HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

SAID THAT ALDERMEN COULD BE PURCHASED

"A Man Named Willmot" Figures in Charges Before Property Committee.

HAMILTON, Jan. 25.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the property committee this evening Ithmar Smuck said that some time last fall a man who said his name was Willmot called on him and asked him to sign a petition to the city council for a license for a moving picture theatre. Smuck refused to sign, and the party then said that any alderman could be bought for $25. Smuck could not identify John Willmot, who at the last meeting applied for the license for the property committee, as the party who called upon him. Willmot denied making the allegation. He acknowledged that his brother had called upon Smuck. The matter was left over.

Inspector Brick suggested that the fee for female dogs be raised to $5, and that taxes be imposed on the sale of cigarets, on street piano players and on bill boards. A sub-committee was appointed to deal with the suggestions. Another committee was appointed to look into the matter of increased market accommodation.

At the session of the county council this afternoon County Constable Sinclair applied for $40, his share of the fines imposed on autoists for speeding by Reeve Lawson. It was decided to consult the county solicitor before paying him.

The rowing club gave a smoker at Lovering's this evening. About fifty were present. In the course of a speech Russell T. Kelley suggested that the rowing club seek affiliation with the H.A.A.A., and R. Tasker Steele, the chairman, said he thought all the leading sporting organizations in the city should be under its aegis.

The centenary of the Second Dragoons was celebrated by a dinner at the Waldorf to-night.

A Burns anniversary concert was held in the Conservatory of Music to-night under the auspices of Hamilton Scottish Clans.

Walter Unsworth, 11 Campbell-avenue, was arrested to-night charged with attempted rape on H. Smart, an 11-year-old girl.

DR. STRUTHERS NOMINATED.

The new chief medical inspector will likely be Dr. W. E. Struthers, 558 Bathurst-street. The sub-committee of the management committee recommended him yesterday as inspector, with a salary of $2500. A staff of eight assistant inspectors are also recommended, at $800 each. It is proposed that the dental work should be preventive by means of instruction by dental experts. Twelve nurses were also recommended in addition to the staff of four already engaged at $600 a year each.

Goodwin Gets Three Months.

W. H. Goodwin, former manager of the Bell Telephone Company of Newmarket, pleaded guilty yesterday to a charge of uttering a forged document bearing the signature of W. E. Griffiths, who had been manager before him. The cheques were paid by the Bank of Montreal, on the understanding that they were part of the Bell Company's payroll. Three cheques were used in the indictment, of $21, $36, $37.50, all to be got from the bank nearly $590 altogether. As he has since made full restitution, his sentence was light, Judge Winchester only sending him to jail for three months. Other charges of theft and false pretenses were withdrawn.

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DEFENCE'S TURN NOW IN RAILWAY INDICTMENT

Crown Ends Case With Further Evidence as to Merits of Protective Devices.

Corporation Counsel Drayton concluded his evidence in the prosecution of the street railway yesterday, and the defence was started for a few minutes by counsel putting in as exhibits the Ontario Railway Board's order of Feb. 12,1907, directing the company to put Watson and Jenkins' fenders on the cars, also a subsequent order of the board approving of three types of fenders and permitting the use of any or all of the three.

The company's counsel will be ready with witnesses this morning.

Fenders in England.

Yesterday's evidence pertained to safety devices and over-crowding. William Labley, who was once connected with the manufacture and installation of safety appliances on street cars in the old country, testified that under orders of the board of trade of England, all fenders were to be carried five inches above the pavement, and that all roads and cars, including those of the London County Council, were inspected by the board's agents.

He said that side guards, six inches from the pavement, would prevent anyone getting beneath the wheels and defied Counsel McCarthy (for the company) to cite a single case of an accident happening where side guards were employed.

Mr. Quinn, assistant to Engineer Fairbairn in the Ontario public works department, gave the opinion that a "wheel guard" such as is employed in New York, should be put on every car and was more efficient than any fender yet invented. It should be used whether there were fenders or not.

Automatic Signals.

Under Mr. Drayton's questioning witness said there should be an automatic signal on the backs of cars to give warning when backing up. The mere chance of a conductor pulling the bell rope was too uncertain a thing to be depended upon, and, besides, people were so used to the sound of the ordinary bell that they might not take notice. He did not think that a fender on the back would be as good a thing as an automatic signal.

