THE TORONTO WORLD MONDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 11 1895 CALL FOR HONEST PUBLIC MEN TRUSTS 000,000 how much more should it not have made? And of the new stock \$700,000 has been sold, on which the premiums have amounted to \$542,000, making a total of \$1,242,000. It is hardly necessary to say that if its profits had not been limited to 10 per cent, the money would not have been and the subsequent one of 50 Vic., C. 85, and it has both openly and by what Judge Ferguson calls "a circuitous contrivance,' exacted bigger profits than the 10 per cent. dividends. It has therefore forfeited all its rights, and this valuable franchise should be, promptly taken from it and returned to the citizens who gave it. A Grab for a Minison Bollars SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS HON. A. R. DICKEY WELCOMED. Foronso's Military Men Give a Smoking Concert in Honor of the War A hardly necessary to say that if its profits had not been limited to 10 per cent. the money would not have been purchased, nor would the have been purchased, nor would the money would have been kept by the company for bigger dividends and a bonus on stock. The company admits that it intended to give the premiums to the shareholders. It did not need the money for plant or its business. Its capital of \$1,000,000 was ample—out of which it made a clear profit of \$394,000 in six years—from 1881 to 1887. Mayor Howland and the city's representatives in 1887 prevented the company, getting more than the 10 per cent. and arranged, as they thought for all these handsome profits, including the premiums on the new stock, to be used to reduce gas; and yet the company has since then steadily and systematically defrauded the consumer out of these profits. A complete in vestigation of the company sub the money in their own pockets, but this might as well have been done, for the money in their own pockets, but this might as well have been done, for the consequences to the man who pays a sas bill are just the same. Every man who pays a \$10 gas bill pays at least \$3 too much and this \$3 represents his tribute to fraud, and when one considers that the company's income from future. Mr. La ands annually, some idea may be form. WHICH POLITICIANS AND PRO litics-The Constant Effort to inister's Visit Debauch Politicians. CORPORATION MOTERS WERE TO RECEIVE. The smoking concert in honor of the Rev. Canon DuMoulin, in his sermon visit of Hon. A. R. Dickey, Minister of on Daniel yesterday morning at St. Some Interesting Developments Promised Militia, at the Canadian Military In-James' Cathedral, took occasion to in-The story of the now notorious sta-ite, 50 Vic., C. 85, and of its passage in the Railway Case of McDonald vs. stitute on Saturday night, was attend- veigh against dishonesty and corruptute, 50 Vic., C. 85, and of its passage through the Legislature in 1887, makes very instructive and interesting read-ing for the average citizen when re-flecting how he is to pay his big gas bill, and luckily the story can be ob-tained from the sworp statements of OF ONTARIO. Boswell and Riordan at Montreal-Newed by about 100 of the officers and their, tion in public life. "The world," he Safe Deposit Vaults 19-21 King St. W., Toronto. foundland Coal Deposits-Live Stock who spent a most enjoyable said, " is calling loudly for honest pub-Shipments From Montreal Last Week. flecting how he is to pay his big gas bill, and luckily the story can be ob-tained from the sworn statements of the company's manager and the com-pany's minute book. Every citizen should hear it and get some insight into the tricks and dishonest methods of the company and understand how by evading and disobeying its pro-visions, the company has so neatly swindled him and he will also learn what big profits are made out of selllic men, men who are not afraid to nel Mason of the Grenadiers occupied the chair and in introducing the Hon, Mr. Dickey, expressed the pleasure he felt in welcoming him and gave an outline of the history, objects speak what is right or to do it when oc-Capital.... \$1,000,000 Montreal, Nov. 10.