## OUR CIVIC LEGISLATION

IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE COM MITTER ON LEGISLATION.

Nety of Public Buildings-Inspection of Milk-Hection of Aldermen-Credit Valley Amai-ramation-Admission of the Press to the

Police Commissioner sMeetings. The committee on legislation met night, and in a three hours' session discussed a large number of matters of great im portance to the welfare of the city. The first of these was the

SAFETY OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS. A letter was read from the city solicitor giving his opinion that the council had already sufficient power to make provision for the safety of public buildings. The council had power to pass by laws regulating the nize and number of doors and street gates, leading to the buildings, the size and structure of stairs and stair cases, and the strength of beams and joists. Ald. Boswell-Yes, but can we pass

by-law compelling an alteration in a build. already constructed ?

Ald. Ryan thought it was very doubtful. Ald. Booth asked whether they had power to prohibit the packing of a building. He alluded to a church (which he did not name, but which, it need hardly be said, is Dr. Wild's), in which the aisles

were filled with camp-stools. The matter was referred back to the solicitor for further information, especially with regard to the point raised by Ald. Boswell. The mayor thought an inspection of all buildings should be instituted, and every one promoting to erect a building. every one proposing to erect a building should submit the plau to the inspector.

INSPECTION OF MILK. A letter was read from the solicitor to the effect that the council had no further power to institute an inspection of milk than they had for the inspection of meat, and this would be quite insufficient; but that the Dominion had power to appoint analysist, and that the object might be ef-INSPECTION OF MILK. fected by asking the government to insti-tute a more rigid inspection of milk. Ald. Taylor said the principal adultera

tion was by water, and it did not require an analyist to detect this. It could be done analyse to detect this. It could be done very simply by means of a lactometer, and their own inspector, Mr. Awde, would be quite competent to do it. Ald. Boswell said it would be a better

plan to apply to the local legislature to give the city power to institute a thorough

A member having expressed some doubt as to the power of the local house to so leg-islate, Ald. Ryan said. It was extremely islate, and the same it was extremely ubtful what power it possesses-if any.

(L ughter.) i It was decided to adopt Ald. Boswell's suggestion to apply to the local house. STREET IMPROVEMENT.

STREET IMPROVEMENT. Ald. Turners scheme coming up for con-sideration, Ald. Carlyle thought that a pe-tition from one third of the ratepayers on the street against the pavement being laid, sbould be sufficient, or else that me half of the resident ratepayers should be in favor of it. It was decided to apply for the legislation

It. It was decided to apply for the legislation giving the council power to initiate the laying of pavaments.

h ught matter of discipline, such as charge Aid. Ryan expressed a similar opinion, and Ald. Boswell thought it was not in the ublic interest that discussions regarding promotions and appointments should be

Ald. Kent could not agree with Ald.

Ald, Kent could not spice what are Bos vell's views. As all the objections appeared to be met by Mr. Fenton's suggestion that the commissioners should have power to exclude the public at their dis retion, it was unanimously decideded to recommend that the meetings be open to the public with

that limitation. Ald. Taylor thought that second hand stores should be placed under supervision, as they were frequently receptacles for stolen goods. A recommendation to this effect was carried. These concluded the labors of the com

These concluded the labors of the com-mittee. LADY TEACHERS. They Want More Pay-Meeting of the School Board Last Night. A meeting of the public school board was held last night. A deputation of six lady teachers appear-ed to request an increase in their salaries. Mr. Lewis of Dufferin school, who acted as spokesman, said he understood the peti-tion referred exclusively to lady teachers. Taking the lowest salaries paid, which were only \$325 per year, about \$6.25 per week, he pointed out that it was next to impos-sible for a teacher to live and keep up a ladylike appearance with that sum. Some

ladylike appearance with that sum. Some of them had to board themselves. They claimed that they had to pay \$4 a week,

claimed that they had to pay \$\* a week, and that LEFT THEM NIA 32.25 On which to dr.ss, lesides paying washing bills etc. Yet a school teacher. was expected to set an ex-ample of neatness to the children she taught. They had no chances to save any-thing for sickness or other misfortune and the anxiety that they were always laboring under in consequence could not but distract their attention from their duties. Domestic servants averaged \$100 a year besides their board and had every-thing provided for them in case of sickness.

