





RUSSIAN REFUGEE NOW IN MONTREAL

Tells How He Was Forced Away and How the People Are Oppressed

It is not an unusual incident to meet in Canada refugees who have escaped from cruelty and oppression in the lands of their birth and who fled to the shelter of the British flag to find freedom and safety.

I.C.R. SUFFERS BY JOINT SYSTEM

Evidence Given by Mr. Dube, I.C.R. Divisional Superintendent.

The dispute between the Intercolonial and the Grand Trunk railways relative to alleged grievances of the Government road regarding accommodation allowed them at the Bonaventure station.

CHURCH UNION IS NEARER SOLUTION

Terms Are Being Discussed by Representative Gathering in Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—(Special).—Numerous clergymen and laymen from every part of Canada are in the city to-day to discuss what has been contemplated for many years—a union of evangelical churches.

FARMERS KNOW A THING OR TWO

Are Holding Back Meat and Fowl for High Prices Friday

Just the week before Christmas celebrations in the culinary branch, Montrealers are accustomed to a more than usually large display of fresh meat and fowl at the Bonsecours market.

LARGE GRANT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Committee Asked for \$339,196 and Finance Agreed to \$298,334

The Fire Department was voted \$298,334 by the Finance Committee last night, this sum to cover the expenses of the brigade for next year.

Furs! Furs! Furs! GREAT SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SALE OF FURS

AT THE AMERICAN FUR STORE

- A FEW SPECIALS ARE: Fine Water Mink Stoles \$10.00, Fine Badger Stoles 8.00, Fine Alaska Sable Stoles, with collar 20.00, Fine American Stone Marten, with collar 15.00, Fine American Squirrel Stoles, with collar, also Muff to match 8.00, Fine Iceland Lamb Caps 1.50, Fine Gray Lamb Caps, \$2.00 to 3.00, Fine Combination Caperies 6.00, And all Furs of every description at equally low prices at the AMERICAN FUR STORE, 27 and 29 St. Lawrence St. TELEPHONE EAST 62.

The JOHN MURPHY CO. LIMITED.

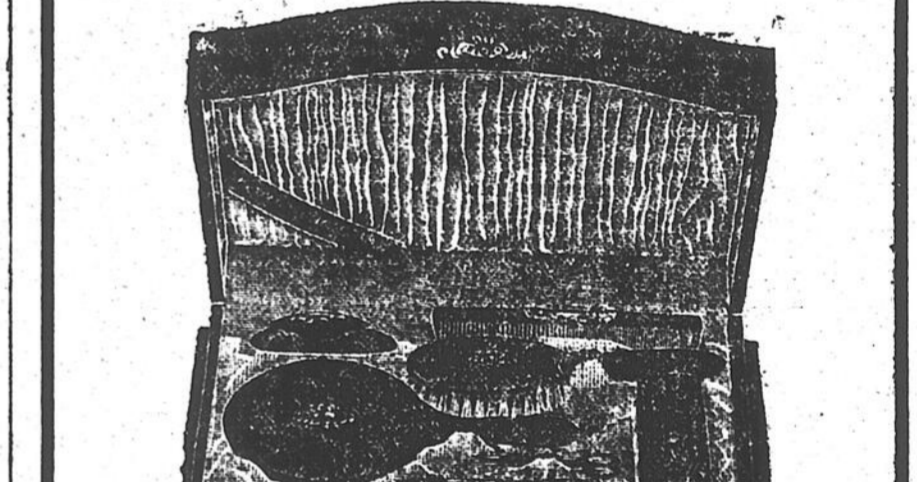
St. Catherine Street. Metcalfe Street. (OPEN LATE FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE.) VISIT TOYLAND With the Children! It contains the largest and most varied collection of Toys ever brought together in Montreal, and the time spent amidst its maze of marvels with the children, will prove the richest treat of the Holiday Season!

Handsome Christmas Gifts! AT 33% LESS THAN USUAL PRICES.

A chance to clear out a manufacturer's samples came to us at the right time and in the right class of goods to enable us to offer the public an opportunity to buy handsome Christmas Gifts at fully one-third less than usual prices.



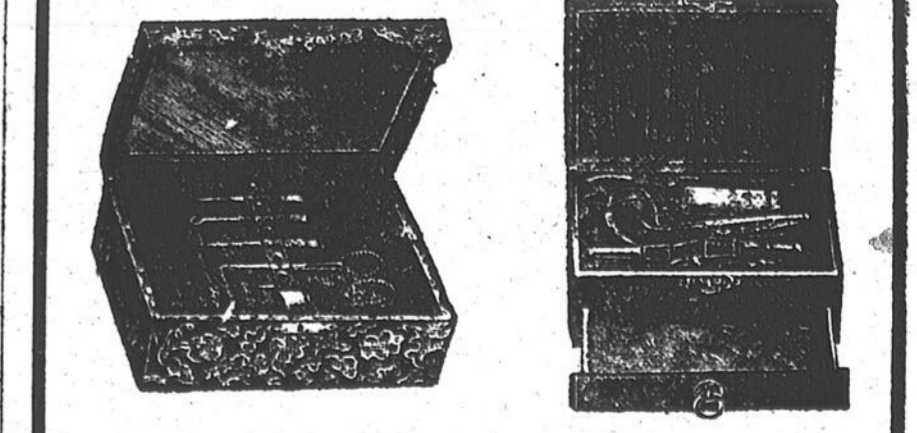
FRENCH STAG HORN GOODS. Toilet Cases, Manicure Sets, Military Sets, Mirrors, Brushes, Stems, Inkstands, Clocks, Vases, Cigar Trays, Ash Trays, Shaving Sets, Fancy Corkscrews, etc.



CELLULOID GOODS.



Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Necktie Boxes, Work Boxes, Photo Boxes, Glove and Handkerchief Sets, Umbrellas, Smoking Accessories, Cigar Boxes, etc.



SPORTING GOODS. Skating. Skates and Skating Boots. Starr Skates, Boys, No. 20 \$3.00, Starr Hockey \$3.00, Starr Ice Mac \$3.00, Arena—Our own design—the finest Hockey Skates made \$5.00, R. and W. Kerr Hockey Boots \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.00, \$13.00, \$14.00, \$15.00, \$16.00, \$17.00, \$18.00, \$19.00, \$20.00, \$21.00, \$22.00, \$23.00, \$24.00, \$25.00, \$26.00, \$27.00, \$28.00, \$29.00, \$30.00, \$31.00, \$32.00, \$33.00, \$34.00, \$35.00, \$36.00, \$37.00, \$38.00, \$39.00, \$40.00, \$41.00, \$42.00, \$43.00, \$44.00, \$45.00, \$46.00, \$47.00, \$48.00, \$49.00, \$50.00, \$51.00, \$52.00, \$53.00, \$54.00, \$55.00, \$56.00, \$57.00, \$58.00, \$59.00, \$60.00, \$61.00, \$62.00, \$63.00, \$64.00, \$65.00, \$66.00, \$67.00, \$68.00, \$69.00, \$70.00, \$71.00, \$72.00, \$73.00, \$74.00, \$75.00, \$76.00, \$77.00, \$78.00, \$79.00, \$80.00, \$81.00, \$82.00, \$83.00, \$84.00, \$85.00, \$86.00, \$87.00, \$88.00, \$89.00, \$90.00, \$91.00, \$92.00, \$93.00, \$94.00, \$95.00, \$96.00, \$97.00, \$98.00, \$99.00, \$100.00.

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2341-2343 ST. CATHERINE STREET.

TWO GENTLEMEN AND A LADY, who will spend the winter in Montreal, wish to get accommodation and meals in a private home, well situated; comfort and quiet chief desiderata; references exchanged. 116, McGill Street, Montreal.

AGENTS WANTED—WHY USE MATCHES when you can get a matchless gas lighter for 75 cents, and save all danger of fire? Agents wanted. Office hours, 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Richards, Room 11, 1094 Notre Dame St., Montreal.

SPECIAL TAILORED CLOTHING AT SPECIALLY LOW PRICES. MEN'S AND YOUTH'S OVERCOATS, of the latest designs. Superior workmanship. Fit guaranteed. \$7.50 to \$20.00. Blair & Williamson, Tailors and Clothiers, 2280 ST. CATHERINE STREET, Near McGill College Ave.

LARGE DECREASE IN GERMAN IMPORTS

Herr Frankson, the Imperial German consul, has completed a report for the German Government on the export business done from Germany to Canada during the past year as compared with last year.

DEATH CAME SUDDENLY YESTERDAY TO MR. J. ROGERS

Yesterday afternoon Mr. John Rogers, seventy-one years old, a carter, residing at 65 Young Street, was going about his usual work, and his relatives are making preparations to-day for his funeral take place to-morrow morning.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Carter's Little Liver Pills. Genuine. Must Bear Signature of Dr. Wood. See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below. FOR HEADACHE, FOR BRUISES, FOR DIZZINESS, FOR TORPID LIVER, FOR CONSTIPATION, FOR BILIOUSNESS, FOR SALLOW SKIN, FOR THE COMPLEXION. CURE SICK HEADACHE.

MISSING ALL THE FUN.

Judge Desnoyers imposed the following sentences to-day in the Sessions Court: Joseph Lemay, six months; theft of potatoes. Joseph Baine, six months; theft of a bag of bran.

QUEBEC CABINET HELD TO-DAY.

Quebec, Dec. 20.—(Special).—A meeting of the Provincial Cabinet was held this forenoon and attended by all the Ministers, including the Hon. J. B. Desnoyers. Only departmental routine business was transacted.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: DESCRIPTION, Dec 19, Op, Cl, Dec 20, Op, Cl. Includes items like Amalgamated Copper, Am. Locom. Co., Am. Sugar Ref. Co., etc.

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ENGLISH SLEUTHS HERE.

On Way Home From St. Louis Fair Where They Guarded King's Disposal.

CIVIL SERVANTS WANT HIGHER PAY

Quebec, Dec. 20.—(Special).—Civil service employees to the number of 252, including the deputy heads of the departments, clerks and messengers, waited upon the Provincial Government to-day, while the only one seated in Council, and presented a petition for an increase in salaries to meet the high rate of living.

TOBOGGANS

REAL 1904 pattern, with Hickory, Ash or Birch Runners. Price \$10.00 and \$12.00. REAL 1904 pattern, Plata Birch Skis. Price \$5.50 and \$4.00. CATALOGUE—ALL WINTER SPORTS—MAILED FREE.

TOOTHsome Christmas Delicacies

You cannot buy better Groceries than the best. We make a conscientious effort to secure the best that the leading markets of the world can supply. Fresh Fruits, etc., arrive at our store daily. When they are placed in stock we believe we can say you cannot buy better Groceries, Wines, Liquors, etc., elsewhere.

GEORGE GRAHAM, 2448 ST. CATHERINE STREET.

W. K. Kerr MONTREAL. SPORTING GOODS. HOCKEY. Everything from Skate to Cap. Hockey Pants, padded knee and hip. Per pair \$1.00. Hockey Goal Pads, \$1.50, \$2.75, \$4.50 and \$6.00, pair. Hockey Sticks—Spalding, Mac Mac, 50c. SKIS. "Ottawa," with leather harness, \$5.00. "Ottawa," with canvas harness, \$6.50. "Hazen," with leather harness, \$5.50 and \$10. "Ottawa" Poles, \$1.50. "Hazen" Poles, \$1.25. TO MAKE POSSIBLE THE FULLEST ENJOYMENT OF OUR GLORIOUS CANADIAN SPORTS. SWEATERS AND WOOL CLOTHING. We carry the finest range of patterns and colors in Canada. Leading School and Club colors: No. K 50—Club Sweaters \$1.50, No. K 60—Pure Wool Sweaters \$2.50, No. K 70—Heavy Wool Sweaters \$3.00, No. K 80—Heavy Wool Sweaters \$4.00. Over 25 colors in combinations carried in stock. Color cards mailed free.

THE HERALD

MONTEAL, TUESDAY, DEC. 20

TRADE RELATIONS WITH THE STATES

Just as the agitation for improved trade relations with the United States has been, on more than one occasion, the bone over which high tariff advocates and low tariff advocates have quarrelled in Canada, so in the States to-day high tariff and low tariff advocates are quarrelling over the question of better trade relations with Canada. It might be supposed by the regular readers of American newspapers that Canadians were in a state of mind about the subject, for the papers are full of despatches about it emanating from all over Canada. When one considers how little genuine interest there is on this side of the border it becomes plain at once that the sound and fury must be meant to serve the purposes of rival American interests, and that is indeed the situation.

It was impossible that the machinery of the Dingley tariff should go on forever without appreciable damage from wear and tear. It was inevitable, indeed, that sooner or later, even if there were no Canada along the northern border, the American manufacturers whose business was developed beyond the needs of an unstable home market should seek to bring about changes which would help them to compete on favorable terms in neutral markets. Thus there would have been an agitation for such revision of the tariff as would secure untaxed raw materials, and machinery as lightly taxed as could be managed, to these powerful interests. In fact, if there is in the States to-day a formidable movement for lower customs duties, it is because advanced manufacturers in New England and elsewhere, feeling the need of exterior markets if stability of production and security of capital are to be maintained, have formed a powerful organization which is working towards free trade. It was natural that leaders in such a movement should look towards Canada just now, for it is impossible to suppose that the splendid advertising Canada has received during these past few years has been lost upon the wide awake merchant of New England. And even if we had hidden our light under a bushel, they, whose business it is to keep watch on such things, would not have failed to note that one of those movements of population, which formerly filled up some new section of the Union's territory in every twenty years or so, is now going forward just beyond where the last left off, but this time not on United States territory. It was impossible for them to watch this movement of population, part of it taking rise in their own business territory, without the keenest interest. And so it was wholly natural that when they came to talk of the need of untaxed raw materials they should include some references to the excellent markets from which they are being excluded. The association of the two ideas has been so natural that it has taken hold of the New England imagination, and New England is rapidly forcing the triumphant Republican party to address itself to both problems.

