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THE CARNIVAL.

Loaded Pullman's Brought Influx of American Guests To-day.

The first really big influx of visitors for the carnival took place to-day, almost every incoming train bringing crowds of holiday-makers. Most of the carnival visitors are from New York. The Rutland, Delaware & Hudson and New York Central trains alone brought in about twenty Pullman cars loaded with tourists.

The Rutland train, which drew out of New York last night with eight Pullman cars, every berth in which was taken, had a slight accident at Albany. Something went wrong with the couplings, and in rounding a curve the train split into three. Fortunately no damage was done, but it caused some delay, and the passengers did not get to Montreal until afternoon.

Among the earlier arrivals at the Windsor Hotel this morning were the following: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pearce, New York; Mr. and Mrs. North McLean, New York; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Ray, New York; Miss O. D. Brown, New York; E. J. Morgan, Boston; F. Wallace Whitlock, London, England, and R. A. Shaw, New York; E. G. Mack and A. F. Hills, Syracuse; C. Fox, Brooklyn; R. L. Cobb and Mrs. Cobb, Cleveland; G. G. Thomson, R. F. Pearce, Craig Colgate, H. K. Goetchins, G. B. Hedges, R. H. Bacon, A. Block, C. H. Blair, all of New York; J. W. Fisher, New York; W. J. Robertson, St. Albans; T. A. Hedley, New York; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lawrence, Boston; A. E. Smith, Captain H. A. F. Young and C. P. Hamilton, Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Barron, Miss Harriet Allen and Miss Elsie Parsons Cowles, New York.

Numerous others came in later on, and so big was the crowd of new arrivals waiting around the counter in the rotunda at mid-day that it was impossible to get near the register. Every available room both in the hotel proper and the annex is now engaged.

Amongst the guests at the Place Viger Hotel are Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin, Mr. C. Morton Whiteman, Mr. Gordon Douglas, Mr. Ashbel Barney, Mr. Edwin C. Hoyto, Miss E. Agnew, Miss M. Delafield, Miss G. Delafield, Miss E. Constable, Miss H. O. Trowbridge, Mr. John MacCracher, Mr. Frank C. Littleton, Mr. James Magie, Mr. E. D. Curtis, Mr. Alex. M. Orr, Mrs. R. Struthers, Mr. Duncan Strothers and Mr. Wm. W. Struthers, all of New York City; Mr. A. H. Devereux, London; Mr. H. E. Stuart, Boston; Mr. M. J. Leahy, Woodland, Me.; Mr. and Mrs. H. Wellman, New York; Mr. F. F. Hardy, New York; the Hon. Adelard Turgeon, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Illingworth, New York; Mr. Douglas Alexander and family, New York; Mr. and Mrs. R. Attenbury, New York.

THE DOG SHOW.

A special feature of the Bulldog and Terrier Show, which opened to-day in the Victoria Armory, Cathcart street, is the fact that the prizes gained in the show will be presented to the successful contestants to-morrow evening. Owing to an oversight the official carnival programme omits to state the Dog Show will be open to-night and to-morrow night, so patrons and exhibitors are now informed that they will have a chance of inspecting a very complete specialty show in the evenings as well as during the day.

TO-NIGHT AND TO-MORROW

To-night there is a grand fancy dress masquerade at the Arena under the auspices of the Earl Grey Skating Club. There will also be an intercollegiate championship hockey match at the Victoria Rink, a grand illumination of the ice castle, and a torchlight snowshoe tramp over Mount Royal by the Y. M. C. A. Snowshoe Club.

Following is the programme for to-morrow:—

Forenoon—Skating at the Stadium, Victoria and Coliseum rinks. Tobogganning at the Park Slide.

10-12 o'clock—Continuation of the Dog Show at the Victoria Rifles Armory.

Afternoon—2 o'clock, Canadian Ski championships, under the auspices of the Montreal Ski Club, at the skiing grounds, Westmount boulevard. 2 to 6 o'clock, final day and awarding of prizes at the dog show. 3 o'clock, championship snowshoe races, under the auspices of the old Tuque Blue Snowshoe Club, at the M. A. A. A. grounds. Outdoor championship skating races at the M. A. A. A. rink.

Evening—At 8 o'clock, figure skating championship at the Victoria Skating Rink. Grand illumination of the ice castle. 8.30 o'clock, championship hockey match at the Arena, Toronto vs. Victoria (Montreal).

THE KING AND QUEEN

THEIR MAJESTIES LEAVE BERLIN FOR LONDON.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra left here for London at five o'clock this afternoon, after a visit of four days in the German capital. They were accompanied to the railway station by the Emperor and Empress and their military suite, and Prince Henry of Prussia. The leave-taking was affectionate, His Majesty kissing the Emperor three times on the cheek.

SNOWSHOER'S ADVENTURE

Fell Forty Feet and Hung From Bushes on the Mountain Side.

RESCUED BY MONTAGNARD CLUB MEN, WHO MADE ROPES OF SASHES.

An exciting and perilous adventure fell to the lot of one of the snowshoe party before the storming of the ice palace last night.

Mr. Dollard Agathe, of 399 Hibernia Road, a member of the Ferndale Snowshoe Club, was coming down the mountain slope, when, unobserved by his comrade, he slipped and fell a distance of forty-five feet. He would undoubtedly have been killed but for the intervention of some bushes on to which he fell, and hung for half an hour unable to release himself.

At the end of that time four members of the Montagnard Snowshoe Club heard his cries, and came to the rescue. They tied their sashes together, and one member of the party descended and fastened them to the unfortunate man, who was too badly injured to release himself. The snowshoers then pulled him up to safe ground, and carried him a mile and a half before they were able to get a car to take him home.

This morning Mr. Agathe was reported to be seriously ill at his home.

THE EARL OF MINTO,

To assassinate whom an attempt was made at Barrackpur, India, on Wednesday evening.

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FAINTED IN COURT

MR. E. ST. LOUIS SEIZED WITH AN EPILEPTIC FIT.

There was a lively commotion in the Police Court this morning, when Mr. Emmanuel St. Louis, the well known Montreal contractor, of 23 St. Louis square, who was giving evidence in the witness-box, took an epileptic fit, and before he could be brought back to consciousness the Notre Dame ambulance had to be called, and he was conveyed to the hospital. Several women, who were in the room at the time, commenced to scream. Some of them made a rush for the doors, and it took the combined efforts of High Constable Bissonnette and his guards to restore order. Mr. St. Louis was explaining to the Court at the time the circumstances of how Jules Labelle, a workman employed by the Road Department, had struck him over the head with a pickaxe, because he had explained to him how he wanted his drain dug in front of his residence. The witness was then seen by those in the court to fall backwards, but before he fell on the floor he was caught by Mr. Viglino, the Italian court interpreter, who happened to be standing directly back of the witness-box.

Mr. St. Louis was then carried over to one of the windows, where several of the court house employees tried unsuccessfully to bring him back to consciousness. The ambulance was then called for, and he was taken to the hospital.

FIRE ESCAPE BY-LAW

For not complying with the city fire by-law, regarding the erection of fire escapes, and providing fire extinguishers, Mr. D. Gagne, of Chesterfield avenue, Westmount, appeared before Mr. McMahon in the Westmount Police Court to-day to explain his neglect. He admitted his non-compliance of the law, and upon promising to instal the necessary apparatus, he was allowed to go. The bylaw came into effect in October, and proprietors were allowed two months in which to put up the necessary apparatus. This was the first prosecution of the kind in Westmount.

CASHIER ROBBED IN STORE

About noon to-day a man, unobserved by any one connected with the establishment, entered the store of H. A. Wilder & Co., St. James street, and robbed the cashier, a young woman, of about one hundred dollars, mostly in bills.

SELLING THE 'CANADIAN PICTORIAL.'

The sale of the Official Carnival Souvenir Number of the 'Canadian Pictorial' goes merrily on, as fast as it can be delivered. Last night delivery was 15,000 behind the orders then in hand. It was hoped that to-day would see the delivery abreast of the orders, but there have been so many demands that the publishers have been unable to do more than keep even. However, they hope with their increased facilities, staff and machinery, and with special arrangements with factories supplying the mailing tubes, that in two or three days there will be no orders behind.

When the sale closed last night a crowd of dealers were offered their money back. Not one would take it. 'We want 'Carnivals!' they shouted, and were willing to wait. Each dealer in his turn is receiving a proportion of his order, so that the disappointment may be minimized.

One of the many appreciations received to-day is quoted below, because it is from a practical man, who knows the difficulties that publishers must overcome before issuing such a souvenir.

AN EXPERT OPINION.

Mr. A. McAllister, of A. McAllister and Company, printers, writes: 'Allow me to congratulate you on your Carnival Number. With all my years of experience in the printing and publishing trade, I consider it a most creditable production, and worthy of this Canada of ours. How you produce it for the money, puzzles me.'

Expressions of enthusiastic appreciation are pouring in from all sides.

BRITISH EMPIRE'S WEAKNESS MENACE TO WORLD'S PEACE

So Brig.-Gen. Sir Henry Seymour Rawlinson Told Canadian Club To-day.

The members of the Canadian Club of Montreal, and the Women's Canadian Club of Montreal, met together today for the first time at a joint lunch in the Sailors' Institute, when an address on 'Lord Roberts' Proposal in England for National Military Training' was given by Brigadier-General Sir Henry Seymour Rowlinson, C.B., C.M.G. The lunch was largely attended and the gathering proved highly successful. Her Excellency the Countess Grey was present, accompanied by Lady Evelyn Grey, Sir John Hanbury-Williams and Capt. Lord Lascelles, A.D.C.

Sir Henry Rawlinson said doubtless Lord Roberts would himself have explained to the Canadian people his scheme for national miltary training, had not his illness cut short his visit to Canada last year. He first explained the present system for the first line of defence of the Empire, saying that at present Britain had about 100,000 troops abroad, 70,000 of whom were in India. At home she had 120,000 troops, and a reserve of 100,000 men, including Mr. Haldane's new special reserve making a total of 220,000 men. This was a small total compared with France or Germany, each of which maintained 900,000 men in an active army, which could be enlarged to one million in a week or ten days by calling out the first reserve, while behind these there was at least another million available, in case of necessity.

Britain's second line of defence now consists of Mr. Haldane's territorial army, which he proposed should consist of the yeomanry and volunteers consolidated into an efficient reserve and organized on a sound military basis, founded on the voluntary system. Lord Roberts said this territorial army was a step in the right direction, but that it fell short in numbers and training of what was absolutely necessary in case of serious war. If Mr. Haldane got all he desired, he would only have 315,000 men in his territorial army. At present he was 100,000 men short, and the men he had were only trained for 14 days in the year. Lord Roberts contended that Britain should have at least a million men available, and that instead of 14 days' training they should, on first enlistment, be put through a continuous course of four or five months' training in camp. He advocated that this training should be obligatory by law on all able-bodied youths reaching 17 or 18 years, and that this should apply to the whole manhood of the nation, with no system of paid substitutes. This would give a splendid reserve and be a fine thing for the improvement of the national physique. Rifle clubs in Britain were now most popular and were doing valuable training, which he recommended Canadians to emulate.

He went on to speak of the need of military training throughout the Empire saying there was no knowing where war might break out, for even now ominous clouds were constantly to be seen. He argued that the military weakness of an empire like that of Britain was a menace to the peace of the world.

He added that if Canada and other British dependencies adopted Lord Roberts's scheme, and gave preliminary rifle training to boys in schools and compulsory training to youths, it might perhaps, solve the question as to contributions to the Empire's defence by the British possessions over the seas.

SUNDAY THEATRE ACTIONS DISMISSED.

Mr. Recorder Weir Decides that Moving Pictures are Not Prohibited in By-law.

Mr. Recorder Weir gave judgment today dismissing the actions taken against W. A. Edwards, of the J. B. Sparrow Theatrical and Amusement Company, and W. Strachan, of the Theatre National Francais, for giving performances on Sunday.

The actions were dismissed on two grounds, first, because they should have been directed against the companies, and not against their agents, unless expressly as agents and aiders and abettors. Even against this course there might be legal objections as, so far, aiding and abetting a municipal offence has not been recognized as punishable. The city did not direct the actions against the companies because the only penalty provided was imprisonment, which showed that the by-law was limited in its application and perhaps discriminative. The second point was that in the opinion of the Recorder, to open a theatre meant to open it for theatrical performances, and that the exhibition of moving pictures was not among the things prohibited by the by-law.

The Recorder was of opinion that the provincial law was valid and applicable to these cases and he had jurisdiction to apply it, but as the charge was not brought under the statute and could not be amended, he had no alternative but to dismiss the actions.

THE LATE MR. G. GRAHAM

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN UPTOWN BUSINESS MAN.

By the death of Mr. George Graham, of 570 St. Catherine street west, yesterday, Montreal has lost one of its most respected citizens. Mr. Graham, who was born at St. Michel, 82 years ago, took up farming at Henrysburg, but for over forty years he was engaged in the grocery trade in the city, his store being situated on Notre Dame street, where he carried on a flourishing business. Next he moved to St. James street, and then to Victoria square, where he carried on business for twenty-six years. He saw the advantages which the residential uptown district afforded in the nineties, and he then established the business at the corner of St. Catherine street west and Drummond street, which his eldest son, Alexander, has managed for the past twelve years.

The late Mr. Graham is survived by two sons, Alexander and William, a bridge engineer, employed by the New York and New Haven Railway, at Hartford, and three daughters, Mrs. George McGoun, of Westmount; Mrs. C. A. Thompson, the wife of the manager of the Bank of Montreal at Brantford, and Miss Jennie Graham. He was a constant reader of the 'Witness,' to which he had been a subscriber for the past half century.

He was at all times charitably disposed and his death will cause deep regret among a large circle of friends. He was a member of the St. Andrew's Society for nearly fifty years, and was a life governor of the General Hospital, a trustee of the Mount Royal Cemetery, and a member of the Board of Trade. During his residence in Montreal he was a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

The funeral, which will be private, will take place to-morrow from the residence to Mount Royal Cemetery. The Rev. Dr. J. Edgar Hall will conduct a service at the house.

CABINET CHANGES

NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT MR. AYLESWORTH WILL RESIGN AT LEAST THIS SESSION.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The gossip appearing in the Montreal 'Gazette' of cabinet changes is based upon the prospective retirement of the Hon. A. B. Aylesworth from the cabinet on account of deafness. There is, however, no reason to believe that Mr. Aylesworth has any more intention of resigning than he had a year ago, and the general expectation is that he will certainly remain throughout this session of Parliament. He is under constant treatment for his ailment and his hearing is considerably better than it was last session.

THE DIOCESAN SYNOD.

Morning Session Was Largely Occupied With Appointment of Committees.

THE BISHOP OF FREDERICKTON AND CANON DIXON, OF OTTAWA, WERE VSITORS.

(See also Page 7.)

This morning's session of the Diocesan Synod was devoted largely to the appointment of committee having the oversight of the various departments of church work. The following persons were elected to the executive committee:—

Clerical:—Ven. Archdeacon Ker, Canon Carmichael, Rural Dean Robinson, the Rev. Frank Charters, Ven. Archdeacon Naylor, Rural Dean Lewis, Canon Longhurst, Canon Smith, Canon Chambersc, Rural Dean Dart, Rural Dean Sanders, the Rev. J. H. Bell, Rural Dean Jeakins, Rural Dean Taylor, Dr. Paterson-Smyth, the Rev. G. Osborne Troop, Canon Dixon, the Rev. Arthur French, the Rev. A. J. Doull.

Lay—Messrs. H. J. Mudge, F. W. Heath, Dr. T. P. Butler, G. F. C. Smith, Dr. Alex. Johnson, Dr. L. H. Davidson, W. H. Robinson, the Hon. Senator Owens, Enoch Buzzell, Edgar Judge, E. R. Smith, J4 M4 Fisk, Thos. Hunter, S. O. Shorey, the Hon. Judge Foster, Mr. Lansing Lewis, Mr. E. C. Pratt, E. Goff Penny, F. W. Hibbard, K.C., and E. J. Coyle.

During the proceedings the Bishop of Montreal welcomed Canon Dixon, of Ottawa, and the Right Rev. Dr. Richardson, Bishop of Fredericton, to the floor of the House, and the latter was invited to take a seat on the platfom beside the presiding bishop.

At an appropriate interval in the proceedings Dr. Richardson was requested, on a formal motion by the vice-chancellor, to address the assembly. In response His Lordship stated that he was not a stranger to Montreal, having been here some years ago collecting funds for the Diocese of Rupert's Land. He never could forget the kindly and generous reception that had been accorded him, and he had had a warm place in his heart for Montreal ever since. He was now on his way home from Vancouver, where he had gone on the invitation of the laymen of that city to initiate the Laymen's Missionary Movement. All would rejoice [illegible] the laity were taking [illegible] to support the work in behalf of the destitute Church of England and other religious bodies up to greater activity. The possibilities bound up in this movement were beyond conception. The gospel must be spread faster and farther than ever, and he rejoiced that the work in this diocese, taken up so earnestly by the late Bishop Carmichael, had been committed to other hands no less capable, and that would not falter.

The Rev. E. McManus presented the report on Works of Mercy. It included accounts of the labors of the Rev. F. L. Whitly, who visits the Hospital at Verdun, and the Protestant Infants' Home, and of Rural Dean Sander's visit to the Church Home. The Rev. Mr. McManus, as Church Missionary, made 12,978 visits during the year.

The Sunday school report was presented by Archdeacon Ker, and was very encouraging. The Rev. Messrs. Horsey and Shatford, Dr. L. H. Davidson and Mr. R. H. Buchanan were appointed commissioners to the General Synod in the interest of Sunday school work.

At the Diocesan Sunday School Association's annual meeting last evening, an excellent address was delivered by the Rev. W. W. Craig, on 'Master Motives in Sunday School Work.'

SHRUBB RACE POSTPONED

WILL BE RUN AT THE ARENA ON MARCH 24.

It was announced here to-day by the promoters that Alfred Shrubb, the English runner, will not race in Montreal on Feb. 18, as announced the other day, the date having been postponed until March 24. This decision was reached this morning, as it was found impossible to secure a suitable track until the ice is gone out of the Arena. By March 24 the big auditorium will be cleared of ice and a suitable earth track laid.

Shrubb's opponents are to be three of the fastest of our local runners.

There is a rumor current to-day that later on Dorando Pietro, the Italian Marathon runner, will also race in this city.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Edward Levi Baugh has sold to Mrs. A. P. Proctor houses Nos. 412, 414 and 416 Mance street, just below Pine avenue, for $14,500.

Mrs. Joseph Gariepy has sold to Elias Leblanc houses Nos. 439 to 443 Panet street, near Logan street, for $1,000.

John Furlong has sold to Mrs. James McArthur and James McArthur houses Nos. 33 to 39 St. Etienne street, at the corner of Conway street, for $3,200.

Mrs. Richard R. Stevenson has sold to G. Creak house No. 257 Bishop street, near Sherbrooke street. Price not fixed.

Portage La Prairie, Man., Feb. 11.—Three locomotives and a number of cars were badly damaged last night by fire which broke out in the C. P. R. round house. The loss will reach $25,000.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

A bomb thrown at a railway train, 15 miles north of Calcutta, yesterday, exploded, but did no damage. It is said to have been thrown by a miscreant who thought the Viceroy, Lord Minto, was on board.

The site of the ancient city of Meroe, on the Nile, half way between Khartoum and the Atbara, has been discovered by Prof. Archibald H. Sayce, of Oxford.

Recent drastic changes are reported in the Turkish Cabinet. They are said to have been brought about by the discovery of a plot to depose the Sultan to-day, when he was to ride to the Solandik celebration, and proclaim in his place Prince Yussof Izzedin the eldest son of the late Sultan.

The next big public ceremony in Egypt will be the opening of the new irrigating dam across the Nile at Esneh.

There has been a serious outbreak of the Asiatic cholera among the staff of St. George Hospital, St. Petersburg, an institution maintained by the Red Cross. Thirteen cases were recorded to-day, and nine yesterday, and the total is reported as 38.

The railway terminus at Geneva, Switzerland, was destroyed by fire today. The fire deranged the railroad service and loss in property will be heavy.

A trustee has been appointed to collect the debts of Miss Violet Charlesworth, the adventuress, which amount to over $62,500.

Mr. Arthur Balfour, at present at Biarritz, arrived at Pau yesterday to see Mr. Wilbur Wright make a flight with his aeroplane. Mr. Wright was short of men to operate the apparatus, and Mr. Balfour hauled on one of the ropes with a will and begged hard to be taken as a passenger, but as the weather was bad, the aeroplanist was obliged to refuse.

A violent storm raged yesterday along the eastern coast of Spain. At Valencia Harbor several vessels came into collision, and a fisherman was wrecked, three of the crew perishing. Trees have been up-rooted, chimneys blown down, and there is much damage.

Beckert, the Chancellor of the German Legation, who was thought by some to have perished in the fire which destroyed the Legation Building at Santiago, Chili, a few days ago, is now reported to have been arrested while playing baccarat in Chillan, the capital of the Province of Nuble.

A mutiny of a rural guard is reported from Havana. The men objected to being transferred to the Calbanas fortress, there to become a part of the permanent army, and rushed to the Palace to appeal to President Gomes to allow them to go back to their homes in Matanzas, and Santa Clara, whence they had been recruited. They were finally sent to the fortress under armed escort.

The denunciation of theatres by Archbishop Farley a few days ago continues to trouble the New York managers. One of them, at the Entertainment Club last night defended themselves by scolding 'the public,' and the other laid all the blame on 'the women.'

Mr. Taft, on his arrival from Panama at New Orleans yesterday, announced that the work on the canal was going on in a most satisfactory fashion, that the engineers with him completely approved of the plans, and methods employed, that they recommended the construction of the Gatun dam according to the present plans, except that it be only 115, instead of 135 feet high, and that the canal would be completed on the first of January, 1915.

In the California Senate yesterday a bill submitting the question of Asiatic immigration to a vote of the people was lost by a vote of 22 to 12.

Incoming boats at New York report heavy weather. One schooner, the 'Elvira Hall,' from Jacksonville to Boston, had to be abandoned, but her crew were saved by the schooner 'Thelma,' from New York for Savannah.

To-day across the line Lincoln's birthday is being observed as a legal holiday.

It is reported at Welland, Ont., that W. M. Germain, M.P., for Welland county, will accept the solicitorship of the Dominion Railway Commission. Mr. German has represented Welland county in the Legislature or Parliament continuously for over eighteen years.

BIRRELL LAND BILL.

VIRULENTLY ATTACKED BY IRISH LAND OWNERS.

Dublin, Feb. 12.— The Irish Land Owners' Convention, in session to-day, attacked virulently the proposed Birrell Land Bill and adopted a resolution demanding its rejection by parliament.

WAITER DISAPPEARED.

A former waiter in the Emerald Café, St. Antoine street, named Henry Williams, was arrested last night by Detectives Cowan and Savard. Three weeks ago he disappeared, taking with him $14 belonging to the proprietor of the cafe, Mrs. Merrweather. This morning, before Judge Basin, he pleaded guilty and was remanded.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Notices of births, marriages and deaths must invariably be endorsed with the name and address of the sender, or otherwise no notice can be taken of them. Birth notices are inserted for 25c, marriage notices for 50c, death notices for 25c prepaid. The announcement of funeral appended to death notice, 25c extra; other extensions to obituary, such as short sketch of life, two cents per word extra, except poetry, which is 50 cents per line extra—prepaid.

Annual subscribers may have announcements of births, marriages and deaths (without extended obituary or verses) occuring in their immediate families free of charge, in which case name and address of subscribers should be given.

BIRTHS.

BUDD — On Feb. 5, 1909, at the Methodist Parsonage, Middlebury, Conn., U.S., to the Rev. Alfred W. and Mrs. Budd, a son.

McINTYRE — On Feb. 7, 1909, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McIntyre, 348 Stewart street, Ottawa, a son. Both well.

SEWELL — At Lake St. Joseph, Que., on Feb. 8, 1909, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sewell.

MARRIED.

McLENNAN — BETHUNE — On Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1909, at the home of the bride's parents, Avonmore, Ont., by the Rev. H. N. Maclean, Ph.D., Annie Louise Maud Bethune, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Bethune, to John McLennan, C.P.R. operator, Green Valley, Ont., second son of Mrs. Roderick McLennan, 3rd con., Roxborough, Ont.

THOMPSON—ROBINSON—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Whitcombe, Massawippi, Que., on Feb. 10, 1909, by the Rev. Churchill Moore, Mr. George Ulysses Thompson, of Moose Jaw, Sask., to Miss Lillie Vivian Robinson, youngest daughter of the late William Robinson, jr., of Ayer's Cliff, Que.

DIED.

BRETHOUR — On Feb. 10, 1909, at the residence of her uncle, Wm. Brethour, 149 Howland avenue, Toronto, Alta B. Brethour, aged 20 years.

CAMPBELL—On Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1909, at his late residence, Dalesville, John Campbell, aged 65.
Funeral on Saturday at 2 p.m., to Dalesville Church.

GRAHAM.—In this city, on Feb. 12, 1909, at his residence, 570 St. Catherine street west, George Graham, in his 83rd year.
Funeral private.

JONES — At 641 McLaren street, Ottawa, on Feb. 9, 1909, Margaret Jones, beloved wife of Nehemiah Jones, in her 74th year.

KELLY — On Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1909, after a lingering illness, James Kelly, in his 74th year.
Funeral will leave his residence, 909 Esplanade avenue, Annex, at 2 p.m., on Saturday, Feb. 13th, to Sherbrooke Street Methodist Church, thence to Mount Royal Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances will kindly accept this invitation.
Belfast, Ireland, and Philadelphia, U.S., papers please copy.

LENFESTY — On Sunday morning, Jan. 31, 1909, at Cape Cove, Gaspe, Que., Emily, beloved wife of Elias D. Lenfesty, and youngest daughter of Jas. Mahan, L'Anse au Beaufils, Que.

MACCUNN — At his late residence, 552 Givens street, Toronto, John, civil engineer, eldest son of James MacCunn, formerly of Greenock, Scotland, and now of London, England, aged 42 years.

MANSFIELD — At St. Margaret's Home, 21 Sherbrooke street, on Feb. 9, 1909, Ann Eliza Sanborn, widow of the late Clark H. Mansfield.
Interment at East Farnham.

McCLELLAND — At St. John, N.B., on Feb. 8, 1909, Thomas McClelland, in the 87th year of his age, a native of Ayrshire, Scotland.

McNAUGHTON — At the Jeffrey Hale Hospital, Quebec, on Feb. 9, 1909, of appendicitis and pneumonia, John Esmond (Jack), third son of Wm. McNaughton.

NICHOLSON.—In this city, on Thursday, Feb. 11, 1909, at her residence, 87 Mackay street, Ann Shearer, widow of Peter Nicholson, aged 80 years and 3 months.
Funeral on Saturday, Feb. 13, at 2.30 o'clock, from her late residence to Mount Royal Cemetery.
Please omit flowers.

PATON — Suddenly, on Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1909, Thomas Daird Paton, son of the late Laird Paton.
Funeral private.