-There was a good speak what is right or to do it when oc-casion arises, men who never sell the truth to serve the hour, nor barter hon-esty for power. It is just as difficult here under our European civilization for men in high places, for the ser-vants and trustees of the public to pick their steps amid the tortuous paths about them as it was for Daniel to be an honest man amid the chicanery of an Oriental court. There is a conattendance of lawyers and witnesses President-Hon. J. C. Aikins, P.C. on hand yesterday when the cause celebre of McDonald v. Boswell and Vice-Presidents-Sir R. J. Ca. wright, K.C.M.G., Hon. S. C. Wood. Save an outline of the history, objects and workings of the Military Institute. Hon. Mr. Dickey wes received with great applause. He was much pleased that the institute had chosen a smok-ing concert as a form of entertain-ment to weicome him, that being what he most preferred. He explained why he had not been at the church parade and said he had been in Ottawa at the parade there and business had taken him to Montreal, where he wit-nessed their parade. He expressed his pleasure at the fine showing the Mont-real men made and was glad the Mont-Cart-Riordan was entered upon. Mr. A. Acts as Administrator, in case of In-testacy, or with will annexed—Exe-cutor, Trustee, Guardian, Committee of Lunatic, etc., and undertakes all kinds of Trusts. R. McDonald, superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway at River du Loup, testified as plaintiff, while Mr. swindled him and he will also learn what big profits are made out of sell-ing gas. In the story of Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves, Ali Baba is hiding near the robbers' cave when he sees them coming with their plunder and when at once the doors open and all enter—shortly after they come out and go away—now Ali Baba jumps up and pronounces the magic words and like-wise the doors open, when he enters and sees bags of gold and much plund-er; then he gets a wagon and returns Hector Cameron, Q.C., who was the company's lawyer, was also on hand and his testimony was likewise begun. Amongst the attentive listeners was Mr. J. Israel Tarte, M.P., and one or two other politicians of growth on the an Oriental court. There is a con-stant effort to tamper with their in-dependence, to bring before them some corrupt overture, to intimidate, threat-Moneys to invest at low rates. Estates managed, rents, incomes, etc., collected etc., collected. Deposit Boxes to rent in vaults, ab-solutely fire and burglar proof. Wills appointing the Corporation executor, received for safe custody, without charge. Solicitors bringing estates to the Corporation retain the professional care of same. two other politicians of greater or less pleasure at the fine showing the Mont-real men made and was glad the Mont-real men bore themselves so well. (Cheers.) He regretted his inability to be in Toronto at the time or he would have had much pleasure in attending the garrison parade. Gen. Gascoigne had been very pleased with the show-ing the men made and in private con-versation, the General had told him that the official language of the order sent out was too conventional to ex-press the delight the general had ex-perienced at the turnout of the To-ronto brigade. He expressed pleasure at being in Toronto where he had spent very happy years as a student at the university. He approved of the institute, and said he was glad it was such a fine club. The idea of a citizen soldiers mess was that it should be a good club and the officers good men Being questioned by Mr. Lafleur the plaintiff explained the case, as already detailed, and said that \$60,000 was to have been paid to promoters and poli-ticians, and as far as the outside public is concerned this is the interacting for care of same. is concerned this is the interesting fea-ture of the suit. The witness said they were all persons whom he thought had aided him in the past or could in the A. E. PLUMMER, er; then he gets a wagon and returns and takes much treasure for himself. Now, like Ali Baba, let the consumer 13 Manager. gas rents runs away up into the thous-ands annually, some idea may be form-ed of the magnitude of its annual fraudulent assessments—to say nothing of what it has taken in connection with the new stock and from other sources.

