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THE CONDITION OF TRADE.

WEDNESDAY'S FLURRY IN THE NEW YORK MARKET.

There Has Been a Recovery, But it is Yet Too Soon to Determine Whether the Bottom Has Been Reached—It May Yet, However, Affect General Business.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Dun, Wiman & Co., will to-morrow issue the following review of trade for the week: The past week has been one of unusual excitement. The sharp decline in the stock market was foreshadowed by the recent unhealthy advance in securities that do not secure, and in some of these the fall was from $20 to $57 per share. But fifteen other stocks lost over $10 per share each, and the average price of active stocks, good and bad, fell $8.30 per share from December 4 to the lowest point on Wednesday last. "Knocking the froth off the market," one broker called it. In that case there was a good deal of froth. Some recovery has since occurred, but it is yet too soon to determine whether the bottom has been reached. It is surprising and creditable that thus far only one failure in the Exchange has resulted from such a fall. Money was artificially locked up beyond doubt, and the decline thus increased. The rate rose from 6 to 8 per cent. on Saturday to 10 per cent. as the lowest, and 18 per cent. as the highest on Wednesday. This difficulty has been met by shipments from many interior points (Canada banks sending $8,000,000), by the arrival of $1,400,000 on Thursday from France and the shipment of $2,000,000 from London, and by the Treasury's offer to prepay $10,000,000 interest. The advance in the rate by the Bank of England was meant to check the outflow of gold, but the supply now in sight here and the shrinkage in speculative demands should prevent any stringency in money for commercial or industrial needs if Europe does not unload stocks. So far the Wall-street movement has not effected general business. Other speculative markets were neglected and the sales were far below previous records. But while Wall-street acrobatics do not yet affect general business, the continued depression might in two ways. Failure to sell securities might check railroad building, iron making and other industries. The return of the large body of American stocks held abroad would cause heavy loss of gold and severe pressure. The weather-wise will watch for signs in these quarters. Thus far Europe sends gold and buys stocks.

The issue of silver certificates increases, $2,000,000 more having been put out last week, while the treasury took in $1,500,000 more gold. Risks in stocks by individuals all over the country are likely to increase the number of commercial failures, already unusually large for the season. The situation, therefore, while not now disturbing, justifies caution. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number for the United States 260, and for Canada 28, or a total of 288 as compared with 274 last week and 242 the week previous to the last. The casualties in the Middle States, Western, Southern and Pacific States are above the average in number, which is also the case in Canada.

1 Pocket Bibles, Photo Albums, Scrap Albums and red line Poets at special Christmas prices. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. the Post Office.

THE LOUGHREA EPISODE.

Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien Very Much Disturbed Regarding It.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—Dillon and O'Brien arrived here to-day. Both are much disturbed and hurt physically. In addition to the troubles which the gentlemen had yesterday at Loughrea, they met with an accident on the road home. The horse drawing the car on which they were riding bolted, and both were thrown violently to the ground and considerably bruised.

They Will Continue the Campaign.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—Mr. Brady, Secretary of the Irish Parliamentary party, states that a number of Irish commoners have started for Ireland to take charge of the campaign, which they will prosecute vigorously. The Nationalists are laughing at the stupidity of the police in not acting sooner than they did. They might have seized many thousands of pounds by taking action early. Mr. Dillon was confined to his room to-day from the effects of the runaway accident. He looked weak and wearied. He will attend a meeting on Lord Kenmare's estates at Killarney on Sunday. He will announce at a league meeting in Dublin on Tuesday whether or not he will give bail. His friends agree that he ought to give bail, and thereby compel the authorities to try him before his recognizances are estreated. Mr. O'Brien's hands were torn and his left arm sprained in the runaway accident. Mr. O'Brien says that, profiting by old press instincts, when he saw a number of policemen in plain clothing at the Loughrea meeting, he made arrangements for the safety of the documents and money of the league. He intends to continue the campaign with caution and circumspection. He will speak at Longford on Sunday and Sir Thomas Esmonde will speak at Gorey.

Mr. Sheehy Summoned.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—During the progress of the meeting at Loughrea yesterday, at which Messrs. Dillon, O'Brien, Harris and Sheehy were arrested, Mr. Sheehy received a summons to appear and show cause why he should not be bound over to keep the peace, because of a speech he made recently at Kylebeg and which it was claimed was calculated to arouse disorder.

Something new for Xmas presents—The Canterbury Poets. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. the Post Office.

THE BULGARIAN TROUBLE.

