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THE IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT

TO ADJOURN IN A FEW DAYS UNTIL JAN. 9.

The Anti-Parnellites Received with Cheers on Entering the House and Assuming the Parnellite Chairs—McCarthy will Ask for an Enquiry into the Conviction of Dillon and O'Brien.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The anti-Parnellite members of the House of Commons made an early appearance in the House to-day. Forty-one of them entered the Chamber in a body and took the principal places on the first four benches below the gangway, with a view to prevent the Parnellites from occupying their usual seats. Col. Nolan and John Deasy entered later and contrived to secure seats. Mr. Parnell's seat had also been reserved, he having at an earlier hour affixed a ticket to it. Mr. Healy arrived later than his colleagues. When he entered he took Mr. Parnell's seat, but McCarthy warned him to vacate it. The party appeared to be in excellent spirits. They cheered loudly when Mr. Deasy, the anti-Parnellite whip, advanced to the Speaker's chair, and moved the issue of a new writ for an election in North Kilkenny to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edward Marum. The writ was issued.

Mr. McCarthy, amid the cheering of his supporters, gave notice that on the re-assembling of the House he would call attention to the circumstances in connection with the recent arrest and prosecution of Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien, and would move a resolution in relation to the case.

William Henry Smith, the Government leader, announced that when the House went into Committee on the Land Purchase Bill he would move an adjournment of the House until Jan. 2.

Mr. Balfour moved the second reading of the Land Department (Ireland) Bill.

Mr. Healy moved to adjourn the debate, on the ground that the Government was treating the House with contempt in not explaining the provisions of the bill.

Subsequently Mr. Healy withdrew his motion to adjourn and substituted an amendment calling for the rejection of the Land Department bill.

This was defeated and the bill passed its second reading, 91 to 129.

Mr. Parnell entered the House just before the division. He took a seat next to Mr. McCarthy and voted, as did all the Irish members of both sections, present against the bill.

Mr. Smith announced that when the House re-assembled on Jan. 22, the Private Procedure and Tithes bills would be first taken up.

Mr. Balfour's Irish Relief bill, which asked an appropriation of £5000 to enable him to supply seed potatoes to distressed families, passed its third reading.

THE EVE OF HIS WEDDING.

Supt. Thomas Tait Handsomely Remembered by the Officers and Men of the O. and A. Division.

Mr. Thomas Tait, who is said to be among the youngest railway general superintendents in America, who has been connected with the great Canadian Pacific almost since its inception, and who for the past two years has been general superintendent of the Ontario and Atlantic division, is to be married to-morrow afternoon at St. James' Cathedral to Miss Cockburn, daughter of Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, M.P.

The mileage of Mr. Tait's division is 1500, and it employs between 6000 and 7000 officers and men.

This is no mean division for a man of Mr. Tait's years to boss.

The officers and men of the division, to show their high appreciation of Mr. Tait, and on the eve of such an important event in his life, gathered about 300 strong at McConkey's last night, and in addition to making him a handsome, valuable and substantial present, also gave him one of George's very best suppers.

The supper consisted of many good things; the present was an illuminated address and as pretty a tea service as ever left the silver artificer's hands.

It was solid, good, and numerous as to pieces.

Mr. Tait was real happy over the event. So was Father-in-law-elect Cockburn, who was one of the guests at the head of the big table.

The officers and men came from all over the Dominion and made up a truly representative gathering.

Mr. W. H. D. Armstrong, engineer of construction, was the chairman, and around him sat Mr. Tait, Rev. Canon DuMoulin (who confirmed Mr. Tait in Montreal when he was 10 years of age, and who will perform the other important service to-morrow), George Tate Blackstock, Capt. William McMaster, Dugald MacMurchy.

Among the officers of the division present were: Assistant Superintendent Williams, A. L. Hertzberg, resident engineer; G. M. Bosworth, general freight agent; J. W. Sutherland; R. Cardiff, assistant superintendent, Smith's Falls Junction; R. R. Jameson, assistant superintendent, Toronto Junction; George Preston, assistant local superintendent, Parkdale; John Wanless, ticket inspector, Parkdale; J. Kyle, locomotive foreman; James Wilson, general claims agent; William Hunt, general manager Dominion Express Company; J. M. Jubb, general superintendent's assistant, Toronto; A. Price, car service agent; R. Charlton, agent, Toronto; J. R. Taylor, agent, Owen Sound; P. Stephens, agent, Sharbot Lake; J. Calasar, agent, Parkdale; W. Walsh, agent Dominion Express Company, Toronto; G. Wakeford, despatcher, Smith's Falls; W. Young, despatcher, Toronto; J. Gordon, roadmaster, Toronto; E. Murphy, roadmaster, Woodstock; D. Mahony, roadmaster, Peterboro. The balance of the company consisted of enginemen, operators, clerks, agents, etc., making the gathering truly representative of the division.

