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SATCHELL IN THIS CITY ON Wednesday, a Small Black Velvet Satchell, with Silver Buckle, containing money. Finder please leave at White, Ont.

ROOMS TO LET. COMFORTABLE ROOMS WITH Modern improvements, can be obtained at 170 Barrie St., Kingston.

DAILY MEMORANDA.

Happy New Year. Workmen's meeting to-night. Tomorrow will be January 1st, 1904. The Whig will not be issued to-morrow. Don't take advice - give it. You'll be loved. Open house at Y.M.C.A. rooms to-morrow. Deputy returning officers sworn in, 7:30 p.m. Don't pay your debts. It's a sure way to keep poor. Dance, Court Earl Roberts, I.O.F., Whig Hall, 8 p.m. Band at covered rink to-morrow and Saturday afternoon. Manquet, Knights of the Grip, British American Hotel, 9 p.m. Don't grumble. Take what you can get. If you can't get it, take it. Man is logical, but unreasonable, woman irrational, but convincing. Don't tell the truth. You'll get the reputation of being poor - or silly. Keep Wednesday, January 13th for the lecture of the season, Dr. Windt, the great traveller. December 31st in history: Lord Beaconsfield born, 1805. Gen. Montgomery killed at Quebec, 1775. attempt of United States to capture Quebec frustrated, 1775. Hath any wronged thee? He bravely repented; slight it, and the work's begun; forgive it, 'tis finished; he is below himself that is not above any injury. - Quares. Nature is avariciously frugal; in matter, it allows no atom to elude its grasp; in mind, no thought or feeling to perish. It gathers up the fragments that nothing is lost. - David Thomas.

FOR NEW YEAR'S Wine Glasses Of every description; also Decanters, etc., CORRECT PRICES. Large assortment to select from. ROBERTSON BROS.

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CATARAQUI WARD. TO THE ELECTORS. Ladies and Gentlemen, - Again I respectfully solicit your votes and influence to return me as one of your representatives for 1904. I am a resident, and a property holder in the ward and will endeavor at all times to study its highest interests. DANIEL REEVES.

CATARAQUI WARD. TO THE ELECTORS. I cordially solicit the votes and influence of the electors to return me again for 1904. JOHN McLEOD.

CARD OF THANKS. THE SISTERS OF THE HOUSE OF PROVIDENCE, gratefully acknowledge the grant of \$100 from the County Council of Frontenac for the benefit of their aged and infirm patients.

UNION MASS MEETING. TO ALL ORGANIZED LABOR OF this city: A mass meeting of all unions will be held in the Labor Hall, to-morrow night, Dec. 31st, at 8 o'clock. Every union man is urgently requested to be present. E. Villard, President. D. Campbell, Financial-Secretary.

J. WYATT TRENDLELL, MUSIC TEACHER SINGING, PIANO, VIOLIN 60 Wellington Street - Kingston East Huron liberals nominated Hon. Dr. Macdonald, Shelburne and Queen's, N. S. You can save money on rubber goods by going to Gibson's Red Cross drug store.

THE MIKADO Sanctions Use of Education Reserve For Railways IN MANCHURIA

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ARE MARAUDING AND FORAGING. One Million Yen For War Purposes - Chinese Railway Director Returns From Admiral Alexieff. Pekin, Dec. 31. - The announcement of the promulgation of an ordinance by the Mikado of Japan, authorizing the use of the education and emergency reserve funds of fifty millions for railway construction in Corea, is interpreted as preliminary to the conclusion of the negotiations with which Japan and Russia have amused each other, and which the Japan legation here regards as now practically defunct. The moderation and control of temper shown by Japan in the negotiations until there is a better state of western opinion, are admired. The freezing of Lake Baikal is looked upon as a favorable point for Japan, as it will stop any appreciable augmentation of the Russian army. Travelers arriving here report the prevalence of unusual disorders in Manchuria. Depredations and foraging by Russian soldiers, as well as brigandage, are widespread.

Russia Disappointed With China. London, Dec. 31. - A Times Tokio special says: Yesterday's ordinance empowers the government to employ for special purposes all the funds of special accounts amounting to over one hundred million yen. The ordinance also sanctions short loans and exchequer loans. Huysien, the director of the Chinese railways, has just returned from a journey to Port Arthur, as the guest of the Admiral Alexieff, with whom he discussed railway matters. The admiral proposed that China continue the railway from Hsinmi to Mukden, thereby bringing Mukden within twenty-four hours of Pekin. The director said he would have to consult the Pein authorities. Asked why Russia had failed to fulfil her promise to evacuate Manchuria, the admiral replied that Russia was greatly disappointed with China, which, contrary to an amicable agreement, had allowed herself to be deceived by Japan into a general unfriendliness. Huysien was requested to send a message to Pekin inviting the court to send an imperial prince to Port Arthur, to arrange matters with the admiral away from Japanese intrigues.

