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BETTER CIVIC GOVERNMENT

Monster Mass Meeting in the Pavilion.

AWAY WITH VILLAGE SYSTEMS

"Why Should we be Doomed to this Procrustian Monotony?"

Separate the Legislative From the Administrative Function Say the Speakers—Principal Caven Prophesies That Toronto Will Rise in Its Moral Majesty—Mr. George Bertram Says the Present Council is not a Fair Reflex of the People or the System—Want the Ward System Abolished and the Polls Kept Open Till 8 O'clock—Prof. Goldwin Smith's Practical Address.

Civic reformers held the opening meeting of a campaign for clean, city government at the Pavilion last night. The hall was filled with an audience that was fairly enthusiastic, and the speeches all pointed to an earnest wish for better men at the head of Toronto's affairs.

The business part of the meeting consisted of the appointment of a Citizens' Committee, to consider the advisability of certain reforms, and primarily to secure the election of good men as aldermen for 1895. The committee is a large and comprehensive one, and will hold its first meeting in the Council Chamber on Tuesday next.

Both the floor of the hall and the gallery were well filled at 8 o'clock. There was a goodly sprinkling of ladies, both among the auditors and on the platform, and the presence of the fair ones may have restrained any exhibitions of discord. As it was, Louis P. Kribs was the only one who rose in opposition, and what he had to say won the approbation of fully half of those present. The name of the Hurontario canal promoter was once mentioned, but it was received with such a mingled storm of hisses and jeers that the ex-Baron himself asked that he be not mentioned. During the rest of the meeting he sat silent and there was peace.

Some of Those on the Platform.

Shortly after 8 o'clock W. R. Brock took the chair, and this delegation of ladies and gentlemen followed him to the platform: Prof. Goldwin Smith, R. W. Steele, ex-Ald. William Carlyle, ex-Ald. Steiner, Ald. Hallam, Dr. Barrick, John Armstrong, ex-Ald. Thomas Davies, ex-Ald. McMurrich, Hugh Blain, Charles Durand, Robert Jaffray, ex-Ald. D. M. Defoe, J. Eaton, Charles Bugg, James Beaty, ex-Ald. B. Saunders, G. A. Cox, R. H. Tomlinson, Rev. Dr. E. H. Dewart, J. H. Bertram, E. H. Hilborn, Dr. H. P. H. Galloway, Edgar J. Jarvis, John Kane, James Coulter, J. A. Livingstone, A. G. McLean, R. L. Fraser, S. C. Briggs, L. E. Embree, Thomas Thompson, William Caven, John Brown, J. M. Wright, F. H. Gooch, E. A. Macdonald, John D. Hay, Paul Campbell, James Stalker, Thomas C. Irving, William Blackley, George Burns, Andrew Bates, Elgin Schoff, John Macdonald, Michael Basso, A. F. Jury, G. W. Yarker, George McMurrich, Robert Somerville, J. N. Lee, George C. Campbell, J. S. Boddy, W. L. Beale, William McCabe, Malcolm Gibbs, Alexander Manning, Mrs. R. McDonell, Mrs. S. D. O'Connor, Dr. S. G. Thompson, Mrs. J. A. Harrison, Miss Clara Brett Martin, Alice A. Schoff, I. Howard Hunter, Rev. W. S. Blackstock, Miss Hallam, George H. Bertram and William Gordon.

Mr. Brock's Address.

W. R. Brock, in opening, said the meeting had been called to discuss matters connected with improvement in municipal government. It had been called by the Mayor and he being unable to be present had asked him (Mr. Brock) to take the chair in his place. Had the resolutions been enforced during the past four or five years that were to be brought forward at this meeting, many of the disgraceful revelations that had been made recently would probably not have been made, there would have been no necessity for them. No matter how good the system, no matter how carefully devised the system, unless it was properly administered by honest men it would simply be impossible to do any good.

Hugh Blain, President of the Board of Trade, moved the first resolution. It was this:

"That the legislative functions on the one hand and the executive and administrative on the other be as far separated as possible in the civic service; that the legislative functions be entrusted to the council, that the executive and administrative functions be entrusted to a salaried board of administration, of which the Mayor shall be chairman."