Mr. Williams read the address and Mr. Hertzberg made the presentation, amid much enthusiasm.

The toast of the evening of course was "Our Guest," and it was enthusiastically proposed by Chairman Armstrong, enthusiastically drunk by the gathering and feelingly replied to by Mr. Tait. Mr. Armstrong referred to the general superintendent's amiable disposition and how he had worked himself up almost from the bottom rung of the ladder to one of the highest positions in the great railway. Mr. Tait reviewed the history of the division since he became its superintendent two years ago; its progress and prosperity. The most notable events in its history during that time were the completion of the Detroit River extension; the completion of the beautiful and substantial new depot in Montreal and the completion of the Main Short Line to the Atlantic. He paid a tribute to the loyalty of the men in the service in his division and then referred to the national character of the whole C.P. system. His approaching marriage he referred to with, not with blushes, but with manly and elegant phrases, during which he was loudly cheered.

Canon Dumoulin paid a fitting tribute to the worth of Mr. Tait, whom he had known as a little boy in Montreal, and his steady progress onward and upward to position and fame.

Several other toasts were drunk, there was singing and music, and, altogether a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Public School Notes.

A short time since a copy of Morley McLaughlin's patriotic song, "My Own Canadian Home," was presented to each Toronto public school teacher. This generous gift has now been supplemented by 25,000 additional copies for the children. The gift is from the Surprise Soap Company.

Rev. Professor Clark of Trinity University will lecture next Friday evening at 8 in the public hall of the Normal School on "William the Silent." The lecture will be free.

By reason of the prevalence in the neighborhood of diphtheria and other contagious diseases it has been decided to close Bathurst-street school until after Christmas. The school building itself, Superintendent Bishop declares, is in a healthful state, but serves at present as a distributing point for contagion.

A CATTLE DISEASE SCARE.

The Startling Information that Reached Toronto from Liverpool.

There was consternation among the local cattle exporters yesterday. The cause was the receipt of a cable message by Ald. Frankland stating that the steamship Corean, with a consignment of Canadian cattle on board, had been detained at Liverpool pending an enquiry into the nature of a disease, believed to be pleuro-pneumonia, which had attacked one of the number.

Ald. Frankland was seen by The World, and in response to a query remarked: "I received a long cable informing me of the circumstances, and asking me to see the Minister of Agriculture and Dr. Andrew Smith. I did so this morning, and, as a result of my interview, they both despatched cables emphatically stating that there are no contagious diseases among Canadian cattle. I have every reason to believe that the veterinary department in London, where the lungs of the suspected animal have been sent, will after careful examination declare them free from contagious disease.

"Considering how slight a thing will disturb this great ocean cattle trade," continued the worthy alderman, "under the present circumstances every care should be taken to prevent anything approaching suspicion being shipped. I would emphasize particularly old cows, which are not as strong as young cattle, and are therefore more or less susceptible to disease."

"What do you think is the nature of the complaint which has attacked the animal?"

"It may possibly be pneumonia or a fever of some kind, but it is not pleuro-pneumonia. It doesn't exist in Canada. In fact I am of opinion that it cannot."

"What gives you this belief?"

"Why, our climate is too clear and bright."

Mr. Frankland further added that should the worst prove true it would be a serious loss, indeed, to the Canadian cattle trade.

Among the Corean's load of cattle are consignments from Frankland & Dunn, Flannigan & Aikens and Joe Harris. The affected cow is supposed to be among the latter's consignment.

Ald. Frankland received a cable last night stating that the consignment of cattle his firm had on board the Corean had been sold. He takes this as evidence that the vessel has been released.

The Cattlemen of Montreal Also Anxious.

MONTREAL, Dec. 8.—Canadian cattle shippers are seriously exercised over the deliberations of the committee appointed by the Imperial Board of Agriculture to consider the advisability of restricting the Canadian cattle trade on account of the slaughter of cattle in crossing the ocean and the danger of infectious disease.

The losses this year have been heavy and English agriculturists and humanitarians from selfish and humane motives are making the most of them to influence the Government to restrict the trade.

Mr. W. H. Smith, Deputy Minister of Marine, was in Montreal to-day conferring with the steamship companies and shippers, and an agreement was come to that the Government should co-operate to represent the case fairly to the English authorities.

A meeting of live stock exporters was held this afternoon and a deputation was appointed to proceed to Ottawa to develop a line of action which will prevent the Canadian cattle trade from being wiped out. The shippers are confident that the season's losses are due to the exceptionally heavy weather experienced and not to carelessness or imperfections in the construction of ships.

THE MEETING OF THE NATIONS.

The Unique Charitable Show That is Passing in the Pavilion.