Now, like All Baba, let the consumer enter the gas office and survey the big plant, the swollen Repairs Fund and the profits of which he has been plundered, then let him pick up the company's charter and walk off with it, and for the future make gas for himself at cost. As every story must have a beginning, that of the statute starts in October, 1886, when the shadows were lengthening for the autumn, and also for the poor con-sumer, and when the late Mr. W. H. Howland was Mayor; previous to the Act the capital stock amounted to \$1,000,000 and the company decided to apply to the Legislature for power to increase it to \$2,000,000. Accordingly when the Legislature met, repeated conferences occurred between the com-pany's representatives and Mayor sources. An Unenviable Comparison. The company, having been fastened down to the 10 per cent. profit and foiled in its bold and rascally scheme to collar the new \$1,000,000 stock, has bany's representatives and Mayor Howland and City Solicitor, Mc-Williams. The bill was strongly op-posed by the Mayor, principally on the ground that the company would divide the new \$1,000,000 stock among the shareholders at par which they were no entitled to do, as the charter limited profits to 10 per cent. The opposition was so strong that the directors called a special meeting, and for what trok a special meeting, and for what took place let us turn to the company's minute book, where on the 1st April 1887, appears the following entry: Willing to Take Less.

Willing to Take Less. "The president explained that the ob-ject of this meeting was to consider what action the board would recom-mend being taken with regard to the company's bill, which would come be-fore the Private Bills Committee this morning, it being certain that the City it being certain that the City Council would oppose the clause au-thorizing the issue of proposed new Council would oppose the clause au-thorizing the issue of proposed new stock pro rata at par. It was resolved if possible to get power to allot the stock at par; failing that to have the allotment made at 50 per cent. premium, and failing that to have the allotting the premium to be added to the stock sold publicly for what it would bring; the premium of about 80, so that by allotting them at par for every \$100 the shareholder would get \$180, or a net profit of \$80, in addition to his 10 per cent. dividend, and being the very company's case was now evidently get-thing the charter prohibited. The sular solicitor, it obtained assistance from the crafty hand of Mr. B. B.

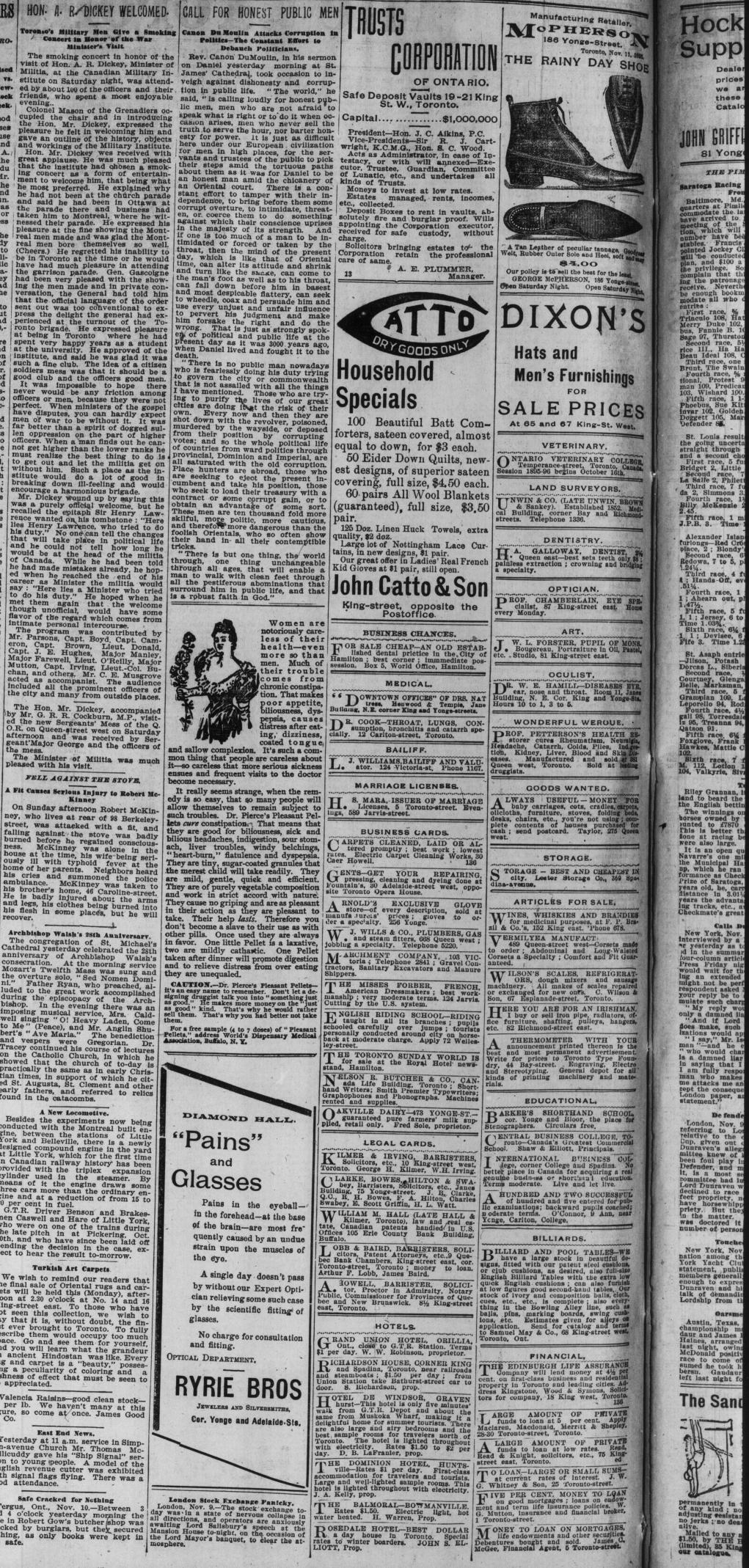
aided nim in the past or could in the future. Mr. Lafleur said he did not want to make the present a political case, but he asked how many persons had claims and were paid out of the \$60,-000 above referred to. The witness replied that there were three who received largs sums and others smaller amounts; whereupon the learned counsel detached a slip of paper from his notes and asked Mr. McDonald if the claims of three of the gentlemen whose names appeared on the slip were settled before the is-sue. This question was objected to and the slip of paper was not produc-ed as evidence. Mr. Hector Cameron, Q.C., testified that he knew the parties in the case. to collar the new \$1,000,000 stock, has sunk the money in expensive plant and misapplied it in various other ways. A parallel for its conduct can be found only in connection with the frauds of the Tweed ring in New York, and the whole concern may be fittingly desig-nated as a gigantic swindle carried on under a thin veneer of respectability. The company is at present in a tight place. Judge Ferguson has order-ed very extensive accounts to be taken tight place. Judge Ferguson has order-ed very extensive accounts to be taken which involve the money overcharged and misapplied and all this will have to be paid into court by the directors. —as in cases involving misappropria-tion of moneys by corporations the courts hold the directors personally li-able. Now, shareholders likewise, who attend the company's meetings, vote and take part in the proceedings may also find themselves personally bound, and to avoid this it behoves them to be extremely careful as to what they do in connection with the company's business.

