

CONSERVATIVE RUPTURE

Quebec Members May Abstain From General Conservative Convention.

REASON IS REFUSAL OF CONSERVATIVE CAUCUS TO REPUDIATE TORONTO 'NEWS' ARTICLES.

It was stated on the street this morning that the Montreal Conservatives having been informed that the Quebec members of the party would in Ottawa yesterday, having refused to repudiate the 'News' articles against Mr. Monk, they would abstain from taking part in the general conservative convention if it takes place at all.

TWO CONSERVATIVE GATHERINGS

Caucus of Party Members, and Committee of Coming Convention.

Ottawa, April 13.—Two Conservative gatherings of more than common interest were held here yesterday. The first was a caucus of the party members of Parliament, and the second was a meeting of the committee in charge of the convention called to decide whether the convention should be held in June or postponed.

THE BISLEY TEAM

Col. Edwards to be With Major Hutcheson as Adjutant.

Ottawa, April 13.—This year's Canadian Bisley team will have as commandant Lt.-Col. Edwards, of St. John, N.B., while Major J. E. Hutcheson, of Ottawa, will be adjutant. The Canadian officers are the choice of the B. R. A., and although they have not formally accepted as yet, it is understood that they will do so.

DELAY IN ROAD WORK

Unfortunate, Because it Was Possible to Start Early.

Road work was considered at this morning's meeting of the Board of Control, an effort being made to delay it until the summer months. The department may be in a position to call for tenders at once. Immediate action is needed, as it is already late in the season for seeking such tenders.

MUST KEEP MOVING.

Mr. Kagona evidently thought that the public were not in a hurry to get him to keep his moving. He was given a chance to do so, but he did not take it. Yesterday he was fined \$100 for obstructing traffic. She was quite content with her two months' sentence.

BACK AGAIN.

Mr. Sullivan, with only one eye left after seventy years of age, was taken yesterday by Mr. Recorder Weir to the hospital. He was found with being intoxicated. To his only chance to get out of the hospital, he was taken to the hospital. She was quite content with her two months' sentence.

OWES NOTHING TO THE BANK

Mr. J. H. Waldman's Answer to Cross-Examination in Fire Inquiry.

NO LARGE QUANTITY OF OIL ON THE PREMISES, SAYS THE MANAGER.

The investigation before Mr. Lalulippe, fire commissioner, into the cause of the fire that gutted the premises of the J. H. Waldman Company, on St. Paul street, a week ago on Saturday night, was continued yesterday afternoon, when Mr. J. H. Waldman, who controlled the company, gave evidence and was afterwards subjected to a strict cross-examination at the hands of Mr. N. K. Lafamme, K.C., who is appearing on behalf of the insurance companies interested. Again, it was the financial affairs of the firm which occupied the chief part of the examination. Mr. Jacobs said that what was owing to any bank had nothing whatever to do with the fire.

Mr. Waldman said he started business in 1902, with a partner named Summer. The partnership was dissolved, and a joint stock company was formed in 1907. He held all the stock except a few shares held by Joseph Alexander and W. H. H. Savage, yesterday morning's witness, and had practically entire control of the business. One or two others held a few shares.

THE GRAFTON TRAGEDY

Awful Details Reviewed at the Coburg Assizes.

Cobourg, Ont., April 12.—When the court resumed 40-60 at 10 o'clock, the details of the Grafton tragedy were reviewed. The tragedy took place last January, when two women and made two families of little children fatherless, that left another wife and family in sore distress in far off Italy, without their natural protector, while he in a strange land was doing his best to find out how the settlement was made with the bank, whether by cash or otherwise, but Mr. Jacobs could not tell.

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UNDER WHICH INFLUENCE.

Captain Egan said that Michael Kerns had been under the influence of liquor for some time. He said that it would be much better were he under the influence of soap and water. He will likely feel the influence during the next month.

A GOOD SAMARITAN.

There are good Samaritans among the cabmen, said Mr. Recorder Weir when told that one had picked up Lizzie Wilson and taken her to the police station. She was quite sober this morning and was allowed to go.

THE FIRE CHIEF'S CHARIOT.

The automobile ordered by the City Council for Chief Tremblay, of the fire brigade, has now been handed over to the Chief, who will use it for responding to fire alarms instead of the horse-drawn vehicle used up to the present. The car is painted red and is as well as a valuable addition to the fire brigade apparatus.

HOTELKEEPER ASSIGNS.

D. Lamoureux, hotelkeeper, has assigned the demand of Messrs. Peron & Co. G. Forest, also a hotelkeeper, has assigned the demand of O. Barrette.

IRRESISTIBLE!



THE FARMER OF THE WESTERN STATES CASTS SHEEP'S EYES AT THE CANADIAN WEST.

FIRE RECORD.

\$125,000 DAMAGE IN EBENSBURG. Ebensburg, Pa., April 13.—A fire which threatened for some time to wipe out this place, was checked today by the hard work of firemen aided by hundreds of citizens. The loss caused by the fire will reach a hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars. One man, insured by the Mutual, will probably die. Property stored in a hardware store, exploded while the fire was fiercest, injuring walls outward and causing a panic. Seven buildings and several residences were destroyed. Ebensburg is in the mountains, and the reflection from the fire was discernible many miles away.

CANADIAN CABLES.

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ROYAL ARCANUM

Officers of the Grand Council Elected and Installed

At the evening session of the Grand Council of Quebec, Royal Arcanum, yesterday, Mr. J. B. Tresidder was elected grand regent. The other officers elected were as follows: Supreme representative, W. W. Williamson; alternative representative, J. Watson; grand vice-regent, L. A. Pelletier.

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LAST DAY OF MURDER TRIAL

Prisoners and Jury are Affected to Tears During Closing Scenes.

COUNSEL FOR DEFENCE ACCUSES CROWN ATTORNEYS OF SERIOUSNESS.

(Witness' Staff Correspondence.) Valleyfield, Que., April 13.—An eloquent address to the jury on behalf of William and Aime Houle, charged with the murder of their brother-in-law, was made by Mr. J. A. Legault, counsel for the defence, at this morning's session of the Court of King's Bench. As the trial draws to its close people from town and country flock to attend it in even greater numbers, and the court room was much too small to accommodate those who strove for places at this morning's proceedings.

Mr. Legault held that all the evidence adduced was circumstantial, and that there was no sufficient motive for the Houles to have murdered their brother-in-law. The difference between the families was not sufficient. There was proof that they had no financial interest in Pelletier's death. One of the reasons which suspicious rested on them was their leaving home shortly after the murder. It was shown that William had been out of work, and received the offer of employment in New York. It was proved that Aime had gone to the United States in response to a telegram. During the address, which emphasized the pathetic nature of the situation, several surnames and many persons in the court-room had tears in their eyes. Both of the accused gave vent to feelings, William especially broke down completely.

At yesterday's session the defence concluded its case. It is not probable that the decision of the jury will be reached before Thursday morning. The number 13, has been rather a fatal one in the life of the Houles. To-morrow, April 14th, will be exactly a year from the date of the murder, April 13th, 1909. The crime is supposed to have been committed with a gun bought by the Houles, at a cost of \$13. Cydia Houle, the sister of the accused, was recalled to the stand for the opening of the session this afternoon.

Mr. Codebecq, Crown Attorney, took up the cross-questioning. "Did you see William on the night of Monday, April 13th, at the house of the Houles?" "Yes, at about 6 o'clock. After that I did not see him till the morning of the next day."

"You did not speak of the death of Domina Pelletier to William?" "No." "Did you attend it?" "Yes." "Any of the family?" "No." "Was your sister, Clara Pelletier, there?" "Yes." "I don't remember." "There was a mass for Pelletier?" "Yes." "Were you there?" "Yes." "And what other members of the family?" "My mother, my father, and my sister, Clara."

"Who was it that had the mass sung?" "My sister, Clara." "Then Omer Houle was recalled for the third time to the box this afternoon. The defence repeated evidence that his brothers had slept at his house on the night of Monday, March 13th, the day before the crime, that he had risen at 6 o'clock. The day he said, was at his house on the day following the murder, after which he took it back to his father's home. When at his house, the gun was hung up on iron hooks.

"The court requested Jules Boyer, brother-in-law of Pelletier, to take the stand again. He said that he did not think deceased had been robbed before the murder. Mr. Henri Laviech, journalist of the staff of the 'Canada,' was then called by the Crown to give expert evidence regarding the gun, suppose to have been used for the murder of Pelletier. Speaking from five years' steady experience with firearms while serving in the French Army, he said that the marks on the barrels of the weapon might have been produced by its rubbing against wood with strong pressure brought to bear on it, as a result of the recoil from a shot.

COUNCIL AND CONTROLLERS.

Will More Legislation be Necessary?

The conflict of authority which has just broken out between the Board of Control and the City Council leads the 'Press' to believe that the whole machinery will have to be submitted again to the Legislature, and it adds: "Unless our able legislators soon find a remedy, the citizens of Montreal will be doomed to live under a permanent despotism regime. The controllers can do nothing without the assent of the Council, and the Council, on the other hand, can take the initiative in no measure in matters pertaining to the controllers."