The two days' novel entertainment of the Women's Christian Temperance Union began yesterday afternoon in the Pavilion. It is called "The Meeting of the Nations." And all the principal nationalities were excellently portrayed by the young ladies and gentleman taking part both in the afternoon and evening. The laudable object of the affair is to secure a home for the Union, and the unique program presented attracted an assembly that comfortably filled those parts of the Pavilion that were not occupied by the gorgeous tents of the national vendors, of which there were eight, all gaily decorated and festooned with their countries' flags.

The consuls resident in the city liberally loaned their colors, and the whole group in the Pavilion's pit made a gorgeously picturesque sight.

Following were the ladies under the different canopies costumed after the manner of their nation, who disposed of their country's peculiar commodities to the many eager purchasers:

Canada—The Misses Williamson, Cook, McMahon, Steele, Fairclough, Bastedo, Barrow and Mrs. Pell.

Britain—Mesdames McMath, Cox, Abercrombie, Stephens, Misses Fisher, Dunkley, Watkins and McMath.

United States—Misses Leslie and Louden.

France—Mesdames Dodd, Bastedo, Settell, Misses Sharp, Fudger, Marshall, Baxter and Steele.

Russian—Mesdames George Walker, C. Smith, Lucas, Spence, Angus and Miss Birch.

Japan and China—Mesdames C. A. Wilson, F. Wilson, J. H. Smith, A. M. Phillips, Misses Johnston and Glover.

Italy and Spain—Misses McGregor, Carlisle, Noxon and Barker.

Refreshment booth—Mesdames Angus, K. Moffatt, Powell, Emory and Bruce.

In the evening a concert and tableaux were given. The scenes were characteristic of different nations and included Canada, old and new, by public school teachers and pupils; England, Ireland and Scotland, the Queen receiving the Madagascar ambassador and the Relief of Lucknow (3 scenes); Africa, China and Japan; Spain, Columbus before the Spanish Queen and King; France, Joan d'Arc; United States, the Statue of Liberty; Italy, Germany and Russia and finally the different nationalities were grouped, making one gorgeous and grand spectacle.

During the evening songs and selections were given by Mrs. Capt. Thompson, Miss Lena Hayes, Messrs. Chattoe, Grant and Elliott.

The Pavilion will open this morning at 10 o'clock. Refreshments will be served from 12 to 2 p.m. and the tableaux will be reproduced and another concert given in the evening.

A Big Property Purchase.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 8.—To-day one of the most important property purchases that has ever taken place in this province was completed by C. M. Bostwick & Co. taking over all the property belonging to the estate of W. J. Davidson, amounting to about 70,000 acres, and paying therefor $100,000 in cash.

Winnipeg Jots.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 8.—Andrew Strange was elected president of the Northwest Commercial Travelers' Association, C. McIntyre vice-president, and nearly all the old officials re-elected.

Col. Bedson of Manitoba Penitentiary is gradually sinking and it is not expected he will last over Christmas.

At to-day's call board 67c was bid for two cars No. 2 wheat, Brandon freight.

A report reached here that two Icelandic fishermen were drowned the other day in Lake Winnipeg near Gurdstons Point. No particulars are to hand.

The weather is very mild and like Indian summer. People are going around without overcoats.

Sumner Goes Free.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Perrin H. Sumner, charged with forging a will purporting to have signed by J. H. Edgar, a wealthy Englishman, was to-day discharged from custody owing to damaging revelations made regarding one of his accusers. Sumner some time ago identified Smith, the Yonkers suicide, as Edgar, but afterwards denied that the dead man was Edgar.

Kilrain and the Koon.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 8.—The Gladstone club of this city has offered $4000 to George Godfrey, the colored heavyweight pugilist, and Jake Kilrain to meet in the square ring in a scientific encounter.

PARNELL OFF FOR IRELAND.

THE FIGHTING LEADER WILL STUMP THE GREEN ISLE.

He Will Meet the Citizens of Dublin, Cork, Longford, etc.—Michael Davitt on the Situation—The League Fund That Was Deposited in Paris—An Irish Relief Bill—Crisp Gossip.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Mr. Parnell goes to Ireland to-morrow. He will deliver a political address in Leinster Hall, Dublin, on Wednesday and Thursday and afterwards proceed to Cork, Longford and Granard.

Mr. Parnell will be accompanied by the most active of his followers. Before his departure for Ireland he will issue a manifesto to the people of Ireland. It will be signed by all his supporters, including Mr. Carew, who has hereto fore been regarded as doubtful in his allegiance.

The Healy Gaelic Athletic Association has adopted a resolution requesting Mr. Healy to abandon his present position and support Mr. Parnell.

Mr. Parnell will send a mission to the United States to place before the American people his side of the controversy that has arisen in the Nationalist party.

The McCarthyites have warned Sir John Pope Hennessy that they will oppose him if he stands as a Parnellite candidate for the seat in the House of Commons for North Kilkenny made vacant by the death of Mr. Marum.