A BIG COMPANY. To Develop Cape Breton Coal and Iron. Halifax, Dec. 31. - It is learned that leading financiers in Boston and New York, with H. M. Whitney at their head, are contemplating the formation of a big company for the development of coal and iron areas in Cape Breton, and the establishment in connection therewith, of a big steel plant. Mr. Whitney owns extensive deposits of iron ore and dolomite, in different parts of the county, also in Labrador and Newfoundland. The proposed scheme, it is said, includes the purchase by the new company of the coal and iron areas of the Cape Breton Coal and Iron Railway company.

A. B. AYLESWORTH, K.C. Will Probably Be Liberal Candidate in North Oxford. Toronto, Dec. 31. - The Mail and Empire, to-day, says that A. B. Aylesworth, K.C., one of Canada's representatives on the Alaskan boundary commission, in all probability will be the liberal candidate in North Oxford, the seat rendered vacant by the sudden death in England of Andrew Pattullo. At an emergency meeting of the Ontario cabinet held yesterday afternoon, it was agreed to not issue the writ for the election for several weeks.

Scotts At Plum Pudding. London, Dec. 31. - In the Lancet E. G. Clayton makes a heartless attack on that most sacred of dishes - English plum pudding. Clayton places the compound under analysis and declares that in the cold, clear light of a scientific examination it is little better than mockery. The theory that plum pudding yields as much sustenance as beefsteak he declared is not supported by its chemical composition. He concludes that in nutritional value it is of no more account than dried figs.

Opened A Market. Ottawa, Dec. 31. - A large importing firm in Wellington, New Zealand, writes the trade and commerce department that the new tariff bill, which has just been passed there, will necessitate their buying much of the goods they formerly secured in the United States from Britain or Canada. They want to hear from Canadian manufacturers, especially of office specialties and printing papers.

The election in North Oxford will be held immediately, probably about a week or ten days after the house meets. The Hally and Boyd Co., wholesale boots and shoes, Toronto, have assigned. The late Andrew Pattullo left a legacy of three words: "Forgive me, N. S. Ladies, see Livingston's advt. for skirt lengths, two.

REMARKABLE MAN. Though Blind He Makes a Fortune.

Minola, L.L., Dec. 31. - The will of John Alexander Whitaker, one of the most remarkable blind men that Long Island has ever known, has been admitted to probate in the Nassau county surrogate's office. Whitaker became totally blind from a boy and was sent to the New York institution for the blind. At that time Grover Cleveland, who little thought then that one day he would become the head of the nation, was a book-keeper in the institution. He took a great fancy to the blind though happy youth, and taught him many things not in the curriculum. As a result Whitaker left the institution an exceedingly bright young man. The friendship between the blind youth and President Cleveland continued for years, and even after Grover Cleveland became president he wrote occasionally to his blind protégé of the training school. The real estate of Whitaker is valued at \$12,000, and the personal estate it is understood, is more than \$50,000.



GOVERNOR JAMES K. WALDMAN. A leading exponent of the opposition to the early calling of the legislature, as that an electric wire near the lower part of a piece of drop scenery broke and grounded, setting the scenery ablaze. Eddie Foy, the comedian of the company, shouted to lower the curtains, which was done. An effort was made to do this, but the curtain stuck, when half-way down. Forced by the strong draught, the flames shot out through the opening over the heads of the people on the first floor and up to those in the first balcony, who were caught and burned to death.

MR. GRAHAM APPROVES. Endorses The Calling Of The Legislature. Brockville, Ont., Dec. 31. - G. P. Graham, M.P.P., says: "I approve of the early calling of the legislature, as it is much more convenient to the members and better for the province. To postpone election protests, which are pending would be absurd. Some of them have been already pending nearly a year, and may be still hanging in the air. Election trials are frequently postponed on various pretexts, and to make the business of the province and the meeting of the house subservient to the conveniences of the lawyers in these cases would be childish. If all went to trial as announced, which is not at all likely, an appeal might be entered in such case on both sides, which might prevent the legislature meeting for three or four months. The House of Commons, however, has adopted that the house should not be called together while election trials are pending. No interest, either constitutional, business or political, suffers by the calling of an early session."