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n the schools for a given length of time should receive an increase of pay irrespec-tive of promotion. The deputation was informed that their case would receive careful consideration, and would be decided at the next meeting

when the question of salaries would be fully discussed THE SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT

the house of commons for Terrebonne. He will reside in France for his health. Nevin to the Bathurst street school. The

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE. A TRIBUTE TO WORTH.

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sented to James Young, M. P. P., by the A Slow Day in the House Yesterday Bills In-Associated Mechanics Ins The executive committee of the Ontario

hanics institute association was in sesion in this city yesterday and transacted a statement from Mr. Mowat that the govon siderable business. A pleasant feature ernment had at present no legislation in of the meeting was the presentation of a view of any change in the election law or

voter's list act, but the answer was so handsome testimonial to Mr. James Young, handsome testimonial to Mr. James Young,
M. P. P., expresident of the association.
The testimonial consisted of an epergne and a swinging fee pitcher, both articles being silver and of solid and ex-quisite workmanship. They are really beautiful presents, and are suitably engraved. A brilliantly illuminated ad-dress accompanied the testimonial.
The address, which was read by Rev. Father Harris, of Newmarket, was to this effect:
In answer to Mr. French, Hon. Mr. Mowat said the government had not under motion of the association.

effect : To James Young, Esq., M. P. P. :

chanics' institutes are now doing good work in their several localities. Their improved position, it is not too much to say, is due in no small degree to the efforts of the provincial association in initiating and obtaining beneficial legislation, and I trust the affiliated insti-tutes will see it to be their interest to sustain and assist their prevent president and officers in every way in their power. Hease convey to the Mechanics' institutes of the graceful recognition of my long connection with the provincial association, and more especially for their kind expressions of continued confidence and esteem

esteem A general handshake followed after which Mr. Young entertained the gentlemen of the committee and a few other friends to huncheon at the Rossin house.

CANADIAN DESPATCHES IN BRIEF.

Mr. Dafoe, of Belleville, has decided to proceed with the erection of an opera The erection of car works and a knitt

ing mill at Kingston will shortly be com-menced Hon. Mr. Masson has resigned his seat in

\$18.500.

New Passenger Rates. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-At a meet NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—At a meeting of the trank fine executive committee to-day, it was resolved that the first and second class passenger rates east and west shall be restored to the following basis after Feb. 6: Chicago and New York, limited \$20, unlimited \$23,25, except by the Pennsyl-vania and the Baltimore and Ohio roads, which shall be \$26 50; second class, by all lines \$17.—the New England rates to be The legislature had again only a brief sitting yesterday. The principal matters were which shall be \$26.50; second class, by all lines \$17.—the New England rates to be on the basis of \$22, limited, from Chicago to Boston, via all routes crossing the Hudson river north of New York city, The New England rates through New York city to be made by adding to the New York rates local nates cast of New York by the route of the ticket, with 75 cents for transfer. framed that it did not imply that there to

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BROADWAY, Va., Feb. 1.—The daugh-ters of Michael Faidly, sged 18 and 13, and empting to cross on a frail structure.