PERRAULT — At Longueuil, on Feb. 11, 1909, Maurice Perrault, architect, M.L.A. for Chambly, aged 51 years, 7 months.
Funeral from his late residence, 212 St. Charles street, Longueuil, on Saturday, the 13th instant, at 8.45 a.m., to the Parish Church, Longueuil, thence to the Cote des Neiges Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please attend.

SMALL—At his residence, 'Berkeley House,' on Feb. 10, 1909, John Small, Collector of Customs, Toronto, in his 78th year, eldest son of the late Chas. Conwell Small.

TURNER — At Farnam's Corner, Que., on Feb. 3, 1909, Perley Turner, aged 34 years.

WALBY — At Ottawa, William Thomas Walby, at the age of 56 years.

Notices received too late for this page may possibly be in time for page 8.

Those sending notices for the above columns may send with them a list of names of interested friends together with a one-cent stamp for each address, and marked copies of the 'Witness' containing the notice will be promptly mailed. For addresses in foreign countries three cents will be required.

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NOTRE DAME DE GRACE SUED.

The Canada Industrial Co., Ltd., has entered an action for $40,000 against the municipality of Notre Dame de Grace, in connection with the public park of the locality, the plaintiff complaining of the appropriation of their property for that purpose.

EARLY CLOSING—DON'T FORGET
THE BIG STORE closes at 1 O'CLOCK on Saturdays during February—Other Days at 5.30 P.M.

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OPPOSE BOARD OF CONTROL

City Legislation Committee Prefer Fewer Aldermen and Board of Works.

ALD. DAGENAIS' PROPOSAL TO REGULATE SOCIAL EVIL IS DEFINITELY DROPPED.

The Civic Legislation Committee met again last night, and threw over altogether consideration for the establishment of a Board of Control. Instead, the members recommend the City Council to apply to the Legislature for an amendment of clause 21 of the city charter, so that instead of having two aldermen for each ward, only one representative shall be elected. This would reduce the council to twenty-one members, and it is further proposed that the rate of indemnity instead of being as now $600 a year for members of committees, and $900 for chairman of committees, shall be increased as follows:

Chairmen of Finance and Road Committees, $2,000 a year each; other chairmen, $1,500; members, $1,000 a year.

It was argued that as business men were proposed to recommend that members of a board of control should be paid $10,000 each, it was but fair that aldermen, who did the business of the city, should get a little more for their time.

Election is asked for three instead of two years.

As an offset to the proposed Board of Control, Ald. L. A. Lapointe submitted his recommendation to seek for power to appoint a board of public works from the head engineers in the different departments. He said it was evident the time was not yet ripe for the establishment of a board of control such as desired by the trade bodies of Montreal. Their project had many good points in it, but it had not been very carefully worked out. Perhaps it might be accepted when more was known about its workings and effect. The idea for it was growing, but it did not seem to be opportune yet for its acceptance. He, therefore, proposed that a board of five heads of departments be named who should control new work to be done and have power to recommend certain new work.

The proposal was accepted by the committee as being the best project to adopt at the present time.

The committee also resolved to recommend the imposition of a special tax, not to exceed $500, on every concert hall, or place of theatrical exhibition, and picture shows, the proceeds to be used for improved fire protection for the purpose of which the city would place firemen in such places of amusement free of cost during performances.

The recommendations include provisions for a special tax on dance halls, not to exceed $100, and $50 on 'musees,' or amusement resorts.

On the proposition of Ald. Lavallee, chairman, it was resolved to ask that the borrowing power of the city be reduced from 15 percent to 14 percent on the value of real estate. Ald. Lavallee said he thought it wise that some provision should be made to reduce the borrowing powers on a graduated scale.

It was decided, on the motion of Ald. L. A. Lapointe that the city guarantee the interest on bonds of the Monts real Exhibition Company, up to $600,000 in accordance with a request made them by the exhibition company.

The committee definitely dropped all consideration of the suggestion made by Ald. Dagenais that a by-law should be adopted to regulate the social evil.

QUEBEC BAPTISTS

GOOD WORK DONE AT ANCIENT CAPITAL DURING PAST YEAR.

(From a Correspondent.)

Quebec, Feb. 10.—The annual meeting of the Quebec Baptist Church was recently held, the pastor, the Rev. E. P. H. King, presiding. The attendance was good, and, the various reports which were submitted and adopted showed that good work had been done during the past year. The finances and other activities of the congregation have been well maintained, notwithstanding the special difficulties which Protestant churches have to face in such a centre. The attendance at all the services has been somewhat larger than in former years, and a hopeful tone pervaded all the reports.

The pastor, the Rev. E. P. H. King, took charge of the church in December, 1904, and has, therefore, completed four years of service. Mr. King has not only labored assiduously in his own congregation, but has also taken an active part in the Ministerial Association and other benevolent and religious institutions.

LEE CHU AGAIN FOUND GUILTY.

Lee Chu was found guilty twice in one day yesterday, of selling cocaine without a license. Yesterday afternoon Judge Bazin found him guilty of selling on December 12 to a 'spotter' in the employ of the Canadian Detective Bureau. He will be sentenced on Tuesday next.

SUMMER HOUSE BROKEN INTO.

The summer residence of Mr. R. B. Ross, at Lac de Pisle, St. Marguerite, Terrebonne County, was broken into the other night, and $50 worth of goods stolen. Detective Girard, of the provincial force, who was sent over yesterday, arrested Edward and Eugene Cattier, brothers, and L. Deschenes, at St. Emile. They were brought before a justice of the peace at St. Scholastique and remanded.

ICE PALACE ILLUMINATED AND BOMBARDED BY SNOWSHOERS.

Crowd on Fletcher's Field Last Evening Numbered at Least 150,000 People.

If there were any doubts as to which side the people's sympathies have been in the controversy over the holding of a winter carnival in Montreal, they must have been dissipated last night, for the biggest crowd that has ever been seen in Montreal gathered on Fletcher's Field to witness the storming of the ice palace by snowshoers descending from the mountain.

Some say there were 100,000 people there; Mr. E. R. Carrington, who is looking after the ice palace for the executive, estimated the crowd at nearly 150,000. These, however, are mere guesses, for it was impossible to estimate such a huge crowd in the dark.

When the illuminations sent a flare of light over the neighborhood, the whole of Fletcher's Field, from beyond the Incline Railway to the north, to Pine Avenue on the south, and from the mountain slopes to Esplanade avenue, was seen to be black with a dense mass of people. These, however, did not by any means comprise all the people who witnessed the bombardment of the ice castle, for every elevation commanding the scene, often in distant streets, was taken advantage of by crowds of sightseers.

The scene in the city, at the massing of the snowshoers, was picturesque in the extreme. It was such as could be witnessed in no other part of the world, and it was in itself well worth coming a long way to behold, as many visitors were heard to declare. Over two thousand members of the different snowshoe clubs turned out for the procession—half of them meeting at the Y. M. C. A., and the other half at the Club St. Jacques, on St. Catherine street. These two divisions united at the corner of Peel and St. Catherine streets, and marched up the mountain by way of Peel street and the Gully.

Clad in their multi-colored blanket costumes, with tuques and sashes, moccassins and snowshoes, they made a brilliant sight, and the last touch of local color was added by the singing of French-Canadian folksongs.

Hundreds of torches were carried, and the red and smoky flare of light in which these enveloped the procession enabled the people in the city to trace the progress of this attacking army as it scaled the snowy heights of the mountain and prepared for the descent on the ice palace.

THE ATTACK BEGINS.

Meanwhile there was another massing—a massing upon Fletcher's Field of what must have been quite one-fourth of all the huge population of the city, with many strangers from near and far. They, too, could see the flare of light from the snowshoe procession winding its way up the mountain. Presently the dim forms of the attacking host could clearly be distinguished in a big blaze from the combined torches as they gathered in a dense mass at the look-out. Here the torches were exchanged for fireworks, with which to bombard the castle.

Immediately the flare of the torches died out, and the attack began. Across the mountain top and down the slopes came the besiegers, their progress marked out by an incessant blaze of Roman candles spurting out balls of fire—red and blue and green. So vivid and incessant was the discharge of these balls of fire that the mountain heights were lit up in an incessant glare of dancing color, enabling the dark forms of the besiegers to be distinguished against the background of snow as they made their way down through the woods.

PALACE A GLOWING JEWEL.

With startling suddenness the defence of the ice palace began. There was a deep cannon-like boom, and immediately the sky above the palace was ripped into ribbons of flame, succeeded by the detonations of shells far up in the air, and the spreading out of great mushrooms of colored stars, slowly falling and dying out over the crowd.

And look! The pale, wan shape of the ice palace, a mere ghost of a building only dimly to be discerned in the shadowy mystery of the night, has become transformed. In the twinkling of an eye it has changed from a shadow to a huge reality—yet a reality of such strange and glowing beauty that it seems as though the curtain of the night has been lifted to give a glimpse into some celestial fairyland.

This astonishing effect was produced by lighting up the interior of the castle and its towers with intense colored fires, which shone through the ice walls and made them sparkle and glow like molten metal. The great arched gateways, protected by portcullis, the huge walls of the palace keep, the towers sharply defined against the deep velvety indigo of the sky—all these burned in a myriad facets of red light, liquid in its softness, ruby-like in its depth and glow. Then the light changed to golden, and then to blue and green as colored fire succeeded colored fire in the heart of this big living jewel. It was a sight of surpassing loveliness, far more beautiful than anything the Carnival Committee could have anticipated.

CROWD SINGS 'THE HOLY CITY.'

The effect on the crowd was in itself one of the wonders of this wonderful night. Just as sounds may be woven into marvellous melodies that clutch at the heart-strings, so here fire and color was allied to the mystery of the night in such an entrancing combination that people were lifted out of themselves. They gazed not so much with wonder as with reverence at this fairy-land castle outlined in the deep glow of velvety color against the equally deep and velvety blue of the sky, itself torn with pathways of innumerable rockets bursting high above in enormous showers of colored stars. Actually, a large section of the crowd began to sing. The air was not the popular jingle of a music-hall song, but solemn and reverent as an anthem. And here were the words that were wafted upon the icy wind:—

'Last night I lay a-sleeping,
I had a dream so fair;
I stood in Old Jerusalem,
Beside the Temple there. . . .'

Imagine it! A big crowd at a carnival, out for a night of sight-seeing and jollity, singing 'The Holy City.' Why, it might be some great religious demonstration. The ruby light of the glowing castle changes to golden. Hark at the crowd:

'. . . . . Once again the scene was changed,
New earth there seemed to be,—
I saw the Holy City
Beside the tideless sea. . . . .'

THE START OF THE BOMBARDMENT.

The castle fades again to a wan shadow. The curtain of the night has been dropped upon the strange scene, and the song dies down. The snowshoers, now all descended from the mountain heights, surround the castle and light it from the outside with their Roman candles. From every side the castle is bombarded with balls of colored fire.

This is responded to from the inside by batteries of Roman candles shooting up fan-shaped, volleys of stars, columns of stars, clouds of stars, until the air is like a sea of darting, glittering points. Then comes fountains and rivers of golden fire descending the castle walls. Then more batteries of stars, trees of stars, bunches of stars, and all the while great, fiery conflagrations within the castle, sending up clouds of smoke to envelop the whole and reflect in the intense glare of color from below.

A particularly striking feature was what was called 'the curtain of electric dust,' a Niagara of silvery fire that for the moment made the colored fires look dim. Whilst this feature lasted the great crowd of spectators was lit up as if the sun shone on them. Towards the end the firing became furiously fast, and to add to the effect mines exploded, to add volcanic-like eruptions to the fiery wonders of the night. Thousands of detonations ranging from rifle-like crackling to the deep boom of a cannon, kept up an incessant accompaniment to the spectacle, whilst in the upper sky the big bomb shells and rockets continued to burst at intervals, spreading clouds of stars of every hue over the glittering spectacle below.

The whole thing was beautful beyond expectation, and reflects credit alike on the Carnival Committee, and upon the Canadian firm, who provided the fireworks—the Hand Fireworks Company, of Hamilton, Ont.

VICE-REGAL PARTY IN GRAND STAND.

It was a matter of regret that the Governor-General was unable to be present, he having been called away to Toronto. Her Excellency the Countess Grey, was present, however, accompanied by Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn Grey, Miss Margaret Lyttleton, of London, Colonel Sir John Hanbury-Williams and Lady Hanbury-Williams, Lord Lascelles, Sir Montagu and Lady Allan and members of the executive committee. They arrived by special car, and watched the storming with keen interest from the vice-regal pavilion erected about two hundred feet away from the palace, and commanding a fine view of the bombardment.

THE MUSTERS OF THE SNOWSHOERS.

The massed snowshoers, who formed the bombarding army, were under the marshalship of Mr. Gordon Bowie, president of the Snowshoe Union. The Old Tuque Bleues were at the head. Practically all the clubs of the city were represented, and there were, of course, many scores of unattached snowshoers. The parade slate of the clubs was as follows:—Tuque Bleue, 75; Canadien, St. Henri, 40; Holly, 40; Y. M. C. A., 200; Emeralds, 30; Ferndale, 100; Y.M.C.A. Juniors, 100; Iroquois, St. Henri, 16; Engineers' Club, 16; St. Patrick's, 22; Swastica, 117; Strollers, 25; Montagnards, 65; Elms, 16; Champetre, 35; National, 9; Coureur des Bois, 50; Cercle Paroissial 20; Le Canada, 20; St. James, 14; Nova, 8; Baucamier, 15; La Gaiete, 20; St. Jacques, 100.

A SLIGHT ACCIDENT.

Despite the gathering of such an immense crowd, there was only one accident during the evening. Fred Playle, twenty years of age, of 412 Nicolet street, was taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital shortly before ten o'clock with one side of his face badly burned. It was stated at the hospital that he had been close to the line of the snowshoers' route, watching the attack, when a rocket exploded immediately in front of him. The skin was burned off one side of his face, and he was suffering great pain when brought to the hospital by a friend on his toboggan. His eyes, it was thought, had fortunately escaped injury.

PALACE OPEN TO VISITORS.

Owing to the fireworks inside the ice palace, this structure was not open to the public until after the bombardment was over. Ten cents was then charged for admission, and over two thousand people passed through the gates. The ice palace is now open to the public in the daytime, at the same admission fee.

Sleigh drivers did a roaring business last night. Six, eight and ten dollars for a two to three hours' drive were asked, in some instances. Eight dollars were asked by sleigh drivers outside the Windsor Hotel.

THE CITIZENS' DRIVE.

The carnival executive have just been informed by Messrs. Lamontagne, Limited, that the firm will donate the handsomest gold-mounted whip ever brought into Canada as the first prize in the citizens' drive, which takes place next Wednesday. Entries for the citizens' drive will be received until Tuesday morning.

Chief Campeau had a hundred policemen on Fletcher's Field, and Chief Detective Carpenter also had a large number of detectives there. Not a single case of pocket-picking or robbery was reported during the evening.

ANOTHER CONTRIBUTION.

'Consistency' writes: The "Ross" letter, in your issue of Feb. 10 opens up a question which I am sure every one who had watched the struggle of the carnival committee to carry through their project will appreciate. At the outset they were confronted with the opposition of the railways, followed by the attacks of two newspapers. What must strike a casual observer like myself as rather inconsistent is the publication by one of those organs of a carnival number, which I have not the slightest doubt they hope will find its way to all the corners of the globe. Isn't this what they cried with a loud voice against? Where does consistency reign? I have much pleasure in taking up the hint of "Ross," and send you my humble contribution.

THE 'WITNESS' DAILY MODEL.

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

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Dr. Andrew Wilson, whose reputation as a scientist is world-wide, in a book recently published ('Homely Talks on First Aid'), says:—'Zam-Buk may be relied upon as an antiseptic dressing which requires no preparation, and has the particular advantage of possessing unique healing properties.'

Mr. W. Lascelles-Scott, the famous analyst to the Royal Commission for Victoria, says: 'I have no hesitation in certifying the entire purity of Zam-Buk. It is of great healing power for open wounds or injuries.'

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THE OPTIMISTS' CLUB

MR. ANDREW CARNEGIE CHOSEN AS HONORARY PRESIDENT.

New York, Feb. 11.—New York members of the Optimists' Club, a national organization formed several months ago, for the purpose of combating the depression of the panic of 1907, met today and chose Mr. Andrew Carnegie honorary president of the organization. Mr. Irving Bachellor, vice-president of the club, and author of the famous novel, 'Eben Holden,' told Mr. Carnegie of his election to-night at the dinner of the Authors' Club. Mr. Wm. H. Robinson, one of the promoters of the organization, said that its membership now numbers 250,000.

SING SING

CONVICTS WHO ESCAPED SAY IT IS A 'LIVING HELL.'

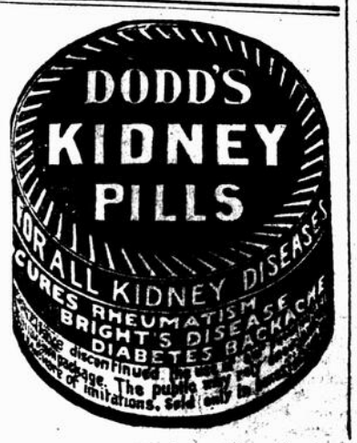
New York, Feb. 11.—Paul Kelley, the motorman, and former Policeman Chas. G. McCarthy, Sing Sing convicts, who escaped on Tuesday from the prison camp at Bear Mountain, were recaptured to-day in West Newark, N.J. The men were in a sad state from exposure and hunger and surrendered readily when found. To-night they were returned to Sing Sing. Both men were bitter in their denunciation of the treatment accorded them while in prison. 'Sing Sing is a living hell,' said Kelley. 'Sometimes they put us in a small cell with three other men. The practices carried on were awful. The grub at the camp was not fit for dogs, and we decided on Tuesday to clear out when we saw the chance. We agreed that we would rather die than endure what we had to there and in Sing Sing.'

PLAYED KING OF FRANCE.

Mr. Horace Boisseau, a native of St. Cesaire, and a former well-known merchant of St. Lawrence street, died yesterday at the age of 53 years. He was a devotee of sport, and one of the promoters of the historical cavalcade in the grand St. Jean Baptiste celebration of 1884, in which he himself took the part of King of France.

NEW TREASURER NAMED.

At a recent meeting of the committee of management of the Western Hospital, Mr. J. A. Mathewson was elected treasurer, to take the place of Mr. H. A. Hodgson, who has resigned the office.



MORE OVERCHARGES.

Aldermen Discover Too Much is Being Asked for Material.

WORK OF PAINTING AND DECORATING INTERIOR OF CITY HALL STOPPED.

The City Hall Committee decided yesterday afternoon to stop the work of painting and decorating the City Hall until a report has been prepared to show to what extent the costs are likely to run to under the terms of the original decision to execute the job by day labor. This decision has been criticized already and Alderman Levy at a previous meeting moved, but failed to carry, a proposition to stop the work and call for tenders in the recognized way. With the infusion of new members on the committee in the persons of Aldermen O'Connell and Ward, the mistake the committee made in the first instance was glaringly demonstrated at yesterday afternoon's meeting. Warrants were presented for signature, but when Ald. Ward and Ald. O'Connell saw the prices that were being charged for paints, etc., they refused to take any responsibility.

Alderman Lesperance, the chairman, asked for specific instances of any overcharge.

Alderman O'Connell at once pointed to the fact that seventy cents were being charged per gallon for turpentine, whereas, he could buy any quantity, large or small, for sixty-three cents. Then, enamel could be bought for $2 a gallon, whereas $4.50 was here charged without any specification as to quality.

Alderman Lesperance replied that it was understood that this was the best enamel, and if so, the price was not too much.

'There should be proof that we get the best, then,' remarked Alderman O'Connell.

Alderman Ward supported Alderman O'Connell, and asked the committee what they intended to do in this matter. The Painters' Union had complained that while the city was paying the contractor forty cents an hour for the contract, the workmen were getting but some twenty cents an hour.

The chairman said he had nothing to do with the wages of the men, but he knew the prices paid to the contractor were the regular rates for that kind of work.

Ald. O'Connell remarked that he did not blame the contractors for getting a good price, but certainly the committee was at fault for allowing the work to go on.

Ald. Levy, an old member of the committee, said he had been under the impression that the redecorating would not be very extensive, and he had been surprised to see the way the painters and their ladders had appeared at the City Hall the day after the passing of the resolutions ordering Mr. Lapierre to do the job.

With the new members of the committee refusing to take any responsibility in the matter it became inevitable to stop the work and call for a report on the expenses that have been involved, and the amount of costs necessary to complete the undertaking.

The new members were also responsible for the practical course adopted in a decision to give Mr. Demontigny formal notice that his services are no longer required as director of the 'Municipal Gazette.' This gentleman has been in daily attendance at his office, self-engaged, at work notwithstanding the fact that no salary for the position was included on the annual appropriations of January 1 last. He has taken action against the city to recover his salary, and the case is pending.

An opinion was read from the city attorney on the subject.

The chairman remarked that the affair was in the hands of the council, and he thought it should be left to them.

Ald. Robillard said the new members of the committee could not, with such a legal opinion before them, let things go on as before.

Ald. Couture then moved a motion he had made a month ago, that Mr. Demontigny be notified that his services were no longer needed.

Ald. Levy moved that the matter be referred to the City Council.

The amendment was lost, and the main motion was carried, Ald. Levy dissenting.

Ald. L. A. Lapointe, chairman of the Finance Committee, said that funds had been voted for a new librarian, and he asked that Mr. Demontigny be given employment in the civic library, a position he was able to hold. It had been the intention of the Finance Committee all along to have him go there.

The chairman replied that he would never consent to pay Mr. Demontigny two thousand dollars a year to go to a small library where there was practically nothing to do. He understood Mr. Demontigny would not accept a smaller salary.

Ald. L. A. Lapointe—It is for you to name a salary, and if Mr. Demontigny does not like to accept it that is his business.

Several applications for the librarianship are before the committee, but they were deferred to another meeting.

SHOT AT HIS WIFE.

Quebec, Feb. 11.—Joseph Bilodeau, dit Lambert, was before the Court of Sessions this morning on the charge of attempted murder of his wife, and was remanded to jail, awaiting investigation, the magistrate refusing to grant bail. Lambert, who is a railway employee, and resides in a parish in the vicinity of Levis, has been separated from his wife for the past two years. The day before yesterday he met her in company with another young woman, on Côte du Passage, Levis, when, it is alleged, he drew a revolver and fired two shots at his wife, happily neither striking her.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Level Crossings Bill Given Third Reading—Penitentiaries and the Patronage System.

ESCAPE OF BILL MINER THE THEME FOR A LIVELY DEBATE—ELEVATED TRACKS FOR MONTREAL—MONTREAL HARBOR.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The House of Commons gave a third reading yesterday to the Lancaster bill, for the better protection of the public at railway crossings. This measure, which is in the form of an amendment to the Railway Act, has already passed the Lower House in several previous sessions, but was defeated three years running in the Senate. In the present instance it is difficult to say with certainty what its fate will be in the Senate, but the general impression is that the Senate will not care to assume the responsibility of again ignoring the wishes of both political parties in the House of Commons. The bill has the support of the present Minister of Railways, as it had the support also of the Hon. H. R. Emerson in the last parliament.

The bill is in the following terms:

'No train shall pass over any highway crossing at rail level in any thickly peopled portion of any city, or village at a greater speed than ten miles an hour, unless such crossing is properly protected, or unless such crossing is contructed and thereafter duly maintained in accordance with the orders, regulations and directions of the Railway Committee of the Privy Council and of the Board in force with respect thereto. The Board may limit such speed in any case to any rate that it deems expedient.'

In reply to an inquiry by Major Beattie (London), the Premier stated that $660,000 of silver currency was coined in the fiscal year 1907-8, on which the profit amounted to $284,288. The government was aware that a considerable quantity of American currency was in circulation in Canada, but had no means of ascertaining the exact amount. Three years ago over half a million dollars' worth of United States coin was exported from this country to the United States, and the estimates now before parliament contained an appropriation for a similar purpose.

The discussion in Committee of Supply included a complaint from the Opposition against the methods which are employed in the purchase of supplies for the penitentiary, and a demand for the abolition of the patronage list in the Justice Department. The Solicitor-General denied that there was any patronage list in the Justice Department. The custom was to obtain prices from large firms, and in the case of large orders, by public tender. The Hon. Mr. Foster declared that if the reasons were sound that prompted the abolition of the patronage list in the Marine and Fisheries Department, the same course should be followed throughout the entire government service. Mr. Foster was unable, however, from his reading of the letter that the Hon. Mr. Brodeur had sent to Judge Cassels, to see that the minister had done any more than to abolish the 'present' patronage list. That did not necessarily mean that the system was to be abolished.

The Department of Justice was also strongly criticized for allowing church pews for St. Matthew's (Anglican) Church, Ottawa, to be made by convict labor in St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary. This work was done through Mr. G. W. Dawson, inspector of penitentiaries, who is connected with St. Matthew's Church, and it was claimed that the price paid for the pews was much less than the church would have paid for them if ordinary labor had been employed upon them. Mr. F. D. Monk and Mr. Foster both asked if the government policy was to allow penitentiary labor to compete with free labor. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that the prisoners in our prisons and penitentiaries could not be kept idle.

Mr. Monk estimated that the value of the 42 pews made for St. Matthew's Church in St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary was $420, while the amount actually paid for them was $106.

A large part of the evening sitting of the House was given up to the discussion of the report which has recently been published in British Columbia, that Bill Miner, the notorious train robber, who escaped with three pals, in 1907, from New Westminster penitentiary, was assisted to escape.

Mr. J. D. Taylor, Conservative, of New Westminster, directed attention to the letter which was recently written to the press by Mr. Bourke, late Deputy Warden of the British Columbia penitentiary, concerning this matter. His statements, Mr. Taylor said, had created the impression in British Columbia that Miner escaped through connivance on the part of penitentiary officials.

The Minister of Justice assured the House that there was no warrant for any such impression. The very fullest investigation had been made into the circumstances of Bill Miner's escape. Mr. Bourke was then deputy warden, and in the absence of the warden was responsible for the whole conduct of the institution at the time the escapes took place. He had been given an opportunity to tell all he knew about the whole matter at the formal inquiry, and Mr. Aylesworth was of the opinion that Mr. Bourke's present threats were due to annoyance, because he had failed in an endeavor to secure a higher rate of superannuation.

In the course of some further debate, Mr. R. L. Borden, the Conservative leader, suggested that Mr. Bourke should be brought before a parliamentary committee and compelled either to make good his assertions or to withdraw the threats he has published in the press.

The Solicitor-General replied that this suggestion would receive due consideration.

The votes for the penitentiary branch were all passed before the House adjourned, with the exception of that for British Columbia penitentiary.

ELEVATED TRACKS FOR MONTREAL.

Mr. Geoffrion is promoting a bill respecting the Montreal Terminal Railway Company, one clause of which provides for an elevated railway for Montreal. The clause covering this is as follows:

'The company may lay out, construct and operate an elevated railway from the western limits of the city of Montreal to the eastern limits of the town of Maisonneuve.'