Mr. Blain said there must be something radically wrong with an administrative government that could produce such results as we had been experiencing during the past few weeks. The system might be all right for small towns and villages where the principal men took an active part in municipal affairs; but the larger the municipality grew the lower the standard seemed to fall. It now remained for them to find out the causes of the defect. In his opinion the principal cause was a defective system. We had a municipal system that was not suitable for the work it had to do. Until the duties of the aldermen, and the call upon their time were lessened, they could not expect good men to take the position. Mr. Blain further alluded to the abuse that was generally heaped from all sides upon the aldermen, which he strongly deprecated.

Professor Goldwin Smith.

Professor Goldwin Smith, in seconding the resolution, said Things have occurred lately which have brought shame upon us all. (Cheers.) Let us think no more of the past, but see whether we cannot redeem the honor of our city in the future. I don't believe that it can be done otherwise than by a change of system. What Mr. Blaine has said is perfectly true; our system is a village system; it is not a city system, and we must have a city system, adapted to the immense size and importance of Toronto. (Applause.) They are always telling us to elect better men. The best men will not come out. You cannot get a man in an important business to come out and devote himself to the duties of an alderman as they now are.

There is one city in the United States that is permanently well governed, and that is Washington. That city is governed by three commissioners appointed by the President of the United States. (Applause.) Everybody is satisfied with that administration. The good administration of the city forms a great attraction and is greatly helping Washington to become the social centre of this Continent. The first step seems to be to separate the legislative from the administrative functions. I have enquired about these things in the United States, and I find that cities are well governed just in proportion as the administration is taken from the legislative body and given

to experts who are thoroughly competent.

This is the mark towards which we have to aim. Unless we make some change in the system all our efforts to improve the elections will do us no good; we shall relapse again; we shall get the same sort of men, and if the duties remain the same as they are now, really I do not see how you can expect an alderman to give up the greater part of his time without some remuneration, direct or indirect. The wonder has always been to me, not that our aldermen are not better than they are, but that they are as good as they are. (Laughter.)

It is becoming a serious matter. The city is becoming loaded up with debt, and it is still in great peril. There are many things to be done. It is said that Sir Oliver Mowat would refuse to give us a special charter, because he thinks if we had it other cities would follow. Well, why should they not? Why should we be doomed to this Procrustian monotony.

Why Herr Kribs Opposes It.

The chairman was about to put the resolution when Louis P. Kribs arose from the body of the hall and asked to be allowed to speak. He was invited to the platform.

Mr. Kribs said there were matters in the resolution which he, as a ratepayer, felt like opposing. In the city of New York the idea laid down in the resolution was exactly being carried out, and yet New York was perhaps the worst governed city on earth. The trouble that was in New York we would bring upon ourselves here if the resolution was adopted. Referring to the government of the city of Washington, Mr. Kribs pointed out that every dollar of taxation that was exacted from the ratepayers was duplicated by the Congress of the United States. Under such circumstances we would make Toronto the best city on the continent. (Laughter.) He objected to the control of a commissioner in every sense and in every way.

We had the power of reformation in our own hands. If such men as Hugh Blain, Prof. Smith, Robert Jaffray and D. M. Defoe would come forward and accept places as aldermen we would have good municipal government here.

The last words of the speaker were greeted with loud applause, which was continued for several minutes.

Why Aldermen Resign.

Dr. Barrick said that if they asked the men who had resigned from the council during the past twelve years why they had done so they would all tell them that there was no man, under the present system, who could attend to all the duties that were required of the council and attend to any other business. Replying to Mr. Kribs, Dr. Barrick said that in New York the Mayor appointed the heads of departments. That was not what was proposed in the resolution before the meeting. With reference to Mr. Kribs' remarks about Washington, the Doctor said the reason the United States Government paid half of the taxes in Washington was because it owned one-half of the property. (Applause.)

The resolution was then put to the meeting. Quite a large number of those present voted against it, but the chairman declared it carried.