The Deputation had no Authority to Offer the Crown to Ferdinand.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 17.—The Journal de St. Petersbourg says the offer of the Bulgarian throne to Prince Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, reported to have been made by the Bulgarian deputation, which is now visiting the European capitals, could not have been made seriously. The deputation had no authority to offer the Bulgarian crown, and it is doubtful if anybody would accept the crown under such conditions. It may be that the deputation made the offer tentatively on the part of the present dictators of Bulgaria in order to throw out the idea that they mean to continue to make demonstrations against Russia. The reckless assertion that no power would oppose the election of Prince Ferdinand to the Bulgarian throne is unworthy of discussion.

An Obnoxious Governor.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The Legislative Council of the colony of Natal, South Africa, have by a large majority adopted a motion declaring that Sir Arthur Havelock, the Governor of Natal, has forfeited the confidence of the colony, and praying the Queen to appoint another Governor in his place.

Six of Them Will Be Hanged.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 17.—Of the nine youths sentenced Nov. 29 for criminally assaulting a 16-year-old servant girl, the executive has decided to commute the sentences of three to imprisonment for life. The six others will be hanged.

Captain "Moonlight" Gets Five Years.

CORK, Dec. 17.—John Keefe, known as "Captain Moonlight," was to-day sentenced at the Munster Assizes to five years' penal servitude for raiding houses in Limerick and robbing them of arms.

Archer's Horses Sold.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The auction sale of blooded stock belonging to Fred Archer, the jockey, has been completed. It realized £3585.

Big sale of Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Winter Suits now going on at our stores. Petley & Petley. 456

TRINITY SCHOOL OLD BOYS.

First Annual Dinner—An Association Formed—Who Were There.

Twenty-one years ago what is now Trinity College School, Port Hope, was started with few boys and fewer masters in the village of Weston, on the banks of the far-flowing Humber. Under good management it grew and expanded until now its "Old Boys" exceed 600 in number, and who have enough love and veneration for the school to turn out seventy strong at their first dinner held last night in the Walker House. The gathering was a genial one, the spread creditable and the affair not lacking in "go." Mr. John A. Worrell, Chairman of the "Old Boys' Association," presided, and in the vice-chairs were Dr. Johnston and Mr. E. Douglas Armour. The guests included Hon. G. W. Allan, Prof. Goldwin Smith, Rev. Provost Body, Prof. Clark, Rev. Prof. Jones, Prof. Hutton, Principal Dickson, Mr. C. J. Campbell, Dr. Temple, W. H. Merritt and Mr. Cartwright. Among the old boys were Messrs. W. H. Perran, Frank Darling, Rev. F. L. Broughall, H. K. Merritt, Crittenden, Jarvis, Ince, Goodh, Howard, Inglis, McInnes, Bethune, Houston, Kane, Middleton, Davis, Thompson, Boulton, Jones, Ford, Moffatt, Strathy, etc. Much regret was expressed that a budget of briefs kept Mr. H. J. Scott from attending.

Mr. Goldwin Smith replied to the toast of "Canada and the Empire." He trusted that the influence of Canada would not be thrown into the wrong scale in the struggle now going on in British politics. A great party in that country was hopelessly, irremediably committed to the disintegration of the Empire. The professor then recalled his school days at Eton. As an Eton boy fifty years ago he had attended the wedding of the Queen, and now the jubilee of that event was at hand. The public schools of England, and Trinity College School be trusted, were schools of gentlemen, were schools that inculcated the ideas of honor, of truth, of manliness and patriotism. And on a great commercial continent like this was it gratifying to see such schools springing into existence.

A lot of other toasts elicited appropriate replies; Prof. Hutton excelling himself in an after-dinner speech, full of humor and sense.

The idea of university federation was referred to several times and well received.

Mr. Crutchenden, an "Old Boy," now of the Buffalo News, was delighted to be able to partake of Canadian fish without molestation, and instead of being taken captive into port, as some of the fishing vessels of his American countrymen had been, he had taken a little of the port into himself and been captivated by a renewal of old associations.

Before sitting down to dinner the Old Boys' Association was formed with officers: President, J. A. Worrell; Vice-Presidents, Prof. Wm. Osler, Philadelphia, and Frank Darling; Secretary, W. K. Merritt; Executive, D. W. Saunders, A. F. Campbell, Wm. Cruttenden, E. D. Armour, W. H. Perran, Aurora.

McQUADE, THE BOODLER.

He is Greatly Distressed and Shows Signs of Insanity.

New York, Dec. 17.—Ex-Alderman McQuade's chance of spending the Christmas holidays in Sing Sing were very bright last evening. Lawyer Newcombe asked District Attorney Martine yesterday afternoon to postpone the sentencing of McQuade until Monday, but he promptly said he could consent to no postponement. Recorder Smyth however complied with the request, and will sentence McQuade at 11 o'clock on Monday. After sentence is pronounced Mr. Newcombe will make application for a stay of proceedings pending an appeal. McQuade passed much of his time in conversation with his wife, his brother Barney, and ex-Ald. Farley. He was so greatly distressed that his friends found it impossible to cheer him up. A runor had it that he showed signs of insanity. He slept badly and woke haggard and careworn. He received no visitors other than his wife and brother and Alderman Farley.

