

## WAS DOUBLY JOYFUL ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH AND WEDDING KEPT

In Battersea—A Brilliant Affair—  
A Wedding Christmas Night—  
Many Home From the West  
For the Winter.

Battersea, Dec. 31.—The annual Christmas tree was held on the 23rd; under very unfavorable weather conditions, consequently the hall was only about half filled. The children and young people, who contributed to the entertainment, acquitted themselves creditably. The tree was well laden with pretty gifts for the children and some of the grown-ups.

On the night of the 27th inst., the splendid and spacious residence of George Matthews, of our village, was the scene of one of the most brilliant social events that has occurred within the history of our quiet hamlet, it being the occasion of the joint celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Mr. Matthews' birth and the twenty-fifth anniversary of his wedding day. This well-furnished home was beautifully decorated and lighted, and the entire suit of rooms was thronged open for the evening. After the large number of guests had all assembled, and each had extended congratulations to the still happy couple, the call to the dining-room was given, and the first contingent surrounded the tables extending the full length of the room. To say that the table was well laden with good things would indeed be putting it mildly. It metaphorically groaned with the weight of richness and sweetens upon it, and though there was reset and again surrounded, yet the busy waiters never allowed its burden of good things to become less, so plenteous was the store. The epicurean tastes of all being satisfied the rest of the evening was spent in a social and felicitous manner till near the midnight hour when the merry guests departed, after heartily thanking their host and hostess for the pleasant time afforded and "wishing them a happy New Year and at least another quarter of a century of pleasant and prosperous wedded life. About one hundred guests were present and many beautiful and costly gifts were given, some by friends living at too great a distance to attend.

Another one of those more frequent and happy events took place on the 25th inst. at the home of Anderson Knapp, it being the marriage of his youngest daughter, Nora, to Arthur Sparks. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Waddell, in the presence of a number of invited guests. Miss Gertie Keefer acted as bridesmaid while Carl Vanfusen supported the groom. The young couple left on a two weeks' wedding tour. We extend congratulations.

Quite a number of our former resi-

dents, who have become citizens of the western provinces, availed themselves of the winter, and judging from both the physical appearances of each, the west agrees with them and they are making good. Among the latest arrivals are: Samuel Jamieson, George Jamieson, wife, William Loucks and wife, Samuel Anglin, John Williams, Danford Luke, Frank McIroy and Ross Keefer.

Rev. Mr. Waddell, Toronto University, who is spending his holidays here, conducted services in the Methodist church, on the 22nd, John and Albert Miller, G. Lake and T. Ennis, all were set upon by a mob of armed Japanese, yesterday, at the corner of Powell street and Gore avenue, two blocks from the police station.

The men were clothed in uniforms with brass buttons, and the attack of the Japanese is all the more serious for that reason.

By accident, a fireman named Frost fell against the window of a Japanese store and smashed the plate glass. In an instant the Japanese proprer rushed out. Many of his countrymen came to join in the fight, for there was in the centre of the Japanese district that the incident occurred. The firemen were athletic young men, but they were overpowered after a fight, when the flesh of their faces had been torn into ribbons by the razor-like knives which the Orientals carry.

Frost was mortally hurt, for his neck was cut, slashed and laid open for four inches and two inches deep alongside the jugular vein. The men were frightfully mangled about the arms and breasts, but McDonald and Anderson, the other two firemen, were still fighting for the lives of Frost when a squad of police arrived. Four Japanese were arrested, and the three firemen taken to hospital.

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Lee & Balls, and have already taken possession. Mr. Lee and family will remove to the city, and their many friends are sorry to lose them. Visiting Rev. T. Merridew and wife, Seelye's Bay; Charles Hartley and family, Seelye's Bay; Mrs. C. Franklin, Portland; Mr. Shuffelbottom, and daughter, and Miss Shuffelbottom and Reuben Knapp, Kingston.

### ACADIA UNIVERSITY.

Sum of \$230,000 Assured As Result of Forward Movement.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 2.—Wolfville Acadia University's second forward movement is now complete. Two hundred and thirty thousand dollars for Acadia are assured. Friends of Acadia have won a great victory. The raising of one hundred thousand dollars from the people of the maritime provinces for Acadia University is an accomplished fact.

President Hutchinson and the college authorities are jubilant over the success of the achievement, which means so much to the institution, securing first, the payment of all debts, second, repairs on old buildings, third, a new science building, fourth, the addition of \$100,000 to the endowment fund.

### ADMINISTERED ACONITE.

While Tipsy—Off on Suspended Sentence.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 2.—Dame McIntosh was before Justice Moogin this morning, for sentence on the charge of stealing a quantity of aconite poison from Dr. LaGhlin's office in Dundas, and administering it with intent, to Roy Wyatt. On the theft charge he was sent to jail for four months, but on the more serious charge of administering with intent, he got off on suspended sentence, the judge taking the view that the act was that of a drunken man who did not know what he was doing.

Envelope sale, R. Ugow & Co.

## BEATEN BY JAPANESE VANCOUVER FIREMEN SLASHED WITH KNIVES.

One Was Mortally Wounded—Fireman Smashed Window of Japanese Store and Herd of Orientals Rushed Out.

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### Amusements.

#### Grand Opera House.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8TH.

The Theatrical Event of last season, in New York, eight months ago, at the Madison Square Theatre to thronged enthusiastic houses.

WALTER N. LAWRENCE PRESENTS

CARLOTTA NILSSON

And the Madison Square Company in

"THE THREE OF US"

Which received the unanimous and un-

qualified endorsement of the Press of

New York, Philadelphia, Boston and

Chicago. 25c. Mac. 75c. \$1.50.

Prices on sale Saturday.

# The People's Forum.

### HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

TWO DINING ROOM GIRLS AND A

KITCHEN WOMAN, at Iroquois Hotel.

A GENERAL SERVANT NO WASH-

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A GOOD SERVANT FOR ISLA-

M. FAMILY. Must understand cor-

ner streets. Apply to Miss Weller, Cor-

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A GENERAL SERVANT BY DAY.

JAN. Must be very neat, and

Apply in evening to Mrs.

244 King-street.

ARTICLES WANTED.

POSITION AS HOUSEKEEPER FOR

A gentleman without family. Can

take position after April 1st. Agnes

W. Smith, Almonte, Ont.

21st OF

WANTED—GENERAL

21st OF

YARD CLEANING ASST.

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