In Canada, however, our interest is less keen. Once on a time we would have given much for the chance to be on good terms, commercially, with our neighbors. But in those days the answer of our neighbors was, unfortunately, anything but friendly. Their attitude was one of distinct hostility, which took the form of the McKinley act in 1891 and then of the Dingley act in 1897. It turns out that we have been able to meet the aggression with some success. The McKinley act and the Dingley act between them put Canadians generally out of the way of thinking of the American market with any degree of solicitude, or even of interest. Our statesmen at Ottawa, after 1897, quietly turned from the unstable protectionist market of the United States to the stable free trade market of Great Britain. Attention was concentrated upon the British market for selling, and for buying we turned attention more and more in the same direction by the powerful agency of the British preference. As for such buying as remained to be done in articles not conveniently to be had from Great Britain, and which were more easily obtained in the States, the Canadian tariff was deliberately so arranged that while the American manufacturer could still do business here, it was only possible after he had sacrificed the bulk of his profit. This was not a wholly desirable arrangement for the Canadian consumer, perhaps, for it is said to have led to private arrangements between Canadian and American houses as a result of which the latter, for a consideration of one kind or another, left the Canadian market to the Canadian producer, who took his tolls, in good times, from the consumer. But on the other hand American manufacturers were moved to put up branch plants in Canada. As some American papers have been pointing out, the Dingley tariff has prevented the exportation of manufactured goods to Canada, and has facilitated the exportation of capital and of industries.

There we are, and we are very happy. Twice bit we are thrice shy. The Americans must fight out their tariff quarrels for themselves, without our aid, just as we have fought out ours. Anything they may choose to do, of their own accord, to repair the injuries for which they were responsible in our regard, will undoubtedly be reciprocated in due course. But Canada will have no mind for any terminable arrangement which would in any way interfere with the freedom of her parliament to adopt, whenever it may see fit, such measures of fiscal legislation as the immediate circumstances may seem to make necessary. By concurrent legislation much may be done to improve the relations between the two countries, but Canada is too content of her strength, too sure of her

future, to in any way place that future under even a limited control from outside. That is why the interest in the present reciprocity debate is largely confined to New England.

CO-OPERATIVE FRUIT SHIPPING.

What co-operation has done for the dairy industry in Canada bids fair to be repeated in the development of fruit growing. The principle is not new, even as applied to fruit culture, a number of co-operative associations having been in successful operation in Ontario for years in a small way. But it is only within recent times that the substantial advantages of co-operation have come to be generally understood and appreciated, and there is much to be gained by a full and free discussion of the principle.

Briefly, co-operation means that a number of farmers within a convenient radius combine and ship the product of their orchards to a central packing house, where experienced graders and packers sort, pack and market the fruit, the proceeds from sales being subsequently divided among the members of the co-operative association according to quantity and quality of the fruit offered. The advantages of such a system are at once manifest. It is a recognized fact that the market value of fruit depends nowadays quite as much on proper packing as on the quality of fruit offered. The farmer with a small orchard finds it difficult properly to sort and grade his own crop, because he has not enough to enable him to classify it as he should do. On the other hand if he should "pool" his crop with a number of neighboring farmers the total offerings would permit of strict grading and proper packing by experts. Better results would follow also from the marketing of fruit. Left to himself, the farmer fruit grower is left very much at the mercy of railways, commission men and packers. Co-operation makes quantities, and in demanding better freight rates and better accommodation from transportation companies, quantity naturally is an important factor. From one small village station in Quebec 25,000 barrels of apples were shipped last season. It is reasonable to suppose that had these 25,000 barrels been at the disposal of one man, say the manager of a co-operative association, better freight terms might have been obtained than would be obtainable of numbers of shippers, each with a few hundred or thousand barrels. The manager of a co-operative packing house, having facilities for storing fruit, having exceptional means of studying the needs of markets, is enabled to choose the best time for marketing the different varieties, with the result that better prices are obtained.

These are the chief advantages, but there are many smaller points in favor of co-operation. A co-operative association in Ontario, by buying barrels in quantity in a knock-down condition, was enabled to effect a saving of from fourteen to seventeen cents per barrel, an item of no mean importance in a season such as we have just passed through, when apples were plenty and consequently cheap. In this province, where fruit growing has not reached its full development, beginners might find it of advantage to co-operate in the purchase of suitable trees at lowest prices; uniform methods of orchard management might be adopted in order to ensure uniform quality of fruit; an effective and systematic spraying might be secured by means of co-operative power outfits serving a neighborhood in the same manner as the threshing machine; cheaper supplies and chemicals might be procured.

THE RISK OF TRAVELLING.

A distinctive characteristic of American civilization is its callousness, its almost brutal disregard of life and limb. The official reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission are in some respects more appalling than the accounts of the most sanguinary battles in the world's history. In the ten years from 1892 to 1902 the United States railways actually killed 71,794 people and injured 435,271. On an average there are 115 persons killed or injured for every day in the year. In 1902, the railroads of the United States killed and wounded 72,250 people. In England during the same period one passenger was killed, and a comparatively insignificant number of railway servants injured.

Various measures have been adopted aiming at the prevention of this unnecessary waste of life, but unfortunately the universal disregard of lawlessness which afflicts the land seems to have rendered them inoperative. To lessen accidents it would only be necessary to place the responsibility, not only upon the sleepy flagman or careless despatcher, or upon unavoidable chance, but definitely upon those who have the power to make railroad travelling as safe as it has been made in England. If the people insisted upon due punishment for neglect to take all due precautions for the public safety, then the Government regulations and the Interstate Commerce Commission would receive proper consideration at the hands of railway officials.

thus minimizing the hazard of life and limb among their employes. Nevertheless, all railways on this continent should be obliged to give proper consideration to public safety.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Mr. Roy Somerville, an old Canadian newspaper man, and for some time London representative of the Toronto Glob, has been made advertising manager of the London Standard since it changed hands. Canadians get their when there is "wood work to be done."

If the Japanese have captured Keelvan fort, they will be able to command Port Arthur from the eastward, as from 203 Metre Hill they have hitherto commanded it from the westward. The Etche Shan forts, between the two, are still considered essential to success, but the position of the Russian there must be very perilous by this time.

That the political situation in Ontario is doubtful may be seen by the fact that people are beginning to play towards Mr. Ross the role of candid friend, who, if he were sure of a large majority, would not have a word to say. It is in such circumstances that the courage of a public man is most severely tried. Mr. Ross has plenty of it, and may therefore pull through.

Mr. Ralph Smith, M.P., may or may not have ground for his statement that Canada will presently start building her own cruisers. What is clear from one glance at the map of Nova Scotia is that the building of big ships is not always going to be done on the other side of the Atlantic, and a yard that had an order for a couple of cruisers always on hand might be in the way of turning out a lot of other ships.

Whether or not there is anything in the stories of a contemplated amalgamation of the Merchants Bank with the Royal Bank, such mergers must be expected as time goes on, for the simple reason that duplication of services over so wide a field is more expensive and less economical than combination. The Bank of Commerce has been picking up other banks with local establishments, instead of starting afresh in the same field. Others will do the like.



Colonel Bourbon—So your Eph stole this ham from my skunk-house and you've brought it back to me! Well, for your honesty and to show my appreciation I'll give you a good thrashing. The little Rubeus Munch obliged, Cune, much obliged, but I don't want to ham; it's spoiled!

Why Russian Soldiers Sing.

It has been pointed out to me by an enlightening critic that I must be mistaken in describing the lot of the Russian soldier as an unhappy one. "Russian regiments always sing on the march," the man must be happy. Russian soldiers are always singing; they sing on the march, they sing in the train, they sing while they are eating their black bread and kapusta (sour cabbage), they sing in the kharkhouse (public house). I have also seen a line of over 40 prisoners in the train, they sing to Serbia, and they, too, sang as they marched to the station, and afterward in the train. I suppose, therefore, that they must have been quite happy and content.

Didn't Take the Advice.

An officer on one of the transatlantic liners told a story last week which serves as another illustration of the Englishman's habit of being a "big shot" while in London after his last outgoing trip, dropped into a cheap chop house in Soho. He took a seat near a table around which were gathered a number of "cockneys." One of the number, according to the conversation, had been recently in New York, where he acted as a guide to a member of the Imperial Legislative Union. The cockney criticized the city in scathing terms, and suddenly poured out a string of invective on the New York policeman who was gathered around him. "I've a bad 'ole," he said, "but they're not a circumstance to the makes of bobbies they 'ave over in New York. Oi was sharping a bit of a pencil one day on Fourth avenue and Twenty-third street. The blade slipped, and I hal most bled to death. I ran up to a red-faced bobbee—'ang his bloom!' 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THE SIDE DOOR OF MR. HERB FUERST

Along With Certain Pictures Causes Trouble Before License Board.

Almost the entire sitting of the licensing commission yesterday afternoon was taken up by the hearing of evidence in support of an objection raised by the Dominion Alliance to the renewal of the license of Herb Fuerst for a restaurant at the corner of Craig and St. Lawrence streets.

JUDGE DESNOYERS SAW THEM. While cross-examination was proceeding, Judge Desnoyers remarked that while passing the saloon he had himself caught a glimpse of the pictures.

RENEWALS GRANTED. The following renewals were granted: J. Lowry, 689 Craig street; L. Chapelle, 2170 Notre-Dame; K. C. P. L. 97 Mountain; M. Pateau, 194 St. Antoine; T. Westlake, 120 St. James; P. Cazals, 2212 Notre-Dame; G. Nantel, 638 Craig; F. X. Robert, 564 Lagache; J. F. F. 131 Common; J. H. Brissor, 139 Commissioners; C. Lapointe, 771 Ontario; T. E. Molinas, 175 St. James; J. L. L. 100 St. Jacques; J. N. Paradis, 107 Mountain.

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LAVAL LAW STUDENTS. The banquet of the Laval law students takes place to-night at the Windsor. Among those present will be Senators Dandurand, Choquette, David, Rebeus, Hon. Chas. Fitzpatrick, Hon. R. Prefontaine, Hon. Mr. Lemieux, Recorder Weir and Hon. Mr. Brodeur.

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SUCCESSOR NOT YET NAMED. Kingston, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—There is no successor named for the chair of surgery at Queen's Medical College to fill the vacancy caused by Senator Sullivan's retirement.

WILL SERVE FULL TERM. Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Abundus Martineau returned to Kingston penitentiary yesterday in charge of Deputy Warden O'Leary. It has been rumored that Martineau's collapse during the latter part of the trial was feigned, the purpose being to avoid a rigid inquiry into the details of his wrongdoings.

FIVE IN THE FIELD. Almonte, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Nominations for the county councilors for the Gaubraith division of the county took place at the Town Hall yesterday.

TRIED TO COMMIT SUICIDE. Kingston, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—An attempt to suicide was made last evening by Charles Saunders, a young grocer who cut his throat from ear to ear. The vital parts were not touched and it is probable he will recover.

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MONTREAL COMMISSION OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS. Notice is hereby given that the Montreal Commission of Catholic Schools will apply to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec at its next session, in order to obtain increased borrowing power.

NO COLLECTORS EMPLOYED. No collectors or agents are employed in Montreal or Quebec on behalf of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumption. All contributions should be sent to E. S. Clouston, Esq., General Manager Bank of Montreal, Hon. Treas. for Montreal and Quebec.

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BECKWITH SAYS WATCH PITTSBURG

Thinks Secret of Mrs. Chadwick's Borrowing Abilities Lies There.

Cleveland, Dec. 20.—In an interview here C. T. Beckwith, president of the Citizens' National Bank, said: "I still believe there is something back of Mrs. Chadwick—something that has not appeared; something I cannot fathom; something I cannot understand. I don't know what it is, but I believe there is something back of all this. If there is nothing but 'wind,' then this thing has been the biggest and cleverest swindle of the age. 'Have you really a hope left?' he was asked. "No, I would not say that. It is not a hope. I can hardly say what it is, but there is something there—something back of all this."

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

Quebec, December 20.—(Special).—At a special meeting of the corporation of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, the resignation of Rev. Principal Whitney, D.C.L., was formally announced and with great regret, accepted by the adoption of the following resolution: "That this corporation, in accepting the resignation of Dr. Whitney of his position of principal of the college, would desire to express its deep regret for the loss it will thus sustain, and also its high esteem of his personal character, his cultured scholarship and deep spirituality, as well as its appreciation of the ability, energy and judgment, which he has exhibited in so eminent a degree in the discharge of the duties of his position."

HAVE YOU SEEN THE HOLIDAY DISPLAY OF KNABE PIANOS?

Some beautiful creations of the piano maker's art are being displayed in the ware-rooms of Willis & Co., 247 St. Catherine street, and a number of excellent sales of high price instruments have been made recently. The artistic exploitation which the Knabe Piano will be given throughout the country this season, with various organizations and individual artists, will assuredly result in a great increase in the demand for these instruments among those in search of truly high grade pianos. A striking attraction, Louis XV. Art Piano in the Montreal ware-rooms has been the object of admiration of late. It is encased in dark mahogany, the design and finish being rich in every detail.—Adv.

