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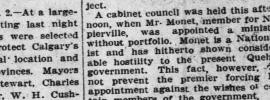
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Proposals That Are Said to Be in Line of Progress.

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St. Petersburg, Feb. 2.—119 report circulated by The Lon-don Daily Telegraph this morning that Emperor Nicho-las signed a ukase empower-ing M. Witte, the president of committee of ministers, to draw up a constitution, is incorrect. The reports areababic originated in the

probably originated in the following circumstances. The

committee of ministers re-jected a motion made by M. Witte that the committee

Witte that the committee should express an opinion re-garding the events of Jan. 22, and take steps to prevent a repetition of such incidents.

The motion was rejected on the ground that such action was beyond the jurisdiction

of the committee of minis-ters. M. Witte, whose mo-tion was placed upon the

THEAT The trustees of the separate school of Sandwich, Essex County, yesterday morn-ing got judgment in the court of appeal compelling the Towa of Walkerville to place the names of the separate school sup-porters on the list, and assess them as such for separate school purposes.

THO POLAND IS RESTLESS

BLACKMAIL BY POLICE.

Montreal, Feb. 2-(Special)-There Respectable Citizens of War ave Held Up by Officers.

is a big change in public opinion in regard to the proposed raid of the citizens for a fifty year street car franchise. The outspoken articles of the Witness and the Herald are tell-ing against the papers that are alding the grab. The Star is pretending now that if they got a three cent fare it would also thave to be submitted to the peo-ple. The Witness' reply to this is on the fines of the World's article that the extension ought not to be considered at all eighteen years be fore the present franchise expires. It also reasons that if the company can get hold of so many newspapers it will manage to get todd of the peo-ti will manage to get todd of the peois a big change in public opinion in

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elections in its lavor before this. There is an elaborate statistical article in the American Review of Re-views for February, which shows that the big cities can now give a four-cent fare and pay, that smaller cities like Montrea?, could give three-cent fores and that these fares can be reduced from time to time, but Mont-real, if the Star had its way, would Fire Causes \$150,000 Damages. Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 2.—Fire in the husiness section to night at 10 o'clock did damage estimated at \$150,000. The fire was then thought to be under con-trol. Two firemen were injured. The Tappan Clothing Company, the Metro-politan Ladies' Tailoring Company and the Phelps Photographing Company are the heaviest losers.

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About a week ago the dog was notice cd on the beach but no notice was taken of it until it was seen it re-mained there and alwoys in the same place. A number of people went down to for it is lifely the place will and stays around the one spot as be-fore It is the general opinion that some one has fallen into the lake, but as yet no one has been missed, at tho many rumors have been circulated in the torum. It is lifely the place will

see what kept the dog there, but when they would approach it would run a-way only to return again to the same cult task as it is a dangerous place place, when the parties went away. for a row boat at this time of the year. The dog looks wistfully into the water and at times appears as if ready to jump in. Thru pangs of hunger the dog made ly attached to the faithful animal.

St. George's Society, annual meeting, 8 p.m. Swami Abhedananda, on "The Reli-gion of the Hindus," Conservatory of Music Hall, 8 p.m. Varsity Women's Literary Society re-ception, 8 p.m. Prof. Clark, on "Books and Read-ing," Castle Memorial Hall, 8 p.m. Technical High School Association at home 8 p.m.

home, 8 p.m. Theatres See Public Amusements. Cigars-Royal Infants. Havana 10c cigar, for 6c. Alive Bollard, 128 and 199 Yonge-street.