'Where the company requires to construct the said railway on the river front, or upon any cross streets of the said city or town, the route of the said elevated railway shall be subject to the approval of the City Council of the said city, and the Municipal Council of the said town, respectively, and in case of disagreement between the company and the said councils, or either of them, the route shall be determined by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada.

'The said railway shall be erected at a height of not less than twenty feet from the surface of the said streets, and the mode of constructing the said elevated railway and the manner of operating it shall be subject to the approval of the said councils, respectively, and in case of disagreement between the company and the said councils, or either of them, the matters in dispute shall be determined by the said board.'

MONTREAL HARBOR.

Mr. Gervais asked if the government had promised, or was about to promise, to the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal that its by-laws providing for the increase of fifty percent, or seventy-five percent, or less of the wharfage dues of that port would be approved or confirmed by the Governor-General-in-Council.

Mr. Brodeur replied in the negative. No such request had been received.

Mr. Gervais also asked if the government was aware that the same Harbor Commissioners were said to be giving, or about to give, notice of dismissal without cause to all of their officers, foremen or employees.

The minister replied that the government had no information on the subject.

Dr. Barr moved the second reading of his bill to amend the Railway Act, to facilitate the crossing of railway tracks by telephone and telegraph wires, water mains, conduits, etc. This bill was brought forward last session. Dr. Barr wanted it to be sent to the Railway Committee to be threshed out there.

Mr. Graham said if any company was permitted to string wire across a railway track, the safety of the public might be endangered. The roadbed also might be weakened by permitting a company to tunnel under the railway tracks, without the best supervision being exercised. This supervision Mr. Graham considered could best be left to the Railway Commissioners, and he preferred to leave the whole question in the hands of that board. He had no objection to the bill going to the Railway Committee. The bill was read a second time and now goes to the committee.

THE POST-OFFICE ACT.

Mr. Lemieux's bill to amend the Post-office Act by granting compensation of $25 for the loss of registered letters and packages was read a third time, and passed without discussion. Mr. Gervais, who had given notice of an amendment to remove the limit of twenty-five dollars, and give compensation to the amount of the commercial value of the contents of the letter or package, was not in the House when the bill came up, and the bill passed without amendment.

QUEBEC W.C.T.U.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS—AN OPTIMISTIC REPORT—THE LIQUOR EVIL.

(From a Correspondent.)

Quebec, Feb. 10. Last evening the Quebec W. C. T. U. held its 27th annual meeting in the Assembly Hall of the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Geggie, of Beauport, occupied the chair and the attendance was gratifying. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Geggie; first vice-president, Miss Reid; second vice-president, Miss Perkins; third vice-president, Miss E. Darlington; fourth vice-president, Miss Kelly; fifth vice-president, Mrs. Wiggs; treasurer, Miss Annie Stobo; recording secretary, Miss Darlington; corresponding secretary, Miss I. N. Campbell.

Miss Campbell's report was very optimistic in tone, and shows that the W. C. T. U. of Quebec City has been most active in promoting sound temperance principles in the city and neighborhood. The assertion by the liquor party that there is more drunkenness in the city since the number of licenses has been reduced, is emphatically denied, and the report calls upon all those who have the good of their fellow-men at heart to refuse to patronize the grocers that sell intoxicating liquor, and to rally to the support of all those who refuse to have anything to do with the evil. It finds reason for gratitude and encouragement in the fact that there are no brewers in the Quebec House, and in the attitude of both press and pulpit, French and English, and in the present agitation in the City Council, for the separation of the grocery from the liquor trade. Mrs. Hyde, as superintendent of the Sailors' work, also reported.

During the evening Mrs. Ross sang 'Hold Thou my Hand,' very acceptably; Miss Kaine gave a piano solo, and Mrs. Wm. Fraser sang 'That Beautiful Land.'

The members of the W. C. T. U. have secured the services of Mr. Roberts, the tempranc lecturer, for a campaign against the liquor traffic some time next month. It is to be hoped that the churches will fall into line and heartily second the efforts of one, who has proved himself already in our own country so successful in the work of disseminating sound Christian principles in the community.

DEATH OF MRS. P. RUPERT

MOTHER OF A SOUTH AFRICAN HERO PASSES AWAY.

The death of Mrs. Rupert, wife of Mr. Peter Rupert, occurred yesterday, at the residence of her son, Mr. Elmer Rupert, a special constable in the employ of the Shipping Federation, who lives at 62 Panet street. Mrs. Rupert, who was formerly Miss Catherine Cummings was born 74 years ago, and had been a life-long resident of Montreal. She is survived by her husband, two daughters and one son. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon, at 1.30 o'clock.

Mrs. Rupert was the mother of Trooper Jules Rupert, who was killed in action in the South African war. Trooper Rupert went to Africa with the intention of joining the Imperial service, but he enlisted with the Brabant Horse, and was killed on Aug. 31, 1900. A widow and two children survived him.

Trooper Rupert's name appeared on the honor roll published in the 'Royal Gazette,' by authority of Lord Roberts, appearing there as private of the Kaffirarian Rifles. His bravery consisted of carrying ammunition to the firing line during a heavy engagement near Quaggersfontein, after he had been disabled by a wound in the hand. He was killed by a shot in the head.

Trooper Rupert served also in the North-West Rebellion in 1885, with No. 8 Company, 65th Battalion, of which Mr. L. J. Ethier, now city attorney, was then captain. After Trooper Rupert's death, Mr. Ethier spoke very highly of his conduct at the time of the rebellion, declaring that he had distinguished himself by his gallant behavior, particularly in swimming out to secure a raft on which was one of the guns, and which was being carried away on the flooded Deer River, and would have fallen into the enemy's hands.

MRS. PETER NICHOLSON.

Mrs. Peter Nicholson, widow of the late Peter Nicholson, who, previous to his death 17 years ago, was one of the leading contractors of the city, died last evening at her home, 87 Mackay street, at the age of 90 years and three months. The deceased was born in Caithness, Scotland, and when a young woman came to Canada with her husband. Two sons, David and Geo. W. T. Nicholson, and five daughters, Mrs. W. Whitehead, Mrs. R. Finley, Mrs. M. C. Leishman, and Miss Nicholson, of Montreal, and Mrs. Wm. McEachran, Los Angeles, Cal., survive. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence to Mount Royal Cemetery.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Isaie Aubrey has sold to Alf. W. Dagenais the three flats, 383, 385, and 387 Boirbonniere, avenue below Ontario street, Maisonneuve, for $6,000.

L. J. D. Papineau has sold to Edward Doyle and W. C. Black lots 15-195 and 196 in St. Jean Baptiste ward, with the dwellings 964, 966, 968, and 970 Berri street, above Rachel, for $5,200.

James Bailey has sold to Alex. Nicholson lot 319 in Westmount, with the residence 473 Clarke avenue, immediately above the pumping station, for $9,500, or about 52 cents a foot on an emplacement measuring 150 x 120.

A MURDERER CONVICTED.

New York, Feb. 11.—The jury in the case of Carl Loose, on trial for the killing of his sixteen-year-old daughter, to-night brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree.

Loose was convicted on the testimony of his two sons, one of them a minister, and that of a daughter, who charged the father with a heinous crime. It was in consequence of his banishment from home after the discovery of this crime that Loose shot the youngest of his children and wounded his eldest son, the Rev. Frederick W. Loose. Insanity was the defence plea.

ANOTHER BORDER OUTRAGE

TORONTO GIRL TURNED BACK AT PORT HURON BY AMERICAN OFFICIALS.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 13.—Miss Jane McTavish, a well dressed girl, who was on her way from her home in Toronto to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was stopped by the United States immigration officers at Port Huron, yesterday, and ordered to return to Canada. Although she was able to prove her identity, the immigration authorities claimed that Miss McTavish was on her way to marry an Iowan farmer, whose advertisement for a wife she had answered through a matrimonial agency, and with whom she had been in correspondence. They claimed on that account, that Miss McTavish came under the 'undesirable' class, and, although Miss McTavish indignantly denied the allegations, she was compelled to return to Sarnia.

FIRE IN A FREIGHT CAR.

Fire, caused by an overheated stove, broke out at 9.45 last night in a C. P. R. freight car, loaded with oranges, that was lying on the wharf opposite St. Sulpice street. The central division responded to an alarm and soon extinguished the fire, but the car and its contents were considerably damaged.

WILL NOT BE EXTRADITED.

With Judge Choquet's words of dismissal ringing in his ears, Julien Daguerre, against whom there was an application for extradition to France on a charge of having embezzled 38,000 francs, walked out of the Police Court yesterday afternoon and received a warm reception from a number of friends who turned up to congratulate him. Mr. Daguerre was connected with the public treasury department in St. Pierre Miquelon, and after he came to this country a certain shortage was discovered, which led to his arrest on suspicion. The judge, in discharging the accused, said the evidence for the prosecution was by no means conclusive.

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Weekly Calendar.

ARENA TO-NIGHT
At 8.30
MASQUERADE
BY THE MEMBERS OF THE
EARL GREY SKATING CLUB
The Rink will not be open to the public for skating.
PRICES—General Admission, 25c; Reserved Seats, 50c. Tickets on sale at the 'Star' Branch Office until 5.00 p.m. At the 'Arena' after 7.00 p.m.

VICTORIA RINK HOCKEY
TO-NIGHT
TORONTO University vs. McGILL
ADMISSION, 25 CENTS. BALCONY, 50 CENTS.
Saturday afternoon and night, Band and Skating
WEDNESDAY NEXT
GRAND FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL
and Amateur Championship Fancy Skating Competition under the auspices of the Canadian Amateur Skating Association.

ARENA HOCKEY
Saturday, Feb. 13, at 8.30 p.m.
Band will play 8.00 to 8.30, and at half-time.
Seats now on sale at 'ARENA'; Box Office hours, 8.30 a.m. to 8.30 p.m.
TORONTO vs. VICTORIA
PRICES—Admission 50c, Reserved 75c.
Orders by Telephone or otherwise will only be accepted after 12 o'clock noon on the opening day of a sale.
INTERMEDIATE C. A. H. L. CHAMPIONSHIP
2.30—SATURDAY AFTERNOON—4.00
VICTORIA vs. SHAMROCK | WANDERER vs. WESTMOUNT
Admission, 25c. Children, 10c.

FORUM Ice and Roller Rink
The Most Luxurious and Up-to-Date Skating Institution
Official Programme of Carnival Free to all Visitors
Admission at all times including Ice Skating 10c Best Ice and Roller Skates on Hire.

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TWO SHOWS DAILY, AT 3 P.M. AND 8 P.M.
Talking, Moving and Song Pictures,
THIS WEEK, HARRY BENNETT IN HIS IMITATIONS OF HARRY LAUDER, and Original Songs. New Programme.
Also, Special Engagement of the Great CRAWLEY, from New York, who will appear in Song Impersonations.
THE BOTHWELL-WALSH COMPANY IN TALKING PICTURES.
10c Admission—Reserved Seats, 15c and 25c. Children at Matinees, except Saturdays, 5c.

UNDER VICE-REGAL PATRONAGE
MISS GRACE VAN STUDDIFORD, in
"THE GOLDEN BUTTERFLY,"
In aid of the BREHMER REST
His Majesty's, Monday, 15th February.
Tickets, $2.00, from Mrs. Chillas, Pres., 3 Bishop street, and Mrs. Lachlan Gibb, 200 University street.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12.
EXHIBITION OF FRENCH ART
Paintings, Sculpture, Jewellery, &c.
JANUARY 30th to FEBRUARY 27th.
Admission, 25 cents. Monday and Thursday Evenings, 8 to 10. Ten Cents. Special Rate for Schools.
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON CLASS
FOR STUDY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON,
Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 to 5.45 P.M.
Rev. ROBERT JOHNSTON, D.D., Leader.
Class for Primary Teachers, Y.W.C.A., on Monday Afternoon at 4 o'clock.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14.
MEN'S OWN
In CALVARY CHURCH - GUY STREET.
SUNDAY, Feb. 14, 1909.
Speaker—DR. J. T. REID.
Topic—Back to the Land. 'A CURE FOR PAUPERISM.' My notes taken in Whitechapel, England.
Soloist—Miss MILLIE HINCHLIFFE. 'Farewell Songs.'

FUTURE MEETINGS.

THE CANADA ACCIDENT ASSURANCE COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Canada Accident Assurance Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, No. 87 Notre Dame street West, Montreal, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Day of February instant, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

T. E. HUDSON, Secretary and Manager.

THE BRITISH-CANADIAN ASBESTOS COMPANY, Limited.

A Meeting of the Bondholders of the Company will be held at the office of the undersigned in Montreal, on MONDAY, the 15th day of February next, 1909, at 10 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON, for the purpose of considering, and, if deemed advisable, of authorizing the changing of certain of the bonds from denominations of $1,000, to denominations of $500, each; making all or any of the bonds payable both as to capital and interest as presently provided in the said deed of trust, or in sterling at the fixed rate of exchange of $4.86 2-3 per £1 sterling, at the chief office of the Bank of Scotland, in London, England, and of authorizing the execution of supplementary deed of trust to carry the said suggested changes into effect.

Montreal, 30th January, 1909.

THE ROYAL TRUST COMPANY,
Trustee for Bondholders.

MAILS FOR GREAT BRITAIN, EUROPE, ETC.

Feb.				
**12	10.30	a.m.	Empress of Ireland,	Canadian Pac.
12	9.30	a.m.	Philadelphia,	American.
* 12	6.00	p.m.	" Supplementary.	
15	9.30	a.m.	Kronprinsessin Cecilia,	N. G. Lloyd.
* 15	6.00	p.m.	" Supplementary.	
16	9.30	a.m.	Lusitania,	Cunard.
* 16	6.00	p.m.	" Supplementary.	
**19	10.30	a.m.	Turcian,	Allan.
19	9.30	a.m.	St. Paul,	American.
* 19	6.00	p.m.	" Supplementary.	
22	9.30	a.m.	Mauretania,	Cunard.
* 22	6.00	p.m.	" Supplementary.	
**26	10.30	a.m.	Empress of Britain,	Canadian Pacific.
26	9.30	a.m.	New York,	American.
* 26	6.00	p.m.	" Supplementary.	

*Letters may be posted up to 6 p.m. Other matter should be posted before 5 p.m. Registered before 5.30 p.m.

**Parcels (per Parcel Post) are forwarded by the Canadian steamer, the last time of mailing at Head Office being 9.30 a.m. on Fridays.

*Letters for the above mails may be posted at Postal Stations 'B' and 'C' up to within 15 minutes of the above-mentioned hours of closing.

SPORTING NEWS

MANUFACTURERS' LEAGUE.

Three Games Played Last Night Resulted in Three Teams at Top of the Table Winning

L. H. AND P. CO. WILL BE OPPOSED BY THE STEEL WORKS MEN NEXT THURSDAY.

The Victoria Rink last night was the scene of three hockey matches played by teams in the Manufacturers' League. The L. H. and P. Company experienced no difficulty in defeating the Northern Electric team, and it now appears that the victors will prove to be the champions of the League.

The Steel Works, who have held the championship for the past two years, are putting up a strong fight for honors this year, and the Canadian Rubber Company went down before them last night, the score being 4 to 1 in favor of the Steel men. The C.P.R. scored two goals to Linotype's one. Details:

L. H. AND P. VS. NORTHERN ELEC.

From beginning to end the Northern Electric Company's representatives were outclassed, and they had to suffer defeat to the extent of five goals to nil. Teams:

Northern Electric.		L.H. and P.
Fitzgerald	Goal	Kent
Dickson	Point	Koerner
Lortie	Cover	Lynch
Johnston	Rover	Grannery
McGranahan	Centre	Heffernan
Beaudoin	Right	Nichol
Weir	Left	Fennell

Referee, S. Darragh.
Judge of play, P. Tigh.

STEEL VS. RUBBER.

This proved a most interesting game, although the Steel Works men scored four goals to their opponents' one. Strike, playing for the Steel team, was injured by being struck across the face by one of his own side, and had to retire for a little while. The teams were:

Steel Works.		Rubber Co.
Baker	Goal	Power
Lines	Point	Kelly
Walford	Cover	Brown
Strike	Rover	Dunlop
Chapman	Centre	Hennessey
Earl	Right	Catto
Murray	Left	Cleghorn

Referee, Hyland, Shamrock.
Judge of play, Darragh, Shamrock.

LINOTYPE VS. C.P.R.

The game between the Linotype men and the C.P.R. representatives was characterised by even play, and both goalkeepers were repeatedly called upon to save some very hard shots. The C.P.R. obtained victory in the first half by two goals to one, there being no scoring in the second portion of the game. Robinson scored the winning goal.

THE LEAGUE TABLE.

	Won.	Lost.	D'n.	Pts.
L. H. and P.	4	0	2	10
Steel Works	3	1	2	8
C.P.R.	3	2	1	7
Can. Rubber	3	3	0	6
Linotype	2	4	0	4
North. Electric	0	5	1	1

L. H. AND P. VS. STEEL WORKS.

The match between the L. H. and P. and the Steel Works is being awaited with a certain amount of curiosity. Both teams are confident of victory, so a great game will, no doubt, be played next Thursday.

Weekly Calendar.

PROF. R. E. WELSH
will speak at the MEN'S MEETING,
SUNDAY, 4 P. M.
Music by Mr. J. E. HOPKINS and Association Male Quartette.
Mr. D. A. BUDGE will lead the MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, 3-4 o'clock.
Mr. J. E. MERRITT will lead the G.M. B.S.C., 5.15 o'clock.
Mr. EDWIN GRIFFITH will speak at the MEN'S MEETING,
SATURDAY, 8 P. M.
All Men heartily invited to these Meetings.
Young Men's Christian Association, Dominion Square.

FUTURE MEETINGS.

Monument National, Monday, Feb. 22, only appearance of the Great Pianist,
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PADEREWSKI
All orders to Mr. Veitch's Office, 226 St. James street. M. 4734; 75c to $3.
Public Sale next Tuesday at Willis & Co., 600 St. Catherine st. Subscribers' Sale the day before.

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at its Offices, in this city, on TUESDAY, March 2nd, 1909, at 2.30 p.m.

T. B. MACAULAY,
Managing Director.
Sun Life Building,
January 25th, 1909.

DOMINION COAL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the Dominion Coal Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the Company, 112 St. James street, Montreal, on THURSDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF MARCH, 1909, at TWELVE O'CLOCK Noon, for the Reception of the Annual Report, the Election of Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The Transfer Books will be closed from January 19th at 3 p.m., until March 5th, at 10 a.m.

J. MACKAY,
Secretary.
Montreal, 8th February, 1909.

THE STANLEY CUP.

Trustees Have Received Challengers From Manitoba and the Federal League.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—Two challenges for the silverware are now in the hands of Mr. Foran, Stanley Cup trustee, those of the Manitoba and Federal having been received to-day. The trustees will meet in a day or two to come to some decision, and as yet it is not known what will be done, although the challenge of the Westerners will likely be accepted, and they will be given preference over that of the Federal, the season of which is not yet finished.

The Winnipeg Shamrocks are really a combination of the Shamrock and Winnipeg teams. The Winnipeg professional league started out this season with three clubs, Winnipegs, Shamrocks and Maple Leafs, but it was not a success, and the Winnipeg and Shamrock aggregations affiliated and managed to beat Jack Lee's pets, the Maple Leafs. They also defeated Fort William.

Edmonton will also challenge, and it is rumored that the Shamrocks and Edmonton teams may be asked to play off to decide which of the two teams should be given dates. The Edmonton Club, however, does not wish to send a team East after the cup, until next December, while the Shamrocks want to come this winter. Chambers, of Ottawa, who plays on the Shamrock defence, is captain of the team.

The Renfrew officers are still in hopes that their challenge will be accepted and await word from the trustees. Renfrew play their last game in the Federal League on Monday next, meeting the Senators at the Creamery Town.

Officers of the Renfrew Club characterize as ridiculous the statements that Pitre will join the Wanderer or Shamrock teams. Pitre is in Renfrew to stay for this winter at least, and although he will probably go to Montreal to play for the Nationals in lacrosse, he will return to Renfrew and be in line should the Renfrew Club get dates with the cup holders next winter.

VICTORIA VS. TORONTO.

The Victorias will have their final practice to-night in the Arena previous to meeting Toronto in the Interprovincial match to be played at the Arena to-morrow night.

WANDERERS WILL BE BUSY.

Next Monday the Wanderers play the Shamrocks and on Wednesday they will meet Renfrew, while on the following Saturday they will journey to Quebec to oppose the citadel team.

COLLEGE GAME TO-NIGHT.

The Intercollegiate match between McGill and Toronto University will be decided at the Victoria rink to-night. McGill were easily vanquished in Toronto, but expectations now run high that the local team will turn the tables.

EDMONTON VS. NELSON.

Nelson, B.C., Feb. 11.—There has been arranged for Monday and Wednesday evenings of next week two hockey matches which are attracting great attention. The teams are the seven of this city and Edmonton, the home team to be captained by Lester Patrick. The Nelson team has recently won the championship of the Kootenays, and the games will be played in the new $10,000 rink.

ROCKLAND, 11; HULL, 4.

Rockland, Ont., Feb. 11.—The last home game in the L.C.H.A., took place last evening between Hull and Rockland, and resulted in a win for the home team by the decisive score of 11 to 4.

COBALT VS. HAILEYBURY.

Haileybury, Ont., Feb. 11.—Cobalt and Haileybury tied for the championship of the Temiskaming League in a close game last night, Haileybury winning 7 to 5. At half-time the score stood: Haileybury, 4; Cobalt, 1.

R. A. Lockerby was referee and A. Fraser judge of play.

RENFREW THE CHAMPIONS.

The following is the standing of the Federal League. Renfrew, by their winning over Smith's Falls, have practically won the championship:

	Won.	Lost.	To play.
Renfrew	6	0	1
Senators	2	2	2
Smith's Falls	2	4	0
Cornwall	1	4	1

QUEBEC-UNION VICTORIOUS

DEFEATED MOLSONS IN BANKERS LEAGUE MATCH YESTERDAY BY 3 GOALS TO 2.

In a scheduled match of the 'B' series played at the Arena yesterday between the Quebec-Union team, champions of the Bankers' League, and Molsons, the former club won by three goals to two. The teams were:

Quebec-Union (4).		Molsons (2).
Goodbugh	Goal	Chrysler
Money	Point	Meldrum
Ramsay	Cover	Molson
Brijce	Rover	Motherwell
Christie	Centre	Fraser
Benson	Right	Eaton
Tremaine	Left	Sullivan

Referee—Mr. Stan. Finnie.

LONGBOAT IN KINGSTON

INDIAN RUNNER ANXIOUS FOR FORMER RELATIONS WITH FLANAGAN TO BE RENEWED.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 11.—Longboat first touched Canadian soil, after winning the long-distance championship at New York, at Kingston to-day. With Mrs. Longboat, he arrived at noon on the Cape Vincent stage, after what Tom characterised as the coldest drive he ever took. The Indian runner was greeted by about 100 people.

Longboat expressed confidence that he will beat Shrubb in the 16-mile event, also that he will win the four-cornered contest.

'You are credited with winning the race for your husband,' said a reporter to Mrs. Longboat, but she merely smiled.

'It was the most exciting race I ever saw, she replied. 'I was badly scared at the first.

The Indian would not volunteer any opinion of Powers's management, though he said he was fairly well satisfied. He did, however, express the hope that his former relations with Flanagan would be renewed. They will spend two or three weeks at Deseronto, and then will go to Toronto. Longboat says that his plans for future races are indefinite.

LAWN TENNIS.

Ladies' Championship Meeting is Drawing to a Close.

New York, Feb. 11.—In the women's indoor national lawn tennis championships to-day, the singles field was narrowed to three survivors. Only two pairs remain in the doubles. Miss E. H. Moore, the ex-national champion, won a place in the singles final. She competed in four matches and won all of them. In the semi-finals she defeated Miss Jane Colton, 6—2, 6—2. Miss Moore will meet either Miss Mary Wagner, who reached the semi-finals by defeating Miss Fanny Fish, 7—5, 9—7, or Miss Louise Hammond, who defeated Miss Erna Marcus, 6—1, 6—4.

The successful pairs in the doubles who reached the final round were:—Miss Wagner and Miss Hammond, who defeated Mrs. G. F. Chapman and Miss Edna Wildey, 7—9, 6—3, 6—1, and Miss Marcus and Miss Moore, who defeated Miss Alice Fish and Miss Fanny Fish, 9—7, 6—4.

The Forum, Montreal's skating auditorium, will be one of the centres of attraction during the carnival festivities, and on Feb. 26, the official roller skating carnival will take place, for which three very valuable prizes have been offered by the management. This will be the first carnival held in connection with the new rink, and nothing is left undone to make it a success. Already the visitors here are taking an interest in the rollers, and every afternoon and evening the Forum has its good quotum of skaters. The unique construction of the building with all its comfortable accessories receives the approbation of all who see it.

THE ONTARIO TANKARD

TORONTO GRANITE CURLING CLUB WON TROPHY BY COMFORTABLE MAJORITY.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The Toronto Granite Curling Club won the Ontario Tankard this afternoon from the Ingersoll Club at Queen City rink by a majority of 25 shots. Tom Rennie's granite rink pulled away from Charlie Sumner's Ingersoll in the early stages and accumulated a big majority. The Ingersoll rink, skipped by O. Robinson, kept right on the heels of Tom Wilson's granite but the Toronto rink pulled out with a comfortable margin at the end of the game. The score:

Granites.		Ingersoll.
T. Rennie (Skip)—29		G. H. Sumner (Skip)—9
Wilson (Skip)—21		O. E. Robinson (Skip)—16
Total..... 50		Total..... 25

Majority for Granites, 25 shots.

AN IRREPARABLE LOSS

At a special meeting of the M.A.A.A., held yesterday afternoon at the offices of Mr. Leslie Boyd, K.C., a resolution was unanimously passed expressing sympathy and condolence with the family of the late Thomas Laird Paton, and expressive of the irreparable loss the M.A.A.A. had sustained in losing one of its leading and first chartered members.

NEW RECORD MADE

New York, Feb. 11.—Coughan, one of the American Olympic team in London, made new world's figures for 130 yards at the games of the 47th Regiment in Brooklyn to-night, running the distance in 12 4 5 seconds. The previous record was 13 seconds.

DORANDO WON

DEFEATED SMALLWOOD IN TWELVE MILE RACE AT PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 11.—Dorando Pietri, the Italian Marathon runner, defeated Percy Smallwood, the well-known distance runner, to-night in a twelve-mile race at the Third Regiment Armory. The Italian led from the start. Smallwood stopped running in the eleventh mile, saying his leg had gone back on him. At this time Dorando was leading by four laps. The winner's time for the twelve miles was 1 hour 19 minutes 10 1 5 secs.

HOCKEY IN PITTSBURG

ARTHUR E. SIXSMITH REFERS TO CIRCULATION OF AN ERRONEOUS REPORT.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—Arthur E. Sixsmith, Canadian manager of the Bankers Hockey seven for the season which has just closed, has made a statement indignantly denying the reports that were circulated before the final game that he planned to use some P.A.C. players. He declared the delay which marked the starting of the final contest was not an endeavor on his part to force the league's permission to play outsiders.