Judge Prouse of St. John's, Nfid., has written to a friend here and gives some interesting details regarding the

some interesting details regarding the coal deposits of that colony. It appears that most important coal seams along the railway at the head of Grand Lake have been discovered and the same leased by the Govern-ment of the island to Mr. E. G. Reid of Montreal who will havin more at To-night will see the first appearance in Toronto of Miss Ada Rehan and in Toronto of Miss Ada Rehan and Augustin Daly's famous company, which will hold the boards of the Prin-cess this weak. Mr. Daly's comedy, "The Last Word," will be presented this evening. The company supporting Miss Rehan, is, no doubt, the best on the American stage. The plays will be handsomely mounted and produced un-der the personal supervision of Mr. Daly.

The Hon. Mr. Dickey,





ting desperate, so in addition to its re-gular solicitor, it obtained assistance from the crafty hand of Mr. B. B. Osler, Q.C. Again let us read the minute book, where at a meeting of the shareholders on the 4th April, 1887, occurs the following entry: "The print and the proposed amend-ments to the company's charter were brought before the Private Bills Com-mittee on the 1st inst., and that after hearing statements from B. B. Osler, Q.C., the company's counsel, and the suggested that the representatives of the city and the company should meet together for the purpose of com-ing to a satisfactory arrangement, if possible. Accordingly, a conference was held on Saturday morning, the 2nd inst., at which the president, the company's solicitors, Messrs. Osler and Mulock, the secretary, on behalf of the company, and the Mayor, Legis-lative Committee and the City Solicitor lative Committee and the City Solicitor were present. The company's case was presented by Mr. Osler and the prepresented by Mr. Osier and the pre-sident, and the city's by the Mayor, who insisted that the company was bound to apply all profits above ten per cent. to the reduction of the price

of gas. After consulting together the city's representative declined to make any compromise with the company, de-ciding to oppose their application for an increase of the capital stock and also to ask from the Lgislature a definin-tion of the meaning of the company's