"I think I'd prefer a fender myself," put in Justice Riddell, "but that's for the jury." Mr. Quinn had assisted Richard Fairbairn in making tests of fenders for the Ontario Railway Board, and in his judgment a fender, if used, should be attached to the car trucks rather than the front of the car. This would obviate much up and down oscillation; it would ride evener with the pavement and would not give the chance of an object rolling under it. Another suggestion from Mr. Quinn was that wire screens should be put in front of a trailer to prevent bodies dropping in behind the motor.

Favors Wire Screens.

Richard Fairbairn, deputy minister of public works, but formerly chief engineer for the Ontario Railway Board, said that the tests he made between 1903 and 1906 would indicate that a wire screen should be on the sides of cars between the trucks; but under the old act he did not have power to order screens.

A. D. Bentley, inventor of an automatic bell for the rear of cars, which would give warning the instant a car started backing up, produced a copy of a letter written by Chairman Leitch of the Ontario Railway Board, recommending that the device be tried on two cars.

Judge Riddell asked the company's counsel to produce the company's reply to that letter.

Overcrowding Again.

W. H. Price of Indian-road, referring to over-crowding on the Dundas line, said he usually found the cars filled up all the way down town between 8.30 and 9.30 a.m.. The Roncesvalles line gave the worst service in the city.

M. B. Jackson said that conditions in all but the Church-street line were abominable in certain periods of the day.

Herbert Capewell told of men and women being jammed closely together on the Avenue-road line between 8.30 and 9.30 a.m. Their contact was so close as to be indecent.

Whether kissing or coughing was the more dangerous was asked Dr. C. O. Hastings, medical health officer, by Mr. Dewart, and the M. H. O. stated that he thought there was more danger from coughing and sneezing in a crowded street car. He said that he had discussed with the corporation counsel the question of limiting the number of passengers in a car.

Question of Health.

Dr. J. D. Mackenzie, professor of pathology and bacteriology, told how bacilli and germs of disease, thru coughing and sneezing, would be transmitted.

Champion Goes West.

Miss R. L. Fritz, accompanied by Mr. J. J. Seitz, president of the United Typewriter Co., Limited, and Miss Seitz, left yesterday for a trip through western Canada to the coast. Miss Fritz will give demonstrations on the Underwood Typewriter in all the principal cities en route. It is understood that additional branches of the company will be opened by Mr. Seitz in several western cities.

Grand Trunk Appointments.

J. D. McDonald, D.P.A., yesterday appointed B. A. Rose acting agent for the G. T. R. passenger department, as successor to the late William Bunton at Peterboro.

L. Trusler received the appointment yesterday of passenger trainmaster of the middle division, with headquarters at Toronto.

Day's Doings in YORK COUNTY West Toronto North Toronto East Toronto

YORK COUNTY COUNCIL TAKE UP GOOD ROADS

Some Local Differences, But Scheme Looks All Right—Big Grist of Suburban News.

Will the York County Council, following the action of the government and the City of Toronto, adopt the good roads scheme, or will they, just when the plan seems on the verge of going thru, raise objections which may after all prove insurmountable?

That the latter contingency will arise and the scheme at the last minute fall thru does not seem in the least probable; in fact, yesterday's meeting of the county fathers, the first to deal specifically with the big question, looks decidedly favorable to the carrying out of the whole scheme.

About 4 o'clock yesterday they got down to hard-pan, and the committee, composed of Messrs. Gardhouse, Nigh, Cameron Annis, W. H. Pugsley, Skelton, Harris, Coulson and Teft—every municipality being represented—wrestled long and seriously with the matter. At the conclusion, while no great progress had been made, no serious snag had been encountered, and it looks like fair sailing.