PRESIDENT OF THE BUTCHERS.

At a meeting of the Butchers' Association, held yesterday evening, Mr. N. Pasquet was re-elected president for another year.

HEAVY SELLING OF QUEBEC R.Y. ON GOOD NEWS

Demand for Paris Account Causes Advance—Rest of Market Active and Firm

The announcement made in the 'Witness' yesterday regarding the consolidation of a block of 30,000 shares of Quebec Street Railway, Light & Power merger stock, for Paris account through a leading St. James street banking house, resulted in unprecedented activity in the Quebec stock market during the last few days is also responsible for the advance.

The rest of the market showed fair strength, with Montreal Street selling ex-dividend at 247. Power was steady at 128 1/4. Iron and Coal securities showed a slight reaction, which need not be taken seriously.

New York, April 12.—The market was somewhat reactionary in the early dealing under continued profit taking. There was a general decline in prices, however, at the lower level, and the market soon began to rally under the leadership of the steel and coal stocks.

On the whole, this stock began to advance, and in the second hour this rise was quite rapid. The rest of the market at first sympathized but it will with steel, but before noon the market broadened out, so that the entire steel and coal block was sold.

The advance in the steel and coal block was not accompanied by a corresponding advance in the other stocks. Money and exchange rates remained unchanged, and there was no special news to affect prices.

It was announced that the Lake Shore had sold \$2,000,000 short time notes in Paris. Sales to net \$4,849.

Chicago, April 12.—Cattle receipts estimated at 15,000; market steady. Hogs, \$5.55 to \$5.55; western steers, \$10.00 to \$10.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.75 to \$2.75.

Chicago, April 12.—Secretary Strong, of Illinois Grain Dealers' Association, says: 'There is sufficient increase in the price of grain to warrant an average crop. A usual full acreage of oats is all in and in good condition.'

Chicago, April 12.—The second domestic bond conversion of \$50,000,000 has been over-subscribed and a half times.

Chicago, April 12.—The expected reduction in lake shipping rates has come to consideration. The rate now is 6 1/2 cents for wheat and 3 1/2 cents for barley.

Chicago, April 12.—United States Steel directors will meet on April 26th, to take action on dividends. In steel circles the common stock will be placed on five percent basis.

Chicago, April 12.—Grand trunk, which has been moving steadily upward for some days, to-day reached as high as 29 1/2.

Chicago, April 12.—Canadian Pacific dividend of \$1.00 per share, payable on March 30 last, a reduction of about 60,000,000 pounds.

Chicago, April 12.—Chicago market. Wheat, May, 1.12 1/2; July, 1.04 1/2; August, 1.03 1/2; September, 1.02 1/2; October, 1.01 1/2; November, 1.00 1/2; December, .99 1/2.

Chicago, April 12.—Chicago market. Corn, May, .58 1/2; July, .57 1/2; August, .56 1/2; September, .55 1/2; October, .54 1/2; November, .53 1/2; December, .52 1/2.

Chicago, April 12.—Chicago market. Soybeans, May, .84 1/2; July, .83 1/2; August, .82 1/2; September, .81 1/2; October, .80 1/2; November, .79 1/2; December, .78 1/2.

MR. EWING HAS GOOD NEWS ON QUEBEC ST. R.Y.

Mr. S. H. Ewing, director of the Quebec Street Railway, Light & Power Company, who has returned from a visit to the Ancient Capital, appears to be very pleased and highly enthusiastic about the prospects before the new merger corporation.

I made a careful inspection of the various properties in Quebec and vicinity, said Mr. Ewing, and I was more impressed than ever with the opportunities that are before the company for working up an ideal and remunerative system of public utilities.

The gas plant which I took occasion to see and examine is a valuable one, worth as an asset, I should say, \$1,000,000.

I was a shareholder of the old Quebec Street Railway Company for many years, but I was pleased to have the privilege of joining the larger board, and would not sell out my stock for \$50 per share if I was offered cash for it.

The company has a bright future before it, and I will do my special tribute to Mr. Rodolphe Forget, M.P., who has been the guiding spirit in the enterprise, and without whose financial aid and organizing genius we would have been far backward from where we are at present.

The entire system I may say is to be improved in every department, and when the work of enlargement is finally completed I believe the Quebec Street Railway will compare favorably with any traction or power company in the world.

The financial side of the situation is assured.

Providence, R.I., April 12.—The Grand Trunk charter bill was made a law to-day, when Governor Potter signed the bill. The bill gives the Southern New England Railway Company, a projected auxiliary branch of the Grand Trunk Railway, a direct line through Rhode Island with a short outlet at Providence.

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DESPATCHES TO 'WITNESS' ON MERGER DEAL

Show Wide Approval of Mr. Plummer's Policy as Stated at the Coal Meeting.

Mr. J. H. Plummer's remarks in connection with the proposed merger of the Dominion Coal Company and the Dominion Steel and Coal Company, which would result in a new management, were widely approved in financial circles, of the larger centres.

Encouraging words as to the proposed merger came as a pleasant surprise, and the opinion is freely expressed that the bringing together of the two corporations is closer at hand than it was formerly supposed to be.

The following despatches to the 'Witness' from the same source, and show that throughout the country the meeting of steel and coal will be universally welcomed.

Toronto, April 12.—The words spoken by Mr. J. H. Plummer at the annual meeting of the Dominion Coal Company at Montreal yesterday, both in his capacity of chairman of the Dominion Coal Company and as a shareholder, were received here with much interest and surprise. It appears quite evident that the bringing together of the two corporations is closer at hand than it was formerly supposed to be.

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HARRIS DEMAND NOT APPROVED BY DIRECTORS

Halifax, N.S., April 12.—The interesting information has leaked out that several of the directors of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, and, in fact, it is claimed the majority are now against the Harris demands for a change in the charter and by-laws of the Scotia Corporation, which are now before the Legislature.

It is stated that the revolutionary legislation asked for by Mr. Harris has not been authorized by the board of directors, and in fact, it is understood that the majority of the board will stand out as opposed to such legislation.

In view of these facts and the opposition with which the Harris demands have been met not only by the general public throughout Canada, but by several of the more influential directors.

It is inconceivable that the Nova Scotia Legislature will sanction any such radical amendments to the Company's by-laws as are sought by the president of the Scotia Corporation.

Public opinion in the East has changed considerably during the past few weeks, and the Legislature granting the proposed amendments.

Mr. J. N. Hay, of Listowel, Ontario, and Mr. F. E. Schmidt, of Calgary, were introduced on 'Change at noon, to-day, by Mr. F. E. Schmidt, and Mr. F. E. Schmidt, of Calgary, was brought into the hall by Mr. F. E. Schmidt.

Market for Breadstuffs Extremely Dull With Prices Declining

Toronto, April 12.—Further easiness prevails in wheat on the outside markets to-day. Both Chicago and Winnipeg are declined materially, and Manitoba has lowered the price on No. 1 and No. 2 northern grades of Manitoba from 54 to 52 at bay ports, and at upper lake ports, and the eastern rail freight.

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AMONG THE MEMBERS-ON-CHANGE

A letter from the Department of Trade and Commerce was read to the committee of management on the change, who met yesterday afternoon, appointing Mr. A. S. McBean an inspector of grain for the eastern division.

Re the matter of the desired inspection of all cattle or horses which might be put on board ship, the Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce has been requested to prepare legislation during the present session.

Mr. J. N. Hay, of Listowel, Ontario, and Mr. F. E. Schmidt, of Calgary, were introduced on 'Change at noon, to-day, by Mr. F. E. Schmidt, and Mr. F. E. Schmidt, of Calgary, was brought into the hall by Mr. F. E. Schmidt.

Market for Breadstuffs Extremely Dull With Prices Declining

Toronto, April 12.—Further easiness prevails in wheat on the outside markets to-day. Both Chicago and Winnipeg are declined materially, and Manitoba has lowered the price on No. 1 and No. 2 northern grades of Manitoba from 54 to 52 at bay ports, and at upper lake ports, and the eastern rail freight.

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CANADIAN BANKS' INFLUENCE IN FIXING THE TAX

The part played by Canadian banks by obtaining a change in the New York State law fixing the operations of New York State law fixing the tax on operations in the state by foreign banks, is explained by Mr. E. Y. Hebbden, manager of the New York city agency of the Bank of Montreal.

The old law, according to Mr. Hebbden, imposed a tax of one-half of one percent on the business done by foreign banks, and this was changed by making the tax five percent of the net profits. Mr. Hebbden was active in obtaining this modification of the law.

Mr. Hebbden said that only \$5,000 or \$6,000 was paid by half a dozen banks in varying amounts to employ attorneys who drew up a bill and then worked for its passage.

The banks doing the largest business contributed a larger sum than did the smaller banks. The change in the law, Mr. Hebbden stated, was practically imperative, if the Canadian banks were to continue to make direct loans in New York market, particularly during periods when call money was loaned at low rates.

