.

THERE ARE two classes on Christmas like other days—those who have too much to eat and those who don't have enough.

IF MASCAGNI ever writes a book on his opinion of America we'll buy a copy.

IF A PRETTY GIRL isn't conscious of it she's all the prettier.

MASCAGNI CAN compose almost anything except his nerves.

THE AVERAGE MAN suffers more from an overloaded stomach than from the pangs of conscience.

THIS IS THE DAY the man reads the indigestion tablet ads.

It may not be the richest gift
That comes with greatest love,
But still it is the price-mark that
The world keeps thinking of.

The Ogilvy Store

Xmas Over

We must now think of making our friends Happy with a New Year's Gift.

Calendars and Cards

Our stock of Calendars and Cards is large, notwithstanding the great demand for the same.

50 per cent. off marked prices.

REAL LACE GOODS AS NEW YEAR GIFTS

In Real Lace Novelties, we have a full range, in all the very newest pattterns and styles.

REAL LACE HANDKERCHIEFS,
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CHINA SILK NOVLETIES

Our China Silk Novelties, in the Ladies' Whitewear Department, are all of the very latest styles and colorings.

CHINA SILK DRESSING SACQUES,
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Reductions in Toys

Sleighs, Go-Carts, Dolls, Books and Games 25 per cent. off marked prices

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MIDNIGHT MASS IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

There Was Splendid Music in all the Big Places of Worship.

The dawn of the Christmas Day was heralded by midnight mass in all the Roman Catholic Churches of the Archdiocese of Montreal. The ceremonies were the customary ones, with the same ritual as celebrated on each Sabbath, and the services in every church being opened and closed with carols. Old English carols were sung in the English-speaking parishes, while in the French they sung old folk songs, and in every church Adam's glorious "Awake, Christians, 'Tis Midnight," was given.

Yesterday morning at St. James Cathedral the Roman Catholic ceremonial was given with all its impressive splendor. The usual observance of the festival was changed slightly owing to the absence of His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi, but little of the usual significance was missing from the midnight mass in all the leading churches. The cathedral, with its decorations of white and gold, looked strikingly beautiful in its harmonious simplicity. Vicar-General Racicot acted as celebrant, assisted by the priests, the deacons and archdeacons of office, with the priests in their cercmonial robes of white and gold.

Upon the main altar were white flowers that contrasted strangely with the bronze candles and candelabra in white garnish and frills in relief of black. Behind the sanctuary and the enclosure within the white marble railing that stands as a memorial to a beloved priest. A vast congregation completely filled the body of the church and the choir, which is reputed as one of the finest in Montreal, rendered the music with rare sympathy and spirit. The piece was an arrangement of Handel's Messiah and was given with great [illegible] The [illegible] was given to the kneeling worshippers.

LARGE CONGREGATION AT NOTRE DAME.

A large congregation attended the service at Notre Dame Church, where Adam's magnificent cantata, "Noel," was sung by Mr. A. Lamontagne. Following it was Haydn's First Mass, in which Choirmaster D. Mullen gave exquisite training to the choristers, and the boys' [illegible] as well. After the elevation [illegible] of part songs was given by Messrs. Martin, Pelletier, Dansereau and Langlois.

At the Basilica Professor played the well-known [illegible] for the violin, and was followed by [illegible] with Latin [illegible] by the [illegible] During the [illegible] and very pretty [illegible] of a male chorus was rendered [illegible] to be given [illegible] Arthur [illegible] Mr. Arthur [illegible] was [illegible] St. Mary's [illegible] Mr. Arthur [illegible] was [illegible] Mr. Arthur [illegible] was [illegible] Mr. Arthur [illegible] was

$1,000,000 FOR THEIR STOCKING

An Unknown Capitalist Completes the $20,000,000 of the Methodist Century Fund.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

New York, December 26.—Success has crowned the efforts of the Methodists of America to raise a twentieth century thank-offering fund of $20,000,000. About $19,000,000 has already been raised, and a promise has been obtained from a millionaire to add the required amount to complete the full sum. The name of the donor is a secret, and will remain so until New Year's Eve, when, at a "watch meeting," to be held at the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, in Springfield, Mass., formal announcement of the gift will be made.

In the meantime speculation is rife as to the man who is willing and able to give so large a sum. Many names have been mentioned, and there is widespread inclination to believe that the $1,000,000 will come from either John D. Rockefeller or Andrew Carnegie, notwithstanding that they subscribe to different creeds. Another guess was hazarded yesterday that a Vanderbilt had opened his purse-strings.

ST. HYACINTHE POST OPFICE TO BE ENLARGED

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

St. Hyacinthe, Dec. 26.—The private residence and land adjoining the post office, and owned by Mr. Jules Laframbroise, manager of the Eastern Townships Bank here, has been purchased by the Dominion Government for the purpose of building an extension to the post office. Representations were made some time ago to our representative, Hon. Mr. Bernier, that the present accommodation at the post office was inadequate for present requirements, in view of the additional divisional branches of inland revenue and weights and measures, together with the laboratory for analytical purposes, which have since been added. The laboratory, which is second to none in the Province, occupies the whole of the ground floor and this has naturally very much curtailed the acccommodation.

It is also stated that a very suitable site has at last been decided upon for the erection of a drill shed, for which an appropriation was voted at the last session.

The site selected meets with favor among our local militia men. The Provincial Government is also contemplating the building of a commodious structure on the latest modern principles for the St. Hyacinthe dairy school.

ALD. AMES DESIRES DELAY UNTIL FEBRUARY.

Some of the aldermen are determined that a vote shall be taken on the letter of resignation as chairman of the Police Committee addressed to the City Council by Ald. Lebeuf.

Ald. Ames is one of those, however, who does not think such a course necessary.

He believes that it would be preferable to take no action until the first meeting of the City Council in February, when, in the ordinary course of events, a readjustment of the existing committees would become essential.

To appoint a new chairman of the Police Committee at the present time, Ald. Ames pointed out to a Herald reporter this morning, would shake up all the other committees, and occasion needless confusion. Whereas, if a delay is had until February, the transfer in chairmen could be effected readily along with the various other changes which may have been contemplated.

SMALL HOLIDAY LIST.

Contrary to the general expectations, the number of cases of drunkenness brought to the court to-day was remarkably light for so festive a time. Police officers were allowed to use their judgment in allowing the milder cases to go after sobering up. Only the more aggravated cases were held, and of these there were eleven brought before the Recorder. Mr. Recorder Weir exercised his judicial clemency, as far as he could, with those before him. The docket also held a couple of cases of assault, four violations of by-laws, and a charge of cruelty to animals. They were disposed of quickly.

CITY WILL PURCHASE THIRTY MORE CARS OF SOFT COAL.

The city's essay in the direction of procuring coal for the people at a reasonable rate has proven entirely satisfactory.

The coal costs the city $3 a ton f.o.b. at the mines in Nova Scotia, and a similar amount is required to pay the cost of transportation, cartage, etc.

The people consequently get the coal at cost price—$6 a ton.

This figure may be slightly reduced if the coal is carted direct from the cars to the householders, thus saving the cost of a double handling.

The civic authorities were consequently anxious that those desiring coal should register their orders as early as possible.

Mayor Cochrane announced this morning that all expectations in this regard had been more than realized, orders for the entire fifteen cars first purchased having been issued.

His Worship has consequently decided to order thirty more cars, which will be in the city in a week at the outside.

Citizens in search of coal may get some by applying to the Mayor between 11 and 1 o'clock any day.

DEVELOPING TRADE.

The Eckardt Casket Co. and the Eckardt Silver Plate Co., of Toronto, Ont., have recently introduced their goods into the Dutch West Indies, Messrs. J. & D. Jesurun, of Curacao, being their representatives. Mr. J. Jesurun, of this firm, is the British consul at Curacao. It is their intention also to introduce these goods into Venezuela as soon as hostilities cease. Messrs. J. & D. Jesurun have a full line of samples of all goods pertaining to this business

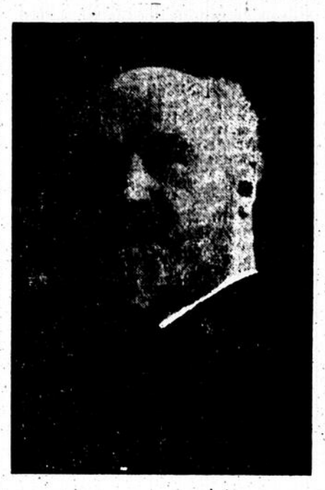
GOOD ADVERTISING.

Attention is drawn to Bovril advertisenmet in another column as an example of good advertising. The firm has a well established reputation for original, up-to-date advertising

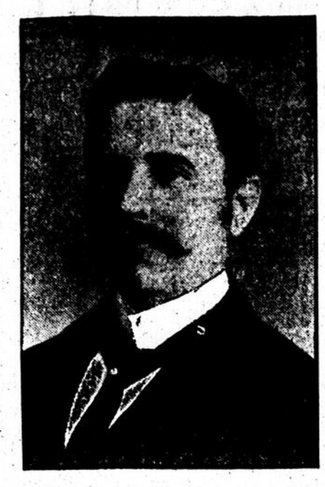
WANTED HIS FAMILY.

Pasquale Matteo, an Italian, is under arrest on the charge of the theft of $290 from Francisco Sousa, was arrested at 42 Latour Stree tyesterday by Detectives Cowan and Sarson. The money was obtained in a deal to bring Sousa's family here from Italy, and Matteo is accused of stealing it and using it for his own purposes. When trying to escape arrest he jumped from an upper window to the ground, a distance of thirty feet, and was uninjured.

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT



MR. G. F. C. SMITH.



MR. J. GARDNER THOMPSON.

MR. G. F. C. SMITH.

Mr. J. Gardner Thompson has been appointed joint resident manager in association with Mr. G. F. C. Smith, for the Canadian branch of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company. It has been already made known that it was intended to make such an appointment in anticipation of Mr. Smith's retirement as manager, the date of which has now been fixed at the 31st December, 1903. Mr. Smith has long been regarded as one of the leaders of Canadian fire underwriting, having served his company for over half a century. He has enjoyed a most active career, not only in his immediate business, but also as a prominent and highly respected citizen. He was the first president of the Fire Underwriters' Association, which office he filled for several consecutive years, and has just retired from the presidency of the Montreal Insurance Institute. His large circle of friends will join with us in wishing him the full enjoyment of a long life and continued usefulness.

MR. J. GARDNER THOMPSON.

Mr. Thompson is well known throughout the Dominion as the former Canadian manager of the Lancashire Insurance Company, with headquarters at Toronto, until its amalgamation last year. Subsequently he was placed in charge of the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company for this city and Province. The appointment of Mr. Thompson is the result of the recent visit of Mr. Alsop, of Liverpool, submanager of the company, who came out to select an associate and successor to Mr. Smith. Mr. Thompson's wide experience of Canadian fire insurance, and his knowledge of the entire field, amply qualify him for this important position, and both the company and himself are to be congratulated on his selection.

Mr. William Jackson, who has been connected with the company for twenty-five years, has been appointed deputy manager.

THE POSTMAN'S BUSY DAY

Montreal's Christmas mail was between 25 and 30 per cent. higher this year than in any previous year of the city's history.

Since the beginning of the week the post-office staff have been working day and night, and their cheerful readiness at the overtime labor has been a matter of gratification to the postal authorities. Yesterday the delivery to all parts of the city was exceptionally good, and the same may be said of Wednesday. Thirty cabs were put on to help out the carriers, whose work was too heavy for individual performance, and they were delivering late Christmas Eve, and until about eight o'clock last night. The mail delivery was heaviest west of Bleury Street, for it is at New Year's that the French mail traffic is largest.

A postal official stated to-day that the letter delivery was as large at New Year's as at Christmas, but the parcel traffic at this season was of course greatly in excess of any other.

There were the usual number of improperly and inadequately addressed letters, and those with insufficient postage. The number of letters received that were stamped in the left-hand corner was surprising, and caused great trouble to the post-office staff, as they will not run through the stamper with speed or precision.

Westmount had a large portion of the Christmas mail, but even the farthest corners of the city were reached in good time by the carriers.

C.P.R.'S BIG INCREASE.

Mr. Tait Says It Was 50 Per Cent. Greater Than in 1901.

Toronto, December 26.—(Special.)—Mr. Thomas Tait, manager of transportation of the C.P.R., who is in the city to-day, reports that the coast traffic of the railway during the year just closing is 50 per cent. greater than previously. He says the company is contemplating extensive extensions to the system in Manitoba and the Northwest next year.

SINGLE TAXERS PROTEST.

Toronto Association Are Against the Grand Trunk Pacific Receiving Government Aid.

Toronto, December 26.—(Special.)—The Single Tax Association of Toronto has sent a letter to the members of the Government protesting against the granting of any further aid to private corporations, mentioning in this case the Grand Trunk Pacific, which the association asks should be constructed as a national work.

COMMENDS GOVERNMENT'S ACT.

Japanese Consul Gratified That Anti-Japanese Immigration Act Was Disallowed.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Ottawa, December 26.—Japanese Consul-General Nosse has sent a letter to Hon. Sidney Fisher, enclosing a telegram from Baron Komura, expressing gratification with the Dominion Government for disallowing the anti-Japanese Immigration Act. He says that this and the exhibition at Osaka will tend to draw the countries closer together.

A MILLER NOW.

Mr. William Campbell Has Joined the Ogilvie Milling Company.

Mr. William Campbell, who has been for twelve years private secretary to Mr. Charles R. Hosmer, has been appointed to a very important position under the Ogilvie Milling Company at Winnipeg. Mr. Campbell is a very young man, being only 32 years of age, and affords a brilliant example of what energy and resolution may accomplish. Mr. Campbell's services are under contract for five years.

TWO MORE CROSSINGS.

The Montreal Terminal Railway Company has forwarded to the City Council a demand to be permitted to cross the tracks of the Montreal Street Railway Company at two points—at the corner of Rachel and St. Andre Streets and the corner of Duluth and St. Denis.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN AN OTTAWA HOTEL.

Ottawa, December 26.—(Special.)—A middle-aged woman, Bridget O'Neil, was found dead in a room in the Tower Hotel, Duke Street, to-day. Her face was badly cut. She had been drinking. Her son has demanded an inquest.

HON. MR. TARTE ENTERTAINS.

On Wednesday, at the Montreal Club, a lunch was given by Hon. Mr. Tarte to the following gentlemen:—Mr. R. L. Borden, M.P., chief of the Conservative party; Mr. A. R. Angers, Speaker L. P. Brodeur, Mr. T. C. Casgrain, M.P., Senator J. P. B. Casgrain, Mr. Donald Macmaster and Mr. Henry Miles.

COUNT TOLSTOI'S APPEAL.

St. Petersburg, December 26.—Count Tolstoi has sent a personal appeal to the press asking the papers, in view of his advanced age and illnesses, not to publish any further reports of his condition, as they cause him pain.

A GAY FARMER.

On Wednesday evening Captain Taylor, of the Salvage corps, arrested Robt. Hesson, a Longue Pointe farmer, on the charge of assault and attempting to rob a man named Delorme. To-day Judge Lafontaine remanded him fo renquete.

Layton Bros., sole agents for the celebrated Behr Bros.', Evans Bros.', Berlin and Layton Bros.' Pianos, Thomas and Berlin Organs, Angelus Piano Player, etc., etc. Warerooms, 144 Peel Street. N.B.—Open evenings until the end of the month.

NEW ENGINEER FOR BRIDGES CHOSEN

The important change in the department of the engineer-in-chief of the Canadian Pacific which has been on the tapis for some weeks was officially announced to-day, and will become effective on New Year's Day.

Mr. H. E. Vantelet, who was acting chief engineer for a few months in succession to Mr. Peterson, and was subsequently appointed engineer for bridges, has resigned, and will leave the company's service.

Mr. Vantelet, who was extremely assiduous and as a bridge engineer entirely competent, was required to take a relatively subordinate position when Mr. E. H. McHenry became the head of the engineering department, and he has decided to relinquish the company's service, hoping to find in general practice on his own account a varied sphere of usefulness. Mr. Vantelet, it will be remembered, was the engineer called in by the Hon. Mr. Tarte to report in conjunction with those of his own department upon the tender submitted by Mr. Jameson for the new elevator at Montreal harbor.

Mr. Vantelet's successor is Mr. C. N. Monsarrat, a member of the staff of the engineer for bridges, who has been in the service of the company for a considerable time. It is a position involving considerable responsibility, for upon this official depends the type, magnitude and characteristics of the bridges that are constantly being built in some part or other of the system to replace the old structures.

The new appointment has been approved by Mr. McNicoll, the second vice-president and general manager.

HOW PARCELS WENT AROUND THE CITY

The Christmas season of 1902 was the largest in the history of the local express agencies.

On Wednesday and yesterday the streets seemed to hold about three express sleighs to one of every other kind of vehicle. All the express companies had extra sleighs to handle the traffic, the Dominion Company putting on thirty additional ones. They were delivering parcels far into the stilly Christmas morn and late last night. Many Westmount citizens were awakened about 2 a.m. Christmas morning by a loud summons at the door, and peering out the window saw a whiskered face that wanted them to open up.

"Who are you?" the Westmounter would bawl.

"Santa Claus," roared the tired expressman.

"Go to—to the office," would be the sleepy answer; and thus in some cases the parcels had to be brought back for delivery next day.

Mr. V. G. R. Vickers, of the Dominion Express Company, stated to-day that they had been rushed as never before. Ever since the Christmas season began, they have been shipping two special cars of packages for the Northwest, and Christmas goods have gone even to China and Japan. Quebec has been taking a car load a day, and the Toronto traffic and that of other western points has been enormous.

"Our warehouse on Osborne Street was crammed from floor to roof, so that the men had just room to move," said Mr. Vickers, "and we have all been working far over time."

The value of the goods sent through express may be imagined from the fact that one sleigh load consigned to a Montreal jewellery firm was alone worth $10,000. Two men are always sent with a delivery of this sort.

All the express companies reported the same condition of things as the Dominion, the Canadian Express Company stating that the season had been a record-breaker. They started Monday, and have been rushing parcels, large and small, to every portion of the city since then.

The traffic has partially quieted for a day or two, but will be of great volume again at New Year's, when the French portions of the province receive tremendous quantities. The heavier traffic was safely gotten rid of earlier in the week—articles such as sleighs, pianos, etc.—and for two days the express companies have been handling small parcels.

"It was a great season," said Mr. Vickers, "and gave us all we could do."

OUR POULTRY EXPORT SHOWS A BIG INCREASE

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Canada's exports of poultry to Great Britain amounted to $238,047 for the season of 1902, as against $18,992 in 1896. This shows a gain during the six years of $210,055. The Department of Agriculture is shipping two breeding pens of pure bred barred Plymouth rock chickens from the illustration station, Quebec, to the Secretary of Agriculture, Georgetown, British Guiana. The steamer having the birds on board sails from Halifax December 29, and will reach its destination about January 15th.

Mr. A. W. Grindley, agent for the Department of Agriculture at Liverpool, reports that several Canadian shippers of fruit have been omitting the word "Canada" from their packages. He states that this oversight is likely to operate against the shippers' own interests, seeing that the British dealers look askance at products which are not designated with the country of origin, and, furthermore, Canadian friut is in great demand.

VERY COLD IN NORTHWEST.

Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska in the Firm Grip of Jack Frost.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 26.—With the mercury at 19 below during the night; the twin cities are experiencing the coldest weather of the presen winter. Similar reports are received from all over the Northwest, but slightly warmer weather is promised.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 26.—There has been much suffering here owing to the scarcity of fuel. The temperature today is 7 below, the lowest of the season.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26.—To-day was the coldest of the season, the mercury indicating 8 below zero.

Silver Cliff, Col., Dec. 26.—Jos. Harlton, an old prospector, missing for the past three weeks, has been found dead within 300 yards of his cabin near Use.

Steamship Lake Erie, Beaver line, from Liverpool to Halifax, sailed Wednesday.

Steamship Nicomedia, Hamburg-American line, Hamburg for Portland, sailed Wednesday.

SYRACUSE, N.Y.—The Rev. Wm. H. Annable, 65 years old, pastor of the Irwin Memorial M. E. Church of this city, is dead.

IF TORMENTED BY CORNS.

Use Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor; it acts in one night and never causes discomfort. For years "Putnam's" has been the standard Corn cure of Great Britain and America, it is the best—try it.

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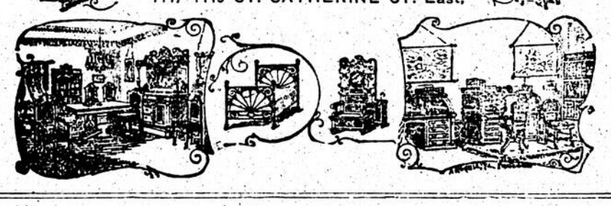

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PESHAWER, PUNJAB. — Hadda Mullah, who caused so many outbreaks on the northwest frontier of India, died Dec. 22.

A CAPITAL CURE FOR SORE THROAT.

Is to use as a gargle a few drops of Polson's Nerviline in sweetened water, and before retiring rub the throat and chest vigorously with Nerviline. By morning the soreness and inflammation will have disappeared entirely. Nerviline drives away the pain and cures sore throat and hoarseness quickly, simply because that's what it's made for. Buy a 25c bottle from your druggist to-day.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—Associate Justice Jackson Temple, of the Supreme Court of California, is dead in this city. He was born in Massachusetts August 11, 1827.

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FIRST FAMILIES.

Toronto has an advantage over Montreal in that the excitement of the Mayoralty contest comes annually, instead of every two years. The contest is now on. In Montreal, moreover, we rarely let the people have much to say about electing a mayor. We prefer leaving it to half a dozen or more influential citizens to fix the thing up to their common satisfaction—or as near as may be. Only at long intervals does a long-headed politician step in to upset the calculations—which are not always disinterested—and call in the people. We happen to be in that state just now, thanks to Mayor Cochrane's brilliancy as a strategist, and we should make the most of the occasion, as such another may not come again for quite a time. In Toronto the people like to have their say at all times. Their appetite grows on what it feeds upon.