CONSERVATIVES MAY MEET.

Hon. Mr. Flynn, leader of the Provincial Opposition, has announced his willingness to come to Montreal on Dec. 27, and confer with local Conservatives on the organization of a general convention of the Conservative party in this Province.

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THE WENTWORTH DISPUTE.

Hamilton, Ont., December 20.—It has been decided not to proceed with the charges of corruption in the Wentworth election protest, and the only question for the two High Court judges to decide, when the court opens in this city on February 1, will be as to whether or not the ballots which were mistakenly numbered by the deputy returning officer at a polling sub-division in Beverley shall be counted. Both W. O. Sealey and E. D. Smith have decided to stand or fall by the result.

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And in the young man's heart he said it was a vain hope, a happy illusion that might serve to make the harsh bondage endurable till time dispelled it. The simple words of the girl were eloquent portrayals of Israel's plight, and Kenkenes subsided into a sorry state of helpless sympathy. She was not long in interpreting his silence. "Vain hope, is it?" she said. "And how shall it come to pass in the face of the Pharaoh's denial and the might of Egypt's arms? You are young and so am I, but both of us remember Ramesses. There has been none like him. He overthrew the world, did he not? And it was a hard task, and a precarious and a long one, when he but measured arms with mortals. Is it not a problem worthy the study to ponder how he might have fared in battle with a god?" Kenkenes lifted his head suddenly and regarded her. "Aye," she continued, "I have given thee food for thought. Futile indeed were Israel's hopes if it set itself unaided against the Pharaoh. But the God of Israel hath appointed His hour and hath already descended into his world with His chosen people. He has promised to lead us forth, and the Divine respects a promise. So a God against a Pharaoh. Both if it not appear to thee, Egyptian, that there approacheth a marvellous time?" "Give me but faith in the hypothesis and I shall say, of a surety," he replied. "Thou hast said. Shall we not go on, my master?" "I am Kenkenes, the son of Mentu," he told her. She bent her head in acknowledgment of the introduction and moved forward as if to climb up by the projecting edge of the strata. But he put a powerful arm about her and lifted her into the valley. With a light bound he was beside her. Ahead of them was profound darkness, hedged by black and jagged walls and canopied by distant and unilluminating stars. She resumed her place behind him, though he was moved to protest, but her dubious manner seemed to demand his way. So they continued slowly. "Thou givest me interest in the God of Israel," he said, to regain the subject. "The Egyptian dwells in his gods, but thou sayest that the God of Israel dwells in Israel." "Even so," he said, to regain the subject. "But thou speakest of Israel's God, not of the fashion of my people. They are jealous, saying that the true God hath but one name and that is Israel. If they would but let their gods die, but He is the all-God, of all the earth, the One God, thy God as well as mine." "Mine?" Kenkenes exclaimed. "Now, by all things worshipful, this is news. I had ever thought that our gods are those to whom we bow, either thou sayest wrong or I have been remiss in my devotions." "Nay, listen," she said earnestly, stepping to his side. "I have heard of Israel's God, but I have never seen him. He is in the house of Pharaoh, and he is learned in all the wisdom of Egypt. He instructeth the elders concerning Jehovah, and from month to month his wisdom traverseth till it reacheth the ears of the young. 'This, then, I have from the lips of Moses, who speaketh naught but the truth. In early times all on earth had perished for wickedness by the sending of the One God, save a holy man and his three sons. These men worshipped the God of Abraham, who was the father of Israel. One of the sons founded thy race, saith Moses, and one established mine. The third went into Egypt, worshipped the same God. He, it is not written in the early tomes? So Moses testifieth, but if thou doubtest, go thou to the great commercial circles of the tribes called that God Ra, others, Ptah, and yet others, Amen. But in time they quarrelled and each tribe refused to admit the identity of the god senteth plague and affliction, and our sendeth rich harvests and the Nile floods." "Did not the same God do each of these things in His wisdom?"

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**RAILWAY CHANGES IN THE TOWNSHIPS**

**C.P.R. May Alter Course of Lines from Cowansville to Lennoxville.**

Cowansville, Que., Dec. 20.—It is understood the C.P.R. has definitely decided to immediately carry out the proposed changes in its line from Lennoxville to Megantic, and from Cowansville to Newport. In case of the former, the new line will strike off from the present line at Lennoxville and will follow up the St. Francis River nearly all the way to Dupuis Junction. It will pass through the last two ranges of hills about five miles from Robinson. It will go through or very near Gould village, and thence on to Megantic village, where the old line will be resumed.

The sole object of the new line is to overcome the heavy grade of the old line. The new route between Lennoxville and Megantic will be ten or fifteen miles longer than the old, but the object—a good roadbed—will be accomplished. There will probably be stations at East Angus, Gould, Whittow and perhaps other points.

It is said the new route to Newport will leave the present line near Cowansville, will follow the banks of the river to its confluence at Knowlton, and on to Newport. It is said a most desirable route and one exceptionally free from grades will be secured.

In the event of the C.P.R. accepting the plans of the surveyors, it is very likely that Cowansville will be closer to the junction for the Boston and Halifax routes, taking the place of Brigham Junction, and closing that part of the line between the latter place and Foster.

It is probable that the old lines, Len-

**RETURNS TO CLAIM LOST LITTLE ONES**

**Mrs. Tchnkel Left Them in Faith They Would be Looked After.**

The sudden disappearance from Montreal was reported some months ago of an Austrian couple named Tchnkel, who left their two children in the hands of the people with whom they had been lodging on Pine Avenue. The abandoned little ones aged six and two years respectively were cared for by the Grey nuns and their parents seemed to have vanished. The strange disappearance of the foreign couple was explained yesterday when the mother returned to Montreal and claimed them. According to her story, Mr. Tchnkel obtained employment as a lumberman in the forests of Pennsylvania just prior to their hurried leave-taking. Not having sufficient money to pay the expenses of his children he decided to walk part of the distance to the woods and his wife accompanied him. He believed that the children would be looked after and in this they were not mistaken. The Charities Organization gave the woman financial assistance and she now intends to take her children away with her.

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**SOME SURPRISES PROMISED.**  
Mr. Phil Lott After Some More North Hastings Liberals.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special.) There are many more developments expected in the now famous ballot case. Mr. Phil Lott has made the statement that he is after more of the North Hastings Liberals and that he would soon have them under arrest. Police Magistrate Sam Hartley, who Bancroft, is still in the county jail, while every effort possible is being made to secure bail for him.

**BOTH LIVED IN BROCKVILLE.**  
Brockville, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special.) The news of the terrible accident on the G.T.R. at St. Ann's Sunday night was received with feelings of deep regret by the people of Brockville. Jeremiah Cummings, the fireman who lost his life, was born at Ventnor, Grenville county, twenty-five years ago. He came to Brockville some ten years ago and was employed at the carriage works until a couple of months ago, when he entered the service of the G.T.R. as a fireman. He was married only six months ago to a young lady of Ventnor.

Fred. Sharpe, one of the injured men, is a son of Andrew Sharpe, a former G.T.R. conductor, now residing at Ernestown. He is twenty-two years of age, and has been running on the G.T.R. between here and Montreal for the past six years. He is unmarried and made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Patterson here.

**DOMINION NEWS TOLD IN A LINE**

**SOLD TO THE D.A.R.**

**The Dominion Atlantic Will Compete With I.C.R. for P.E.I. Business.**

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The sale of the Midland R. R. which has been in progress for some time is an accomplished fact and the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company are the purchasers. The Midland Railway directors have two offers from Montreal for their line, 68 miles in length, between Truro and Windsor from corporations and parties of undoubted ability to buy, but the offer and the claims of the D.A.R. are the ones that the Midland people have seriously considered and with whom they have closed.

The consideration is in the neighborhood of one million and a quarter of dollars and it is universally conceded that, while the Midland directors have made a good offer, the D.A.R. have certainly purchased a property that as a connecting link of their western system is of almost inestimable value to them.

General Manager Giffkins has been in Truro and has made a general inspection of the line and on behalf of his company will take over the property over and from January 1, 1905, the Midland will be operated from the D.A.R. headquarters at Kentville.

The Dominion Atlantic Railway extends from Halifax to Yarmouth, from where it operates a line of steamers to Boston. The large tourist traffic passing over this route will be transferred to the Midland at Windsor, making a short line to eastern Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The Midland Line will probably be operated by a competitor of the I. C. R. for island business. The Midland Company is composed of Montreal and Halifax capitalists. William Strachan is president, President J. van der Meulen of Montreal and Hon. S. H. Holmes and B. F. Pearson of Halifax are directors.

Berlin, Ont.—Incendiarism is strongly suspected in connection with three fires which occurred in Berlin last week.

St. John, N.B.—Chief Superintendent of Education Inch is sending to the teachers of the province a circular asking them to do all in their power to stop scholars from smoking cigarettes.

St. John, N.B.—At a meeting of the St. John Presbytery, the call from St. Stephen's Church to Rev. A. W. Wicher was sustained and arrangements were made for the induction on the 28th inst.

Gananoque, Ont.—Gananoque has decided that business there demands an American consular agent, and Col. Twitchell of Kingston has been asked to secure the appointment of such an official.

Kingston, Ont.—Kingston branch of the National Association of Marine Engineers elected these officers for the ensuing year:—President, John McEwen; vice-presidents, James Hickey and T. Conlan; secretary, Jas. Gillie; treasurer, John Evans.

Sydney, N.S.—The site of the new rifle range at Sydney has been selected and construction begun. The location is about eight miles from the town on the line of the Sydney & Glace Bay Railway. It will be within easy reach of both Sydney and Glace Bay. The range will cost probably \$20,000.

Winnipeg—The outbreak of disease at Norway House among the Indians is at last under control. Scarlet fever, diphtheria, mumps and measles were raging, and caused about forty deaths. The Government sent medical assistants, whose efforts have been successful.

Winnipeg—The judges have rendered a finding in connection with the charges made against Deputy Minister McCellar of the Provincial Agricultural Department by Melvin Bartlett, and have completely exonerated Mr. McCellar from the charge of having participated in the proceeds of his accuser's speculation.

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**SPECIAL TO OUR PATRONS!**

We must ask all our older friends to try and get their business done before Thursday if possible. Get your Coupons and Books exchanged early, as the three last days, THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY will be devoted specially to OUR LITTLE FRIENDS, and we are confident that the older people will keep in mind that we intend to devote our greatest efforts towards giving our Little Friends a good time. Parents whose children are invited to visit SANTA CLAUS will confer a favor if they will come on the days which they are invited as we will have thousands to handle. You can contribute greatly to the welfare of the Little Ones by doing this. Try to exchange your books To-day and To-morrow.

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**COUGHED DAY AND NIGHT.**

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**ALMONTE WILL HAVE LEAGUE HOCKEY TEAM**

It Will Remain in the O.V.H.L.—The Schedule Drawn Up and Officers Elected.

At the Ottawa Valley Hockey League meeting the following schedule was arranged:—  
Renfrew and Almonte, Jan. 11.  
Penbrooke and Arnprior, Jan. 13.  
Arnprior and Renfrew, Jan. 20.  
Almonte and Penbrooke, Jan. 29.  
Renfrew and Penbrooke, Jan. 27.  
Arnprior and Almonte, Jan. 27.  
Almonte and Renfrew, Feb. 3.  
Arnprior and Penbrooke, Feb. 3.  
Renfrew and Arnprior, Feb. 10.  
Penbrooke and Almonte, Feb. 10.  
Penbrooke and Renfrew, Feb. 17.  
Almonte and Arnprior, Feb. 17.

Matches to be played on the rink of first-named club.

The election of officers for the season resulted as follows:—President, P. Jamieson, Almonte; first vice-president, C. S. Smith, Penbrooke; second vice-president, C. A. Dewey, Renfrew; secretary-treasurer, L. McNamara, Arnprior; hon. patrons, A. C. Wylie, H. Kluffmann, Almonte; Alex. Morris, F. C. Mulkin, Penbrooke; A. C. McKay, J. M. Plant, Renfrew.

Among those present at the meeting were P. Jamieson and James Forrit, Almonte; McNamara and F. L. Wolfe, Arnprior; W. Jamieson and C. Dewey, Renfrew; C. S. Smith and W. Jamieson, Penbrooke.

Almonte was congratulated on having decided to remain in the league, and the delegates were assured of the pleasure their action afforded the other clubs.

There was no definite action taken on the question of appointing a permanent board of referees.

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SPORTING COMMENT

There is at least one proposed new rule that is to be discussed by the Canadian Rugby Football Union at its annual meeting in Toronto on Saturday, Jan. 14, and that is that the playing time should be divided into four quarters of fifteen minutes each, with the teams changing ends at the conclusion of each quarter. It is to be hoped that this new rule will be adopted, as it is fairer to the players and the public than is the present regulation, which provides that the teams should play half an hour each way. When the teams go on the field the captains toss a coin and the winner of the toss has the choice of goals. This choice has much to do with the result of a game, as has often been demonstrated. A football will not travel against a head-wind, but it will shoot through the air like a balloon if it has a strong breeze behind it. It has frequently been the case that a team has had to buck against a gale for half an hour, then has changed around, only to find that the wind has veered, too, and that it is of little or no assistance to them. That the wind is an important factor in a Canadian football match, no player who is not a sportsman will assert that it should be such a factor.