When the loans were being made as low as one percent, the banks, Mr. Hebbden said, could not possibly afford to pay a tax of one-half of one percent. This amounted, he said, to turning half the bank's profits over to the State.

English and Canadian Interests Represented on Rock Island Ry.

Messrs. Percival Farquhar and Dr. F. S. Pearson have been elected directors of Rock Island Company, successor to the C. T. Boggs and R. L. Skofield, resigned.

Of the two new directors of Rock Island Company, Percival Farquhar is direct representative of English interests, and Dr. F. S. Pearson, to the United States to look over Rock Island and Lehigh Valley.

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THE WEST BUSY IN PREPARING FOR BIG CROPS

Despatches to the 'Witness' from western centres, indicate that great activity is being made to ready the land during the present year, in agricultural commerce, building operations, and everything else conducive to the optimism and enthusiasm, and the great results do not follow it will be a surprise.

The migration is vastly larger than a year than in former seasons, and the quality and class is said to be the best. With the busy and earnest working of the soil, and the increase in the trade of the west, there should follow a marked expansion before very long.

It can safely be said that what is going on now general throughout the west, is a sign of things to come. The first week of April may be considered this season. There has been considerable rain in most districts, and it is felt that conditions are very favorable.

Those who are looking for trouble will be disappointed. American cotton, which has been so long in the ground, is now showing a decided improvement, and everything else this side of the Atlantic is very favorable.

The farmers have had a spring of plenty for doing their work, and that is an important factor in the west. The western provinces will this year give to the world a record grain crop.

LIVERPOOL CLOSING. Liverpool, April 12.—Closing. Cotton: futures quiet. May, 75 1/2; June, 75 1/2; July, 75 1/2; August, 75 1/2; September, 75 1/2; October, 75 1/2; November, 75 1/2; December, 75 1/2.

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Branch Bank in the West. The management of the Bank of British North America make the announcement that the branch of the bank has been opened at Saskatoon, Sask., under the management of Mr. G. A. C. Weir.

TO SPEND \$3,000,000. Chicago, April 12.—Rock Island is in the market for \$3,000,000 worth of power and equipment.

NEW YORK STOCKS. Specially reported for the 'Witness' by G. D. Saxe & Co., New York, by direct wire. Opening and closing prices. April 13th 1910.

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MILITARY AND MASONIC OFFICERS ATTEND FUNERAL OF LATE COL. STEVENSON.

The funeral of the late Lieut.-Col. A. A. Stevenson took place today, and was attended by a large number of military and masonic officers...

FILTRATION SCHEME Expert Sees no Obstacle to Prevent it Being Carried Out.

Mr. Fuller, the New York engineer-expert, who is advising the water board with the view of devising plans which will enable the city to establish a filtration plant...

'BOTTLED UP' The Strange Plight of the City Hall News Vendor.

The slang phrase 'bottled up' now has a real meaning to the man who sells papers in the stand by the City Hall on Notre Dame street...

SLAUGHTERED IN BLACKSMITH'S Under-aged Calves Confiscated by Food Inspector.

Dr. Lesperance, of Dr. McCarey's staff, yesterday discovered that nearly two dozen calves were slaughtered in an old blacksmith shop at the rear of number 537 Frontenac...

IMMIGRATION OFFICIAL FOLLY. Sick Man on His Way to Colorado Springs Stopped at New York.

New York, April 13.—Because he was suffering from tuberculosis, Mr. James J. McLaughlin, of Ontario, Scotland, was refused admittance to the United States by immigration officials yesterday...

HONORARY DEGREES FROM QUEBEC. Kingston, Ont., April 13.—The Senate of Queen's University will confer these honorary degrees at the convocation on April 27.

MR. VERRILL'S BILL. Ottawa, April 12.—Controller Alney, of Montreal, was the chief witness before the committee which is considering Mr. Verrill's bill in respect to hours of labor on public works.

MOVING TIME IS A GOOD TIME TO EXCHANGE YOUR OLD PIANO

Special allowance NOW, and we will give you an EXCHANGE RECEIPT so that you may have a new piano at a very low price...

LICENSE LAW AMENDMENTS Anti-Alcoholic League and Dominion Alliance Will Send Delegation to Quebec.

Thursday, April 21, has been fixed as the date upon which the delegation of the Anti-Alcoholic League and the Dominion Alliance will go to Quebec to press the amendments to the license law...

BISHOP'S COLLEGE SCHOOL. New Head-Master Talks With the Boys.

Sherbrooke, April 12.—Yesterday morning the boys of Bishop's College School, Lennoxville, were drawn up in company formation before the school flagstaff, and the master of the Scouts, attached to the Cadet Corps, saluted the flag...

MONTREAL EAST Bill to Incorporate Part of Pointe Aux Trembles Passed.

Quebec, April 13.—The bill to incorporate a portion of Pointe aux Trembles into a town to be known as Montreal East, passed today in the House of Assembly...

TRANSIT BILLS Montreal Aldermen Propose Amendments to Quebec.

Quebec, April 13.—Ald. L. A. Lapointe, of Montreal, has introduced a bill to amend the Transit Bill, which was passed by the Quebec Council...

MAISONNEUVE PRESBYTERIANS. On Sunday evening, the Rev. Principal Springer preached in the Maisonneuve Presbyterian Church...

TRADE MARKS CASE. There was a session of the Executive Committee of the City of Montreal, when evidence was taken before the registrar, Mr. Audet...

BOYS' SUITS LATEST STYLES Made of Genuine Pure Wool Worsted

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PERSONALS Miss Marjorie Macpherson returned home yesterday from a visit in Toronto...

REAL ESTATE. Some big real estate transfers were put through in Montreal yesterday...

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IRISH LEADERS Said to Have Conferred With Unionists as to What They Can Expect if They Support Latta.

(Canadian Associated Press.)... Cork, April 12.—The 'Constitution', a leading Unionist organ, says that some days ago informal overtures were made by the Irish leaders to ascertain what they might expect from the Unionists in case they defeated the government and supported the Unionists at the general elections.

NOTHING DONE YET No Contract for the City's Lighting.

It is hard to tell exactly what the Controllers are doing with reference to the lighting question. Mr. Wanklyn, spoken to on the subject, said that the report would likely be sent to Council on Monday...

ANARCHIST IN PARIS Fires Four Shots at Judge Who Sentenced Him.

Paris, April 12.—A sensation was caused in the Palais of Justice Friday when an anarchist in revenge fired four shots at M. Flory, the president of the court, who had sentenced him to a year's imprisonment...

BRIDEGROOM POISONED Mr. William Serviss Drank Carbolic Acid by Mistake

Ogdensburg, N.Y., April 12.—A peculiar and embarrassing poisoning occurred yesterday in Ogdensburg when William Serviss, a young man, drank carbolic acid by mistake...

BUILDING PERMITS Flats Becoming More Popular in Montreal.

Flats, it appears, are becoming more and more popular in Montreal. Daily permits are asked to buildings which will comprise a number of these flats...

ELEVEN MEN Crushed to Death by Premature Blast.

Easton, Pa., April 13.—Eleven men, all foreigners, were crushed to death by a premature blast in a tunnel at Easton, Pa., on Monday...

MR. R. L. BORDEN. Suffering from Severe Cold, Naval Bill Held Over as Result.

Ottawa, April 13.—Mr. R. L. Borden, the Conservative leader, is suffering from a severe cold, and was unable to attend the House of Commons today...

FIRE IN NEW HAVEN. Five Firemen Hurt and Six Missing.

New Haven, Conn., April 13.—Fire, which broke out in a warehouse next to the County Jail, consumed a building this morning, and has spread to the jail...

LOSS TO NEW YORK SHIP-BUILDING CO. Philadelphia, April 12.—A large two-story building of the New York Shipbuilding Company...

A BRAKEMAN KILLED. Sherbrooke, April 13.—A G. T. R. brakeman named Conant was instantly killed at South Durham this morning...

FELL FROM A SCAFFOLD. James Hulse, 28 years of age living at 119 St. Andrew street was conveyed to the General Hospital last evening...

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NOTICE. CITY OF MONTREAL CONSOLIDATED FUND

The Semi-Annual Dividend on this Stock will be paid on the 2nd May. Transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th April.

FOR SALE—I HAVE A FEW SILVER Spangled-Hamburg Cockerels for sale

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SHIPPING NEWS. INWARD.

Table with shipping arrivals: Iona, left Middleborough... April 12; Capt. J. S. Wood, of the steamer E. Upon, belongs the honor of bringing the first mail from the West...

WIRELESS TO PORT ARTHUR. Port Arthur, Ont., April 12.—The first wireless message ever received at Port Arthur...

FIRST BOAT AT THE SOO. St. Louis, Mo., Mich., April 12.—To Captain J. S. Wood, of the steamer E. Upon, belongs the honor of bringing the first mail from the West...

ELDER-DEMPESTER LINE LOST. The Elder-Dempster line has a serious case before the Railway Commission against the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. railway companies...

GULF REPORT. Father Plot—Clear; west wind. Point Amour—Cloudy; east wind. Heath Point—Light fall of snow; variable wind.