Dr. Barrick then moved a resolution appointing a Committee to nominate a Permanent Citizens' Committee, to aid in carrying out the resolution passed by the meeting. The motion was carried, the following gentlemen being on the committee: William McKay, George A. Cox, D. M. Defoe, Frederick Wyld, John Armstrong, Dr. Barrick, Principal Caven, Walter Burnell and Alf Jury.

Toronto Will Rise in Its Moral Majesty.

Prof. Caven, in support of the resolution, said he thought Toronto would rise in its moral majesty and that it would deal with this matter at once. If it was to be dealt with, the matter must be kept to the front. It was not enough to pass resolutions, however proper they might be; some sort of Executive Committee should be appointed, to remain in existence until they were enforced.

One of the audience suggested that E. A. Macdonald's name be put on the committee, which was received with a mixture of laughter, cheers and hisses.

The Chairman: Just right here before the citizens of Toronto I want to show you the difficulty there is in adding names to a committee. If you would allow these gentlemen whose names have been mentioned to add to their number themselves, they will do it better than we can do it. They may very likely call upon Mr. Macdonald. (Applause.)

Mr. Macdonald: I respectfully decline the appointment.

The Kind of Aldermen Wanted.

George Bertram moved this resolution: "This meeting desires to express its opinion that the very best interests and the future welfare of the city require above everything else the election of aldermen whose character and general fitness for the position will command the confidence of all good citizens.

"That an honest and capable administration of the affairs of the city cannot be secured without a determined effort on the part of all concerned to induce men of the highest integrity and ability to come forward and be willing to serve in the City Council.

"And that this meeting pledges itself to use its influence to bring about a better condition of things for 1895 than has existed for some years past."

Not a Fair Reflex of the People.

Mr. Bertram did not believe that the people had been fairly represented this year. The City Council was not a fair Bye Price's Tobacc Cure, a guaranteed remedy, $1 a box, mailed free, by G. A. Bingham, druggist, Yonge-street, Toronto. 246

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HID THE BODY UNDER A WALK

SIX PERSONS CONCERNED IN A BRUTAL MURDER.

A Chicago Janitor Cut Down With an Ax—The Limbs Broken and the Body Stuffed Into a Small Box, Carted Off and Hidden—Half a Dozen Arrest Made.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—A. D. Barnes, who was employed as janitor of the Hiawatha APartment Building, 258 East 27th-street, was murdered in a brutal manner last night in the basement of the building and an elaborate effort was made by his slayer, and accessories after the fact, to conceal the crime by hiding the hacked and mutilated corpse in a hole under the sidewalk in South Park-avenue.

The packing case in which the remains were hidden was discovered this morning, and to-night every person except, perhaps one woman, who is suspected by the police, to have had any knowledge of the crime are under arrest.

Murdered With an Ax

The circumstantial evidence so far secured against Edmund Jordan, the assistant janitor at the Hiawatha flats, is of the strongest kind and only his confession is lacking to establish beyond any doubt the fact that he hacked the life out of his superior with an ax, cut and broke the limbs of the bleeding corpse so that it could be stowed in the box which he had prepared for it, and then accompanied by a man and woman, took it in a stolen rig to the lonely hiding-place at midnight.

The persons who are in the Woodlawn Police Station, charged with the murder or complicity in the disposal of the body or held as witnesses are: Edmund Jordan, assistant janitor; Hiawatha Flats, the alleged murderer; John Benson, Jersey, a boon companion of Jordan, and the man who is accused of being on the wagon seat with him; A. R. Winslade, engineer of a flat building, 744 Rhodes-avenue; Mrs. Andrew R. Winslade, his wife, who is said to have been intimate with Barnes; Annie Mahoney, mistress of Barnes, who loaned him $1500 and did not get it back; Mrs. Edmund Jordan, wife of the alleged murderer, who is also said to have been unlawfully intimate with Barnes.

Another Suspect.

The police are trying to find another woman who called at the Hiawatha flats early last night, and was anxious to see Barnes, who was out at the time. This woman is believed by the police to have accompanied the two men who drove the body to its place of concealment, are either Mrs. Winslade or Mrs. Jordon may have been that woman.