There are special circumstances, however, even there. Two years ago it was decided, for good and all, that only a Conservative may be mayor. On that occasion there was a candidate, Mr. Spence, who had an unequalled equipment for the office. He knew more about the practice and the theory of municipal government than any other man who could have offered for the position. He was opposed by Mr. Howland, who had no municipal experience, and by Mr. John Shaw, who might, without disrespect, be designated as a back number. Mr. Spence should have been chosen, and it looked as though he might be. Unfortunately for him, he was a Liberal. The others were Conservatives. Then and there it was ordained that personal merit was of no account, and that before all things else a Mayor of Toronto must be a Conservative. Mr. Shaw was withdrawn, Mr. Howland elected. Later, it appears that he was elected because the party managers felt under obligation to make some restitution for treatment previously accorded him. The next year, Mr. W. F. Maclean who could qualify as a Conservative, took the field against him. The official nominee, however, was again successful. This year Mr. Howland, who is a blue-blooded aristocrat, as aristocrats go in Toronto, is to have a foeman more worthy of his steel in a descendant of Sir John Beverly Robinson, the great Tory leader of rebellion days, and son of a sometime Governor of Ontario of the same name. He is a Conservative, of course. The contest would be interesting indeed if it were to be fought out on these lines, but, unhappily, there is a third candidate also a staunch Conservative, who thinks he has some claim on the office [illegible] ridiculous reason that he has [illegible] city all his time to municipal [illegible] for ever so many years. See how it turns out.

[illegible] to this season of [illegible] will to suggest to the majority in Toronto that [illegible] the example of the [illegible] majority in Montreal, the Liberals, once every three [illegible] to elect a mayor? Or is [illegible] practical patriotism of this sort to be [illegible] conceded as a monopoly to our French-speaking fellow-countrymen?

SLOW PROGRESS.

The negotiations for arbitration in the Venezuelan affair go forward very slowly. President Roosevelt has evidently been put in an embarrassing position. He probably feels that after the official statement made in the British House of Commons in support of his interpretation of the Monroe doctrine, there would be little or no danger to be apprehended from the British quarter if he were to undertake the work. On the other hand, Mr. Roosevelt's keen eye for the realities would probably deter him from a course the result of which might be to make the United States act with Germany at a later stage. Whatever Mr. Roosevelt's personal opinion may be, he must know that his countrymen generally are exceedingly distrustful of Germany's South American intentions, and that they would be displeased if by any act of his the hands of the American executive were to be tied. This probably explains the despatch of this morning which intimates that he has obtained President Castro's consent to submit the questions in dispute to The Hague tribunal. And it would not be surprising if it should appear after awhile that the proposed interpellation of the French Government by Baron d'Estournelles on the subject is the result of pressure brought to bear by American diplomacy upon the Government of France. It is certainly somewhat disquieting, after the profuse protestations of Germany that it desires no more than a fair arbitration, to be told now, with all the appearance of official inspiration, that unquestioned concession of the principal item of the claim, and the payment of the amount in cash, will be insisted upon by Germany as a necessary preliminary to any arbitration. If that be true, it begs the whole case. The claim, to begin with, arises out of the manipulation of a railway charter and the consequent construction of the road, and even outside South America there is some reason for saying that these transactions ought not always to be settled upon the precise terms laid down by the parties asking payment. In North America, even in Canada, railway charters have been manipulated in a way to give the public a good deal the worst of it, and one would say offhand that foreign contractors in South America would be apt to do a little worse, if anything. Here comes in the claim, long ago urged by a great South American authority on international law, that the place to adjust such claims is in the courts of the country where they arise. There would probably be a good deal of popular support for that doctrine in any country. Germany's proposal, if this last report be true, is to have Venezuela waive that right as a preliminary to arbitration. That makes the outlook less hopeful. Moreover, it is somewhat disquieting to be told that the American steamer which recently entered La Guaira discharged her cargo with the support of the commander of an American torpedo boat, who apparently had a free hand from his Government. From the treatment of the liner by the allied fleet, it is clear they thought she was carrying munitions to Venezuela. If that belief was well founded, it is pretty certain that Americans ar or will be interested in running the blockade. In such a condition an accident may happen at any time, the effect of which might be to change the present unquiet feeling in the United States into one of keen excitement.

BIG BUSINESS.

The story told by the heads of the great stores in Montreal is of the kind people are very glad to hear. They are practically unanimous in saying that the business they have done in the Christmas season was far and away greater than that done in any similar season in their history. This can only mean that Montreal is having its full share of the prosperity which all the authorities say the country in general enjoys. It looked for a time as if the stock market declines ought to be taken as a sign that the tide was rapidly receding, and that the common signs of prosperity which, everybody has noted ought to be discounted considerably. The stores are to be congratulated upon having found their calculations justified, and the city is to be congratulated upon this excellent addition to the evidence that prosperity is general and likely to continue.

The Brantford Expositor, always one of the most enterprising of Ontario dailies, has just issued a particularly admirable industrial number. The edition is copiously illustrated and printed on good quality of paper, crowded with statistics regarding the various industries of Brantford, and with interesting sketches of prominent citizens.

MILLIONAIRE BABY'S MOTHER IS DYING

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Butte, Mont., December 26.—Mrs. William A. Clark, jr., the mother of the million dollar grandson of Senator Clark, is said to be dying at her home. Septic poisoning set in after the birth of her infant, and she has been growing steadily worse for days.

Six physicians are in attendance on her, and another is coming from Denver on a special train. She is being kept alive by oxygen, but is unconscious and in a state of almost utter collapse.

Young Mrs. Clark was Miss Mabel Foster when she was married to Senator Clark's youngest son, on June 19, 1891. Soon after the marriage the Senator announced to his sons and daughters that he would give $1,000,000 to the one who was the first to present him with a grandson. Recently his youngest daughter, Mrs. Morris, of New York, gave birth to a daughter.

A son was born to Mrs. Clark on the first of this month, and when the news was sent to the Senator, who was in Paris, he returned word he would keep his promise and give the fortune to the young grandson.

HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON'S TOUR.

Minister of Interior Will Visit the Canadian Immigration Agencies in the United States.

Ottawa, December 26.—(Special.)—It is understood that Hon. Clifford Sifton will leave Ottawa on January 3rd on a tour of inspection of the Canadian immigration agencies in the United States. He will be in Detroit on January 4th and 5th; in Chicago on 6th and 7th; in Kansas City, 8th, Omaha, 9th, and St. Paul, on 10th and 11th. From St. Paul the Minister of the Interior goes to Winnipeg.

W. F. King, the Dominion astronomer, has returned from Washington. He says that the 15-inch equatorial telescope for the new astronomical building, which is being made in Cleveland, will be ready in a few days.

POPE MAY DISSOLVE THE ROYAL MARRIAGE.

Brussels, December 26.—It is stated here that if the Pope sanctions the dissolution of the marriage between the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Saxony, M. Giron, the French tutor, will marry the princess. The couple are expected to arrive here shortly to reside permanently.

POPE MAKES ENQUIRIES.

London, December 26.—The Rome correspondents of the Daily Mail telegraphs that as an outcome of negotiations with the Saxon Court the Pope has sent a prelate to Geneva to enquire into the circumstances of the flight of the Crown Princess of Saxony, with a view to arranging a reconciliation.

DID PRINCESS CONFESS.

Dresden, Saxony, December 26.—It is reported here that the Crown Princess of Saxony left for her husband a written confession of her relations with M. Giron, together with a declaration of her unalterabel intention of never returning to the Saxon court.

The court is at present concerned with considerations as to the best course to pursue in the matter.

HELD-UP ON ST. JOHN STREET.

Nephew of the Chief of Police is Relieved of Articles of Value and Considerably Injured.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

St. John, N.B., Dec. 26.—Ralph Clarke, a traveller for the Hartt Shoe Company, Fredericton, who is stationed in Toronto, and is now home for Christmas, was held up on Prince Street, Carleton, three doors below his own home, on Tuesday night. He was knocked down and considerably injured. He was relieved of articles of value, including papers and money.

Mr. Clarke's cries for aid startled the desperado, who rapidly took flight. The young man is a nephew of the chief of police.

DEATH OF DR. STACKHOUSE.

Dr. Stephen Stackhouse, dentist, of Point St. Charles, died yesterday in the General Hospital, after a very brief illness. The deceased was a son of Dr. Stackhouse, of Lachute, Que. He was well known here and was popular and well liked among those who knew him.

MONTREAL WORE A CHRISTMAS SMILE

There Was a Good Time and Good Cheer for Young and Old, Rich and Poor of This City Yesterday.

Christmas is over, and people sit back with varied feelings toward its passing. To many it will be a matter of content that the hurry and confusion of the season is over. To the children it will bring regret—for Christmas comes but once a year—and repentance that nature was treated too regardlessly. It was a happy time to those who received good cheer and to those who gave it, for Christmas is the season of charity and goodwill to man, and in many lives it was the one escape of the year from struggle and poverty.

The day was passed very quietly in Montreal. It is distinctly a family day, when the reunion of all the members of a family makes the home circle sacred from friendly intrusion; and the heads of households remained in with the little ones, participating in and enjoying the amusements that always go to make up a child's Christmas. The streets were almost deserted except in the morning, when people flocked to the churches for the services which were held to celebrate the birth of the Saviour. The day was almost perfect Christmas weather—cold with a slight flurry of snow.

It was remarkable how many faces familiar in years gone by were seen upon the streets Christmas Eve—sons and daughters returned to the home for the annual reunion, or men with whom Montreal will always be home on account of years spent here, though no closer ties bind them than those of friendship.

THE EVE OF THE HOLIDAY.

Quite different to the calm and home enjoyment of the Christmas was Christmas Eve, when the streets were thronged with hurrying, good-natured crowds, intent and eager upon the purchase of their gifts. The shops were crowded from morning until late at night, and men of years and sporting instincts might be even seen gingerly handling dolls and toy engines, while women were raiding cigar stores for purchases for long-suffering husbands. Everybody appeared to have forgotten things until the last moment, and it was a cheering thing to see a man meekly following a little woman through the streets and shops, both arms so loaded with parcels that he could only grin sheepishly when he met a party of friends. Girls who ordinarily are described as queenly were hauling sleighs full of presents in a most ordinary manner, and everywhere were those to whom Christmas brings tips and unwonted luxuries.

THE CHILDREN DELIGHTED.

In the homes there was the usual awakening a few hours after midnight by the children, the stealthy creeping down stairs and the final burst of glory when the lights were turned on and the Christmas tree stood forth in its splendor. Bran pies, where each took a dip into the bran and extracted a present of some sort, were used in many houses where the trees could not be secured.

Many private individuals sent relief to the poor and there were some who drove about and distributed the good cheer personally. It was a levelling time, when a common feeling brought all closer together in kindness, and could the Christmas sentiment but prevail throughout all the year, there would be much changed that is now deplored.

It was the great day of the year, and now at its close most of us can look back on a day well spent.

AND THE POOR WERE FED.

In all the charitable institutions of the city the poor were provided with Christmas dinner. About 160 were served in the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge. A large number were inmates of the institution, but the majority were among those who nightly find refuge there from the streets. Among those who attended to the wants of the men were Mr. Charles Alexander, Mr. George Hague and Lieut.-Col. Burland. The inmates of the House of Refuge at Longue Pointe were also treated to an appetizing dinner of turkey and plum pudding.

The day is usually a quiet one with the hotels, for people are resting comfortably in their own homes, and traffic is light. All the local hotels served excellent Christmas dinners yesterday, and those who, through force of circumstances, had to travel, found good cheer in Montreal.

CHEER IN THE HOSPITALS.

Down at the Old Brewery Mission hundreds of the needy and poor were cheered with delicious roast beef, while others had the dinner sent to their humble homes. The hospitals, too, had the aroma of Christmas festivity, and the rules being somewhat relaxed, all whose condition would permit of it were made to enjoy Christmas fare. Further entertainment, however, will be provided for the hospital inmates. The patients and children in the General Hospital will be entertained tonight, while to-morrow afternoon a Christmas tree will be held in the Royal Victoria Hospital. All patients who can will be allowed to participate in the feast. The annual dance given by the nurses will take place on Tuesday evening, and the doctors' dinner will be held January 5th.

The patronesses of the Notre Dame Hospital will provide a Christmas tree and an entertainment for the patients to-morrow afternoon, and a Christmas tree will be held at the Western Hospital on Monday evening.

Many children took advantage to-day of the generosity of Mr. Gauvreau, proprietor of the Theatre National Francais, and attended the special play prepared for them at 10 o'clock this morning. The performance was free, and soon after the doors were opened the theatre was filled. The performance consisted of moving pictures, singing and dancing. On leaving the theatre the children all received a box of candies presented to them by the management.

Yesterday a number of women were cared for at the Working Women's Home, St. Antoine Street, by Ensign Taylor. On New Year's Day the men will be looked after at "Joe Beef's" mission. At the Salvation Army barracks Brigadier Turner made splendid arrangements for all who were in need. This is Children's Day, and about 600 youngsters will be provided with a good tea, and afterwards a magic lantern show will be given. Santa Claus will also be there to distribute useful gifts.

OFF DAY IN SPORTING WORLD.

Christmas Day is always an off day for big sporting events, but that does not mean that people do not have sport. Only it is of a different kind. Instead of gathering together in thousands to watch individuals or teams compete, everyone went out and enjoyed himself in his own way.

Over a dozen skating rinks were open and all were crowded with bright-faced lads and lassies, thoroughly enjoying the exercise in the clear, cold air.

The M.A.A.A. toboggan slide was opened, and there was a rush for the chutes which showed how popular the sport is going to be this winter.

At the curling rinks all was jollity. Everybody played a few ends, and did a lot of hand-shaking. Members of one club visited another, and there was an all-round good time.

But it was the small boy that had the hilarious time. With new sleds and toboggans, they thronged the street slopes and upset many a staid pedestrian who didn't growl as usual, but gasped out, Mer-ry Chr-chis-mas, as he gathered himself together. Even the blue-coated, brass-buttoned gentry hardly cared to interfere. And who blames them?

It was a quiet Christmas, yes, but it was a jolly one.

XMAS AT OTHER PLACES.

KING AND QUEEN SPENT THE DAY AT SANDRINGHAM.

London, Dec. 26.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra spent Christmas Day at Sandringham, this being the first Christmas Their Majesties have spent at their favorite residence since their accession.

The royal family, including the Prince of Wales, Princess Victoria, the Duchess of Fife, and Prince and Princess Charles of Denmark, attended an early service at Sandringham Church, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

The King afterwards personally directed the annual distribution of beef and game to the employes and tenants on the Sandringham estate.

AT ROME.

Rome, Dec. 26.—Among the Christmas felicitations received by the Pope yesterday were greetings from the Emperor Francis Joseph and the Kings of Spain, Portugal, Belgium and Saxony.

The Pope celebrated midnight mass Christmas Eve. He did not suffer from the exertion. Midnight masses were celebrated in thousands of churches throughout Italy. The capital presented the customary gay Christmas scenes. Crowds of people thronged the Corsi and many other favorite thoroughfares. The Americans and English celebrated the day according to their national customs.

AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Plenty of snow gave Washington a genuine Christmas appearance. Interest centred in the happenings at the White House. The President and the members of his family repaired to the library, where presents were exchanged, and the many boxes and packages which had come from out of town were opened. There were a large number of callers, and many gifts in the shape of handsome floral pieces were received. At the homes of the Cabinet officers the day was quietly observed, while among the embassies and legations elaborate preparations had been made for celebrating.

Official dinner parties were given by the British and Russian ambassadors.

AT QUEBEC.

Quebec, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Christmas Day was well and duly observed in Quebec. Large numbers of visitors were in the city, but the cold east wind prevented much outdoor sport. In the morning the church services were all well attended, and the midnight masses attracted immense crowds.

AT OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Christmas in the Capital passed off quietly. Services in the churches were well attended, and the matinees in the two theatres had bumper audiences. The Christmas trade has been unprecedentedly good.

Advent services in the Dominion Methodist Church were marked by the introduction of the gown. This question, which has been under consideration for some time, was finally settled affirmatively, and yesterday morning Rev. Dr. Rose, pastor of the church, appeared for the first time in his present pulpit wearing a teacher's gown, the gift of a number of gentlemen of his congregation.

AT TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Christmas was a real day of rest here, and passed off without any serious mishaps. In the Catholic, Anglican and Methodist churches special services were held and large collections made for the poor.

Before delivering his Christmas sermon at St. James Cathedral, the rector, Rev. Canon Welch, referred to the great loss the Anglican Church and the Christian world in general had suffered by the death of Dr. Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury. In the course of his remarks, Canon Welch said:

"Fortunately, we owe no allegiance to the See of Canterbury. Indeed, anything like the establishment of an Anglican papacy would be a calamity of the direst kind."

MUSIC AND DRAMA

What Charles Coquelin is to French comedy, so is Weedon Grossmith to English comedy, if the critics of London and New York are to be believed. Therefore, the engagement of this famous British comedian in this city will be an event of rare importance in the dramatic world. Mr. Grossmith comes to the Academy next week, presenting the smart farce of his own writing, called "The Night of the Party," exactly as it was produced for over a year at the Avenue Theatre, London, and for one hundred performances at the Princess Theatre, New York. Mr. Grossmith is supported by an all-English company, which includes such players of repute as Hubert Druce, May Palfrey, Wilfred Dreycott, Prince Miller, Annie Hill, Louis Goodrich. Each one of these players is well known in Great Britain, and having played in "The Night of the Party" during its entire career in England, it is not too much to say that the theatre-goers of this city will see the most nearly perfectly balanced organization ever appearing at the Academy. There will be a special matinee New Year's Day.

One of the scenes of the pastoral drama, "The Volunteer Organist," which is to be produced at the Francais next week, is the rescue of a child in a snowstorm by a pair of canines. Manager Harry Martell has imported to this country two genuine St. Bernards from Switzerland. These dogs have done actual service in the Alps, and one of them, Monarch, is the hero of a score of rescues. These dogs were formerly the property of the monks, and it was with reluctance that they were permitted to depart from the monastery. Mardo, the other dog, is not as large as Monarch, but the two are considered the finest specimens of the St. Bernard ever brought to America. A few days ago, Jacob Ruppert, the proprietor of the Ruppert Kennels, when he saw Monarch, offered Mr. Martell $2,500 for him.

The Metropolitan Opera House was again crowded last Saturday to hear the great Bohemian violinist, Kocian. This is the third time in the last few weeks that the New York musical public have thronged to hear this great artist twice before in Carnegie Hall, one of the largest auditoriums in America, was crowded to the doors, and now in the world-renowned Metropolitan Opera House, the success is the same. For the Montreal engagement the subscription list is fast filling, and those who subscribe now at Shaw's will have first choice of seats. The date for the Montreal concert is Friday, January 2nd, at Windsor Hall.

The already well-balanced company at the Theatre des Nouveautes will be strengthened shortly by two new French artists of high standing in the old land, who will reach Montreal on Monday.

Burlesque will have the call at the Theatre Royal next week, when Frank B. Carr's Thoroughbred Company will be seen. The company has many novelties, and includes Miss Theresa La Mar, the marvellous toe dancer, and the "Hungarian Ballet," a pantomime splendor of art, said to be very amusing, and has the entire strength of the company in the cast. Lovers of good burlesque and vaudeville should not overlook the fact that this will be one of the events of the season, and the usual matinees will be given during the engagement.

The Phillips Stock Company has jumped into favor with the people of Montreal, and the house last night gave emphatic proof that bright, clean, brisk comedies, presented by really clever people, are the things desired. Beginning next Monday afternoon, December 29, "The Idler," a comedy by Haddon Chambers, England's greatest author, will be given. The cast is made up of ladies and gentlemen who have made records for themselves in comedy work. Matinees will be given on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday (New Year's Day), Friday and Saturday. This week also will bring the reappearance of Mr. J. B. Walker, who is so well and pleasantly remembered for his clever work here in the past.

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HOLIDAY CASES FOR 1902

and would merely remark that already our sales of Holiday Cases for the month up to Christmas Eve far EXCEED the

Record for the whole month of December, 1901.

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HOLIDAY CASE NO. 1 at $5.90.
2 Bottles Pale Sherry Wine. 1 Bottle Brandy.
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2 Bottles Claret Wine. 1 Bottle Ginger Wine.
2 Bottles Walker's Rye Whisky. 1 Bottle Holland Gin.

HOLIDAY CASE No. 2, at $8.90.
1 Quart Bottle Champagne. 1 Bottle 1878 Brandy.
2 Bottles Table Sherry. 1 Bottle Balblair Scotch or Jameson's Irish Whisky.
2 Bottles Tawny Port Wine.
2 Bottles Superior Claret Wine. 1 Bottle Holland Gin.
2 Bottles Walker's V.O. Rye Whisky.

HOLIDAY CASE No. 3 at $11.75.
2 Quart Bottles Champagne. 1 Bottle Walker's Extra Old Rye.
2 Bottles Superior Dinner Sherry (dry or fruity). 1 Bottle 1865 Brandy.
1 Bottle V.O. Scotch or Jameson's 3 Harp Irish Whisky.
2 Bottles Very Superior Port Wine.
2 Bottles Superior Claret Wine. 1 Bottle Bols' Liqueur Holland Gin.

No. 4.—SPECIAL HOLIDAY CASE OF STILL AND SPARKLING RED AND WHITE BURGUNDY WINES AT $11.25.
2 Quart Bottles Macon. 2 Quart Bottles Beaujolais.
2 Quart Bottles Beaune. 2 Quart Bottles Pommard.
2 Quart Bottles Chablis (White). 2 Quart Bottles Ultra Sec Champagne.

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Special Holiday Case No. 5 for $12.75.
2 Quarts Still Hock or Still Moselle. 1 Quart Fine Old Brandy.
2 Quarts Fine Sauternes. 1 Bottle Bols' Orange Curacao a la fine Champagne.
1 Quart Fine Table Sherry.
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Oriental Rugs.	Ladies Dress Lengths.	Men's Neckwear.
New Year's Cards.	Books and Calendars.	McGill Mufflers.