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Art Association.

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A PRAYER MEETING

In the interests of HOME AND THE YOUTH will be held in the Young Women's Christian Association, 502 Dorchester Street West.

ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL.

The Annual Meeting of Associates will be held on THURSDAY, April 14th, at 12 M. in the Board Room of the Canadian Bank of Commerce...

MONTREAL

Protestant House of Industry and Refuge

The Annual General Meeting of the Corporation and Governors of the Institution will be held in the Board Room, House of Refuge, 193 Dorchester Street West.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON,

the 26th Day of April, at 3 o'clock, to receive the Reports of the Board of Management, Elect Officers for the ensuing year, and for other business.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MAILS.

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Table with columns for days of the week (S, M, T, W, T, F, S) and times for various services.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1910.

It, in a way, bridges the distance from Westminster to our City Hall to find ourselves with a little fight on our hands between our Lords and Commons.

Why will Montreal audiences persist in arriving late at theatrical and other performances? When the curtain rang up on the first act of 'Il Trovatore' at His Majesty's Theatre last night, there was scarcely anyone in the body of the house.

So far council has turned an unsympathetic ear to Alderman Tetreau's complaint that carrying broken stones from the quarries by means of the Street Railway is taking work from needy carriers of the city.

ditious and inexpensive way, as Mr. Barlow, the city surveyor, believes, then that in the business procedure, and the one to which council should adhere.

As already promised to the pulp-making interests, Sir Lomer Gouin has at length officially announced that all pulpwood cut on Crown Lands must in the near future be manufactured into pulp in this province.

Among the rapidly following circumstances that have during the last few years awaked China into modern life one of the first and principal was the gratuitous knockdown blow she got from the mailed fist of Germany.

The protests, however, drew out explanations, and it was announced on behalf of the committee that they had simply followed the directions sent to them by circular from the Rhodes trustees.

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are everywhere damaged before them. Let them frisk the good and useful pictures till their eyes are filled with searings, and till the magnificent shows shall become but a languid attraction.

A RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

Bishop's College University, Lennoxville, has been appointing a Rhodes scholar, and for some months the selection that was made has been a burning question in the Eastern Townships.

The Minister of Labor said that the fact that the men engaged in these combines had been pursued as criminals under the Criminal Code had militated against an effective handling of these questions.

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DOMINION PARLIAMENT

The Hon. Mackenzie King's Combine Bill Gets Second Reading.

Ottawa, April 13.—The Hon. Mackenzie King's bill which aims at controlling combines and mergers which unduly enhance prices, got a second reading in the Commons last night, but little headway was made in committee, because of the demand of Opposition members that the bill should be sent to a special committee, where all interests could be heard.

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lation, aiming at capital, at a time when the persecuted capitalists of the United States are looking Canada over the shoulder, and the protection of trade and commerce was not heard of in the House, and recommended the naming of a committee on trade and commerce, where the manufacturing interests of the country would be sent to a committee where it would be considered from all points of view.

MAJOR CURRIE. Major Currie argued that under the terms of the bill third grade methods could be used by manufacturers and others and criminal proceedings subsequently instituted. As the liberty of the subject was involved the matter should be considered by a special committee.

MR. CONNIE. Mr. James Connie supported the bill. Business men, he said, would be protected by the provision which calls for a preliminary investigation before a case is taken to the High Court.

MR. GLEN CAMPBELL. Mr. Glen Campbell criticized the government for not having taken action upon the bill. The west had suffered from lumber, machinery and other combinations.

IN THE SENATE. Ottawa, April 13.—In the Senate on Tuesday a committee on Sir Richard Scott's bill to forbid liquor to be taken into a province which had declared an amendment exempting transportation companies from the penalties. He said that railways could not know what they were doing, they could not be held responsible for the five-gallon packages allowed to be carried by individuals, whether that individual had been convicted within five years, could be known whether the consignee was a liquor dealer or not, and he wanted something to drink. There was a law now which made it a crime to take liquor into a province of Scott's Act, and he wanted the removal of several honest, respectable, law-abiding working station masters and other railway officials in perfect innocence of their contents, who were guarded the packages of liquor. The bill under consideration would multiply such instances.

DR. SPROULE. Dr. Sproule, East Grey, and Uriah Wilson, of Lennoxville, in instances in which complete evidence in the leather and rubber combines had been given to the House; yet, notwithstanding, in the latter case, Mr. Wilson said the reply of Mr. Fielding was that he would supply the evidence.

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most was that of the representation of the people were French, a full quota of the people of the Province of Quebec. For his own part, Mr. Macdonald could say, after an experience of many years, that there was no prejudice there against Roman Catholics as against Protestants in Quebec.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Members of the Smith family in Washington, Idaho, Utah, Northern California, Oregon, Ontario, Colorado, the Dakotas and the provinces of British Columbia and Alberta have been invited to the Smith Day celebration in Spokane on April 19, when that city and Mary Smith, both of whom will be married in the late afternoon. Attendants, flower girls and bridesmaids have been chosen from the house of Smith. The officiating clergyman being the Rev. J. J. Conroy, pastor of Bethel Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Tom Smith, 77 years of age, was born in the Province of Ontario, and has been a resident of Spokane for many years. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was decorated with the Legion of Merit and the Order of the Star of the South. He was also a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was decorated with the Legion of Merit and the Order of the Star of the South. He was also a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was decorated with the Legion of Merit and the Order of the Star of the South.

Thomas Aekland committed suicide at his home near Snowflake, Idaho, by drinking carbolic acid. He had been in poor health for some time, and was in Leeds county, Ont., and moved to Manitoba in the early eighties.

The amount of damages sought by Alfred Hawes in his action against Mr. Clarke and his associates of the Hudson & Great Waterways Railway is \$250,000.

The voters of Dauphin, Man., have voted to spend \$175,000 on waterworks and sewerage.

The Manitoba Government intended to hold general elections in July, but the late death of the Premier has led to the unsatisfactory outcome of the election.

Forty dogs and three cats were burned to death in the street in New York to-day while imprisoned in a special automobile truck which caught fire.

An American pearl weighing 100 grains has arrived in the Malden Lane district, New York, from the western coast of the island of Oahu. The pearl was found by a fisherman named William Maclean, who was working in the Malden Lane district. The pearl was found by a fisherman named William Maclean, who was working in the Malden Lane district. The pearl was found by a fisherman named William Maclean, who was working in the Malden Lane district.

Judge Britton in Toronto has awarded Mrs. Sarah Fowel, of Hamilton, \$800 damages against Grafton & Co., of the same city, for the loss of an eye. The woman's eye was destroyed by a pellet fired from an air gun in the hands of John O'Connor, a boy who got the gun from Grafton's in return for coupons for goods bought there. The judge held that the company was to blame for not making sure that the lad was over sixteen years of age before letting him have the gun.

In Woodstock this week the spectacle of a deaf lady, Mrs. C. McInnis, who had been blind for many years, was a sight to be remembered. She was blind for many years, and was a sight to be remembered. She was blind for many years, and was a sight to be remembered.

CREATORE. The inspired band leader, delighted a moderately large audience at the Arena last evening, a grand success for the French-Canadian.

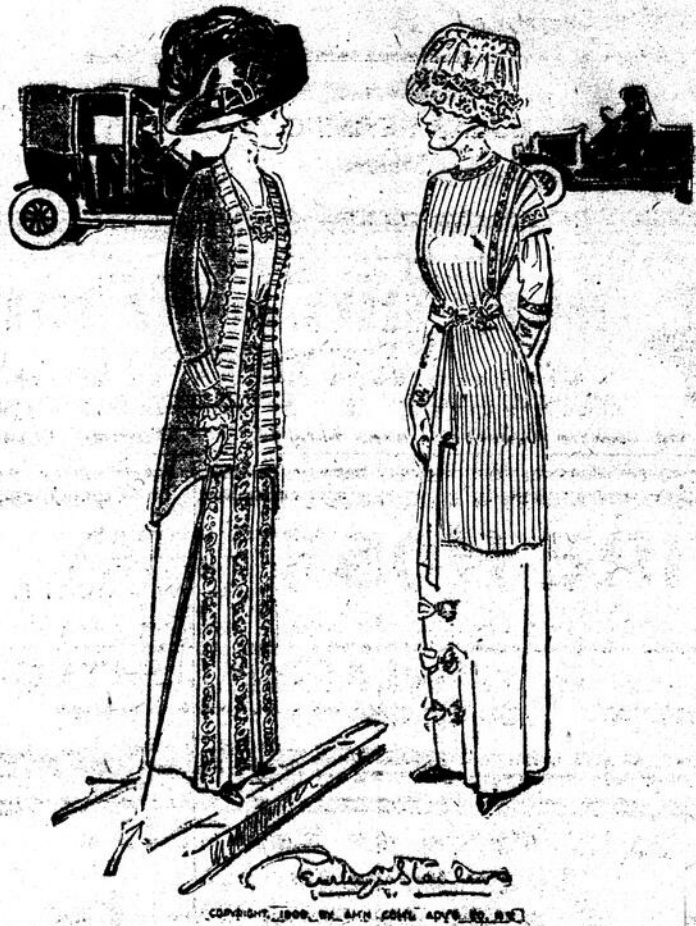
Although Tuesday's programme contained fewer of the really popular songs, the evening was a success. The programme was a success, and the evening was a success. The programme was a success, and the evening was a success.