Frank Barber, the county engineer, has prepared a blue-print showing in detail every foot of the proposed route, but in the opinion of Reeve Coulson of Stouffville it stops just where it ought to begin. Some two or three years ago the Village of Stouffville passed a bylaw almost unanimously for the issue of debentures to the amount of $7000 to build a modern highway thru the main street of the village. It is a good road, a credit to the town, but the movement of the present "good roads" scheme came right up to the starting point of that Stouffville road and stopped there. Now they propose to make the village pay their share of the general scheme, while at the same time the village is liquidating its debentures at the rate of about $400 a year, plus interest. The scheme, in short, imposes a double liability on the little village.

Reeve Coulson Objects.

"It is not fair, and I will fight this thing to the end," said Reeve Coulson in committee yesterday, "before I will agree to such an agreement. Either take it over in common with the other scheme or relieve us of our present indebtedness, incurred in the building of the road thru the village." Having taken his stand, the reeve was as immovable as the rock of Gibraltar.

Reeve Jonathan Nigh of Markham Township joined forces, too, with the Stouffville man, and, tho no decision was arrived at, it looks as tho the rest of the committee will capitulate, and well they might. The demand of the representatives from Stouffville was eminently fair and reasonable. Incidentally, too, Reeve Nigh put up a strong argument for the extension of the "good roads" scheme out beyond Markham Village to the townline between Markham and Pickering. But this is in doubt. Likewise, too, Mr. Nigh made it quite clear that the Markham fellows would be satisfied with nothing less than a modern high-class road, pretty nearly as good as that down thru York Township and the front.

Reeve Jimmy Cameron of Vaughan was another man who stood out for better terms, and he got them, too, in a measure. Mr. Cameron wanted the road extended a mile and a quarter farther out to Nashville, taking in the Howland bridge, and thereby putting on the county the onus of keeping up the structure. The committee gave him this, too, and after all he wanted them to promise that the roads up thru Vaughan would be on a par with those of the southern members.

They Won't Go Round.

Reeve Teft of Markham Village put up an argument for the divergence of the "good roads" at Milliken's Corners, two and one-half miles east, up the eighth of Markham, taking in the big new bridge now inside the corporation of Markham Village, and thence westerly again to the Village of Unionville. This would leave two and one-half miles of concession 6 of Markham, between Milliken's Corners and Unionville, off the line of improvement, besides making a detour of five miles in the highway. The committee were willing to concede a good deal, but they fought shy of this project, especially when coupled up with the Markham bridge, to the cost of which the county has already contributed thousands of dollars.

Reeve Harris of Woodbridge was disposed to be accommodating, but, like the rest of the northern members stood out for a high-class roadway away out in the rural districts. Reeve Annis, too, raised little objection to the scheme in general; neither did Reeve Gardhouse of Etobicoke. In fact, all the southern members, even Reeve Pugsley, who usually objects to everything, but who is fathering this one, looked on the scheme with a kindly eye, and, assuming the little differences outlined can be smoothed out, it looks as tho the last link in the chain of good roads radiating from the city would be successfully welded in the near future. Ex-Warden Henry and County Clerk Ramsden were associated with the committee in their deliberations, and will be thruout.

The Standing Committees.

The standing committees were struck as follows:

Finance—Messrs. Coulson, Barker, Cronsberry, Smith, McMurchy, Thompson and Watson.

Education—Messrs. Phillips, Foote, J. M. Gardhouse, Knowles, Teft, Skelton and Keith.

Bylaws and legislation—Messrs. W. H. Pugsley, J. Gardhouse, Keith, Willoughby, Phillips, Harris and A. E. Pugsley.

Printing—Messrs. Clarke, Fairbairn, Griffith, McNair, Padget, Paterson and Syme.

County property — Messrs. Annis, Cameron, Nigh, Watson, Gardhouse, Clarke and Padget.

Equalization—Messrs. Foote, Syme, Cameron, Coulson, Cronsberry, Gardhouse, Harris, Smith, Nigh, McMurchy, A. E. Pugsley, Willoughby, Keith and Knowles.

To-day there will be an election for county commissioners, tho it looks now as tho Reeve Sandy McMurchy of King and Reeve Knowles of Aurora would get the plums without a struggle, but it is too soon yet to hazard a guess.

On Friday the fight for industrial home commissioners comes up, and there will be a battle royal. Half a dozen candidates are in the running, among them Messrs. Watson, Thompson Cronsberry, Clark and Fairbairn, and possibly one or two others. Around the council chamber Messrs. Watson and Thompson are looked upon as sure winners, but time will tell.