With four quarters and a change of ends at the expiration of each quarter, the teams will have an even break and neither one will have any undue advantage over the other. It will be a much fairer arrangement than is that which is at present in force, and will make the supremacy depend more upon the teams themselves than upon the elements.

The writer has in mind a match he witnessed in Ottawa in 1902, when the Argonauts were playing against the Rough Riders. The latter were quaking with cold, and by persistent plugging, carried the ball well into the Argos' quarter. There Harbort secured it, and with mighty punts drove it into touch within ten yards of the Ottawa goal line. The punt would have travelled about fifty yards under normal conditions and the ball would not have been erratic when in the air, but as it was the Rough Riders' backs could not possibly get on the account of the high wind, and the Argos gained seventy-five yards on the one simple play. That was good football on Harbort's part, but where the unfairness came in was that the Rough Riders had no chance in the succeeding fifteen minutes to work the ball back by means of punts. They had to buck and buck and rely on slow formations, whereas all the Argos had to do was to boot the leather and they would gain as much ground in a minute as the Riders could in ten minutes. Then, in the second half, the wind went down and the teams fought under conditions that were as favorable to one side as to the other, and the four-quarter system of opposing players would have struggled under weather conditions that would have been disadvantageous to neither.

The four-quarter system has been tried in lacrosse and has not met with satisfaction. It has not been tried in football, it has been because it has not been suggested. However, at the C.R.F.U. meeting it will be proposed and the Montreal delegates will strongly urge that it be adopted.

When all is said and done, it is only fair that the Dominion championship rules should favor one union more than another. The Burside rules are a better publication than still the Quebec Union is not adverse to being played in one-half of a Canadian championship match, so it is practically certain that at the C.R.F.U. meeting it will be decided that, in future, Dominion championship matches will be played under Burside and one-half under Quebec Union rules. If the C.R.F.U. adopts the Burside rules for the Dominion championship clubs will not play, and if it keeps the Quebec rules, the Western clubs will not play. So it seems that the Dominion championship football matches are to be played the half and half system will have to be employed.

The Ottawa Free Press published a semi-centennial edition Saturday, and one of the brightest features of a brilliant publication was the special sporting section of two illustrated pages. This section reflects credit on the clever writer, Mr. W. C. Grant, by interesting sketches are given of the Capitals' leading sporting organizations, including the Rough Riders and Ottawa College football clubs, Capital Lacrosse Club, Ottawa A. C., Britannia Hockey Club, Ottawa Canoe Club, Rideau Canoe Club and Ottawa Rowing Club. Among the sportsmen prominently mentioned are Messrs. R. T. Hillington, Dr. Kearns, T. F. Baird, Hal Watson, Percy Lee, T. P. Clancy and Ormie Haycock.

The latest practices of Montreal's senior hockey team makes it apparent that they will be senior in more than name. It was at first thought that because so many of the players had yet to make reputations that they would not quarrel with the Montreal club, but the work-outs have made it plain that the new players are going to make the older hockeyists look like the Vics have the best material in the C.A.H.L., with Montreal second and the Westmounts and the Nationals third and fourth. The Nationals have not had a chance yet to show their worth and their friends claim that they will not be going they will not be eclipsed by any of their competitors.

The Wanderers' class with the Vics and Montreal, but their real capabilities will not be known until all their men have been on the ice. Some of their good ones will not be able to practice until after Christmas.

MICHIGAN SOO  
BEAT CANADIANS

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The Michigan Soo defeated the Canadian Soo last night in an international hockey league match by 2 to 1. The game was much faster than that on Monday last, but the Canadians did not show wings until the end, when they were strengthened in this department.

Findlay, a local player, was tried at point, and Brown, of Bramford, was moved to left wing. The first half was very close and was fought out to a finish. The score at half time was 1 to 1. During the whole game the players mixed it up more or less, but no slow times were imposed.

At half-time the play was very even, but the Americans forged ahead soon after coming on the ice the second time and tallied some lucky shots. All the players checked as hard as possible, taking any advantage to do some rib-digging on the side. Brown and Laviolette mixed it up at one stage, and McLurg and Howell exchanged blows with hockey sticks.

Pittsburg played here next Monday, when the Canadians will be strengthened. Last night supplied no special feature except expert tripping, and was the first recognized professional hockey game in Canada. Attendance, 1,000. Referee, J. Bourke.

The teams were as follows:—  
Michigan Soo—Goal, J. J. Jones; point, Howell; cover, Hamilton; centre, Jigger Robinson; rover, Stephens; wings, Switzer and Lafayette.  
Canadian Soo—Goal, Maultman; point, Findlay; cover, O'Leary; centre, Taylor; rover, Collins; wings, McLurg and Brown.

ST. LAWRENCE CURLERS  
HAVE ELECTED SKIPS

At a meeting of the St. Lawrence Curling Club, held last night, the following skips were elected for the ensuing season:—W. M. Kearns, G. W. G. DeWaters, W. H. Wyman, W. Cairns, H. Drysdale, J. Fenwick, D. C. Drysdale, F. G. A. Kearns, D. A. Bebban, D. Anderson, D. Guthrie, E. H. Amard.

News of Winter Sports

BILLY STRACHAN  
WITH WANDERERS

Twenty-two Good Men  
Were on the Ice Last Night.

"Billy" Strachan turned out last night for the first time this season with the Wanderers. This team had an excellent practice on the Arena ice, all the seniors being in uniform. The pace was fast and the players rapidly improving. Tom Hodge coached the puck-chasers and was satisfied with the work-out. The Wanderers will be in good condition when they meet the Cornwallis on local ice on New Year's eve, and the Factory Town septette can expect to collide with something hot stopping Strachan showed prominently. He blocked repeatedly dangerous rushes and lifted the disc accurately. He has lots of speed and can use his body well. Another new man in uniform was Garraw, a promising young wing man from Pictou. One he worked the left side and gave evidence of expert stick-handling and good eye. "Hannu" Gordon, of football fame, also wore the blades, and Dods and McLaughlin, two old St. Lawrence men, were seen to advantage. G. Price, a lively forward player who figured on the Wanderers in one game last season, was also conspicuous. With Marshall, he took part in some spectacular combined rushes. Kennedy, the point man, is playing nicely, and Strachan and he make a star defence. Brighton, the prolific goal-scoring forward, was in the line, and Turner, of the Juniors, did likewise. Both are good men.

A source of gratification to the Wanderer admirers is the form being displayed by Dick Boon. The latter suffered from stomach trouble last season, but as in the top-notch last night, he will make his debut to-morrow night. There were twenty-two players on the ice last evening. They were:—Marshall, B. Strachan, Boon, Kennedy, Brighton, Baker, Erskine, Hucklell, Price, Dods, McLaughlin, Glass, W. Strachan, Turner, G. Price, Turner, J. P. Fontaine, Gordon and others. "Poke" Leahy, of last year's team, who has been laid up, with typhoid fever, is convalescent.

PREPARING FOR WANDERERS.

Smith's Falls, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Smith's Falls Hockey Club will be in good condition Christmas night when they play the Wanderers, of Montreal. Mr. Alf Smith, of the Ottawas, is coaching the team twice a week.

FEDERAL JUNIORS' SCHEDULE.

Delegates from the four clubs were present at a meeting of the Junior Federal Hockey League in the Savoy last night, when the following schedule was drawn up:—  
Jan. 15—Wanderers vs. St. Patrick's Cadets.  
Jan. 22—Gordons vs. Strathcona.  
Jan. 29—Gordons vs. St. Patrick's Cadets.  
Feb. 5—Strathcona vs. Wanderers.  
Feb. 12—St. Patrick's Cadets vs. Strathcona.  
Feb. 19—Gordons vs. Wanderers.  
Feb. 26—Strathcona vs. St. Patrick's Cadets.  
Feb. 27—St. Patrick's Cadets vs. Gordons.  
March 6—Wanderers vs. Strathcona.  
March 13—Strathcona vs. Gordons.  
The games will be played on the ice of the last-named club.

WESTMOUNT LADIES PRACTICE.

About ten members of the Westmount ladies' hockey team had a light practice at the arena yesterday afternoon, amongst those out were some scientific skaters and great stick-handlers. From present indications the ladies' hockey team will be a big success.

THE STADIUM.

The alterations at the Stadium, the important rink of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association are now all completed, and the north end of the city may be proud of possessing one of the finest skating rinks in America. It is admirably adapted, both for general skating and hockey practices and for the more exclusive and grand stands has been transformed into the finest modern accommodation for the different hockey clubs that have taken up their home in the stadium; there are six separate large rinks, each about thirty feet long by fifteen wide and each having a modern entrance independent of the other, with hot and cold running water. Besides that there is a general toilet room with modern accommodation, including a shower bath for the hockey players after their practice.

The Montreal Hockey Club, which is the most prominent of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association in the Federal League, are, of course, the privileged club, as the rink is situated in their immediate vicinity. Besides ordinary accommodation, the Montreal puck-chasers have a large gymnasium where are wrestling mats, punching bags, horizontal ladders, dumbbells, barbells, Indian clubs, boxing gloves, etc., at the disposal of all the members of the club who have the privilege of coming to the gymnasium at all times. Each player who chooses to enjoy skating has a modern accommodation in the gentleman's dressing room.

However, although the Montreal A.A.A. intends to hold its own in hockey, still their main object is for ordinary skating, and the Stadium is open every night, including Sunday night, from 8 to 10, also Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday afternoon, from 2 to 5, and the band is always in attendance when there is skating.

The Montreal Amateur Athletic Association this year is already more than double what it was last year, and there is no skating facilities that are not fully patronized, especially since the public can have admission to the Stadium by ordinary admission tickets. Besides all these advantages above mentioned all senior members of the Montreal A.A.A. have the privilege of bringing perfectly free as many ladies as may accept their invitation.

There is now a movement on foot to affiliate all the Montreal hockey clubs to the National Association for winter sports, and besides a still more important move on the part of the association is a proposition to amalgamate with the National Association, whereby National membership would be given the privilege of the Montreal membership in the Stadium during winter, and, in return, the same privilege would be enjoyed by the Montrealers in summer on the National's increase grounds in athletic field.

HOCKEY NEWS.

The Atheneum hockey team practiced at 10 o'clock last night in the Arena. Many hockeyists were on the ice and a lively hour's work resulted.

The Westmounts practice to-night, and Coach Carter wants to see all the candidates in position at 9 o'clock sharp.

The Montreal team will occupy the Arena ice for an hour this evening. Several new men are expected to put in appearance. The Victoria rink, Drummond Street, will be the scene of another Victoria practice to-night. The point player of the rink, who is in the city, has signified his intention of throwing in his lot with the maroon and white. He is said to have promised to be on hand this evening.

The Hawkesbury Hockey Club, of the L.O. H.A., would like to arrange a game with any Montreal team outside of the series for Dec. 23 or 30.

Best Wrestling Bout Ever Held  
in Montreal Took Place Last Night

Tremblay and Jackson Struggled Nearly Two Hours  
Before Former Secured a Fall—No Decision Given  
as There Was No Second Fall.

Tremblay and Jackson wrestled for an hour and fifty minutes at Sohmer Park last night before a fall was secured, and it was the Montrealer whose efforts were crowned with success. He could not, despite his most strenuous efforts, put Jackson's shoulders to the mat again, and though the time was extended thirty minutes, or until 12.30 o'clock, Tremblay could not overcome his adversary. The agreement was that the match should be for the lightweight wrestling championship of Canada, two falls out of three to secure a fall by a hairbreadth.

The men went on for fifteen-minute periods and then took a minute's rest. At the end of the first hour they were given ten minutes' rest. When Tremblay put Jackson to the mat after nearly two hours' wrestling with a three-quarter Nelson and a bar, the spectators went crazy, cheering for some ten minutes. Then when the men went on for a city for bar, the crowd was so excited to take a fall, but Tremblay was too good for Jackson. Tremblay had a crotch hold on Jackson about an hour after they started that looked like the real thing, but Jackson got away. Tremblay had a crotch hold on Jackson about an hour after they started that looked like the real thing, but Jackson got away.

Tremblay had his troubles, too, and he found it difficult to get any advantage over Jackson when the latter was on the mat. Jackson assumed a sitting posture and compelled Tremblay to sit for body-holds, which he had not much difficulty in breaking. Tremblay apparently had the winning hold several times in the first hour, but by clever head spins and by dint of muscular efforts, Jackson got away. Tremblay had a crotch hold on Jackson about an hour after they started that looked like the real thing, but Jackson got away.

The crowd clamored for the match to go on and this at one o'clock in the morning, but their pleadings were useless. Both Jackson and Tremblay went to the front of their weight in the country. Jackson has a slight advantage in weight, tipping the scales at 145, whereas Tremblay weighed only 131. The Lowell man was taller than the local wrestler, and while he had not Tremblay's massive shoulders, still he was unusually well-developed, and he had the strength to put Tremblay to the mat frequently. Once he put Tremblay there, though he could not do more with him, he tried to secure a hammerlock, but Tremblay wriggled away at the critical moment. A half-hour was taken up by the referee, who, in a couple of times, but the Montrealer broke away by sheer strength.

Kreitner ank Barrow Say That  
Montreal Won't Lose Franchise

Montreal will not lose its franchise in the Eastern League.

The despatch that was sent out from Detroit last week to the effect that Ed. Barrow stated that President Kreitner would transfer the Montreal franchise to Richmond, Va., was a fake. Kreitner says so, and Barrow says so, and they ought to know.

Both denounce the story, and say that they are satisfied with the franchise in Montreal, and Kreitner, on the contrary, says that Montreal is a good ball town and thoroughly enjoys it.