It was understood that he had little hope that his lawyers would be able to get a stay of proceedings after sentence. If his counsel get a stay and secure his release on bail he will be free until March, 1887, when his case will be passed upon by the Court of Appeals. If no stay is obtained, he will be sent to Sing Sing early Monday morning.

Mr. Newcombe's hope of getting a stay is based mainly upon the objections made during the progress of the trial by Gen. Tracy, who hung an objection of some kind upon every available point in the case. The chance of setting aside the verdict on the ground of error will have little effect upon the Court of Appeals.

Tapestry Carpets at 25c, 30c, 35c, 45c per yard and up at Petleys'. 456

THE FISHERIES DIFFICULTY.

The President Asked to Appoint a Commission to Take Evidence.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—In the House today Belmont introduced the following bill which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs: That the President be hereby authorized to appoint a commission to proceed to such places in the United States or elsewhere as may be designated by the Secretary of State, to take testimony under oath or affirmation in relation to losses and injuries inflicted since December 31, 1885, by the British authorities, Imperial or colonial, upon citizens of the United States engaged in the fisheries on the northeast coasts of British North America. It is said the commission shall everywhere have in respect to the administration of oaths or affirmation and taking of testimony the same powers as a commission of a circuit court.

CANADIAN LITERATURE.

George Stewart Lectures on the Subject at the N. Y. Canadian Club.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—At the fortnightly series of entertainments at the Canadian Club last night, Geo. H. Stewart, editor of the Quebec Chronicle, read a paper upon the literature of Canada. The attendance was large. Mr. Stewart's paper was a modest presentation of the subject, which greatly interested his auditors. The statements that the output of Canadian authors was indicated by 3000 volumes sent from Canada to the Colonial Exhibition was received with pleased surprise. Erastus Wiman presided, and in warm terms thanked the lecturer for a great treat afforded to the Canadian Club and its guests.

Children's Mantles in all the leading styles at $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2, $2.25, $2.50 and up at Petleys'. 456

The Liquor Dealers.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 17.—The Executive Committee of the National Protective Association of Liquor Dealers met yesterday and decided that a moderate license system would be most beneficial to the trade and public, and that it would be to the interest of the wholesale and retail dealers to eliminate fraud in evading the payment of lawful license; also to prevent the sale of liquors to minors; to close saloons on Sunday, and, if possible, to induce municipalities to cease granting licenses to disorderly establishments. The committee held that it was the abuse of liquor that did harm, and charged this mainly to city governments allowing licenses to improper parties.

Children's all-wool Hose only 10c per pair at the Children's Ten-Cent Hosiery Counter at Petleys'. 456

Imprisonment for Debt.

DOVER, N.H., Dec. 17.—William A. Wooster, a prominent resident of Great Falls, N.H., has been lodged in the County Jail by his creditors. He owes them $6000, and under the State law they can keep him in jail for fifteen years providing they pay his board. Mrs. Wooster, the wife of the prisoner, is worth over $150,000 and would pay his debts, but he will not consent to her doing so. Wooster says he is very comfortable and as times are dull and he is getting old, he can stay there as long as his creditors wish.

Large heavy all-wool white Blankets, slightly damaged, selling at $2.50 and $3.50, worth from $4.50 to $6. Petley & Petley. 456

LABOR'S COMBINATIONS.

CATHOLIC PRELATES IN CONFERENCE AT PHILADELPHIA.

The Labor Question Assuming Such Proportions That the Church can no Longer Ignore It—The Conference a Secret One.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—The Record says: An important conference bearing on the relation of the Catholic Church to the Knights of Labor in the United States is believed to have taken place in this city yesterday between Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, and Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, at the residence of the latter. From noon until 5 o'clock the three Prelates were closeted, and at the latter hour Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Corrigan departed for their homes. Archbishop Elder, of Cincinnati, was expected at the conference but he was suffering from pneumonia, and unable to come.

Whatever occurred at the conference is kept a close secret, but it is understood that the meeting was for the purpose of discussing thoroughly the principles of labor unions and labor political movements, with a view of either condemning or approving them, according as they appear to be in conformity with the church. Also that any action that might be taken should be uniform throughout the country.

It is believed that the action of Archbishop Corrigan in suspending Dr. McGlynn formed the leading subject of deliberation.

A prominent priest said last evening, in referring to the meeting, that the labor question was certainly assuming such proportions and drifting into such channels that the church could not very long ignore it. He referred to the interest taken in labor movements, as exemplified by the heavy vote polled by Henry George, and thought Catholics should be advised by their spiritual superiors whether or not it was dangerous to support such movements.