It is known by several witnesses that two men with a woman seated between them, drove a wagon containing a box south on Cottage Grove-avenue from the Hiawatha flats about 11 o'clock last night. It is believed the crime was committed just before that time.

It is also in evidence against Jordan and Jersey that they met shortly after the time the murder is supposed to have been committed, and that Jordan said that the job was done, and it did not take an hour to do it. This meeting was in a saloon near the scene of the murder.

As to the motive of the deed the police say that Barnes received his month's pay yesterday, and no money can be found in his bloody clothes or in the basement where the man met his death. Robbery on the part of Jordan, who is a good-for-nothing fellow, may have been one of the motives.

Solving a Difficult Problem.

There is apt to be in the coming holidays a great deal of worry among femininity in choosing suitable presents for Christmas offerings to masculine friends. If any lady has upon her mind that some gift must be selected for a man, be he husband or lover, father or brother, a visit to Quinn's, 115 King-street west, will certainly help her out. The artistic shapes and fascinating patterns in neckwear are suggestive of Yule-tide.

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A LESSON LEARNED.

ONTARIO: Well, Georgie, you have learned your lesson, have you?
GEORGIE MARTER (promptly): Yes'm.
ONTARIO: Repeat it.
GEORGIE MARTER: Never Appeal to the Temperance Vote unless you have Already Got the Wet Vote Solid. Never Appeal to a Sectarian Vote After having been Thrown Down by it Four Times in Succession.

MOTORMAN SERIOUSLY HURT.

A Street Car Collides With a Wagon and Samuel Clayton Sustains Injuries Which May Result Fatally.

An accident of a very serious nature, and which may result fatally to Samuel Clayton, 97 Maitland-street, employed as a motorman by the Street Railway Company, occurred in Tannery Hollow, Yonge-street, north, at 10 a.m. yesterday.

Samuel Wilkinson, a York Mills farmer, was driving a team of horses attached to a wagon laden with hay, down Yonge-street, and when opposite Roxborough-avenue, and just at the head of the steep decline which commences at that point, the bolt attaching one of the whiffletrees to the doubletree came out and the whiffletrees dropped on the heels of one of the horses. The animal plunged forward, carrying the neck-yoke clear of the pole and allowing the latter to fall to the pavement. The end of the pole entered the grove in the rail, and in this manner the speed of the wagon was somewhat slackened, until the foot of the hill was reached, when the wagon came to a stand still.

Just at this moment the car, of which Clayton was motorman, started down the decline. Clayton saw the danger, and applied the brake, but the rails were slippery, and the car went crashing into the heavy laden wagon. The force of the collision completely wrecked the vestibule of the car, and Clayton was pinned between the wrenched brake and the front of the car so securely that he could not be freed until a heavy sledge was procured and the brake driven back.

Besides several heavy bruises on his face, inflicted by the glass, the blow from the brake caused serious internal injuries, which, it is feared, will have a fatal termination. He was removed to his home in the ambulance, where Drs. Johnson and Fenton attended his injuries.

Wilkinson's horses succeeded in freeing themselves, and dashed down Yonge-street at a lively rate, but were captured at Davenport-road. The few passengers on the car were badly frightened when the crash came.

A prudent Chicago housewife, when the great strike began, stored 15 barrels of flour in her cellar. She reinforced it with half a dozen cans of Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder.

Sword's Saturday's Specials.

Silk Tartan four-in-hand ties, 25c, worth 50c. Black silk and satin scarfs, all shapes, 25c, worth 50c. Washing figured China silk ties, 15c. American braces, silk ends, cast-off buckles, with drawer supporters, 25c, worth 50c and 75c. Open this evening. Sword, 55 King-street east.

Low Rates on Christmas Presents to the Old Country.

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The Government Stops the Sale of Tobacco

The Canadian Government prohibits the sale of tobacco to persons under 18 years of age. Why? Because it's a poison and ruins the youth of our land. It's only a question of time before those of more mature years will be compelled to stop the use of tobacco if by nothing more than public sentiment. Tobacco kills boys; men, too, want to quit it.