A meeting of the West Pennsylvania Hockey League has been called for next week, at which time the future of hockey in Pittsburg will be gravely discussed. No secret is made of the fact that the directors and supporters of the league are much disgusted over the way in which hockey was received here.

BASEBALL LEAGUE

An Indoor Baseball League has been formed at Macdonald College, comprised of three teams representing the Recreation Club and First and Second years in Agriculture. A schedule has been drawn up calling for six games to be played at 6.45 on Wednesday evenings in the Men's Gymnasium. The schedule is as follows:

Feb. 10—First Year vs. Recreation Club.
Feb. 17—Second Year vs Recreation Club.
Feb. 24—Second Year vs. First Year.
Mar. 3—Recreation Club vs. First Year.
Mar. 10—Recreation Club vs. Second Year
Mar. 17—First Year vs. Second Year.

The first game resulted in a win for the first year with a score of 30—20 and an innings to spare. The teams were:

Recreation Club—R.		Robertson, c.;
Brown, p.;	Campbell, 1b.;	Macdairmid, 2b.;
Carter, 3b.;	Ness, s.s.;	Kennedy, l.f.;
B. Flewelling, r.f.;	Anderson, c.f.	
First Year—James, c.;	Prof. Harrison, p.;	Bates, 1b.;
Prof. Arkell, 2b.;	Prof. Lynde, 3b.;	Dr. Todd, s.s.;
Vanderbeck, l.f.;	Weir, r.f.;	Baird, c.f.

Umpire, Lee; scorers, Hammond and Greenwood.

THE INTERCOLONIAL.

Commission Recommend Absorption of Branch Linss,

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—The Hon. George P. Graham cabled to-day the report of the commissioners appointed in September last by the Government to investigate the present traffic conditions and possibilities of the branch lines in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia tapping the Intercolonial Railway, with a view to the absorption of these branch lines by the trunk line by purchase. The commissioners were Mr. Tiffin, superintendent of the I. C. R., and Mr. M. D. A. Storey. Thirteen branch lines in the two provinces are dealt with. Absorption by the I. C. R. is strongly favored. The conclusions of the commissioners are as follows:—

'We would express the unanimous feeling as gleaned from interviews with the people living along these lines that great good to the country would follow the suggested absorption.

'There is not a dissenting voice amongst all the people we interviewed as to the good the country and its people would derive, and there can be no question as to the impetus such action would have on business that is now lagging and falling away because of want of facilities for the proper conduct of the present traffic. It is a well-established fact that in nearly every case where branch lines have been absorbed by trunk lines such a policy has proved to be of great value to the branch lines as well as furnishing additional revenue to the main line and then becoming valuable feeders to them as they increase the traffic and earning powers of the trunk lines.

'Hampered by lack of capital and inefficient equipment, it cannot be expected that the branch lines can provide the services or facilities needed for the development of the country which they profess to serve, and, further, we are constrained to say the branch lines are to-day not in a position to give a satisfactory service, and, in fact, we believe they have now about reached that stage of becoming more of a hindrance than a help to the proper development of the country. We are satisfied that the careful nursing of present industries and the development of new ones which would necessarily follow the absorption of these branch lines would make their absorption of vital interest and one worthy of the best consideration. Furthermore, the people of the Maritime Provinces, who, as a rule, are but poorly served by the branch lines, are asserting that in view of the large amount of money or other assistance accorded to the Canadian North-West for the purpose of developing the country, they are entitled to at least a measure of generous treatment for similar purposes.'

There are but two or three branch lines to which the above remarks do not apply. The report covers the New Brunswick, including the Temiscouta, which is mainly in Quebec, and three Nova Scotia roads, the Vale Coal Co., the Cumberland Railway and Coal Co., and the Nova Scotia and Steel and Coal Company's lines.

The report gives an elaborate description of each railway, with maps.

Mr. Graham also tabled a report on the branch lines made by a provincial commission of New Brunswick, Messrs. Burns and Gillmor Brown. It covers New Brunswick branches only and omits the road from Norton to Minto belonging to the Government. The other nine roads have a mileage of 310 miles. The commissioners find that all the roads have been improved in recent years, but show room for further improvement. Many of the bridges require rebuilding to be safe. Passenger traffic has increased during the past five years by 22 percent.

MARINE ASSOCIATION

A DECISION TO STAND BY NEW CLAUSE IN BILL OF LADING.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—At the afternoon session of the Dominion Marine Association yesterday a delegation from the Montreal Corn Exchange, comprising Mr. Quintal, president of the Exchange, and Mr. J. McPhee, a prominent grain buyer of Montreal, waited on the association and asked them to withdraw the new clause inserted in the bill of lading and save a great deal of trouble, which they said would occur when navigation opened. To this request the association replied that it was their purpose to stand together and enforce the clause. As a further evidence that they are prepared to stand by their guns, a resolution was unanimously carried, to the effect that the association was prepared to stand by the new bill of lading, and that it will heartily co-operate with grain shippers in enforcing its clauses. The association offered to co-operate with the Corn Exchange in every way to forward the interests of the trade.

McGILL HOCKEY TEAM

The McGill team, for the match with Varsity in the Victoria Rink to-night, will not be the same as that which was defeated by Queen's last Friday. Drummond is replacing Blair on the forward line, and Roberts, the cover point, is out of the game with a bad knee. Ramsay, Raphael and Urgent still hold their positions on the line, and Johnson and Moseley will again play goal and point respectively. Who is to replace Roberts has not yet been decided. The chances of a McGill victory are slight, but the team will put up a hard fight, and a close game is hoped for. The newly established training table and graduate coach system is said to be working wonders, and it is hoped that the students will do their share by turning out in a body to cheer their comrades.

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CANADIAN FORESTS.

Convention Discusses Relation of Bog Areas to Future Timber Supply.

EARL GREY ON THE DANGER OF UNCONTROLLED DEFORESTATION.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—In the great bog areas of Canada will there be found means to replace the forests which the development of the country has removed from many hundreds of square miles?

The question was raised by two speakers at the convention of the Canadian Forestry Association, which was opened at Convocation Hall by Earl Grey to-day. The Hon. W. C. Grimmer, surveyor-general of New Brunswick, stated that his Government was desirous of draining the bogs of that province and utilizing them for reforestation purposes. Mr. M. J. Macoun, who has spent years investigating conditions in the North, stated that between Hudson's Bay and the Mackenzie river there were as many acres of bog land as of green-growing timber. He had noticed that when the bog was drained the timber commenced to grow.

Among those present at the opening session were His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, the Hon. Sidney Fisher, Mr. Watson, president of the Board of Trade; President Falconer, Mr. Byron E. Walker, the Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, surveyor-general of New Brunswick.

Earl Grey, in declaring the convention opened, emphasized the fact that uncontrolled deforestation not only wasted a gigantic amount of utilized land, but was followed by an appalling drought, and, consequently, by failure of crops. 'It is now realized,' he said, 'that unless the people of the whole continent of North America adopt the principe of subjecting individual forests to those of the community they must drift into a state of material as well as moral bankruptcy.' There were in the Dominion 350,000,000 acres of forest lands. It was a great heritage of which they were trustees, and they had to decide whether it should be handed over to uncontrolled individual misuse, without regard to posterity, or the well-being of the community be considered, resulting at the same time in a largely increased public revenue that would ensue from the steady advance of its special value.

The Hon. Sidney Fisher in his address, dwelt on the relation of the forests to Canada's water transport system, which, he said, Canadians boasted of as the greatest in the world. But even now, he said, so wasteful had the Canadians been of the forests which conserve and regulate the flow of water that harbors had to be deepened, and the transportation interests were in constant dread lest the St. Lawrence channel should be endangered. Canadians should remember that the 350,000,000 acres of forest lands spoken of by His Excellency were somewhat deceptive. The surface included a proportion in the Far North, almost unavailable at the present, and the timber was inferior to that of Ontario and New Brunswick.

Four hundred thousand were dependent on forest industries, said Mr. Achille Bergevin, who represented the Quebec Fish and Game Protective Association. He suggested the appointment of a royal commission to go into the whole matter. Particularly he deprecated the permitting of clearing of land by settlers.

Addresses along the same lines were made by Messrs. W. Kelly Evans, J. B. Laidlaw, who spoke on behalf of the Fire Underwriters' Association; W. B. Snowball, president of the association; A. T. Drummond; President Falconer, of the University of Toronto; Aubrey White, deputy minister of lands and forests; Dean Fernow, of the Toronto faculty, and Mr. R. H. Campbell, Dominion superintendent of forestry. The convention will resume to-morrow.

Earl Grey, who is here attending the forestry convention, will be a guest at Government House until the end of the week. Tonight and Saturday nights, however, he will attend the Mendelssohn Choir concerts in Massey Hall. To-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock he will attend a meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses, and to-morrow night he will be a guest of honor at the Forestry Association banquet.

OBITUARY

THE REV JOHN CORCORAN.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The Rev. John Corcoran, superannuated minister, died here to-day, aged 82 years. He was for many years in charge of churches in the Hamilton Conference, and was known throughout Ontario. He leaves several children, one of whom is a Methodist minister.

RUSSELL STURGIS.

New York, Feb. 11.—Russell Sturgis, the architect and writer on architectural subjects, died to-day at his home in this city. He was 72 years old. Mr. Sturgis designed several of the Yale University buildings at New Haven, a number of large office buildings and residences in this city, and many structures of all sorts throughout the eastern part of the United States.

JOHN W. ALBAUGH.

New York, Feb. 11.—John W. Albaugh, the well-known theatrical manager, died suddenly of heart disease, following an attack of acute indigestion, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Henderson, in Jersey City, to-day. He was 73 years old.

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ANCIENT CITY OF MEROE

SITE DISCOVERED BY PROFESSOR SAYCE, OF OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

Cairo, Feb. 11.—On Jan. 16 Prof. Archibald H. Sayce, of Queen's College, Oxford, discovered the site of the ancient city of Meroe, near Shendi, half way between Khartoum and Atbara, thereby proving the falsity of Gaillard's theory that the city was at Naga.

Meroe was the scene of a great victory won by Moses in his defence of Egypt against an Abyssinian invasion. According to one tradition he was accompanied on this expedition by the daughter of Pharaoh, who died at this place, which was consequently called after her name, Meri, the handsome. But Josephus says that Cambyses, who fortified the capital city in 530 B. C., gave it this name, which was that of his sister. About 1,000 B. C., Meroe counted among the most powerful states of the ancient world, and about 760 B. C. it succeeded in shaking off the Egyptian yoke, continuing in its turn to hold Egypt for about sixty years. During the reign of Psammetichus 240,000 Egyptians settled in Meroe. Under Augustus Meroe was conquered, and under Nero nothing but ruins marked the place of this once powerful and civilized state.

Prof. Sayce found the great wall of the inner defences and the remains of the Temple of Amon, mentioned in Strabo; also part of the Avenue of Rams, leading up to the temple, and a statue of a king, life size, besides scarabs, seals, pottery, etc., which date from B. C. 700 to A. D. 300. An important slab with Greek inscriptions was also unearthed. It will be sent to the Khartoum Museum.

The fixing of the true site of Meroe is of the utmost importance from an archaeological point of view, because the buried cities of ancient Ethiopia mentioned by early historians can be approximately determined by their known distance from Meroe. Thus, Ptollys, spoken of as five days' distance from Meroe, would correspond to Wad-benaga, where extensive mounds of stone and brick seem to point to old dwellings and temples.

Again, it was twelve days' march from Meroe to the place where the soldiers of Psammetichus II., deserters from Egypt in the twenty-sixth dynasty, were allowed by the King of Ethiopia to settle down on an island. This corresponds to the country between the White and Blue Niles, which has always been known as an island, where the present city of Khartoum stands. Likewise the city of Epis, known to the ancients as situated across the river from Meroe, may most probably be found on digging among the mounds marked in recent maps as existing opposite Meroe.

FRENCH PROTESTANTS

PREPARING FOR ANNUAL REUNION OF OLD POINT AUX TREMBLES PUPILS.

A committee of the Board of French Evangelization visited on Thursday the Presbyterian Missionary Institute at Pointe aux Trembles. The delegation consisted of Principal Scrimger, Professor Bieler, the Rev. S. J. Taylor, secretary of the Board, and the Rev. Dr. C. E. Amaron, of Longueuil. The various classes were visited and examined, and closely questioned. The work done by the pupils was found to be most satisfactory. The health of the 220 pupils is excellent and the general tone of the school is admirable.

Dinner was served at 12 o'clock to the school and visitors, after which brief addresses were given in French by Prof. Bieler, of the Presbyterian College; Dr. Amaron, and the Rev. Mr. Taylor, and in English by Principal Scrimger. A half holiday was granted to the school.

An interesting feature of the day was the drill of a corps of cadets, under the direction of Corporal Doucet. The boys acquitted themselves creditably of their new duties.

Preparations are being made for the annual meeting of the Association of Old and New Pupils, which takes place on Friday, Feb. 26, at two o'clock. This gathering brings together each year between four and five hundred French Protestants from all parts of the country, and from the United States.

MR. GINNELL EJECTED

HE DEMANDED OPEN DISCUSSION OF IRISH PARLIAMENTARY PARTY FINANCES.

Dublin, Feb. 11.—Laurence Ginnell, member of Parliament from the North Division of Westmeath, was forcibly ejected from a meeting of the Irish Parliamentary party to-day, after persistently demanding an open discussion of the party finances, which the chairman ruled to be out of order. Mr. Ginnell charged one section with using the funds of the party to attack and undermine an opposing section.

RURAL MOUNTED POLICE

A GROWING NECESSITY.

Millbrook, Ont., Feb. 11.—There is apparently a strong sentiment in Northumberland and Durham counties in favor of the appointment of some form of county constabulary, or rural mounted police. Several incidents during the past year point to the need of better protection for our citizens in rural districts. The case is recalled of a man near this village who last summer was shot and terribly wounded, supposedly by a tramp he had befriended, his assailant not being apprehended. There have also been two or three cases of horse theft, and not all of the perpetrators were discovered. These, with minor happenings, where thefts have been committed and the guilty have skipped across the line have shown the agriculturists and others the need of some kind of protection. Remembering the serious loss by fire of a Hope Township farmer, whose buildings were set on fire by a tramp, it is argued that the additional tax to the farmer would be made up for in more adequate protection from incendiary fires. The local police in any rural community, as a rule, have all they can attend to, and are not always free to give their whole attention to special cases. Neither is a provincial officer always procurable.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The Ontario Fairs and Exhibition Association to-day passed a resolution strongly urging upon the provincial authorities the need of an efficient rural police force, and suggesting that a mounted force be organized. Mr. H. G. Gould, of Uxbridge, was elected president of the association.

McGILL CERCLE FRANCAIS.

Le Cercle Francais of McGill University will hold its annual play at the Royal Victoria College on Saturday at 8.15 p.m. The piece to be produced will be 'Le Voyage de Monsieur Perichon.' The members of the Alliance Francaise and other friends of the university are most cordially invited to attend. Le Cercle Francais was founded a number of years ago, its object being to increase the study and appreciation of the French language amongst the English-speaking students of the university

VALLEYFIELD AND LONGUEUIL.

The Rev. Dr. Amaron, of Longueuil, will preach at Valleyfield on Sunday next. The Rev. Dr. Scott, editor of the 'Presbyterian Record,' will preach at Gardenville Ave. Church in the morning, and the Rev. T. S. St. Aubin, of St. John's Church, in the evening. The lecture by Dr. Amaron on French Evangelization will be given on Sunday evening, Feb. 21.

PURSE AWAITS OWNER.

There is a purse at No. 4 Police Station, corner of City Hall avenue an Ontario street east, awaiting an owner. It was picked up last evening by a carter who turned it over to Lieut. Mickle.

M. MENDES'S DEATH

ANONYMOUS WRITER SAYS HE SAW POET THROWN FROM THE TRAIN.

Paris, Feb. 11.—The authorities have received an anonymous letter, in which the writer claims that on the night of Feb. 8, he occupied the adjoining compartment in the train which carried the late Catulle-Abraham Mendes from Paris to Saint Germain, and that he saw M. Mendes struck and hurled from the train by a fellow traveller. Although convinced that the matter is a hoax, the authorities are conducting an investigation of the circumstances attending the death of the well-known French author. M. Mendes is supposed to have been killed while attempting to alight from the train before it was clear of the Saint Germain tunnel.

FRANCO-CANADIAN TREATY

CATTLE FATTENED FOR SLAUGHTER TRANSFERRED TO GENERAL TARIFF.

Paris, Feb. 11.—The text of the supplementary convention to the Franco-Canadian commercial treaty of 1907, as amended, differs from the original treaty only in the transfer from the French minimum tariff to the general tariff of Canadian cattle fattened for slaughter. Unfattened cattle retains the minimum. This meets the objection put forward by the French agricultural interests that a minimum schedule on exported cattle ready for slaughter would prove dangerous in competition with the home market. This supplementary agreement still requires the approval of the French and Canadian parliaments.

ANGLICAN THANK OFFERING.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 11.—Canada has been allocated £57,000 of the total of £350,000 thank offering raised in connection with the Pan-Anglican Conference. Forty-two thousand pounds sterling was earmarked for Canada.

THE STORY OF A COAL MINE.

To-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the hall of the Y.M.C.A., Dominion square, Dr. J. Bonnell Porter, of McGill University, will lecture on 'The Story of a Coal Mine.' This should prove one of the most interesting Saturday half-hour talks to children.

ACCEPTS A CALL.

The Rev. J. W. Davidson, B.A., B.D., of Waterloo, Que., has accepted an invitation to become pastor of the Carleton Place Methodist Church next year, subject to the action of the Conference Stationing Committee.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1909.

Aldermanic blundering was further emphasized yesterday afternoon in bringing into light again the mistaken course of the City Hall Committee in deciding to paint and redecorate the interior of the City Hall instead of calling for tenders and awarding a fixed and definite contract in the obviously business-like manner. As it is, the costs are mounting to a figure which, for aught some members of this innocent-minded committee know, may have no end. Alderman Levy thought once that it would be a mere trifling outlay, but the man who got the job dispelled that idea the next day. He had received instructions to go ahead at forty cents an hour, and he was quite justified, of course, as a business man, in proceeding to execute his commission in a full and complete manner. Aldermen O'Connell and Ward, two new members of the committee, discovered a certain overcharge for turpentine and a possible one for enamel. As a result, the work has been stopped, and an investigation is to be made. Really, it seems, that, after all, the change in the membership of at least one committee is about to justify itself.

TO PURIFY THE STAGE.

The railway companies that run on Sunday say it is the public's fault, not theirs. They would much rather not; but the traffic proves that the public want it. The newspapermen, who fill their papers with everything low, even providing infancy with 'Buster' food carefully devised to instil badness at the very dawn of understanding, say it is the public's choice. It is no use printing what is not going to be read—the very ministers read the slugging matches in preference to the reports of religious meetings. In like manner, the theatre men "with their hands of the human little of their plays. The character which the New York stage has got for itself has brought the more respectable theatre managers together. They seem really to want to make their calling respectable, but to be at a loss how to do it. It is not their fault. A pure play will be neglected, however bright, while a broad one, however poor, will be run after. Censorship is hard to apply. The public will not sustain it when applied, and it is only necessary to pass round the word, as is eagerly done, that the decency of such and such a play is in question to cause New York male and female to crowd to it. Thus, forgetting the old saying, that there must needs be causes of falling, but woe to him who supplies them, they lay off the whole blame on the public, and appeal to the ministers to convert the public, while they, like the pied piper, playing to its whims, lead it downward. Some of these respectable managers blame the low state of the stage, especially on the women. No play could survive at all that women would not go to—that is, of course, respectable women. So, if dirty plays are rife, it is because the women openly want dirt. Is this a true story or a slander? Granting that no play could go on that respectable women would not attend, the charge seems to prove itself. Yet what does it import? Do we not all cling to the thought that woman, at least, is essentially pure in heart, and that it is to her we must look for the purity of our social, and even of our political life? Is it true, what these experts inform us, that if women chose, the stage would be purified.

WE KEEP THE RAILWAY.

There was a vigorous revolt in the Maritime Provinces when it was proposed to alienate the Intercolonial Railway—a revolt so pronounced that the government hastened to announce that this would not be done. On the contrary, it is proposed to absorb its many tributaries, and carry them on as one government institution, whereat unanimous rejoicing through the territory. Why this strong sentiment in favor of government management? It is notorious that while railways under private management must be made to pay, the Intercolonial has never paid, and that a rival line is now being run by the government itself that will make its hope of paying far more remote for the future. Indeed, Sir Wilfrid Laurier frankly said with regard to the question of extending it to the Georgian Bay, that a government railway never would pay. Those who demand the continuance of government management assert, to the contrary, that all that is necessary is proper management to make it pay like other roads. One is forced to ask whether those who say this mean what they say. Is their partiality to government management a theoretic one as to what is the best form of railway management for a country; or is it a practical one, namely, that government can be induced to furnish a losing service, and that a company could not. The friends of this demand no doubt, include those employees who are in service, not on their merits but on the strength of their political pull. It includes those who hope for free rides and low freight rates, either by political favor or by loose management. All such will be active in promoting the sentiment. But the unanimity with which the demand is made is, no doubt, based on the general feeling that the country served will profit more by a losing service, however loose, than by one managed on business principles. In short, it is still to them, what it was planned to be from the first, a sort of bonus paid them for entering Confederation. Viewed in that light, it may fairly be said to be owed to them. The Canadian tariff which existed at the time of Confederation was a very light one—fifteen percent; but their tariffs were much lower even than that. By Confederation they got the Canadian market opened to them free; but by the higher Canadian rates they became in some measure limited to Canada. The protectionist tariffs which followed were at their expense. They had no manufactures to speak of that did not seek the world's market. Their products were chiefly lumber, ships and coal. None of these could be protected. The more recent protection on their soft coal has done more to increase the cost of coal to themselves than to increase their market for coal. As the federal tie was thus to them a disadvantageous one, it is not mere mendicancy in them to make financial demands upon the dominion. It is difficult, however, to make any such return in a form that is fair to the burden-bearers, or that is in accord with the principles of public economy. We cannot but agree so far with those who declare that the Intercolonial could be made to pay under government management, and yet have that management remain a boon to its territory, that it certainly can be made in business hands far less unprofitable than through most of its history it has been.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

The expected return of buoyancy to the stock exchange arrived in good measure this week. The upward movement has been gradual in most of the stocks, but in a few instances quick advances have occurred. Strength on the local exchange may appear somewhat strange on account of the weakness that has marked Wall Street recently, as the local market and Wall Street usually act and react together. Under the circumstances, however, it is not to be wondered at, as speculation in New York on the part of Canadians has been diverted to home markets. The most prominent feature of the week was the Privy Council judgment in the litigation between the Steel and Coal companies. The sweeping decision in favor of Steel was generally expected, but friends of the Coal Company had hoped for some modifications in their favor. The decision is a popular one, as indicated by the heavy trading in Iron securities immediately after the judgment was made public on Thursday morning. It was quite natural that with such a splendid victory iron should receive strong support. The Common, which sold on Wednesday at 20, was readily brought up fractionally around 24 to 25 yesterday, while the preferred made the most remarkable advance, touching 95 during Thursday's session. The bonds also enjoyed a promotion, selling at 85 on good buying. Coal, on the other hand, was weak and there is no telling to where it might have slipped back to had it not received support from interests close to the management. The adverse judgment caused a quick reaction at the opening of the exchange, but timely assistance saved the situation somewhat, for the time being, at least. Coal Common opened at 58, and although it advanced to 60, it lost later and sold down to 51½. The preferred lost several points from the high record of the past week or two. The judgment would appear to place the Coal Company in a somewhat difficult position.

Another feature during the week was the big increases shown by the different railway companies for the first week in February, which is considered one of the leanest months in the year for the railways. This is taken to show that there is a good deal more behind the growth of business than the grain movement from the west. It is a healthy sign of general business conditions, and the figures are accepted as indicating that our transportation companies have seen the worst of an unsatisfactory trade period.

The announcement of an increase in the dividend of the Toronto Street Railway to seven percent was somewhat of a surprise. It was evident, however, from the buying which had been going on both here and in Toronto that the tip had been passed around some time ago to a favored few, who quietly purchased the shares, anticipating a neat profit within a short time. The new dividend rate, according to the net earnings of the company, which were about twelve and three-quarters percent, is not an extravagant one. The advances in such stocks as Montreal Street, Detroit United, Asbestos, Twins, Quebec Railway and several industrial and bond securities was helpful to the entire list, and the trading of the week indicates a strong and persistent bull movement, with, of course, periodic reactions.

The money situation in Canada at the present time is extraordinary. The banks have more deposits than they care to handle. Inducements are being held out to business men to borrow funds at exceedingly low rates of interest. Every opportunity is being afforded to responsible houses by the banks to spend money in the development and expansion of business. Merchants and others, however, do not generally appear very anxious to take up the offers. It is known, however, that a large number of corporations and private houses from the Atlantic to the Pacific are in need of monetary assistance, but it seems that they are determined to hold out against time, until they are assured that the demand for all staple merchandise has shown an appreciable gain all over the country. Plenty of money at cheap rates must, however, sooner or later, prove an incentive to those, who, up to the present time, have been, perhaps, even a little overcautious in their business dealings. The great majority of our manufacturers, as well as other classes of business men, are, however, even now enjoying a fairly profitable season; and this will grow better as the year advances. The approach of the opening of navigation to the St. Lawrence is always marked by larger orders and a general preparation for extended trade. Advices received from the other side tell of a scarcity of Canadian products in the British market, and the market is open for any increase in supply that may be sent at prices, of course, that will be within reach of the English consumer.

In the Maritime Provinces the coal companies appear to have encountered a somewhat serious situation owing to a heavy decrease in the orders for coal, not only from Canadian points, but from centres in the United States. This has necessitated the lessening of the usual winter output from the Dominion Coal and other mines in the east. However, there is just now a brighter spot on the sometime gloomy horizon, and the latest reports from Nova Scotia are that the worst has been passed—that with the opening of the spring season, the coal trade will show heavy advances. From the lumber and mining districts there is nothing but good news. The present winter has been a favorable one for the efficient and rapid handling of the lumber business, and it is expected that the cut of logs and timber, when the ice leaves the lakes and rivers, will show a very large increase over that of recent seasons. The demand for all kinds and grades of lumber is increasing, especially from abroad, and in this respect the Canadian lumberman will profit. Prices are advancing as the production of the lumber becomes more difficult and expensive. At the mining districts preparations for a big season's work are being made, and those who are in control of mining properties at Cobalt, and at other centres, declare that with the development of the older properties, and the opening up of what are known to-day as prospects, the output from Canadian mines of all kinds, during 1909, should break all previous records.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Birthday of Great President Celebrated Throughout the United States.

TRIBUTE FROM ENGLAND—SIR WILFRID LAURIER'S TRIBUTE.

Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 12.—Throughout the length and breadth of the United States to-day hundreds of cities, towns and hamlets are paying tribute to the memory of Abraham Lincoln on this centennial anniversary of his birth. Thousands of meetings of various kinds were in progress during the day, and millions of persons participated therein. President Roosevelt has proclaimed the day a legal holiday in the district of Columbia and the territories, and in many states and cities the day was practically observed as a holiday.

Chief among the many celebrations in honor of the beloved president were the exercises attending the laying of the corner stone of a memorial building erected by popular subscriptions to shelter the little log cabin, which was the early home of Lincoln on the Lincoln farm at Hodgenville, Ky., where the president was born. The corner stone was laid by President Roosevelt, who also delivered an address, and there were also addresses by Governor Willson, of Kentucky; ex-Governor Joseph W. Folk, of Missouri; Luke E. Wright, Secretary of War, and General James G. Wilson. Ambassador Bryce and William J. Bryan were to be the chief speakers at a Lincoln banquet, to be held at Springfield, Ill. At Peoria, Ill., there was to be an important celebration in which Baron Takahira, the Japanese Ambassador, was scheduled to take part. In the celebration at Harrisburg, Pa., Vice-President Fairbanks was the chief speaker, and in the Pittsburg celebration James S. Sherman, the vice-president-elect, was to deliver an address.

The celebration in Buffalo began with the firing of a salute of 21 guns, and will be continued during the day with a public meeting at Convention Hall, at which addresses will be delivered by a number of well-known speakers. The seven G. A. R. posts of the city and many survivors of regiments recruited here for service in the civil war will participate.

AT NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 12.—The booming of guns at Fort Hamilton, Fort Wadsworth and on Governor Island, from warships in the harbor and by batteries of the national guard early this morning ushered in the celebration in this city of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. As the city bestirred itself thousands who remained at home for the holiday prepared to go to church and synagogue for service in honor of the great emancipator, while school children made preparations for exercises at the 561 schools throughout Greater New York. At two this afternoon the exercises in Cooper Union, with Mayor McClellan presiding, were to begin.

Perhaps the greatest celebration of the day will be held in Carnegie Hall to-night, where General Horace Porter will preside, with a chorus of five hundred from the United German singing societies, as one of the special features. Other celebrations will be held at the university of the city of New York, and the various armories in the city in addition to minor ceremonies.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Fifty public meetings, a city fairly buried beneath flags, bunting and portraits of Abraham Lincoln, show windows filled with civil war relics and Lincoln mementoes, the streets crowded with marchers and military bands—this is the spectacle which Chicago presented to-day in the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of President Lincoln. The federal, county, and municipal departments and many branches of business were closed to make the holiday a proper climax to Lincoln centennial week.

At the principal demonstrations of the day, held in the Auditorium, the orator was Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton University, and the invocation was delivered by the Rev. Father Maurice J. Dorney, of Chicago. Mr. William J. Calhoun was chairman. This was followed by the firing of a presidential salute by Civil War veterans at a spot near Lincoln monument, in Lincoln Park. A feature of another meeting was the arrangement of members of a chorus to represent a gigantic American flag.

Speakers selected for other meetings included J. A. Macdonald, of Toronto.

AT BOSTON.

Boston, Feb. 12.—The tribute of Massachussetts to the memory of Abraham Lincoln to-day was as spontaneous as that which marked the prompt response to his call for troops in 1861. While not a general holiday, there were gatherings of patriotic citizens in nearly every city and town; patriotic songs were sung, eulogistic addresses delivered, and the Gettysburg speech declaimed by many a schoolboy and notable orator. Flags flapped in the breeze from all public and many private buildings, Lincoln's face looked out of the windows along the business streets, mementos of the war were again displayed, and old soldiers retold their stories of siege and battles.

School exercises in the forenoon were universal throughout the state. Patriotic societies and the Grand Army of the Republic held celebrations in the afternoon.

AT MANILLA.

Manilla, Feb. 12.—The Lincoln centenary was generally observed throughout the islands to-day by patriotic exercises held in the schools.

AT LINCOLN, ENGLAND.

Lincoln, England, Feb. 12.—The mayor of Lincoln to-day cabled greetings to President Roosevelt on the Lincoln centenary. He said in his messags:

'The Lincoln city flag waves over the Guildhall to-day in sympathetic commemoration of the event.'

ENGLISH PRESS COMMENT.

London, Feb. 12.—The English newspapers to-day devote much space to appreciation of Abraham Lincoln. There was no celebration in London, but in the Mayor's house at Manchester there was a small gathering this afternoon, at which the Right Rev. James Welldon, Dean of Manchester, presided. Mr. Alfred Hopkinson, vice-chancellor of Victoria University, moved a number of eulogistic resolutions, and Mr. Church Howe, the American consul, spoke in reply.

SIR WILFRID'S TRIBUTE.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in his speech on the death of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone in the House of Commons, May 26, 1898, made the following reference to Abraham Lincoln:

'This last half century, in which we live has produced many able and strong men, who, in different walks of life, have attracted the attention of the world at large; but of men who have illustrated this age, it seems to me that in the eyes of posterity, four will outlive and outshine all others—Cavour, Lincoln, Bismarck, and Gladstone.

'If we look simply at the magnitude of the results obtained, compared with the exiguity of the resources at command, if we remember that out of the small Kingdom of Sardinia grew united Italy, we must come to the conclusion that Count Cavour was undoubtedly a statesman of marvellous skill and prescience.

'Abraham Lincoln, unknown to fame when he was elected to the Presidency, exhibited a power for the government of men which has scarcely been surpassed in any age. He saved the American Union, he enfranchised the black race and for the task he had to perform he was endowed in some respects almost miraculously.

'No man ever displayed a greater insight into the motives, the complex motives, which shape the public opinion of a free country, and he possessed almost to the degree of an instinct, the supreme quality in a statesman of taking the right decision, taking it at the right moment and expressing it in language of incomparable felicity.'

JUDGE WARNED GAMBLERS.

The eighteen inmates who were found in the Chinese gambling dives at Nos. 49 and 50 Lagauchetiere street west, about three weeks ago, pleaded guilty in the Police Court this morning, and after giving them a severe lecture on the evils of gambling, Judge Leet suspended sentence.

GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The visiting governors to the Montreal General Hospital for next week, commencing Monday, are: Lt.-Col. E. W. Wilson, Fred. Whitley, J. H. Redfern, Joseph Allen.

THE 'EMPRESS OF BRITAIN.'

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 12.—Among the passengers on the 'Empress of Britain,' which sailed for Canada to-day, are Lieutenant T. W. Cheave, E. G. Meredith Cave and Lady Elcho.

ATTACKED BY BURGLARS

HOUSEHOLDER KNOCKED DOWN, BUT MANAGED TO SECURE PRISONER.

An exciting encounter with burglars fell to the lot of Mr. James Nebbs, 107 Bourget street, last evening. With his wife he went out to Westmount to a funeral in the afternoon, and when he returned he found his house had been broken into.

Going into the kitchen he was attacked by two men, one of whom knocked him down and escaped. In fact Mr. Nebbs caught hold of the other man, and secured him, so that he was able to hand him over to a constable. The other man had disappeared with jewellery valued at $50, and clothing and other articles worth $25. The prisoner, who gave his name as John Johnston, pleaded not guilty to a charge of housebreaking, and was remanded by Judge Bazin to-day till February 19.

MOST USEFUL TO THE BUSY MAN.

Edmonton, Alta.

Dear Sir,—I enclose renewal to 'World Wide.' I may say that I consider this paper one of the most useful of all published in America to the busy man, who wishes to keep up to the times in current events.

Yours sincerely,
W. O. NEWMAN.

JUST OUT

The following are the contents of this week's 'World Wide':

ALL THE WORLD OVER.

A Notable Estimate of Lincoln—From the Harvard Commemoration Ode, by James Russell Lowell.
'Punch's' Amende Honorable—Tom Taylor's Noble Eulogy and Apology.
O Captain! my Captain!—By Walt Whitman.
Lincoln, the Leader—His Rare Tolerance Which Resulted in a Truly United Country—From an Article by Richard Watson Gilder, in the 'Century Magazine.'
A Love That Lives—Lincoln's Place in the Hearts of Americans — Frederick Boyd Stevenson, in the Brooklyn 'Daily Eagle.'
The New Split in the Unionist Party—English Papers.
Lord R. Cecil and the Unionist Party—'Confederates' Denounced—The 'Morning Post,' London.
On Personalities—G. K. Chesterton, in the 'Daily News,' London.
The Unification of Maritime Law — Work of the International Maritime Committee—The 'Times,' London.
The War Office From Within—Short Service Vindicated — Harry Jones, in the 'Daily Chronicle,' London.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE ARTS.

An Artist's Thoughts — Memories and analyses by Mr. La Farge—The 'Tribune,' New York.
Sir H. Von Herkomer on Art—A Word for the Philistine—The 'Morning Post,' London.

CONCERNING THINGS LITERARY.

Qui Prend S'engage—Una Artevelde Taylor, in the 'Westminster Gazette.'
An Italian in the Balkans—'Morning Post,' London.
The Life of an Everyday Working Man—The 'Athenaeum,' London.
Gardening in a Catalogue—The 'Spectator,' London.

HINTS OF THE PROGRESS OF KNOWLEDGE.

Mind and Drugs in Medical Practice—Springfield 'Republican.'
The Heavens in February—Henry Norris Russell, Ph.D., in the 'Scientific American.'
How I Know That the Dead Return — A Record of Personal Experience—W. T. Stead, in the 'Fortnightly Review,' London.
Picture Writing — When Drawing is a Language to Little Folks—The 'Tribune,' New York.

PASSING EVENTS.

THINGS NEW AND OLD.

So many men, so many minds. Every man in his own way.—Terence.

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LIGHT SNOWFALLS

FEBRUARY.

The year is young. It does not know
That roses sleep beneath the snow,
Waiting for June's soft breeze to blow.

Our souls are young. We do not know
What power is ours for joy or woe.
We wait. Another life will show.
—Clarence Townsend Baldwin.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 12, 11 a.m.—The following are the maximum and minimum temperatures:—Victoria, 40, 28; Kamloops, 14, 4 below; Edmonton, 16 below, 36 below; Battleford, 22 below, 30 below; Prince Albert, 8 below, 36 below; Calgary 12 below, 34 below; Qu'Appelle, 16 below, 34 below; Winnipeg, 2 below, 30 below; Port Arthur, 18, zero; Parry Sound, 18, 1; Toronto, 27, 16; Ottawa, 24, 4; Montreal, 26, 8; Quebec, 24, zero; St. John, 34, 18; Halifax, 46, 26.

Southerly winds, fine; Saturday, moderately cold, with light local snow falls.

The weather is fine throughout the Dominion with decidedly low temperatures throughout the western provinces and quite moderate temperatures from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces.

10-12 Notre Dame street West.—Montreal, Feb. 12, 1909.—Readings by Hearn & Harrison's Standard Barometer at noon Yesterday, 29.80; 11 a.m. to-day, 30.14.

Temperature—	Max.	Min.
To-day	28	12
Yesterday	30	10

Eczema, Salt Rheum.

Eczema or Salt Rheum, as it is often called, is one of the most agonising of skin diseases. It manifests itself in little round blisters, which contain an extremely irritating fluid. These break and subsequently a crust or scale is formed.

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A SESSION OF THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH (Crown Side), holding criminal jurisdiction in and for the DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, will be held in the COURT HOUSE, in the CITY OF MONTREAL, on MONDAY, the FIRST DAY OF MARCH NEXT, at TEN o'clock in the forenoon.

In consequence, I give PUBLIC NOTICE to all who intend to proceed against any prisoners now in the Common Gaol of the said District and all others, that they must be present then and there; and I also give notice to all Justices of the Peace, Coroners and Peace Officers, in and for the said District, that they must be present then and there with their Records, Rolls, Indictments and other Documents, in order to do those things which belong to them in their respective capacities.

J. R. THIBAUDEAU.
Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office,
Montreal, 10th February, 1909.

THE MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY CO.

Change in Windsor and St. Lawrence Route.

In order to relieve the congestion at McGill street, and with a view of improving the service between the hours of 5.00 and 7.00 p.m., Notice is hereby given that on and after MONDAY, THE 15th INSTANT, the Windsor and St. Lawrence cars going East will proceed along St. James street, down Inspector to Notre Dame street, and continue as at present.

Montreal, February 10th, 1909.

AGITATING FOR PENSIONS.

The revival of a pension fund for the employees of the Province of Quebec Civil Service is presently being advocated by the French-Canadian press. Such a fund existed previous to 1333, and the local government is now urged to see that provision be made for its offices when they reach old age.

THE DIOCESAN SYNOD.

Social Problems Continue to Engage Attention of Deliberative Body.

SEVERAL IMPORTANT COMMITTEES ELECTED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Practical Christianity, in the form of advocating public morality, was again a feature of the afternoon session of Synod yesterday.

Canon Dixon regarded the toleration segregation, licensing or other manners of countenancing vice as reprehensible. Immoral people and others who had not studied the question in all its bearings might connive at the evil or be indifferent as to its existence so long as they were not seriously affected, but Christians could not take such an attitude. The enforcement of law depended largely on the attitude of the officials whose duty it was to carry it out. Prohibitory laws furnished good examples of this fact.

Lieut.-Col. Hibbard, Crown Prosecutor, said that legislation and police regulations appeared to be ahead of public sentiment to-day, and these enactments were sufficient, if enforced, to stamp out vice. But law, at best, was a poor substitute for morality. He favored co-operation with all those who were striving for the abolition of vice. He thought there should be a general organization, which would include workers of all denominations, to deal with pressing social difficulties and educate public opinion up to an effective standard.

Referring to Dr. Davidson's proposal that provincial legislation on the subject of the social evil should be watched, the Rev. Arthur French said he had the Premier's promise that no legislation favoring toleration would be considered. This announcement was received with prolonged applause.

Several speakers declared that men were the chief offenders against morality and should receive equal punishment with women when before the courts. Mr. Lansing Lewis said he could not quite agree with this view. Tolstoy had said that woman was the chief cause. He thought that the clergy should teach women that in many cases they were not helping men to lead better lives. Spirituous liquors were provided at social entertainments. He thought the pulpits should be more used to give advice on the matter of removing temptations as far as possible.

Mr. A. P. Tippett supported the return movement, and pointed out the evil wrought by the telling of impure stories.

Sir Melbourne Tait thought Dr. Davidson's suggestion of a memorial to the City Council a very practical one.

Dr. T. P. Butler considered that it was a duty incumbent upon every man to protect the chastity of womanhood. He believed also that many of these women could be reformed if there was a strenuous effort on the part of women to effect their reform.

The Rev. D. J. Neugewirtz spoke of the prevalence of gambling even among newsboys. Private gambling dens abounded. He described the demoralizing influence of this vice.

The Lord Bishop expressed his pleasure at the enthusiastic spirit displayed in the debate. It promised well for progress of the movement. He felt that the church must take her part in the fighting of the evil of the saloon. He wished to combat the saloon system, not the saloonkeepers. His Lordship favored the getting into closer touch with the labor leaders. Speaking of the association for moral and social reform of the Dominion of Canada, His Lordship expressed the hope that the Roman Catholic Church would support the Anglican Church in the work for moral reform.

The Rev. G. Osborne Troop proposed a resolution of congratulation on the presence of the Rev. Canon Ellegood and the Rev. Father Wood, the only two surviving members of the first Synod of Montreal.

Dr. L. H. Davidson, after paying a tribute to Canon Ellegood, recalled the early days of the Rev. Father Wood, when he was curate at Christ Church Cathedral. He spoke of Mr. Wood's constant errands of Christian charity, and told how much he had come to revere and love the Rev. Father Wood.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The report on church extension was presented by the Rev. F. A. Pratt. It stated that St. Columba's Church, Kensington, had been opened last March; St. Augustine's, at Rosemount, on Oct. 12, and a third church would be completed in a few weeks. Several new missions had been started, and were growing rapidly. New buildings were urgently needed in several places, and the committee would keep informed as to other desirable openings.

The report was followed by an address from the Rev. J. J. Willis, who contended that the newcomers from England had to be taught that there were no endowments to support the clergy in this country, and that here they had to support the Church.

Dean Evans and Archdeacon Ker paid tribute to the work of the Rev. Mr. Willis in church extension work.

The Rev. Dr. Rexford emphasized the importance of Church extension, and spoke of the growth of missions in different suburbs. The congregations could be got, but the money for buildings was lacking. Surely, churchmen would see that the requisite funds were supplied.

The Rev. Messrs. Whitley and Horsey spoke encouragingly of the work in their charges.

Rural Dean Dart read the report of the M. S. C. C. The amounted devoted to this fund by the diocese last year was $14,000, and he spoke of the need of increasing this amount. The report was considered clause by clause, and the 'New Era' leaflet, issued by the society, was recommended as suitable literature [illegible] its interests. The [illegible] tion of the Young People's Missionary Movement and its relation to the older society were urged by the Rev. Mr. Shatford.

COMMITTEES ELECTED.

The following committees were elected:

GENERAL SYNOD.
Very Rev. the Dean.
Ven. Archdeacon Ker.
Ven. Archdeacon Naylor.
Rev. Dr. G. Abbot Smith.
Rev. Rural Dean Robinson.
Rev. Principal Rexford.
Rev. Canon Smith.
Rev. Frank Charters.
Rev. G. Osborne Troop.
Rev. Dr. H. Symonds.
Rev. Dr. Paterson-Smyth.
Ven. Archdeacon Norton.

DIOCESAN COURT.
Ven. Archdeacon Ker.
Rev. Rural Dean Robinson.
Very Rev. the Dean.
Rev. Principal Rexford.
Rev. E. Wood.
Ven. Archdeacon Naylor.
Rev. Canon Chambers.
Rev. G. Osborne Troop.
Rev. Canon Renaud.
Rev. Canon Rollit.
Ven. Archdeacon Davidson.
Rev. Canon Ellegood.
Ven. Archdeacon Norton.
Rev. Dr. Symonds.
Rev. Rural Dean Longhurst.

PROVINCIAL SYNOD.
Mr. Lansing Lewis.
Mr. H. J. Mudge.
Dr. T. P. Butler.
Hon. Senator Owens.
Dr. L. H. Davidson, K.C.
Mr. A. P. Tippet.
Mr. W. H. Robinson.
Mr. Thomas Hunter.

Substitutes in Provincial Synod—H. F. Williams, E. Goff Penny, Sir Melbourne Tait, Chancellor Bethune.

HONORED DEAN OF LAVAL

STUDENTS GAVE BANQUET TO MR. JUSTICE MATHIEU.

The students of the Law Faculty of Laval University tendered a banquet to their Dean, Mr. Justice Mathieu, last evening, on the occasion of his retirement from the Bench. The function took place at the Viger Hotel, in the large hall which had been appropriately decorated for the occasion. Mr. Honore Gervais, Batonnier-General, presided, and at the table of honor were seated, besides the guest of the evening, Chief Justice Sir Melbourne Tait, Sir Alex. Lacoste, Justices Archambault, Carran and Lafontaine, the Hon. Messrs. L. O. Taillon, N. Perodeau, Messrs. M. Gagnon, J. N. Marion, P. Cousineau, J. Adam and L. J. Morin. At the other tables were seated, besides the students and representatives of other universities, a large number of members of the Bar.

When the cloth had been removed, the chairman read a despatch from the Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux expressing regret that he could not be present, and sending greetings to his old professor. The health of 'Our guest' was received with great enthusiasm, and when the learned judge rose to reply he was given a genuine ovation.

Mr. Justice Mathieu opened his remarks by thanking his young friends the students for their kindness and sympathy towards him. He then referred to his judicial career, expressed his regret in leaving a position which had been the ambition of his life, and tendered his most sincere thanks to his former colleagues and the members of the Bar for their unremitting kindness during the many years that he passed on the Bench. After a brief sketch of the history of the law faculty of Laval, the respected Dean concluded his address with an earnest appeal to the students thoroughly to prepare themselves for the battle of life, assuring them that they could always rely on his help and sympathy.

In replying to the health of the 'Magistrature,' Sir Melbourne Tait and Mr. Justice Archambault paid a well-deserved tribute to the retiring veteran judge, and congratulated the students on having the advantage of his continued lectures.

The other speakers were Mr. H. Gervais, the Hon. L. O. Taillon, Mr. J. Girouard, Mr. V. Morin, Mr. P. Casgrain, Mr. P. Cousineau, Mr. P. Collerre, Mr. Justice Lafontaine, Mr. H. Lemay, Mr. U. Pouliot, Mr. G. Barclay, Mr. H. Mercier, Mr. A. Sauvé, Mr. A. Shaughnessy and Mr. D. A. Lafortune.

MEETINGS OF FARMERS

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FIXES DATES OF COUNTRY GATHERINGS.

The Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, has fixed farmers' meetings for the following dates during February and March:

Buckingham—Feb. 22, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Lachute—Feb. 23, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Ormstown, Feb. 24, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Hemmingford—Feb. 25, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Bedford—Feb. 26, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Knowlton, Feb. 27, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
West Shefford—March 1, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Lennoxville—March 2, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
East Hatley—March 3, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Bury—March 4, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Marbleton—March 5, 2 p.m.
Bishop's Crossing—March 5, 7 p.m.
Leeds—March 6, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Danville—March 8, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Ulverton—March 9, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Point Fortune—March 10, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Quyon—March 12, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Speakers and subjects will be:—C. F. Whitley, dairy commissioners' staff, Ottawa (until Feb. 27), 'The Work of the Cow Testing Associations—How to Make a Herd Profitable; The Lessons Taught by the Study of Individual Yields; Pleasure and Profit in Dairying.'

Geo. H. Barr, dairy commissioners' staff, Ottawa (March 1 to 12), 'Results of Experiments on Aerating and Cooling Milk. Better Making on the Farm; The Duties of the Patron.'

Thomas Mason, Staffordville, Ont., 'Care and Food of Dairy Cattle; Corn Growing for Silage; Maintenance of Soil Fertility; Changing Conditions in Agriculture.'

CHARLES WARNER'S END.

Noted English Actor Commtis Suicide in a New York Hotel.

New York, Feb. 11.—Undeterred by the failure of his first attempt to end his life through the breaking of a leather strap with which he had hanged himself, Charles Warner, 66 years old, the well-known English actor, to-night committed suicide by hanging in his room at the Hotel Seymour. The suicide, who had been acting strangely for several months, left a rambling note, in which he laid the motive for his act of self-destruction to the prosecution of 'Thieves, liars and blackmailers,' who, he declared, had mulcted him of thousands and thousands of dollars.

Charles Warner achieved prominence in England several years ago, through his interpretation of the character of a drunkard in the famous play 'Drink,' based on Zola's novel. His portrayal of the last stages of delirium tremens was made the theme for numerous sermons in every part of Great Britain. Recently he went into vaudeville, achieving considerable success in a sketch called 'At the Telephone.'

A STRANGE SUICIDE

VICTIM CHARGES THAT HE WAS BLACKMAILED.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—A gas-filled room in the rear of the church of which he had been financial secretary; a letter of farewell written on the back of a map of the Holy Land which hung on the wall—this was the setting of the closing scene of the life of Annel de Pue, who, despite the spelling of his name, claimed to be a distant relative of Senator Chauncey M. Depew.

The facts in the case came out at the inquest to-day. In this somewhat disconnected letter de Pue referred to sisters in Boston and Des Moines, and a nephew in Denver. De Pue was financial secretary for the Rossland Centre Presbyterian Church. Mrs. de Pue, the widow, testified that her husband had told her he had been systematically blackmailed since his boyhood, but he never told her the details. He refers to it in his letter.

Recently the trustees of the church accused the financial secretary of a shortage of several hundred dollars. After insisting on his innocence, de Pue promised to return the money last Monday night. In this he failed, and his body was found by the pastor of the church the following Wednesday, just before the evening prayer meeting. In his letter, de Pue says:

'I am going through an ordeal to-day that none of you know, and I hope you never will. For the benefit of others I am sacrificing a life to-day that has been spent for others, but I have never faltered in well-doing. I have failed to present to you that which I promised, but I think the time will come when I will be vindicated. There are those who have the key to my life. If they care to present it, that will prove that I have done my duty in every respect. You can tell my sisters, Mrs. J. B. Lyman, Salem, Mass., and Mrs. C. B. Sprague, Des Moines, Iowa, that they are lavishing on the results of my labors. Turn my body over to my nephew, C. B. Lyman, Denver, Col., or give it to the Chicago School of Surgery. It is all I have to leave for the benefit of others. My wife is suffering to-day through my faults, in a way, while I have been the victim of blackmail in two cases.'

THE NILE BARRAGE

GREAT WORK AT ESNEH, EGYPT, COMPLETED.

Cairo, Feb. 11.—The barrage across the Nile at Esneh is now completed and will shortly be inaugurated with fitting ceremonies. It is an elevating dam, like that begun under Mehemet Ali, a short distance to the north of Cairo, and like that also built under British auspices at Assiout. It, therefore, does not have the significance of the Assouan dam, which impounds a part of the flood waters of the river during the winter months to increase the summer supply during the three or four months of low Nile. The Esneh weir diverts this water into canals used to irrigate land formerly under basin cultivation, while that of Assiout insures a regular supply for the Ibrahimieh Canal, dug by the Khedive Ismail and the canal of Joseph, attributed to the famous son of Jacob.

The Assouan dam has been under constant improvement since its inauguration. A talus has been constructed and a wall built along the northern face, designed to enable it to support an additional pressure of twenty-one feet of water. A recent cable to London, however, says that it is reported that the work will be discontinued for two years for engineering and financial reasons. The Esneh barrage rests on 119 piers, with gates.

THE KING'S VISIT

HIS MAJESTY'S INDISPOSITION DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH PROGRAMME.

Berlin, Feb. 11.—The indisposition of the King, who was suffering to-day from a mild attack of bronchial catarrh, is so slight that he was able to carry out the greater part of the pre-arranged programme without inconvenience. Accompanied by the Queen and the Emperor and Empress, His Majesty paid a lengthy visit to the Emperor Frederick Museum. The royal party afterwards dined with the Crown Prince and Crown Princess at their palace, after which they attended a gala performance of 'Sardanapalus,' at the Opera.

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TORONTO POLICE REPORT

GAMBLING CURSE CONTINUES, DESPITE EFFORTS TO SUPPRESS IT.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Persons to the number of 19,037 were either arrested or summoned by the police in this city in 1908, as compared with 17,640 in 1907, an increase of 1,397 over last year. Property to the value of $198,827.56 was reported either lost or stolen during the year, the police being able to recover $148,501.74. The increase in the value of goods stolen was $58,060. There were 8,930 drunk and disorderly cases in 1908, 8,019 of these being men and 911 women. In 1907 there were 8,021, of these 7,189 being men and 841 women. These figures are given in Chief Grasett's report to the Mayor.

Referring to the gambling situation, the report states that the evil in the form of betting continues in spite of raids and the police efforts to stop it. 'Suppression will not be possible,' says the chief, 'till the bookmakers and the betting public can be more effectually reached and dealt with. Professional tipsters might be prohibited with advantage from advertising their selections, either by circular or in the papers.'

HARBOR CHARGES.

C.P.R. Vice-President on the Question of Rental of Steel Sheds.