"Of course," he concluded, "no action will be taken by the hierarchy without deliberation on the case, and if any change is made it will be for the best interests of the church and the spiritual welfare of its adherents."

CONVICT LABOR.

Meeting of the National Anti-Convict Contract Association.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—W. T. Lewis of Racine presided at yesterday's meeting of the National Anti-Convict Contract Association, which was held here. Among the letters of regret sent by prominent members of the organization, who were unable to be present, was one from Benjamin F. Butler, in which he says: "If you think my acceptance of the office of vice-president for the State of Massachusetts of the National Anti-Convict Labor Association will do the cause any good, I will accept it, but it will be very difficult for me, with my present engagements, to give much personal attention to it."

D. M. Thomas of Louisville, Secretary of the National Stove Manufacturers' Association; J. B. Winsface of Nebraska, C. Holz of Chicago, Mr. Webster of Wisconsin, Assistant Secretary Mansfield, Mr. Upton of Cedar Rapids and others made energetic speeches in favor of abolishing the contract system in the employment of prison labor, but none of the speakers made any definite suggestions as to what should replace the present method.

Most of them were of the opinion that the convicts should be set to work upon the public highway until every road was improved. After several hours' discussion the secretary was instructed to draw up an outline of the object of the association. It was also resolved to send a copy of the bylaws of the association to T. V. Powderly, asking his co-operation through the various branches of the Knights of Labor in the country.

—Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the wire work is thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust or injure carpets or painted floors. 361

A Train Bound to Make Up Time.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J., Dec. 17.—The Cincinnati express was half an hour behind time this morning and passed through the city at the rate of 40 miles an hour. The gatemen at the George-street crossing were not on duty, and the train smashed a wagon driven by Terrence Hickey, aged 14 years. Moses Ryno, an old man of 60, saw the horse and wagon on the track and went to the boy's assistance. The train, however, struck the wagon and threw Ryno off the embankment into Somerset-street, instantly killing him. The horse was carried some distance further and part of the wagon was deposited in front of the ladies' waiting room at the depot. The boy was not to be found at first, but was finally discovered wrapped in a blanket firmly fastened on the cow-catcher. His brains were oozing from his skull and he was dead. Ryno was the father of a large family. He was formerly a policeman.

—Steel wire door mats will not wear out. They require no shaking as they clean themselves. They do not fill with dirt and dust; all dust falls through and can be readily swept up. 136

Murderers Shot to Death.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 17.—Facter Jones and Dick Bullock, two of the four negroes who murdered Geo. Taffe in the Choctaw Nation because he discovered them killing his cattle, and were released on bail, were caught by a mob on Wednesday, taken to the scene of the murder and riddled with bullets. The other murderers are in jail.

See the Five-Cent Ribbon Counter this week at Petleys'. 456

Ministers Witness the Ballet.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—In response to the invitation of the National Opera Company about a dozen clergymen attended the performance of "Galatea" last night and witnessed the ballet. They seemed to stand the ordeal as well as the average theatre-goers, and their opinions varied widely.

See the Twenty-Cent Counter of Ladies' all-wool Hosiery at Petleys'. 456

A Brace of Alleged Burglars.

Thomas Ryan and James Fox, held for vagrancy, were in the Police Court yesterday. On the charge of vagrancy they were asked to furnish bail in $100 each. Then Detective Cuddy put in a charge of burglary against them, and on this count they were asked to go $500 more, which of course they could not do. Ryan is a moulder from Hamilton, and the detectives think they have evidence to convict him and his pals (one of whom is not yet arrested) of several burglaries which have taken place in the city recently.

—Until January 1, 1887, we offer 10 and 15 per cent. discount off our already exceedingly low prices. See the goods. The People's Company, 50 Adelaide-street west. Sewing machine oil 5 cents per bottle. 246

Steel wire Mats are now in use in all our principal churches, schools, banks and public buildings. Offices and factory, 6 Wellington west. 136

PERSONAL.

Mr. D. McNicoll, General Passenger Agent C.P.R., is booked at the Rossin.

Mr. R. Rubens of New York is registered at the Rossin.

Mr. Chas. Stiff, Superintendent; Mr. Joseph Hobson, Chief Engineer; Mr. C. K. Domville, General Superintendent, Southern Division, G.T.R., are registered at the Queen's Hotel.

Mr. W. H. Read of Montreal, Manager Canadian Pullman Car Service, is registered at the Queen's.

Mr. Thos. Kilvert, M.P., Hamilton, is booked at the Queen's Hotel.

Dr. Rodger, G.T.R. Physician, Montreal, is at the Queen's.

Mr. R. T. Marton, Q.C., Kingston, is at the Queen's.