Mayor Howland Fights the Company. All honor to Mayor Howland for standing up for the rights of the

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city and may our present Mayor and aldermen only follow his noble exam-

ple. After some further conferences the company seemingly backed down, admitting the rule that profits were to be limited to 10 per cont The per be limited to 10 per cent. The new stock was to be sold by public auction; stock was to be sold by public auction; the shareholders were refused the pre-miums which, after the formation of the Reserve Fund were, with earnings, to be placed in the Special Surplus Account, there to go to the reduction of gas; and the statute in its present shape was passed on 23rd April, 1887. The company called it a compromise. Anyway it was a bad bargain for the city; and yet the company, not content

city; and yet the company, not content with the concessions and handsome presents made them in the form of the Reserve Fund to equal 50 per cent of the paid-up capital and the 5 per cent Reserve Fund, at once set to work to disobey and evade the statute and intervention of the statute and interventio this it has been completely successful. Geis Its Mittions In Another Shape,

It has more than got even with the city for preventing the allotment of the new stock among the shareholders and ft has re-taken by stealth and under hand methode her better the state of hand methods—by what Judge Fergu-son terms "Circuitous contrivances." what it lost in open fight. This can be easily understood by anyone. It was not satisfied that its profits should be limited to 10 per cent. and like Oliver Twist, it wanted more, which the Legislature refused; but it determined, in spite of that, to get more. It has succeeded and this is the way it did it. The statute directed that the Reserve Fund should be formed with the sum of \$394,000 on hand, when it was passed and the profits and also premium: from the new stock until this fund equalled 50 per cent. of the paid-up capital and then all profits should go into the Special Surplus Account and be

applied to reduce gas. Now, the company has never allowed the Reserve Fund to reach the 50 per cent. limit, consequently no Special Surplus Account has ever been formed; although, as a matter of fact, years ago, it had ample to form the reserve and a big sum for the Special Surplus Account as well. It has illegally and dishonestly charg-

ed against this fund the 5 per cent. annually for repairs, and it has also writnually for repairs, and it has also writ-ten off large sums for alleged deprecia-tion in plant-last year, 1895, alone, writing off \$50,000 for alleged depre-ciation—and by cooking the books— juggling with the accounts—and in various other ways has always kept the Reserve Fund below the 50 per cent. limit, and instead of having the Reserve Fund in debentures as the act

Reserve Fund in debentures as the act requires, it has sunk it in plant and charged the consumer 5 per cent. on it for repairs. The profits of the com-pany have been enormous. In six years from 1881 to 1887, with a capital of only \$1,000,000, it admits making a profit of \$394,000-and of this \$305,000 was in 51-2 per cent. debentures—and how since 1887, with a capital of \$2,-

coveries have also been made and a deposit worked by a Nova Scotia syndicate at Belle Isle produces nearly sixty per cent, of pure metal. Live Stock Shipments. The following are the live The following are the live stock shipments for the past week: SS. Laurentian, Liverpool, 562 cattle, 1914 sheep; SS. Rosarian, London, 200 cattle, 1545 sheep; SS. Avlona, London, 201 cat-tle, 527 sheep; SS. Nessmore, Liver-pool, 520 cattle; SS. Lake Superior, Liverpool, 168 horses, 244 cattle, 1124 sheep; SS. Tritona, Glasgow, 34 horses, 449 cattle, 1643 sheep; SS. Christiana, London, 1974 sheep; SS. Sarmatian, Glasgow, 454 cattle; 1816 sheep; Glasgow, 454 cattle; 1816 sheep; SS. Gerona, London, 44 horses, 317 cat-tle, 2159 sheep; total, 246 horses; 2947 cattle, and 12,702 sheep. Government Appointments. A Cabinet Minister who reached company surrounding Mr. Mantell is said to be an excellent one, and the town to-day is authority for the state-ment that Mr. R. S. White will be apscenery and costumes in true keeping with his artistic abilities as an actor. pointed collector of customs and Judge Foster to the Senate from the district of Bedford.