SHAMROCKS HAVE  
SOME NEW PLAYERS

Expect to Have One of the  
Fastest Teams in the  
C.A.H.L.

"We will have several new forwards wearing our colors to-morrow evening. For certain reasons, we do not wish to disclose their identities, but they are new ones and have promised to join our ranks. We need a couple of rushers and good men with our purposes. With them our lineup will be strong."

After the practice of the Shamrocks at the Arena last night, a prominent officer of the club made the above statement. The Shamrocks are confident that the C.A.H.L. A large number of candidates were on the ice last night. They included in a lively game, and a good many colors took part. Those out were:—Kenny, Lynch, Murphy, Rouch, E. Grammy, P. Brennan, W. Cummings, G. Cameron, D. Brown, J. Brennan, Lukemura, Rowe, Edwards, Lowe, Farrell, Masterson and McLean.

Roach and Masterson made their initial appearance. Both know the game and have the necessary experience. Messrs. Emmet Quinn and Frank, the earliest date in the C.A.H.L. The Shamrock juniors cross sticks with the second Westmounts during the afternoon of Jan. 21, and the seniors meet the Westmounts Jan. 7.

MONTREALERS INVITED.  
Charlottetown, Dec. 20.—The Hillsboro rink was reopened on Monday, December 19th, the earliest date in its history. During the autumn season changes have been made to the interior which give 800 square feet more of skating surface. The manager, F. McMillan, is negotiating with the best hockey teams in the provinces and one team in Montreal for games in Charlottetown during the season.

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BUFFALO VIEWS OF  
BASEBALL DEAL.

It is Alleged That Money  
Was Lost in Montreal  
Last Season.

While John Kreitner of the Montreal team is in Cleveland at present, Thos. Martin, secretary of the Montreal club who is spending the winter in Buffalo, took occasion yesterday to deny that Montreal lost \$10,000 last season, that the stockholders of the company were tired of the game and that Montreal would drop out of the circuit as reported to have been stated by Ed. Barrow, manager of the Royals for a time last season, and now in Detroit planning for the next season's campaign of the Indianapolis team.

"We lost money in Montreal last season," said Mr. Martin in the Ironquills yesterday afternoon, "but the figure is not \$10,000, or anywhere near it. Bad weather was the principal cause of the financial deficiency and nothing else."

ANOTHER VIEW.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 19.—John Kreitner, who, with Michael Shea, of Buffalo, is owner of the Montreal, Quebec Eastern League baseball club, was in this city today. He confirmed the report which has been current for some time that the Montreal team will be transferred to Richmond, Va., for the baseball season of 1905.

The above report would indicate that Ed. Barrow, former manager of the Montreal club, was in fact not only not sold, but was actually sold up when he gave out the statement from Detroit the other day, and which was printed exclusively in "The Express." That President Kreitner would remove his team from the Canadian city and plant it in Richmond, Va., this is the city which desired an Eastern League franchise last season.

These in a position to know the facts deny most emphatically the statement made by Ed. Barrow, late manager of the Royals, that Montreal lost anything near the sum he mentioned in baseball last season. Why Barrow should make such a statement, if it is not true, no one appears to know.

President John Kreitner is looking after his theatrical interests in Cleveland at the present time, but Thos. Martin, who guarded the finances at Montreal the last season, has been kept busy denying the report sent out by Barrow.

"Barrow was not with the club long enough to know whether it was making or losing money," said Secretary Martin yesterday. "He handled none of the funds, but received his pay like the other members of the team. Why he should talk like this now is beyond me."

It is expected that the annual meeting of the Eastern League will be called by President Ed. Powers for this week, and that the gathering will be held in Buffalo. The league's leader has about closed up all matters pertaining to the recent six-day race and will undoubtedly come on to see how the riders perform on the Convention Hall track—Buffalo Express.

MAT AND RING.

HERO OF MANY BATTLES.  
Spike Sullivan, who is to spar twenty rounds with Buck Kennedy at the Shamrock clubhouse, Mile End, this evening, has nearly fifty knock-outs to his credit. He has taken part in over a hundred title contests and his defeats could be counted on the fingers of one hand. And he has met good men, too—the best in the business. Kennedy will have the advantage of youth on his side, but if he can stand before Sullivan for twenty rounds he will make a reputation that will make it easy for him to get on matches. Naturally, Kennedy is anxious to turn the trick, and as he is in splendid physical condition, it may be that his ambitions will be gratified. The club has taken every precaution to ensure the comfort of spectators who attend the exhibition.

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PHONE UP 12

**REPORTED SUSPENSION DENIED.** Craig, of Montreal, the Chief Inspector was in the city, in connection with the matter. No controversy of the report, however, could be obtained. Both Mr. E. Adamson, grain inspector had been suspended and that Mr. E. F. Hildis.

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Men's Trousers.....	\$1.10 to \$5.00			Boys' Pants.....	49c to \$1.50

  
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Free, Free, Free, to the Boys—Gifts for Xmas given away Free to the Boys—Sleighs, Gold Chains, School Companions, Balls and Drawing Slates.  
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PERSONAL AND SOCIETY NOTES

Hon. M. Brodeur, is in the city. Mr. G. E. Tanguay, Quebec is in town. Miss Short who has been visiting in Montreal, has returned to Sherbrooke. Mr. and Mrs. J. de S. Bosse, are spending a few days in Montreal. Mr. C. Macaulay Pope, of Ottawa, spent the week end in Montreal. Hon. E. de Verennes, Waterloo, is at the Place Viger. Mr. J. E. Binns, Chomedy street, has returned from the West. Mrs. A. M. Monette, Boston, is visiting friends in Montreal. Miss Helen Monk has arrived from Guelph, for the Christmas holidays. Miss Barnston is the guest of Mrs. Charles Handyside, Dorchester street. Mr. Wallace Nicholson, Montreal is the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. McGillivray, at Sherbrooke. Mrs. Edouard Gauvreau, Quebec, has issued invitations for a ball at the Auditorium, the 27th inst. Mrs. F. E. Mussen, Elm avenue, Westmount, has issued invitations for a tea on Wednesday, Dec. 28. The Rev. G. Osborne Troop is in Toronto, the guest of Dr. E. St. G. Baldwin. The Essex Dancing Club will hold their third assembly in Victoria Hall, Westmount, this week. Mr. and Mrs. Major leave Montreal tomorrow to spend Xmas with Sir James and Lady Grant at Ottawa. Miss Lilian Ruby Mosher, of Halifax, is spending the holiday season the

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Form for requesting a pattern, including fields for Name, Address, No. of Pattern, and Age.

guest of her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Fitzwilliams, Cathedral street. Messrs. Wm. Boyd, John Shea, J. Paquin and W. S. Hart, Montreal, are guests at the Victoria Hotel, Quebec. The Misses Sparks, of Ottawa, will spend the Xmas vacation in New York with Miss Florence Sweetland. Miss Gertrude Budge, Milton street, has arrived home from King Hall, Compton, to spend the Xmas holidays. Messrs. Robert Lorinc, C. Macfarlane, G. A. Forbes and A. R. Holden, Montreal, are at the Frontenac, Quebec. The Ladies' Rideau Curling Club, of Ottawa, will send two links of curlers to Montreal for the bonspiel early in January. Mrs. W. Molson Macpherson of Quebec, who has been staying with Mrs. Allan Cassels, at Toronto, left for home last night. Miss Mabel Slater, Dorchester street, has returned home from school to spend the Xmas vacation with her parents. Miss Gladys Blakemore, of Nelson, B.C., who arrives in town this week, will be the guest of Miss Ruth Bosworth, 1690 Sherbrooke street. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cassils with their little son are in Ottawa, guests of Mrs. Cassils' parents, Sir James and Lady Grant. Miss Amy McLimont and her brother, Mr. Ronald McLimont, University Street, leave this week to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Gilmour at Ottawa. Dr. and Mrs. Sherriss, Dorchester Street, leave this week for New York, en route for Panama and other points. Master Gordon Sherriss will spend Christmas with his aunt, Miss Thistle, at Ottawa.

THE WOMEN'S CLUB. "Shakespeare and the drama," was the subject of Prof. J. Porteus Arnold's paper at the Woman's Club, yesterday, and he ably drew a picture of the development of drama from before the time of Shakespeare to the present day, with its accompanying influences and changes. The church was the first theatre and the Bible the first book of plays, for the drama, in its infancy, was employed by the clergy as a sort of illustration of scripture, and these were termed mysteries and miracle plays, the only present-day survival of them being the Passion Play, which is performed every ten years at Oberammergau, Switzerland. Then followed the morality plays, or allegorical representations. These were, in their turn, subjected to changes by the mediaeval philosophy, the influence of the continent, and national feeling. During the age of Elizabeth, drama was passing through its golden stage, for neither before nor since have the equal of the Elizabethan dramatists been known. Shakespeare, Ben Jonson, Marlowe, and all their contemporaries have had no peers. Professor Arnold contrasted the bare and unadorned stage of earlier days with the elaborate scenery and stage-fittings of to-day, dry remarking that then the play was the thing but now the play was subordinate to the appliances for its production. There were no actresses but all were actors, and the "gods" of to-day were termed "groundlings" because they had to stand up during the performance. After giving a sketch of the life of William Shakespeare, from the time when he held horses for a living, to the year of success and fame, he gave extracts and commentaries on his plays, giving his original opinion of them. He also took up the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy, indicating a number of the philosophical Bacon having written the plays of Shakespeare. Speaking of public approval or disapproval of the theatre, Prof. Arnold said that many who condemned theatres knew nothing about them, and not infrequently, condemned the drama because of evils that accompanied it, which was illogical, for the drama was the exponent of the tastes of the people, and it was the tastes of the people that determined its morality. The play, which was composed by Mrs. Hutchinson and Mrs. Sharpe, gave a number of piano solos.

GET IN THE HABIT OF BEING CHEERFUL. There is a Common Sense Way to Permanently Banish the Blues and Crankiness. What a delightful world this would be to live in if everybody's stomach were all right. Every one in Canada suffers either directly or indirectly from stomach trouble. Bad stomachs are in the majority to begin with. Then bad stomach means bad temper, and that's bad for the unhappy owners and everybody else within speaking distance. The fact is that stomachs are misused to such an extent in these days of food fasts, gym work, worry, and lack of exercise that nature requires assistance. St. James Waters—the stomach and nerve remedy—are the sure strengthener for a weak stomach, helping it to do its work naturally. Afterwards it is able to perform its functions unaided.

London, Ont.—Four more arrests have been made according to a despatch received here from Austin, Texas, in connection with the charge that ex-Alabama Governor Douglas of this city was duped out of \$10,000. The men under arrest in Texas are alleged to have been implicated in a similar transaction. SPECIAL NOTICE. Ladies' Watch Chains are worn round the neck nowadays. We show them in solid gold for \$27. H. Homeley, Jeweller, 255 St. James Street, Montreal.—Adv.

"Seal Brand" Coffee advertisement featuring an illustration of a man drinking coffee and text describing it as the choicest blend.

Berliner Gram-o-phone advertisement for a Christmas Dance, including an illustration of the gramophone and details about the records and company.

E. P. Dame advertisement for wine and goods, featuring a large "2 FOR 1" offer and details about the salvage stock of Chaput, Fils & Co.

Johnston Bros. Jewellers advertisement for Christmas gifts, listing various items like watches, brushes, and mirrors.

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Colonial House advertisement for Christmas gifts, listing 3,000 Japanese Dolls and other items available at reduced prices.

Toys & Games & Dolls advertisement for various items like skates, skis, snowshoes, and punching bags.

Hardware, Cut Glass, and Bronze Departments advertisement listing various household and decorative items.

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Henry Morgan & Co. advertisement for mail orders, listing various goods and services.

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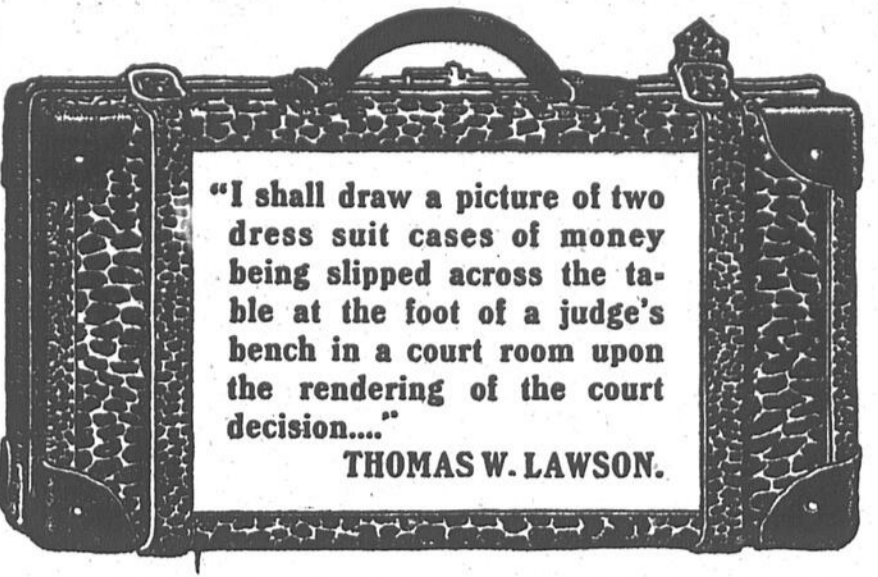
**Civic Authorities in Disgust Abandon Field to Board of Trade.**

The city of Montreal will not offer a reception to the Governor-General and Lady Grey at the present moment, as the plans of the Board of Trade have interfered with the success of such an affair. His Excellency will, however, be invited to call at the City Hall and receive an address from the Mayor and aldermen.