Dr. Alescoff, Moscow, Russia, is a guest at the Queen's Hotel.

Mr. Moffatt, whose condition has been critical for some days past, is reported as progressing favorably.

SAVED BY THE FIREMEN.

A Fire in Copp's Block, Hamilton, Nipped in the Bud.

HAMILTON, Dec. 17.—D. N. Hammond, who has charge of Copp's Block, King-street east, went into the cellar of the establishment of J. H. Johnston, cabinetmaker and furniture dealer, about 9 o'clock this morning, with a plumber, to attend to some water pipes which had been frozen. They left a lamp under one of the pipes, and went into the cellar under Stevens' picture frame establishment. Returning a minute later they found the place full of smoke. Before they got out of the cellar J. B. Smith from his woodyard office had noticed the smoke issuing from the building and telephoned for the Fire Department. His prompt action probably saved thousands of dollars worth of property. Stowed in the cellar was a large quantity of tow and grasses used in upholstery. This was burning and soon filled the entire building with dense smoke so that the employes had only time to get out the stock of made-up furniture from the show-room. The firemen worked on the burning stuff from the area and soon had the flames subdued. It was entirely destroyed. The smoke filled the passages so quickly that Mrs. Cooney, the caretaker, could not get out of her room on the third flat. She was brought down on a ladder by Fireman Hunting. The building is owned by Wm. Copp and is insured. The damage will be about $250. Mr. Johnson's loss will probably reach $300 or $400, covered by insurance. Very little damage was done to the furniture or the tools, they being removed carefully and kept dry. Mr. Hammond lost his overcoat. Two weeks ago he was burned about the face by the explosion of a lamp while at work at one of the windows in the block.

Scots Wha Hae by 86 unaccompanied voices at the Pavilion Monday night. Admission 50c. 61

A "SECTION B" SETTLEMENT.

The Famous Firm of Contractors Winding Up the Affairs of the Partnership.

"W. B. Scarth, Winnipeg," was the first name that smiled in the Queen's Hotel register yesterday morning. Mr. Scarth looks as if his residence in the Prairie City agreed with him, and his late defeat for the Manitoba Assembly did not seem to leave a trace of disappointment in his good-natured face. Mr. Scarth re-visits Toronto as a contractor, with his friend Hon. Frank Smith associated with him. There is to be a friendly and final settling up of the gentlemen who composed the famous "Section B" firm of contractors, Alexander Manning, Mr. Fisher, John Shields, Mr. McDonald, etc. It is said the settlement will be effected without calling witnesses; if not, evidence will be taken in January. Some preliminary steps looking towards a settlement were taken yesterday.

Confederation Medal Presentations.

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—Copies of the confederation medal have been awarded to Sir R. G. W. Herbert, K.C.B., permanent Under-Secretary of State for the colonies; Hon. Cavendish Boyle, Colonial Secretary of the Islands of Bermuda; J. Gordon Brown, formerly editor of the Toronto Globe, and Rev. Dr. Tannuay, author of the "Dictionnaire Genealogique des Familles Canadiennes Francaises."

Miss Beche sings "Where the Bee Sucks," "Why Tarries My Love," "The Violet" and "Come Live With Me," at T. V. S. Concert Monday night. Admission 50c. 61

Flakes From the Fair.

It has been decided to keep the "Fair" at the Adelaide-street Rink open from 11 this morning until 11 this evening, when it is hoped that all the articles on sale will have been disposed of. There were 2000 people at the Fair last evening. The receipts at the door for three nights and from the refreshment booths were $700.

An auction will take place this evening of all unsold goods.

The refreshment room, upstairs, under the charge of Mrs. Cowan, Mrs. Higinbotham, Mrs. McMurray and Miss Street, is meeting with unlimited success and patronage.

All the booths and cafes will be photographed this afternoon.

The young folks had another lively hour of dancing last evening.

What is Wanted?

Is it a warm house where everything is comfortable, meals all that can be desired; prices very moderate; good society—if so you will find it at H. L. Green's, 104-106 Shuter-street. Table board $2.25 and $2.50 per week. Room and board from $3.25. It is the best boarding house in the city and running on the lowest scale of charges. Warm sitting rooms for the evening; in fact everything to keep young men at home and make them enjoy themselves. Board payable at the end of each week. You should try this house if you want board; as through the changes made these last two weeks has made it better than ever.

Dinners, the best bill of fare in the city. Six tickets for 90c, or 20c single meal.

Don't forget the address, H. L. Green's, 104 and 106 Shuter-street, the only licensed restaurant boarding house in the city.

Our Men's Overcoats at $4, $5, $6, $7.50 and $9 are selling very rapidly. Petley & Petley. 456

Mrs. Harvie Must Decline.