WEST HILL.

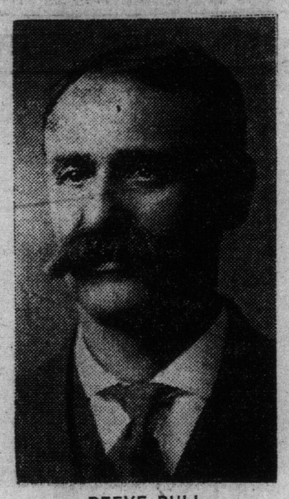
The many friends of Harry Bennett are delighted to hear of his speedy recovery.

THORNHILL.

THORNHILL, Jan. 25.—(Special.)—The Thornhill Council of the C.O.C.F. have elected the following officers for 1911: C.C., J. E. Johnston; V.C., G. A. Pearson; recorder, J. E. Francis; treasurer, W. H. Clubine; prelate, Mrs. J. E. Johnston; marshal, Mrs. J. Fisher; warden, Mrs. G. Pearson; guard, A. E. Cross; sentry, Thos. Clark; representative to Grand Council, J. E. Francis.

The Recreation Club held the first carnival of the season in their mammoth rink to-night. Valuable prizes were offered for best representative costumes.

The local hockey club are as usual giving a good account of themselves, having come out victorious with two teams from the T. Eaton Company, and one from the Dental College, this being the only team that defeated the locals last year, but with a better team than formerly the Dents could not win. However, the Thornhill team met defeat at the hands of the Davisville Rovers on Monday evening, the score being 4 to 2.



REEVE BULL

Of Weston, who, on Tuesday, was elected warden of York County.

MIMICO.

First Municipal Contest is Followed by Law Scrape.

MIMICO, Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Russell S. Warner has taken quo warranto proceedings with a view to upsetting the election of Jan. 2, when R. H. Skelton was presumably chosen as reeve by the electors of the little Village of Mimico. Mr. Warner is the defeated candidate, and he also charges that Dr. William Woods, elected a member of the council, is in effect usurping the position properly belonging to Caesar Coxhead, also a defeated candidate.

Mr. Warner has posted up $200 to ensure the prosecution of the charges, Mr. Coxhead $100, and Alexander Johnston, milkman, $100. The matter comes up before the master-in-chambers on Feb. 2.

Mr. Skelton is charged with illegally employing James Gormully, Patrick Gormully, Charles Loomis and Wilfrid Laurier Stock to arrange for the hire of cabs, taxis and automobiles for the purpose of canvassing electors and bringing voters to the polls. Mr. Skelton is also charged with making a corrupt bargain with William Loomis and John Needham, butchers, to the effect that he would buy meat from them at a price agreed upon, and that following this the butchers voted for him. Other charges are also made, and altogethe rthe case bids fair to arouse a lot of interest.

AGINCOURT.

Embryo Town Now Has Poultry Association.

AGINCOURT, Jan. 25.—(Special.)—A number of persons interested in poultry met on Monday evening and formed themselves into the Agincourt Poultry Association with A. J. Wakeley of Agincourt as secretary and Robert Paterson as presiding officer. The object of the association is mutual helpfulness and financial profit in the poultry business. The next regular meeting will be held on the first Monday in February.

On Monday afternoon Knox Church held its sixty-second annual meeting. All branches of the work showed advance, while the treasurer's books showed a snug balance on the right side, despite the fact that the congregation had completed a good deal of new work.

WESTON.

Baptist Minister Resigns—Fair Directors Are Named.

WESTON, Jan. 25.—Rev. J. L. Sloat, for three years pastor of Weston Baptist Church, has resigned his pastorate, and will accept a call to Roncesvalles-avenue Baptist Church, Toronto. Rev. R. L. Coles, formerly pastor of the Baptist Church, Cobalt, has been invited to Weston. Rev. Mr. Coles, since leaving Cobalt, has been residing on the family homestead, near Woodbridge.

Charles Lottie has been appointed assistant superintendent of the bicycle and skate department of the Canada Cycle & Motor Co., Toronto. Mr. Lottie has been identified with this company for the past ten years.