Thomas Power O'Connor is mentioned as likely to be editor of the new daily paper which the anti-Parnellites propose to establish in Dublin.

Mr. Davitt, in a speech at Stratford-to-day, said that, while it could not be denied that recent events had seriously endangered the cause of Ireland, he was glad to be able to say that during the controversy little had been said on either side of which Ireland need be ashamed. He was confident that both sides would remain true to the principle of national self-government, and he did not believe either Mr. Gladstone or the British democracy would go back on their word.

Mr. Davitt will go to Ireland to assist in the campaign of the anti-Parnell party. In an interview he said that where he resigned the trusteeship of the league funds had been uncertain as to what disposition was to be made of the fund. The sum of £32,000 was deposited with Munroe & Co. in Paris, and he believed that since the death of Mr. Egan this money had lain in the names of Messrs. Dillon and Carey. But it was never intended, he said, that Mr. Parnell should have the sole control of the fund.

Mr. Gilhooly and O'Gorman Mahon have formally joined the anti-Parnell party.

Mr. Parnell has sent a despatch to Milwaukee, Wis., declining an offer of $15,000 for 100 lectures.

William O'Brien sent a cable despatch to Parnell to-day appealing to him to suggest some way by which Ireland might be saved from destruction. Parnell replied: "It is now too late to rescue the seceders from their false position. I shall be glad to consult you on some early interval in Paris."

The subscriptions to the fund for the establishment in Dublin of a new daily paper devoted to the interests of the anti-Parnellite section of the Nationalist party have reached many thousands of pounds.

The Tipperary town commissioners have adopted a resolution declaring they have lost confidence in Parnell.

It is said Mr. Chance, M.P. for Kilkenny South and opponent of Mr. Parnell, will resign his seat, as he is unable to longer devote time to parliamentary duty.

A committee to further the maintenance of Parnell in the leadership is being formed in Dublin.

DUBLIN, Dec. 8.—The North City Board of Electors has passed resolutions supporting Parnell.

THE SITUATION IS DELICATE.

The Irish Envoys Quietly Resting on Their Oars in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The members of the Irish Parliamentary party, Messrs. Dillon, O'Brien, Sullivan, Gill and O'Connor, were in consultation all the morning on the advisability of making a stint as to the position of themselves on the Parnell question. Finally Mr. O'Brien dictated the following:

"The situation is one of extreme delicacy and may involve consequences affecting the whole course of Irish affairs during our generation. Under these circumstances we must ask our friends to believe that it is under a deep responsibility we continue to maintain an attitude of complete reserve. Delaying still is a strong hope that the Irish people may be spared the calamity of internal dissensions, and being persuaded that we will be staid in that direction by avoiding all unnecessary publicity, we are all in complete accord as to our action and we must beg the public to take no notice of ridiculous rumors to the contrary."

The party has no plans formed yet as to their future movements.

Mr. O'Brien to-day received the following cablegram:

CORK, Dec. 8.—Influential committees in both the city and county are being formed to sustain the cause. Party fever is rapidly passing over and common sense is asserting itself. The city and county of Cork will do their whole duty.

FITZGERALD,
High Sheriff and Chairman.

The despatch was interpreted by Mr. O'Brien to signify that Parnell's own constituency was going for McCarthy and against Parnell.

STANLEY DEFENDS OLD ENGLAND.

Lessons of His Disclosures in Connection with Emin's Rescue.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Henry M. Stanley has cabled a long letter to The Times in defence of England from foreign slurs arising from the disclosures in connection with the Emin Relief Expedition. He says he believes the conduct of the men who have been exposed was entirely unusual and exceptional among Englishmen engaged in African exploration. No nation, he declares, has surpassed the English in the tone, temper and principle of its dealing with negroes. Many English explorers, from the revered master Livingstone to his comrades of the advance guard, united in a singular degree gentleness and valor.

"If for myself," says Stanley, "I claim not exceptional fineness of nature, but beginning life as a rough, ill-educated, impatient man, I have found my schooling in these very African experiences which are said to be detrimental to European character, I have learned that self-control is more indispensable than gunpowder in order to rule and keep one's life among Africans. It is needful resolutely to regard and treat them as children."

In conclusion, Stanley says he hopes the revelations which Major Barttelot forced him to make will not be without some good results. He desires that such conduct as Janeson's shall be impossible anywhere on the face of the earth.

"It is only by showing ourselves superior to savages," he says, 'that we can attain that control that is necessary to their welfare, even more than to ours."

The Strike Ended.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The striking stevedores employed by the New Zealand and British India Steamship Companies resumed work to-day.

An Unlikely Story.

LISBON, Dec. 8.—The Governor of Mozambique reports that agents of the British South African Company induced Mataafa's men to revolt and lower the Portuguese flag at Massikesa. The revolters imprisoned a French engineer and three Portuguese.