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The solicitor was instructed to oppose the legislation sought for by the city of Kingcon with reference to local improvement. ELECTION OF ALDERMEN. Ald. Ryan thought that aldermen should

Ald. Ryan thought that aldermen should be elected for two years. He did not ap-prove of such a change being made that the mayor should be elected by the council, as it would give rise to log-rolling and inde-cent spectacles in the council. The discussion on the two years election plan was continued. Ald, Defore was in

plan was continued. Ald. Defoe was in favor of the present system. Ald. Lowe was in favor of elections every three years, was in layor of ejections every three years, one alderman retiring annually. Ald. Car-lyle would like to ask Ald. Turner why the three years system had been abandoned in the city. Ald. Turner said that under the

three years system it was feared that the three members might come to an arrange-ment by which each one on retiring a offering himself for re-election should 1. offering himself for re-election should 1. ceive the support of his colleagues. Ald. Boswell did not approve of Ald. Ryan's plan, because it would deprive the electors of the power to scrutinize every year the acts of their representatives. Ald. Ryan's said this argument would apply equally well to parliamentary elections. He did not approve of the three year plan, because the single elections would tend to introduce politics. Ald. Kent thought the plan by which the school trustees were elected worked satisfactorily. The mayor pointed out that Mr. Mowat

which the school trustees were elected worked satisfactorily. The mayor pointed out that Mr. Mowat had adopted the principle of not giving any exceptional legislation to cities. Ald. Turner thought that a large city like Toroato might require many things in the way of legislation which a smaller city would not require. Ald. Ryan's motion was then put and lost, only himself and was then put and lost, only himself and Ald. Kent voting for it. It then appeared that there was already

a resolution of council in favor of trennial ctions, one member retiring each year, and the question arose how to dispose of it. Ald. Defoe moved that the council be asked to reconsider its vote, but the motion was lost, only himself, Ald. Carlyle and Booth voting for it. It was decided to petition the Ontario house for the necessary legislation. RAILWAY AMALGAMATION.

The mayor read a letter from the warden of the county of Oxford stating that the council intended to send a deputation to Ottawa in reference to the amalgamation of the Credit Valley and the Great Western, and asking what the city council proposed to do. Some doubt being expressed whether there was to be an amalgamation, it was remarked that there was to be a pooling

tee, and in a forcible speech advocated the view that the proceedings of the police

Nevin to the balances and supplies report, By the printing and supplies report, which was adopted, the tender of G. C. Patterson & Co. was accepted for print-Patterson & Co. was accepted for printstorm extended over most of Nova Scotia. The Nova Scotia legislature is still dis-cussing the bill for consolidating the Nova Motions were carried asking the sites and

Scotia railways under one company. The bill is expected to pass. The capital stock of the Royal knitting also to consider the question of the increased also to consider the question of a school site at the uorth end of the city fo relieve the advisability of enlarging Wellesley street school and of purchasing the lot adjoining Parliament street school for increased ioining Parliament street school for increased ioining Parliament at the theorem of the transment accommodation.
 Mr. Johnston moved that non-resident pupils and Roman Catholics snould NOT BE ADMITTED

should not be admitted should not be admitted or allowed to attend the public schools without an order from the inspector, the former having first satisfied him that their nr.

The meeting then adjourned.

ABOUT A HOIST.

The Sore Straits of our Politicians-Fighting for a \$500 Custom House Appointme

Beaty and Mr. Hay at Daggers. Recently an additional elevator was added to the examining warehouse in connec-

tion with the custom house. As soon as tion with the custom nouse. As some as the fact of its going to be built was an-nounced there were any number of appli-cants for the post of running the hoist. Mr. Beaty was so besieged that he promis-

Mr. Beaty was so besieged that he promis-ed it to two cocksure, and told another dozen that he would use his influence. Mr. Hay is in a similar fix; he was besieged and he made promises. The result is that hay is in a similar in , The result is that the Beaty men are fighting among them-selves, and when that is settled there will selves, and when that is settied there will be a tussle between the successful Hay man and Beaty man. In the meantime the collector has a man in the warehouse as porter whom he thinks ought to get the position, and if the other contestants don't have a care he will manage to slip in.