At the annual meeting of the West York and Etobicoke Agricultural Society it was decided to hold their spring fair at Thistletown on April 13, and their fall fair at Weston on Sept. 29 and 30. The society will also take advantage of the government insurance from wet weather. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Geo. W. Verrall; first vice-president, Thos. Griffith; secretary-treasurer, Hy. Pearson; directors, J. T. Watson, R. L. Crawford, A. G. Goulding, S. Macklin, Jno. Willcock, Geo. Syme jr., T. Dandridge, C. Cameron, Thos. Stubbart, F. E. Shaver, W. J. Gardhouse, Alex. Gracey, Robert Wardlaw, W. Longstaff, Jacob Bull, J. K. McEwen H. Russell, Ed. Eagle, Wm. Ellerby, J. Dickin, F. Griffith, J. Jackson, A. E. Whinton, W. J. Dalton and James Greig. A. J. Barker and N. J. McEwen were appointed auditors.

The Town Improvement Society will hold a meeting on Thursday evening, Jan. 26, at 8 o'clock. James Wilson, park commissioner of Toronto, will address the meeting on "Public Parks." "The Benefit of Parks and the Method of Conducting Them" will be discussed by C. A. B. Brown, president of the Playgrounds Association. Lantern slide views, showing the beauty spots of Weston and its surrounding district, will be shown.

Anglican Laymen's Banquet.

The Anglican Laymen's Missionary Committee will hold a banquet in McConkey's restaurant this evening to discuss the work. They have secured Mr. Schatford of Montreal as the chief speaker for the evening. Many workers will be present and it is anticipated that the discussion will prove of great lasting benefit.

TENDERS WANTED

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock on Tuesday, Feb. 7th, for the purchase of the old schoolhouse in S. S. No. 11, York.

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GOVERNMENT ASKED TO ABOLISH "BILINGUALS"

G. H. Ferguson, Grenville, to So Move—Reply to Address From Throne.

"Peace like a river," flowed thru the proceedings of the Ontario Legislature yesterday afternoon. The government members were present in full force to hear the moving and seconding of the address in reply to the speech from the throne. Hon. A. G. MacKay, opposition leader, had a loyal little band of seven of his followers, in attendance. Allan Studholme, the doughty Labor leader, was also present.

Sir James Whitney and Hon. J. J. Foy gave notice of several bills for the purpose of consolidating various statutes.

G. H. Ferguson (Grenville) gave a notice from his seat on the second row on the ministerial side, which, when discussed, will probably ripple the calm waters of legislative debate. The motion reads:

"That in the opinion of this house no language other than the English language, should be used as a medium of instruction in schools of this province."

A. C. Pratt Replies.

A. C. Pratt (South Norfolk), in moving the adoption of a loyal address in reply to the speech from the throne, paid tribute to the statesmanship of the late King.

After commending the extension of the Algonquin National Park, Mr. Pratt pointed out that such great results had in Germany resulted in making an annual supply of venison and game available at a low price in that country. He thought the game laws should be made more rigid, especially with regard to aliens.

The splendid showing made by agriculture in Ontario was a cause for general satisfaction. A Toronto lawyer had recently wept metaphorical tears over the depopulation and desolation of the farming districts of the province.

The farmers were not in need of the sympathy of any Toronto lawyers. A South Norfolk farmer received $3310 for cauliflowers from 17 acres; $1200 for apples from 3 1-2 acres; $1264 for apples from a four-acre orchard. The farmers were prosperous, and this prosperity was in keeping with the excellent progress made by the provincial department of agriculture. Automobiles and the best of horses are owned by the farmers of Ontario.

$10,000 Publicity Man.

"What Ontario wants," said Mr. Pratt, "is a $10,000 publicity man, capable of teaching the people the possibilities that lie dormant in the resources of this province.

"Our farmers are conservative; they are slow," said Mr. Pratt, "to take to new ideas. Let the government send out 1000 bushels of alfalfa seed to the Ontario farmers, with instructions, and the effect would be magical." The government was doing something for reforestation in at least one splendid plot in the province. They should be supported in such efforts.