Editor World: In the list of new candidates for aldermanic honors inserted in your paper the past few days you have omitted the name of James Way, St. Stephen's Ward. He has been a resident of Toronto for 35 years and is the largest property-owner in the ward.

STRONG SUPPORTER.

SIR RICHARD'S SEE-SAW.

Telling the Young Liberals About Canada's Doom.

The Young Liberal Club was addressed last night in Richmond Hall by Sir Richard Cartwright on unrestricted reciprocity. There was a large attendance. Sir Richard said no single question had taken such a hold of the people. It was not easy, after a score of speeches, to say anything new on the subject; but what was needed was the repetition, not of abstract propositions, but of plain and important truths. The Tory press must be brought to admit that the trade of Canada with the United States was exactly equal to the trade of Canada with the rest of the world; that that trade had possibilities of expansion; that from the geographical position of Canada it was an absolute physical impossibility to obtain any other markets, except as a makeshift.

Then there was the moral aspect of the case. Reciprocity, it had to be confessed, was a flank movement, a short cut to Free Trade. He hated and abhorred Protection from 1876 to the present day. Abstractly something might be said for it, but Protection was of necessity corruption. Protection practically meant industrial and then political slavery. There was a world-wide difference between Protection in this country and in England. In England it had been in the past a natural disease; with us it was an insidious and malevolent poison. There were excuses for it in the United States. There it was invoked as a temporary measure and as a war measure.

Sir Richard went on to consider some objections against Reciprocity. It was said we cannot afford to run the risk of disturbance of revenue. What disturbance there would be was a matter of indifference. The important thing was to secure the trade of the people. Discrimination against England was a disagreeable fact. But Gladstone hoped—and the whole press of England endorsed the sentiment—that nothing might occur to disturb the relations of the Mother with the United States. Canada had it in her power to remove any friction between England and the United States by establishing full reciprocity with the latter. Eight hundred million of dollars of Canadian securities were held in England, and it was more important that these should be secure than that there should be a slight disturbance of trade. There was not the loyalty cry, which generally hushed down for a time after he had had occasion to refer to it. Men who taxed British goods up to 35 per cent. should not appeal to loyalty. It was said, further, that the people of Canada cannot compete with the people of the United States. But Canada could hold her own against the world.

It remained for the Liberal party to carry on an aggressive warfare. The enemy was strongly and ably commanded and entrenched, and had got the moneybags; but the Grits were strong to-day in having on their local government ticket with them, a clear cut policy, and the powerful advocacy of The Globe. Moral consequences more than material ones should inspire them to ensure the triumph of the Liberal party in the approaching contest.

Hon. G. W. Ross also addressed the meeting, thanking Sir Richard for the condensation of the magnificent speeches given in the province during the last few weeks.

The Young Conservatives.

The Young Men's Conservative Association met last night in Temperance Hall, the president, A. G. McLean, in the chair. The committee which had been appointed to consider the feasibility of forming a club in connection with the association presented its report. After a lively discussion it was decided to refer the matter to a committee of the whole association, and to set apart next Monday night for further consideration of the scheme.

In new parliament these gentlemen spoke on J. S. Boddy's eight-hour motion: Messrs. McTavish, Hopkins, James, Watts, Harlton, Langtry. On division the motion was carried by a large majority.

STABBED TO DEATH AT SEA.

Captain Lyall Meets a Bloody Death on the Buckingham.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The British ship Buckingham, from Dundee, arrived here today after a stormy passage. Capt. Lyall was stabbed to death on the second day at sea by the cook, a Lascar named Bhaghwan Dhaas, whom the captain reprimanded for neglect of duty. The cook was brought here in irons. Captain Lyall's wife, to whom he was married in New York on his last voyage, was on the ship. The crew is a mixed one, and Acting Captain Christie had great trouble to keep them under control. To-day one of the seamen attempted to stab the boatswain's mate. He was placed in irons.

The South Norfolk Petition.

SIMCOE, Dec. 8.—The trial of the South Norfolk petition, which promised to last for several days more, came to an abrupt termination Saturday. Mr. Osler upon the opening of court rose and stated to the judges that, having consulted with the petitioner and his friends, they would consent to the seat being vacated without costs. He further said that while the question of agency was extremely doubtful, yet there had been corrupt acts by parties for whom the respondent felt himself neither morally nor personally responsible, but at the same time affected, in his judgment, his moral right to retain the seat. He also asked that the two charges against the petitioner be dismissed. Mr. Meredith stated that he was prepared to assent to the proposition of the judges. Judgment was then given voiding the election.

The South Wentworth Protest.

HAMILTON, Dec. 8.—When the South Wentworth election trial comes up on Monday next it is likely that it will be dismissed. The bill of particulars was due some days ago and has not yet been served. Lawyer Monck said: "I understand that the protest will be dropped."