DIED SUDDENLY. Albert Dionne, 28 years of age, living at 8 St. Elizabeth street, died suddenly from heart failure this morning. The body was taken to the morgue.

FINE AND MILD. The weather was fine and mild, and the day was a success. The weather was fine and mild, and the day was a success.



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## Now is the Time To Choose Your LINEN SUIT

Because—The stock is new;  
—The color range is complete;  
—The range of sizes is unbroken;  
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Because there is at this hour in our department one line at \$13.50 that it would be a pity not to take advantage of—the best and smartest tailor-made summer suit we can hope to offer you this season at \$13.50 10 different shades—and every size from 32 right up to 44, besides sizes for Misses from 16 to 20 years of age.

## Specializing on Girlish Millinery

What our Millinery Salon is to exclusive Grown-up folk, our girls' hat section is to the school girl and the little miss—the place of all others where girlish style abounds in its truest cast. Look at all those ready to wear hats at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00.

And the trimmed hats we have at \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.00, and \$15.00; all so sweet! so girlish! And so many of them—all different.



## Ladies' 2-Eyelet Tie Pumps, in Black Ooze Calf, \$1.49 Pair.

60 Pairs only but all new—just one of those little trade opportunities caught in the passing; sizes 2½ to 6; laced with silk ties—Tuesday . . . \$1.49

## New Corset Styles

The world extends its admiration not to those who accomplish what no one else attempts, but to those who do best what others do well.

In years gone by corsets have been designed which gave the wearer a certain degree of comfort—others were produced which though possessing fashionable lines, inflicted upon the wearer such discomfort as to make the horrors of various instruments of torture of the Spanish Inquisition seem mild in comparison until with many it became quite the accepted opinion that if correct style and beauty of figure were obtained, comfort must be sacrificed or vice versa. While rapid strides have been made, never before have style, comfort and health been so ably safeguarded as in the Modart "Improved Front Laced" Corset.

Front lacing itself is not new, but front lacing the Modart way is, and the beautiful body curves created by this exquisite corset have hitherto been unapproached.

The chief aim of the manufacturers of the Modart Corset has been, and is, to offer a corset which instead of hiding woman's greatest charms of figure will, on the contrary, accentuate the same with full regard for her comfort and health. The other important result—that of obeying Fashion's dictates—is attained at the same time, for a corset which will at once conserve and reflect woman's natural graces produces the very effect which style seekers desire.

In this age people think and act more understandingly than ever before about the different prerequisites of dress, and find that the closer they get to nature's lines of beauty the more satisfying the result.

No sculptor ever took greater pains to produce perfection than did the designers of Modart Corsets, and the end well justifies the effort, for new as it is, the Modart "Improved Front Laced" Corset is widely known and loved by thinking women.

An exposition of these celebrated Corsets with fittings is being conducted by Mrs. A. M. Barclay, the New York expert of the makers themselves.



## Linen Necessities

18 x 36 Bedroom towels, with red border, per doz.	\$1.10
18 x 36 Bedroom towels, all linen, per doz.	1.75
19 x 38 Bedroom towels, heavy, all linen, per doz.	2.25
20 x 38 Hemstitched linen towels, per doz.	2.75
White bath towels, large size, per pair.	.50
Colored bath towels, large size, per pair.	.50
Hemmed glass towels, checked, per doz.	1.40
Hemmed glass towels, with colored border, per doz.	1.25
Hemmed kitchen towels, heavy linen, per doz.	1.75
20-inch all-linen kitchen crash, per yard.	.10
18-inch all-linen roller towelling, per yard.	.10
<b>IRISH LINEN DAMASK CLOTHS AND NAPKINS, TO CLEAR.</b>	
13 only, 2 x 3 yards cloths, \$3.25, for	2.25
16 doz. only, 22 and 24-inch napkins, \$2.75 and \$2.50, for	1.98
18-inch hemmed napkins, per doz.	1.00

## HAVE YOU SEEN

These paintings yet which are on exhibit on our third floor? Have you seen Rosa Bonheur's "Old Darby," which has been installed only a few days ago? Worth while coming to see it alone.

Uptown **SIKS-O-WON-O** Our New Phone Number. **6-0-1-0**

## Babies' Bonnets

Our babies' bonnets are, without exception, the loveliest we have ever seen. In them is displayed the most exquisite coloring, skilled workmanship and painstaking as to detail.

The little braid and mohair ones, formed into such sweet, quaint shapes, so daintily trimmed with ribbon, lace and some with wee flowers.

The silk ones so beautifully shirred, each a little model and representing so many hours of careful work, that one could imagine the hands that made it had been guided by love for the little one it is destined to adorn.

There are no two alike, but all are positively lovely.

## A Linen Finished Robe Irish Embroidered For \$4.45?

Yes! and fashioned in the most perfectly tailored mould you could long for. Really we don't know of anything in the way of summer dress that we could recommend more conscientiously and enthusiastically than these. We'd like to show them to you Thursday. We'd like to demonstrate the convenience of them. We'd like you to see how simple it is to make them up. We have four made up for that purpose. We can have yours made up, too, for \$1.00 extra—a complete robe ready to put right on for \$5.45. A splendid linen-finished robe Irish embroidered.



## Lingerie Waists—Three Especially Pretty Ones

A beautifully fine, soft mull, front trimmed with imitation baby Irish crochet in shamrock design, val. insertion and tucks; sleeves and back trimmed with val. and tucked and sleeves put in with beading. Price . . . . . \$3.75

A Persian lawn, open in front and trimmed with spotted and blind embroidery, wide and narrow tucks; sleeves also tucked and trimmed with embroidery. Quite out of the ordinary run of blouses. Price . . . . . \$2.50

And a fine lawn waist made with side effect; trimmed with panel of insertion and tucks. Sleeves and back trimmed to match. Price . . . . . \$1.50

These are all lovely blouses representing a good choice of style and price.

Store closes daily at 5.30 p.m.

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DEFENDED MR. MONK

Monk Club Members Will Parade Demonstration in His Honor.

A largely attended meeting of the Monk Club was held in the room of the Lafontaine Club last evening, several representatives of other political organizations being also present.

In opening the meeting, the president, Mr. P. Lamarche, explained that the duty of the club was to defend the country and to defend the country in the whole province, and that the club was in full sympathy with their leader.

Mr. Charles Beaubien read a letter from Mr. Monk, in which he expressed his appreciation of the club's efforts and his confidence in the club's future.

Among those who addressed the meeting were Mr. Levesque, the party organizer in Quebec, who assured the club members of his personal support, and Mr. J. Arthur Boucher, a former member of the club, who expressed his regret that he was unable to attend.

Several speeches were delivered, all of which were highly complimentary to Mr. Monk and his work for the country.

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from Mr. Borden emphatically denying the statement that Mr. Monk was a traitor to the country.

After reading the letter, Mr. Beaubien moved a resolution affirming Mr. Monk's loyalty to the country and his devotion to the cause of the people.

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Conductor Takes Action Against Musicians' Protective Union.

Mr. Justice Hutchinson has quitted an array of musicians before him in court room No. 18 yesterday morning.

The case was called on in a case of special interest for the members of the fraternity, Mr. J. Arthur Boucher, a former member of the club, who expressed his regret that he was unable to attend.

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General Rosser's Romance.

Away out in the Canadian West there is a little town called Rosser, and there hangs a rather interesting romance.

After the war, General Rosser returned to Canada, and he was met by a young woman who had been his sweetheart during the war.

General Rosser subsequently engaged in railway construction, and was connected with many railway systems.

Sluggish Liver Ruined Business Man's Health.

Story of a Merchant Who Almost Lost His Business and His Health Through Neglecting Early Symptoms of Disease.

"My life for years has been of sedentary character," writes F. B. Titchfield, head of a well-known firm in Birmingham.

"Nine hours every day I spent at office work and took exercise only on Sundays. I disregarded the symptoms of ill health, which were all too apparent to my family."

"I grew thin, then pale, and before long I was jaundiced—eyes and skin were yellow, my strength and nerve energy were lowered, and I was quite unfitted for business."

"In the morning a lightness in the head, particularly when I bent my head, made me very worried about my health. Most of the last winter I was unable to do my work."

"I had to be at business every day I neglected my health, and my liver grew weaker. Of course I grew worse, but by a happy chance I began to use Dr. Hamilton's Pills. I was formerly struck by the fact that they neither caused griping nor nausea, and I seemed incredible that pills could be so clean, business as they were, without causing any unpleasant after-effects."

"Dr. Hamilton's Pills acted just as I needed them. My liver was strengthened, my stomach, and I was back to perfect good health. My skin is clear, business has disappeared, and my appetite, strength, spirits are perfect."