From every part of the province came the same story of prosperity and expanding trade. Ontario was well governed and prosperous. There was talk of changes in the tariff. At present the American tariff was 60 to 90 per cent. higher than that of Canada, it was practically three times greater than the Canadian. If the United States wanted reciprocal trade, let them first lower their tariff to a parity with Canada's and then come to Canada for any concessions they thought might be of mutual advantage.

Temperance Not Retarded.

Under the former government Liberal apostles of temperance told the terrible things which would happen and how the liquor traffic would triumph if the Conservatives attained power. They should "abolish the bar," except for open ports of call for "the Minnie M." But the country has not materially suffered from the moral standpoint, for 242 municipalities had adopted local option, 556 tavern and 16 shop licenses had been abolished. Wherever the people demanded temperance they had secured it, and the law had been enforced. He still believed absolutely in the three-fifths clause, as it made for moral reform.

Record of Six Years.

J. Torrance (North Perth) said that he considered it a special honor to second the address yesterday," as it was the anniversary of the day six years ago when the Whitney Government gained a great victory at the polls and saved the Province of Ontario from rack and ruin.

The six years had been marked by a businesslike administration of the affairs of the province on sound progressive lines, so much so, that such great undertakings as the construction of the hydro-electric transmission line had been well within the estimates, which had cost less than half what was lost by the Dominion Government in the Quebec bridge disaster, the contracts for which were so loosely made that the contractors were not bonded against loss by their negligence.

In utilizing prison labor at the prison farm and in the Porcupine district, the government was doing a great work for humanity, which would link in history the name of the provincial secretary with that of the great prison reform leader, John Hanna.

The earnest honest enforcement of the Liquor License Act had been acknowledged by all. It was particularly so in South Wellington and the law was respected as never before thruout the whole province.

The government was also to be commended for raising the license fee of extra-provincial corporations.

He thought that something should be done, after due consideration, by the government, in the way of automobile licenses. The splendid record of the year was a source for general satisfaction.

Loans to Settlers.

A Studholme (Hamilton East) advocated loans to settlers for the erection of homes and planting their homesteads. "I don't care if you spend millions," he said, "to do it. I would support the outlay." It was the best way to populate Northern Ontario. It worked well in New Zealand.

Mr. Studholme in conclusion moved the adjournment of the debate.

Sir James asked the member for Hamilton East if he desired to speak further to-morrow. When he replied in the negative, it was explained that his motion was not necessary. On Mr Studholme resuming his seat, Hon. A. G. MacKay, who will resume the discussion this afternoon, then moved the adjournment of the debate.

THE DOMINION BANK

Proceedings of The Fortieth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders.

The Fortieth Annual General Meeting of The Dominion Bank was held at the Banking House of the Institution, Toronto, on Wednesday, 25th January, 1911.

Among those present were noticed:

W. D. Matthews, Hon. J. J. Foy, W. R. Brock, A. W. Austin, R. J. Christie, C. A. Bogert, S. Jeffrey (Port Perry), H. W. Willcox (Whitby), J. F. Risley, Cawthra Mulock, J. D. Warde, J. H. Paterson, Dr. Chas. O'Reilly, David Kidd (Hamilton), Thos. Walmsley, James Matthews, F. E. Dingle, H. L. Lovering (Coldwater), W. E. Booth, G. N. Reynolds, Wm. Crocker, Geo. Pim, E. W. Langley, Wm. Ross (Port Perry), J. H. Horsey (Montreal), Dr. John F. Ross, Captain Jessopp, F. H. Gooch, Andrew Semple, J. C. Morrow, Richard Brown, J. F. Kavanagh, W. Cecil Lee, Dr. J. A. McCallum, C. E. Lee, W. C. Harvey, C. C. VanNorman, Dr. F. J. Grasett, David Smith, F. L. Patton (Winnipeg), Chas. Walker, J. T. Small, K.C.; S. Samuel, F. D. Benjamin (London, England), H. B. Hodgins, W. V. Carey, W. E. Carswell, Jacob Finkle, Edward Burns, F. E. Macdonald, W. K. Pearce (Hamilton), W. Gibson Cassels, W. C. Crowther, J. Stewart, Peter Macdonald, A. H. Campbell, J. M. Baldwin, Andrew Foulds, F. J. Harris (Hamilton), J. W. B. Walsh, D'Arcy Martin, K.C. (Hamilton), S. Nordheimer, Col. Sir Henry M. Pellatt, Leighton McCarthy, K.C.; J. J. Cawthra, R. S. Cassels, J. E. Baillie, R. M. Gray, Victor Cawthra, Wm. Mulock, Wm. Davies, F. D. Brown, C. H. Edwards, J. J. Maclennan, Rev. T. W. Paterson, Wm. McConaghy, Aemilius Baldwin, H. J. Bethune, E. A. Begg and others.