Prices from now until New Year's Day are 15 to 20 per cent. lower than ordinary stores' prices.

RECIPROCITY IN GLOVES

Thousands of Montrealers, overjoyed on Xmas morning to be remembered by their friends, are looking round this week for gifts with which to reciprocate their kindness. Just here The Big Store's Glove Department comes in.

Kid Gloves

"PEARL"—Ladies' 2 Dome Kid Gloves, with pretty silk points, in new colors and black. Special 60c

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Gift Gloves

"LA BRABANT"—Ladies' Kid Gloves, 2 dome fasteners, fancy silk points, in pretty shades of tan, mode, white, black, gray, brown, green, sizes 5½ to 7½. $1.25

"ALEXANDRA"—Ladies' Extra Quality Fine Kid Gloves, 2 dome fastener, pretty fancy silk points, in newest shades, also black and white, sizes 5½ to 7½. Special $1.55

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Men's Ties

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DEATH OF MRS. CLARKE.

Kingston, Ont., December 26.—(Special.)—The death is announced of Mrs. Clarke, wife of Dr. C. K. Clarke, medical superintendent of Rockwood Hospital for the Insane, on Christmas night. Deceased, aged 47 years, was a sufferer from cardiac affection for the past thirteen months. She was a Miss Andrews, of St. Andrews, N.B., and was married over twenty years ago. She was an Anglican, and is survived by a husband, four sons and two daughters.

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CASTRO MAKES RETURN OF SHIPS A CONDITION TO ARBITRATION

Venezuela Ready to Refer Difficulties to Tribunal at The Hague—Blockade Must Cease When Negotiations Begin—U.S. View.

Caracas, December 26.—President Castro has telegraphed from La Victoria his acceptance of the proposal to submit all pending differences to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal, subject to certain conditions, which include cessation of the blockade and the return to Venezuela of the fleet seized by the allied powers.

President Castro's acceptance has been transmitted to the Washington Government, from which the proposal emanated.

NOT HEARD AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, December 26.—No confirmation could be obtained in Washington last night of the report coming from Caracas that the proposition had been made to President Castro that all pending differences between Venezuela and the European Governments having claims against her be submitted to arbitration of The Hague tribunal.

Secretary Hay had retired when the despatch reached Washington, and no other official of the State Department was able to give any information on the subject.

It is known that only two days ago President Roosevelt had not determined whether or not to accept the proposal of the allies, and act as arbitrator, or to urge again that the question should go to The Hague. If, as stated, the suggestion has come from Washington that the matter should be arbitrated at The Hague, that conclusion possibly would be reached at the long conference the President had with Secretary Hay Wednesday, when the two officials were together considering the proposals from the allies that the President take up the question of arbitration.

The despatch to President Castro through Minister Bowen, suggesting arbitration at The Hague, must have followed that conference. The impression here to-night is that an early determination of the matter will be reached.

THE BLOCKADE MUST CEASE.

No matter by whom the matter is arbitrated, whether by President Roosevelt or by The Hague tribunal, the feeling here is strong that the United States Government, if the occasion arises, will insist that the existing blockade be called off while the arbitration is in progress.

The presence of the blockading fleet along the Venezuelan coast is sure to be a menace to peaceful conditions, and difficulties of various kinds may arise at any time through the arbitrary action of some of the commanders of the ships of the allied fleets, or by the intrepidity of some skipper who may attempt to run the blockade.

But the great objection to a continuance of the blockade pending arbitration will be the loss to American shipping interests, which the United States Government does not believe should be tolerated.

BRITISH CRUISERS ARRIVE.

Port of Spain, December 26.—The British cruiser Charybdis and the British torpedo boat destroyers Quail and Rocket have arrived here.

WHAT ITALY ASKS FOR.

Rome, December 26.—The only conditions which Italy has attached to her acceptance of arbitration of the Venezuelan difficulties are that all points in dispute shall be submitted to the arbitrators so that no questions shall be left undecided; and that Italian claims must be considered on an equality with those of the other powers.

ALLIES USING SEARCHLIGHTS.

Willemstad, Curacao, December 26.—The American Red "D" line steamer Caracas has brought the remainder of her cargo here.

The warships of the allied powers are using searchlights to watch the coasts of Venezuela.

Forty vessels are now being detained at La Guaira.

GERMANY DEMANDS CASH AT ONCE.

Berlin, December 26.—The Lokal Anzeiger publishes the following statement, which was evidently inspired by the Foreign Office:—

"The German Government has excluded from the scope of arbitration of the Venezuelan difficulty a claim of 1,700,000 bolivars, which must be paid immediately in cash before arbitration is begun."

The paper adds that it is understood here that President Roosevelt's undertaking to arbitrate involves an indirect guarantee for the payment of the sum to be awarded.

Confidence has grown in Government circles during the past twenty-four hours that President Roosevelt will accept the task of arbitration.

SAYS ALLIES VIOLATED CONVENTION.

Paris, December 26.—Baron d'Estournelles de Constant has written to Foreign Minister Delcasse notifying him that the writer will linterpellate the Government on the reassembling of the Chamber concerning the disregard of article 27 of The Hague convention shown by the allied powers in coercing Venezuela.

In his letter Baron d'Estournelles strongly supports the contention of the United States that the Venezuelan trouble should be referred to The Hague court. After pointing out that the present is just the contingency contemplated by article 27, the writer says:—

"The conflict exists between Venezuela and several of the signatories to The Hague convention and the formal obligation that France and the twenty-five other powers signed is not only being ignored, but we observe a systematic interdiction of The Hague court of arbitration by the European Governments. An explanation has become necessary. It cannot be objected to by the allied powers that Venezuela took no part in the conference, and as she is asking for arbitration an occasion exists for reminding the powers of the obligations they signed and ratified.

"Nor can the reply be made that states, like individuals, are free not to observe their engagements and that moral obligations exist only for individuals or for the weak, as this point of view is precisely contrary to the principle that The Hague conference sought to secure."

LANSDOWNE EXPLAINS VENEZUELAN TROUBLE

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, December 26.—La Nacion publishes an interview its London correspondent had with Lord Lansdowne, who said that Venezuelan embroglio should not cause alarm among South American nations.

The British Secretary for Foreign Affairs said Great Britain always respected honorable nations, especially Argentina, whose people are known to be hardworking and law abiding and made all kinds of sacrifices to maintain the good name of their republic.

Lord Lansdowne then declared that his country's attitude toward Venezuela was very different. President Castro had refused to make any explanation and he treated with the utmost disdain the representations of the British Minister. The United States knew of this and therefore approved of the measures taken by Great Britain and Germany.

Lord Lansdowne asserted that Great Britain is more forbearing with feeble nations than with strong countries. If a large power had treated the British Minister as did Venezuela, His Majesty's Government would have proceeded with more energy.

The British Cabinet officer concluded by saying that Argentine has a great future and that Great Britain will always be her friend.

ANOTHER GERMAN CRUISER.

Berlin, December 26.—Preparations are being hurried so the German cruiser Sperber may sail from Kiel for Venezuela about New Year's Day.

ITAL YWANTS ARBITRATION.

Rome December 26.—Italy's reply to the arbitration proposal of Venezuela, through Minister Bowen, and the Government of the United States, among other things says Italy would be pleased if the question were settled by the arbitration of President Roosevelt, and adds that if he does not accept, Italy will have no objection to submitting the solution to The Hague tribunal.

DUTCH STEAMER KEPT OUT.

La Guaira, Venezuela, December 26.—The Dutch steamer Prinz Willem II., from New York, December 5, arrived off La Guaira Wednesday, but owing to difficulties with the blockading squadron and to the refusal of her agent to pay the port charges, she left without communicating with the shore.

PARIS ANNOUNCES BLOCKADE.

Paris, December 26.—The only official attention thus far given to the Venezuelan blockade is an announcement of the post office department that mail boats leaving Bordeaux and Marseilles will cease to touch at La Guaira, Porto Cabello, and Carupano, and that all correspondence for Venezuela will be carried to Fort de France, Martinique, pending the blockade.

Vienna, December 26.—The Fremdenblatt, of this city, deplores the strictures passed upon the British Cabinet for its collaboration with Germany in Venezuela.

The newspaper overlooks the intense distrust generated in England by Germany's attitude during the Boer war, and goes on to say that this distrust cannot disappear in a day, and is in fact not likely to diminish until Germany has brought forth many fruits meet for repentance. Meanwhile she must be reckoned among the most constant factors in the European situation.

COLONIALS IN BOMBARDMENT.

Part of Newfoundland Naval Reserve Did Good Work at Puerto Cabello.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 26.—Eighty members of the Newfoundland naval reserve are included among the crew of the British cruiser Charybdis, which recently bombarded the forts at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela.

It has been officially reported here that the Newfoundlanders made an excellent showing, both in gunnery and in the landing parties.

HONOR A HERO'S MEMORY.

Monument to be Erected at Newtonville, Ont., to Hart's River Hero.

Newtonville, Dec. 26.—The Milligan memorial monument committee of this place have given the contract to Mr. Delaney, of Cobourg, for a monument to commemorate the death of the late Captain W. P. Milligan, who was killed at Hart's River, March 31.

The monument will be 17 feet high and will rest on a solid stone foundation ten feet square and ten feet high, making a total height of 27 feet. The weight of the shaft will be eleven tons, and the total cost about $600.

The unveiling will take place May 24, and will be conducted by Sir Frederick Borden, Minister of Militia.

KLONDIKE MINING COMPANY.

Paris Police Make Three Arrests And Seize Papers Belonging to the Company.

Paris, December 26.—The police of this city have seized the papers of Jean de la Mar, manager of the Klondike Mining Company. He is supected of irregular proceedings. The company is a Paris concern and all the parties interested are Frenchmen. Three arrests have been made. M. de la Mar claims that the mines are being worked and that they yield $12,000 a month.

ALASKA BOUNDARY QUESTION.

Toronto, December 26.—An Evening Telegram's special London cable says:—Mr. F. C. Wade, K.C., of the Yukon Territory, in an article in the Empire Review, on the Alaska boundary, say it is the Canadian Government's duty to see that no portion of Canada is rat-trapped strategically from the start.

STARVING SHIPWRECKED CREW DRANK EACH OTHER'S BLOOD

Terrible Tale of the Privation Following the Foundering of Steamer Elingamite.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 26.—Australian papers received by the steamer Moana contain column after column dealing with the terrible privations of the survivors of the wrecked steamer Elingamite, news of whose loss on the Three Kings, a trio of towering heights off the northern extremity of New Zealand.

In interviews with survivors, the Australian papers tell of how the blood of the unfortunates was sucked while they slept, the stewardess, Miss McGuirk, being so weakened that she died. On this raft sixteen people left the vessel and were four days with nothing but two apples and no water. One apple was divided the first day and the second they indulged in

A DESPERATE FIGHT

for possession of the other apple. Three deaths occurred from exhaustion on the second day, the bodies being left until putrefaction set in before the survivors pushed them into the sea.

Several started to drink salt water, and, maddened by this, jumped overboard. On the third night a steamer was sighted and the shipwrecked people shouted. The vessel lowered a boat, but it did not find the raft in the darkness and the steamer proceeded, leaving the unfortunates to their fate.

It was that night that the bloodletting commenced. After the stewardess, weakened from loss of blood, had died in the arms of the second steward, he began to rave; a few minutes later he lowered himself from the raft, singing a hymn as he went.

Finally, four days after they left the wreck, H.M.S. Penguin found the drifting raft and saved the few remaining survivors.

CAPTAIN WASHED AWAY.

There were some thrilling examples of heroism at the time of the wreck. All the survivors say Captain Attwood acted nobly. He was the last to leave the wreck, being washed away when the waters covered the bridge, and afterwards, when standing on some floating wreckage, he ordered the boats about and his coolness resulted in the saving of many lives.

Captain Attwood said, in an interview, that if the steamer's engines had been reversed when he gave the signal the disaster would have been averted. The wreck occurred in a moderate sea during a dense fog. The master was on the bridge, one man on lookout, but the breakers were not observed until the steamer was almost on the high towering rocks seen on the port bow. She bumped softly at first, and then, with

AN APPALLING CRASH

she struck the rocks, and half an hour later the deck was under water. The boats were quickly launched, but before the passengers could embark in them they were standing waist high in water on the steamer's deck, remaining there with difficulty. Some of the boats were swamped by the steamer's side, but others managed to get away with good loads. The boats' ropes had been all cut, and before they left the steamer some of the boats picked up several of the unfortunates who were floating about on wreckage.

The scenes were awful, dead bodies being dragged into the boats in the hope that some spark of life lingered, and many dead bodies were seen floating about amongst the wreckage.

VIOLENT RUMPUS IN GREEK CHAMBER

Athens, Dec. 26.—There was a violent rumpus at the opening of the Boule or Legislative Chamber on Tuesday, arising from the rival claims of the Delyannists and Theotokists to nominate a president.

The Theotokists had possession of the keys of the chamber, when they had retained, intending to elect the senior member of their party early in the morning before the arrival of the Delyannists.

A council of the ministers that was specially convened at midnight decided to forestall the Theotokists by forcing the doors of the chamber. This was done and the Theotokists, when they arrived at 7 o'clock, found Mr. Tsarlambas, a Delyannist, installed as president and surrounded by several deputies.

When the metropolitan began the customary prayers a Theotokist deputy arose and criticized the action of the ministry, declaring that it was an insult to the chamber. An uproar followed and several deputies exchanged blows. Somebody threw an inkstand across the chamber and it fell into the holy water font.

The disorder was increased by many strangers, including women, who were in deputies' seats, while the public in the galleries added to the hubbub of angry cries.

A general panic followed. Ultimately the withdrawal of the Theotokists under protest restored order. The King then entered and read the speech from the throne.

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Almost everybody's digestion is disordered more or less, and the commonest thing they do for it is to take some one of the many so-called blood purifiers, which in many cases are merely strong cathartics. Such things are not needed. If the organs are in a clogged condition, they need only a little help and they will right themselves. Cathartics irritate the sensitive linings of the stomach and bowels and often do more harm than good.

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H. E. Willard, Onslow, Ia., says: "Mr. White, of Canton, was telling me of your Dyspepsia Tablets curing him of Dyspepsia from which he suffered for eight years. As I am a sufferer myself I wish you to send me a package by return mail."

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The Greatest Volume of Commerce in the History of the Canal Handled This Year.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 26.—The greatest volume of commerce in the history of the greatest ship canals of the world is shown by the completed statistics of traffic through the waterways at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and Ontario, for the year, which amounted to 35,961,146 freight tons, exceeding that of last year, also a banner season, by 7,558,081 tons.

It illustrates as nothing else can the great development that is being made of the great Northwest, whose products to a large extent, find their way to the East via the Great Lakes route. Of this freight, the eastbound amounted to 30,275,989 tons; westbound, 5,695,157.

THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS.

Ontario Minister of Education Calls a Meeting to Dicuss Their Distribution.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—At the request of Dr. Parkin, Hon. Mr. Harcourt, the Ontario Minister of Education, has called a meeting of the heads of degree-conferring colleges with a view to formulating some plan for the distribution of the Rhodes' scholarships to which the province is entitled. The meeting will be held in Mr. Harcourt's office at the Education Department to-morrow.

THREE MAYORALTY ASPIRANTS.

Ald. David Lamb is The Latest to Seek Toronto's Highest Political Honors.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Ald. Daniel Lamb, who has had many years' experience in the City Council, announces himself a candidate for the mayoralty. Mayor O. A. Howland and C. C. Robinson are the other aspirants already in the field.

THREE SHOT; ONE MAY DIE.

Dillsboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—Philip and George Morgan, brothers, and George Cunningham, living at the Harris Clay Mines, came to Dillsboro, and became intoxicated and disorderly. Marshall C. W. Dills, assisted by T. W. Mason, undertook to arrest the men. When all three drew knives and pistols. After the shooting which followed, it was found that Geo. Cunningham was shot in the shoulder, George Morgan in the head, and Philip Morgan just above the eye. Geo. Morgan will possibly die; the others will recover.

BROTHERS-IN-LAW FIGHT A DUEL.

Nichols, Ga., Dec. 26.—Sam P. Pagett and J. G. Buchanan, young white men, fought an impromptu duel on the street Wednesday. Pagett is dying and Buchanan is seriously wounded. The two men married sisters. The cause of the trouble is believed to be a family disagreement.

CAT BITE CAUSES DEATH.

Lyons, N.Y., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Louisa Grueschow died yesterday as the result of the bite of a cat. The bite was on the wrist. Two months ago the hand and arm swelled, and the fingers and arm to the shoulder became discolored She was 70 years old.

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ITO'S CABINET AT ODDS.

With the Lower House Because of Manner Advocated for Raising Funds.

London, Dec. 26.—Conferences between the Japanese political parties have commenced, says the Tokio correspondent of the Times.

The correspondent says a compromise on the basis of the abandonment of the land tax, the funds for the naval increase being derived from other sources, is not unlikely.

The collision between the Japanese Cabinet and practically all the political parties of the Lower House is caused by the ministers' proposals in regard to the means for raising money to defray the cost of the great naval programme, to which the country is pledged, partly as a result of the alliance with Great Britain. There is no opposition to the naval programme, but there is intense objection to the Cabinet's plan to raise the money by increasing the land tax.

The Marquis Ito recommends that funds be obtained for the carrying out of the naval programme by reducing the Cabinet's schemes for extending railways, telegraphs and telephones, and by other economies.

The House of Peers seemed disposed to agree to the Cabinet's recommendations, whereupon the parties of the Lower House decided to sink their differences for the time being in order to vote unanimously against the recommendations, so as to make opposition by the peers difficult.

The sittings of the Lower House have twice been suspended in order to prevent a vote on the question.

HAYTI MAY HAVE PEACE NOW.

Supporters of Firmin Believe General Nord's Election Will Have Good Result.

Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 26.—Large numbers of Haytian exiles are preparing to return to Hayti under the amnesty decree, which it is expected shortly will be issued. The leaders who fought for Firmin believe a period of peace will follow General Nord's election to the presidency.

Advices from Hayti say there is no fear of further rising, but that the Government employes are clamoring for their salaries, which they have not received for some months.

CITY OF TORONTO RESTRAINED.

From Submitting to the Ratepayers The Question of Giving $50,000 to a Sanitarium.

CITY OF TORONTO Restrained o Toronto, Dec. 26.—J. H. King, a ratepayer, has obtained an injunction returnable to-morrow, restraining the city from submitting to the ratepayers the said question of giving $50,000 to a sanitarium not yet in existence.

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HUSBAND ANGRY; WIFE DEAD.

Newark, Dec. 26.—Returning unexpectedly to his home yesterday, Joseph Terry found his wife in company with Frank Brady. During the fierce fight which ensued, a revolver was discharged and the woman fell dead, shot in the left breast. Brady, who is from Mahpoac Falls, N.Y., walked into the morgue later in the day and was arrested. He denied doing the shooting. Brady is said to own the revolver which was discharged.

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MEN, WOMEN AND HAPPENINGS

Mr. S. H. C. Miner has left for Granby.

Mrs. R. Forget is giving a tea to-morrow.

Mr. Joseph Rielle has gone up to Toronto.

Mrs. C. Glass, New York, is at the St. James.

Mr. Thomas James is spending Christmas in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Boyd, Hemmingford, are at the St. James.

Mr. J. Moore, St. John's, Nfld., is at the St. James Hotel.

Mrs. W. H. Davis has returned to Ottawa from Montreal.

Mr. J. W. Cook is spending Christmas with his parents in Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McMillan, Alexandria, are at the Albion Hotel.

Mr. Bowen has returned from Toronto to Sherbrooke for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Richardson, Hawkesbury, are at the St. James.

Mrs. G. Stuart, of Quebec, gives a ball at her residence on the 30th.

Mr. Henri Laurier, of Arthabaskaville, was at the Carslake yesterday.

Mrs. F. A. McCord, of Ottawa, paid a flying visit to Montreal this week.

Mr. J. L. Shanks, of Fitchburg, with his son and daughter, are at the Albion.

The Westmount Golf Club ball is an event for this evening which is much looked forward to.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burroughs, of Quebec, will spend the month of January in Montreal.

Mr. Robin Jellett, of the Bank of Montreal, Toronto, has been transferred to the head office here.

Miss E. M. Smith has accepted a position in the St. James the Apostle choir as contralto soloist.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and Miss Robinson, of Montreal, are spending the holidays in Brockville.

Mrs. Edward Broome, of Montreal, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. McGill, of Brockville.

The wedding of Miss Rose Liebtenheim to Mr. Leon Goldsmith, of Cincinnati, takes place early in the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Parker and their little child are spending Christmas in Toronto with Mr. and Mrs. Hammond.

Miss Edythe Reid, of Union Avenue, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is progressing favorably towards recovery.

Mr. Richard Field, of the Bank of Montreal, Brockville, has been transferred to Perth, where he will be accountant.

Lieut.-Col. Hamilton and officers of the Victoria Rifles will receive at the armory on New Year's Day from 11 till 1 o'clock.

Mr. Walter Wilson, who spent the past three weeks in town, returned to New York on Wednesday to be home for Christmas.

Captain and Mrs. Walter Murray, who spent Christmas in St. John's, leave this week to spend the New Year with relatives in Massawipp, Que.

Miss Flora Stuart Scott, of New York, who has many friends in town, arrives on January 3 to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Gratton, Ste. Famille Street.

Miss H. Wright, of New York, and her niece, Miss Madeline Wright, of Boston, are staying for the Christmas holidays with Mr. George L. Duncan, 114 Selby Street, Westmount.

Mrs. John Pitblado, Mrs. Graham Colquhoun Dunlop and Mrs. C. H. Binks are the ladies who will receive to-night at the Westmount Golf Club ball at the Windsor, which promises to be a great success.

