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LONDON AND DISTRICT

The eighty-eighth anniversary of the Independent Order of Oddfellows falls on April 26.

The weekly dance of the non-coms. and men of Wolseley Barracks will not be held tomorrow evening, owing to the death of Captain George Macbeth.

—Mr. Saint N. Sing will give a ten minutes' talk on "Hindu Music," and also sing an East Indian song at the Woman's Music Club tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon. The Handel-Haydn programme which is being arranged by Mrs. Bernard C. McCann and Miss Isabel C. Armstrong, will include three numbers from the ladies' orchestra.

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MANY GOOD THINGS

Are to Be Seen at Bennett's This Week.

Bennett's boasts of a bill this week which is certainly a diversified one. Miss Nana Engleton and company present an uproariously funny skit entitled "How the Widow Was Won." It is a laugh from beginning to end, and made a big hit last night. Miss Engleton is supported by Mr. Myron Leffingwell, and the two artists extract a large amount of legitimate humor from the playlet, which, by the way, was written by Miss Engleton.

The Rialto Comedy Four are all to the good. They are as funny as they make them, and all can sing splendidly. The rub comedy work of the basso is very praiseworthy.

Miss Ethel McDonough has a distinct novelty in her act, "The Girl Behind the Drum." She plays half a dozen instruments, on all of which she is proficient. In drum work, however, she excels.

The Smalley-Arthur Company present "The Little Mother," a playlet which appeared to take with the audience, despite the overweening precocity of two rather large-sized stage children.

D. J. Harrington's ventriloquist act "Over the Moon," pleased.

Miss Margaret Scott sang a couple of songs in a highly-artistic manner, and the La Rosas put on a novelty wire act which forms a pleasing feature of the performance.

Low Rates to the West.

From March 1 to April 30, the Grand Trunk will have special one-way colonist rates in effects to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Denver, Mexico City, Portland and other points. For full information as to rates and routes call on E. De la Hooke, C. P. and T. A. Remember to have your tickets routed via the Grand Trunk.

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London Again Sounds the Insurance Men Re Rates

Underwriters Will Not Guarantee Any Specific Reduction on Any Terms.

The fire underwriters still refuse to be committed to any specific guarantee of a reduction in rates in case the city of London installs an increased pressure waterworks plant and establishes another fire station in the north end. By an order of the council, City Clerk Barker some time ago wrote Secretary J. A. Robinson regarding the matter. The reply he received and which was presented at last night's meeting of the council was as follows: "Referring to your favor of the 5th inst., respecting rates for insurance in London, I now beg to advise having brought this matter before the committee this a.m. The committee feels that it would be difficult to give a definite statement at this time, with regard to

improvements which are after all, only in contemplation, and which cannot be completed for a year or two if not more.

"The committee would point out that not only is the question of installation of improved methods of fire-fighting to be considered, but also the question of the maintenance of the same, and while, as previously stated, in my letter to the engineer of your water commissioners' office, we would consider the independent fire, manufacturing and street watering scheme if properly installed as one that would result in a very great advantage to your city, it does not seem feasible at the present moment to go farther than has already been stated, viz., that the proper installation and maintenance of such a scheme would result in substantial consideration being given to the insurance rates in force in your city when the work was completed.

"Yours truly,
"J. A. ROBINSON, Sec."

SHIPPERS WANT ONE LEVEL TRACK

Men West of Wellington Street Present Petition to the City Council.

The matter of the negotiations between the G. W. R. and the city of London was introduced at last night's meeting of the council by a communication from certain shippers of London, praying that at least one track on the level be allowed to run west of Wellington street, after the lines have been elevated. One track, they said, will be sufficient to accommodate the shippers west of Wellington street, and it could be operated between midnight and 6 a.m. If denied the use of this track, their business will be very materially injured.

Those who signed the petition were the McClary Mfg. Company, the International Harvester Company, the London Machine Fence Company, the Hobbs Mfg. Company, the London Cold Storage Company, John Tanton & Sons, the Western Wire and Nail Company, the London Electric Company and Flavelles, Ltd.

The matter was referred to the railway committee.

Ald. Stevely asked if Ald. Booth, chairman of the railway committee, had any report to make of the recent meetings held by the committee.

"I report progress," said Ald. Booth. "I asked the question because people on the street are asking me what the committee is doing," Ald. Stevely explained.

MIKADO'S ENVOY ON WAY TO BRITAIN

Distinguished Suite Accompanies Japanese Prince — Will Visit Canada.

Ottawa, Feb. 17. — Consul-General Nosse has been advised that his Imperial Highness Gen. Prince Fushimi, special envoy of the Japanese Emperor to His Majesty King Edward VII, is now en route for England, accompanied by a distinguished suite, consisting of the following: Hon. S. Nagasaki, counselor of the imperial court; Hon. S. Baba, controller of the household; Major C. Higashi, personal aide-de-camp; Dr. T. Iwai, physician extra-ordinaire; M. Tsuda, clerk to the household; S. Tokioka, clerk to the imperial Household Department; S. Kurokawa, clerk to the board of ceremony.