The committee of ladies appointed by the joint meeting of the W.C.T.U. of St. Andrew's and St. George's Wards, held Thursday evening, to wait on Mrs. John Harvie and request her to allow her name to be up as School Trustee for the former ward, have fulfilled their mission. Mrs. Harvie, for various reasons, had to decline the honor. The ladies of the W.C.T.U. should bear in mind, in this connection, that there is a property qualification for membership at the Public School Board.

Escaped Prisoners Sentenced.

The three men who escaped from the Central Prison were before the Police Magistrate yesterday. They are: Harry Durtch, alias Bennett, from Guelph; Thos. Duesling, from Oxford County, and Charles Wilson, from London. The two former escaped in July last and Wilson in October, all being recaptured shortly after. Bennett was remanded till the 22d. Duesling got one month added to his sentence and Wilson two months.

He Got a Stolen Check Cashed.

John Daley walked into James H. Rogers' hat store yesterday afternoon and managed to steal a check for $61 which lay on the counter. He got the check cashed at the Dominion Bank. Detective Reburn arrested him in the East End last night, and he was locked up in the Wilton-avenue Station.

Mr. Manning for Mayor.

A petition in favor of asking Mr. Alexander Manning to enter the mayoralty contest against Mr. Howland is being extensively circulated.

100 additional reserved seats for sale at Nordheimer's for T. V. S. Concert Monday night, 50c, 75c and $1.00. 61

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

It will take eight months to cut the preliminary tunnel under St. Clair River for the Grand Trunk tunnel there.

Archibald Campbell, a pioneer of Toho Township, having settled there in 1831, is dead. He was born in Argyleshire, Scotland.

Robert and William Donnolly, accused of having committed an assault upon members of the Salvation Army at Glencoe, have been acquitted.

Ernest Donaldson, an employe in the post office at St. Jerome, Que., has been arrested for robbing registered letters, to which he has confessed.

John Diffley, employed in Dow's brewery, Montreal, was struck in the head by a brick, which fell from one of the walls about a week ago, and has since died.

A Mrs. Brady, living at No. 1014 St. James-street, Montreal, has been arrested for shoplifting. A great many articles supposed to have been stolen were found at her residence.

Our fine black dress Overcoats at $7.50, $10 and $12 are a great bargain. Petley & Petley. 456

A BATCH OF NORMALITES.

Who go Forth to Teach the Young Idea How to Shoot.

The theatre of the Normal School, heated almost to suffocation, was filled last night at the closing exercises of the School. Principal Kertland presided, and with him on the platform were Prof. Young, Rev. Dr. Carlyle, Rev. Dr. Kellogg, Rev. Principal Caven of Knox College, Mr. J. E. Hodgson, Inspector of High Schools, and Mr. Alex. Marling. A pleasing program was presented, consisting of calisthenics, Kindergarten songs and a cantata, "The Old Clock on the Stairs," by the students, and readings by Miss Wetherald. Addresses were delivered by Principal Kertland, Rev. Drs. Kellogg and Carlyle, and Prof. Young, who, on behalf of the Minister of Education, unavoidably absent, presented the Prince of Wales gold medal to Mr. W. R. Smith of Port Rowan, who obtained the high percentage of 93 in the examinations.

Mr. Hodgson read this list of teachers in training who passed the professional examination:

Misses Ainsley, Anthony, Armstrong E., Armstrong A., Atthes, Ball, Black, Bale, Burt, Bright, Charlton, Croley, Cleveland, Cruickshank, Cowen, Davidson, Dickson, Dingle, Dingwall, Disher, Dolan, Dobie, Duncan, Downey, Dyer, Elliott, Farrelley, Flaus, Forbes, Frame, Gould, Glenn, Gould, Green, Gregory, Hammill, Hunter, Harris, Johnson, Kirkwood, Laing, Langstaff, Mahony, Mann, Miller, Moir, Moore, Mullin, McCallum B., McCallum Kate, McClung, McBain, McDougall, McFarlane, McKenzie, McLean, McMaster, McNeil, McLeish, McWilliams, Neville, Osborne, Penwarden, Porter, Pearse, Phillips, Rankin, Robertson, Shain, Smithers, Small, Somerville, Sturrock, Tier, Tighe, Walkington, Wallace, Watton, Watson, Wiggins, Wilson and Zealand; Messrs. Alexander, Ames, Brandle, Burchill, Callander, Currie, Charlesworth, Elliott, Falconer, Galbraith, Graham, Harper, Harvey, Hay, Hinde J., Hinde E., Hutchinson, Ingall, Malone, Miller, Mosgrove, Murchison, Musgrave, McDonald, McEwen, Oliver, Parker, Peacock, Rutherford, Rowan, Salgeon, Scroggie, Silcox, Smith T., Smith W. R., Sproule and Strike.