"If you are suffering from any of the above symptoms, or if you are in doubt, write to Dr. Hamilton's Pills, which are sold in 25c boxes, all dealers, or The Catarthorpe Co., Kingston, Ontario."

Pacific. In appearance General Rosser was a typical cavalryman, erect, with somewhat bowed legs from long service in the saddle, a characteristic trait which in later life was white, he represented an excellent type of a gentleman of the Old Dominion.

He lived in retirement for a number of years with his daughter in Norfolk, Virginia, where he passed away a few days ago, and with him passed another link between Canada and the South.

PROHIBITION FOR NOVA SCOTIA. Government Measure Provides for Whole Province Except Halifax.

Halifax, N.S., April 12.—The local government's temperance measure introduced in the Legislature to-day, provides for prohibition all over the province except Halifax city, though in Richmond county it comes into effect until the existing licenses expire.

Halifax city is to have seventy licenses reduced from ninety until census of 1911, when there is to be only one license per 1,000 of population.

The city is to have a board of license commissioners, and the province is to provide a chief inspector. The city can get prohibition when a majority of the ratepayers so vote.

EMIGRANTS FROM BESSARABIA. Large and Prosperous Party Coming to Canada.

(Canadian Associated Press) London, April 12.—A mixed party of 1,500 Moldavian, Wallachian and Russian peasants with means are to leave Bessarabia in the autumn for Canada. It is expected that many more will follow from the same province.

There is also a movement afoot among numerous German agricultural colonists and these southern governments for the despatch of a pioneer party of young and sturdy emigrants to Canada in 1911.

ECUADOR AND COLOMBIA. Hostile Demonstrations Continue.

Lima, Peru, April 12.—Official telegrams state that demonstrations hostile to Peru and in favor of military support for Ecuador continue at Bogota, Colombia.

This country remains quiet though daily volunteers offer themselves to the army and donations to the war fund are received. The Spanish award settling the boundary dispute between Peru and Ecuador may be accepted by the Government at any moment.

BEATEN BY A WOMAN IN COURT. New York, April 11.—When Joseph Hainfield was committed to the Tombs to-day on a charge of murdering Henry Jacobs, the widow of the slain man leaped upon him in the coroner's court and beat him furiously with a stout club, which she had concealed in the folds of her skirt.

One of several blows inflicted, a severe scalp injury, the assault was terminated only when Mrs. Jacobs fainted.

SMALLPOX IN COBALT. Toronto, April 11.—The six smallpox cases at Cobalt, according to the health authorities, have been followed by an outbreak of the disease in Buckle Township, near the town. The patient is a woman and every precaution has been taken to preserve a rigid quarantine.

THE WITNESS' DAILY PATTERN. The home dressmaker should keep a little catalogue scrap book of the daily pattern cuts. These will be found useful to refer to from time to time.



LADIES' SHIRTWAIST. Paris Pattern No. 3232.

The summer girl will regard this pictureque and comfortable shirtwaist as her own special design. It is so cool looking with its flat collar and elbow sleeves and of such becoming fashion, a slight suggestion of Russia being given by the side closing.

The Gibson tucks extend only to yoke depth at the front, but continue to the waistline at the back, the slight fulness between at the latter line being gathered, while the gathers at the front give graceful fullness. As pictured, the garment is made of white linen, nainsook embroidered insertion, trimming the collar and wristbands. Three washable cord buttons trim the closing front. Fabrics which may be mentioned as popular for shirtwaists this season are linen, chambray, duck, cotton poplin, cotton crepe, silk gingham, French shirtings, dimity and madras; also, mohair, mohair, mohair, mohair, mohair.

The pattern is in 5 sizes—34 to 42 inches bust measure. For 36 bust the shirtwaist requires 3 1/2 yards of fabric, with 1 7/8 yard of insertion.

PATTERN COUPON. Please send the above-mentioned pattern as per directions given below.

No. .... Size ..... Name ..... Address in full: .....

NE.—Be sure to cut out the illustration and send with the coupon, carefully filled out. The pattern cannot reach you in less than a week. Price 10 cents each in cash, postal note, or stamps. Address: 'Witness' Pattern Department, 'Witness' Block, Montreal.

The 'Witness' Fashion Hint.



AFTERNOON WRAP. An ornamental wrap for afternoon visiting when a motor or other vehicle is used. In this model made from thin silk with soutache braidings in self color. The asymetric shoulder effect is given by the cut of the upper portion of the coat.

THE BURIAL OF CHRIST. Famous Van Dyck Painting Injured by a Storm.

Berlin, April 12.—Serious damage was done this week to one of the world's most celebrated paintings, Van Dyck's 'Burial of Christ,' at the old Pinakothek Museum in Munich, the Mecca of all art lovers who visit the Bavarian capital.

As the result of a violent storm a large pane of the skylight in the Van Dyck room of the museum, which contains forty-six of the master's works, was broken and fell in such a manner as to rip from the painting a strip of canvas containing an arm and shoulder of the Madonna. The figure of the Saviour was not injured.

The official statement asserts that the damage can be repaired, but the injury is privately admitted to be exceedingly serious.

The Burial of Christ was executed during Van Dyck's Italian trip in the first quarter of the seventeenth century. The picture is known the world over through countless thousands of reproductions.

BOSTON AND MAINE RAILWAY. New Wage Agreement With Men Signed.

New York, April 12.—The wage agreement between the conductors, trainmen and yardmen and the officials of the Boston & Maine Railway, was signed to-day. The news of the agreement came in a despatch from Boston. Every point in the dispute has been satisfactorily settled.

The minimum monthly wage scale has been adjusted to conform to the Massachusetts laws, and all other points have been settled on the basis of the Baltimore & Ohio agreement.

EARTHQUAKES IN KANSAS. Lawrence, Kas., April 12.—Two earthquake shocks were recorded last night by the seismograph of the Kansas University. The first began at 6.40 p.m., and reached its full force at 6.47. The second shock began at 9.02 p.m., and lasted five minutes.

The source of the disturbances was between 1,500 and 1,600 miles southwest.

TO ENTERTAIN MIZPAH CLASS. Miss E. Brown will entertain the Mizpah Class and their teacher, Mr. Sherman, of the Sherbrooke Methodist Sunday School, at her home on St. Urbain street, to-morrow evening.

SOLD FOR \$137,000.



AMONG THE PICTURES DISPOSED OF AT THE RECENT SALE OF THE TREASURES OF THE LATE MR. CHARLES T. VERKES, OF NEW YORK, WAS FRANK HALL'S 'PORTRAIT OF A WOMAN,' WHICH REALIZED \$137,000, THE LARGEST SUM EVER PAID FOR A CANVAS AT AN AUCTION SALE IN AMERICA.

NIGHT LETTER SERVICE

G.N.W. and C.P.R. Telegraph Companies Will Inaugurate it To-night.

The success of the night letter service, recently inaugurated by the Western Union Telegraph Company in the United States, has decided the management of the Great North Western Telegraph Company to make the service effective at all Great North Western points.

A night letter of fifty words or less may be sent under these regulations at the rate regularly charged for a ten-word message and one fifth this rate for each additional ten words or less.

The advantage of this new service to commercial houses and the public in general are obvious.

The Canadian Pacific Telegraph Company announce a similar arrangement in the C. P. R. lines.

Under this rule a night letter of fifty words or less may be sent at the rate regularly charged for a ten-word day message, with a charge of one fifth the day rate for each additional ten words or less.

Under the old arrangement a night message of 25 words cost a quarter fifty words can now be sent for the same sum, with a fifth of that rate for additional words. Messages must be written in plain English, code or cipher being prohibited.

EPILEPTICS. Woodstock Doctor Would Have Them Forbidden to Marry.

Toronto, April 11.—A law should be passed prohibiting epileptics to marry until at least ten years have elapsed since the last attack, suggests Dr. J. J. Williams, medical superintendent of the hospital for epileptics at Woodstock, in his annual report. Dr. Williams recalls that while he referred to this in a previous report, he does so again because circumstances demand it.

There is a very prevalent belief among the laity, and also, I am sorry to say, among a few medical men, that the married state will improve the trouble. There is no justification for this theory.

The time has arrived in our province when the public must be protected from the ravages of this disease in every legitimate way, and in order to do so it is necessary to take vigorous methods.

DIED OF STARVATION. A Hundred and Twenty-five in England and Wales in 1908.

London, April 12.—Official records disclose the 125 persons died of starvation in England and Wales in 1908. Of this number, 83 deaths occurred in London. The victims included a number of bank managers and an architect. The others were chiefly casual laborers.

SUFFERED FROM MELANCHOLIA. Feared Bank Clerk Has Committed Suicide.

Windsor, Ont., April 12.—Crombie Munro, aged 24, clerk in the National Bank of Commerce, Detroit, has been missing from his boarding house since last Friday night, and it is feared he has committed suicide. Munro, who is a Canadian, and a son of the Rev. George Munro, formerly a Toronto clergyman, has been evincing much melancholia of late. Last Friday afternoon the young man left his room taking with him a bathing suit and his razor. Nothing has been seen of him, and Mrs. Munro, the mother, who arrived here from Toronto on Saturday to visit her son, believes he has cut his throat and thrown himself into the river.