Lawyer Duff told a reporter that he had sent the record to Toronto, but that he would not subpœna any witnesses. In any event the case will have to come before the judges, but it is most likely that it will be dismissed by consent.

Weather Probabilities.

Prof. Wiggins doesn't make the weather exactly, but nobody will deny that he has a good deal to say about it. He predicts a cold winter with plenty of snow. That means tip-top sleighing—crisp, clear moonlit nights, and means for some of our gentlemen, warm fur-lined circulars for ladies, fur sleigh robes and all other fur comforts that are provided for just such glorious weather at Dineen's, corner King and Yonge-streets. Dineen's holiday sale of furs includes ladies' Russian circulars, fur-lined, at $25. Gentlemen's fur overcoats, all prices and all qualities, from the cheapest dogskin to the finest lamb. Ladies' storm collars, capes, boas, muffs and children's furs. Robes, coachmen's furs and everything in the fur line is to be found in abundance at Dineen's.

Commercial Travelers Inaugurate the English Style of Dining.

About 25 commercial gentlemen from Montreal sat down at one table at the Queen's last evening and enjoyed the usual excellent dinner served by that hostelry.

Mr. F. Birks, president of the Montreal Commercial Association, filled the chair and Mr. F. B. Benjamin the vice.

All present approved of the pleasant social change and expressed a wish that it might be continued as frequently as possible.

A parlor was specially provided the gentlemen after dinner.

$5—New York and Return—$5.

H. W. Van Every is still at the front with his cheap excursions, and will give the public another chance to visit the Great Metropolis at the extremely low rate of $5 from Suspension Bridge to New York and return, Dec. 10th, 13th, 14th. No change of cars from Suspension Bridge. Pullman sleepers run through with dining-car attached. Parlor reclining chair coaches free of extra charge. This is the only excursion passing along the famous Hudson River by daylight, and the only line giving ten days' limit. For particulars and full information apply at his offices, 5 Adelaide-street east, or 36 York-street.

FEWER ALDERMEN WITH PAY

A NEW SCHEME FOR CARVING UP THE CITY.

Ald. McDougall Lays Before the City Council His Plan for Doing Away With the Present Obnoxious and Objectionable Ward System—Four Divisions and a Board of Control.

Ald. McDougall gave notice of motion in council last night of a bylaw for the better administration of the affairs of the city. It proposes to substitute four wards in lieu of the present number, 13. The council is to consist of 24 aldermen, 6 of whom are to be elected from each district. Of the 6 thus elected the 3 having the lowest number of votes to retire at the end of one year and the 3 having the highest number to retire at the end of the second year.

The standing committees are to consist of 3, each to comprise 8 members and the Mayor. These committees are the Finance and Assessment, the Streets and Public Works, the Property and Waterworks. The Mayor at the first meeting of new council is to appoint the chairmen of these committees. The Mayor and the chairmen of the three committees are to form a Board of Control. Except during the months of July and August the council shall meet weekly and the Board of Control at least tri-weekly. The Board of Control may exercise all the powers of the council not involving an expenditure or appropriation of money or a reduction of civic revenues exceeding $1000. Any act of this board may be reversed by a two-thirds vote of the council.

The Board of Control are to nominate all appointments to office. No moneys exceeding the sum of $200 shall be submitted to the council before passing under the eye of this committee.

The aldermen composing this triumvirate are to be remunerated by a sum not exceeding $2000 annually. Every other alderman is to be paid the sum of $400 for every meeting he attends, whether it be council or standing committee. The bylaw to be submitted to the electors for approval, and in the event of securing same to go into force the first meeting of the council of 1892.

The boundaries of the proposed new wards are:

District 1.—Bounded on the west by the centre line of Simcoe-street, from the windmill line to Queen-street, and by the centre line of College-avenue from Queen-street to Agnes-street. Bounded on the north by the centre lines of Agnes-street, Willcocks-street and crescent to Riverdale Park, and by the centre line of Gerrard-street from Riverstreet to the east city limit, and by the north city limit extending easterly. Bounded on the east by the east city limits, and on the south from Queen-street. Bounded on the south by the windmill line and north boundary of marsh lands.

District 2.—Bounded on the west by the centre line of College-avenue, Queen's Park and Avenue-road; on the north by the north limit of District No. 1. Bounded on the east by the east city limit; on the north and northeast by the city limit.

District 3.—Bounded on the east by the west limit of District 1. Bounded to the north by the centre lines of Anderson-street to Bathurst-street, and from Bathurst-street by the centre lines of Arthur-street and Dundas-street and College-street to the east limit of High Park; and from the east limit of High Park by the centre line of Bloor-street. Bounded on the west by the west city limit. Bounded on the south by the Windmill-line and south city limit, including the Island.

District 4.—Bounded on the south by the north limit of District 3, on the east by the west limit of District 3, on the north by the north city limit, on the west by the west city limit.