METHOD 'AS FAIR AS ANY' IF GOVERNMENT CANNOT NATIONALIZE PORT.

Mr. D. McNicoll, the general manager of the C. P. R., was this morning asked his opinion on the proposed charges for rental of the permanent sheds, and the increase in shunting charges on the harbor front—a matter in which the C. P. R. in both its railway and steamship business, is vitally interested.

'If the Government cannot see its way to nationalizing the point,' said Mr. McNicoll, 'and the Harbor Commissioners are required to meet their outgo by their income, there is of course nothing else for them to do but to increase their revenue to the required point. Therefore, the only question is on what item to raise it. As we believe that the harbor improvements have been carried out in a business-like way, we cannot object to the Commissioners charging cost for the services they are now rendering. In the case of the shunting fees, the increase, they claim, is justified by the cost, and we have accepted the same. As far as the rental of three percent on the cost of the new permanent sheds is concerned, the rate of interest is certainly not excessive, and on the above principle of charging actual cost for services, it is perhaps as fair as any other way of raising the required revenue.

'The Commissioners, in fixing wharfage rates, have to be governed by how they will affect the trade of the port. This specially applies to through traffic competitive with other ports through which the traffic can be diverted. If the port is not to be made free, the question for the Commissioners, transportation agencies and shippers is as to whether the increased rates are fairly distributed, and that is, of course, now a matter for discussion with the Board of Harbor Commissioners.'

PLOT AGAINST THE SULTAN

Its Discovery Caused Recent Changes in Turkish Ministry.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The recent barges in the Turkish ministry are due to the discovery of a plot against the Sultan that had for its objects his deposition, according to the Constantinople correspondent of the 'Frankfurter Zeitung.' The plan was to dethrone the Sultan today, while he was riding to the Selamlik celebration and proclaim as Sultan Prince Yussof Izzedin, the eldest son of the late Sultan. The publication of the correspondence with Prince Yussef is expected in a few days, and this undoubtedly will clear up the incident.

The Grand Vizier, Kiamil Pasha, was fully informed of this conspiracy last week, and he consequently wanted the Sultan to at once appoint Nazim Pasha to the position of Minister of War. The Sultan, however, was opposed to this, because years ago he had degraded Nazim Pasha and made him serve ten years as a common soldier.

Owing to the threatened danger the Sultan finally yielded and made the appointment.

It is reported that the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Justice, the correspondent concludes, resigned last night.

NO CLAIM FOR COMMISSION.

In an action of Robert B. Savage vs. the Ozo Co., the plaintiff claimed commission due him on the sale of goods. Savage also handled the products of the Interprovincial Vinegar Company, under the same management, and as the latter company held from him a receipt in full, Mr. Justice Guerin this morning dismissed his action against the Ozo Co., on the ground that there was nothing to show that any reserve had been made by him as regards the Ozo goods, the accounts being made out under the same heading.

GAS LEAK CAUSED FIRE.

A leakage of gas in the residence of Mr. Charles Short, 60 Columbia avenue, Westmount, at 11 o'clock this morning, caused a fire, which necessitated calling out Westmount's fire brigade. Two babcocks sufficed to extinguish the blaze, the damage committed being slight.

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SUPREME COURT.

Judgment Rendered in Several Appeals—New York 'Herald' Loses 'Buster Brown' Case.

A LIBEL CASE—MR. JUSTICE MACLENNAN'S RETIREMENT.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—At a special sitting of the Supreme Court to-day judgments were delivered in a number of outstanding appeals, the most important of which was the appeal from the Exchequer Court in the matter arising out of the North-West Anglo treaty, and payments made thereunder by the Dominion to the Ojibway Indians in extinguishment of their title to certain lands.

The judgment of the Exchequer Court had been in favor of the Dominion, but this decision is upset by the judgment of the Supreme Court to-day, and the action of the Dominion Government in this matter is dismissed without costs. The claim in this case amounts to several hundred thousand dollars, and it is expected that a further appeal will be carried to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

In Vaughan vs. Eastern Townships Bank, arising out of the death of a workman on the new Eastern Townships Bank building in Montreal, the appeal was allowed with costs.

In the 'Gazette' Printing Company, Montreal, versus Shallow, the appeal was dismissed with costs. The point of this case is that the publication of official court records does not exempt a newspaper from liability for damages in libel.

In Dansereau vs. Dansereau, the appeal was dismissed with costs. This case arose as to alleged encroachments by the respondent across the boundary of his land at Vercheres by an overlapping roof and the piercing of window openings in his barn in an improper position.

In Brook vs. Booker, the appeal was dismissed with costs. This action arose out of the sale of the hull of the steamer 'Sovereign,' at the head of the Lachine canal.

In the Gideon H. White Company vs. the Star Milling & Mining Company, a suit involving the famous Slocan Star Mine, the appeal was dismissed with costs.

In the case of the steamer 'Mystic' vs. the SS. 'Nanna,' the appeal was allowed with costs.

In Laramee vs. Ferron the appeal was dismissed.

In the Great Northern Railway vs. Furness, Withy & Company, the judgment of the lower court as to the value of securities involved was reduced by $533, and no costs allowed.

In Hildreth vs. McCormack, arising out of alleged infringement of patent for a candy-pulling machine, the appeal was allowed with costs.

In New York 'Herald' vs. Ottawa 'Citizen,' the appeal was dismissed with costs. This is a declaration that there is no copyright in Canada on 'Buster Brown.'

In Hamilton Steamship Company vs. Mackay, the appeal was dismissed with costs. This related to the use of a slip in the harbor of Hamilton.

The Chief Justice, Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, referred to the retirement of Mr. Justice Maclennan from the Supreme Court Bench and expressed at the same time the court's deep regret at the loss of his legal knowledge and judicial experience.

Mr. Justice Maclennan, in reply to these observations, expressed his deep regret at the severance of his connection with the bench and his appreciation of the kind words which had been spoken of him by the Chief Justice.

WILL AFFECT PILGRIMS

RICHELIEU COMPANY TO WITHDRAW STEAMER FROM ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE.

A very important decision, affecting a numerous class of travellers, has been arrived at by the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company. Some years ago the management had prepared a special steamer, the 'Beaupré,' for the exclusive service of pilgrimages to the famous shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre. The thousands of pilgrims who annually visit Ste. Anne had fully justified the new departure, but as it is now found that the running expenses have considerably increased, and the public do not seem disposed to accept higher rates of passage, especially in view of increased facilities offered by the railway companies, the Richelieu Company has seen fit to withdraw the 'Beaupré' from active service for the coming season. No other boat will be provided for the same line, and intending pilgrims who wish to travel by water will have to take the regular Quebec daily steamers. Groups of pilgrims will be accepted only at the beginning and at the close of the season, and in order to secure special rates they must number at least 25, and not more than 100 will be accepted for one trip. This change will no doubt somewhat reduce the number of pilgrims, but the railway companies will certainly derive a benefit therefrom.

NEIGHBORS AT LAW.

Mr. Justice Guerin this morning dismissed an action of $175.49 by the John Pratt estate against the R. Prefontaine estate.

The plaintiff and defendant are owners of contiguous properties on St. James street. A chimney originally used in common having been thrown down by the wind was repaired by the Pratt estate, who claimed from their neighbors the present amount as their share of the cost. The court found that the original destination of the chimney had been changed, and it was made to serve for the Pratt estate only. Under those circumstances no claim could be had against the Prefontaine estate, and the action must be dismissed.

ARMY OF THE EMPIRE.

What Mr. Haldane Said In Reference to Negotiations With Overseas Dominions.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

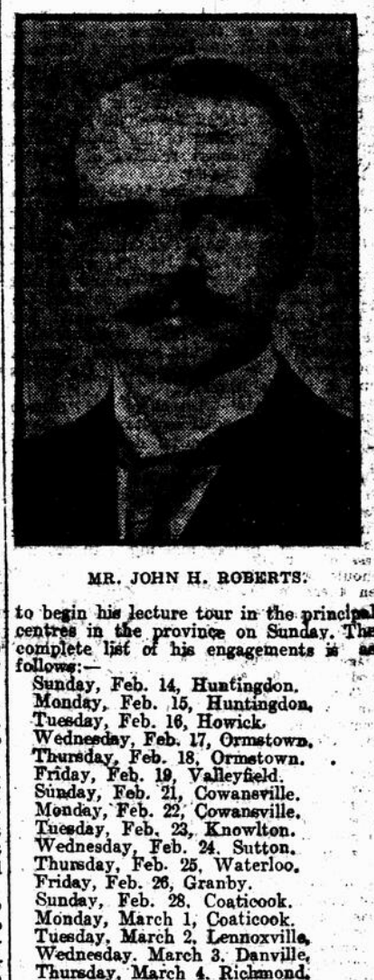
London, Feb. 12.—According to the 'Daily News' report of Mr. Haldane's speech before the London Brigade of the Royal Field Artillery, the Secretary of State for War said: 'We are in negotiation with the dominions over the seas with a view to the creation and constitution of an army of the Empire (hear, hear and cheers), and not of this country merely. I am a believer in the policy of keeping up to the necessary standard of the day whether that be in matters military or in matters naval.'

Further on Mr. Haldane said: 'An overseas army, which is the very essence of the military life of the Empire, can only be got on a voluntary basis, and it must be recruited from men who come voluntarily, who come moved by enthusiasm, by what I might call a virgin mind from a military point of view.'

MR. ROBERTS'S TOUR

WILL COMMENCE THREE WEEKS' LECTURE SERIES ON SUNDAY.

Mr. John H. Roberts, the noted temperance lecturer, is expected to arrive in Montreal to-morrow, and is announced



MR. JOHN H. ROBERTS.

to begin his lecture tour in the principal centres in the province on Sunday. The complete list of his engagements is as follows:—

Sunday, Feb. 14, Huntingdon.
Monday, Feb. 15, Huntingdon.
Tuesday, Feb. 16, Howick.
Wednesday, Feb. 17, Ormstown.
Thursday, Feb. 18, Ormstown.
Friday, Feb. 19, Valleyfield.
Sunday, Feb. 21, Cowansville.
Monday, Feb. 22, Cowansville.
Tuesday, Feb. 23, Knowlton.
Wednesday, Feb. 24, Sutton.
Thursday, Feb. 25, Waterloo.
Friday, Feb. 26, Granby.
Sunday, Feb. 28, Coaticook.
Monday, March 1, Coaticook.
Tuesday, March 2, Lennoxville.
Wednesday, March 3, Danville.
Thursday, March 4, Richmond.
Friday, March 5, Montreal.

Friday, March 5, is the date of the anniversary of the Dominion Alliance, Quebec Branch, at which Mr. Roberts will be the principal speaker.

BRUTAL CRUELTY

HORSE DRAGGED BY THE NECK WITH ROPE ON WILLIAM STREET.

Mr. E. N. Benson, representing Messrs. Henry Morgan & Co.'s carpentry and joinery department, informed the 'Witness' to-day of a horrible case of cruelty to a horse which he, along with others, witnessed on William street, near McGill street, yesterday. It appears that a very poor horse hitched to a load of potatoes in bags, either from weakness or other cause, was unable to go further, and, after repeated lashings by his driver the services of a team that was passing was called into requisition. Taking a rope the drivers fastened it about the neck of the disabled animal and then the team in front was whipped up. That the head of the poor animal, which these 'men' were 'assisting,' was not pulled completely off was a miracle. To make matters worse the disabled horse fell, and then these two brutes, in human form kicked and lashed the animal while lying on the roadway.

Mr. Benson at once informed a policeman of the occurrence and told the 'Witness' the circumstances. The former says he is ready at any time to testify if the matter is taken up by the proper authorities.

DR. BIDWELL INDUCTED

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 11.—The installation of the Rev. Edward John Bidwell, as Dean of St. George's Cathedral and of the Diocese of Ontario, took place to-night, in St. George's Cathedral, before a large gathering of clergymen of the diocese and members of the congregation. Judge McDonald, Brockville, Chancellor of the diocese, read the bishop's mandate, and the Dean received the keys of the Cathedral from the wardens, Messrs. R. Waldron and S. Shanyentuy, and Bishop Mills then presented the Dean with a Bible and Book of Common Prayer. The sermon was preached by the Rev. L. W. Williams, Dean of Quebec, who made a strong appeal for the members to make full use of the university, and to give the new Dean loyal support in his work.

BECKERT ARRESTED.

Chancellor of German Legation at Santiago, Chili, Caught While Playing Baccarat

Santiago, Chili, Feb. 12.—Herr Beckert, chancellor of the German legation at Santiago, has been arrested at Chillan, capital of the Province of Nuble, according to a message just received here. It is said also that he was playing baccarat at the time of his apprehension.

The offices of the German legation at Santiago were burned Feb. 5, and in the ruins was found the charred body of a man. It was believed at first that Beckert had perished in the flames, but examination showed that it was not Beckert, that the man had been stabbed to death, and that nine thousand dollars had been taken from the office safe. Suspicion has fastened upon Beckert. The murdered man was a servant of the legation.

PRESS CONFERENCE

ABSOLUTELY NON-PARTISAN AND NON-POLITICAL, DECLARES A LONDON EDITOR.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 12.—Mr. Robert Donald, editor of the London 'Chronicle,' writes to the Canadian Associated Press in regard to the cable from London on Jan. 11, which stated that the forthcoming Imperial Press Conference was a manoeuvre of the tariff reformers in London. He says the conference is absolutely non-partisan and has no reference to politics; no question of politics or fiscal reform has arisen, or is ever likely to arise. A committee has been appointed to organize private conferences between the visitors and prominent public men of this country, but this committee has not been selected because of their opinions but because of their representative positions on the press.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Bouthilier, Ste. Therese, spent Wednesday in town.

Mrs. Charles Marcil has returned from the Capital.

Mrs. Hart, Hampton Court, is entertaining at cards this afternoon.

Mrs. Clarence de Sola is leaving shortly to visit friends in Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Oswald Haycock, of Ottawa, is the guest, for the carnival, of Mrs. Jeffrey, Peel street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pardillian, Portland, Me., are in the city for the carnival.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Campbell have returned from Pinehurst, North Carolina.

Mrs. Harry Spence, Mackay street, has returned from a visit to Smith's Falls.

Mrs. P. B. Mignault, Crescent street, was the hostess at a card party yesterday afternoon.

Miss Marjorie Root, Rosemount avenue, entertained informally at tea yesterday afternoon.

Miss Blanche W. Goding, of Portland, Me., is the guest of Mrs. A. Reid, 163 Mansfield street.

Miss Lillian O'Hara, of Rosedale, Toronto, is in town for the carnival, the guest of Mrs. Charles Cushing.

Miss Gladys Harcourt, of Toronto, is in Montreal, the guest of Mrs. Cushing, Overdale avenue, for carnival week.

Mrs. C. E. Soles, of Westmount, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Carter, at Alva Farm, Knowlton.

Mrs. Malloch, of Hamilton, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. D. A. Murray, Pine avenue west, has left for Ottawa.

Miss Rosalind Stone, of Montreal, was the guest of honor at a luncheon given by Mrs. E. Winn Farwell, in Sherbrooke, on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Coates, of Rouse's Point, N.Y., is the guest of Mrs. Thomas Gilday, Seymour avenue, during the carnival.

Mr. Justice Routhier, accompanied by Miss Routhier, have left Quebec for New York, where they will sail for Europe on the SS. 'Caronia.' They will visit the Azores, Gibraltar, and Italy.

Mr. S. H. Jones and his son, H. C. Jones, of Sabrevois, were in Montreal this week, and have left for California by way of Chicago. They will also visit Kansas, New Mexico and other places.

The new pastor of Crescent Street Presbyterian Church, the Rev. R. W. Dickie, has taken the residence No. 644 Dorchester street west, and his family have just arrived from Brandon, Man., his former charge.

The engagement is announced of Miss Louise Brown, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stevenson Brown, and Mr. Rowland Barran, M.P., of Beechwood, Yorkshire, England, youngest son of the late Sir John Barran, Bart. The marriage will take place in the spring.

Among the visitors in town staying at the Place Viger Hotel, are Mr. and Mrs. Illingsworth, of Newark, N.J.; Mr. and Mrs. Atterbury, Mr. and Mrs. D. Alexander, Miss Agnes Alexander, Miss Helen Alexander, and Master Douglas Alexander, of New York.

Mrs. John Currie gave a tea this afternoon in honor of Mrs. G. Waring Stebbins. Mrs. Stebbins is the wife of Mr. G. Waring Stebbins, musical director and organist of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Brooklyn, and son of Mr. George Stebbins, the composer. Mr. G. Waring Stebbins is himself a composer of considerable note.

The tea-room at the Handicrafts exhibition, 555 St. Catherine street west, is this afternoon in charge of Mrs. Botsford and Miss Maud Mitchell, assisted by Miss Elsie Forbes, Miss Kathleen Moore, Miss Mildred Hagar, Miss Joseph, Miss Dorothy Vaughan, Miss Douglas (Ottawa), the Misses Walker, the Misses Williamson. To-morrow afternoon Mrs. C. B. Keenan will have charge, assisted by Mrs. Birkett, Mrs. F. T. Tooke, Mrs. O. Koltz, and Mrs. McKee.

The officers of the Royal Scots gave an informal dance last night at the Armories, Park avenue, the guests numbering about one hundred and fifty. The entrance hall and stairs were gaily decorated with flags and festoons, the supper rooms also being brightened with the same scheme of decoration. Dancing went on in the officers' mess, the gallery outside being effectively arranged with crimson bunting. The guests were welcomed by the commanding officer, Colonel Carson, Mrs. Carson, and Mrs. J. G. Ross. General Buchan was among the guests present.

The marriage was solemnized at the residence of Mr. Angus Bethune, Avonmore, on Wednesday, Feb. 10, of his only daughter, Annie Louise Maud, to Mr. John MacLennan, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Dr. W. N. MacLean. A large number of friends witnessed the ceremony, after which all sat down to a wedding repast, toasts being given by the Rev. Dr. MacLean and Mr. Edward Bethune. The bride was married in her travelling costume of blue cloth. Mr. and Mrs. MacLennan left on the eastern express for Montreal, Toronto and western points. The bride was the recipient of many useful and valuable gifts.

Mrs. Richard Hemsley held a reception yesterday afternoon for her daughter-in-law, Mrs. George Hemsley, a recent bride, who received with the hostess, wearing a Directoire gown of white satin trimmed with Irish lace. Mrs. Hemsley was in green chiffon velvet and real lace. The tea room was in charge of Mrs. H. McLaren and Mrs. James Robinson, who were assisted by Miss McLaren, Miss Darling, Miss O'Connor, Miss La Bouteillier and Miss Haldimand. Narcissus flowers were arranged on the tea table and daffodils in the reception room. In the library, where Mrs. Douglas Hemsley presided, Tulips formed the floral decorations.

The marriage of Miss Eva Swift, daughter of Mr. W. A. M. Swift, of Westmount, to Dr. John McDermot, took place at Vancouver on Tuesday morning, Feb. 2. The bride was attended by her aunt, Mrs. Murphy, who accompanied her from Montreal. She wore her travelling costume of blue cloth with hat to match. Dr. Hannington, of the Columbia Coast Mission, acted as groomsman. Dr. and Mrs. McDermot are spending their honeymoon in Victoria, after which they will reside at 347 Cordova street east, Vancouver.

AT THE WOMEN'S CLUB.

Dr. Thomas Shaw will give a lecture at the meeting of the social science department of the Women's Club, on Monday afternoon, Feb. 15, on 'Food for different ages and conditions; the relation of physical and mental development to food.' Mrs. Belle Rose Emslie will recite selections from the poems of Robert Service, the 'Canadian Kipling.' Miss Ethel Murphy will contribute a piano solo.

WILKES-GREEN

ENGAGEMENT OF DAUGHTER OF MRS. HETTY GREEN ANNOUNCED AT GALT, ONT.

New York, Feb. 11.—Matthew Astor Wilkes, whose engagement to Miss Silvia Green, daughter of Hetty Green, known as the richest woman in America, was announced at Galt, Ont., today, is out of town, and the report could not be verified. Mrs. Green and her daughter, who have been living lately in Hoboken, also are absent.

Mr. Wilkes is a great grandson of the original John Jacob Astor, and is reputed to be very wealthy. He is about fifty-seven years old. An unauthorized announcement of his engagement to Miss Green was made last year, and, although promptly denied by Mr. Wilkes, many of his friends believed the engagement then existed.

FUNERAL OF MRS. HEFFERNAN.

St. Mary's Church was filled to the doors this morning with the friends of the late Mrs. Heffernan, an account of whose demise appeared in yesterday's 'Witness.' The church was heavily draped and the side altars beautifully illuminated. The choir, under the direction of Mr. McCaffrey, rendered the usual harmonized mass. The celebrant and deacon were the two sons of the deceased, while the sub-deacon was the Rev. Father Cullinan, of St. Mary's Church. Many prominent citizens were present to show their last mark of respect and veneration for the deceased lady, and upwards of fifty priests and representatives of religious bodies stood around the catafalque during the absolution. Among the clergy were the Rev. Canon Roy, of the Archbishop's Palace; the Rev. Canon O'Meare, of St. Gabriel's Church; the Rev. Fathers Devine and Devlin, S.J.; the Rev. Father Brady, of St. Mary's Church; the Rev. Father Martin and Luke Callaghan, Father Shea, of St. Aloysius; Fathers Callaghan and McCrory from St. Michaels; Father Casey, of St. Agnes; Fathers McShane, Singleton and O'Reilly, St. Patrick's Church; Fathers Holland and Brother William, St. Ann's Church. The late Mrs. Heffernan was well-known for her charity towards the needy, and no better proof is needed of her worth than the testimony of the large congregation assembled this morning to do honor to her remains.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES.

The January report of the Victorian Order of Nurses shows total number of visits 3,914, by night, 125; operations, 114; nurses, 30; new doctors, 6; medical cases, 159; including typhoid, 93; surgical cases, 59; gynecological cases, 17; obstetric cases, 153; total number of doctors calling the Order, 266; diet tickets given, 15. Food, coal and a great deal of clothing given away. Work secured for men, 7; for women, 3.

SHIPPING NEWS

CORINTHIAN-MALIN HEAD COLLISION.

A Canadian Associated Press despatch from London to-day states that the Admiralty Court yesterday rendered judgment holding the Allan line steamer Corinthian alone to blame for the collision on Sept. 13 in the River St. Lawrence with the Head line SS. Malin Head, the owners of which brought action for damages sustained.

SHIPPING NOTES.

Ontarian, Allan line, sailed from Portland for Glasgow at 10.30 a.m. yesterday.

Ionian, Allan line, from Glasgow for Boston, via Halifax, arrived at Boston at 8.30 a.m. yesterday. She will sail on Feb. 18.

Manchester Trader, Manchester line, from Manchester, arrived at St. John on Wednesday.

Suggestions in Carnival Requisites

Let us suggest something for you in the Footwear line for the Carnival festivities. Warm Boots, Overshoes, Overstockings. CURLING BOOTS, MOCCASINS, SKATING BOOTS, Mitts and Leggings. In the above lines we are clearing out at very attractive prices to make room for our stock of new spring goods.

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STEEL THE BIG FAVORITE WITH INVESTING PUBLIC

Heavy Selling—Advanced Prices—Other Issues are Firm—Coal Gets Support.

The ruling of Iron securities was the feature of the stock exchange to-day. The trading in common was excessive, and notwithstanding the fact that thousands of shares were thrown on the market, it advanced from 23⅞, the opening figure, to 25 1-8. It is not altogether evident why this buying should be so excessive, and the only reason given is that those who bought under 20 are taking profits. The transfer of the stock appears to be general, and no particular individual or clique is disposing of their holdings for any other purpose than to make hay while the sun shines. The preferred was very strong, and gained 2½ points, selling at 92½. The decision of the Privy Council in favor of the Steel Company has certainly given an impetus to this stock. Other issues, with the exception of Coal, were firm, and in some instances, appreciable advances were made. Rio, on good trading, made a new record, at 103, advancing 3½ points during the session. Shawinigan was firmly supported, and on a strong demand, it went up to 98, while Quebec Railway was very strong around 44. This stock is deserving of public support, if for no other reason than that the company is strong financially, and the future is of the brightest and most encouraging. Detroit United sold up to 62, while Asbestos touched 80¼. Power was steady at 116, while Scotia was held at 63. Coal issues, especially the common, were bought by those close to the company, and although it lost five points to 43 during the session, it advanced, on good support, to 49½, which was rather remarkable, and may unfold a little bit of a history surrounding the buying of these securities during the past year. Sales of bank securities and bond issues were only moderate, and prices showed no change.

COBALT STOCKS WERE SOLD IN RESTRICTED MEASURE

On the local mining exchange this morning sales of oCbalt stocks were not many or large.

Following are the noon closing quotations specially furnished to the 'Witness' by Fisher & DesRosiers, stock brokers, 91 St. Francois Xavier street:

MORNING SALES.

Crown Reserve—350 at 2.93.
La Rose—100 at 6.50.
Unlisted: Reddick—5,000 at 14¾.
Floyd—2,500 at 11.

Visitors on 'Change

There was considerable business activity in the hall of the Board of Trade to-day. Many members were present, and several visitors were introduced, among whom was Mr. C. H. F. Plummer, of Toronto, and brother to Mr. J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company. Mr. Plummer was introduced by Mr. Frank Plummer. Mr. W. H. Lenny, of Ormiston, was introduced by Mr. H. Markon, and Mr. A. G. Stillwell was ushered in by Mr. E. H. Hodgson. The visitors were evidently very much attracted by the general appearance and arrangement of the spacious hall.

Edmonton Clearings

Edmonton, Feb. 12.—Bank clearings for the week ended Feb. 11 amounted to $819,-...

MORNING BOARD.