The marriage of Miss Violet M. Wilson, of Fenelon Falls, and Mr. F. C. Hare, of the Department of Agriculture, is announced to take place at 1 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 8th, 1903, at Dr. Wilson's residence, Fenelon Falls.

The marriage was solemnized at St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, Kansas City, Mo., on Monday, Dec. 15, of Maud M., daughter of Edwin Apted, Toronto, to Rev. Hugh J. Lloyd, son of the Ven. Archdeacon Lloyd, Huntsville, Ont. The Rev. A. R. Lloyd, brother of the groom, conducted the ceremony.

The marriage took place this week at St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, N.S., of Guy S. Kinnear, of Sussex, major of the 6th Hussars, King's, N. B., and son of Major John M. Kinnear, postmaster of Sussex, to Miss Laura E. Murray, daughter of the late Dr. Charles Murray, and sister of Professor Walter C. Murray, of Dalhousie College. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Thos. Fowler. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss E. Mabel Murray, and the groomsman was I. Morris Kinnear, of Yarmouth. The bride wore a costume of blue, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. The bridesmaid also wore a pretty gown of gray material and carried red carnations.

Th marriage took place at Huntingdon, Que., yesterday, of Sir. J. Alex. Cameron, N.P., of Montreal (son of the late Alexander Cameron, M.D., of Huntingdon), to Miss Grace A. Anderson, youngest daughter of Mr. Alexander A. Anderson, of Huntingdon. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the latter at half-past six by the Rev. P. Hutchinson, M.A., of St. Andrew's Church. Owing to recent bereavement in the groom's family, none but immediate relatives of bride and groom were present. The bridesmaid was Miss Millicent Walker, cousin of the bride, and daughter of Mr. W. H. Walker, M.L.A., of Hillside, Huntingdon, and the best man was Captain E. A. Davidson, of the Victoria Rifles, of Montreal, of which regiment Mr. Cameron formerly held the rank of captain. The bride looked lovely, gowned in white silk, as did her cousin, Miss Millicent Walker. The residence of the bride's father was suitably decorated for the occasion with evergreens. There were many handsome presents received. After the bridal supper Mr. and Mrs. Cameron left by the evening train for New York and Washington, and upon their return will reside in Montreal.

Christmas chimes and wedding bells joined cheerily in Point St. Charles at 2.30 yesterday afternoon at St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church, when Mr. William C. Montignani, secretary of the Rochester, N.Y., Street Railway Y.M.C.A., and formerly of the Railway Y.M.C.A. at Point St. Charles, was married to Miss Grace Elizabeth Mingie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Mingie, of 21 Maple avenue. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. A. Mackenzie, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The bride was prettily gowned in white nun's veiling, with white veil, and carried white roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Eva Mingie, who was dressed in pink nun's veiling. Mr. Louis J. Rezzemini, of Albany, N.Y., was best man. At the conclusion of the ceremony the party drove to the residence of the bride's parents, where a reception was held from 4 to 6 o'clock, at which refreshments were served, and an orchestra supplied music. Mr. and Mrs. Montignani left on the evening train over the Delaware & Hudson Railway for Albany and from there they go to Rochester. The bride's travelling gown was of military blue cloth, with hat to match. The bride is very popular in Point St. Charles, and her many friends showed their regard for her in the large number of valuable presents, some of which came from Scotland, South Africa, the United States and Ontario. Prominent among them were a silver carving set and dessert set from the Triokaldeka Circle, a set of furs from the Canadian Asbestos Company, several substantial cheques, and a very handsome tea set, which was imported direct from China as a present from Hum Wing, who was a pupil in the bride's Sunday-school class.

AT THE HOTELS

At the Carslake: W. C. Montijain, Rochester; E. D. Jackson, New York; W. E. Booth, Waterloo; F. McGinn, Three Rivers; S. Crossley, Toronto.

At the Hall: H. W. Redman, Toronto; C. C. Stoddard, Brompton Falls; S. McKee, New York; Miss Braham, New York; J. T. Lantz, Oakland; E. L. Geo. White and R. A. Reeves, Boston; G. P. Mathewson, Ottawa.

At the Queen's: M. A. Macfarlane, Sherbrooke; R. Best, Cornwall; M. F. Walsh, Ottawa; C. Williams, Boston; W. S. Fleming, St. Louis; R. Loring, Boston; W. M. Bradley, Rutland; E. Sharpe, Boston; H. C. Atkinson, Quebec; R. Boudreau, Ottawa; E. B. Cole, Boston; Thos. Meaney, Quebec; F. W. Doran, Toronto; R. McConnell, Ottawa.

THANKS OF HERVEY INSTITUTE.

Miss Lawder begs to acknowledge, with thanks, on behalf of the Hervey Institute, the sum of $100 from the City and District Savings Bank.

The Herald's Daily Fashion Hints

A stylish hat of white beaver. The up-turned brim is edged with mink and faced with white lace. Beneath the brim at the back there is a bow of white panne velvet, and a band of velvet surrounds the Tam O'Shanter crown.

OUTLAWS IN NORTHWEST.

Canadian and U. S. Authorities Will Be Permitted to Operate on Either Side to Capture Them.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—With the object of running to earth a desperate gang of freebooters operating on the international boundary, the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police and the Montana civil authorities have decided to ignore the 49th parallel till the job is done.

The outfit is known as the Johnson and Jones gang, which makes its headquarters on the Montana side of the boundary, south of the Willow Bunch and Wood Mountain territory, in Alberta.

Johnson and Jones for a long time have terrorized the district and plied their calling of cattle thieves on a small scale. Early last summer they held up the foreman of the Prairie Dog ranch, and in October last robbed a half-breed near Willow Springs, well within Canadian territory. For these outrages the Mounted Police were keeping a sharp watch upon the gang, and so rendered it very risky for them to operate on the Alberta side of the line.

By way of reprisal, doubtless, a shot was fired at Constable La Chappel orderly to Inspector Laroque, as he was walking towards the Mounted Police headquarters, near Willow Bunch. The outlaws, thinking him dead, rode away and left him lying in the road. He was badly wounded. Reinforcements were at once sent and the Wood Mountain detachment, and as the infested district is on the boundary line, a fact of which the outlaws made shrewd use, an arrangement had been come to whereby the Canadian and United States authorities may operate on either side of the boundary while in pursuit of the gang.

HUSBAND AND WIFE DEAD.

Denver, Col., Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. John Singer are dead, as the result, it is thought, of accidental poisoning. Mr. Singer became suddenly ill and his wife sent for a physician. Before one reached their home, Mr. Singer had expired, and Mrs. Singer had been stricken with convulsive pains. She died while the physician was trying to relieve her sufferings. She revived long enough, however, to say the single word, "salts," in response to the doctor's questioning as to what she had taken.

The physician believes that the couple took oxalic acid, mistaking it for salts.

OAKVILLE'S DEFUNCT BANK.

The Creditors Meet And Discuss the Proper Course to Pursue.

Oakville, Ont., Dec. 26.—An informal meeting of the creditors of C. W. Anderson & Sons was held in the council chambers Wednesday, about seventy-five being present. Mr. John MacDonald in his opening remarks, said he was probably one of the largest creditors, and the object of the meeting was to get an expression of opinion as to the line of action they should pursue in this matter. He thought there was crooked work somewhere and wanted to find out where it was. Messrs. Coote, Young, Patterson, McDonald, Wales and Captain Morden, has drafts and cheques returned dishonored by the Bank of Hamilton, that had been sent some ten days previous to assignments by the Andersons, while others appeared to have been paid.

Mr. W. S. Davis said he was in a position to say that the Bank of Hamilton was quite willing to act fairly and said, referring to a recent interview with General Manager Turnbull, that gentleman had said they had never felt at all anxious, and was not aware that an assignment was to be made.

All present seemed to be of the opinion that the proper and most economical way of closing up the defunct bank's affairs would be to appoint a local manager to wind it up and pay off the Bank of Hamilton's claim.

A committee of John MacDonald, D. O. Cameron and George Andrew was appointed to go to Hamilton and investigate securities held by the bank and report at next meeting.

VIOLATED HIS PAROLE.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Kingston, Dec. 26.—Paul Nelson, who has been returned to the penitentiary, complained bitterly of the alleged injustice to a newspaper man. He was let out on a ticket-of-leave and claimed he had not transgressed it. Investigation by the Department of Justice showed that Nelson had been arrested in Detroit, and had also been "brought in" for consorting with thieves and bad women. The Detroit officers further informed the Dominion Commissioner of Police that Nelson had been known to them as a thief for more than twenty years. His conduct, after his release was in direct violation of the conditions of the ticket-of-leave, hence his re-arrest and return to prison to complete his term.

A FIERCE STORM RAGES AT QUEBEC

Montmagny Murder Trial Postponed Because Judge and Lawyers Snowbound.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Quebec, Dec. 26.—A fierce storm is raging here, which is likely to demoralize traffic. There is a 40-mile gale from the east, accompanied by snow, and the street car people are having great difficulty in keeping their line open.

The ferry to Levis has stopped running owing to the driving snow, and as a result the Mathurin murder trial, at Montmagny will not continue to-day.

Judge Pelletier, lawyers Lane and Galipeault, Cannon and Lechance, medical experts, stenographers and newspaper men all came up to spend Christmas in Quebec, and this morning there is no way of getting across the river to catch the I.C.R. express.

If the storm moderates the officials will be able to get down to Montmagny this evening, and the sessions of court will be resumed to-morrow.

The lawyers for the defence are making a fight on Mathurin's behalf, but their success is very problematical.

FOURTEEN MAY HAVE DROWNED.

St. John's, Nfld., December 26.—The steamer Magnific has returned here from her search for three schooners which have been missing since the gales. The crew of one schooner was landed Tuesday at Boulogne. The Magnific failed to find the crews of the other vessels. It is believed here that she foundered and that fourteen persons have been drowned.

PAINTINGS COME TO MONTREAL.

Toronto, December 26.—The exhibition of Dutch and Scotch paintings collected by the Women's Art Association, and which have been on view here for the past three months, will be sent to Montreal next week to be exhibited in the Art Association rooms there at the urgent request of Sir Wm. Van Horne.

GALE SWEPT ENGLISH COAST.

London, December 26.—A severe gale swept the north coast of Great Britain yesterday, and caused considerable damage to shipping and water front property on the Clyde and the Tyne.

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For Love of a Lady.

BY ALICE MAUD MEADOWS.

CHAPTER XXXI.

When Jasper left Grosvenor Gardens his first thought was that he must get away, jump into a hansom, drive to Waterloo, take the train to Portsmouth or Southampton, and get the first boat he could that would take him away from England.

But though this was his intention, he walked on without carrying it out, thoughts buzzing in his brain like bees in a hive, crowding, jostling one another, running through the evidence against him, one minute telling himself it was damning, the next that, collected as it had been by an interested party, it would go for nothing.

"If it were not for the entry in the register and the letters there could be nothing proved," he said to himself. "Why didn't I destroy the letters? I could have done it easily. There would have been some burnt ashes, I know, but what of that? I did try to get at the register. In Heaven's name why did I not burn the letters and photographs?"

He altered his mind about taking a hansom at once, and dropped into an hotel, ordering brandy and soda. They brought him a bottle of brandy and a syphon, and he sat there helping himself again and again, trying to think what he had best do.

After the fifth glass he felt muddled, and he began also, which was strange, to think of Carline. He remembered the time when he, out of curiosity, had followed Philip to the country; how he had watched him meet the beautiful girl, seen them walking as lovers together; how—because he had always been jealous of his cousin—he had longed to supplant him; how he had contrived to get to know her, giving her a wrong name. He had begun to woo her for the sake of humbling Philip, cutting him out, but the girl's beauty had won him in a way, and soon the game was dead earnest. He loved her, as far as it was in him to love.

He didn't want to marry her if he could help it; but she was not the sort of woman to be played with at his ordering. She had dismissed Philip, told him never to come near her again; she could not love him, she loved someone else, but she was not the sort of woman to think the world well lost for love.

And then, quite accidentally, she found out Jasper's real name, and was angry, oh, so angry, that he had deceived her. He could almost hear her voice now upbraiding him, telling him to go, that she would never look again upon his face.

He had never loved her, he remembered, as he did at that moment, when it almost seemed that he would lose her. She would, perhaps, now marry Philip, who had never been the same man since she gave him his conge. The thought had maddened him, and he had asked her to be his wife.

He filled up his glass again. He was alone at a table in a corner, lighted by a red-shaded electric light. As he lifted his glass to his lips he thought he felt a hand upon his shoulder. He turned quickly, and he could almost swear he saw a hand, dim, shady—a woman's white hand with a wedding ring upon the third finger. He shivered a little and finished the glass, but as he looked round again, stealthily, slyly this time, it seemed to him the hand was still there. He shivered a little and drew a deep breath that was like a sigh, then he threw a sovereign on the table and walked out of the place.

"What nonsense," a waiter heard him say as he passed him. The man walked over to the table where the bottle stood, held it up, shook his head.

"And they call it pleasure," he said to himself. "Well, I wouldn't have his head to-morrow morning for all the pleasure in the world, let alone to sit by myself and soak."

In the streets once more, Jasper again thought of a hansom. This time he hailed one and got in.

"Where to, sir?" the man asked.

Jasper hesitated. He could only remember one place, but he might not, he knew, go there.

"Anywhere," he answered. "What does it matter? Anywhere."

The man shut down the trap with a whistle and drove on slowly. After ten minutes or so he lifted the trap again.

"Did you say the Carlton, sir?" he asked.

Jasper started.

"Park-view," he said almost mechanically. "24B Park-view."

He remembered as soon as he had given the address that he had not meant to go there, that he was to get away. Still, he had plenty of time. Leslie had given him till the morrow. She was not the sort of girl to go from her word. It might be as well to get two or three things. He would still have time to catch a midnight boat.

He alighted from the cab, a little unsteadily, and again he seemed to see, to feel, the hand on his shoulder. He paid the man and rang the bell. It wasn't late. It would be less trouble to bring Maria up than to get his key.

Mrs. Bloor, however, answered the door and looked at Jasper's flushed face with some disapproval.

"Oh, Mr. Warne," she said, "I'm sorry."

"Sorry?" he repeated. "Sorry for what? Look here, don't be a fool. I say, I want to go up into Mr. Gilchrist's room. I don't know what for, but I do. That's what I came for, to go into Mr. Gilchrist's rooms. He's written to me, you know. Will you get me the key?"

Mrs. Bloor hesitated, and to Jasper it seemed her eyes fixed themselves on his shoulder. Did she, too see the hand, Carline's hand?"

"Won't to-morrow——" she began.

But he cut her short.

"No," he answered, "to-night. What are you staring at? There's nothing, nothing at all. It's your fancy my fancy. Hate people to have fancies, hate them myself. You get the key. I'm his cousin. I've a perfect right to go into his rooms, who better?"

"You'd much better go to bed," Mrs. Bloor said; but she fetched the key. No gas, candle or lamps were used in the house. He could not do any harm.

He went upstairs slowly, and the hand on his shoulder seemed to go with him. He passed his own door and went on to Philip's, unlocked the outer door, shut it after him, switched on the light and walked in.

The light falling on the daggers and swords in Philip's vestibule caught his eyes. He lifted his hand, and, he scarcely knew why, took down a dagger. As he touched the point it seemed to him that it dripped blood.

"If Philip wins her I shall never have her," he said to himself. "Never, never."

He went on to the sitting-room, switching on the light there also; then he paused. It was fancy, of course, but it seemed to him that Carline was standing by the mantle, just as she had that night. He could see her face in the glass. Her eyes were covered, she could not see him. He held the dagger point upwards, but the blade still looked red.

He moved unsteadily forward, then he stumbled, tried to recover himself and fell.

The rumble of traffic drowned a sharp cry, a groan, then all was silent.

Mrs. Bloor came upstairs some time later and tried the door of Philip's room. It was locked, and she had no other key. Then she went down to Jasper's floor and knocked. No answer came.

"He's come down and gone to bed," she said to herself. "Best thing he could do. It's to be hoped he's asleep. He'll feel queer enough to-morrow without having a bad night."

CHAPTER XXXII.

On the morning following her interview with Jasper, Leslie went straight to the police and laid all the facts of the case before them, including the marriage certificate, the photographs and love-letters.

Chief Inspector Gunn looked grave.

"I don't doubt you in the least," he said; "but I'm sorry we have only your word for it that you found these very incriminating articles"—touching the letters and photographs—"in Mr. Warne's room. You can't be considered disinterested. I'm sorry you had no one with you when you searched."

She grew a little pale. Was it possible all her trouble was to be of no avail?

"The marriage certificate, at all events, proves whose wife she was," she said, "and who it was she spoke to in the Park when she said, 'I am your wife.' The marriage certificate proves with whom she made the appointment to meet again at eight o'clock."

The Inspector nodded.

"Yes, I see that, of course," he answered. "Mr. Warne, at all events, committed perjury when he said he did not know the murdered woman. She was, without doubt, his wife, but," he paused a moment "it is Mr. Gilchrist who has run away."

She looked at him with the most innocent eyes in the world. "But he has not run away," she said. "I can't make out why you will insist that he has run away. He has not given himself up, of course, because he and I thought it would be better not. While you believed he was hiding, Jasper believed he himself was safe, and that not the ghost of a suspicion rested upon him, but Mr. Gilchrist has never left London. He has been living in a house of mine in St. John's Ward all the time, with my servants to wait on him, keeping quiet, if you like, but neither hiding nor running away. It wasn't likely, was it, that he would remain in his chambers where a woman he had once loved had been murdered? I wonder"—she smiled her sweetest at Inspector Gunn, and Leslie's smile was sweet indeed—"if you'll put your warrant into effect now? It rests in your discretion, I suppose?"

He smiled back at her.

"Certainly!" he said. "No, we shall look into this evidence you have brought us before we make such a blunder as that. I wonder has Mr. Warne any idea of what you have been up to?"

"Ah, I wonder," she answered. "Anyway he did not recognize me when I represented Miss Bloor. Shall I give you Mr. Gilchrist's present address? You may like to see that he is there. I suppose you ought to do that?"

"Thank you," he answered. "I'm afraid, miss"—his eyes twinkled—"you've been conspiring to defeat the ends of the law, but I don't know that I blame you. I can respect a plucky woman, and the world at large will, I am sure, respect you, too—that's if we find you're on the right tack, of course, of which I really have no doubt."

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BINNING—At Port Elizabeth, South Africa, on Nov. 17, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. A. Binning.

BROWN—In St. John, N.B., on Dec. 14th, to the wife of W. J. Brown, a son.

BULLOCK—At Roxton Pond, on Dec. 11, the wife of the Rev. W. S. Bullock, of a son.

GRAHAM—At 81 Selby Street, Westmount, on the 20th inst., a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Graham.

GORDON—In this city, on Dec. 22nd, 1902, Elizabeth Gordon, daughter of John Gordon, Fertile Creek, Howick, P.Q. 302x

GUESS—In Harrowsmith, Ont., on Dec. 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Guess, a daughter.

HANSON—At Fredericton, N.B., on Dec. 17, to the wife of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hanson, a son. 303

HENESEY—At Port Hawkesbury, C.B., Dec. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Henesey, a son.

HODGSON—On the 21st instant, at 393 Pine Avenue, a son to Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hodgson.

MARCHANT—At the Lister's Hospital, El Paso, Texas, Dec. 1, to Judge W. B. and Dr. Alice Blackadder Marchant, a son.

MILTIMORE—At Cowansville, Que., on Dec. 11, the wife of A. E. Miltimore, of a son.

O'NEILL—At Lachine, on the 18th instant, the wife of John R. O'Neill, of a son.

WATT—At Amherst, N.S., on Dec. 17, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Watt, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CURRIE-CAMPBELL—At Toronto, Dec. 20, by the Rev. John Pearson, Edward Currie to Adelaide Victoria, daughter of the late James A. Campbell.

MANSUR-BALL—At Richmond, Que., on Dec. 10, Charles H. Mansur, of Rock Island, to Mary Pomeroy, daughter of Mr. W. L. Ball, manager of the E. T. Bank, Richmond. x

McDONALD-CRUIKSHANK—At Little River, N.S., Dec. 9, by Rev. Alwin H. Campbell, B.A., James McDonald, of Fall River, to Georgina Cruikshank.

NEILSON-MORROW—On Dec. 17, by Rev. G. C. Poyser, John George Neilson, of Grand Mere, Que., to Miss Clara Morrow, of Three Rivers.

PERCY-HALL—At Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 17th, by the Rev. T. R. Davis, William S. Percy, of Chicago, son of the late John Percy, of Bowmanville, Canada, to Ethel A., daughter of the late O. R. Hall, of Bowmanville, Ont.

RUTHERFORD-DUNBAR—At Lorne, Pictou, N.S., Dec. 17, by Rev. John MacIntosh, John Rutherford to Christy A. Dunbar, of Lorne.

SMITH-HUESTIS—On Dec. 17, at Halifax, N.S., by Rev. Dr. Huestis, Jas. W. Smith, of Quoddy, Halifax Co., to Miss Ada Beatrice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney O. Huestis.

WHITE-ROGERS—At Waterville, Kings, N.S. Dec. 10, by Rev. E. O. Read, Leroy B. White, of Waterville, and Bessie Rogers, of Halls Harbour.

DEATHS IN THE CITY.

BARRY—In this city, on Wednesday, the 24th December, Margaret Hickey, wife of Michael Barry and daughter of Patrick Hickey, aged 30 years and 10 months.

BARSALOU—In this city, on the 23rd instant, Romeo Barsalou, accountant, son of Erasme Barsalou, soap manufacturer, at the age of 19 years and 8 months.

CROWE—On Wednesday, 24th instant, at 6 Prince Street, John Crowe (native of County Clare, Ireland), aged 73 years. Funeral will take place, on Saturday morning, at 7.30 a.m., to St. Anns Church, thence to Cote des Neiges Cemetery. [illegible] ances and members of St. Ann's T. A. & B. Society will please accept this invitation. Burlington, Vt., papers please copy. 304x

DEVANEY—At [illegible] 23rd inst., Patrick Devaney, aged 63 years.