Extraordinary members: Admiral Viscount Yamamoto, late minister of navy; Gen. Viscount Nishi, late military governor of Kwantung Province; Col. Y. Matsumoto, chief staff officer Japanese army; Capt. T. Takarabe, Japanese navy; Commander H. Kato, Japanese navy; A. D. C. to Admiral Yamamoto; Capt. T. Ueda, Japanese A. D. C. to Gen. Nishi.

His Highness Prince Fushimi, who with his party will visit Canada in April, is an old member of the imperial family, being a second cousin to the emperor.

He studied at the Ecole Militaire, Paris, and has been serving in the Japanese army for many years. He was twice engaged in actual fighting—once in the Japanese war with China in 1894, when he was a brigadier-commander, and another time during the late war with Russia. In the latter war he was in command of the first division, under Gen. Oku, and fought the desperate battles at Kin-chow, Gen. Stoessel at Port Arthur from Gen. Kuropatkin's main army. Among the prince's suite are two prominent personages, Admiral Viscount Yamamoto, late minister of the navy, planned all the naval operations during the late war with Russia. Another, Gen. Nishi, was in command of the second division, and fought the first battle with the Russians across the Yalu River.

To his army, Gen. Jan Hamilton, of the British army, was attached. Gen. Nishi was later made military governor of the Kwantung Province, including Port Arthur.

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RUSSIANS MAY TURN TO WITTE

Court Bitterly Opposes Liberal Statesman, But Czar May Be Forced to Ask His Help.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—Despite the fact that as recently as the Russian New Year the Emperor published a rescript to Premier Stolypin in which he said that he expected him to meet the coming Duma with the Emperor's full confidence in his programme, the electoral results have forced the question of the premiership again to the front. It is illustrative of Russia's poverty in statesmen that considerable elements in society are canvassing the name of Count Witte as the only man able to loosen the knot without cutting it.

The trifling incident that Baron Fredericks, minister of the court, called at his house to congratulate him on the fact that the bombs found there proved harmless was made on the same day the basis of much gossip in high society to the effect that Count Witte's been commissioned by the Emperor to sound Count Witte on the political situation. This brought out a sweeping contradiction from Tsarsko Selo, where members of the imperial household have gone to the length of publicly maintaining that Count Witte's friends placed sham bombs in his house themselves with the intent of dragging his name into sympathetic public discussion, amid which his services to the country and his future usefulness could be so indisputably shown that the Emperor would have to take notice.

It is much more likely that the mystery of the bogus bomb incident originated in the more stupid wing of the Monarchist League of the Russian people, who, irritated by the revolutionary terrorist successes, sought to subject Count Witte to clumsy annoyance. In any case the view of the court party is that Count Witte's return to power is now absolutely impossible, and the first thing to do is to abolish his electoral law.

Nobody expects that this negative attitude will avail anything to the Government. The victorious Kadets, so far from consenting to help deliver the Government from the impasse in which it is likely to find itself, will issue a peremptory order to Premier Stolypin to quit office. The chairman of the Kadet organization and its campaign manager, "Prof. Milukoff," has issued an important publication which amounts to the Kadet platform in regard to the relations of the strongest party in the Duma to the Government. He writes:

"As the whole depth of the irreconcilable between the country and the Government becomes evident, the question of how the new Duma will meet the ministry which dissolved the first one becomes more and more menacing. In a country with a constitutional regime the answer would be easy.

"The sovereign power addressed to the country the question: Which expresses more correctly the desires of the nation, a bureaucratic ministry or the national representatives? The country has given its answer by sending to the Duma still more oppositional representatives, even after the Gov-

MAYOR PULLS UP BOARD OF HEALTH

Attempts to Block a Little Jaunt to Ottawa Which Is Contemplated.

Mayor Judd's determination to pull the Board of Health up short this year and to keep a tight string on the body's expenditures was shown last night at the meeting of the council.

When the board's estimates for the year were presented, Mayor Judd pointed out that the board recommended that Dr. Hutchinson's salary be \$1,300 instead of \$1,200, as formerly. He said this is a matter for the council to deal with.

His worship then put a brake on the board's proposal to attend and anti-tuberculosis convention in Ottawa shortly. He said that unless the council passed an item for \$200, which appears in the estimates for deputations, he would refuse to sign any checks for the board.

He had instructed the city treasurer to pay out no money to the board until such times as the council has given its consent.

The estimates were then sent to No. 1 committee without any action being taken.

It is not expected the matter will be settled in time for the board to take in the trip to Ottawa.

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