HIRED 2 MEN TO DO MURDER.

SENSATIONAL THEORIES IN THE MINNEAPOLIS MYSTERY.

Harry Hayward Who Loaned the Victim Money and Took Uncontestable Policies on Her Life Under Arrest—Suspicion That He Secured Men to Commit the Crime.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 7.—Harry T. Hayward, the closest friend of Catherine Ging, the girl who was murdered last Monday, was arrested last evening on a warrant sworn out by the County Attorney of Hennepin County. His brother, A. A. Hayward, was also arrested. Both were arraigned to-day, but the enquiry was enlarged.

The murder was not committed by Hayward, as he was at the Grand Opera House with Miss Blanche Bartleson, his fiancee, at the time of the murder, but the officers say they will show that Miss Ging was murdered at Hayward's instigation by two men, one of whom is a St. Paul gambler, who will be arrested as soon as he can be found, when an attempt will be made to get him to turn State's evidence.

It is said that this gambler only secured a small sum for his work, as Hayward knew something about him that would send him to State Prison. A motive for the crime is found in the fact that Hayward has lost steadily at gambling recently—asmuch sometimes as $5000 a night.

He became much embarrassed for funds, but a short time ago his father gave him several thousand dollars, and the officers think he hit upon the scheme offending Miss Ging several thousand dollars, helped her to secure two life insurance policies for an aggregate of $10,000, and then planned to get not only the insurance, but the money he had lent her aswell.

If his plans had worked without a hitch he would have secured $22,000—the $12,000 the girl had on her person and the $10,000 life insurance. It is said tha the officers will attempt to prove that Hayward introduced one of the men directly concerned in the murder to Miss Ging more than a month ago, and that she had on several occasions gone out to ride with him. This made the carrying out of the plot easy.

The theory is that Miss Ging was killed at 32nd-street by the man in the buggy with her; that the body was taken out by two men and carefully laid on a Buffalo robe; that the murderer, whose hands and clothes were sprinkled with blood, fled across the country, and that the buggy was driven back to the vicinity of the livery stable by his accomplice.

Nancy Hanks' record 2.04. Who can beat it? The question is often asked about Dr. Price's Baking Powder.

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Yours truly,
E. J. LENNOX.

A Winter Poet's Effusion.

It's now we're all reminded, by the evenings, oh, so chill,
An' the chucklin' of the chickens roostin' on the winder sill,
That winter snows will soon surround us,
An' cold, cold blasts blow all around us,
Toying roughly with our whiskers with an overwhelming will.
* * *
The seedin's all bin done, an' the medders are all tilled,
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BIRTHS.

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DEATHS.

BAILEY—At the residence of his mother, No. 17 Gwynne-street, on Friday morning early, Dec. 7, Allster Mabley Bailey, in his 25th year.

Funeral Monday at 3 p.m. 61

PATTERSON—At her parents' residence, Mr. J. Burgess, 607 Gerrard-street east, on the 6th, Susan Patterson, widow of the late George Patterson.

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THE MINISTERS AT NIAGARA

DR. MONTAGUE TENDERED THE NOMINATION FOR WELLAND.

Enthusiastic Meeting in the Town Hall of the Cataract Town—Hon. J. C. Patterson and Dr. Montague the Principal Speakers—The N.P.'s Beneficial Effects on the Sugar Industry.

Niagara, Falls, Dec. 7.—The Ministerial party arrived in M.C.R. 5.15 this evening, in their private car, and were driven to the Robli. After supper they were escorted to the Town Hall by the Niagara Falls brass band. The hall was crowded to the doors, many ladies being present. The hall was elaborately festooned with flags and decorated with plants.

On the platform were Hon. J. C. Patterson, Hon. John Haggart, Hon. Senator Ferguson, Dr. Montague, William McCleary, ex-M.L.A., John Waugh, president County Conservative Association, Capt. Carter, James Lawson of Thorold, Sylvester Neelon, Dr. Oille, and Col. Carlisle, St. Catharines mayor, Mayor Hanan of Niagara Falls, William Doran, Lieut.-Col. King and others.