Nothing Unusual. Toronto, Dec. 31. - There is nothing unusual about a January session of the house. Indeed, it appears that January has been the favorite month for calling the Ontario legislature together for thirty-five sessions since confederation, fifteen have begun in January, ten in February, four in November, three in December, one in April, one in August, and one in March. The House of Commons, however, has succeeded in breaking through the lines and entering the theatre, and in many cases did heroic work in rescuing the injured and carrying out the dead.

FIRE OF THE NEWS. The Very Latest News Cull'd From All Over The World. News regarding the far east situation is more warlike than at any time since the Russian Japanese negotiations began.

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IT WAS AWFUL Over Five Hundred Killed During Fire IN A THEATRE AND CONSIDERED SAFEST IN CHICAGO.

There Was A Terrible Plunge For The Exits And Hundreds Were Trampled Under Foot - The Cause Of The Fire, Which Started Around The Scenery. Chicago, Dec. 31. - Five hundred and fifty people were killed within ten minutes yesterday afternoon, during a fire in the Iroquois theatre, the newest, the largest, and as far as human power could make it, the safest theatre in Chicago. A few of these people were burned to death by fire, many were suffocated by gas and scores were trampled to death in the panic that followed the total plunge of the frightened audience for exits. It will be many hours before the number of dead is accurately known and many days before all will be identified. The accounts of the origin of the fire, which broke out during the second act of the play, "Mr. Blue Beard," the first production in the theatre since the latter's erection, are conflicting, and none of them certain, but the most reasonable one is that an electric wire near the lower part of a piece of drop scenery broke and grounded, setting the scenery ablaze. Eddie Foy, the comedian of the company, shouted to lower the curtains, which was done. An effort was made to do this, but the curtain stuck, when half-way down. Forced by the strong draught, the flames shot out through the opening over the heads of the people on the first floor and up to those in the first balcony, who were caught and burned to death.

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WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31. (10-30 a.m.) - Westerly winds, fair and cold. Friday, continued cold, and a light snow fall.

The only possible thing to do was to seize a limb or some other portion of the body and pull with main strength. Men worked at the task with tears running down their cheeks and the sobs of the rescuers could be heard even in the hall below where this awful scene was being enacted. A number of men were compelled to abandon their task and give it over to others whose nerves had not as yet been shaken.

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NEW EMBROIDERIES. We have just received from the makers a consignment of these goods, which are now ready for inspection. They are extra good value and you will miss a rare chance if you do not get your share. 300 yards at 4c. 290 yards at 5c. 200 yards at 6c. 500 yards, very fine, 3 inches wide at 8c., 9c., 10c., and 12c. Insertions; very fine, 2 1/2 inches wide, at 10c., 11c. and 12c. Swiss Embroideries, 3 inches wide, fine cloth and work, at 8c. Swiss Insertion, from 6c. to 20c. 9 inch Flouncing Embroidery, with 4-inch work and good cotton. Good value at 25c. Our price, 15c. Seeing is believing. Come and see. This store will close during January and February every day (except Saturday) at 5 o'clock. Saturday evenings at 9 o'clock.

Stacy & Stacy Our Coffee. For New Year's day, and for every day, there is nothing better than our JAVA AND MOCHA BLEND. We buy this Coffee in the green state - roast it on the premises, and grind daily; thus insuring that delicate, fragrant aroma so dear to lovers of good Coffee. The price of our pure Java and Mocha Blend 40c. per lb. Grape Juice. As a delicious and in every way satisfactory beverage for the table or for social purposes, the Vineland Grape Juice has no equal. Quart Bottles, 35 cents. Pint Bottles, 65 cents. Raspberry Vinegar. Home-made, Pints, 20 cents. Home-made, Quarts, 35 cents. Crosse & Blackwelder's, Pints, . . . 25 cents.

Jas. Redden & Co. KINGSTON & BATH ROAD CO. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders will be held at the office of Kirkpatrick, Rogers and Nickle, Ontario street, ON MONDAY, the fourth day of January, 1904 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. R. V. ROGERS, Acting Secretary.

A Confession By Telephone. Chicago, Dec. 31. - Frederick Lindstrom, cashier for the firm of Friend, Moss & Morris, called his employers on the telephone, and announced that he stole \$12,000 from them, and was about to leave the city. He was induced to visit the office, and was arrested. The money is said to have been lost on horse races.

First is a bad cough, then a settled cold. Take Gibson's Red Cross emulsion of cod liver oil. It cures coughs and colds.

It's Nice. To have a hair brush that will brush the hair, and not just slide over the top of it, besides a stiff brush has an invigorating effect on the scalp and would often do a great deal to prevent baldness, if you want this kind we have them. Prices, 25c. to \$2.50. H. B. TAYLOR, Pharmaceutical Chemist, 121 Princess Street, Phone 59.