Such was the result of a conference between Mayor Laporte and a number of aldermen yesterday afternoon. At this meeting a letter from Mr. George E. Drummond, president of the Board of Trade, was read explaining the motive of that body in extending a reception to the new Governor-General. The general opinion of the aldermen, however, was that the Board of Trade had shown undue haste in the matter and a lack of courtesy to the city.

In the discussion that followed it was admitted that it would be of little use for the city to hold a reception on the same day or on the day before the Board of Trade reception. People would not go to two receptions. The possibility of asking the Board of Trade to postpone its reception was considered, but seeing that the Governor-General had accepted the date had been fixed, this plan was thought hardly practicable.

**THOMAS W. LAWSON**  
Said in the July number of "Everybody's Magazine"



"I shall draw a picture of two dress suit cases of money being slipped across the table at the foot of a judge's bench in a court room upon the rendering of the court decision...."

**THOMAS W. LAWSON.**

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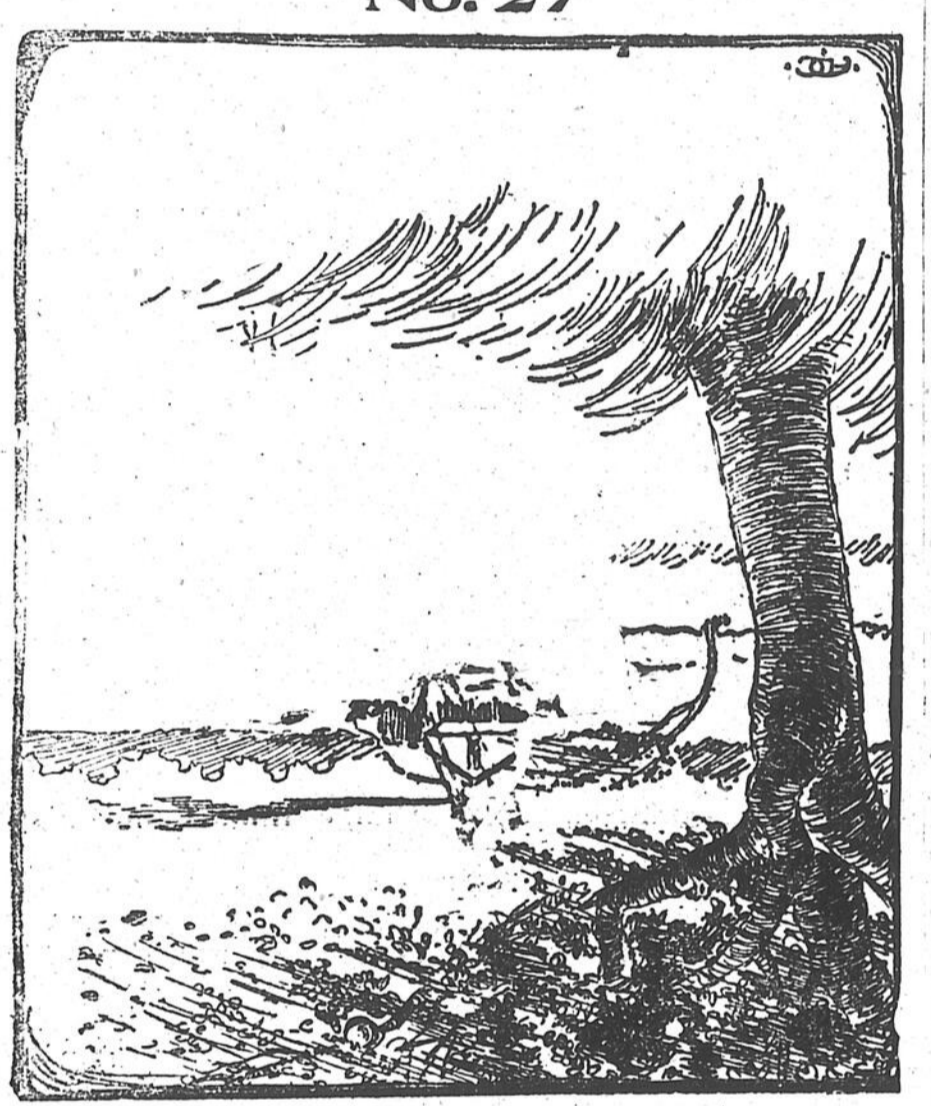
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The conditions of the contest must be absolutely followed in every case, or the answer will not be considered. The conditions are as follows:

- Each answer must be plainly and carefully written upon the coupon published with each proverb picture.
- Answers are not to be sent in until after the contest, but must be in hands of the editor not later than two weeks after appearance of final Proverb picture.
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- Employees of The Herald, with their families, are not allowed to participate in this contest.
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**GET RID OF DRUNKARDS.**

That is the Way to Down the Drink Evil, Says Rev. Mr. Bland.

At the mass temperance meeting held in Knox Church last night the chief speaker was Rev. C. E. Bland, of Sherbrooke Street Methodist Church. Mr. Bland insisted that if the drunkard could be eliminated, the necessity of assaulting the liquor trade would disappear.

The liquor trade in itself was not wholly good or wholly evil. Drunkenness was at once a sin and a disease, and the temperance societies deserved praise for combatting it as they had done.

**No Water Rate Reduction Till New Revenue is Found**

Reduction of water rates was the principal subject discussed at the City Council yesterday afternoon. The by-laws of Ald. Carter and Ald. L. A. Lapointe were taken up, but no definite settlement will be reached until the committee on revenue reports on the matter. The members of Council do not want to throw away the revenue from water rates, without knowing how it can be made up.

The by-law of Ald. Carter is intended to simplify the collection of the water rates and increase the discount for those who pay promptly. It was as follows:

"The said rates shall be payable in advance annually, by the occupants or lessees, or occupants or lessees of all buildings, part of buildings or tenements in the city, supplied with water from the said Water Works, as well as by those who shall consent as by these who shall refuse to receive the water pipe to supply the said water or to use the same. The said rates shall be due and payable on the 1st day of September, in each year, up to which date a discount of ten per cent. shall be allowed. Between the 25th day of August and the first day of September inclusive, in each year, payments of said rates may be made at the office of the treasurer in the city of Montreal, or at the police and fire stations in the wards in which the property is situated, and which place will be indicated in the accounts sent for such rates."

Ald. Carter estimated that the increase in discount would make a reduction of \$100,000 a year in the revenue. Among other advantages it would save the poor people from coming to the City Hall to pay their rates, as these could be handed in at the police or fire stations.

The by-law was given its second reading.

**TO MAKE PROFIT ON WATER.**

The by-law of Ald. L. A. Lapointe was then taken up. It read as follows:

"Tenants or occupants of a dwelling house, or part of a dwelling house, situated in the city, shall pay the following taxes, as water rates:—

- Four per cent, on the assessed yearly rental, when said rental does not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).
- Five per cent, on the assessed yearly rental when said rental is over one hundred dollars (\$100), but does not exceed one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).
- Six per cent, on the assessed yearly rental when said rental exceeds one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).

The usual grant of \$40 to the City Hall press room was voted.

**HOSPITAL CONDUCTED IN UNBUSINESSLIKE WAY**

Judge O'Meara Reports on Result of Ottawa Isolation Hospital Inquiry.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Judge O'Meara's findings in the Ottawa Isolation Hospital inquiry were received yesterday by Mayor Ellis and by him presented to the council. The document is voluminous and will be printed in full by order of the council.

The judge finds Mr. J. G. Stewart, contractor for the grocery supplies, was guilty of fraud, and that the condition of affairs in that connection would not have developed had Mess. Ritchie, the lady superintendent, and Mess. Stroud, the secretary, lived up to their duties as prescribed by the regulations of the hospital. The board of health has been negligent in not having scrutinized the accounts. The judge says he does not find evidence of collusion between the hospital officials and the contractor. He further finds that a large loss has been sustained, which has been only partly accounted for by the investigation. "The balance can only be accounted for on the ground that some of the supplies paid for never reached the hospital, and if they did they were either wasted or they were not consumed there."

The finding concludes: "The result of this investigation is to be regretted, but it is not to be wondered at, in an institution run, such as this, upon what might be termed the mutual reliance plan, the board of health relying upon the honesty of the contractor."

**THE HEINTZMAN & CO. PIANO.**

For over 50 years the pianos made by "Ye old firm" of Heintzman & Co. have been producing and selling hearts of music-loving Canadians. For over 27 years we have sold them in Montreal and no other piano has given such general satisfaction. The tone is pure and mellow, the touch beautiful, the case artistic and above all they stand hard wear. In the most wonderful way. Sole agents, T. W. Lindsay, Limited, Head Office, 226 St. Catherine Street, East. End warehouses 1622 St. Catherine St.—Adv.

**MONTREAL THE WORLD'S CHEESE STORE-HOUSE**

Mr. A. A. Ayer Says Vast Quantities Are Held Here by British Firms, Little by Montrealers.

"There is a general public impression that the Montreal produce dealers are making a lot of money out of the rise in cheese," said Mr. A. A. Ayer, of the St. Paul Street produce house to The Herald today, "but it is a great mistake. It is very little has been shipped, but very little has been shipped. There is no reason why it should be. This is the best possible place to keep it."

The local exporter cannot afford to speculate in heavy holdings of cheese. One house did last year, and the result was disastrous. The great English firms, with interests widely distributed, are doing the holding.

"There may be one or two firms in town holding as much cheese as they would handle in two weeks' business, but the great majority have not a pound more than a week's supply. And yet the public thinks we are making fortunes."

**SCOTTISH NATIONAL EXHIBITION**

The desirability of holding a Scots national exhibition of 1907 is a matter that is being much discussed at the present time in the capital of Scotland. Mr. David Lindsay, vice-president of the Edinburgh Merchants' Association, gives his views as to why the exhibition should be held. He says that the year 1907 will afford an excellent opportunity for such an air. An exhibition of this kind would give opportunity for showing the advances made in industries, social life, arts, sciences, inventions, discoveries, literature and religion, also in many other phases of national existence and life.

**SPECIAL NOTICE.**

A 14k. Gold Watch-hone Scarf Pin, set with 15 real pearls, \$150. R. Hemsley, Jeweller, 255 St. James Street, Montreal.—Adv.

**ABSURDITY OF BACONIAN THEORY.**

Prof. J. Porteous Arnold lectured on the Elizabethan drama to the Women's Club yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Hutchinson presiding. Prof. Arnold made an able attack on the Baconian theory on internal evidence, saying that that it was not a question of ability or education, but of diversity of genius. The man who wrote the Essay on Love could not have written "Romeo and Juliet."

**SPECIAL NOTICE.**

Lady's Gun Metal Watch, with our special 7-jewelled movement, \$750. R. Hemsley, Jeweller, 255 St. James Street, Montreal.—Adv.

**TAX PAID BY THE RICH.**

Ald. Ames said that if the charge for water was a tax that tax should be made uniform. At present the well-to-do people did not for the water they used but for the value of the house they lived in. For his own part, he paid \$5 a year as a water rate, while the poor families paid only \$2. He did not think that he used seventeen times as much water as the poor family, if the water tax were to be reduced something must be put in its place.

Ald. Clearburn declared that it was all humbug to make the poor man think that he was paying too much for his water. The tax at present was largely paid by the richer class.

She motion of Ald. Vallieres that the by-law be held over until the receipt of the committee report on the question of more revenue, was then carried by the following vote:

Ayes—Vallieres, Lariviere, St. Denis, Robertson, Clearburn, Levy, Dagenais, Lavalliere, Robillard, Turner, Ekers, Ames, Wilson, Chausse, Bumbary, Riard, Sauvageau, N. Lapointe, Lemay, Tessier, Proulx, Paquin and Duquette—23.

Nays—Ald. L. A. Lapointe, Carter, Bastien and Leclair—4.

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| <b>TURQUOISE RINGS</b><br>Solitaire, 15 karat, claw setting, \$5.50<br>Three-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$4.00<br>Four-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$5.00<br>Turquoise and Pearl Cluster, 15 karat setting, \$7.00<br>Five-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$4.25<br>Three Turquoise and Pearl Cluster, 15 karat setting, \$11.50<br>Five-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$21.50 | <b>OPAL RINGS</b><br>Solitaire, 15 karat, claw setting, \$7.00<br>Two-stone, 15 kt. setting, \$7.00<br>Five-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$4.00<br>Five-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$10.00<br>Three-stone Hoop, 15 karat setting, \$9.00<br>1 Opal and 2 Diamonds 18 kt. setting, \$12.00<br>Opal and Pearl Cluster, 15 karat setting, \$10.00<br>2 Opals and 2 Diamonds, Hoop, 18 karat setting, \$13.50<br>3 Opals and 4 Diamonds, Hoop, 18 karat setting, \$25.00 | <b>SAPPHIRE RINGS</b><br>2 Sapphires and 2 Pearls, 15 karat setting, \$8.75<br>Three Sapphires and 2 Pearls, 15 karat setting, \$10.50<br>Sapphire and Pearl double cluster, 15 karat, \$9.00<br>Three Sapphires and 2 Diamonds, 18 karat, \$18.00<br>Three Sapphires and four Diamonds, 18 karat setting, \$22.50<br>Three Sapphires and 2 Diamonds, 18 karat setting, \$22.50 | <b>RUBY RINGS</b><br>Three Rubies and 2 Pearls, Hoop, 15 karat, \$10.50<br>Ruby and Pearl Double Cluster, 15 karat, \$10.00<br>Three Rubies and two Diamonds, 18 karat, \$23.00<br>Three Rubies and 4 Diamonds, 18 kt., \$25.00 | <b>EMERALD RINGS</b><br>Solitaire, claw setting, 15 karat, \$8.00<br>One Emerald and two Diamonds, Hoop, 15 karat, \$25.00 |
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Per bottle.	Per bottle.
Creme Fraisee ..... \$1.25	Anisette ..... 1.25
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Creme Vanille ..... 1.25	Punch au Rhum ..... 1.25
Creme Cacao Chouva ..... 1.40	Creme Noyaux ..... 1.25
Creme Violette ..... 1.25	Supremie Orange, grande fine ..... 1.25
Creme Cassis ..... 1.25	Champagne ..... .80
Parfait Amour ..... 1.25	Kirsch ..... 1.25
Pousse Cafe ..... 1.25	Pommele ..... 1.25
Benedictine ..... \$1.00 and \$1.25	Marras-hing ..... 1.25
Curacao ..... 1.25	Mandarine ..... 1.25

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WILL ASK FOR PERSONAL APPLICATION

Compton Liberals Will Enter Counter Petition Against Mr. R. H. Pope.