Ada Rehan in "The Last Word.",

The Grand Concert on the 14th.

The Grand Concert on the 14th. The plan for the grand concert in Massey Hall next Thursday evening opens this morning at the plano ware-rooms of Messrs. Gourlay, Winter & Leeming, 188 Yonge-street. It will like-ly be some time before as good a quar-tet of artists as Mme. Lillian Blauvelt, Mme. Isidor Klein, Mr. H. M. Field and Dr. Carl E. Dufft will again be heard in concert in Toronto. Full par-ticulars will be found in the advertis-ing columns this morning. Chartered Stenographers. The annual meeting of the Chartered Stenographic Reporters' Association was held Saturday. It was also de-cided to hold examinations for the membership diploma about the end of February. Canadidates for examination must give notice to Mr. Ernest Nield, 25 Toronto-street, before January 5th. 25 Toronto-street, before Jahuary 5th. Three vacancies in the council were filled by the election of Mr. A. J. Hen-derson, and Mr. George Angus of To-ronto, and Miss Minnie Tribe of Guelph. The council elected the follow-ing officers for the anguing very Pre-

"Jack Harkaway."

The stupendous scenic sensation, "Jack Harkaway," a sound and sterling officers for the ensuing year : Pre-sident, Robert Tyson; Vice-President, W. W. Perry; Secretary and Treasurer, Ernest Nield. ing drama, magnificently staged, with beautiful costumes and scenery, ela-borately and historically correct, will be the attraction at the Toronto Opera House Thanksgiving week. The play will not only prove attractive from be You have caught cold, your bronchial tou have caught cold, your bronchiat tubes are congested. you are coughing terribly; what shall you use ? Dr. La-violette's Syrup of Turpentine, of course, for it brings on reaction and

Barnardo Sent 761 Boys This Year.

John Griffith, the young Canadian actor, whose ambitious work as Me-phistopheles in Sir Henry Irving's version of "Faust," is well-known to To-ronto play-goers, will give a spectacu-lar performance all this week at the Toronto Opera House. New scenic ef-fects, special mechanicism, and novel electrical accessories are promised. The Nuremburg Cathedral choir will ren-der appropriate music. There will be no advance in prices, and the usual matinees on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday will be given.

immigrants intending to settle in the province, about 30 in all.

At the Crystal Theatre. Mile. Compee, the prima danseuse, imported by Mr. S. S. Young of the Crystal Theatre to produce the coucha coucha dance, has arrived in the city and will make her bow before a Cana-dian audience for the first time this dian audience for the first time thisafternoon.

A North End Entertainment

The Tony Specialty Company, which is an organization of North End young terday. men of dramatic inclinations, gave a most successful smoker and entertainment in Jackson Hall on Saturday night to a packed house. The pro-gram was indeed varied, comprising songs, sparring contests, feats, speeches, etc. Special mention should be made of the contributions of Blaikle, Palmer, Bruce, Yeomans, Mac-Donell and Sutherland, to what has been the best concert yet given to north enders by the "Topics"

To Inspect Lake Simcoe.

prefacing his remarks by a short sketch of the author. Frank Archer, age 23, 598 Parliament-street, was arrested by Detectives Dunhim with the theft of \$8 from one Jessie Jackson

At Police Headquarters on Saturday night Sergeant Seymour, on behalf of the men of No. 1 division, presented a handsome marble clock to P.C.'s Joe Philips, James Rowe and George Sockett, who were all recently mar-ried

Whea all other corn preparations fail try Holloway's Corn Cure. No pain whatever, and no inconvenience in using it.