It was moved by Mr. R. J. Christie, seconded by Mr. H. W. Willcox, that Mr. W. D. Matthews do take the chair, and that C. A. Bogert do act as Secretary.

Messrs. W. Gibson Cassels and A. H. Campbell were appointed scrutineers.

The Secretary read the report of the Directors to the Shareholders, and submitted the Annual Statement of the affairs of the Bank, which is as follows:

To the Shareholders:

The Directors beg to present the following Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 31st December, 1910:

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st December, 1909		$ 295,766 98
Profit for the year ending 31st December, 1910, after deducting charges of management, etc., and making provision for bad and doubtful debts		659,300 58
Making a total of		$ 955,067 56
Which has been disposed of as follows:		
Dividend 3 per cent., paid 1st April, 1910	$120,000 00	
Dividend 3 per cent., paid 2nd July, 1910	120,000 00	
Dividend 3 per cent., paid 1st October, 1910	120,000 00	
Dividend 3 per cent., payable 3rd January, 1911	120,000 00	
		480,000 00
		$ 475,067 56
Written off Bank Premises		170,000 00
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward		$ 305,067 56

Your Directors, in submitting the Annual Statement of the affairs of the Bank as on the 31st December, 1910, with the result of the year's business, beg to report that there has been a general substantial growth in every direction. A considerable increase in the net profits will be noted, owing to the satisfactory conditions which have prevailed throughout Canada and the steady demand for banking accommodation from all districts where we are established.

For some time past the Board has had under serious consideration the necessity for the enlargement of our Head Office premises, which have become quite inadequate to meet the present needs of the Bank, without having regard to the ordinary expansion of our business which may be expected in the future. Endeavors were made to secure adjoining lots, but without success. In 1910 an opportunity arose for the acquisition of the land and buildings at the north-east corner of King and Yonge Streets—81 feet on King Street by 112 feet on Yonge Street—and after due deliberation the purchase was completed. It is not the purpose to hold both properties any longer than is necessary, and, when a policy for building is decided on, your Directors have every reason to believe that our present premises can be disposed of for an amount which will practically offset the recent outlay.

In addition, suitable buildings were erected last year for Edmonton, Moose Jaw and Notre Dame Avenue, Winnipeg, branches.

These various disbursements have caused a considerable increase in Bank Premises Account, but, following the usual policy, a substantial amount has been written off.

A lot was purchased at Saskatoon, and it is proposed to erect a building at this point and at Calgary during the current year. With the completion of these buildings, your Directors are of the opinion that no further immediate expenditures for our Western Branches will be necessary.

It is the intention to erect offices this year in Toronto: At the corner of Dovercourt Road and Bloor Street, corner of Lee Avenue and Queen Street, corner of St. Clair Avenue and Vaughan Road, and the corner of Sherbourne and Bloor Streets, where we are already established in temporary premises.

A Branch of the Bank was opened in February last, at the corner of St. Lawrence Boulevard and Prince Arthur Street, Montreal.

The offices opened in 1909 are making satisfactory progress, and already justify their establishment.

In accordance with the Bylaw passed by the Shareholders at our Annual Meeting in January last, the par value of the shares of the Bank was on September the 1st changed from $50 to $100.

The Directors, following their usual custom, have examined and verified the General Balance Sheet of the Bank as on the 31st of December, 1910, and have checked and found to be correct the cash assets, securities and investments shown therein. They have, in addition, given careful scrutiny to all borrowing accounts.

The Branches of the Bank have been inspected in the usual thorough manner during the year.