Sherbrooke, Dec. 20.—(Special)—Wm. L'Heureux, who is out on a ticket-of-leave was arrested in Coaticook and brought to Sherbrooke yesterday charged with highway robbery.

PERPETRATED WITH APPROPRIATE BULLETS

Seventeen Bullets Extracted From Russian Soldier at Harbin.

Moscow, December 20.—Kirichenko, probably the most thoroughly shot-to-pieces man who has survived the war, was arrested recently from Harbin, where after weeks in the hospital, the doctors extracted seventeen bullets from him, amputated one leg and discharged him as cured.

It is stated that a counter petition against the nomination of the defeated Conservative candidate in Compton County will be served on Mr. R. H. Pope.

"Our elbows went on and carried the Japanese trenches on the left in a hand-to-hand fight, for we can usually whip those fellows if we can get close enough to them."

WESTMOUNT WATER ALL RIGHT. Mr. F. L. Fellowes Finds No Trouble at Intake.

Mr. F. L. Fellowes, town engineer of Westmount, has completed an investigation of the conditions prevailing at the intake pipe of the Montreal Water & Power Company.

"I was just down by the time I got to the trenches. The men took me to the trenches, and I was just down by the time I got to the trenches."

SPECIAL NOTICE. Nut Cracks at 6c and 12c. Grape Scissors \$2.50.

Peterboro, Ont.—Word was received by Mr. W. H. Clouston of the death of his brother, Fred Clouston, at his home in Bradford, Pa.

The Y.M.C.A. and Its Work

During November seventy-one new members were received. The total number of members on Dec. 1st was 2,552, the highest number on record.

The corner stone of the new Young Men's Christian Association building in Westmount was laid last week by the Rev. Ernest Thomas, pastor of the Washington association.

The men's meeting Saturday was addressed by Rev. Ernest Thomas of Lacerte. The Bible class which followed were exceedingly interesting.

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The work of the association on the continent is growing rapidly in the matter of new buildings. The following items will be of interest.

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OBITUARY

Smiths Falls, Ont.—Mr. V. A. Wallace, who has conducted a jewelry business for some months died this morning.

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We clean gloves by a new method, which removes all spots and leaves no odor on the gloves.

The Christmas Idea

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been adopted by her under the late Benjamin Allen. She was in her thirty-seventh year, and is survived by her husband and two sons, Walter and Fred.

Fraternal Societies

ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 440. The annual communication of St. George's Masonic Lodge, No. 440, E.R.L., was held in the Igloo building, St. Catherine street, on Friday evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

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Infants' Imitation Bearskin Pelisses, lined with flannelette, finished with Jap Silk ties. Regular \$4.39. Special between 8 and 10 a.m. Wednesday.....\$3.50  
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Fine assortment of Marseilles Satin and Crochet Quilts for Christmas gifts. Price range from \$1.00 to \$10.00. See the special line at, each.....\$3.00  
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10 qt. size Tin Mixing Dish, special.....10c  
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Tin Pudding Moulds with covers for.....30c  
Wire Flour Strainers for.....5c  
Perforated Bread Tins, worth 25c, for.....12c

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WEDNESDAY 8 TO 10 A.M.  
In black, gray or navy fabric, seven gores, full flare style, finished with stitching. Skirts worth \$3.00, on sale Wednesday from 8 to 10 a.m. for.....\$1.40  
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## Blouse Lengths Reduced IN PRICE!

1 lot of fine Blouse Lengths, tied with silk ribbon, put up in neat boxes; dressing card included. Blouse Lengths worth as high as \$3.00, on sale at.....\$1.25  
Other Blouse Lengths at, per length: 50c, 75c and 95c

## Dress Lengths of Popular Fabrics

A large selection of elegant Dress Fabrics, in delicate color tones; put up in boxes ready for giving. Each Length tied with silk ribbon. Greeting card accompanies each. 8 yard length of Plain or Fancy Silk Volls for.....\$5.00  
Other Dress Lengths at \$8.00, \$10.00 and \$15.00 each



## Notes of Satisfaction

Follow in the wake of the crowds of gift-seekers that throng the store from the opening hour until the business of the day is concluded at 10 p.m. "Never had such a fine collection of gift goods to select from." "Can't recollect a season when money commanded such liberal values." And exclamations of similar nature evidence the public's reason for preferring to stop at Scroggies.

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## If You Can Shop

early in the day, you'll materially add to your comfort and increase your opportunities for leisurely selections.

## Black Dress Goods—Playing HAVOC WITH THE PRICES.

Black Basket Cloth, worth 50c yard. Sale price Wednesday.....35c  
Black Cheviot Serge, worth 85c yard. Sale price Wednesday.....59c  
Black Boucle Cloth, worth \$1.50 yard. Sale price Wednesday.....95c  
Black Ladies' Cloth, worth \$1.69 yard. Sale price.....\$1.15  
Black Basket Cloth, worth 75c yard. Sale price.....59c  
Black Cheviot Serge, worth 90c yard. Sale price.....65c  
Black Melton; sale price.....\$1.50  
Black Canvas Volls, worth \$1.35 yard. Sale price.....95c  
Black Twine Cloth, worth \$1.60 yard. Sale price.....\$1.10  
Black Roxana Cloth, worth \$1.50 yard. Sale price.....\$1.15

## A Carpet Sweeper SENSIBLE SORT OF GIFT—\$2.25 ONES FOR \$1.50 WEDNESDAY.

Made especially to our order. Will refund the money if it doesn't realize your every expectation. Regular \$2.25 Carpet Sweepers, to sell Wednesday for.....\$1.50  
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Ladies' Coats in brown, gray, navy and black Beaver, fancy tweed and reversible tweed, all up-to-date Coats, tight fitting back, military capes. Coats worth \$12.00, special.....\$5.00

Ladies' \$15.00 Coats for \$ 9.00  
Ladies' \$18.00 Coats for \$ 9.00  
Ladies' \$20.00 Coats for \$10.00

Ladies' \$10.00 Coats for \$4.75  
WEDNESDAY 8 TO 10 A.M.

Made of black Beaver cloth, tight fitting back, double breasted, with fly front; sizes from 32 to 38. Coats worth \$10.00; special from 8 to 10 a.m. Wednesday.....\$4.75  
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Exceedingly dainty Blouses, fashioned of Silk and other favor-winning fabrics. A wide range.  
Handsome Silk Crepe de Chine Blouses, beautifully made with low neck, lace yoke and several rows of shirring, fancy elbow sleeves, shirred and trimmed with insets, finished with frill of lace; in colors of white, pale blue, black and steel gray. Sizes 32 to 40.....\$15.50  
A smart Lustré Blouse, in a pleasing style, box pleated front with small pleats each side, trimmed with fancy epaulettes, finished with piping and large fancy buttons; back trimmed with pleats; large bishop sleeves with V cuffs and neat collar. Colors of navy, cream, also black; lined throughout. Sizes 32 to 42.....\$4.25  
Pretty Jap Silk Blouse, in the newest mode, made with deep tucks front and back, finished with hemstitching, new bishop sleeves, with several pleats above the cuffs, neat style collar. Colors of brown and white; sizes 32 to 42.....\$3.35

## LADIES' DRESSING JACKETS

The fact that they're reduced in price doesn't detract from their value or suitability for gifts.  
Ladies' Knitted Wool Dressing Jackets, high neck, kimona sleeve, trimmed with fancy wool. Colors of blue and white, cardinal and white, pink and white. Regular price was \$2.25. Now reduced to.....\$1.69  
Ladies' Knitted Wool Dressing Jackets, kimona style, high neck, finished with silk and wool trimming, fancy wool bull fringe around collar, sleeves and skirt. An exceedingly handsome garment, in colors of pale blue and white, cardinal and white, pink and white. Regular \$2.55. Our special price.....\$2.69

## Fascinating Neckpieces of Fur Muffs, Too—The Sort of Gifts She'll Appreciate

Ladies' fine quality fur Squirrel Fur Boas, lined with white squirrel fur. The fashion is to use in the same style as a man's four-in-hand tie, so that they'll fit closely around the neck.....\$8.50  
Gray Squirrel Muff, made in the newest Empire shape, interlining of a good quality down, finished with a superior gray satin lining.....\$7.50  
Ladies' Black Thibet Stoles, made in the latest effect, 52 inches long, finished with two tails at each side and chain fastener, lined with a fine quality black satin.....\$5.00  
Ladies' Black Thibet Muffs, barrel shape, lined with good down and finished with black satin.....\$5.00

## Draperies and Accessories

If you're decorating or renewing the draperies of the home for the glad holiday time, you'll find some agreeable suggestions and values in the under-noted list:—  
White Nottingham Lace Curtain Net, all widths, from, per yard: 5c to 40c  
White Muslin Sash Curtaining, with handsome lace, insertion and frill, per yard: 12c to 1c  
White Bobbinet Sash Curtaining, trimmed with lace, insertion and frill, from, per yard: 15c to 50c  
White Point d'Esprit Sash Curtaining, in a variety of patterns, per yard: 35c to 65c  
White Fancy Net, with heavy double frill, worth 50c yard. Extra special, per yard: 15c to 50c  
White Spotted Book Muslin, in the various sized spots, from, per yard: 8c to 20c  
Lace Curtains, include a grand assortment of Nottingham, Swiss, Cable Net and Applique makes, in all widths and lengths, from, per pair: 40c to \$14.00  
Lace Door Panels, in a full assortment of sizes, designs and qualities, from, each: 10c to \$5.00  
Colored Curtain Muslin, in the very newest designs and colorings, per yard: 25c to \$1.50  
Fancy White Muslin Curtains, with wide frill and handsome colored embroidered insertion; special for bedroom windows. Per pair, \$1.15 and prices from, each.....10c  
Curtain Poles, finished in oak, cherry, walnut, mahogany and enamel, with a big variety of wood and brass trimmings, from, each.....10c  
Portieres, in Damask and Tapestry, of newest effects, including self colors of red, blue, green, terra cotta, etc., and a large showing of two tone Bagdad, Pergian and other novel ideas. Prices per pair, from.....\$2.49

## Men's Clothing That Has a Place In This Stock, Because of Its Quality Goodness

Count a money-saving on every purchase made now. Take Overcoats as an example. To-morrow

**\$6.95 Will Purchase the Usual \$7.50 Values**  
Men's dark gray Overcoats, in Melton and Prizze, lined farmer's satin, velvet collar, slash pockets, full back and very wide skirt. All sizes from 34 to 42 inches chest measure. Regular \$9.50. Wednesday's price.....\$6.95

**Men's Suits for \$10.50**  
150 Scotch Tweed Suits, suitable for men and young men, silk sewn, lined with Italian cloth, finished in every detail equal to made-to-order garments. Special price during the holidays.....\$10.50

**Men's \$4.50 Trousers for \$2.50**  
WEDNESDAY 7 TO 10 P.M.  
300 pairs Trousers, made in dark worsted, stripes, herring-bone and half-line fabrics; cut and workmanship equal to made-to-order garments. Regular value \$4.50. On sale Wednesday 7 to 10 p.m. per pair.....\$2.50