The Hon. Mr. Dickey, accompanied by Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, M.P., visit-ed the new Sergeants' Mess of the Q. O.R. on Queen-street west on Saturday afternoon and was received by Sergeant'Major George and the officers of

the mess. The Minister of Militia was much pleased with his visit. stock

FELL AGAINST THE STOVE. Fit Causes Serious Injury to Robert M.

Kinney On Sunday afternoon Robert McKinney, who lives at rear of 98 Berkeleystreet, was attacked with a fit, and street, was attacked with a ht, and falling against the stove was badly burned before he regained conscious-ness. McKinney was alone in the house at the time, his wife being seri-ously ill with typhoid fever at the home of her parents. Neighbors heard bis origs and summoned the police

his cries and summoned the police ambulance. McKinney was taken to his brother's home, 46 Caroline-street. He is badly injured about the arms and legs, his clothes being burned into his flesh in some places, but he will recover.

recover.

Archbishop Walsh's 28th Anniversary. The congregation of St. Michael's Cathedral yesterday celebrated the 28th anniversary of Archbishop Walsh's consecration. At the morning service consecration. At the morning service Mozart's Twelfth Mass was sung and the overture solo, "Sed Nomen Domi-ni." Father Ryan, who preached, al-luded to the great work accomplished during the episcopacy of the Arch-bishop. In the evening there was an imposing musical service. Mrs. Caldbishop. In the evening there was an imposing musical service, Mrs. Cald-well singing "0! Heavy Laden, Come to Me" (Peace), and Mr. Anglin Shu-bert's "Ave Maria." The benediction and vespers were Gregorian. Dr. Tracey continued his course of lectures on the Catholic Church, in which he showed that the church of to-day is practically the same as in early Chris-

practically the same as in early Chris-tian times, in support of which he cit-ed St. Augusta, St. Clement and other early fathers, and referred to relics found in the catacomps.

There arrived at the Union Station

Local Jottings.

There arrived at the Union Station last night a party of 71 Barnardo boys, together with two cars of emigrants. Thirty-eight of the-boys leave for the Northwest on Tuesday; the other 33 will be distributed throughout Ontario. The Barnardo Home has shipped a total of 761 boys this year. Mr. J. A. Welch of the Ontario Immigration Dedesigned compound engine in the yard at Little York, which for the first time Welch of the Ontario Immigration De-partment was down at the station looking after the interests of those in Canadian railway history has been provided with the triplex expansion cylinder used in the steamer. By means of it the engine draws some three cars more than the ordinary en-gine and at a reduction of from 15 to

No family living in a billous country should be without Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. A few doses taken now and then will keep the Liver active, cleanse the sto-mach and bowels from all bilious matter and prevent Ague. Mr. J. L. Price, Shoals, Martin Co., Ind., writes: "I have tried a box of Parmelee's Pills and find them the best medicine for Fever and Ague I have ever used." G.T.R. Driver Benson and Brakesmen Caswell and Hare of Little York, who were on one of the trains during the late pitch in at Pickering, Oct. 20th, and who have since been laid off pending the decision in the case, ex-pect to hear the result to-morrow.

## Turkish Art Carpets

We wish to remind our readers that A burning chimney at 158 Brunswick-avenue, gave the firemen a run yesthe final sale of Oriental rugs and car-pets will be held this (Monday), afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at No. 14 and 16 If you are bilious or costive this morning, use Fruit Granules. Nature's own remedy. Cleanses the liver and kidneys, purifies the blood. ed Rev. J. C. Speer of the Broadway Tabernacle preached a sermon last evening to the Irish Protestant Bene-volent Society. If you are bilious or costive this King-street east. To those who have rug and carpet is a "beauty," posses

Last Sunday afternoon the Rev. Charles Duff addressed the Union for Practical Progress upon "The Christian State" and the Christian

East End News.

Yesterday at 11 a.m. service in Simpstreet, was arrested by Detectives Dun-can yesterday on a warrant charging him with the theft of \$8 from one Jes-cia Jackson At Police Headquarters on Saturday with signal flags flying. There was a

Safe Cracked for Nothing