HARROD—On the 22nd instant, at the General Hospital, Reece Otway, aged 21 years, son of Walter and Eliza Harrod.

LYFORD—At the Royal Victoria Hospital, on Dec. 22, Florence Cristy Lyford, daughter of Wright C. Lyford, Esq., of New York City, and sister of Mrs. A. E. Beckett, of this city.

MAYER—On the 22nd instant, at Montreal General Hospital, Marie Anne McDonald, wife of H. Mayer, 1852 Ontario Street.

STACKHOUSE—At Montreal General Hospital, Dec. 25, Dr. Stephen Stackhouse, eldest son of Dr. E. S. Stackhouse, of Lachute. Funeral to-morrow, Saturday, Dec. 27th, at 1.30 p.m., from Montreal General Hospital to Mount Royal Cemetery. 304x

DEATHS ELSEWHERE.

DONNELLY—In the Philippine Islands, on July 30, 1902, Sergt. Donnelly, of B Company, 2nd U.S. Infantry, formerly of Brockville, Ont.

DUVAL—At Ottawa, Dec. 20, Cyril Archibald, only son of A. H. W. Duval.

FERGUSON—At St. John, N.B., on Dec. 19, Joseph Ferguson.

FOGARTY—At Dublin, Ont., on Dec. 21st, Rev. William Fogarty.

GIBSON—At Halifax, N.S., on Dec. 17, Mrs. Elizabeth Gibson, aged 63, a native of Aylsham, Norfolk, England.

HARRIS—At Victoria, B.C., on Dec. 11th, Mary Ann, relict of the late John Harris, a native of Waterford, Ireland, aged 76 years.

HOPKINSON—At Charlottetown, P.E.I., Dec. 16, Florence Blanch, youngest daughter of Mr. John Hopkinson, aged 15 months.

JONES—In St. John, N.B., on Dec. 18, Mary, relict of the late Robert Jones, in the 86th year of her age.

LAVERDURE—On Dec. 21, at Ottawa, Mrs. Laverdure, wife of ex-Ald. E. G. Laverdure.

LE HERON—In London, Eng., on Dec. 19th, Leon Le Heron, brother to Mrs. Priston and Miss Le Heron, of 199 Congregation Street, and Mrs. Leisel, of 311 St. Lawrence Main Street, and Mrs. Norris, 18 Jardin Street, of this city.

McDONALD—At St. George's, P.E.I., on Dec. 9th, Isabella, eldest daughter of the late George C. McDonald, aged 18 years.

McEACHREN—At Valleyfield, on the 24th instant, Martha N. Bowron, widow of the late Colonel McEachren, C.M.G.

McKENZIE—In St. John, N.B., on the 18th of December, Thomas J., youngest son of Kenneth and Lizzie M. McKenzie, aged 15 months.

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John Wellington Grier, of the City and District of Montreal, Insurance Agent, Plaintiff, versus Dame Nicia De Marchi, a woman of the age of majority, and in the free exercise of her rights; alias Dame Louise St. Jean, alias McLean, heretofore of the City and District of Montreal, and presently of parts unknown, widow of the late Henri Poissard, in his lifetime of the Commonwealth of Australia, Defendant.

The Defendant is ordered to appear within one month.

E. BROUSSEAU,
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Montreal, 23rd December, 1902.

MURCHISON & DOYLE,
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WINNIPEG AND PACIFIC COAST—Lv. *9.40 a.m. Ar. *6.30 p.m.

S.S. MARIE, ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS, DULUTH—Lv. *10.05 p.m. Ar. *8.00 a.m.

OTTAWA—Lv. Place Viger †8.20 a.m., †5.45 p.m. Ar. †12.35 p.m., †10.30 p.m. Lv. Windsor St. †8.45 a.m., *9.40 a.m., $10.00 a.m., †4.00 p.m., *10.05 p.m. Ar. *8.00 a.m., †11.45 a.m., *6.30 p.m., †7.00 p.m., $9.45 p.m.

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FARMER FOUND FROZEN IN ICE

Death of Timothy Hanniffin, of Tyendinaga, to be Investigated by Coroner.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 26.—A death, many circumstances in connection with which are not yet cleared up, came to light near Shannonville Wednesday, when the body of Timothy Hanniffin, a yeoman, who resided in the first concession of Tyendinaga, was found, frozen stiff, about 100 yards south of the Shannonville railway station, on the road which leads to the village of Shannonville.

It appears that on Monday Hanniffin was in the city, and in the evening left for his home, taking the train for the east which leaves here at 6 o'clock. He disembarked at Shannonville, and evidently started to walk towards the village. This was the last seen of him alive. The body was found in a ditch in which there was considerable water which had frozen hard. The remains were encased in ice, so that it was necessary to cut away the ice with an axe before the body could be removed.

The deceased was an unmarried man about 50 years of age.

Dr. Yeomans, coroner, of this city, owing to the desire of the dead man's friends, will hold an inquest, which will be held at Shannonville on Monday evening next. It is reported that when Hanniffin left home he had considerable money in his possession, intending to come to the city to make a payment. Whilst in the city he spent his money very freely. All the money that was found upon the body was $2.95.

A flask about half filled with proof whiskey and a stone jug containing half a gallon of whiskey were found beside the body.

AMALGAMATES HIBERNIANS.

Societies in Canada, United States, Australia and Ireland Are Brought Under One Head.

Syracuse, N.Y., Dec. 26.—James E. Dolan, of Syracuse, president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, has signed final papers whereby the order throughout the world is brought under one governing board.

The ratification of the agreement for the amalgamation of the societies in the United States, Canada, Australia and Ireland comes in the nature of a Christmas greeting from the president of the organization to his brothers in the far-away countries and those at home.

NOTED LIFE SAVER DEAD.

Capt. Andrews, of Toronto, During His Life Saved Sixty Persons From Drowning.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Captain Andrews, well known as the "blind life-saver," died at the hospital last night of paralysis, after a few days' illness.

Captain Andrews, during his active life, was instrumental in saving sixty persons from drowning, mostly in Toronto Bay. For this he received medals from societies in all parts of the world. He has been blind for a number of years past.

CRUISER AFTER MUTINEERS.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 26.—According to advices from Honolulu, the British cruiser Shearwater, which has left there for Pitcairn and other South Sea Islands, will make a search for the mutineers who left the ship Leicester Castle, after shooting the captain and killing Second Mate Dixon.

The mutiny occurred 300 miles from Pitcairn, and it was believed the mutineers might reach that island if they did not perish at sea.

THE MOROCCO PRETENDER HAS FORMIDABLE FORCE.

London, Dec. 26.—The correspondent of the Times at Fez, Morocco, describes the situation there as very serious owing to a large increase of the pretender's followers, whom the Government troops are too weak to attack. Reinforcements amounting to 12,000 men, he says, will leave Fez to-morrow, and an additional force of cavalry has been called out.

Many tribes not already in rebellion are wavering, and are ready to join the rebels in the event of a serious Government defeat. The pretender professes not to claim the throne for himself, but to desire to overthrow the Sultan on account of his European tendencies, and if successful the rebels are to nominate a new Sultan who would promise to continue the war against the Christians.

$10,000 CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

Henry Phipps, of Carnegie Steel Co., Remembers New Jersey Educational Alliance.

Lakewood, N.J., December 26.—Henry Phipps, of the Carnegie Steel Company, who is now travelling in India, sent to Isidor Strauss $10,000 as a Christmas present to the Educational Alliance.

MORE WIRELESS MESSAGES.

Marconi Wafts Them From Glace Bay to Poldhu in His Native Language.

London, Dec. 26. — The newspapers this morning published further wireless messages received at Poldhu from the Marconi station at Glace Bay, N.S. It is stated that several messages transmitted in Italian were accurately received, although the operators at Poldhu are ignorant of that language.

IN MEMORY OF HIS DAUGHTER

Wm. Waldorf Astor Gives $250,000 to Build Outpatient Department to Hospital.

London, Dec. 26.—Wm. Waldorf Astor has given $250,000 to build a new out patient department for the hospital for sick children in Great Ormond Street. It will be dedicated to the memory of his daughter, Gwendoline, who died recently.

PAN-MACEDONIAN REVOLT?

London, Dec. 26.—The Vienna correspondent of the Times says the Evening Journal publishes an interview with Borie Sarafof (the Macedonian leader), in which "that ebullient agitator talks magniloquently of an impending Pan Macedonian revolution," which, he says, will give Turkey, Bulgaria, Russia and other powers "much thread to spin."

Sarafof's language, however, remarks the correspondent, bears a strong resemblance to that of the loud-voiced demagogues who drove Greece to war with Turkey six years ago.

TORONTO FIREMAN INJURED.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—During a fire last night, which did $1,000 damage to the dairy establishment of Price & Son, King Street east, David Ferguson, a fireman, fell off a ladder apparently injuring his spine. He was taken to the hospital in a paralyzed condition. Ferguson is a young man with a wife and child, and had but recently joined the force. There were a dozen horses in the building, but they escaped without injury. The insurance is in the Equity.

HEAVY SNOW IN TURKEY.

Constantinople, December 26.—A violent snowstorm has been raging here for more than forty-eight hours. Communication by land and sea was interrupted, and the telegraph wires are down. The weather is intensely cold.

There have been heavy falls of snow in all the European provinces of Turkey.

NEWSPAPER OFFICE BURNS.

Woodstock, Ont., December 26.—The Times newspaper office was badly gutted by fire Tuesday night. The fire probably started from a defective furnace. The Times was recently absorbed by the Express, barring stock and machinery. These were still in the building, and were badly damaged. The loss will be several thousand dollars, partially insured.

WELL KNOWN SHOWMAN DEAD.

New York, December 26.—Nate Saulsbury, controlling partner in the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show, died Wednesday at his home in Long Branch, aged 57 years, from stomach trouble.

FORCE SENT AGAINST MULLAH.

Rome, Dec. 26.—Italian warships will assist the disembarkation in Italian Somaliland of the British troops who are to operate against the Mad Mullah.

WON BIG PRIZE; GAVE IT AWAY.

Madrid, Dec. 26.—John Oliver, a prosperous English iron master here, won the first prize of 5,000,000 pesetas in the state lottery. He distributed the money among his employes.

WIFE MURDERER GETS LIFE.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 26.—Bernard Weithass, who killed his wife in the Highland Hotel here, on April 15, pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree in the Superior Court, and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

MORE ATROCITIES IN PHILIPPINES

Manila, Dec. 26.—Several official inquiries into charges of alleged cruelty to natives by soldiers are at present progressing throughout the Philippine Islands. Some of these cases have been investigated previously.

After leaving Manila General Miles sent a cablegram to General J. Franklin Bell, directing him to report what cases of misconduct on the part of the enemy had led him to issue circular No. 5, in which it was charged that the enemy had bolted American wounded, had made use of American uniforms and planted infernal machines, shot poisoned arrows, violated their paroles, assassinated friendly natives, accepted office under the Americans for the purpose of obtaining information and had entered the American lines by deceit.

General Bell has written an extended report enumerating instances which he claims justified him in his action.

THE "WATER CURE."

The inquiry into the causes which led to the death of Father Augustin has been completed and forwarded to Washington. The water cure was administered to Father Augustin at Banate, Panay Island, and a priest died from the effects of this treatment.

It is alleged that a large sum of money has been raised among the natives of the southern islands and sent to Boston, Mass., to aid in the private prosecution of the Augustin case. The claim has been made that the money was intended for use against Major Edwin Glenn, of the Fifth Infantry, who is charged with unlawfully and wilfully killing seven prisoners of war, and whose trial will be continued here in January. Major Glenn, however, was in no way connected with the Augustin case.

The allegation was made by the anti-imperialistic committee at the Lake George conference that Father Augustin was killed by the water cure in the Philippines. The War Department had the matter investigated, with the result that the main fact—that the man died as a result of the cure—was confirmed.

BELFAST SHIPBUILDING SHOWS A BIG INCREASE

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

London, Dec. 26.—The Belfast shipbuilding returns for 1902 constitute remarkable records. The two great firms of Harland & Wolff and Workman, Clark & Company have carried all before them and left the highest outputs of both Scotch and English firms about ten thousand tons in the rear.

Harland & Wolff's yards turned out six huge liners, with an aggregate of 79,497 tons, and Workman, Clark & Company twelve vessels of 73,933 tons.

Adding a small steamer of 130 tons built by MacColl & Company, Belfast has been responsible for nineteen vessels, with an aggregate of 153,560 tons, an increase of 7,533 tons compared with last year.

TO GO UNDER THE HAMMER.

Six English Country Estates to be Sold By Auction as Result of Bank's Failure.

London, Dec. 26.—In consequence of the failure of the banking firm of J. & J. W. Pease, of Darlington, whose liabilities are estimated at £500,000, six country estates will be sold at auction in February. The principal of these is the Huttonhall estate of Sir Joseph Pease in Yorkshire, which comprises a handsome gothic mansion and the whole village of Hutton. Another is Nauthorpe Hall, also in Yorkshire, belonging to Mr. Joseph Albert Pease. This estate contains an old Jacobean mansion.

The six estates comprise an aggregate of about 3,000 acres of land.

ANARCHISTS FROM THE U. S.

Five Alleged Reds Will Be Deported From Genoa, Where They Have Arrived.

London, Dec. 26.—A despatch to the Standard from Rome says that several anarchists who were expelled from the United States have arrived at Genoa. They were placed under police surveillance and will be sent to America.

DEATH OF JAMES LEEMING.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 26.—James Leeming, of New York, general freight agent of the Erie division of the Erie Railway, died here yesterday. He was operated on for appendicitis on Wednesday.

Mr. Leeming was a man of national reputation in railroad circles. He was born in Brantford, Ont., in 1857.

BECLOUDED BY SOCIAL EVENTS.

Pope Speaks of Past Year and of the Christian Democratic Movement.

Rome, December 26.—The Pope, in receiving the New Year's wishes of the cardinals, said he rejoiced that the jubilee year had evoked countless manifestations of affection from the Catholic world, but social events beclouded the year and deeply grieved him. He added that he had sanctioned and given impetus to the Christian democratic movement because it accorded with the needs of the age, and already this work was being pursued with ardent zeal, with striking results in many parts of the world.

Outside of Christian democracy seditious movements, such as Social Democracy, were coming to the front. Bitter days were in store for secularized states, which nursed such movements. A popular Christian movement, by disputing ground with Social Democracy, circumscribing its pernicious influences, would render appreciable service to secular life.

CABLE COMPANY WANT ISLAND.

All Red Line People Want to Buy Half of Fanning Island, Where Cable Touches.

Honolulu, H.I., December 26.—The British Cable Company, owning the All-Red line from Vancouver to Australia to Fanning Island, has made an offer to James and Henry Bicknell, of Honolulu, to purchase their half interest in the island. The company has a cable landing there now and is understood to be seeking to purchase the island.

"King" Greig owns the other half interest. James Bicknell leaves for San Francisco on the Zealandia and may close a bargain with the British Company after he arrives.

$1,000,000,000 GAS TRUST IS SAID TO BE FORMING.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—The Daily News says capital to the amount of nearly a billion dollars is reported to be represented in the formation of a gigantic gas trust which will include the different companies in nearly all the principal cities of Europe, and the large interests of London.

John D. Rockefeller is credited with being a prospective stockholder to the amount of $300,300,000. Other New York capitalists said to be interested are Anthony Brady, D. O. Mills, R. R. Flower and C. K. G. Billings.

It is said Mr. Brady will leave within ten days for Paris to perfect the deal.

TORONTO BROKERS CELEBRATE.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—The holiday season was marked by Toronto stock brokers Wednesday by holding the usual festive gathering on the floor of the stock exchange, instead of the usual business. The committee in charge had arranged an unusually entertaining programme. Two Christmas trees were provided, one of which, known as the joke tree, provided amusement by furnishing presents which were suitable to idiosyncracies of men, while the other were valuable presents purchased by the fund, amounting to over $200. These latter were distributed by means of drawing. The gathering ended with a luncheon.

THE PACIFIC CABLE ROUTE.

Honolulu, Dec. 18.—Via San Francisco, Dec. 26.—S. S. Dickinston, the special agent of the Commercial Cable Company, has returned from Manila, where he has chosen cable landing sites at Midway Island, Guam and Manila. He also surveyed a route around Nero de Erhol, and the bed between Guam and Midway, which was discovered by the United States survey ship Nero and reported to be the deepest bit of ocean in the world. In surveying around the deep Mr. Dickinston says that he sounded to a depth of 4,500 fathoms, and the route chosen went around it, it being deemed impracticable to lay a cable over it.

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CANADIANS MADE IT VERY CLOSE

They Seem to be Improving Every Match and Should Win Soon.

Edinburgh, December 25.—The Academical football fifteen to-day beat the Canadian team by one goal to one try. The game was restricted to two periods of 25 minutes in consequence of a half gale and heavy rain. Tait missed the Canadians' try.

The next match of the All-Canada team is to-morrow, December 27th, against Edinburgh Wanderers.

Athletics.

WEIGHT WAS LIGHT,

And So the Records of Flanagan, Sheridan and Mitchell Are Cancelled.

New York, December 24.—James E. Sullivan, chairman of the A.A.U. Record Committee, to-day announced that a 56-pound weight, which had been used at various athletic meetings and with which three world's records were supposed to have been created, was weighed this morning and were found to be under weight and under size. Using the weight John Flanagan on October 20, 1901, was credited with a world's record of 35 feet 9 1-2 inches. With the same weight on October 26, 1902, Richard Sheridan, of the Pastime A.C. was credited with a new American record of 36 feet 4 1-2 inches. Both record and follow throws were accepted by the A.A.U.

At the Star A.C. games at Long Island City, November 1, Albert Jarvis Mitchell threw the same weight 30 feet 2 inches from a stand, without follow. This also would have been a record if accepted by the A.A.U. The matter was referred to the attention of the Record Committee, and an investigation will be made of all other weight-throwing records made with this weight. The test showed that the weight was one and a half ounces light, and the triangular handle measured from one half to two and a half inches too much.

Flanagan Denies It.

New York, December 25.—Referring to the statement of Jas. Sullivan of the A.A.U. that a short-weight 56-pound hammer had been used by some athletes in breaking world's records, John Flanagan, the champion, denied to-day that he had used the faulty missile when he made his world's record October 20, 1901. He said that the 56-pound weight which he used at that time belonged to the Greater New York Irish Athletic Association, and was measured and weighed by field judge A. J. Hurberg, of the Pastime Athletic Club, and official handicapper J. O'Brien on the day the record was made. O'Brien, according to Flanagan's statement brought the missile to Secretary Sullivan's office and had the measurements verified, and Flanagan's throw was duly accepted and passed upon as a record at the last annual meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union officials.

The Greater New York Club loaned the hammer and it was mislaid, and the one found short by Sullivan is one that was made to replace it.

Xmas Road Race.

Hamilton, Ont., December 25.—The Christmas Day road race to Dundas and return was run this afternoon from the Hamilton Herald office and had sixteen starters. The weather was clear and cold.

Nash, of Hamilton, the favorite, won all the way in 57 minutes, 3 seconds, with Lawry, of Dundas, second, in 58 minutes 40 seconds, and Anderson, of Hamilton, third, in 59 minutes and 11 seconds. The others to finish were: Patterson, Clark, Bennett, Sherring, E. Henderson, and M. Henderson, in the order named. Nash, the winner, finished strong.

A gold watch was first prize and a clock for second. The prizes were donated by local merchants.

M'CHESNEY TOOK XMAS HANDICAP

Half a Length Ahead of Old Hutch—Wealth Was the Only Other Favorite.

New Orleans, La., December 25.—Wealth and McChesney were the winning favorites to-day.

Scotch Plaid was run up $300 after he won the second race, and was brought in.

The Christmas Handicap, worth $1,635 to the winner, went to McChesney. He was ridden by Redfern, and won in a drive by half a length from Old Hutch. McChesney was caught in a jam at the first turn, and Redfern had to pull up to keep from going down. In the run home McChesney came from seventh place.

Weather clear and track fast. Summary:

FIRST RACE, 6 furlongs—Wealth, 11 to 20; Fine Holly, 3 to 1; Epidemic, 5 to 1. Time, 1.14.

SECOND RACE, 1 mile; selling—Scotch Plaid, 3 to 1; Andes, 4 to 5; O.Hagen, 6 to 1. Time, 1.42 1-5.

THIRD RACE, handicap; 7 furlongs—John Peters, 4 to 1; W. J. Deboe, 13 to 5; Antonio, 6 to 1. Time, 1.28 1-5.

FOURTH RACE, Christmas Handicap; 1 mile—McChesney, 5 to 2; Old Hutch, 6 to 1; Felicial, 10 to 1. Time, 1.41 1-5.

FIFTH RACE, 5 furlongs—Imp. L'Etoile, 3 to 1; Ben Mora, 25 to 1; Agnes Mack, 30 to 1. Time, 1.01.

SIXTH RACE, selling; 1 1-4 miles—Cogswell, 2 to 1; Adeante, 9 to 5; Ginster, 20 to 1. Time, 2.10.

$35,000 a Year for O'Connor.

New York, December 25.—Jockey W. S. O'Connor has at last closed his expected contract to ride in France next year, the deal being arranged through August Belmont. He is for three years with the Paterson turfmen. Baron Rothschild and M. De Bruyn. The former, who is to have control on the jockey's services, has agreed to pay O'Connor $75,000 for the three years, while the latter gentleman, for second call, is to pay the latter $30,000 for the same period.

A Fortune on One Bet.

New Orleans, December 23.—New York sporting men won more than $50,000 on the victory of Athlana, winner of the second race here to-day. "Honest John" Kelly, representing "Tim" Sullivan and Emile Heiz, took about $25,000 out of the local ring and pool rooms. It was one of the best planned coups of the meeting, and Hayman and McKeever, betting commissioners, who placed the money, got most of it on at 10 to 1. It was said at the track that "Dave" Gideon and his friends in New York were the heaviest winners by Athlana's victory.

