from the Rev. H. C. Dixon in behalf of year unhappy class of men dubbed "tramps,"

The Chief's report gives one quite a feeling of relief when contrasted with the alarmist statement of Sergeant Reburn, in The Mail of the 28th ult. that "the number of professional tramps and whisky-heads at present sojourning in the city is the largest ever known." The report shows a total decrease of 1810 apprehensions during the pass year; and when the tabulated statements of the last two years are examined we find a decline of serious crames along with a very marked decrease of the minor offences. The decrease in the class of "drunk and disorderly" alone amounts to 1205, or about 12 per cent. on the preceding year.

Now, to what shall we attribute this wholesome change in the criminal statistics? Is it unreasonable to assign it to the beneficent influence of the missions that seek to reach that class of society which is considered prone to fall into the minor offences of the Police Court, viz., the free breakfast and other missions? There are some that would wipe these unfortunates out of existence, wrongly accusing them of perpetrating all the more heinous crimes that are done in the city. Will anyone believe that a burglar, a housebreaker, a horsethief, a pickpocket, would loaf around on the prospect once a week of a free ten-cent breakfast? He has too much vin., too much self-reliance and enterprise ever to be so hard bestead."

Editor World: As our present council is about taking steps to secure the necessary lands along the Rosedale Ravine for the con-

assessment office to the effect that as this drive would benefit my property to the extent of 75 feet frontage I would be taxed for the same as a local improvement; but let me ask what benefit would this be to my property in and that of many of the land-owners who could not easily reach this road except perhaps winter by having recourse to toboggans.

Careful or he may die early through eating NIX.

TO CLOSE THE WESTERN BRANCH.

The New Board of the Public Library—
The Committees.

The Public Library Board for 1893 held its This road once built will be for the in-

habitants of the whole city and particularly for those who are owners of horses and carringes.

There is also a project before the council that some streets should be scleeted for horse speeding, etc., and I ask why not select for this purpose the Ravine Drive! Levour secreting frastarity come for this purpose the transfer aristocracy and our sporting fraternity come forward with their obeques and pay their share of the undertaking, as they certainly would monopolize this drive with their handsome turnouts and their speeding

horses.

Here their speeding would not be a danger to children, pedestrians, coal carts; milk wagons and other vehicles, and in case of any accident the city could not be made re-CHARLES BOECKH, SR.

Final Words About the Conductor. tunate controversy between Mr. Douglas Bird and Mr. E. W. Schuch there are one or Editor World: Before C two points that in justice to the latter should, I think, be explained.

garding the baton or control of the conductor. If Mr. Bird had been singing a solo he James Todhunter of Todhunter, Mitchell & would have been perfectly right in singing that solo as he pleased, both as regayds phrasing and pitch, but in this particular instance Mr. Bird was not singing, a solo; he was singing in a refrain accompanied by the chorus of the Toronto Lacrosse Minstreis, that chorus being trained and conducted by Mr. Schuch. Under these conditions, by almost universal precedent, he would then immediately come under the control of the conductor, and when requested by him to sing softer should nave at once complied.

Mr. Bird showed a surprising lack of professional instinct in totally disregarding Mr. Schuch's request, which may, however, be excused on account of his youth and mexperience. His denial that Mr. Schuch asked him to do so could easily be answered by those sitting in the front rows, as that gentleman has a habit of making himself heard when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Harmond Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Mr. Schuch asked when he wishes, as any member of the Mr. Schuch asked would have been perfectly right in singing Co.; William D. Wilson, manufacturer: John

The Famine in Russia.

with the awful fact that in one county alone 40,000,000 of human beings are in want and at the mercy of the world's sympathy. My God, it's enough to make us all cry to Thee for vengeance on the old devil who has been so indifferent to their needs when such awful suffering might have been averted, if seed wheat had only been given to them at the right time. But vengeance is Thine and to have sympathy is ours, and I would, therefore, respectfully suggest that our City Council send a reasonable offering to assist in relieving the dire distress, as pointed out in The Waterworks Department is after builders who have been using water without permits for building purposes. The delinquents will be brought before the Police Mayor Fleming has announced that there will be no assessment this year. The assessors' department has been notified to this effect.

The Ossington-avenue police station is to be opened immediately, and a committee was appointed at yesterday's meeting of the Executive Committee of the City Council to buy furbiture for the place. The police department say there is urgent necessity for the opening of the station.

Messrs Medler & Arnott have applied for a injunction to restrain the city and the Grand Trunk Railway Company from deviating and closing Berkeley-street and closing Esplanade-street.