SENTENCED FOR MURDER. Albany, N. Y., April 11.—Harry White, alias Jack Wilkinson, who was arrested in Detroit, Mich., last August, and brought to Albany to answer a charge of murder in the first degree, to-day pleaded guilty to a charge of first degree murder and was sentenced to Clinton Prison for twenty years. White killed John E. Capron, on the outskirts of Green Cay, opposite Troy, on September 17th, 1906. He was arrested for a few days after the crime, but escaped from a station house and eluded the police until apprehended in Bristol.

FATAL BRIDGE ACCIDENT. Windsor, Ont., April 12.—A fatal accident occurred last night at the Rainsboro river bridge, between Belle River and Stony Point, about eighteen miles east of here, when Wabash train No. 72 struck a construction car on the bridge and threw it from the rails into the river. Harry West, an employee of the Canadian Bridge Company, as a result of the accident, was killed, and a man who was on the car at the time, went down with it and was drowned.

TRANSIENT TRADER FINED. London, Ont., April 12.—Prof. Kornewald of Toronto, was fined \$25 in the Police Court for being a transient trader. Merchant throughout the district have complained bitterly of laxness of the authorities in allowing traders to sell goods, and claim they have lost thousands of dollars in this way.

ONTARIO HIGH COURT OF CHANCERY. Ottawa, April 12.—Mr. Justice Magee, of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Ontario, has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the Ontario bench of Appeal caused by the retirement of Mr. Justice Osler. Mr. W. E. Middleton, K.C., Toronto, has succeeded to Judge Magee's place in the High Court.

RATES ON CANADIAN SLEEPERS. Inquiry Soon to be Made by the Railway Commission.

Ottawa, April 12.—It is understood that the Railway Commission will shortly take into consideration the question of charges for berths on sleepers by Canadian railways. The charges made by the railways between various points will be gone into, and if it is found that they are too high, the railways will be asked to file new tariffs.

UNIVERSITY FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA. Victoria, April 12.—The Hon. Price Ellison, Provincial Minister of Lands, has offered to present a free site of a hundred acres of land in the Okanagan district for a provincial university.

FIGHTING THE CIGARETTE. Fairmount W. C. T. U. has no department which is doing better work than its Anti-Cigarette League, under the efficient superintendence of Mrs. Arthur Beave, the Fairmount and Strathcona schools are regularly visited, addresses made in the interests of the League, and pledges secured as to the cessation of smoking by the ranks of the pledged. On this pledge since the inception of the League and every year sees large accessions to the ranks of the pledged. On Friday evening the annual spelling-benefits will be held in the lecture-room of the Fairmount Avenue Methodist Church. The boys in the Model Grades of the Fairmount school have challenged those of the same grades in the Strathcona Academy, the winners to become possessors of a shield, commemorative of the event. A pleasing programme has been arranged.

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FRENCH FOR BASKATCHEWAN. Father Berube's Fine Party Arrives at Prince Albert.

Prince Albert, Sask., April 12.—Travelling in a solid vestibuled colonial train of eleven cars, the G. T. P. the first train of this line to enter Prince Albert, Father Berube and over six hundred of his flock, arrived here Saturday night, and it is feared he has committed suicide.

How a New York Theatre Audience Shows its Sympathy. (New York 'Evening Post') Striking evidence of a common attitude towards criminal law is furnished by the applause of a play that has been running in New York this season. For the most part, the play is like any one of a hundred adaptations from the French; it adheres to the conventions of the melodrama, and uses all the accredited devices to enable the audience to shed the much-loved tears. But it goes farther than most plays in its demands for sympathy with the criminal and for disapproval of the normal action of the law, and the fact that it fully carries the audience is, therefore, of more than dramatic interest. All that is clearly established in the trial is the fact that Mime X has killed a man. There is not the slightest attempt to throw doubt upon this point; the lawyer for the defence rests his case simply on these two grounds: first, that there was probably some good reason for the murder, since the man was known as a bad character and had twice been imprisoned for theft, and second, that, on general principles, when a woman goes wrong she should not be punished, since the real responsibility always rests with some man. Now, it is to be expected, of course, in a play of this kind, that the rigor of the law will be relaxed in view of extenuating circumstances, even though the extenuating circumstances are merely imaginary as in this case. The jury's verdict is simply 'not guilty.' And then follows a storm of applause. There might, indeed, be some slight excuse for such a verdict in France; but certainly no one would maintain that our New York audiences have such an eye for fallacies as to keep in mind the fact that a morality based on French conditions on the Ontario hold good in Ontario does not necessarily give without reservation, and suggests very strongly that a similar verdict in one of our own actual courts would meet with the same approval. Those who still hold that the question of whether the world is better or worse off without the rigor of the law is not the point at issue in a murder trial will soon have to begin a campaign of propaganda.

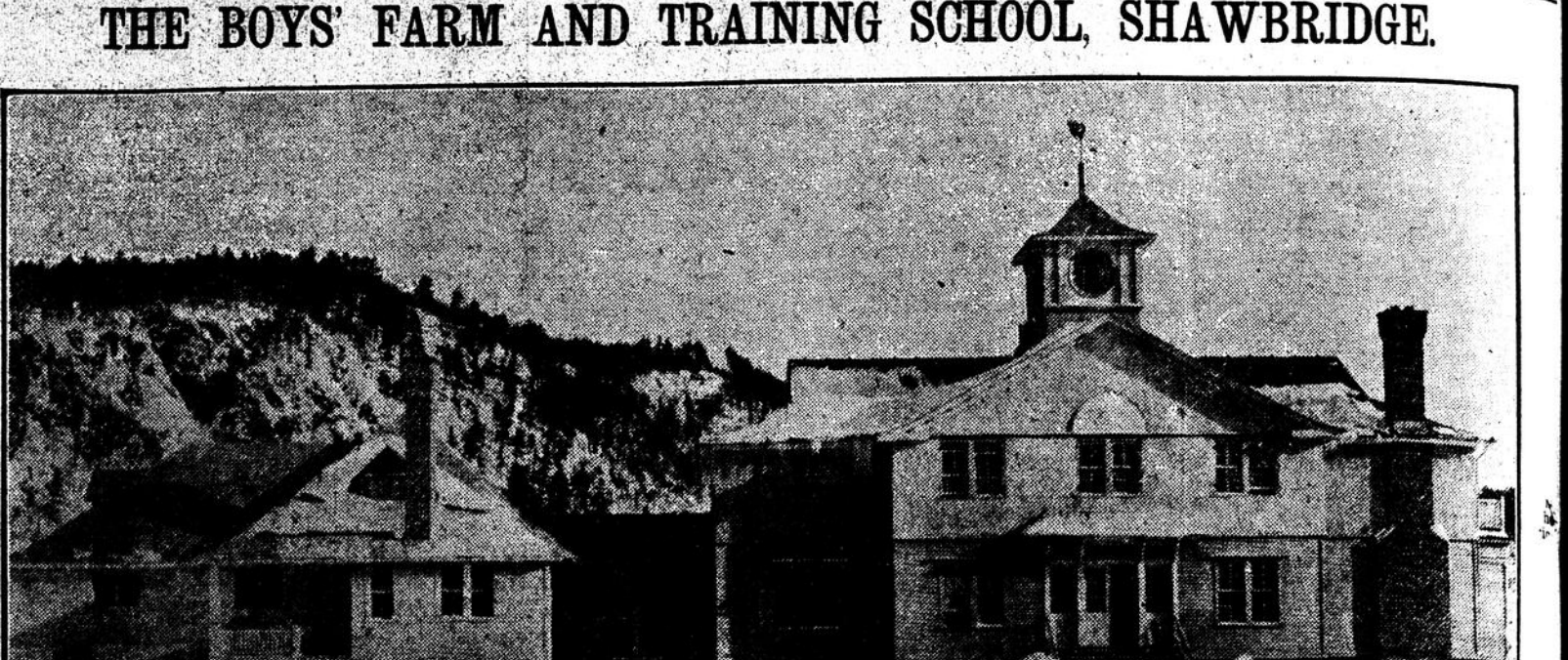
FROST AMONG THE PEACHES. St. Catharines, Ont., April 12.—A severe frost visited the Niagara district last night, and it is feared considerable damage has been done to the peach orchards, many trees being out in blossom.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. FIGHTING THE CIGARETTE. Strange, isn't it, that the intimates of the liver and kidneys should have been so long overlooked? And yet Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney and Liver Pills offer their wonderful access to the recognition of this most essential point. They assure regular, healthful action of the liver and bowels, and thereby at once raise a burden from the kidneys and restore them to strength and vigor. There is no way you can so quickly free yourself of backaches as by using Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney and Liver Pills. Headaches disappear, biliousness and constipation is overcome, digestion improves, and you feel fine in every way. What's the use of experimenting with new-fangled medicines of uncertain and untried value, when you can be sure of splendid results by the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney and Liver Pills? One pill a dose. 25 cts. a box, all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto. Write for free copy of Dr. Chase's Recipes.