Wednesday's Results.

New Orleans, La., December 24.—Weather clear, track fast. Summary:—

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Hiram Johnson, 7 to 1; Major Tenny, even; Le Moyne, 10 to 1. Time, 1.28 3-5.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Athlene, 10 to 1; Agnes Mac, 9 to 1; Harry, 11 to 5. Time, 1.02.

Third race, selling, 6 1-2 furlongs—Boundlee, 20 to 1; Sister Kate H., 60 to 1; The Bronze Demon, 6 to 1. Time, 1.21 1-5.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Elsie L., 6 to 5; Little Scout, 5 to 2; Artena, 15 to 1. Time, 1.41 2-5.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Sarilla, even; Mosketo, 7 to 2; Marcos, 7 to 1. Time, 1.50.

Sixth race, selling, 6 1-2 furlongs—Bummer, 3 to 1; Ed. L., 10 to 1; Flaneur, 20 to 1. Time, 1.21 4-5.

Skating.

Skating at Arena To-night.

As usual on Friday nights the Arena will be open to the public for skating to-night, when the Prince of Wales Fusiliers band will be in attendance. The ice is in first class shape and there will no doubt be a large crowd present

CUP MATCHES AT END OF JANUARY

The Matter is Practically Settled and Montreal Wants January 31 For One Day.

The Stanley Cup matter is settled.

Montreal and Winnipeg Victorias will play during the league season.

Montreal's appeal to the trustees to write to the league made it seem likely that the season would be broken into. But now it is certain.

When the vote was taken at the annual meeting the clubs were unanimous against breaking into the season. But Mr. F. M. McRoole, for the Victorias, and Mr. A. D. Scott, for Quebec, said that they would consent to Montreal playing during the season rather than that the cup should leave here by default.

Had the matter come before the league up to a week ago, the vote would have been Ottawa and Shamrock upholding the league's ruling, and Victoria and Quebec against, leaving the whole decision in the hands of Mr. C. C. Chitty, as Montreal's representative.

But all that is changed. The action of the Vics and Quebec at the meeting was the thin end of the wedge, and Mr. P. D. Ross took advantage of it. He took off his coat and hit the wedge a couple of blows that sent it in deeper. He issued an ultimatum. Montreal wavered and then decided to favor playing in the season. Ottawa, according to a despatch, has come over too, and now there is a majority in favor of breaking up the present schedule and playing the Winnipeg Victorias. That settles the whole matter.

ONLY THING IS DATES.

There is only one thing left now, and that is that trouble may arise over the dates. The only open Saturday that Montreal has is January 10, and that is too early. Montreal wants the matches in February, and this means the rearrangement of the schedule. One club will have to consent to give up its date.

MR. CHITTY SPEAKS OF SOME DATES

President C. C. Chitty, of the Montreal Club, was seen this morning, and said that he went to Ottawa Wednesday afternoon and had a long talk with Trustee Ross. He explained that the Montreal Club would not play the Stanley Cup matches in the middle of the C.A.H.L. season, without the consent of the league, and it did not feel disposed to ask the league to call a meeting to consider the question. The trustees could do so if they wished, but Montreal would not do so.

Mr. Chitty is writing Mr. Ross to-day to that effect, so as to have everything in black and white.

SUGGESTS JANUARY 31.

Mr. Chitty was asked about the dates. He said that the club had not decided on them as yet. He thought, however, that January 31 would be a good time. There was a Quebec match on that day, but he thought that could be arranged satisfactorily to both parties.

MR. TRIHEY AND LEAGUE MEETING

President Trihey, of the C.A.H.L., was asked to-day what he would do in case he received a letter from the trustees asking for a reconsideration by the league. He said :—

"I will forward the letter to the Montreal Club, and notify both the trustees and the club that I cannot call a meeting at the request of the trustees unless the Montreal Club wrote and asked the league to reopen the whole matter."

"Would you call a meeting if another club asked for reconsideration?"

"I would consider the request. That is a ticklish question and not one to be decided off-hand. I think, however, that the usual custom of having more than one club request the meeting should be followed, except, of course, in the case of the Montreal Club. If they apply I'll call a meeting immediately."

CENTRAL INTERMEDIATES.

The Montreal Clubs Drew Up Their Schedule—Closes Feb. 14.

At a meeting of the clubs in the Central Intermediate series the following schedule was drawn up, all matches being played in the Arena :—

January 3, 2.30—Montreal vs. Victoria.

January 3, 4—Westmount vs. Shamrock.

January 10, 2.30—Shamrock vs. Victoria.

January 10, 4—Montreal vs. Westmount.

January 17, 2.30—Montreal vs. Shamrock.

January 17, 4—Westmount vs. Victoria.

January 24, 2.30—Shamrock vs. Westmount.

January 24, 4—Victoria vs. Montreal.

January 31, 2.30—Westmount vs. Montreal.

January 31, 4—Victoria vs. Shamrock.

February 14, 2.30—Victoria vs. Westmount.

February 14, 4—Shamrock vs. Montreal.

Quebec Is Out.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Quebec, December 26.—The story in a Montreal evening paper regarding the possible exclusion of Quebec from the senior hockey league caused a great deal of indignation, and the blame is laid on a certain section of the league that desires to professionalize hockey. If Quebec had opposed the entry of other clubs to the league, it has been because five clubs provide more than sufficient games to occupy the ten weeks' season. The discontented element desires to play every day if necessary, but that is impossible unless the players were professionals, and Quebec will always oppose bitterly anything that would tend to take hockey out of pure amateurism.

Keep cool. It was only a pipe dream.

Vics' Team Not Picked Yet.

The committee of the Victoria Hockey Club so far have not picked the seven men who will line up against the St. Nicholas team at the Arena on Saturday night, but with such men as Bowie, Molson, Lockerby, Stuart, Allen, Russell, W. Strachan, Ewing, B. Strachan and Massey to choose from, there should be no difficulty in putting a team on the ice that will be good enough to demonstrate to the Americans that all of Canada's good ones have not been spirited away to the city of smoke and good positions.

Montreal Boys Won.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Crescent A. C. hockey team and the champions of New Jersey, the Short Hills, met in the Clermont Avenue Rink, Brooklyn, and the latter were signally defeated by 6 goals to 1.

The line up:—

Crescent A.C. (6)	Positon.	Short Hills (1)
McKenzie	Goal	Harrington
Sheriff	Point	G. W. Campbell
Wall	Cover-point	Grier Campbell
Shiebler	Forward	E. P. Larned
Kennedy	"	Palmer
Liffiton	"	Gwynne
Dobbs	"	D. Campbell

Goals—Wall, 2; Shiebler, Dobby, Liffiton, D. Campbell, Kennery. Final score—Crescent A.C., 6; Short Hills, 1. Referee, Howard Drakeby, Crescent A.C. Goal umpires—Ray Little, Princeton, and Everett Hare, Crescent A.C. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

The First O.H.A. Schedule.

Group No. 5 of the Ontario Hockey Association was the first to convene and make the schedule for the playing season. Mr. W. H. S. Cane, of Newmarket, was the convener and the meeting was held at the Walker House last night. The schedule is:—

Jan. 5—St. George's at Wellesleys.
Jan. 9—Wellesleys at Newmarket.
Jan. 15—Newmarket at St. George's.
Jan. 19—Wellesleys at St. George's.
Jan. 23—St. George's at Newmarket.
Jan. 29—Newmarket at Wellesleys.

Winners play off with Owen Sound, who drew a bye.

The referees are:—St. George's, H. F. Birmingham, J. R. Hynes; Newmarket, Hugh Rose, T. F. Doyle; Wellesleys, W. H. Dixon, W. A. Hewitt.

Montrealers at Cornwall.

Cornwall, Ont., December 25. — The Cornwall Hockey Club opened the season here to-night, when they played an exhibition game with a team of Montrealers, which consisted of three ex-Cornwallites and four members of the Montrealers. The result was a drawn game, each team scoring two goals. The game was not up to championship form on either side, but gave abundant amusement to 2,000 spectators. The teams were:—

Cornwall.	Position.	Montrealers.
R. C. Warwick	Goal	J. Airey
H. Smith	Point	E. Larose
C. Stiles	C. point	F. Phillips
H. Stiles	Forward	J. Marshal
McMillan	"	F. Strike
A. Allan	"	R. Lapointe
W. Eastwood	"	C. Liffiton

Referee—C. A. Roach, Port Hope.

Game.			Time.
1	Cornwall	Eastwood	7 m.
2	Montreal	Lapointe	8 m.
3	Cornwall	Allan	20 m.
4	Montreal	Marshall	20 m.

O.H.A. Schedule No. 1.

Iroquois, Ont., December 24.—At a meeting held in the Strathcona Hotel, Brockville, to-day, the following schedule was adopted for group No. 1, O.H.A., intermediate series :—

Jan. 5—Morrisburg vs. Iroquois.
Jan. 5—K.B.C. Ramblers vs. Prescott
Jan. 9—Iroquois vs. Ramblers.
Jan. 9—Prescott vs. Morrisburg.
Jan. 14—Ramblers vs. Iroquois.
Jan. 14—Morrisburg vs. Prescott.
Jan. 17—Ramblers vs. Morrisburg.
Jan. 19—Prescott vs. Iroquois.
Jan. 23—Iroquois vs. Morrisburg.
Jan. 26—Prescott vs. Ramblers.
Jan. 30—Iroquois vs. Prescott.
Jan. 30—Morrisburg vs. Ramblers.

Games on ice of first-named club.

The following referees were appointed :—Morrisburg, F. Chalmers, A. Flinn; Iroquois, C. D. Shannon, A. M. Fink; Prescott, J. C. Carruthers, F. W. Elliott; Ramblers, J. J. Harty, E. S. Elliott.

Caught in the Goal Nets.

The first hockey match of the Winnipeg season was played Wednesday night on good ice, between the Garrys and Rowing Club teams, of the intermediate series of the new Western Canada Hockey Association. The Rowing Club won, 5 to 3.

The Ottawa Aberdeens and Perth have asked for games with Varsity on their eastern tour.

McKay, who slipped away to Pittsburg so quietly last week from the Capital City, played his first game with the Victorias on Saturday. With him he had five other Ottawa boys playing.

If a Pittsburg player happens to be ruled off during a game he is fined $2 by the manager and $5 for the second offence during the same match. Any absence from practice is penalized in a like manner, and should any player show any signs of dissipation he is "docked" accordingly.

Waterloo and Berlin played a 4-all game yesterday. Waterloo accuses Berlin supporters of holding a man to the fence just as he was going to shoot.

Arthur Moore is out in an Ottawa uniform.

At Wednesday's practice in Ottawa the senior candidates out were Bouse, Hutton, Charlie Spittal, Sudie, Billy and Dave Gilmour, the two Chambers brothers, Dr. Merrill, formerly of Queen's, Jack Fraser, Steele and McLaughlin. Alf. Smith assisted in the coaching.

"Pick" Lillie, the well-known lacrosse and hockey player, is recovering from a very severe attack of typhoid fever.

The Pittsburg Despatch says that Jack Sheppard, one of the P.A.C. new acquisitions, played goal in nearly all the Stanley Cup matches for Winnipeg Victorias. Never heard of him all the same.

Curling.

Skip Flavelle For Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, December 24.—Acting Secretary Robertson, of the Manitoba branch, has received a letter from J. D. Flavelle, of Lindsay, Ontario, in which he states that he has definitely made up his mind to again visit the Winnipeg bonspiel, opening February 5. The fact of the Scottish curlers participating in the spiel has induced him to be present. He further states that if railway rates can be arranged from the East, rinks from Galt, Oshawa, Peterboro and possibly Toronto and Hamilton may attend.

Lanark County Officers.

Perth, December 24.—The annual meeting of the Lanark County Curling League took place here, and the following officers were elected for the year 1903 :—President, W. H. Grant, Perth; vice-president, G. H. Finlay, Carleton Place; second vice-president, R. L. McDonald, Almonte; secretary-treasurer, R. W. Robertson, Lanark. Almonte made application to the league and was accepted.

Distinguished List of Officers.

Not many amateur organizations can show such a distinguished list of officers as the following, who were elected at the annual meeting of the English Professional Golfers' Association :—President, the Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P.; vice-presidents, the Grand Duke of Michael of Russia, the Duke of Fife, the Marquis of Granby, Earl Howe, Lord Butterssa, Lord Avebury, Lord Walter Gordon-Lennox, Lord Geo. Hamilton, M.P., the Right. Hon. W. C. Gully, M.P., the Right Hon. H. J. Gladstone, M.P., Sir Robert Finlay, M.P., and Mr. Eric Hambro, M.P.; trustees to the benevolent fund, the Earl of Dudley, Mr. H. J. Gladstone, M.P., and Mr. Eric Hambro, M.P.; Captain Alexander Herd (open champion); hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. C. E. Melville.

Buckingham Reorganized.

Buckingham, December 24.—At a meeting of enthusiasts it was decided to reorganize and the following officers were elected :—Patron, Alexander MacLaren; patroness, Mrs. Alexander MacLaren; president, C. W. Pearson; vice-president, J. F. Higginson; secretary-treasurer, W. A. McCallum; chaplain, T. L. Bonsall.

The English bookmaker, R. H. Fry, whose death is announced by cable, was said to be worth a million pounds sterling at one time in his life, all made out of "laying the odds." One who knew him well, however, declares that, like so many others of his profession in England, forty per cent. of his yearly winnings were bad debts, never paid. "If he had all that was coming to him," said this man, "he might have died worth a million. As it is, I doubt if he had £100,000 when he died."

The Dominion Messenger Pigeon Association has held its annual meeting. The balance is $50. The new officers are :—President, Wm. Harris, re-elected; vice-president, Wm. Gould, re-elected; secretary, Chas. F. Kinsey; treasurer, A. Magee.

DAN M'LEOD WON FROM JENKINS

But the Big Fellow Had to Quit on Account of Injury to His Leg.

Worcester, Mass., December 25.— Dan McLeod won the championship of America at catch-as-catch-can wrestling and $1,500 end of a $2,000 purse in Mechanics Hall before 1,100 people this afternoon by getting the better of Tom Jenkins.

Jenkins had a bad leg, caused by blood poisoning, and the pain caused by the points of a brass buckle entering the flesh of the leg made him quit in the third bout. In order to protect the injured part Jenkins had a leather bandage with a steel strip down the front of the shin, fastened with brass buckles. Two of these were broken in the early part of the match, and the brass points dug into this flesh until the pain was unbearable and he was afraid of further blood poisoning.

He had wrestled 29 minutes in the third bout when he told McLeod the condition he was in and said he was willing to quit and call the match a draw or go on wrestling. McLeod insisted on continuing, but Jenkins' manager refused to let the big fellow go on and forfeited the match. Jenkins won the first fall by a three-quarters Nelson in 59 minutes, and McLeod got the second in 24 minutes on a crotch and half-Nelson hold. The match was fast from the start, McLeod being on the aggressive almost all the time.

Sullivan and Corbett As Waiters.

Toledo, Ohio, December 23.—At the Salvation Army dinner to the poor of Toledo to-morrow, James J. Corbett, John L. Sullivan, Mayor Jones and the Rev. E. D. Kelsey will address the assembled diners.

Sullivan and Corbett who are appearing at rival theatres this week, both volunteered to act as waiters at the dinner, but the army suggested that they make a speech. When they learned that Mayor Jones and the Rev. Mr. Kelsey would speak they accepted the invitation.

Sharkey Issues a Defi.

New York, December 25.—Tom Sharkey intends to shy his castor into the ring once more. Becoming nettled at the reported statements of Jeffries and Fitzsimmons that Jack Munroe, the miner, can defeat him, the former sailor issues a challenge to fight either Jeffries or Munroe, for a side bet of from $1,000 to $5,000.

Yachting

THE NEW DEFENDER.

Bristol, R.I., Dec. 23.—In the absence of knowledge of the full particulars of the lines of the cup yacht at the Herreshoff shops, there are sufficient facts known to indicate that Nat Herreshoff has no fears of defeat from the challenger on the stocks at Dumbarton. He is confident that he has designed a boat that will be selected for the purpose of defending the America's Cup next August.

As has been stated, the lines of the new craft are centred to a medium between the Constitution and the Columbia, with a nearer approach to the Constitution than the older craft. From particulars just learned, the new boat has a floor equally as flat as the Constitution, only in the adoption of a bigger beam for the craft, and consequently more area below the bilges, the flat floor will be more defined. As to the form on the topsides, the lines on the reriving board show a slight inclination to tumble home. It is understood the slight narrowing in of the craft from the water line up to the rail will furnish a more staunch ship than if they were perfectly straight, and that the plan is in line with the carrying out of the longer keel and greater length over all.

For weeks past the mechanics have been fitting the keel for the taking of the frames. Recently the principal operations on the lead were carried on in the matter of sheathing it with plating of Tobin bronze, and to-day the job is one that can be pronounced a record in mechanical skill, so true have the plates been secured on both sides with many hundreds of screws. They are fitted very close, in the system followed of butting the edges.

The keel is now practically covered with bronze to protect the lead from mars or dents when the craft is afloat, for in the work expected of the new racer there must be no marks or dents to endanger the speed of the yacht. The work of fitting the stem and stern post is not completed yet.

A Great Ice Yacht.

Toledo, Ohio, December 24.—A boat building company of this city has commenced the construction of what will be one of the largest ice yachts in the world. It is building for D. C. Ohn, of Kalamazoo, Mich., who will enter it for the world's championship record in the regatta to be held at Gull Lake, Mich., January 20 to 25. The dimensions are 20 feet track of runners; back bone, 34 feet; mast, 30 feet; canvas, 800 square feet; total weight, one ton. The principal competitor at the Gull Lake regatta will be the Jack Frost, of Hudson Bay fleet, now the champion of the world.

Miscellaneous

To Make Stumps Wider.

London, December 24.—The two recommendations made by the county captains at their meeting at Lord's have been freely discussed in cricket circles, and the verdict generally is undoubtedly a favorable one.

The suggestion that only three test matches between England and Australia shall be played, each to last a week if necessary, was received with a general chorus of approval, but the board of control declined to consider it and passed it on to next year's board.

With reference to the proposal to widen the stumps, opinions are divided. Bowlers are, of course, unanimous in its favor, but there is a strong party against it among the older and more conservative school of cricketers, who object to what they term any "tinkering" with the rules, and refuse to believe that any alteration can be in the nature of an improvement.

One of the objections which has been made to the width of the stumps being increased is that many more men will necessarily be given out leg-before-wicket, but the suggested enlargement is so slight that this need hardly be taken into serious consideration.

The opinion seems to be that the addition of half an inch on either side of the wicket will lead to bowlers endeavoring to hit the stumps more frequently, and that they will not then depend so much upon "off-theory."

Bowling Record.

James Baxter made a new three-string record for the season at the M.A.A.A. alleys on Wednesday evening. His score was 200, 223, 181—604. The best previously was 598, made by Arch. Forbes.

"Bill" Massey, the big first basemon of the Toronto Club, will be married on December 27 to Miss Mulhern, of 91 Macdonnell Avenue. Joe Massey, a brother of the popular ball player, who is expected from Philadelphia to-day, will be best man.

It takes three officials to run a basketball game, two to run a football game and one to conduct a prize fight. This is a painful reflection on the peacefulness and good order of basketball enthusiasts, says a St. Louis paper.

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Lacrosse

BRITISH TEAM COMING.

It Is Now Practically Decided That Canada Will See Them Here in 1904.

London, Dec. 25.—A strong team of lacrosse players drawn from England and Ireland will probably visit Canada in 1904. The project has been favorably received, and enquiry into the possible playing strength of such a team presents little difficulty will be experienced in raising a strong side. The trip may be made either in April or at the end of July, according to arrangements concluded in Canada for the championship league games there.

Game Booming in United States.

New York, December 24.—College lacrosse is likely to receive new impetus as the result of a proposed amalgamation of the Interuniversity and the Intercollegiate Lacrosse Associations. The former league has for its members Harvard, Cornell, Columbia and Pennsylvania, and the latter Johns Hopkins, Swarthmore, Lehigh, Hobart, Stevens and the College of the City of New York. According to the projected plan, there would be a unified league of ten teams, representing the leading factors in college lacrosse, instead of the separate organizations as at present.

Wheel

McLean Sues N. C. A.

Boston, December 24.—Alex. McLean, of Chelsea, has instituted a suit against the National Cycling Association for $10,000 damages. McLean was barred recently from cycle race tracks of Australia after his long journey to that country with his brother. The Australians barred him there because the N.C.A. had suspended him here.

His suspension came from his failure to pay about $1,500 in prize money to McFarland, Maya, Munroe, Freeman, Leander, Rutz, Gougoltz, King and others, winners of the Boston six-day race of 1901. He lost his interest in the Revere Beach track on account of it, and now sues for $10,000 damages.

Umpire "Silk" O'Loughlin has signed a three years' contract with the American League. O'Loughlin was asked to make his own terms by the other big league, and when he was in Toronto a short time ago he said that he would probably sign with the National.

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Gossip of The "Street"

Mining Stocks.

While the market price for stocks is dragging bottom and has been doing so for nearly the whole year, the mines in the West are showing most astonishing advances, as the following record up to December 14th will show:

	Week.	Year.
Le Roi	3,860	210,748
Le Roi, No. 2	....	52,670
Centre Star	2,010	34,881
War Eagle	1,320	19,256
Rossland G. W.	....	2,400
Giant	....	2,994
Cascade	....	300
Columbia-Kootenay	....	30
Bonanza	....	90
Velvet	60	1,280
Spitzee	....	20
White Bear	....	5
	7,290	324,750
		Tons.
Total shipments for 1901		279,133
Total shipments for 1902 to date		324,750
Increase to date		45,617

The following are the Boundary shipments for the past week and year to date:

	Week.	Year.
Granby Mines	8,598	286,198
Mother Lode	2,752	130,700
Snowshoe	1,200	17,983
B. C.	540	12,317
Sunset	275	10,590
Emma	510	8,173
Jewel	....	2,170
Winnipeg	....	785
Golden Crown	....	625
No. 7	....	482
Providence	....	65
	13,875	470,103

The Velvet Mine, of Rossland, is said to be shipping very high grade gold copper ore.