The Allan Line. Editor World: To be brought face to face

The Traitorons Conduct of The Globe. Editor World: In looking over The Globe. of to-day and for some days past in relation to its accounts of interviews between the quite a number of passengers this winter. United States Ministers and our own, who sensible and advantageous commercial treaty on trade for Canada with the Americans, I was struck—painfully struck, as a Canadian and friend of my native country, Canadawith the inimical spirit shown by this Globe paper and its Yankee emissaries at Washington towards the country in which it earns its bread and butter. I defy any fair-minded, pdrivotic man, be he a Reformer such as I am or a Conservative, to come to any other conclusion than that the partisans of The Globe and the politicians supporting it are working against the best interests of Canada. It glories over the sneers of The New York Tribune at our ministers, calls their efforts a comedy, got up in view of the bye-elections, and throws ridicule (it, The Globe, I mean, as well as its Yankee assistants their efforts a comedy, got up in view of the bye-elections, and throws ridicule (it. The Globe, I mean, as well as its Yankee assistants at New York and Washington)on the efforts of our Governor-General and his ministers to make a fair and reasonable commercial bargein. If anyone doubts what I say, I ask him to read what is written in The Globe of that day on the front seventh column and the fifth front column of yesterday's Globe. It is the work of a political enemy of the country. No true friend of Canada would be guilty of such comments, and whoever wrote it is endeavdring to make republicans of our people to extend annexation views and eught to be scouted from svery riding in Canada. It is no wonder the bye-elections are going against such Yankee sympathizers. The only pity is that the elections would not all go against them. If these people were honest, were them. If these people were honest, were them affected and the political spies, I would not care what their politics were, Reform or Conservative. In such case a keform or Conservative. In such case a bottle at once and be happy.

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support as soon as a Conservative. But I detest a political sneak, or snake in the grass in politics. We have a country to love, imake great and durable, keep independent from a foreign country like the United States, which has just now tyramized over little Chili, as it would over us if it dare to do so. Out upon such traitorous conduct in Canadians! One would think that Canadians, even if they are Conservatives, ought to be preferred to Scheming Yankees such as The Globe supports. CHARLES DURAND.

Toronto, Feb., 12, 1892.

self-reliance and enterprise ever to be so hard bestead.

The men who are benefited by these missions come from all grades of society. On whom lies the duty of seeking to lift them out of the trough into which they have fallent I can speak for New York. Edinburgh, East London and other large cities. There the church has in many cases come nobly forward, remembering that the Master had called on His followers to fish in all waters. In this city, I am informed, are bands of workers sacrificing their time and ease, even helping to provide the funds to carry on the Christlike work. For these men have not lost burman semblance, nor is it impossible that they should be raised.

Can the church with consistency withhold its sympathy and help from this work among the heathen of Toronto?

Toronto, Feb. 9.

B. E. BULL

Rosedale Ravine Drive.

Editor World: As our present council is Subscriber.

Editor World: Since Mr. Fleming ha lands along the Rosedale Ravine for the construction of that long-talked-of drive, I take according my opinion in regard to this undertaking.

Some time ago I received a notice from the Some time ago I received a notice from the careful or he may die early through eating Europe at lowest rates.

first meeting yesterday afternoon. All the members were present except the Mayor and Mr. John Toylor. Dr. O'Sullivan was appointed chairman

and Mr. John Davy secretary.

Messrs. Boswell, Cassidy, William Mara and
E. P. Pearson were appointed the members of
the Librery Committee, with Mr. Boswell chairman.
The Museum Committee will consist of Messrs. Pearson, Boswell, Mara, Taylor, the first named chairman.
Messrs. Cassidy, ex-Ald. Vokes, Frank Somers and the Mayor were appointed members of the Building and Finance Committee, Dr. Cassidy chairman.
The estimates were adonted asking for

The estimates were adopted, asking for \$37,789. The Toronto Incandescent Light Company was given the contract for electric lighting in the museum at \$540. In the museum at \$540.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that he would move that on May I the Western branch at St. Andrew's Market be closed and that the

Northern branch be changed into a depot. The Straight Lake Nickel Mining Co. The shareholders of the Straight Lake Mr. Bird seems by his explanatory letter Nickel Mining Company have held their first to have given the impression that he was general meeting and the following Board of acting within his rights as a soloist in disre- Directors have been elected: W. Barclay

tleman has a habit of making himself, heard when he wishes, as any member of the Harmony Club can testify to.

Mr. Bird should, however, have shown that deference to a gentleman older than himself both in years and musical experience, a prominent feature in the education of those who pride themselves in having any. It should certainly be practised by one who might be on the threshold, and only on the threshold, of a successful musical and professional career. I have written this letter without any prejudice to Mr. Bird.

CYRIL E. RUDGE.

Maple Leaf Tent No. 57 K.O. T.M. held their first meeting last evening in Foresters' Hall, Gerrard and Parliament-streets. The nomination and election of officers were continued, after which Provincial Record Keeper, Sir K. H. E. Trent, installed W. N. I rwin pride themselves in having any. It should certainly be practised by one who might be on the threshold, and only on the threshold of a successful musical and professional career. I have written this letter without any prejudice to Mr. Bird.

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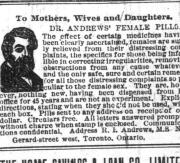
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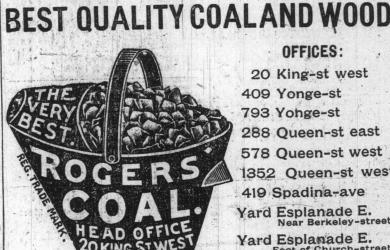
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