

THE TOWN WATCHMAN

Well, the bats are in the ring and we will have another warm battle of the ballots. The election in Kingston is very much non-political. To the Watchman it looks like a wet and dry referendum.

In 1924, Kingston voted "wet" by a majority of 1426. But many of those voters are dead or have left here, while many others may have had a change of heart. However, on December first we will be able to learn how this constituency stands on the liquor question.

It is most fitting that tablets should be erected here to the memory of Lord Sydenham and Sir Charles Bagot, former governors of Canada, who lived at "Alwington," now the palatial home of Mrs. H. W. Richardson. Lord Sydenham died here as the result of a fall off his horse in the year 1841. Kingston has reason to hold him in kindly remembrance, for it was he who strongly advocated making Kingston the permanent seat of the government of Upper and Lower Canada. Had his recommendations been carried out, Ottawa to-day would be a lumber camp and Kingston a big city. But there was great division at the time over the choice of a seat of government, and Kingston lost the day because it was so close to the American border. Fears were expressed that should there be an American invasion (as in 1812) the seat of government might be captured. But this danger never occurred.

Many of Kingston's streets are named after great men. There are for instance Gore, Simcoe, Brock, Sydenham, Bagot, Frontenac. An endeavor was once made to have the name of Albert street changed to La Salle avenue, but residents of that thoroughfare objected. It seemed a pity that the name of one of the early founders of Kingston was not attached to one of our streets. However, the time came when the Dominion Government erected the cause-

way across the lower harbor and it was named La Salle.

It was fitting indeed that the people of St. George's cathedral should hold a service yesterday to commemorate the first anniversary of the death of Dean Starr. The late dean loved St. George's, and gave his memory to the cathedral parish. The memory of the once curate and then dean is held dear by many to whom he ministered in sickness, in bereavement and in adversity.

They do some very plain talking in the British House of Commons. One member told a ladyship member to shut her mouth. The Watchman cannot imagine any member of the Canadian Commons telling the lady member of that body to "hold your tongue, woman." No Canadian commoners are more polite.

After searching for years for the leader of the House of David, that elusive rascal is found right in the bosom of his flock up in Michigan. The old saying that the safest place to hide is in close proximity to your seekers still holds true.

Hon. W. P. Nickle has been through five elections in Kingston and won all. He has succeeded in three Ontario contests (one a bye-election) and in two Dominion battles. He is entering his sixth election in eighteen years. Can the political machine, which he himself largely helped to build up, beat him on the present occasion? The Watchman is told by Conservatives that Nickle will win this election because of his strong personality. Many anti-Prohibitionists are voting for him through friendship. Mr. Nickle is weakening his old party machine every day now, because the battle here is non-political. If he wins, his victory will rank as one of the greatest "championships" ever won in this province, for he had to start out this week to build up a campaign organization to fight against a most efficient political machine.



Brocade of green and gold.

Best values, in blue overcoats at Tweddell's, 25, 28.50, 32.50 and 35.

URGE EARLY SENDING OF CHRISTMAS MAIL

Post Office Gives Hints for Those Wishing Gifts to Arrive in Time.

Christmas mail must be mailed early, preferably in the morning, to avoid delays from congestion which may prove unpleasant to both the sender and receiver.

Suggestions issued by the officials of the local post office also stress the necessity of early mailing of British Christmas mail and parcels and mail matter to the United States. In the latter case delays may otherwise unavoidably result from Customs inspection.

Following are some of the suggestions issued by officials of the local post office to facilitate the handling of the heavy volume of Christmas mail.

British Mail.
Always remember that hundreds of other people are holding back their Christmas parcels because they will not mail them early enough to give the postal staff time to handle and deliver them. Congestion of mail matter during December is the rule in all post offices and railway mail cars. Why add to this congested condition. Take the advice of post office officials and both you and your friends will be happy. Mark your gift "not to be opened until Christmas" and mail it a week earlier than you intended.

Remember your friends overseas, and get your gifts in early in December. If you are sending a money order, remember that the advice has to go to the Exchange Office, so that the amount in currency of the country of destination may be indicated thereon, then it comes back to the post office for despatch, but British mail steamers do not sail every day. You are helping to carry out your own scheme of "a present on Christmas Day" when you act promptly. Knowing of these unavoidable delays, parcels and other mail for overseas delivery, before Christmas, should be mailed not later than 5 p.m., Monday, Nov. 29th, and at the very latest by 5 p.m., Dec. 4th.

Packing and Preparation.
It is very important to pack parcels carefully, ordinary card-board boxes are not found to be satisfactory, and if used should have an outside wrapper of several layers of strong paper and be well tied with cord. Such articles should also be addressed on two or even three sides, and if an address tag is used, the parcel should bear the address also, as tags frequently become detached and lost. The sender should always place his own name and address on the outside of the parcel as well as inside, so that in case it is undeliverable, it may be returned to him. Do not forget that insurance of parcel post applies not only to Canada and the United States but also to Great Britain and many other countries. In sending parcels to any point in Canada, it is most advisable to mail them early in order to avoid the heavy rush, ordinarily five days is considered sufficient to Vancouver but at Christmas time ten days should be allowed; four to five days to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Manitoba, for extreme points in the western states about ten days should be allowed and four days for the eastern states. Local mail matter will be sure of delivery if posted not later than Dec. 22nd.

During the holiday season many people transmit their Christmas and New Year's greetings by means of small cards enclosed in visiting card envelopes or diminutive envelopes of a similar nature. The use of small envelopes is discouraged by the Post Office Department for many reasons.

Small envelopes cannot be satisfactorily processed by the electric post-marking machine. The cancellation mark covers too great a portion of the surface, obliterating the address in many instances. This necessitates picking out the small envelopes from the other letters and detaching employees who might be more profitably engaged, to stamp them by hand. The small size of the envelopes renders the sorting and the making up of bundles more difficult, and hampers the work of the office at a time when it is most desirable to handle the mails as expeditiously as possible. The public can assist the Post Office Department by refraining from using envelopes smaller than three inches by four inches in size.

Dutiable articles enclosed in letters to the United States.—The United States Postal authorities advise that when dutiable articles are enclosed in letters addressed to the United States, and a customs declaration or invoice is not enclosed and the letter marked "dutiable article" subject to examination by U.S. Customs it will be returned to the sender in the country of origin. The public is asked to bear this in mind when making Christmas and other mailings to the United States.



Red velvet with squirrel.

Side-Saddle Unpopular.
Women are changing the mode of riding to hounds and also the colors of their riding habits.

At a London hunt it was noted they had forsaken the side saddle, of which Princess Mary is a confirmed adherent, and were riding astride.

There is a growing use of colors in riding habits and where it was the usual thing to wear all black or dark blue, many women are now wearing browns, greys and cinnamon.

The Dear Child!
Auntie: Can you manage all right, dear?
Effie (at table): Yes, thank you, Auntie, we often get meat as tough as this at home, don't we, Mamma?—Passing Show, London.

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PROBS:—Snow flurries, becoming colder. Sunday, fair and cold.

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<p>BOYS' WOOL JERSEYS, \$1.00 Each</p> <p>All Wool Jerseys in a full range of colors. Sizes 22 to 34. Special values at \$1.25 each.</p>	<p>ENGLISH WRAPPERETTE, 35c. Yard</p> <p>English Wrapperette Flannels, full 36 inches wide. Regular 45c a yard.</p>	<p>WOOL COATINGS, \$1.89 Yard</p> <p>In novelty and plain fabrics, all smart and new; in colors Sand, Beaver, Green, Navy and Black; 54 inches wide. Priced up to \$3.00 yard.</p>
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