White Bear is being sunk to the 900 foot level.

Manager Kirby, of the Centre Star and War Eagle Mines, says: "A new concentrator will be built this winter to treat low-grade ores of the Rossland Camp."

Camp McKinney is beginning to boom. The old Cariboo is said to be looking better than ever. In working towards the west they have struck high-grade ore. It is reported that the clean-up for the month of November was exceedingly good.

The Waterloo Company, of Camp McKinney, have just sent out a report in which the secretary states that they have opened up a body of ore on the 150-foot level, from which picked samples ran into the thousands, but they averaged from twenty-one dollars up to ninety dollars in different parts of the vein. Work is being continued sinking a shaft to the two hundred and fifty foot level, and opening up sufficient ore to start the mill. The litigation has been settled in regard to the title. The company expect the Crown grant shortly.

It is said there is some talk of resuming operations again on the Fontenoy and the Sailor Consolidated.

Work is being rushed at Fairview on the big concentrating plant.

Republic Camp, Wash., is also being heard from in a very substantial manner. The San Poil has made several most satisfactory shipments to the Granby smelter. The Lone Pine, in the same camp, is stoping ore from the upper levels, and has been shipping some very fine ore. A shipment of one hundred tons was sent out last Thursday, and the mine is now maintaining a steady production of twenty tons a day. This is high-grade ore.

The Black Tail is also stoping and shipping.

The Morning Glory of the same camp has also made several shipments of very high-grade ore to the Granby smelter.

The California has made steady shipments, and is making arrangements now to ship to the Tacoma smelter.

It seems exceedingly strange that while the mines are doing so well at the present time that the stocks are down so low here.

\$ \$ \$

Canadian Securities.

The Canadian Gazette says of the London market for Canadian securities: "In Canadian securities the experience has been favorable, but the scope of business is exceedingly narrow. On the week Canadian Pacific shares are ½ down, at 123¾. although the return for the last nine days of November showed an increase of \$104,000, as compared with the corresponding period of 1901, which were then as much as \$267,000 ahead of those for 1900. The company's preference is 1 down. Grand Trunk securities have been remarkably steady the only movements being a fall of ¼ in the first preference stock to 107¾, and in the guaranteed to 102. The earnings of this company for the first week of December were £13,202 ahead of those for 1901. Calgary and Edmonton bonds are 2 up, at 92, and Atlantic and St. Lawrence shares are 1 better, at 161½. Hudson's Bay shares continue in good demand, for not only are the shares wanted by the public here, but buying orders are being received from Canada, and the price is now 36, or two points higher than when we last wrote. Canada North-West Land common have advanced 1, to 51, but Canada Company's shares are 2 lower, at 37. Bell's Asbestos 4 per cent. debentures are 1 up, at 107. In mines, Nimrod shares are ¼ up, at 4¾, and Le Roi shares are ⅛ better, at 11-4, but Le Roi No. 2 shares are a shade easier.

\$ \$ \$

South Africans.

London and Paris Exchange, Limited (Parker & Company), Toronto), cable today quotes:—Carry over prices as follows:

	£	s.	d.
Heidelbergs		10	7½
Salisbury Districts		17	6
Kaffir Consols	2	0	7½
Otto Kopje			7½
Poms		7	0
Bell's Transvaal		15	0
Oceanas	2	3	9
Hendersons	1	17	6
Transvaal Devel	1	17	6
Lanslaagte Star	1		
Robinson Rands	1	8	9
Bullocks	1	4	4½
Transvaal Exp		8	0
Nigel Doop	1	7	6
Witkopje		7	0
Klerksdorp Prop		11	3
Rose of Sharon		6	3
Kadurs		1	9
Salisbury Building	1	1	9
Nickerks		14	3

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AN INFANT STOWAWAY.

New York, Dec. 26.—A boy stowaway three years old arrived to-day on the Citta Di Milano from Naples, and was detained at Ellis Island.

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C.P.R. AND STEEL BOTH GO HIGHER

No Market Here, But Pacific Was Better in New York and Steel Was Stronger in Boston.

The bulls to-day got back some of the money they spent in Christmas presents.

There was no Montreal market, but most of the brokers came down town, and were feeling rather good at the turn affairs took in New York.

It is true the money market failed to show improvement, and the rate in New York ranged anywhere from 9 to 12 per cent.; but stocks generally were firm and on the active side.

\$ \$ \$

An improvement in Canadian Pacific was a notable feature of the market, and a despatch from J. S. Bache & Co. observed that it looked as if the small holdings in that stock had been pretty well liquidated. Opening higher around 130 1-2, it went to 131, then eased off half a point or so and recovered to 130 7-8 at one o'clock.

\$ \$ \$

Dominion Steel in Boston was bullish, and although not very active scored an advance. It started in at 58 3-4, went to 59, and at 12.45 was quoted at 59 bid and 60 asked. Montreal people did a good deal there over the wire.

\$ \$ \$

This was Boxing Day in London, and the market was closed.

\$ \$ \$

Canadian Pacific added largely to its holding of Soo preferred.

\$ \$ \$

Rothschilds invested \$10,000,000 in the Interborough Company.

\$ \$ \$

Canadian Pacific earnings from December 14th to December 21st were as follows:—

1902	\$818,000
1901	712,000
Increase	\$106,000

\$ \$ \$

Mr. C. D. Monk's messages said: Holiday in London to-day. Germany demands immediate payments of \$330,000, regardless of arbitration. January interest and dividend disbursements estimated aggregating 132 millions, which doubtless breaks all records; increase in dividends on bank and trust company stocks a feature; considerable increase in railway bonds interest payments. Anthracite shipments interrupted by floods and Christmas celebrations. Rock Island is on market for 5,000 cars. Westinghouse Company to get a two-million dollar contract for tramway. Market should open strong this morning, but with no great activity. Money rates may snow as high as last few days, but the protecting influences of the money pool should keep it within reasonable bounds. Continued large railway earnings will undoubtedly have a good effect on these stocks. Tractions, Coalers and leading Pacifics should improve.

\$ \$ \$

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg, third week December, increase \$5,072; from July 1, increase \$337,687.

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Boston, Calumet & Hecla has advanced 60 points in a week, and 70 points from lowest.

\$ \$ \$

Detroit United Railway, third week December, increase \$4,893; from January 1, increase \$421,927.

\$ \$ \$

Wisconsin Central shows strength; the preferred will go much higher; in all probability dividends cannot be far off.

\$ \$ \$

Sub-treasury gained \$612,000 from banks Wednesday, and since Friday gained \$74,000 from Banks. Money, 10 to 12 per cent. No loans yet.

\$ \$ \$

Market unusually strong. B.R.T., R.I., Mo.P., in fact the great bulk, look as if they would go higher.

\$ \$ \$

Hocking Valley November report, surplus December, \$39,656; five months surplus, increase \$1,700.

\$ \$ \$

Manhattan again hung up by snow. Rothschilds reported large buyers of trations for investment. Rumors of early resumption of Colorado Fuel deal. Northwest officials report more traffic than can handle. Financial situation in Canada improving, and liquidation of weak holders of Canadian Pacific considered finished. Probability of increase in Pressed Steel Car dividend at next declaration.

\$ \$ \$

Robert Meredith & Co. received the following over their private wire from Zimmermann & Forshay, New York: The market lacked animation and decidedly irregular prices were shown at the opening, averaging slightly higher than the close on Wednesday. There were advances of ½ in Sugar, People's Gas and Biscuit preferred. There was a loss of ½ in Gas and Amalgamated Copper. St. Paul ruled higher and made a further advance of over one per cent., but did not hold it. The tone generally became stronger after the early dealings, under the lead of Brooklyn Rapid Transit, which gained one per cent., maintaining without the slightest loss. Dealings in St. Paul were larger and the prices were strong. There was a good demand for Readings. Among the specialties, there was a loss of one per cent. in Soo preferred, and over one point in Wisconsin Central preferred. Rock Island developed moderate strength. Ponds were steady. The market lost a little further ground before noon, selling by traders being influenced by firmness of call money. Most stocks went fractionally below Wednesday's close and New York Central receded over a point from the top of the morning. Previous to the rise in money rates, renewals of stock loans were practically all at 8 per cent. There is unusual demand for Detroit Mack Land Grant bonds on expectation of an early call for tenders for a considerable proposition of the entire issue. There has been no improvement in the volume of trading. Exchange, 486.85. Sales to noon were 209,800 shares.

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

By private wire to Mr. C. D. Monk, from J. S. Bache & Co.:—

DESCRIPTION.	Dec. 24. Op.	Dec. 24. Cl.	Dec. 25. Op.	Dec. 25. Cl.
Amalgated Copps.	58	59⅛	60	59⅞
Am. Locom've com.	27	27½	28	28⅞
do do pref	....	94	95¼	95¼
Am. Sugar Rfg. Co.	126¾	128½	129	129½
do. do. pref	....	....	....	....
A Smelt'g & Ref Co.	40	39¾	....	41
Anaconda Mining Co	88	88	....	....
Atch., Top. & St. F.	82¾	82¾	82½	83¾
do. do. pref	98¾	98¾	....	99¾
Am. Car & Foundry.	....	....	....	34½
Baltimore and Ohio.	97¾	97¾	97¾	99½
do do pref	....	....	....	....
Brooklyn Rapid T.	65⅛	65⅝	69	68⅝
Chic & Alton Com.	32¾	32¾	32½	32¾
Canadian Pacific	129½	130½	130½	132
Canada Southern	....	71	....	....
Ches. & Ohio	46¾	46½	....	47⅝
Chic. Burl. & Quincy	....	....	....	....
Chicago & N Western	....	217	....	216½
Chicago, R. I. & Pac.	....	....	....	....
Chicago, Mil. & St. P.	175	176¼	176	178⅛
Colorado Southern	....	....	27¼	28
do do 1 pref.	....	....	....	....
Consolidated Gas, N.Y.	211	211	210½	212½
Colorado Fuel & Iron	....	80	80	80
Cleveland C.C. & St. L.	....	....	....	....
Dela. Lack & West.	....	....	....	....
Delaware & Hudson.	163	165	....	166½
Denver & Rio G. pref.	90¼	90	....	....
Duluth S. & Sh. & Atl.	....	....	....	....
do. do. pref.	24½	24½	25	....
Detroit United Ry.	....	....	....	....
Great Northern pfd.	191½	195½	196	199¼
General Electric	....	177	....	178
Jersey Central	....	....	....	....
Hocking Valley	....	....	....	....
Iowa Cen. com	....	....	....	....
Kansas & Texas com.	25½	25½	25⅞	26⅛
Kansas & Texas pfd.	....	55½	55½	56
Louisville & Nash	123¾	124	124	125¾
Man. Elevated	145¾	147	147	147
Missouri Pacific	105¾	106⅜	106	107½
Metropolitan Trac.	137	139	138½	139½
N.Y. Cen. & Hudson.	151½	151½	153½	152
Erie Railroad	34	34½	34¼	36½
do do. 1 pfd.	....	65¼	....	66⅞
do do. 11 pfd	43½	45½	....	46
N.Y. Ontario & West	29½	29	30¼	31
Norfolk & West com	70½	71	71	71¼
Northern Sec	....	110¾	....	....
Pacific Mail	....	....	....	39½
Penn. R. R	153⅞	154⅛	154⅝	156½
Pressed Steel Com.	59⅜	60⅝	60⅝	60⅝
do do pref	....	....	92¾	92¾
Peoples Gas	101¼	101¼	101¾	104
Phila & Reading	63½	64	64¼	65¼
do do 1 pref	86½	86½	....	....
do do 11 pfd	....	....	....	....
Pullman	....	....	....	200
Southern Ry. com.	31½	32⅜	....	33⅝
do do. pref	92	92	....	....
Southern Pacific.	62⅜	63⅝	63¾	64½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	56	56	57½	58
Texas Pacific	39⅜	39½	39¾	40½
Twin City	....	....	113½	115½
U. S. Leather com.	11¾	11¾	11¾	12⅝
do do pref	88	88	....	88⅞
U.S. Steel com	34½	34¾	35	35⅝
do do pref	81	81	81½	85
U.S. Rubber, com.	....	....	....	....
do do pref	....	....	....	....
Union Pacific, com	98¼	98¼	99	99⅞
do do pref.	93	93	93	93
Wabash	27½	27⅜	28¼	29
do pref.	41¾	42	....	42
Western Union Tel.	87¼	87¼	....	89
Wh'lng & Lake Erie	....	....	....	....
do pref	....	....	....	....
Wis Cen. com	....	26	26	26½
do pref	50¾	52	51¾	52½

MOVEMENT TO PRESERVE OLD INDIAN MELODIES

Mr. L. O. Armstrong, colonization agent of the Canadian Pacific, who will leave to-night for the purpose of completing the arrangements for the Canadian Pacific Company's display at the New York Sportsman's Show next month, announced to-day that an entirely new feature of great importance to the music-loving people of Canada and the United States is to be introduced for the first time at the exhibition.

This takes the form of old Indian songs, which have been arranged into what has been called the Hiawatha canata, by Mr. F. R. Burton, the novelist and composer, who wrote the late President McKinley's inaugural ode.

The Colonial Dames, an organization of ladies belonging to the old families in the Eastern States, have for some time past been greatly interesting themselves in this question of Indian music, more especially that of the Ojibways, and there is a very general desire amongst musical people both here and in the States to have the Indian airs preserved before they become extinct.

Mr. Burton went to Desbarats last summer and took down the notes of nine native Indian melodies and chants. These he has arranged in the form of a cantata, with very remarkable results. The ryhthm and tempo are of a novel character.

At the Sportsman's Show in New York Canadian Indians will for the first time sing these melodies in their own language, with accompaniment of flutes and rattles.

It is the intention to preserve these and other Indian melodies, some forty or fifty pieces, in a bound volume, with their peculiar rythmic scores.

Some of them are picturesque in a high degree, and they have often been spoken of in terms of admiration in the writings of the early explorers.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

By private wire to Mr. C. D. Monk, from J. S. Bache & Co.:

Dec. 26.	Opg.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, Dec.	75¼	75⅝	74¾	74¾
May	77⅛	77⅝-½	77	77¼
Corn, Dec.	47½	47½	45	45½
May	43¼	43½-⅝	43⅛	43⅜
Oats, Dec.	....	32¼	32	32⅛
May	33⅝	34⅛	33½-⅝	34
Pork, Jan.	16 70	17 25	16 70	17 02
May	16 50	16 50	16 30	16 47
Lard, Jan.	9 82	9 97	9 82	9 92
May	9 47	9 57	9 40-2	9 50-2
Ribs, Jan.	8 47	8 55	8 47	8 52
May	8 65	8 70-72	8 62	8 67

One of Washington's enterprising florists has come under the displeasure of the President through his commercial aggressiveness, says the Chicago News. This florist produced a new pink rose in his greenhouse, which, in honor of the President's daughter, he named the "Miss Alice Roosevelt."

The compliment was appreciated at the White House, and if the flower vender had left well enough alone everything would have been lovely. Unfortunately his desire to advertise his rose overcame his discretion. He ordered several new delivery waggons. They were painted white and on the sides in the most conspicuous manner possible appeared "Miss Alice Roosevelt." Under it in letters that could scarcely be read from the sidewalk was "Our Newest Pink Rose," and the name of the florist.

The matter was brought to the attention of the President and the florist was called to the White House. He was told in unmistakable terms that the President resented the liberties he was taking with his daughter's name. "Why," ejaculated the President in discussing the matter with one of his official family, "strangers in town might think that my daughter had opened up a millinery establishment, a bakeshop, or a laundry." The florist's waggons are now in the paint-shop.

WHEAT AND CORN STILL KEEP STEADY

May wheat opened in Chicago this morning at 77 1-8, and went to 77 1-8 to 77 1-4, where it was quoted at 12.30. July was 74 1-8.

May corn opened at 43 1-4, and held just about steady, fluctuating but little. May oats were 33 5-8. May pork, \$16.35.

\$ \$ \$

Stocks of wheat in store at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior points are estimated approximately at 12,296,000 bushels, compared with 11,665,000 a year ago; 4,777,000 bushels two years ago; 7,900,000 bushels three years ago, and 6,500,000 bushels four years ago.

REPORTS OF POOR WHEAT UNFOUNDED

A cable from Broomhall said:—"Regarding the unauthorized report attributed to us that Manitoba wheat was arriving in Liverpool in an unsatisfactory condition, Broomhall cables as follows:—'Complaints regarding the condition of Manitoba wheat are unfounded. There are some slight complaints from millers regarding the quality of the glutten, but this is expected to improve with age.'"

MANITOBA'S BIG WHEAT MOVEMENT

"We had last year in Manitoba a wheat crop of about 65,000,000 bushels," said President G. R. Crowe, of the Northern Elevator Company, of Winnipeg. "We have shipped out of Manitoba so far about 20,000,000 bushels, and we have left to ship about 25,000,000 bushels more. It is possible that of the 20,000,000 bu balance which will then be left there will some further wheat go out in the shape of flour. Our shipments this year have been larger than last. The quality of our grain has been fully up to the early expectation. Because our wheat, when it reaches the seaboard in the United States, is available only for export, our Manitoba No. 1 northern wheat is offered about 2 1-2c cheaper than the Duluth No. 1 northern, which of course is available not only for export but for local consumption."

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COTTON PRICES

Mr. D. M. Sexton, cotton broker, No. 3 St. Sacrament Street, manager for Atwood, Violett & Co., reports the New York cotton market opening at about Wednesday's level, the tone being quiet, with traders generally waiting for Monday's developments, which will be notice day for January. The feeling seems to be that all cotton offered will be accepted.

The opening options were:—Jan., 8.52; Feb., 8.25; March, 8.31; April, 8.31, May, 8.34; June, 8.35; July, 8.35; Aug., 8.16; Dec., 8.51.

Liverpool Cotton Exchange will be closed to-day and to-morrow.

At 12.30 the various options were:—Jan., 8.52; March, 8.34; May, 8.35; July, 8.36; Dec., 8.49.

A FIRM DINNER.

The sixth annual banquet and reunion of travellars and heads of departments of the Thos. Davidson Manufacturing Co., Ltd., was held on Tuesday evening, December 23rd, at La Corona Hotel.

The president, Mr. James Davidson, acting as chairman, proposed the health of His Majesty the King, which was heartily responded to by those present.

The toasts of the heads of the departments, proposed by Mr. T. C. Davidson, vice-president of the company, and replied to by Mr. Owen Gee, the oldest employe.

"Our Travellers," proposed by Mr. Edward Goodwill, was responded to by Mr. H. B. Chalburn, Mr. W. H. Morgan, R. B. Gray, J. A. Crevier, L. D. Latour, J. N. Young.

The toast of Canada was proposed by Mr. Lachapelle.

Mr. Chalmers (the artist of the establishment, who designed the invitation and menu cards, which were lithographed on tin) referred to the maple leaf, and recited an original poem in connection therewith—after which all joined heartily in singing "The Maple Leaf Forever."

"The Ladies," proposed by Mr. Frank J. Barratt and replied to by Mr. E. Huot.

Songs and recitations were contributed by Mr. C. P. Clarke, Dr. A. W. Haldimand, W. E. Barrat, J. A. Crevier, W. Falconbridge, A. O. Gee, amongst which the songs of Dr. Haldimand and the recitation of Mr. C. P. Clarke were particularly enjoyable.

CHRISTMAS AT THE JAMES ROBERTSON CO., LTD.

As the employes of the James Robertson Co., Ltd., left the works on Wednesday evening last each carried a large parcel. This contained a turkey, being an annual Christmas present from the firm. The smallest office boy to the chief of staff, each was remembered.

WOMAN DIED FROM EXPOSURE.

Pembroke, Ont., December 26.—(Special.)—While Mr. James Carswell, with his wife and his mother, Mrs. George Carswell, of Calumet Island, were crossing the river to Campbell's Bay, Friday, the horses broke through the ice. Mrs. Carswell died that evening as a result of the exposure.

ELECTION AT PEMBROKE.

Pembroke, December 26.—(Special.)—The County Council nominations for No. 1 electoral district were held in the Town Hall here, and Mr. Archibald Foster and Mr. Bernard Lacey, of Pembroke, were nominated, and there being no other nominations, they were declared elected.

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WHERE EUROPEAN TRIP CAME FROM

Alderman Lebeuf Says Some Falsehoods Have Been Given Publicity Concerning the Incident in Which He Was Interested.

Fire flashed from the eyes of Ald. Lebeuf, chairman of the Police Committee—or ex-chairman, since he has tendered his resignation—when questioned to-day by a Herald representative regarding the story purporting to give an accurate version of the trip to Paris made by Ald. Lebeuf in August, 1900. He read the statements over quietly, noting here and there passages which, according to him were not true.

Placing the two columns on his desk he said: "It is a lie—all a lie." Ald. Lebeuf is known to possess patience in a less degree than the patriarchs of Job's time, but to-day he discussed the matter coolly and recited anew the history told by him at the meeting of the City Council on Monday last. It is an open denial of the version given in the account as published. The points in conflict are many. The account says Ald. Lebeuf asked Chief Hughes for a pass to Europe. Ald. Lebeuf says the former chief begged him—fully 100 times—to accept the pass.

Former Chief Hughes said he procured three tickets for Ald. Lebeuf, his wife and daughter.

Ald. Lebeuf says there was never a question of tickets being purchased. Nor was there—nor could there have been—question of his wife going across the ocean as at that time she was seriously ill.

Chief Hughes said \$200 was given Ald. Lebeuf.

Ald. Lebeuf said there was but \$160 in the little chamois bag.

Mr. Hughes said Ald. Lebeuf had telephoned him regretting his inability to get passes from Montreal to Europe.

Ald. Lebeuf says this is an absolute falsehood.