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The first published view of the main building and the completed new extension of the Boys' Farm, which was rendered necessary by the increasing number of boys.

THE VATICAN DISPLEASED

Because Father Janssens Called Upon Mr. Roosevelt.

Rome, April 12.—The 'Vatican' has criticized a statement with reference to a call made by the Abbé, Lawrence Janssens, one of the most learned Benedictines and secretary of the congregation of the affairs of religion, on President Roosevelt, on the evening of the latter's departure from Rome. Father Janssens did not find Mr. Roosevelt at home but left his card, on which he wrote that he desired to congratulate Mr. Roosevelt upon the constant support given in his order and the Catholic Church in general in America during his 'glorious career' as president, which he hoped would soon be resumed.

IDENTIFICATION OF CRIMINALS.

New Dominion Bureau in Operation.

Ottawa, April 12.—Canada's criminal identification bureau is now in operation. Constable Edward Foster, of the Dominion Police, as its expert. Offices have not yet been secured for this new branch of the Department of Justice, but these will not be necessary for some time, as the initial work in the various penitentiaries will consume several months.

NEW YORK CENSUS.

Prediction That It Will Show Population of 5,000,000.

New York, April 12.—The prediction is made today by many that when the 1,740 census enumerators who began their canvass in this city on Friday, have completed their task, they will have counted noses of at least 5,000,000 persons. The census of 1900 gave this city a population of 2,437,202. For several years New York has had a crazy idea that it had at least 4,000,000 more people than it actually has.

JAPAN.

New Land Ownership Laws.

Tokio, April 12.—The recently adopted land ownership law restricting the ownership of land in Japan to such foreigners as come from a country which extends similar privileges to Japanese residents, will be promulgated to-morrow.

FIREMEN'S RIGHT OF WAY.

Hamilton, Ont., April 12.—At the coming convention of Canadian Fire Chiefs in Toronto, Chic. Ten Eyck will introduce a motion urging that municipalities pass legislation giving fire wagons 'responding' to call right of way over everything. He declares that the fact that a fire wagon has more rights than any other vehicle has been responsible for the death of more than one fireman here and serious injury to several others as a result of collisions with cars.

THE LATE BISHOP CAMERON.

Funeral of Distinguished Roman Catholic Prelate Takes Place To-day.

To-day there will be buried in the episcopal town of Antigonish, N.S., the late Monsignor John Cameron, a distinguished son of the Roman Catholic Church. The late Monsignor Cameron won considerable distinction during his life as a reformer in church disputes, having been selected by the Pope to pronounce on several cases, which arose in the administration of the affairs of the Church in Canada. The two most notable of these were the Three Rivers diocesan division case, and the dispute between the Ladies of the Sacred Heart and the Ladies of the Sisterhood of St. Vincent de Paul, at Bedford, N.S. The difficulty arose over the desire of the Ladies of the Sacred Heart to retain the most prominent educational position in the Province of Nova Scotia. In this desire they were supported by Monsignor Hannan, Bishop of Halifax. The Ladies of the St. Vincent de Paul, on the other hand, had erected a very fine institution, and were prepared to dispute the desires of the Ladies of the Sacred Heart. The situation became very acute, and the Pope proposed that Monsignor Cameron act in the capacity of arbitrator, and submit his recommendation to the Holy See. In the meantime, before instructions had reached this side of the Atlantic, the Rev. Sister de Sales, accompanied by a lady of the community of St. Vincent de Paul, had started for Rome, to lay their complaints at the feet of the Pontiff.

UNITED STATES RAILWAYS

Provisions of New Government Bill Explained.

Washington, April 12.—The opening gun in the battle in the House over the administration railway bill, the feature of President Taft's legislative programme, was fired to-day by Representative Mann, of Illinois, chairman of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, which reported the measure after a thorough revision. The bill was originally introduced by Representative Townsend, of Michigan. Mr. Mann declared that railway transportation is an industrial necessity and not a mere convenience. 'With a full realization,' he said, 'of the benefits and the necessity of wise and successful management, operation in the progressive construction of our railways, we also realize that in the benefits which they confer upon the people they are the servants and not the masters. It is their duty to treat all persons upon equal terms. It is their duty that they be treated with fairness and reasonable consideration by government. They are to be treated as our duty that they shall treat fairly all those who deal with them, and that they shall furnish with reasonable diligence those advantages of convenience and economic transportation for which they are constructed and operated under favors granted by the states. Mr. Mann said the bill would give greater expedition to justice, greater advantage on equal terms to all shippers, greater security to those who care to invest their money in railway stocks or bonds, and greater protection to those railways whose managements desire to operate them efficiently and in the interest of the people who use them and the stockholders who own them. He summarized the propositions involved in the pending bill under three general heads: 'First, speedy determination of disputes by the creation of the commerce court, with expert judges, having no general jurisdiction than the circuit courts now have. Second, enlarging the statutory duties of the railways and the rights of the Interstate Commerce Commission, so that classification, regulations and practices shall be just and reasonable, and enforceable as such, whether affecting the rates as charged or not. Third, regulating the consolidation of railways and their issues of stocks and bonds, so that competition may be kept open as far as possible and capital in order to pay returns upon investment either in the construction or equipment of the road. He said that among other things the bill would set aside secret agreements between railways and shippers, and agreements, and, by not authorizing any approval of them by the commission as a decision favoring the rates.

WHITE LEAD.

Manufacture to be Cheaper by a New Process.

Spokane, Wash., April 12.—George E. Kingsley, a Spokane chemist, claims to have perfected a process of manufacturing white lead direct from ore, thus eliminating the process of roasting and expense. He has interested capital in a \$1,000,000 corporation, the Kingsley Chemical Reduction Company, and will erect a plant of 50 tons capacity, costing \$200,000 at Atlas, Idaho, 31 miles east of Spokane. Kingsley says his process will revolutionize the paint-making industry. The new method of producing white lead, and by the action of chemicals, are the lead, zinc and other metals from the ore, and through the addition to the solution of other chemicals precipitate the purest white lead, making only 24 hours in process. The method now employed by paint makers requires four months. It is termed the Dutch process, and necessitates the reduction of the lead ore to thin sheet metal, the white lead being produced by the fumes of vinegar.

ON HORSEBACK

From Spokane to New York.

Spokane, Wash., April 12.—Bruce Steinmetz, who claims records for two weeks ago, and on Tuesday night left for Spokane, and on Friday or Saturday. Most of them are under contract for work on the Grand Trunk Pacific. An interesting feature of the arrival of these immigrants is the fact that their interests are going to be especially looked after by the Italian Government. There has been in Montreal for about a fortnight a gentleman by the name of Dr. E. Erbeleid, who has been sent by the Italian Government as a social commissioner to inquire into the treatment of Italians in this country. He arrived about the time of the snow avalanche disaster in the Rocky Mountains, and hearing that there were a number of Italians in this section, he was sent to inquire into the conditions of the immigrants, and the treatment which is accorded them on their arrival.

SUNDAY WORK.

To be Abolished in Many United States Mills and Railways.

Pittsburg, April 12.—Not only on the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railway, but on nearly a dozen lines subsidiary to the United States Steel Corporation, is Sunday work to be abolished, it is learned. The order just issued for Sunday rest of practically all the great steel company's employees in mills and railways is to include upwards of 100,000 men, it is said.

COAL STRIKE

Affects Hamilton Factories.

Hamilton, Ont., April 12.—The coal mines strike in the United States threatens to tie up every factory in Hamilton depending upon soft coal for fuel. There was scarcely a ton of soft coal for sale in Hamilton to-day. In several cases factories have had to shut down and hundreds of men have been thrown out of work.

ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS

New Arrivals to be Looked After by Italian Government.

Five hundred Italians, the most of whom are destined for Canada, will arrive in Portland to-morrow on the steamship 'Tortona'. They are expected here on Friday or Saturday. Most of them are under contract for work on the Grand Trunk Pacific. An interesting feature of the arrival of these immigrants is the fact that their interests are going to be especially looked after by the Italian Government. There has been in Montreal for about a fortnight a gentleman by the name of Dr. E. Erbeleid, who has been sent by the Italian Government as a social commissioner to inquire into the treatment of Italians in this country. He arrived about the time of the snow avalanche disaster in the Rocky Mountains, and hearing that there were a number of Italians in this section, he was sent to inquire into the conditions of the immigrants, and the treatment which is accorded them on their arrival.

W. C. T. U. ELOCUTION CONTEST.

The elocution contest of the W. C. T. U. (Hochelaga branch) was held in the St. James Methodist church last evening 8:15 p.m. and was addressed by Mrs. John Currie.

The meeting was opened by the Rev. J. R. Dobson, of St. Giles Presbyterian Church. Judge S. P. Leet, of the City of Montreal, was the first contestant. He read 'The Song of the Lark'. The second contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The third contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The fourth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The fifth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The sixth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The seventh contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The eighth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The ninth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The tenth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The eleventh contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. The twelfth contestant was Miss Currie, who read 'The Song of the Lark'. 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