Coal—25 at 48, 25 at 47½, 25 at 46½, 25 at 46, 50 at 43, 50 at 45, 100 at 45½, 50 at 46, 75 at 45, 5 at 47, 25 at 48¼, 25 at 48, 25 at 49½.
Rio bonds—$5000 at 93⅜.
Mex. Elec. bonds—$15,000 at 87½.
Textile common—25 at 62.
Quebec Railway—50 at 43½, 50 at 44.
Telephone—15 at 144.
Quebec pref—7 at 114.
Power—12 at 116.
Detroit—50 at 61⅞, 50 at 62, 12 at 61½.
Bank of Ottawa—50 at 213 cash.
Crown Reserve—1300 at 2.93, 3000 at 2.94, at 2.90.
Shawinigan—50 at 95, 50 at 95½, 325 at 98.
Rio—50 at 99½, 50 at 100, 5 at 98, 100 at 100, 100 at 100¼, 100 at 101, 25 at 101½, 25 at 102, 25 at 102¼, 50 at 103.
Twins—150 at 105, 25 at 104⅞.
Bank B.N.A.—12 at 148¼.
Iron pref—145 at 86, 110 at 91, 50 at 91½, 70 at 92, 25 at 92½.
Asbestos—10 at 80, 25 at 80¼, 75 at 80.
Havana—50 at 85.
Scotia—10 at 63¼, 210 at 63.
Keew. bonds—$2,000 at 104 and int.
Mex. L. and P. bonds—$5000 at 88¼, $3000 at 88⅜.
Iron—50 at 23⅞, 950 at 24, 60 at 24¼, 275 at 24½, 25 at 24¾, 300 at 24½, 25 at 24⅝, 300 at 24½, 25 at 24⅝, 115 at 24½, 50 at 24⅝, 10 at 25, 150 at 24½, 30 at 24⅝, 370 at 24½, 200 at 24⅝, 45 at 24¾, 225 at 24⅝, 10 at 25, 110 at 24¾, 25 at 24⅝, 475 at 24⅞, 960 at 25, 400 at 25 1-8, 835 at 25, 175 at 25 1-8, 125 at 25¼, 10 at 25, 100 at 25 1-8, 175 at 25¼, 10 at 25, 475 at 25 1-8, 100 at 25¼, 100 at 25⅛, 175 at 25 1-8, 25 at 25¼, 10 at 25, 100 at 25 1-8, 175 at 25¼, 25 at 25 1-8.
Coal pref—4 at 97.
Bank of Montreal—2 at 248½.
Iron bonds—$1,000 at 85.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Scotia—5 at 63¼, 25 at 63.
Toledo—25 at 13.
Can. Pac.—50 at 174.
Rich. & Ont.—5 at 80½.
Coal—50 at 49½.
Crown Reserve—2,500 at 2.99 60 days, 1,000 at 2.92, 100 at 2.91, 1,500 at 2.92, 500 at 2.92½.
Power—100 at 115½, 15 at 116.
Bank of Otawa—10 at 213 cash.
Molsons Bank—68 at 207 between sessions.
Rio—15 at 103.
Shawinigan—50 at 98.
Iron pref—10 at 92, 40 at 92½, 20 at 93, 50 at 92¾, 25 at 92⅝, 15 at 92½, 50 at 92¾, 50 at 93, 130 at 94.
M.S.R.—5 at 208.
Detroit—17 at 61.
Asbestos—105 at 80.
Lake of Woods—100 at 104¼.
Coal—30 at 96¾, 30 at 96.
Soo common—25 at 142¼
Textile pref—4 at 101.
Ogilvie—$2000 at 108.
Dom. Cot. Bonds—$2000 at 99.
Coal bonds—$2000 at 90.
Mex. L. and P. bonds—$10,000 at 88⅜.
Rio bonds—$500 at 93.
Iron—375 at 25 1-8, 30 at 25¼, 25 at 25, 10 at 25⅜, 125 at 25 1-8, 200 at 25½, 6 at 25, 50 at 25¼, 225 at 25⅜, 50 at 25½, 100 at 25⅝, 225 at 25¼, 225 at 25⅜, 1010 at 25½, 1200 at 25⅝.

WILL PAY ALL DIVIDENDS AT END OF PRESENT YEAR

British Columbia Packers' Association Will Show Big Profits—Sales Heavy.

The remarkable growth financialy of the British Columbia Packers' Association during the past year is a matter for congratulations to such men as Messrs. Aemilius Jarvis, of Toronto; Rodolphe Forget, M.P., of Montreal, and Mr. W. H. Barker, of Vancouver, and others, who have at personal financial risk stood by the industry since its inception in 1902. This Association was organized for the purpose of handling and canning the fish trade of the West, and especially the Fraser River.

MR. JARVIS.

The Association carries about $1,270,000 preferred stock, while the common amounts to a valuation of $1,500,000. The latter is listed on the exchange, but the common has to be placed before the investing public with the regular stocks.

During the first year of the existence of the company the preferred sold as high as 115, while the common was offered at 32. For the first five years dividends were paid, but in 1907 and 1908, owing to uncertainties in the trade it was necessary to pass the dividends in order that the management might meet more pressing obligations. It is expected, however, owing to increased activities, that the company will pay all back and present dividends about the month of November next, when a division of about 21 percent will be made to the shareholders. It is understood the Association is behind at least $263,000 in its dividends, but with the big profits of the year this will be easily wiped out. At the present time the preferred is bearing 7 percent, while the common may shortly be placed on a 5 percent dividend paying basis.

The financial position of the Association is exceedingly healthy just now, and according to careful calculations, it is estimated that the Association will clear the handsome sum of $800,000 during the season of 1909, and that with the balance on hand, the management will be in a position to pay off all outstanding accouns and accrued dividends, leaving a surplus of at least $1,000,000 in the treasury.

The latest figures just to hand of the results of the pack of the Association for the past year show a very satisfactory state of affairs. After charging $10,971 on account of repairs and renewals to the cost of the pack, and $33,900 written off for depreciation, they show a profit of $108,225, out of which they paid $88,900 on account of dividends. The assets are now over $3,300,000, with no liabilities. The liquid assets amount to nearly $650,000, or 50 percent of the preferred issue. During the past twelve months quite a considerable amount of new machinery and new buildings have been purchased, and the work of development continues.

Mr. Jarvis, vice-president of the Association, is exceedingly optimistic regarding the future of the fish industry in the West, and in a letter received in the city recently he predicts that the sale of fish during the present year, especially to the British Isles and Continental markets, will surpass all expectations.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Reported by W. P. O'Brien, 83 St. Francois Xavier Direct. Tel. Main 216.

	Sellers	Buyers		Sellers	Buyers
Bell Tel. Co.	145	144	Dom. I. & S.	26¼	25½
B.C.Pk.As.A	75	74½	" " pfd...	93	92¼
B.C.Pk.As.B	77	74½	Duluth com	....	17
Can. Con. ...	35½	35	" pfd....	....	....
Can. Pac. Ry.	174¼	173¼	Halifax Ry.	107½	107
Crown Reserve	2.93	2.90½	Hav. Elec.. xd	....	39¾
Detroit Elec.	62	61¾	" pfd....	....	84½
D. Coal com	50	49¼	Mex. L. & P.	88	81
" " pfd	100	....	" " pfd....	....	....
Ill. Trac....	94	93½	M. & St. Paul	142¾	141¼
Int. Coal....	....	70	" pfd. xd	....	....
Int. C. Com.	....	....	Mt. L. H. & P.	....	116¾
Int. Port. C's.	....	132	Mont. St. Ry.	208	207¾
L. W. ds. com	104¼	104	New St. Ry.	140	133
" pfd..	119	....	Mont. Steel	99	98
Laur. Paper xd	....	113	" pfd....	109¼	108
pfd.	118¾	....	Mont. Tel.	....	140
Mackay com.	75	71½	Nipissing...	12	9¾
" pfd..	71¼	70¾	Sao Paulo..	160¼	159¾
Nor. Ohio....	....	....	Shaw. W. & P	....	98
N. S. Steel...	63	62	St. John Ry.	....	100
" pfd.....	....	116½	Toledo.....	13	12¾
N. W. Laud..	....	....	Toronto.....	130	129½
Ogilvie com..	116¼	115¼	Tri City pfd.	87	85
pfd.....	124½	121	Twin City xd	105¼	105
Penmn's Ltd xd	49¾	48½	West India ..	....	....
" pfd.....	86½	85½	Winnipeg...	170	167½
R. & O. Nav.	81¼	81¼			

BANKS

B.N.A.....	149	148	Nationale..	....	....
Com'erce....	175½	174½	New Brunsk	....	....
Dom	....	....	N. Scotia....	284	....
East. T.....	....	156	Ottawa.....	....	....
Hamilton....	....	....	Quebec.....	....	....
Hoch'laga...	144	142	Royal.....	236	....
Imperial	....	....	Standard....	....	....
Merch.....	....	163	Toronto....	223	....
Molson.....	207	206	Union.....	138	134½
Montreal....	....	248			

COTTONS.

Can. C. Cot.	52	50	Dom. Tex. pf	100½	100
D. Tex. com	62¼	62	Montreal..	132	131

SOOTS

Bell Tel....5	....	104	Keewat'n Mills	103½	105½
Can. C. Col.6	....	97	L. of Woods...	....	107½
Can. Con..6	91	....	Laur. Paper..6	114	110
Cable.....	....	....	Mag. Is. Dev..6	....	....
Dom. Coal..5	94	90	Mex. E. L. Co. 5	86½	86
Dom. Cot..6	100	99	Mex. L. & P. 5	89	88½
D. I. & S.. 5	85	84¾	Mt. L. H. & P. 4½	....	99½
Halifax Tr. 5	....	99	SaoPaulo....5	....	....
Rav. El. Ry. 5	....	....	St. John Ry.. 5	....	101
Mt. St. Ry. 4½	104½	101¼	Textile Ser. A. 6	....	99¾
M'Wareh' 4	....	....	" " B 6	....	98
N. S. S. & C. 6	....	103	" " C 6	97	94¾
N. Sco. Con. 6	....	103	" " D 6	96	....
Ogilvie Mil. 6	....	....	T. York Red. 5	....	....
Series B. 6	....	106½	West India..5	....	98
Pr. es Br. s. 6	....	104½	Win. Elec....5	105	104
Rio de Jan. 5	94	93⅝	Wind'r Hotel 4	....	....

SALES OF COBALT STOCKS IN TORONTO WERE SMALLER TO-DAY

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Sales of Cobalt stocks were on the quiet side, with prices comparatively low.

Following are the sales and quotations:—

MORNING SALES.

Beaver—300 at 28¾, 700 at 28½. Chambers—500 at 80. New City of Cobalt—500 at 86. Cobalt Central—200 at 46, 500 at 45½. Reserve—50 at 291, 2100 at 280, 50 at 283. Foster—100 at 43, 1000 at 42. Gifford—100 at 25¾, 500 at 25½, 1500 at 25. Larose—25 at 655. Little Nipissing—100 at 49, 150 at 42, 1200 at 43. McKinley—500 at 99, 500 at 98, 25 at 100. Nipissing—25 at 975, 10 at 980. Scotia—700 at 61½, 500 at 61, 1500 at 61¼. Ottawa—600 at 53⅛, 5000 at 54. Peterson—1000 at 32½ future, 5000 at 33 future, 500 at 80, 4100 at 30¼, 500 at 30½, 100 at 31. Rochester—1000 at 21¾. Leaf—700 at 11, 2000 at 11¾. Bar—2650 at 50. Queen—200 at 69, 150 at 70. Temiskaming—1000 at 161, 1000 at 160½, 500 at 160, 100 at 159, 200 at 158½, 1200 at 158½. Trethewey—100 at 187. Watts—500 at 24.

PRIVY COUNCIL DECISION IN FAVOR OF STEEL POPULAR WITH THE PUBLIC

Next Move of the Big Companies is Now Awaited—Both Sides Appear Cautious—Officials and Directors on the Judgment.

The sweeping decision in favor of the Steel Company as rendered by the Privy Council yesterday in the Steel and Coal case continues to be the great subject for conversation in financial and commercial circles, not only in Montreal, but throughout the Dominion. Of course all kinds of suppositions and predictions are being made as to what is likely to happen between the two big corporations, but those who are close to the management of the Steel Corporation do not hesitate to declare that Mr. Plummer and his confreres will certainly demand their rights, but what these rights are likely to be when the smoke of battle has cleared away is difficult to predict at the moment. It is not likely that the Steel people will go the full limit in exacting the pound of flesh, but their position is an enviable one and they can with the rapidly increasing business at the Sydney plant, afford to be generous, when once they have made secure their future relations with the Coal Company, and have reckoned with them the final adjustment of the litigation proceedings. Mr. Plummer and the directors of the Steel Corporation have always shown a fair spirit in their dealings towards the Coal and other companies, and it is quite evident that the president of the Steel Company will continue his policy of aggressiveness and development in promoting the interests of the company to which he has devoted so much of his time and energy to achieve triumph, in building up in the face of opposition one of the most promising industrial concerns in Canada.

The remarkable popularity of the judgment, generally taken here, of the Steel contention is found in the prevailing impression that in this quarter it was justice and equity. The feeling obtains that when Mr. Ross found he was losing profits under the contract entered into on Oct. 30, 1903, which was to run for 99 years, he set himself to find some means of breaking that contract. Poor coal, it is contended, was offered to the Steel Company as a means to this end, and when the coal was refused, as the vendors must have expected it would be refused, the contract was promptly broken.

The contract to which allusion is made provided for a supply of coal at $1.24 a ton, with 4 cents a ton added for the use of cars. Notwithstanding the fact that the judgment handed down in London is a complete triumph for the Steel Company, adherents of the Coal side contend that it is not so sweeping as it might at first appear. They point out that in any event the price to be paid for the coal was open to revision in two years' time and that very much higher figures could be then demanded. On the contrary, the Steel people say that the coal of the future can only be higher by the increased cost of production and assert that the Coal Company, except in the one item of higher wages paid to workmen, will find it impossible to prove its right to any great advance in the present price. The Steel Company will doubtless demand a production of the Coal Company's books on this point, and, as the former has always claimed that the latter, through mismanagement, was responsible for the unnecessarily high prices paid there would appear to be ground for another spirited passage-at-arms in sight. The Steel Company's present claim for damages amounts to almost $3,000,000, but, if no amicable settlement of the disputed points is reached, the final claim, it is said, might very readily run up close to ten millions.

OPINIONS EXPRESSED BY BOTH SIDES.

It is needless to state that Mr. J. H. Plummer is probably the happiest man in Montreal to-day. From the moment he arrived in the city from Ottawa last evening until late this afternoon, he was the recipient of hearty congratulations. This morning Mr. P. Plummer was down town bright and early attending to business, and after consulting with several of the directors and others he was closeted with Mr. A. J. Brown, K.C., for some time on matters relative to the judgment.

Mr. Plummer stated to the 'Witness' that the decision of the Privy Council was only what he had expected, that he never had any doubt as to the resul of the appeal, and that the decision will now allow the Steel Company to proceed with the development of its plans and still further extend the industry. He has nothing to say as to the effect of the judgment upon the dividends of the Steel Company, but the general opinion is that when the terms of the judgment are settled there will be something doing in that direction, and that a rich 'plum' will be handed out to the shareholders. Mr. Plummer may issue a statement later.

Mr. James Ross was asked his opinion on the verdict. He would talk later, he said, but appears to think that the fight is not yet over. This opinion seems to be held in certain financial circles. Mr. Ross, while being the largest holder of Dominion Coal, is also a large holder of both Iron preferred and common stock, and he can always play a prominent part in any movement in both the stocks on the exchange, although it is believed that Coal interests have let out considerable of their Steel holdings.

On one point everybody is agreed, and that is that Mr. Ross has already laid his plans to make the victory of the Steel Company as small as possible, and at the same time have the defeat of the Coal Company appear as light as possible.

It is apparent that the directors of both companies seem unfeignedly glad that an end has been put to a strained situation that affected scores of other concerns besides the Coal and Steel issues, and overhung the whole Canadian industrial market.

Sir Henry Pellatt, a director of the Dominion Coal Company, said that personally he was glad the matter was settled. 'For years,' continued Sir Henry, 'the dispute has been a financial nightmare, and I do not know anything that will help the general situation more than the delivery of the judgment. As to the particulars of settlement I am not able to speak. But the Coal Company is in a position to pay whatever damages are assessed, and the Steel Company is in a good position to receive them.'

'Does it not look, in view of the adverse judgement of the Coal Company, that it would have been better to settle the dispute a year or so ago, when negotiations were on?'

'One cannot tell. It may be that the terms of the judgment may be more advantageous to the Coal Company than the terms of a possible settlement.'

Mr. Miles Rogers, Toronto, a Steel director, said that damages 'once for all' had been awarded the Steel Company, but he was not aware of the amount.

'It cannot fail to be a large sum. The difference between this price we have been paying for coal and the contract price with the Dominion Coal Company is in excess of a million dollars, and if we win I should think they must award us that. Then there is the general damage to us caused by failure of the Coal Company to keep us supplied. This will be another large sum, I expect. I understand that damages are being assessed for the whole period of the 99 year contract we had with the Coal Company. If that is so, it may mean that the contract between us is held to have been cancelled.'

Mr. Rogers thought that the Dominion Coal Company could not throw away the business of the Steel concern. It was his opinion that the Coal Company was dependent on the steel plant for a winter market. The steel plant was built in proximity to the coal mines to facilitate this winter supply.

Mr. Frederic Nicolls, of Toronto, another Steel director, said: 'I have never had any doubt that the Steel Company would win. I was sorry, for that reason, that a fair agreement could not be reached between the companies, so that neither would be embarrassed by an adverse judgment.'

Several of the Montreal directors of the Steel Company, Messrs. W. G. Ross, William McMaster, and Senator Mackay, could only say that they were well pleased with the judgment.

FAILURES ARE VERY LIGHT AMOUNTING TO $47,000

Trade Steady, With Payments Slow—Staple Goods in Demand at Fair Prices.

Little variation is shown in the general business and financial situation. Country trade is reported quiet in many districts, with farmers not paying-up over well, so that it is not surprising to hear that Feb. 4 payments were not so good as the month previous.

Dry goods orders are coming in more freely. There is a general call for early deliveries of prints, in which stocks appear to be much reduced. Woollen and clothing men report better buying. In general hardware orders to hand would indicate an average spring business. Enquiries for pig iron are fairly numerous, but import orders for plates and sheets, are being booked somewhat slowly. Standard Scotch brands of pig iron are quoted at about $20, delivery first open water. Domestic bars remain easy at $1.80 to $1.85, and nails at $2.25 and $2.30 for wire and cut, respectively. In groceries, the only noteworthy feature is the loss of the advance in sugars, standard granulated going back to $4.40. A moderate trade is being done in leather with local shoe factories. Tanners are absorbing supplies of hides, and dealers are buying on the basis of 11c for No. 1. New calfskins are beginning to come in, and bring 14c for No. 1, and 12c for No. 2.

The failure list, according to Dun's, is light, nine insolvencies being reported for the week, with liabilities of $47,000.

NORTHERN CROWN BANK ENJOYED A GOOD YEAR

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—The annual meeting of the Northern Crown Bank was held here Wednesday afternoon. Net profits for year including balance of $28,841, at credit of profit and loss account for 1907 were $215,427. This was disposed of by appropriating $80,288 for dividends, and carrying $128,128 to credit of profit and loss account. The statement was considered satisfactory. Sir D. MacMillan, Winnipeg, was re-elected president, and Mr. Edward Gurney, Toronto, and Captain William Robinson, Winnipeg, vice-president.

DIVIDEND DECLARED ON G.T.R. SECOND PREFERRED

Earnings for Half Year Have Been Good Considering Lean Business Year.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 12.—The Grand Trunk Railway has declared a dividend of 2½ percent on the second preferred stock for the half year ending Dec. 31 last carrying forward $60,000. The stock market was expecting a full declaration, consequently the stocks have fallen heavily.

The half-yearly results show gross receipts of £3,383,800; working expenses, £2,422,400; net receipts, £960,500. The net revenue charges, less credits, are £478,700. After deducting deficiencies for the Canada Atlantic and Detroit and Grand Haven & Milwaukee affiliated lines there is a surplus of £443,000 available for dividend which will admit of the payment for the half year of 4 percent on the full guaranteed stock and 5 percent for the year on the first preference.

FARMERS' MARKET PRICES.—Feb. 12.

There was a fair attendance of the farmers at the Bonsecours Market this forenoon, oats being the chief article offered for sale, while buckwheat was more plentiful than usual and lower in price; there were no dressed hogs offered by the farmers, but pork pieces are plentiful at from 10c to 14c per lb.; dead poultry are still very high priced. Oats sold at 85c to $1.05 per bag; buckwheat, $1.15 to $1.20 do.; potatoes, 75c to 80c per 80-lb. bag; beets, carrots and turnips, 60c to 70c do.; cabbage, $1.50 to $1.75 per barrel; American celery, $1 per dozen; beef hindquarters, 5c to 7c per lb.; do., fronts, 4c to 5c do.; lamb's mutton, 10c to 10½c do.; dead turkeys, 23c to 24c do.; geese, 14c to 15c do.; chickens, 16c to 19c do.; tub butter, 28c to 32c per lb.; print butter, 35c to 38c do.; new laid eggs, 45c to 50c per dozen; older eggs, 30c to 33c do.; apples, $3 to $5.50 per barrel; frozen cranberries, $3 to $5 do. There are no fresh cranberries on the market. Valencia oranges, $3.25 to $3.75 per case for 420s; Jamaica oranges, $3 per box; lemons, $2.75 do.; Almeria grapes, $5 to $6 per keg; bananas, $1.00 per bunch for common, $2 for Jumbos; hay $10 to $12 per 100 bundles of 15 lbs.; straw, $5 to $7 per 100 bundles of 12 lbs.

C.P.R. MIGHT BECOME A SUBSTANTIAL PATRON

In the Lake Superior Corporation Enterprise, Says Sir William Van Horne.

Mr. Robert Fleming, head of the British syndicate which has acquired a large interest in the Lake Superior Corporation, is reported by the Canadian Associated Press as stating that Sir William Van Horne told him that the steel rails turned out at the 'Soo' were the best in the world. Mr. Fleming also declared that the Canadian Pacific Railway might become a substantial patron, and were most anxious to secure the permanent success of the enterprise. It was, however, untrue that the Canadian Pacific Railway had any financial interest in the undertaking. Mr. Fleming is not aware that Lord Strathcona is financially concerned in it.

GRAIN SITUATION IN ONTARIO IS VERY STRONG

Toronto, Feb. 12.—Trade in Ontario grain is practically at a standstill. Buyers have evidently about bid up to their limit, and holders are asking still higher prices. Oats are still being bid up, but holders are not letting much go as yet; 47c was bid for No. 2 white, to be delivered the latter part of March. Canada Western oats have been advanced another cent. There is a demand for these from the United States. Both Chicago and Winnipeg are again very strong to-day. Quotations on Manitoba wheat, all rail, have been put up a couple of cents.

Local dealers' quotations: Ontario wheat, No. 2 white, $1.02 to $1.03; No. 2 red, $1.02 to $1.02½; No. 2 mixed, $1.02 to $1.02½, outside. Manitoba wheat, spot, No. 1 northern, $1.14; No. 2 northern, $1.10½ on track, Bay ports. All rail, No. 1 northern, nominal, none offering, $1.20½; No. 2 northern, $1.16 to $1.16½, delivered at Ontario points. Barley, No. 2, 56c to 57c; No. 3 extra, 54c to 55c; No. 3, 53c outside. Oats, Ontario No. 2 white, 44c to 45c outside; No. 2 mixed 43c outside, No. 2 Western Canada, 47c on track, lake ports. Corn, American, No. 2 yellow, 70½c to 71c; No. 3 yellow, 69½c to 70c; Canadian, 65c to 66c, Toronto freights. Buckwheat, No. 2, 67c to 68c outside. Peas, No. 2, 88c outside.

Flour—Manitoba first patents, $5.50; seconds, $5.00; strong bakers, $4.80; Ontario winter wheat patents, $3.85 to $3.90, buyers' sacks, outside.

Millfeed—Bran scarce, $22 per ton in bags outside; shorts, $24 in bags, outside.

Bar Silver Steady

London, Feb. 12.—Bar silver to-day was quoted as steady at 23¾d per ounce.

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MONTREAL FRUIT TRADE IS QUIET THIS WEEK

Owing to Steady Coldness of Weather—Will Soon Become Active on all Sides.

The wholesale and retail fruit trade of Montreal and vicinity has been quiet for the past few days. This is partly due to the fact that during the cold weather the appetites of the community are not so keen for fruit as in the more temperate spells of weather. Dealers always expect these fluctuations of trade in this particular season of the year.

There is little change of price to note in imported fruit, except as regards lemons, which have declined from 50 to 75 cents per case in the last ten days. This somewhat sudden reduction of price is not easily accounted for, although, no doubt, the explanation lies in the fact that the demand is less, because people have become averse to paying as high as they did a month ago.

Florida oranges are still considered the best on the market, although the sales of California navels are slightly larger on account of their being seedless. Floridas are saleable at $2.75 to $3 per box; Californias, $2.75 to $3.50; tangerines remain at about $4 to $4.50 per strap. Apples, of No. 1 quality, are quoted at $4.25 per barrel and of No. 2 quality at $3.50. Fameuse and Spys, however, are very scarce and much in demand. They consequently sell as high as $6, and sometimes $6.50 per barrel.

All things considered, the outlook is bright, and dealers look forward to an animated period of trade at the approach of the milder season.

CATTLE MARKETS

East Buffalo, Feb. 12.—Cattle, good demand and stronger; prime steers, $6.25 to $6.50. Veals—Receipts, 450 head; active and 50c higher, $7 to $10. Hogs—Receipts, 5,100 head; fairly active and steady; yorkers, $6.75 to $7; pigs, $6.60 to $6.75; dairies, $6.60 to $6.90. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 11,000 head; active; lambs and wethers, 10c to 15c higher; lambs, $5 to $8.10; a few $8.15; wethers, $5 to $6.

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DEFEAT OF PROHIBITION

ANTI-LIQUOR BY-LAW VOTED DOWN AT ST ANICET.

Wednesday was polling day in the parish of St. Anicet, County of Huntingdon, to decide whether that municipality would prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within its limits, after May 1.

The vote cast was a very light one, owing to the storm of hail and snow which prevailed throughout the day. There are 416 names on the voters' list, but only 215 voted, 137 against the prohibition by-law, and 78 for it. This result is a victory for the liquor interests.

The population of the locality is French, with a sprinkling of Scotch and Irish. The contest, therefore, was in large part between the French electors themselves, although, indeed, most of the Scotch and Irish who voted cast their votes in favor of the by-law. Some of the latter, however, as well as many French, refrained from taking part.

There were some noteworthy incidents. Five women voted; of these, three were for the by-law and two against. The hero of the day was undoubtedly Mr. William McIntosh, of Maybank, aged ninety years on March 15 next, who drove through the severe storm six miles to record his vote, and that he did with a will for the by-law. Among the other voters who came to the poll was Mr. Adam Gardner, who has been blind for several years.

The result was a disappointment to the temperance workers. Several weeks ago a majority of the ratepayers signed a petition requesting the local council to take the poll which was held Wednesday. Had those who supported the petition stood by their own promises, Wednesday's result would undoubtedly have been a temperance victory.

During the taking of the vote the liquor party was represented by Mr. Numa E. Brossoit, advocate, of Valleyfield, and the temperance people by Mr. William Patterson, attorney for the Dominion Alliance, Montreal.

THE BECKERT MYSTERY

A THEORY AS TO THE GERMAN LEGATION MURDER IN SANTIAGO, CHILI.

Paris, Feb. 12.—The Berlin correspondent of the 'Matin' says that according to a dispatch from Santiago de Chili it is now certain that Chancellor Beckert, of the German legation there, was not murdered, as was supposed, after a body had been discovered in the ruins of the legation after it had been destroyed by fire on Friday last. It has been pretty well established that Beckert murdered a servant, dressed the body in his own clothes, stole a quantity of cash and decamped, after setting fire to the legation to destroy the evidence of his crime.

WESTMOUNT SCHOOL BOARD.

The meeting of Westmount School Board called for last night was indefinitely postponed.