The following students having obtained over 70 per cent. of the marks awarded for practical teaching and also over 70 per cent at the different written examinations were awarded certificates, Grade A.: Misses Bale, Coupland, Unanimous, Elliott, Green, Hammill, Maus, Moir, Moore, McCallum, B., McCallum, Kate, McFarlane, McMaster, Neville, Rankin, Somerville, Stirling, Sturrock, Tier, Watson, Zealand; Messrs. Alexander, Falconer, Harper, Hay, Hind J., Hutchison, Ingall, Miller, McEwen, Rutherford, Rowan, Scroggie, Strike.

These students having certificates, Grade A, are entitled to honorable mention: Misses Dickson, Dingle, Farrelley, Gould, McMillan, McLean, Osborne, Tighe; Messrs. Burchill, Charlesworth, Silcox. These having certificates, Grade First C, are entitled to honorable mention: Messrs. Callander, Elliott, Graham, E. Hinde and W. R. Smith.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical Attractions for Next Week—The Commercial Travelers' Ball.

There will be performances at both theatres this afternoon and evening. "Alone in London" will be played at the Grand and "The Black Flag" at the Toronto.

Pantomime will hold forth at the Grand next week when "A Golden Egg," a regular old-fashioned Christmas pantomime will be put on. There will be a special matinee for ladies and children at reduced prices on Wednesday afternoon.

The Mobile Minstrels will be the attraction at the Toronto Opera House on Monday and Tuesday. The proceeds are to go to the relief of the city's poor.

On Wednesday evening Minnie Maddern commences an engagement of four nights and Christmas matinee at the Toronto Opera House under the patronage of the Commercial Travelers Baseball Club. Seats are now selling rapidly.

As the festive season of Christmas and New Year comes around the Knights of the Road, known more familiarly as the Commercial Travelers, hold their annual re-union and have a great time. It is only about once a year that many old commercial friends meet, and there will be a great hand-shaking and congratulations on the occasion of the annual conversazione and ball of the C.T.A. of Canada to be held at the Pavilion Music Hall on the 30th inst. The success of last year's gathering is a guarantee of the pleasant time the sisters, wives, daughters and sweethearts of commercial travelers will have.

Musical Toronto will have a chance to welcome two of her favorite artistes on Monday, Jan. 10, in the persons of Madame Carreno pianiste, and Miss Agnes Huntington, contralto.

Toronto Vocal Society.

The Toronto Vocal Society announce the clever arrangement by Henry Leslie of the well-known air "Scots Wha Hae." At its first concert last spring this number created such a furore that it gained a well deserved double encore. It is repeated this year by general desire. The Globe said of it last season: "The rendering of this war song by a solumn of voices is something really grand and far exceeding the simple singing of the verses in an ordinary concert by a single vocalist." The Toronto World said: "Carlyle has said of Bruce's address before Bannockburn, the finest war ode ever written by human pen, that, 'it ought to be sung with the throat of a whirlwind.' The manner in which it was sung last night by the Toronto Vocal Society brought out the fierce scorn of cowardice and the proud determination to do or die so forcibly that the audience insisted on its repetition in full."

Ample room and good seats for 1000 more at the T. V. S. Concert Monday night. Admission 50c. 61

Jewelry Business Squarely Conducted.

That is the motto at Trowern's, 171 Yonge-street, in the jewelry business. Trowern avoids inferior goods altogether; he doesn't want them to get mixed up with the genuine goods which he sells, and which he *guarantees*. Buy at Trowern's, and the man you buy from is responsible for the proper value of the article you buy. Buy at auction and the responsibility rests with Old Nick or Santa Claus, or some other personage whom the courts can't get hold of. Trowern is held to answer every time, and he is there to answer it, too, 171 Yonge-street.

Xmas, 1886.

The subscriber, in again returning thanks to his numerous friends and patrons for his support during the past year, begs most respectfully to announce that he has again catered for the coming holiday season in his usual well known first-class style, and that the exhibition of his supplies will be commenced on Tuesday next. The price will be found satisfactory, and the quality such as to guarantee the high reputation so long enjoyed. Come and see and be convinced. Wishing one and all the compliments of the season, Wm. M. Wordly, corner of Church and Carlton-streets. x

Bastedo & Co., 54 Yonge-St. Fur sale. Seal Mantles, Fur Coats, Dolmanettes, Capes at closing prices. Call and examine. ed

Standard Novelty Works.

Messrs. W. J. Rowe & Geo. Teskey have just taken possession of and commenced business at 22 Francis-street (lately occupied by W. J. McGolpin). The proprietors, who are both practical men, have had a lengthy experience in the business, and will no doubt make it highly successful. The principle feature is that they are the only manufacturers of novelty goods of this kind in Canada, and can supply a class of popular articles to the trade, they cannot obtain elsewhere. All retail fancy goods men should see the novelties at Rowe & Teskey's, 22 Francis-street.