there was to be an amalgamation, it was remarked that there was to be a pooling arrangement, which amounted to the same the committee as to its nature. The gene-chairman mentioned several matters which pendence of the Credit Valley it should be opposed, as the money was voted to that company on the understanding that it was to be an independent line. Inspector Awde mentioned the by-law regulating the width of wagon wheels, which had never been enforced, and pro-posed to substitute therefor a licence feeto be paid for wheels under the pres-cribed width. It was decided to recom-mend another years' notice that the by-law would be enforced. Mr. Fenton then addressed the commit-tee, and in a forcible speech advocated the Mr. Fenton then addressed the commit-tee, and in a forcible speech advocated the

ted to the meeting, he was con-fident that the commissioners would have taken a different stand with reference to the social evil question. (This renewed the discussion on the social evil, but nothing new was elicited.) He was quite willing that the commis-sioners should have it in their discretion to exclude the public by a unanimous vote: The mayor said that he would have no objection to the public being admitted, but

a fac simile of that used in the white index-in Washington. The superior court of Quebec has confirm-ed the decision of the Montreal recorder that it is an offense against the statute for a restaurant keeper to supply loose women in company with men with refreshments on his premises. at any moment. BRIEF LOCALS. The executive committee meets to-day a Jamieson as usual is offering great bar ains in men's and boys' clothing. Four valuable gold watches were lost on the streets on Tuesday. Millicamp & Co. offer a handsome reward for them. When shall we be able to take up an ex-

change and not find that C.P.R. letter be-ginning-"In view of the persistent mis-Mr. E. King Dodds has been engaged by the liquor men of St. John, N. B., to make ntationspeeches against the Canada temperance act, which is to be submitted there shortly. Hamilton Mechanics' Institute was put

up for anetion by the mortgagees on Tues-day, but as the highest bid was \$16,000, considerably under the reserve, it was withdrawn.

The carnival on the Spadina avenue rink on Tuesday was a successful one both from the numbers present and the variety of the dresses. Another one will come off next The projecting bay window which was placed in front of the World office yester-day has been condemned by the commis-sioner, and will have to be removed unless week. average 76, Vignaux's 38.

record. some arrangement is come to. At the meeting of the York county coun cil yesterday the press representatives handed a letter to the warden complaining

of the action of the clerk in refusing to give them access to any of the documents brought before the council.

argument.

IX., and declares the pope is persecuted and held a prisoner by the sectarians of liberalism, and that the pope desires the Spanish pilgrimage.

cost of the services should be included in the appropriation for the pavements. Another important matter was proposed, the purchase of a new pumping engine, and the question of introducing meter and the question of introducing meter SHOULD BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. He contended that as the commissioners were charged with the expenditure of a large amount of the public money, the public had a right to know how it was disposed of. If the press had been admit-ted to the meeting, he was con-NEW PARLOR CARS. and the question of introducing meter more extensively. The committee asked for authority to advertise for tenders for hydrants, and gave permission to Massey & Co. to have a hydrant in front of their building. NEW PARLOR CARS. His Worship Mayor Larkin, of St. Cath-Chinese prevalent in California.

Slosson made a run of 398, the best on PROFESSIONAL CARDS. THE MILLER EXTRADITION CASE. M. MACDONALD, BARRISTER, ATTOR-NEY, Solicitor, Conveyancer, etc. Office-Block, Toronto street. Iv The question of the extradition of John The question of the extraction of John W. Miller, the esceped convict from Al-leghany, engaged the attention of Judge Mackenzie yesterday. The original crime of burglary—a \$20,000 one—was proved. A great many legal points were taken, and the case was adjonrned until to-day for argument. BULL AND MORPHY, BARRISTERS, ATTOR-NEYS-AT-LAW, solicitors, &c., office, Court H. E. MORPHY, B. A r. H. BULL, M. A. T. H. BULL, M. A. D. R. G. B. SMITH, SISSON BUILDINGS COM NER Yonge street and Wilton avenue, To 136

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on the ground of the insecurity of Russian prospects in the Pacific and the warlike disposition of China. It is calculated that the United States will not interfere in consequence of the bad feeling against the China and an analysis of the state of the JOHN G. ROBINSON,

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The Bishop of Madrid's Appeal.

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