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FATAL FIRES

TWO GIRLS PERISH IN NEW YORK STATE AND TWO MEN IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Two bodies were recovered to-day from the ruins of the Wabash Railway warehouse, which burned last night, with a loss of $500,000. A third body is believed to be hidden by the debris. One of the bodies found was partially identified as that of Thomas Malone, a watchman. Malone is supposed to have lost his life in an endeavor to reach the fire alarm box in the building after the fire had gained great headway.

Rochester, N.Y., Feb. 11.—Two girls were burned to death and their mother fatally injured, and two other children of the same family were badly burt in a fire which destroyed the farm dwelling of Albert Bennison, 12 miles south of Hernell, N.Y., near the village of Rexville, at 4.30 this morning. The fire started from an overheated chimney. Mrs. Bennison, with her night clothing in flames, leaped from a second story window. Her sons, Thomas and Albert, also jumped, Cora Bennison, aged 15, and her sister, Alice, aged 16, were burned to death in their beds. The father and other members of the family got out of the house unhurt. Mrs. Bennison is probably fatally hurt, and Thos. and Albert are seriously injured. The dwelling was destroyed.

ENTERTAINED BY PASTOR.

The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lee, Apple Hill, Ont., entertained the young people of the congregation at the manse on Tuesday evening. Weather conditions were perfect and the guests numbered nearly a hundred. Music, games, &c., made the hours pass pleasantly, and when the time came to go home 'Auld Lang Syne' was sung, bringing to a close an enjoyable evening.

READABLE PARAGRAPHS

RATHER TOO SMART.

The clever young man was wandering up and down the platform of the railway station, intent upon finding an empty carriage in the express which was almost due to start. But, alas, his search was in vain. Still, it is difficult to disappoint a clever young man when he is intent upon getting something. An idea occurred to him, and, assuming an official air, he stalked up to the last carriage, and cried in a stentorian voice:

'All change here! This carriage isn't going!'

There were exclamations low but deep from the occupants of the crowded compartment; but nevertheless they scurried out of the carriage, and packed themselves away in other parts of the train.

The smile on the face of the young man was child-like and bland as he settled himself spaciously in the corner of the empty carriage, and lit a cigar.

'Ah,' he murmured, 'it's a grand thing for me that I was born clever! I wish that they'd hurry up and start!'

Presently the station master put his head in the window and said:

'I s'pose you're the smart young feller what told the people this here carriage were not going?'

'Yes,' said the clever one. And he smiled a dazzling, seven-carat smile.

'Well,' said the station master, who was somewhat of a smiler himself, 'she ain't. The porter heard you telling them people, and he cut her off. He thought you was a director of the road.'—Sunday School Messenger.

A HARD REPUTATION.

A traveller in the dining-car of a Georgia railway had ordered fried eggs for breakfast.

'Can't give you' fried eggs, boss,' the negro waiter informed him, 'lessen yo' want to wait till we stops.'

'Why, how is that?'

'Well, de cook he says de road's so rough dat ebery time he tries to fry aigs dey scrambles.'—S.S. Messenger.'

A little girl was overheard talking to her doll, whose arm had come off, exposing the sawdust stuffing: 'You dear, good obedient dolly! I knew I had told you to chew your food fine, but I didn't think you would chew it so fine as that.'

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THOMAS SCOTT

LEPINE WILL NOT TELL WHERE BODY OF MURDERED PATRIOT LIES.

Winnipeg, Feb. 11.—Considerable interest has been aroused by the story printed a few days ago that Ambrose Lepine, the ex-officer of the paper Republic, who commanded the firing squad which executed Thomas Scott during the Red River Rebellion, had approached several persons in connection with revealing the spot where Scott was buried. To-day Lepine publishes the following letter:

'My attention was called to an article just published, to the effect that I would be willing to disclose the spot where the body of the late Thomas Scott lies, for a monetary consideration. I wish to state that many times I have been approached on this subject and I have always refused to betray that secret. I have never offered to do so upon any consideration. I wish to add that although I am a poor man, yet I feel that I must keep that secret forever, and it is perfectly useless to approach me on the subject.'

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Dated at the office of the Secretary of State of Canada, this 29th day of January, 1909.

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Ratification of by-law No. 384 concerning the establishment of a high pressure water system, and amendment to the law on such matter; amendment to Art. 210 of the Charter concerning REFERENDUMS; ratification of deed re Nicolet street sewer.

Meetings of the Council; committees and their powers; civic advertisements; amendment to the law concerning the drawing up of a general plan of streets and parks in the Island of Montreal; amendment to the law imposing a tax upon persons not residing within the limits of the City, but carrying a dying therein. Tax on plate glass insurance companies.

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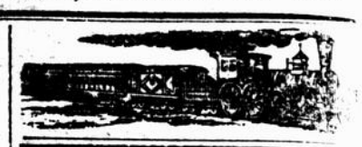

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AS HEAVEN SEES IT.

(By the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, D.D., in the 'C. E. World.')

Robert Arnold was employed as a clerk in the State-house at Topeka, Kan., on a salary of seventy-five dollars a month. He was married, and had two children, a boy nine years old and a little girl of five. He lived in a small but comfortable house on Lincoln street, and he was Kansas born and bred. He had received a high-school education, and was fairly well read in general. He was an inveterate reader of newspapers, and did not like to be disturbed by his children or his wife while reading. His wife was young, good-looking, and well educated. Both husband and wife were members of one of Topeka's churches, and the children went to Sunday School.

This perhaps is all that is necessary to say about the Arnold family before recounting the remarkable history of twelve hours on one day early in the year of our Lord 1906.

'I've had an insufferably dull day,' Robert Arnold said to his wife when he came home that Monday evening just before supper.

'Hasn't anything happened?' asked his wife.

'No. It's just tramp down to the State-house in the morning and back again at night. I'm dead sick of it. Tell those children to go out into the yard. I can't read with them yelling around in here.'

Mr. Arnold got into the best chair in the sitting-room, and opened the evening paper, while Mrs. Arnold told the children to go outdoors, and then proceeded to get supper ready. And that was the record, as Robert Arnold saw it, of one of his days of life on earth.

Robert Arnold's angel at the close of that same day of time brought in his record to the recording angel.

'Is your record long and vital?'

'It is,' was the sad answer. 'And I hesitate to go on. The effect of this day on this family is so tremendous that I grieve over it unspeakably.'

Nevertheless, proceed. Whatever has occurred upon the earth is part of heaven's vital record.'

First of all, then, Robert Arnold began the day by angering one of his children. The boy, who is a bright, lovable child, came downstairs and found his father reading the paper. Before thinking of his father's dislike to be interrupted, he said: "O papa, see my monthly report! I got 'excellent' in reading, arithmetic, and deportment."

"O, go out into the yard, and don't disturb me with that old report!" said Robert Arnold crossly.

'"Won't you sign it, papa?" said the boy after a moment's silence. He spoke timidly, and edged away from his father's chair.'

'Is this Robert Arnold a cruel father to his children?' asked the recording angel.

'Cruel? Oh no. He is considered a kind-hearted husband and father by his neighbors and his pastor.'

'Does he ever strike his children?'

Strike them? O no, except with words.'

'Which hurt oftentimes as cruelly as blows. Proceed.'

'The boy received no answer from his father, and after waiting a moment he moodily went out of the room. The beauty of the day was marred at the very beginning for the child on account of his father's indifference. I wept at the sight of it. No cheerful 'Good morning.' No loving salutation. No word of happy greeting. Could one imagine a more dismal and unfortunate way to begin the day's record? What news of the world recorded in a daily paper could possibly be of such value that it could obliterate the custom of morning salutation of the heart's love?

'But children are slow to remember the hurts of their parents. The child came in when breakfast was announced, and smiled good-naturedly as he took his place at the table. There was not a word of thanks to the heavenly Father for the morning meal. The family might have lived a thousand years before Christ instead of two thousand years after, so far as any pagan could have told from anything that had yet occurred in this family circle.'

'Did you say this Robert Arnold and his wife are church-members?' asked the recording angel.

'Yes, they are both members in good and regular standing.'

'Do they have family worship?'

'No; Mr. Arnold says he hasn't time in the morning, and in the evening he is too tired. Besides, he says times have changed, and family worship is old-fashioned and unnecessary.

'During the meal Robert Arnold said to his boy: 'Give me that report. I'll sign it for you. It seems to me the schools have an awful lot of red tape about them. The teachers in our public schools are a pretty poor lot, I think. Miss ——' (he named the boy's teacher) 'is cross and uninteresting. I shall be glad when George gets into another room; won't you, George'

'"Yes," said the boy. "But the teacher is never cross to me."

'"Well, she is a pretty poor stick from all I can hear," said Robert Arnold.

'"I wish you would go into the school sometime this week, Robert," said his wife.

'"O yes, papa; won't you come Friday afternoon?' said George eagerly. "We have pieces; I have learned one on 'The Hungry Boy.' It's funny."

'"No, I can't get away from the office," said Robert Arnold briefly.

'"Maybe you could get away for an hour," Mrs. Arnold suggested. "Are you very busy just now?'

'"Well, no, not specially. But I don't like to ask old man Curry to get off. He's so particular there's no pleasure working under him."

'"Want to hear me say my piece, papa?" asked George with a little hesitation.

'"No, eat your breakfast. What did I tell you about bringing that ball to the table? Take it out."

'George rose from the table, tears in his eyes.

'"I don't see why that boy doesn't do what I tell him to," Robert Arnold said to his wife. Mrs. Arnold sighed.

'"I don't, either, Robert. Still, George is not a bad boy. He is thoughtless sometimes."

'"I think you ought to punish him oftener," Mr. Arnold said as he rose from the table.

'"I have to do all the disagreeable things," Mrs. Arnold exclaimed angrily.

'"Good by," said the little girl, who had been listening to all this quietly.

'"Good-by, pet," said her father. He went over and kissed her, but went away without a farewell to his wife or boy.

'Could anything have been more dismal than all that? He had criticized the school teacher before his children, had acknowledged his lack of interest in the school by refusing to visit it, had needlessly hurt the boy by not hearing his funny piece, and put a climax on the whole by angering his wife.'

'Did you say this Robert Arnold is a church-member?' asked the recording angel.

'Yes, he's counted a good member.'

'This must have been one of Robert Arnold's unfortunate days. Proceed.'

'Robert Arnold started down-town. He took his usual route down Tenth street. Just as he was crossing Polk, near Bethany College grounds, he met an elderly man who was walking slowly along with his head bent down. As the two men passed, the elder lifted his head, and hesitated a moment as if he were on the point of stopping and saying something; but at the sight of Arnold's face he seemed to change his mind, and went on after saying, "Good morning, Mr. Arnold."

'"Morning," replied Arnold curtly.

'"Queer the way some men never meet their obligations," Robert Arnold was saying as he walked along. "Now there's this old man Booker been owing me ten dollars over a year. Wonder why he doesn't pay up. I let him have the money on a pinch. Catch me loaning any more on a hard-luck story."

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'What did you do that for?' said Madge when he came back.

'The caterpillar is sleepy, and so I have made it a bed, and by and by it will weave itself a blanket,' he said.

'Oh, uncle! Can it, really? How can a caterpillar make a blanket?'

'It weaves it, dearie, something as a spider weaves its web. It will take a good while. You must watch and be patient.'

Madge went nearly every day to look at the caterpillar, for her uncle had put a piece of glass over the top of the box, and after what seemed to her a long time, one day she saw some fine threads from the creature to the glass. Every day there were more threads, until at last Madge could not see the worm at all.

'He has covered himself all up, uncle. Is the blanket finished now?' she asked.

'Yes, and now the caterpillar will sleep all winter, and when he wakes in the spring I don't believe you will recognize him.'

After a while Uncle Ted went up to the attic and lifted the glass cover off the box and found the caterpillar snugly wrapped up in his home-made blanket fastened tightly to the glass. So he stood the glass against the wall on the mantel in his room and there it stayed all winter.

But one day in April a strange thing happened. Madge had just gotten out of bed when she heard Uncle Ted calling her from his room. 'Oh, Madge, come here as quicaly as you can.' So she ran just as she was in her little white nightie. And there on Uncle Ted's mantel was a lovey yellow butterfly.

'Oh, Uncle Ted, how did that get here? Did it fly in your window?'

'No, dear! it crept out of its winter blanket.'

And then Uncle Ted showed her the cocoon, as he called the blanket which the caterpillar had made. There was a hole at one end, and out of that the ugly green worm, now changed into a fairy-like insect, had crept to spend its second summer floating in the air and sipping sweets from flowers.'—'McCall's Magazine.'

'Careful without care I am,
Nor feel my happy toil,
Kept in peace by Jesus's name,
Supported by His smile.
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I find His service my reward;
Every work I do below,
I do it to the Lord.

Thou, O Lord, in tender love,
Dost all my burden bear;
Lift my heart to things above,
And fix it ever there.
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Midst busy multitudes alone,
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FRIDAY, FEB. 12.

HAVING LOVED HIS OWN.

Christ loves His people; with an unchanging love, a love surpassing knowledge. His love is like the Father's love to Himself (John xv., 9). Love delights in its object. This is my Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. The Father loveth the Son and hath given all things into His hands—Love delights in communion and fellowship. The Father loveth the Son and showeth Him all things (John v., 20.). So Jesus says, I have made known to you all that I have heard from My Father (John xv., 15). The secret of the Lord is with them that love Him. Love is unselfish. Amid His own sufferings Jesus thought of others—of Peter of His mother, the dying robber, and of His murderers. All the sorrows and sufferings of His last hours at Calvary were for us. One word to His Father would have brought more than seventy thousand angels to His rescue, but then, what of the salvation of men? The death of the cross shows necessity. Apart from it, there could be no salvation. 'Jesus took the sinners' place, and suffered in His stead.' His was compassion like a god, that when the Saviour knew the price of pardon, was His blood. His pity ne'er withdrew.' Such love claims our love and gratitude.

DAILY TEXT.

February 12.

Be filled with the Spirit.—Eph. v., 18.

If ye, then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?—Luke xi., 13.

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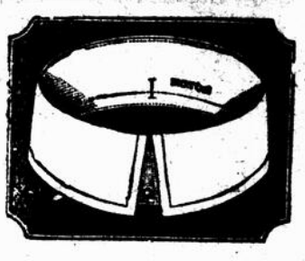

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ALD. GALLERY'S DEFENCE

He Explains His Vote Given for Changing City Hall Committees.

GOES BACK A YEAR FOR REASON FOR REDUCED ENGLISH-SPEAKING REPRESENTATION.

Writing to the 'Witness' on the subject of his vote in the City Council on Monday last, Ald. Gallery makes the following statement for publication:—

Attempts are being made to place an exaggerated responsibility for the reduction of the English representation on the civic Finance Committee at the doors of Alderman Turner and myself. I know that it will serve the purpose of certain individuals to make us the scapegoats, if they can, for this decision, but before final judgment is passed, let the public examine all the circumstances in their proper relationship with the result.

Twelve months ago the stand made by Alderman Clearihue against the members who were proposed on the French slate to serve with him on the Water Committee resulted in a majority of the English aldermen joining a dissatisfied element of their French colleagues. This combination converted a minority into the majority which upset the constitution of the committees as nominated under the original caucus compact. Since that time it has been an open secret that the English representation on the Finance Committee would be reduced this year to the proportions given on other committees. Now that the expected has happened, is the responsibility to be heaped upon me to such a height that Aldermen Clearihue and those who supported him last year may find room to hide the part they played towards the present end? I may be open to criticism, but let my critics be fair.

Had I withdrawn my support from Ald. Mercier's proposition on Monday last, the result would not have been any different, for I betray no secret in saying that there were those on the opposite side who were ready to come over for any seat on the Road Committee, and had this happened, Ald. Sadler would not have been the only English representative to leave the Finance Committee, neither would Ald. Clearihue be the chairman of the Water Committee to-day.

In judging my attitude, the conditions at the City Hall must be taken as they exist. Frankly, an alderman has to fight for whatever he gets. If there is no fight, there is no result, and the people might almost as well keep their representative at home. It it not the aldermen, but the system that is to blame.

I have been fighting for three years to regain the position which was taken from me by the vote of Ald. Sadler, given in as unjust a manner as the one he gave afterwards to save his own seat on the Finance Committee at the sacrifice of Ald. Molson. All this time my own purpose has been well known. I never went over to this or to that party. My aim invariably and always has been directed to a given end, and in reaching it the fact that I voted against the man who never had the least consideration for me is a coincidence. It is a misrepresentation to say I rejoice in what others have been pleased to call my 'revenge.'

The reduction of the English representation on the Finance Committee is an accident in the fight, and if blame is to be apportioned, are not Aldermen Sadler, Clearihue and others just as much responsible for this by their alliance with the French minority last year as it is contended I am responsible by my vote last Monday?

This is a plain and straightforward statement of fact. I do not excuse my vote last Monday, though it is fair to my electors that I should explain it. If I am to be judged upon it, I ask, in common fairness, that my judges, the public, shall hear the truth merely, but the whole truth.

TWO BISHOPS ELECTED.

New York, Feb. 11.—The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal general convention in session here to-day elected the Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, of Philadelphia, Bishop of Wyoming, and the Rev. Benjamin Brewster, of Salt Lake City, Bishop of Western Colorado.

THE JAPANESE PROBLEM.

Asiatic Immigration Bill Defeated by California Voters.

Sacramento, Calif., Feb. 11.—Senator Marc Anthony's bill submitting the question of Asiatic immigration to a vote of the people was defeated to-day by a vote of 22 to 12.

Moderation on the part of the legislators and an evident disposition finally to dispose of all measures relating to Japanese and other aliens characterized to-day's session of the legislature. Adopting a suggestion by Governor Gillet, the Assembly voted to appropriate ten thousand dollars to defray the expenses of a census which shall show the number of Japanese in California, and the pursuits in which they are engaged. The statistics are to be used in consideration of future legislation, possibly involving a request by California for an Asiatic exclusion act.

The report of the committee on executive communications, advising against any anti-alien legislation at this time, had been made the special order for to-day in the Senate, but its consideration was shut off on a point of order and the matter probably will not be again revived.

FIDELITY FUNDING CAMPANY

ONLY PAYMENT OF ACTUAL SUMS ADVANCED DEMANDED BY BANKS.

New York, Feb. 11.—That some of the banks which held mortgages on religious institutions in the middle west, issued through the Fidelity Funding Company, are exacting payment only of the actual sums advanced, was stated to-day by Mr. Thomas F. Gilroy, receiver of the Fidelity Company. Mr. Gilroy said that in the case of one western religious institution, bonds to the amount of four hundred thousand dollars were issued, but the institution received only two hundred and eighty thousand dollars. The banks which hold the mortgages are negotiating, he said, to settle it on the payment of the two hundred and eighty thousand dollars actual proceeds, without profit.

P. J. Kieran, the former head of the Fidelity Funding Company, was again examined by Mr. Gilroy in executive session to-day. It was developed that the Fidelity Company owned fifteen thousand shares of stock in a life insurance company organized as a part of its plan of business, and Mr. Kieran said these shares ought to be worth fifty or sixty dollars per share. It was stated that twenty-five thousand dollars might be derived from the Federal Construction Company. Mr. Gilroy said his estimate of twenty-two thousand dollars assets of the Fidelity Company represented the free assets only, and was not intended to include the entire assets.

INDIFFERENCE APPARENT

MR. JAMES BRYCE DEPLORES DIMINISHED REVERENCE FOR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Mr. James Bryce, at the closing general session of the Religious Educational Association to-day, pointed out to the delegates what he said was the necessity of religious teaching along with ethical teaching. He declared that 'in large sections of the country there was a tendency towards indifferentism in religion and a diminished reverence for religious beliefs.'

'Harvard University is opposed to luxury and the segregation of the rich,' declared Doctor Charles W. Eliot, a former president of the university. 'Only a few years ago, when I was a student, we had no gas, we drew water from a pump in the courtyard, and when the first carpet was introduced considerable complaint was made at the evidence of luxury. We do not exactly want these conditions to prevail now, but we are opposed to extreme luxury.'

ENTOMBED MINERS ESCAPE.

Yuzovka, Russia, Feb. 11.—The 125 miners who had been imprisoned in the Catherine mine for two days, following an explosion and fire on February 9, and whose lives were despaired of, made their escape from the mine to-day through an abandoned gallery. Several of the men were overcome by fumes, but they were helped out by their studier comrades. The second engineer died of injuries soon after coming to the surface.

LORD MINTO'S ESCAPE.

Bomb Thrown at Train Believed to Have Been Intended for the Viceroy.

Calcuta, Feb. 11.—A bomb was thrown at a railway train near Barrackpur, fifteen miles north of here, yesterday evening, and to-day an investigation resulted in the suspicion that the act was an attempt upon the life of Lord Minto, the Viceroy of India. The Viceroy was due to pass this spot on his way to Assam, but it so happened that he was on another train.

The explosion of the bomb did not result in injury to any one.

A CRISIS IN TURKEY

CHANGES IN CABINET FRUSTRATE COUP D'ETAT.

London, Feb. 12.—It was announced from Constantinople on Wednesday that Nazim Pasha, Hussey Pasha and Zia Pasha, respectively, had been replaced as Minister of War, Minister of Marine and Minister of Public Instruction. The Constantinople correspondent of the 'Morning Post' now states that these sudden changes frustrated a coup d'etat which the Committee of Union and Progress intended to carry out on Feb. 12. The committee's object was to establish a military dictatorship under Prince Yussuf Izz-Ed-Din. The members of the committee are greatly incensed with Grand Vizier Kiamil Pasha, who made the new appointments, and they succeeded on Thursday in obtaining the Chamber's support of an interpellation, which will be addressed to Kiamil Pasha on Friday. The Committee of Union and Progress and the Committee of Liberal Union are in conict. A ministerial crisis is expected at any moment. The President of the Council of State has resiegned, and the Ministers of Justice, Interior and Finance will resign to-night.

The Constantinople correspondent of the 'Telegraph' confirms the foregoing. He says the incident seems to be the climax of the struggle between the two committees. The members of the Committee of Union and Progress lately found their influence waning, and that they were daily becoming more unpopular. They are particularly incensed with Kiamil Pasha for accepting an invitation to a Liberal Union banquet, and the fact that Nazin Pasha and Hussey Pasha, two of the deposed ministers, are Liberal Unionists, add gall to their bitterness.

THE PAPER MAKERS

UNIONS REACH A PEACE AGREEMENT AT BOSTON.

Boston, Feb. 11.—A contest between two big international paper makers' unions, which has existed for a year or more, was probably brought to a close to-day by the decision of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers, Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers to accept a peace agreement and jurisdiction proposition tentatively agreed upon by representatives of the rivol unions at Albany, N.Y., on Feb. 1. The struggle between the Carey Union and the 'Fitzgerald Union,' as the opposing unions were termed from the names of their presidents, threatened not only to disrupt the two organizations, but interfered with the paper trade, and at one time almost caused a paper famine.

Under the terms of the peace agreement, the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers, Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, of which Mr. J. F. Carey, of Watertown, N.Y., is president, and which has been in session for several days past, will confine its membership to the 'skilled employees,' embracing machine men, beaters and finishers in the fine paper mills and machine men in the newspaper and bag mills.

The International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, under President Fitzgerald, will confine itself to the 'unskilled labor,' and each will transfer to the other such members as belong in the respective classes. In addition, it is expected the so-called Carey union will drop the latter part of its title.

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GREATEST VALUE

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

MR. REDMOND SENDS A MESSAGE TO AMERICAN BODY.

Boston, Feb. 11.—Mr. John O'Callaghan, of the United Irish League of America, received a cablegram from Mr. John E. Redmond, referring to the convention of the United Irish League:

'Greatest convention ever held in Ireland. Practical unanimity in support of party. Nationalists' thanks voted to America for generous support. Cables to America suggesting that disorder occurred, participated in by clergymen, members of Parliament or others absolutely false. No violence of any sort. O'Brien refused hearing by delegates; nothing more.'

Belfast, Feb. 11.—Presiding to-night at a banquet given in honor of Mr. Joseph Devlin, Nationalist member of Parliament for Belfast, and in recognition of his services to the party during his recent visit to the United States, Mr. John Redmond paid a remarkable tribute to his colleague's genius for organization. Since the days of Parnell, said Mr. Redmond, no man had entered the Irish party with such commanding political genius and ability as Mr. Devlin. He was a tower of strength to the Irish party in Parliament, and while the turned to him in every moment of difficulty, or embarrassment, they looked to him also to keep the national movement in Ireland strong and powerful, and in the end united. The success of the American mission was largely due to his influence.

CONFIRMED JUDGMENT.

Mr. Justice Guerin rendered the formal judgment of the Court yesterday, confirming the verdict of the jury in the case of Mrs. James Curtis against Messrs. Martineau & Son, and granting the plaintiff $3,000 damages on account of the death of her husband, killed by a live wire.

GERMAN SPIES

ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND SAID TO BE FILLED WITH THEM.

London, Feb. 11.—Major A. J. Reed, of the Primrose League, declared at a Blackford Unionist meeting the other evening, that five thousand Germans were in England regularly employed by the German General Staff to collect information of English defences. He stated that to the British Intelligence Department there had recently been revealed the organization and functions of the special department of the German secret police operating in this country. Their agents, he said, were divided into two divisions. The first comprised fixed agents or 'letter boxes,' as they were termed among the spies themselves. These men, of various nationalities, in all grades of life, from laborers to merchants, made reports upon the British coast defences, waterworks, railways, stores of provisions, etc. The second division consisted of travelling agents, who were sometimes in the guise of money lenders, or more often German commercial travellers. These directed the work of espionage—and made payments to the fixed agents.

In the industrial centres of Scotland alone there were, he declared, at this moment, no fewer than 1,500 persons, male and female, in the employ of the German General Staff. It was now generally known that during the last two years the whole of the defence of Scotland had been secretly investigated and reported upon to Berlin.

ST. JOHN AND THE C.P.R.

St. John, N.B., Feb. 11.—It is learned that the Council of the St. John Board of Trade to-day decided to favor acceptance by the city of the C. P. R.'s offer to give up their 1,600-foot harbor frontage for exclusive rights in city property at Sand Point, which they want for yard room. The aldermen will consider the matter on Mnday.

INDECENT PLAYS

THE PEOPLE WANT THEM AND THAT IS WHY THEY ARE GIVEN SAY MANAGERS.

New York, Feb. 11.—The relation of the public to the theatre with special reference to the question of what are not plays of a desirable character, was discussed to-night by Charles Burnham, president of the Association of theatre managers and, Marc Klaw, before the Entertainment Club at the Waldorf. Both of them declared that the public were more responsible for the plays presented than the managers.

'New York is a town of sensation,' said Mr. Burnham. Let the word be passed that a play is broad or indelicate and the town runs wild about it, while some play of merit, bright and entertaining, is laid on the shelf.

Women are more to be blamed for this than men. No play can exist that is not patronized by women.'

Mr. Klaw said that society could do the greatest good to the stage by turning its back upon indecent plays. The question of decency ought very easily to be settled.

WILL MOVE THE ADDRESS.

Mr. J. N. Francoeur, M.P.P. for Lotbiniere, will move the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne at the opening of the Quebec Legislature, and the seconder will be Dr. Finnie, M.P.P. for St. Lawrence division.

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