Buy the Children Something.

Don't forget the children; you can make their little hearts jump for joy by showing them the large and pretty assortment of toys, fancy goods, games, etc., in Whitmough's windows, 195 King-street east, and everything marked at lowest prices.

Oak Hall's Enterprise.

Knives for the boys, and albums for everyone purchasing goods at this great clothing house. Manager Rutherford pleases all his patrons and gives satisfaction and a Xmas box in the bargain. What more?

Furniture Sale.

Suckling, Cassidy & Co. advertise a sale of fine furniture for 1.30 p.m. Tuesday at their warerooms, 29 Front-street west.

Bastedo & Co., 54 Yonge-St. Beaver, Otter, Seal, Persian Caps, Collars and Cuffs at clearing prices. Call and examine. ed

THE AXEMAN IN DEMAND.

CLAMORING FOR THE HEAD OF COMMISSIONER S. R. HEAKES.

The Trades and Labor Council Pass a Resolution of Want of Confidence in Their Old Colleague—A Recommendation Anent the City Ambulance.

The Trades and Labor Council held its regular meeting last night, but only about half the delegates were in attendance. President Whitten was in the chair. The chief topic of discussion was the Royal Labor Commission, and a resolution was adopted disapproving of S. R. Heakes being on the board.

The Municipal Committee in their report complained that the Legislation Committee of the City Council had thrown out the proposition of the Mayor, that chairmen of committees and other civic officials be elected by the people. The report went on to say: "Property qualifications for aldermen should and must be done away with before any honest reform takes place in the personnel of the City Council." A recommendation was made that aldermanic candidates be asked to give their views on the foregoing questions.

The Legislative Committee reported that they had received a communication from the Oshawa Trades and Labor Council asking assistance to secure the enactment of a law providing for the inspection of stationary boilers. The council agreed to co-operate. The depressed condition of the labor market in British Columbia was expanded upon.

When this report came up for consideration Delegate McCormack enquired if boilers would not come under the attention of the new factory inspector. "No, sir, they do not," replied Delegate O'Donoghue. "I notice," continued Delegate McCormack, "that the Factory Act is hanging fire. The Ontario Government is evidently afraid to appoint any one for fear they lose two or three votes." The chairman told Mr. McCormack he was out of order, and declared the report adopted unanimously. "No," said McCormack, "I vote against it."

The following resolution in regard to the Royal Labor Commission was moved by Delegates H. Geary and T. W. Banton:

That this council hereby expresses its total want of confidence in the methods and impartiality of the Labor Commission recently appointed by the Dominion Government, and recommends that all members of labor organizations throughout Canada decline giving any evidence before the same while the name and person of Samuel H. Heakes is continued therein, and that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Sir John A. Macdonald at Ottawa.

The resolution was received with great delight by some of the members.

Delegate A. H. McConnell of the Carpenters' Union said he would not be doing his duty if he allowed such a resolution to pass without expressing his disapproval of it. There was no man who had done more for the carpentering trade in Toronto than Mr. Heakes, and in his employ of over 200 men he was held in the highest esteem.

Delegate McCormack said that Mr. Heakes was perfectly justified in going upon any political platform he chose. They should show British fair play. He cared no more for Mr. Heakes than for any other man, but he would like to see him get proper treatment.

Delegate R. O. McKeown gave it as his opinion that the resolution was nothing but a political dodge.

After a number of delegates had expressed their disapproval of Mr. Heakes' conduct, the resolution was adopted by a vote of 27 to 10.

The report of the Parkdale Municipal Committee gave the following deliverances on Prohibition: In answer to a question from Councillor Atkinson, Councillor Stewart intimated his intention to press his license bylaws notwithstanding Mr. Mowat's declaration that he and his colleagues were not concerned in enforcing either the Crooks or the Scott Acts, and in reply to the same councillor, Reeve McMath expressed his entire agreement with the Hon. Edward Blake in his avowed determination to vote against prohibition. Your committee would therefore press strongly the necessity of working and voting for the Labor candidates, who are avowed Prohibitionists. It must be plain to all that temperance men have nothing to expect from the 'old unreliables.'"

Delegate Webb presented a resolution which was adopted unanimously, asking the City Council to assume complete control of the ambulance, and keep it at the Court-street Station, whence it could be summoned on the same principle as the fire brigade. Several delegates expressed their dissatisfaction with the existing plan of keeping it in a livery stable, where it could not be procured without payment.

A long discussion took place as to what action should be taken in regard to delinquent aldermen who were offering for re-election, but nothing came of