These are a few of the contradictions picked out at random after a comparison of the two statements made and the two versions given of the trip made by Ald. Lebeuf to Europe. Ald. Lebeuf said:

"Chief Hughes was an intimate friend of mine. I had known him for years. When I was appointed chairman of the Police Committee, Chief Hughes was very ill. The burden of administering the Police Department during his illness fell upon my shoulders, and it is not necessary for me to recall what work I did during that time. When Chief Hughes again took charge he casually told me—he told me, I did not ask him, that is clear and plain—that he had a pass from some steamship company for a trip to Europe for himself and family. As he could not use it, he offered it to me.

"That is quite plain—Chief Hughes offered me the pass, and I did not ask for it.

"I refused it then, and I refused it on the numerous other occasions he offered it to me.

"Chief Hughes was not the only person from whom at that time I could get a pass to Europe. Mr. Malone, stevedore, offered me a pass to Europe for myself and family. When because of illness I decided to go to France, I preferred to accept the pass offered me by Chief Hughes because I thought he would be offended if I did not.

"It was perhaps not the most advisable thing to do, but I know myself. I did not fear that accepting a pass would prevent me doing my duty, if I was called upon to do it in any circumstance affecting the chief. The events which followed my return are too well known to require repetition. Every elector knows that I did not spare Chief Hughes when he did not do his duty—even though he had favored me with transportation.

"How the transportation was obtained I never knew. I always believed it was a pass that had been given me.

"Chief Hughes says he gave me, first, two tickets, one for myself and one for my wife, and that later I asked him for another pass for my daughter.

"Now, that is absolutely—basely—false. At no time was there question of my wife going to Europe. The tickets were given to me when? On the Saturday night between 10 and 11 o'clock when I was on the steamer. Chief Hughes gave me an envelope, saying: 'Here is your transportation.' The envelope was sealed, and I did not look into it. There could not have been three tickets in the envelope, because my daughter and myself were the only ones of our party going across. My wife was with me on the steamer. She accompanied us to Quebec, and returned to our summer residence the next day on a steamer of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company."

Ald. Lebeuf does not know why the name of Chief of Detectives Carpenter was brought into this affair, as the chief of detectives had no dealing in the matter whatever—so far as Ald. Lebeuf knew. The only meeting the chairman had had with the detective was during the afternoon before the ship's leaving, when a party of friends had gone down to the ship to see what cabin would be secured for Ald. Lebeuf.

Ald. Lebeuf was indignant when he read the part that said Chief Hughes had gone to the office of the Allan line and of the Dominion line to ask for a pass for him, and when unable to get one endeavored to get a ticket at reduced price.

"I am able to pay my own fare at any time," said Ald. Lebeuf. "If I wanted a deduction I could ask for it myself, and Chief Hughes had no right nor authorization to make any steps for me. I believe, however, that having promised for a pass and not being able to get one he endeavored to save expenses by asking for a reduction and did not refrain from bringing my name into the matter.

"It was only at Liverpool that I discovered the transportation given me was not a pass but really a ticket in consideration of \$70 paid!"

"As to the \$200 which Chief Hughes says he gave me—

"I was on the steamer, Chief Hughes took a chamois bag from his pocket. Here, he said, is something for you. It is a few coins and you can drink my health.

I told Chief Hughes that I did not need money. I had lots of it but the chief insisted. I did not look into the bag but the next day I counted the coin. I counted it two or three times. There was exactly \$160 in American coin. On my return I expected Chief Hughes would make a demonstration in my honor. It was to avoid it that I left the ship at Quebec and came up by train. Later Chief Hughes reproached me with not having accepted the demonstration. At all events perhaps the turn things have taken proves that I was right.

"Chief Hughes perhaps offered me the money knowing his indebtedness to me. I had made outlays for him in a case of J. S. Loggie, against him for rent and also for my services in his suit in New York. At all events he said he would be annoyed if I did not accept the gift from him.

"Chief Hughes may, perhaps, remember that in 1878 when I went to Europe I was presented with an address and my friends then gave me four or five times the sum given me by him in 1900.

"In conclusion," Ald. Lebeuf said, "Chief Hughes evidently gave me the money with some purpose. The public, however, can judge for themselves if I have been deterred in any way from doing my duty. On my return from Europe I exacted from him that he do his duty or go. If he had given me 10 times as much as he did I would still have done my duty."

SOME NEW YORK LEASES.

In Broadway a flower store rents for \$15,000 a year, a small cigar store for \$12,000, and a diminutive haberdashery for \$4,000, says the New York Press. A barroom in a basement lets for \$18,000. A drug store north of Forty-second Street brings in \$13,600. A billiard room leases for \$5,000. An utterly insignificant cafe is supposed to be cheap at \$3,600. The mystery is, how do the proprietors of these places make ends meet? Mrs. Lurch has a good thing at Forty-second Street and Broadway. The William Astor estate leases to her the corner propefty at \$12,500 per annum, and she sublets it for \$22,200.

Here is an interesting exhibit:—The Rapid Transit Commissioners want Mrs. Lurch's tenants to vacate for six months, and the following offers have been made: A., who pays \$6,900 a year, is willing to vacate for \$13,000, or at the rate of \$26,000 a year; B., who pays \$3,600 a year, will give up entirely for \$20,000, and be glad to go; C., paying \$3,775, will give up entirely for \$20,000; D., paying \$3,000, will vacate for six months for \$10,000; E., paying \$5,000, will give up entirely for \$25,000; Mrs. Lurch will give up entirely for \$32,000. Here is a total demand for \$120,000. The commissioners offer \$29,700 for all parties to vacate for one year.

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ALL PARIS AWAITS HUMBERTS' RETURN

Every Precaution Being Taken to Prevent Popular Demonstration Against the Prisoners.

Paris, Dec. 26.—As a result of the conference between Premier Combes and Minister of Justice Valle, complete arrangements have been made for the reception of the members of the Humbert family, arrested in Madrid on December 20, but precaution has been taken not to disclose what prison the fugitives will occupy, as a popular demonstration is feared.

The authorities are showing great activity in preparing for the prosecution of the prisoners, thus overcoming the popular prejudice that the accused enjoy the favor of those in high authority.

M. Hennion, the chief of detectives, who has gone to Madrid, is accompanied by four civil guards, four police inspectors and two of the best detectives in the service. It is expected that they will occupy a special car with the prisoners, whose arrival in Paris is awaited with intense interest. The affair continues to be the universal topic for discussion, and even affected the Christmas rejoicing, many of the holiday novelties depicting phases in the famous case. One of these is a miniature Humbert sage, as empty as that which induced bankers and others to lend millions to the Humberts.

The nature of the legal proceedings has not yet been definitely settled. The statement in the extradition papers that the accused are charged with swindling and irregular bankruptcy proceedings gives a general idea of the lines of the prosecution. The creditors are chiefly interested in rescuing the remnant of their assets and plans are on foot for a meeting of the creditors with the view of arranging for an equitable division.

SALE OF CHARCOAL DRAWINGS.

Paris, Dec. 26.—At the sale in the Hotel des Ventes of drawings in charcoal by L'Hermitte good prices were realized.

"Le Cours de Dessin" fetched 1,300 fr. ($260); "Les Tisserands," 2,700 fr. ($540); "Les Lavandieres," 1,720 fr. ($344), and "Les Faneuses," 2,600 fr. ($520).

POPULATION OF CANADA'S CAPITAL

The Last Census Shows Ottawa to Have Increased More Than 15,000 in Ten Years.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The population of Ottawa, as given in the census of 1901, is divided into religious denominations as follows: Roman Catholics, 31,309; Anglicans, 10,017; Presbyterians, 8,024; Methodists, 5,788; Baptists, 1,673; Mennonites, 6; Greek Church, 8; Lutherans, 1,088; Congregationalists, 427; Brethren, 219; Disciples, 3; Adventists, 6; Jews, 398; Salvation Army, 69; Friends, 4; Pagans, 1; Protestants, 150; various sects, 549; unspecified, 144; total, 59,928.

The census of 1891 gives the religious denominations a population of only 38,942, while the total population of the municipality was 44,154, so that exact comparisons to determine the increase in each denomination cannot be made. The indications are, however, that Catholic and non-Catholic denominations have increased in about the same ratio. The number of Jews in Ottawa in 1891 was 46; the last census shows 398.

The origins of the population of Ottawa are: English, 12,281; Irish, 17,911; Scotch, 7,137; French, 19,495; German, 1,729; Italian, 306.

There are 10,314 houses in Ottawa, and 11,210 families. The population consists of 28,548 males and 31,380 females. The single males number 17,709, single females 19,317. The married males in the city are given as 10,060, married females 9,871. There are 756 widowers and 2,182 widows, and 15 divorced persons, of whom ten are females.

The area of Ottawa is 3,365 acres.

NEW RUSSIAN ROUTE TO PERSIA.

London, Dec. 26.—The Times' correspondent at Odessa states that a new Russian route to Persia is being opened up via Odessa, Batum Baku to Lenkoran, and thence to Enzell, on the Caspian Sea.

The route is partly by rail and partly by sea, and a specially reduced tariff will be applied.

THE BRITISH NAVY TO BE REFORMED

First Lord of the Admiralty Announces Important Changes to be Made.

London, Dec. 26.—Lord Selborne, First Lord of the Admiralty, has issued a long memorandum detailing important reforms in the British naval service which have been decided upon by the Admiralty. The changes, which are sweeping, if not revolutionary, from a professional standpoint, become operative in July, 1903.

Lord Selborne opens the memorandum with an interesting essay on the changes that have overtaken the naval service and naval conditions, since the introduction of steam and electricity, with special reference to the extraordinary progress in the past fifteen years, which have now brought the navy

TO A CRITICAL PERIOD

in its development.

He says that to meet the changes in the material of the fleet a change in the personnel is required. In the old days it sufficed, he adds, if a naval officer were a seaman; now, he must be a seaman, soldier, engineer and a man of science also. Officers of the navy have never borne a greater responsibility than at present. Their task will be impossible unless they keep abreast of the scientific, intellectual and practical progress of the age. There is danger lest insufficient importance be attached to study and the best value of what is called practical character be placed higher than it deserves.

With the view to evolving the highest type of naval officer it has been decided to revise the methods of education. Hitherto the conditions have been anomalous. The three classes of combatant officers, executives, engineers and marines, entered the service under different conditions and underwent different training. The executive officers

HAVE NOT BEEN TAUGHT

watch keeping or navigation, and marines have been so educated as to be positively useless afloat.

These anomalies will disappear. There will be one system of supply of cadets, one system of entry and one system of training. For about eight years all cadets will take the same course, which is specified in the memorandum. At the end of the course each cadet will become a sub-lieutenant and will be entitled to choose in which branch of the service he will specialize. Thereafter his educational career will be prolonged considerably. Later the present distinction of the engineers will vanish and they will rank as executive officers and wear the same uniform as the latter. Officers of marines will be utilized for executive duties while at sea.

A LONG LIST OF FATALITIES BY ACCIDENT AND BY DESIGN

SIX KILLED IN FREIGHT WRECK.

Trinidad, Col., Dec. 26.—Six men were killed in a freight wreck on the Colorado and Southern Railway near here Wednesday night. The dead: J. Fox, fireman on freight; — McDermot, brakeman on extra; J. W. Goldtrap, engineer on regular freight; — King, machinist on regular; unidentified, fireman, on regular; unidentified, brakeman on regular.

The injured: Elmer Pierce, engineer on extra, Fred. Gilbert, riding on extra. The regular train had been overlooked and the extra was running without orders.

FATHER AND DAUGHTER KILLED.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 26.—David W. Glover, of Dartmouth, and his daughter, Bessie, aged 14, were killed, and another daughter, Clara, aged 16, was terribly wounded in a collision of a passenger train with a buggy in which they were riding, on a crossing near the North Dartmouth railroad station on Monday night. Clara is at the Union Hospital in Fall River, having had both limbs amputated.

A COLLISION INJURES SIX.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 26.—Six persons were injured, several of them seriously, in a collision between an electric car and a "Big Four" freight train on a trestle here Wednesday. The electric car was thrown from the trestle to the ground a distance of 18 feet.

SEVERAL PASSENGERS HURT.

Rogers, Neb., Dec. 24.—Several passengers and trainmen were injured in a collision between the Colorado special and a freight train on the Union Pacific Railroad here Wednesday. The flagman of the freight train and the fireman of the special were hurt internally.

NOBLEMAN A SUICIDE.

Vienna, Dec. 26.—Count Stephen Blethlen, Hungarian deputy, and a member of an ancient and noble family, committed suicide Wednesday at Abbazia, a watering place on the Gulf of Fiume. At dawn this morning the Count took a small boat and rowed out a short distance from the shore, he then shot himself. Before doing so he tied himself to the mast of the boat in order to prevent his body from falling overboard. He had recently suffered from nervous prostration.

LINCOLN BOY'S STRANGE ACT.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26.—Albert E. Lemon, the 19-year-old son of Rev. H. A. Lemon, State evangelist for the Christian Church, shot himself Wednesday evening and died a few hours later. The boy was conscious for several hours after the shooting, and said in effect that the act was deliberate and premeditated. He told the doctors that he had bought Christmas presents, had had a good time and wanted to die.

A PRISONER HANGS HIMSELF.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 26.—Timothy Whalen, arrested for drunkenness, committed suicide by hanging himself to a steam pipe with his suspenders. The pipe was only a few feet from the floor, but the man knelt down, thus tightening the improvised rope and choked himself to death.

BOY'S FOLLY COST HIS LIFE.

Wilmington, Mass., Dec. 26.—Raymond Simonds, 11 years old, was instantly killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun in the hands of a companion, Harry Taylor, 12 years old, Wednesday. Taylor was aiming at a pigeon, when Simonds pulled the shotgun down in fun just as Taylor released the hammer.

ENGINES COLLIDE.

Battle Creek, Mich., Dec. 26.—In an engine collision at Benton, six miles west of the city, last night, Engineer Jas. Kerwin and Fireman Theodore Schlubatis, of Grand Trunk train No. 1122, were instantly killed, and Engineer Brown and Fireman Burkhardt, of train No. 911, were fatally injured. The engines collided head-on while going at a speed of 50 miles an hour. No. 1122 was an extra engine sent out from Battle Creek to meet 911 and help pull the latter, which was a heavy freight, to this city.

GAS EXPLOSION KILLS TWO AND INJURES MANY

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 26.—By an explosion of gas or gasolene Wednesday afternoon in the cellar of the Turf Exchange, a club house and pool room, operated by Chambers & Walker, the building was badly damaged, two persons, Wm. Heiwig and Joe Kennedy, of Hot Springs, were killed, twenty-eight people were injured, some of them being in a serious condition and may die.

The most seriously injured are R. C. Chambers, one of the proprietors of the Turf Exchange, both legs and both wrists broken; J. S. Meeks, Hot Springs, badly bruised and cut; Joseph Pace, Hot Springs, hotelkeeper, both legs broken; — Finnegan, plumber, Hot Springs, both legs broken; Wm. Metziger, a boy, Hot Springs, both legs broken and skull fractured, will die; James Coughlin, plumber, Hot Springs, leg broken; C. G. Parker, Milwaukee, Wis., both legs broken; Al. F. Hotchskiff, Hot Springs, knee fractured; Tozier, engineer, Hot Springs, both legs broken; Walter Powers, St. Louis, Mo., arm broken; Thomas Phelan, telegraph operator, Hot Springs, badly cut about the face; Mr. Donnely, visitor, residence unknown, leg broken, also badly cut.

Twelve others sustained bruises and slight injuries.

R. C. Chambers, one of the proprietors of the Turf Exchange, is also a lessee of the Fort Erie, Ont., race track, and is one of the best known sporting men in the country. His condition is serious.

The injured were taken in charge by local physicians.

Benjamin Murray, the driver of a gasolene tank waggon, who was arrested charged with criminal negligence, states that he made a connection from his waggon to the gasolene tank in the cellar under the poolroom. Upon entering the cellar he found that 20 or 30 gallons of gasolene had overflowed and formed a pool on the floor. Fearing an explosion he rushed to an open window and closed it. He says the door was then opened by a negro porter, and the gases coming into contact with lights in the poolroom, ignited, and the explosion followed. Murray was blown against the side of the cellar, but escaped with slight injuries.

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JAMES WATSON, WHO SHOT HIS BROTHER, UNDER ARREST

Brant County Coroner Takes This Step to Prevent a Possible Suicide.

(Special to The Montreal Herald.)

Brantford, Ont., December 26.—James Watson, who shot to death his brother Wesley, at Middleport, on Tuesday morning, believing him to be a burglar, has been placed under arrest and brought to this city. The prisoner has been under such an intense mental strain since the tragedy that it was feared he might take his own life.

The story of the shooting, as it is gleaned in fragments from the two brothers, would seem to point conclusively to their ignorance of the identity of the man at whom James aimed the fatal charge. The dead brother is said by them to have been the favorite of the Watson family.

A jury was empanneled by County Coroner Fisette, and after viewing the remains adjourned until Monday.

James and Samuel Watson, both of them eccentric, lived with their aged mother on the Kearn farm, one and a half miles from Middleport and twelve miles east of this city.

Monday evening Mrs. Watson left for Hamilton to spend Christmas. James accompanied her to the train, returning home at eight o'clock.

He and Samuel were talking in the sitting room twenty minutes later when they heard a window crash and the pieces fly into the room. Then the doors were pounded. Presently the brothers heard noises in the cellar, and a moment later heard some one ascending the cellar stairs. Instantly there was great smashing at the sitting-room door. Alarmed at the attack the brothers

SEIZED THEIR GUNS.

and stood at the stairway. When the door was finally broken in, they ran upstairs, jumped out of the side window, and escaped to Henry Preiss' farm, about a mile away.

At Priess' they asked for assistance, and when none was forthcoming the brothers returned to a distance of within 200 yards of their home, but seeing a light withdrew to Chriswell's farm, a mile away, and stayed there over night. They had extinguished all lights before leaving, and, therefore, concluded that the robbers were still in their house.

Some time between 8 and 9 o'clock Tuesday morning the brothers returned to their home. Each was armed, James with a 16-shot repeating rifle, and Samuel with a Fenian musket. They feared that the robbers might still be in the house. Cautiously they entered with rifles presented and ready to fire. The sitting-room was searched, but no person was to be seen. One bedroom off the sitting-room was carefully examined, and was found all right.

Then came the awful moment. James advanced to the door of the other bedroom, which faces the living apartment, while Samuel stood with his

RIFLE READY FOR USE.

It was his intention to fire if he saw anyone. The door swung open, and faintly revealed a man in the bed. Instantly Samuel fired, and both brothers turned and hurriedly left the house.

They ran to Mr. Dawson's house and informed him that they had shot a man in their bedroom. Several neighbors were gathered together, and the party started for the scene of the shooting. Albert Harris went into the little room, and almost immediately discovered that the dead man was Wesley Watson, a brother of the man who had fired the shot. He rushed from the death chamber and acquainted the others of the awful fact.

It is the supposition that Wesley Watson returned home after his brothers had fled and the robbers had departed. If such was the case he found the doors forced in, the windows broken, and

THE HOUSE DESERTED.

Nevertheless, it appears that he quietly retired to the little 8-by-8 bedroom off the sitting-room. He carefully hung up his clothes, overcoat and hat, and closed his bedroom door before retiring.

He made no attempt, however, according to the story told by the brothers, to investigate the cause of their absence or question why the house was broken into and deserted. Evidently he slept soundly, for he made no stir this morning, not even when his bedroom door was thrown open.

The charge of buckshot took dreadful effect, blowing off the left side of his face and nose, and crashing through the skull. Apparently he was sleeping on his right side and facing the sitting-room.

Samuel Watson only saw a figure, and fired instantly. He little thought that it was his brother until Albert Harris, a neighbor, rushed from the room some time later and exclaimed: "My God, it's your brother Wesley."

James and Samuel Watson declare they were greatly in fear of burglars, and that they had reason to be.

On November 23rd last James alleges that two robbers visited the homestead at 12 o'clock noon. Both he and his brother were held up in broad daylight. On that occasion James returned home at 11.45 in the morning to prepare dinner, as his mother was absent. He was seized by two masked men, who dragged him to the cellar at the point of a revolver. There they

GAGGED AND BOUND HIM.

When his brother Samuel arrived at noon he also was seized and treated similarly. The robbers said they knew the Watson brothers had money, and demanded it.

On being threatened with his life, Samuel led the men for about three-quarters of a mile over his farm to where a bottle, which contained money, was hid.

Before the robbers had unearthed it, however, James came to the rescue with a shot gun and frightened off the pair. The bottle was buried three feet in the ground.

The attempt greatly frightened the Watson brothers, who at once barricaded their doors and windows.

Wesley Watson was 27 years old, and had been working in Detroit three years. He had planned to surprise his mother and brothers, and for that reason did not tell them that he would make them a visit.

MOTHER AND 3 CHILDREN PERISHED IN THE FLAMES.

Malone, N.Y., Dec. 26.—Four persons were burned to death yesterday in the house of Julius King, of Piercefield, a prominent pulp and paper manufacturing town in the Adirondacks.

The fire had gained such a headway before it was discovered that Mrs. M. J. McGovern, King's eldest daughter, and her three children, who were sleeping on the lower floor, were not able to get out.

One man was so seriously burned that he will be taken to Montreal for treatment. It is not known how the fire started.

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—Mr. Paterson, Opposition, was elected in North Victoria over Mr. Robertson, Government, by 43 majority.

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Children's $1.75 Boots, Saturday, 8 to 10 a.m., 95c.

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Mechanical Toys, Iron Toys, Blackboards, Steamboats, Crokinole Boards, Lead Soldiers, Dolls Pianos, Butcher's Shops, Grocery Stores, Granite Tea Sets, Violins.

Table 3. 33⅓ per cent.

Dolls' Chairs, Dolls' Swings, Dolls' Beds, Games of all kinds, Dolls' Cradles, Tin Toys, Wood Boats, Smoking, Rubber Balls, Bagatelle Boards, Musical Toys, Beds and Mattresses.

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