E. B. OSLER,
President.

The Report was adopted.

The thanks of the Shareholders were tendered to the President, Vice-President and Directors, for their services during the year, and to the General Manager and other officers of the Bank, for the efficient performance of their respective duties.

The following gentlemen were duly elected Directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. A. W. Austin, W. R. Brock, James Carruthers, R. J. Christie, J. C. Eaton, J. J. Foy, K.C., M.L.A.; W. D. Matthews, A. M. Nanton and E. B. Osler, M.P.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. E. B. Osler, M.P., was elected President, and Mr. W D. Matthews Vice-President for the ensuing term.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in Circulation		$ 3,587,547 00
Deposits not bearing interest	$ 6,107,370 37	
Deposits bearing interest (including interest accrued to date)	43,195,414 29	
		49,302,784 66
Deposits by other Banks in Canada		106,801 72
Balances due to Banks in foreign countries		101,279 67
Total Liabilities to the Public		$53,100,413 05
Capital Stock paid up		4,000,000 00
Reserve Fund	$ 5,000,000 00	
Balance of Profits carried forward	305,067 56	
Dividend No. 113, payable 3rd January, 1911	120,000 00	
Former Dividends unclaimed	188 00	
Reserve for Rebate on Bills Discounted, Exchange, etc.	152,102 26	
		5,577,307 82
		$62,677,820 87

ASSETS.

Specie	$ 1,527,130 28	
Dominion Government Demand Notes	5,137,975 25	
Notes of and Cheques on other Banks	2,720,115 80	
Balances due from other Banks in Canada	748,342 12	
Balances due by Banks in foreign countries	891,229 73	
	$11,019,794 18	
Provincial Government Securities	452,422 68	
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, or Foreign or Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian	852,496 19	
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	5,889,103 20	
Loans on Call, secured by Stocks and Bonds	4,327,484 20	
		$22,041,300 45
Bills Discounted and Advances Current	$37,920,928 70	
Deposit with Dominion Government for Security of Note Circulation	180,551 00	
Loans to other Banks in Canada, secured	369,627 98	
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	57,259 23	
Real Estate, other than Bank Premises	102,034 81	
Mortgages	13,920 00	
Bank Premises	1,980,000 00	
Other Assets not included under foregoing heads	7,198 70	
		40,636,520 42
		$62,677,820 87

Toronto, 31st December, 1910.

C. A. BOGERT,
General Manager.

WOODBRIDGE.

Independent Telephone Company Makes Great Showing.

WOODBRIDGE, Jan. 25.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the Woodbridge & Vaughan Telephone Co., held at Vellore on Tuesday, for the reception of the annual report, election of officers, and the transaction of other business, there was a good attendance.

The treasurer's report showed an expenditure of $14,000, and the installation to date of 221 telephones.

The stock of the company has all been subscriber at $10 per share, and, as the company has only been in existence one year, the stockholders decided not to pay any dividends this year and to put the earnings of the company into a building fund to build more lines the incoming year.

The following officers were elected: President, Dr. P. D. McLean; vice-president, D. C. Loughaurn; directors, H. E. Bailey, Dr. F. W. Routley, J. H. Kirby, James A. Cameron, Alexander Cameron, Dr. T. H. Robinson, Ed. Smith; secretary, J. W. Roulty; treasurer, J. G. Hallett; auditors, Lee Wallace, Wm. Malloy.

New Pullman Rates Approved by Railway Commission Will Go Into Effect on Grand Trunk February 1st.

The public will soon have opportunity of saving money by taking upper berths, and in some cases the rates for lowers have been reduced.

The following table shows present and new rates from Toronto to a number of important points.

	Present Rate.			New Rate.		
	L.	U.	D.R.	L.	U.	D.R.
Montreal	$2.00	$2.00	$7.00	$2.00	$1.60	$7.00
Ottawa	2.00	2.00	7.00	1.50	1.25	6.00
Detroit	2.00	2.00	7.00	1.50	1.25	6.00
Chicago	3.00	3.00	....	3.00	2.40	....
N. York	2.50	2.50	....	2.50	2.00	....
Cobalt	2.50	2.50	9.00	2.00	1.60	7.00