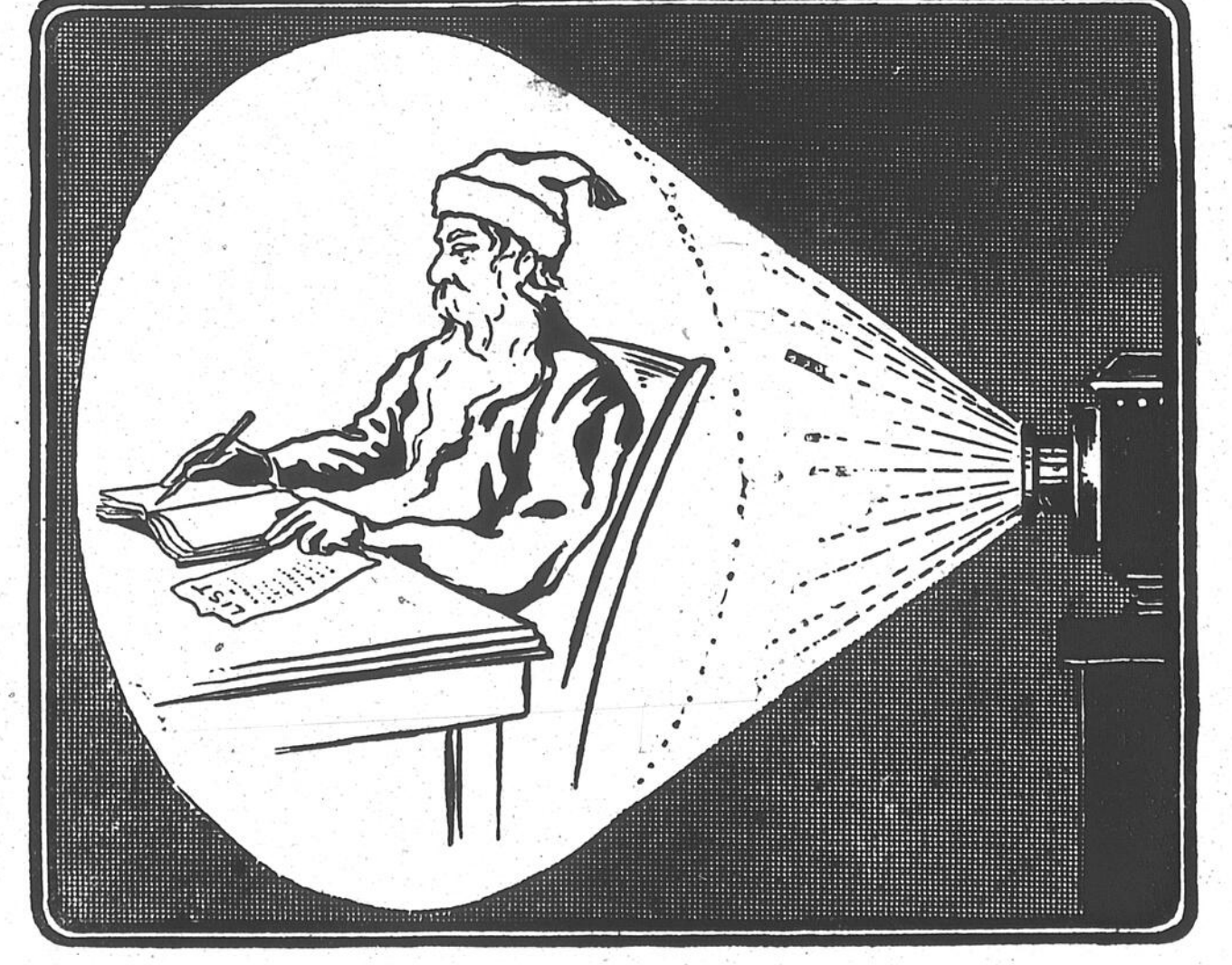
**You'll Find Aprons Prove Appreciated Gifts**  
Ladies' Lawn Aprons, without bibs, deep hem, also with sashes.....25c  
Ladies' Lawn Aprons, with hemstitched tucks and deep hemstitched hem, with deep hem, also sashes.....65c  
Maid's Lawn Aprons, with embroidered bibs, skirt, also sashes.....35c  
Maid's Lawn Aprons, with fancy embroidered bibs.....50c  
Maid's Lawn Aprons, with embroidered bibs, skirt with deep hem, also sashes.....75c

## Housekeepers Appreciate Linens

Best Irish Linen Damask Bureau Covers, also Washstand Covers to match—  
Size 16 x 50 in., for.....55c  
Size 18 x 68 in., for.....75c  
Plain Irish Linen Tray Cloths, open-work border—  
Size 20 x 27 in., each.....40c  
Size 20 x 30 in., each.....59c  
Linen Damask Table Cloths and Napkins to match—  
Table Cloths, size about 2 1-2 yards long, at \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$3.00 each.  
Table Cloths, size about 3 yards long, at \$1.85, \$2.15, \$2.40 and \$2.50.  
Table Cloths, size about 3 1-2 yards long, at.....\$4.25  
Table Cloths, size about 4 yards long, at.....\$4.75  
Special lines of Table Napkins, selling at reduced prices—  
1 lot, about 100 dozen, selling for about, dozen.....\$1.00  
1 lot, about 50 dozen, selling at per dozen.....\$1.50  
1 lot, about 20 dozen, selling at per dozen.....\$2.00  
1 lot, about 35 dozen, selling at, per dozen.....\$3.00

## Toytown Contains Large Audiences Of Interested Little Folks Daily

Crammed full of all sorts of Toys. Enough to fill every stocking that will be hung—  
—by the chimney with care.  
In hopes that St. Nicholas' soon would be there"  
—on the night before Christmas. Can't recollect a season when Toys were so reasonable in price—when curtailing of gift-giving plans was so unnecessary.  
Boys' Soldier Suits, on card, only.....25c  
Iron Trains (engine and two cars), only.....25c  
Dolls' Carriages, well made and finished, only.....30c  
Dressed Dolls, various styles, only.....25c  
Boys' Drums, with the sticks, of course, only.....10c  
Daisy Air Rifles, single shot, only.....98c  
Children's Snowshoes, very durably made, only.....\$1.25  
Dolls' Beds, with the spring and mattress, only.....75c  
Extra good hardwood, round runner Boys' Sleighs.....\$1.00  
Equally as good ones for girls for.....\$1.00

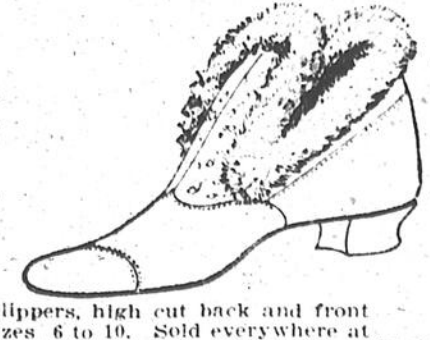


## Santa Tells the Number of Visits He has to Make

Such a lot of visits I have to make on Christmas Eve to the English-speaking girls and boys, and on New Year's Eve to my little French-speaking friends! Your Montreal Directory says there are 50,500 homes in this city, and I try ever so hard to get to every one of them, besides the thousands of others in other places.  
Some of my little friends who have a little money of their own and lots of time could help me bring joy and happiness into the homes of the poor at Christmas-time. Isn't there something to whom you could send a Toy or something else that would please them on Christmas day?  
It is, as I have said before, my constant thought of others that has kept me feeling so young, and makes you think as you look at my pictures that I'm a good-natured, happy man. You can feel and look exactly like me if you, too, will think of others more than yourself.  
SANTA CLAUS.

## Vast Additions Recently Made to the Xmas Slipper Assortment

Specially favorable purchase of Ladies' fine black Kid Slippers—how favorable the value and selling price to you will demonstrate.  
**\$2.00 Xmas Slippers for 95c**  
180 pairs Ladies' fine black Kid Slippers, black fur trimming, white fleece lining, hand turned soles, pretty shape; sizes 2-12 to 6. Stylish and warm house Slippers. Regular value \$2.00. Wednesday 8 a.m. to.....95c  
**Men's \$2.50 Slippers for \$1.95**  
Men's handsome Tan Kid "Romeo" Slippers, high cut back and front with elastic sides, turn soles; sizes 6 to 10. Sold everywhere at \$2.50. Our Xmas Slipper sale price.....\$1.95



## GROCERY SPECIALS

The time to buy Oranges for Xmas is now. The place to buy good Oranges cheap is at Scroggie's.  
15 bbis. of Jamaica "Russet" Oranges (large, deliciously sweet and juicy), per dozen.....25c  
New Valencia Oranges, per dozen.....15c  
Special sale of Sorrento Oranges, per dozen.....10c  
Mixed Nuts: Almonds, Walnuts, Filberts and Brazil Nuts, per lb.....15c  
Table Figs, Table Raisins, etc., at lowest prices; all fresh goods.

St. Catherine University & Victoria Sts. **W.H. Scroggie Limited** St. Catherine University & Victoria Sts.  
"THE STORE OF SATISFACTION."

## Books of the Day Extremely Popular for Gift-Giving

Two groups of cloth bound books. Though the printed lists of titles are quite lengthy, they do not exhaust the variety of Books at each price. We've an unrivalled collection—unequaled for variety—a matchless range of values. These prices prove the latter statement.

### Books for \$1.05 Wednesday

"The Prodigal Son," by Hall Caine.  
"Sonny," a Christmas Guest," by Ruth McEbery Stuart.  
"Frenchy, the Story of a Gentleman," by William Sage.  
"Zelda Dameron," by Meredith Nicholson.  
"Dialstone Lane," by W. F. Jacobs.  
"Rosabel," by Esther Miller.  
"The Lightning Conductor," by C. N. and A. M. Williamson.  
"Jas & Co.," by the author of "Wee MacGregor."  
"The Broke of Covenand," by J. C. Smith.  
"The Day of the Dog," by George Barr McCutcheon.  
"Odd Craft," by W. W. Jacobs.  
"The Plover and the Sword," by Ernest G. Holtzman.  
"The Filigree Ball," by Anna Katherine Green.  
"Falsify of the Blessed Voice," by William Stearns Davis.  
"When Wilderness Was King," by Randall Parrish.  
"The Queen's Advocate," by Arthur W. Marchmont.  
"Barbe of Grand Bayou," by John Oxenham.  
"The Bright Face of Danger," by R. N. Stephens.  
"The Chronicle of Don Q.," by K. and Heskett Pritchard.  
"The Challengers," by E. F. Benson.  
"The Black Shilling," by Amelia E. Barr.  
"Kate of Kate Hall," by Ellen Thorneycroft Fowler.  
"The Bell-ringer," by Ellen Glasgow.  
"Black Friday," by Frederic S. Isham.  
"The Betrayal," by E. Phillips Oppenheim.  
"The Albert Gate Affair," by Louis Tracy.  
"The Belle of Bowling Green," by Amelia E. Barr.  
"Beverly of Graustark," by George Barr McCutcheon.  
"The Pillar of Light," by Louis Tracy.  
"Brewster's Millions," by G. B. McCutcheon.  
"The River," by Eden Phillpotts.  
"The Grangers," by Francis Lynde.  
"The Magnetic North," by Elizabeth Robins.  
"When I Was Czar," by Arthur W. Marchmont.  
"The Law of the Land," by Emerson Hough.

### Books for \$1.15 Wednesday

"The Prisoner of Mademoiselle," by Charles G. D. Roberts.  
"The Loves of Miss Anne," by S. R. Crockett.  
"The Last Hope," by Henry Seton Merriman.  
"A Forest Hearth," by Charles Major.  
"The Vice-Admiral of the Blue," by Richard B. Stoddard.  
"A Chicago Princess," by Robert Barr.  
"Strong Man," by S. R. Crockett.  
"The Darrow Enigma," by M. L. Sevigny.  
"The Quest of John Chapman," by Newell Dwight Hillis.  
"At the Moorings," by Rosa N. Carey.  
"The Two Van-Revels," by Booth Tarkington.  
"The Sea Wolf," by Jack London.  
"Beatrice of Venice," by Max Pemberton.  
"A Sister to Evangeline," by Charles G. D. Roberts.  
"Olive Latham," by E. L. Vornich.  
"The Issue," by George Morgan.  
"Cadets of Gascony," by Burton Egbert Stevenson.  
"A Bachelor in Aready," by Halliwell Sutcliffe.  
"Fragles and Discoveries," by Rudyard Kipling.  
"Sir Roger's Heir," by Frankfort Moore.  
"The Golden Kingdom," by Andrew Balfour.  
"My Japanese Wife," by Clive Holland.  
"The Abbess of Valve," by Stanley J. Weyman.  
"The Price of Youth," by Margery Williams.  
"The Princess Passes," by C. N. and A. M. Williamson.  
"Borderland, All About Grey Gallo-way," by S. R. Crockett.  
"Double Harness," by Anthony Hope.  
"Whosoe'er Shall Offend," by F. Marion Crawford.  
"The Heart of Rome," by F. Marion Crawford.  
"The Homeland From the North," by Ridgwell Cullum.  
"All's Fair in Love," by Josephine Caroline Sawyer.  
"Nancy Stair," by Elton Macartney Lane.  
"The Golden Dwarf," by R. N. Norman Silver.  
"Alain Tanguer's Wife," by J. H. Yocum.  
"The Woman Who Wills," by Mrs. John Van Vorst and Marie Van Vorst.  
"The Storm of the Dagger," by Ellen Phillips.  
"The Mountains," by Stewart Edward White.  
"The Five Nations," by Rudyard Kipling.  
"A Woman of the World," by Ella Wheeler Wilcox.  
"The Schemers," by E. F. Harkins.

### Books for \$1.15 Wednesday

"Dr. Luke of the Labrador," by Norwood Duncan.  
"The Silent Places," by Stewart Edward White.  
"My Friend Prospero," by Henry Harland.  
"Where the Tide Comes In," by Lucy Mearns Thurston.

## Tasteful, Pretty, Inexpensive Gifts Can be Supplied by the Art Needlework Section

Silk Drapes, in all shades. Prices range from \$1.00 to.....\$9.00  
Silk Table Covers, with hem 3 inches wide, embroidered in floss and gold, size 36 x 36, at.....\$2.25  
Silk Chair Tides, in all shades, from 49c up to.....\$1.15  
Paper Flowers, for Xmas decoration, in all shades—American Beauty Roses, Mums and Tulips. Each.....5c  
Carnations, in all shades, each.....25c