The chairman, John Waugh, after a few appropriate remarks, welcoming the distinguished visitors to the Cataract Town, introduced the first speaker, William McCleary, who made a short stirring speech, welcoming and complimenting each visitor individually.

Hon. J. C. Patterson spoke at some length on the trade question, and denouncing the policy and reciprocity cry of the Opposition.

Dr. Montague on the Two Policies.

The next speaker was Dr. Montague, who spoke with great force on the trade policy of the Government, contrasting the policy of the two political parties of Canada. The party represented by Mr. Laurier wished to sweep out of existence every vestigeo f protection on manufactured goods and raise the revenue by direct taxation on raw material and obliterate our manufacturing interests of this country, while the Conservative party policy was to place a tariff on all manufactured goods and admit the raw material free, give employment to thousands of artizans to levour the products of our farmers, and cited the fact that under free trade sugar was 16 cents per pound, and 96 per cent. of the sugar used on Canadian tables was refined outside of the country, and at present under protection, sugar was 26 pounds for a dollar, and 96 per cent. of that used in Canada is oeing refined in Canada, giving employment to thousands of artizans.

The speaker also eloquently and humorously quoted the "wandering policy of the Opposition to get into power.

The speaker, who was offered the unanimous nomination of the Conservative party of the County of Welland to-day to represent them in the coming election as their standard-bearer, thanked the Conservatives of the county for the honor they had bestowed upon him, and in all fairness to his constituents of the grand old County of Haldimand, who had stood by him, he had to consult them before refusing or accepting the nomination.

When the eloquent speaker was through delivering perhaps the best political speech ever delivered within the town, he received a grand ovation.

Senator Ferguson and Hon. John Haggart also spoke to some length on the trade policy of the Government.

To Oppose Col O'Brien.

Emsdale, Ont., Dec. 7.—At the convention held here to-day Dr. Wade of Dunchurch was unanimously chosen to contest the constituency.

Yonge-street Landlords.

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Issued at Last.

The report of the Inspector of Insurance, the delay in the issuance of which has been the subject of considerable newspaper comment, made its appearance yesterday. The reason given for the delay is that Mr. Hunter was absent in England, "hunting up a fortune," as an evening paper put it, and the inspection was delayed until his return.

At An Hour's Notice.

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Are They Going to Be Caught?

The boodling of the aldermen may go on, but the city detectives are on their high horse, and are prepared to prove at any investigation that the squarest, fairest and most reasonable plumbers, stove and furnace men on earth are Hallarn & Hayes, 204 Queen west, 'phone 1820, and get men who know their business.

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Mild, With Light Rain.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Calgary, 6—16; Edmonton, 6 below — 20; Battleford, 16—22; Qu'Appelle, 8—22; Winnipeg, 32—36; Port Arthur, 34—38; Toronto, 30—41; Kingston, 22—36; Montreal, 16—24; Quebec, 6—18; Halifax, 22—28.

PROBS: East to south winds; fair to cloudy; continued mild; light rain in few places.

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THESE RAW DAYS

Remind Citizens That They Should Wear Suitable Headgear.

Men who wear felt hats in winter are now beginning to find out that they cannot with comfort wear a summer hat when the cool breezes of this season are blowing about their ears. All such should be interested in learning that W. & D. Dineen have just opened a late consignment of felts, in winter weights, and in several of the newest American styles.

Soft felts, in the various shades of brown, as well as in black, are having quite a run of late. At Dineens' there is a large stock to choose from—so large and well assorted that no one can fail to find therein a hat becoming to his head and of a price suited to the condition of his finances.

From 6 to 10.30 to-night several hundred hats, worth from $1.50 to $3, will be sold at $1 each.

Fur caps, collars, cuffs and gauntlets, as well as fur and furlined coats, are now in season, and at no place can they be purchased to such advantage as at Dineens'.

The firm manufactures its own stock, and just now is selling all furs at wholesale, in an effort to reduce the surplus before the height of the season. To-night, from 6 to 10.30, there will be special bargains for those who cannot attend the sale during the day.

Dineens', Hats and Furs, King and Yonge, and 254 Yonge.

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