A GOLD PANIC IN NEW YORK.

Offering Sterling Rates for Commercial Bills, With No Takers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The Commercial Advertiser says: "Commercial houses and other brokers were busy to-day trying to sell bills of exchange in London. Millions of dollars in bills were offered and so anxious were the drawers to obtain the money that they offered sterling rates for commercial bills down to 4.75. This is more than 11 cents below the gold value of the sovereign, but at this rate no sales of bills could be made.

"Bankers' bills of the highest class sold at $4.82, which leaves a profit of 1 cent on the pound sterling on importations of gold, even though no weight coins should be paid out to shippers by the Bank of England. That institution must now release its gold or suspend, specie payments, for nothing can now prevent a return flow of gold to this side. It is estimated bankers here are likely to draw at least $30,000,000 from the British capital before the movement ends.

"Kuhn, Loeb & Co. to-day ordered $500,000 in gold from London, and other houses have given notice that they will require gold for shipment on Wednesday's steamers from the other side."

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Times, in its financial article, says: "London, Paris and Berlin ought to afford all possible assistance to New York. The present mischief is spreading. The immediate cause of the trouble may be traced to the curtailment of accommodating through the Barings' collapse, which caused a great many other firms also to stop accommodation. In the case of America the stoppage of these facilities is particularly unfortunate in view of her large cotton crop. We believe the Bank of England could spare a million and a half in case of necessity."

TORONTO'S LATEST ORGANIZATION.

Faith-Cure Missionary Dowie Institutes the "Divine Healing Association."

There was a large audience in Bond-street Church last night to see the wind-up of Mr. and Mrs. Dowie's Divine-healing campaign and to hear the testimonies of those who professed to have been cured by faith and the laying on of hands. The platform was occupied by members of the Christian Alliance and the choir seats by a body of testifiers, mostly middle-aged women of the humbler walks in life. Many were the written requests of persons suffering from divers diseases for the prayers of Mr. and Mrs. Dowie and their followers. The letters were spread before the Lord and united supplications offered. Other sufferers were invited to send in their "applications for healing."

Mr. Dowie then announced that a divine-healing association would be formed in Toronto. He explained its objects, range, terms of membership. It would be in affiliation with other branches, whose headquarters are in Chicago. The Christian Alliance, which already has a congregation in Toronto, would probably be amalgamated with it before the World's Fair. Next came the monetary aspect. Mr. Dowie told how his expenses in connection with his work were $200 a week, and he besought those who had been healed to give liberally. Then he was profuse in his thanks to all who had aided and sympathized with him during his three weeks' mission. Satirically he thanked the Toronto press, secular and religious, for their well-nigh silent boycott.

Mr. W. H. Pearson, general manager and secretary of the Consumers' Gas Company, who still wore his gold spectacles for defective vision, of which he spoke at Mr. Dowie's first meeting, made a statement of the finances of the mission. Up to that evening the collections and contributions had met the local expenses. He asked for $500 from that meeting, his own contribution being $50 and that of ex-Mayor Howland $25.

Before the meeting closed a number testified to spiritual and bodily healing through Mr. and Mrs. Dowie's ministrations.

Xmas Numbers London News, Graphic, Yule Tide, Holly Leaves, French Figaro, Lady's Pictorial, Chatterbox, Xmas, Judge, Puck, Life, etc., etc., at Winnifrith Bros., 6 and 8 Toronto-street. 624

Telegraphic Taps.

Over 200 spinners, creelers and pincers in the Clark thread mill at Kearney, N.J., struck yesterday. The strike will cause a total stoppage of work in the mills, throwing 900 hands out of work. The alleged cause of the strike is the superintendent's despotism.

Mr. Grenville P. Kleiser will read at the Concert in Association Hall to-night.

ALL OF THEM PLUCKED.

The Report of the Experts on the Health Office Candidates.

The long-expected report of the medical examiners was presented to the sub-committee of the Local Board of Health yesterday afternoon. It was as follows:

The committee appointed by the sub-committee of the Local Board of Health to examine the qualifications of the candidates for the position of medical health officer for the city of Toronto begs to report: That it has held the examination in accordance with your instructions. Your committee regrets that from the reports of the examiners it is not warranted in recommending any candidate for the position of medical officer of health.

In view of the responsible trust imposed upon your committee it deemed it to be a part of its duty to call the attention of your worship to the following considerations:

1. Your committee is of the opinion that the onerous character of the duties of the medical officer of health and the grave responsibility devolving upon him entitle the position to consideration in the matter of facilities for carrying on the work equal to that afforded to other branches of the civic service and to a remuneration on a commensurate scale.

2. That while accurate training in chemical and bacteriological methods indicates certain essentials of fitness for this position, yet in view of the varied nature of the work and the numerous executive details attaching to it, it is of more importance that such an officer should have that practical ability which enables him to know when such purely scientific investigations are demanded, and to be able to translate a report of the investigation in such a manner as will aid in practical results in removing causes of disease.

3. That it is essential to harmonious and effective work that other branches of the civic service, such as the Engineer's Department, the Waterworks Department and the School Board, be brought into the closest relations with the work of the Local Board of Health. Should officers of these departments constitute, with the medical health officer, a committee to report all such matters as the local board might refer to them, it would enable the board to obtain the best practical views on the difficult problems, and so to direct the work to be done with the assurance that the best possible results will be obtained.

4. That the composition of the Local Board might with advantage include several ratepayers, who, from special direction to some branch of the work bearing directly on the public health, would lend it the benefit of their experience. Physicians, professors of some of the branches of physical science in the universities, architects, master plumbers, etc., would each in their respective branches bring practical wisdom to the aid of the board in this important work.

J. H. BURNS, Chairman.
D. D. CAMERON JOSES, Secretary.
CHARLES SHEARD.
W. BEATTIE NESBITT.
PETER H. BRYCE.
W. H. ELLIS.

Accompanying the report is an appendix from Prof. Pike, which says:

Ability to conduct the analysis of food, air and water is in my opinion the most important qualification for the health officer of Toronto.

I desire also to express the opinion that the city should take into serious consideration the possibility of providing this important officer with a consulting expert board, constituted of the City Engineer, the public analyst, the principal authority in the city on the subject of bacteriology and several of the leading medical men, and that it should look rather for the ability of the officer as being more than for the combination in one person of a medical man and analytical chemist, a sanitary engineer and a sanitary jurist.

A communication was also received from the experts stating that the reports of the candidates had not been reported in the order of merit was because none of them had come up to the required standard.

A letter from Dr. W. Beattie Nesbitt, who is leaving for Germany to-morrow, stated: If the council persists in the requirements contained in the instructions to our committee, it is my deliberate opinion that no practitioner in this city or in the province will feel inclined to attempt to attain to this high standard. In fact, I doubt if any would excel any of these three gentlemen more prominently mentioned in this connection."

After discussion it was resolved that the experts be asked to report the relative standing of the candidates, and if they cannot do this to name the one who they would recommend as best fitted for the office of medical health officer.

$5 New York, $5 New York via Erie Ry On Dec. 13th, 1890.

The Erie Railway are very desirous that every person will take advantage of their generosity and extend to you the extremely low rate of $5 Suspension Bridge to New York and return, and give you four trains to choose from, which leave Suspension Bridge as follows: 3.15 a.m., 9 a.m. 3.45 p.m. and 8.10 p.m. Magnificent Parlor and Sleepers from Toronto. Tickets can be purchased from agents or at Suspension Bridge. For full particulars apply to G.T.R. agents or to S. J. Sharp, 10 Wellington-street east, Toronto.

Inter Nos.

Do you want your health after your death to continue the business built up by your brain and energy? If you do your desires may be fulfilled to the letter at a small annual outlay, by insuring your life for an amount equal to the demands of the case in the Manufacturers' Life of Toronto.

A Carp Murder.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—Richard Langford, a farmer of Carp, was missed yesterday, and on search being instituted he was found in his barn lying in a corner with his skull fractured. He only lived a few hours. He is believed to have been murdered, and a search is being made for the assassins.

The largest stock of trusses, crutches, abdominal supporters, shoulder braces, is carried by the one-price firm, established twenty years, of Charles Cluthe, 134 King-street west. Trusses in hard rubber, celluloid and leather, from 75c upward. 29

The Sheffield House Importing Company (Registered).

65 Yonge-street (below King.) Just to hand new English goods, suitable for wedding present, at wholesale prices. C. E. Robinson, Manager.

December Magazines—Harper's, Century, Scribner's, St. Nicholas, Outing, Y. P. Journal, Tom Hood's Comic Annual, Grip's Almanac, Pocket Diaries, Office Diaries for 1891, &c., &c., at Winnifrith Bros., 6 and 8 Toronto-street. 624

Nickel Properties for Sale.

I have a number of fine nickel properties for sale. A. McCharles, Nickel City (Whitefish P.O.), Algoma.

Miss Scrimger, Mr. Gurrie, Male Quartet, Knox Church Choir, at Association Hall to-night.

Personal Mention.

Hon. Charles Drury is at the Rossin.

Col. Dalgety, Jamaica, is at the Queen's.

Hon. David Mills, London, is at the Walker.

Mr. James Dollar, Bracebridge, is at the Walker.

Mr. W. C. Caldwell, M.L.A., Lanark, is at the Rossin.

Mr. P. Larkin, contractor, St. Catharines, is at the Queen's.

Mr. J. F. Wood, deputy speaker of the House of Commons, is at the Queen's.

Mr. James Kerr is a candidate for alderman for St. Andrew's Ward and Ex-Ald.