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THE WEAK TRAMPLED ON.

FEARFUL STRUGGLE AT THE SPITALFIELDS THEATRE.

A Panic-stricken Crowd, in its Effort to Get Out of a London Playhouse Supposed to be On Fire, Tramples Seventeen Persons to Death.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—The hall in Princess-street, Spitalfields, where a fatal panic occurred last night, is a favorite resort for the Jews of that part of London. Entertainments have been given there every night for a long time. Last evening a benefit performance was given and the place was crowded. During the progress of the play a man and woman quarrelled in the street outside, and near the main doorway of the hall. The man used violence and the woman screamed. Her cry was heard by a passer-by, who misunderstood it and shouted "Fire." The woman's screams and the cries of "fire" were heard inside and at once created a panic, the audience, numbering 500, rising in a body and rushing pellmell for the main entrance. The audience was almost entirely composed of Jews. The manager of the Hebrew Dramatic Club, which was giving the entertainment, was on the stage when the panic began. He perceived at once that there was no good reason for it and did all in his power to allay the excitement and to afford all possible facilities for the exit of the people. The hall has a number of entrances and he had them all thrown wide open and called on the people, when they would not remain, to divide and use all the doorways, but they paid no attention to him. In fact, many of them construed the manager's earnestness into proof that there was a fire and increased their exertions to get out. The whole crowd, as if with one impulse, made for the main entrance. It happened that among those who first reached it were a number of women and children, who had been occupying some of the rear seats. They were overborne by strong men attempting to pass them, and as the women and children fell at the doorway they tripped up others, who were crushed down by the rush of the frantic crowd. It took but a few minutes to empty the house and the alarm was so thorough that not a soul among the entire audience refrained from the struggle to get out.

When the people after reaching the street ascertained the facts of the situation a scene of great disorder ensued, caused by the discovery that numbers were missing. Then a rush back was made. This however was stopped at the main entrance by the police who had arrived and assumed control. Seventeen corpses were found inside the theatre near the door. They were all torn, crushed and disfigured. It was found that of the dead, twelve were women, three were boys, one was a girl and the other a man. The remains were almost unrecognizable.

Eye-witnesses say that the way the strong men who got uppermost in the struggle at the door crushed and trampled on those who fell down was indescribably brutal. It is stated that a number of infants carried in their mothers' arms, and clung to through all the panic, were also crushed or smothered to death, and that a number of others were fatally injured. The scene during the attempted return of the crowd was painful in the extreme. Persons remained at the doorway all night waiting to have their dead restored to them, and the lamentations of the women were heart-breaking. The police have been giving a number of contradictory stories about the cause of the panic. One statement is that thieves started the cry of fire for the purpose of getting an opportunity to despoil the many rich Jewesses in the hall of the costly jewels they bore on their persons.

The hall to-day resembles a disordered auction room. Broken furniture, crushed toys, children's hats, broken bottles, orange peel, actors' wigs and shreds of clothes lie scattered over the floor. There are many blood spots on the backs of chairs as well as on the floor. Every here and there ghastly knots of hair are clinging to the furniture. Several escapes were made through the windows, most of which are badly smashed. The bodies were found at the bottom of the stone stairs leading to the gallery. Here a terrible struggle took place between the front of the crowd rushing from the main floor and the leaders of the throng which rushed down the gallery stairs. The faces of the dead were distorted with agonized expressions. The clothes were completely torn from the bodies of some of the victims.

A little girl, since identified as Eva Marks, was found lying at the bottom of a pile of dead. Her lower limbs were bare, and the upper part of her dress was torn to shreds, showing that she had fought hard for life.

A man named Harris Goldberg says he went to the gallery of the hall, accompanied by his wife and family. They all sat together. The play was a melodrama called the "Spanish Gypsy Girl." During the performance some boys, in order to obtain a better view of the stage, climbed up an exposed gas pipe fixed along the wall. This strained the pipe and started a leak. Mr. Goldberg placed his handkerchief over the leak. Some one shouted "turn off the meter." This shout was raised simultaneously with a cry of alarm from one of the actors on the stage. Then the people in the gallery rose and rushed headlong down the stairs. Mr. Goldberg's wife was torn away from him and trampled to death. His six-year-old son jumped upon the heads of the packed mass and escaped by running over them.

The managers are not to blame for the disaster. The passage from the hall to the street entrance is ten feet wide where the struggle occurred and the doors swung both ways. There are several minor exits from the gallery—three besides the staircase. The disorder arose not from the crowding of the passage, but from the frantic efforts of the people in the gallery to force their way down the crowded stairs. The men and women in front were driven headlong into the passage, where they met the excited occupants of the pit and there was a hopeless block.

INUNDATED CORNWALL.

A Large Portion of the Town Still Under Water.

CORNWALL, Jan. 19.—Considerable anxiety was felt in Cornwall last night owing to the ice shoving. The water, however, is gradually receding, and by day light it was seen it had dropped two or three feet. This still leaves a large portion of the town under water, however, and there will have to be a drop of ten feet more before the work of getting the mills in order can be commenced. The people who were turned out of their homes have all been provided for in the meantime, but there will undoubtedly be great destitution, as weeks must elapse before the mills are again in operation.

A Locomotive Fireman Killed.

RIVER DU LOUP, Que., Jan. 19.—Last night about 11 o'clock the side rod of one of the engines on the Intercolonial Railway accommodation from Levis broke near St. Alexandre. Both Driver Montgomery and Fireman Langlois jumped, but unfortunately Langlois had his neck broken, dying instantly. Montgomery escaped with a few broken teeth and several slight contusions.

The Elora Accident.

ELORA, Ont., Jan. 19.—An inquest on the body of Michael Delane, a section man from Cataract, who was found dead on the Canadian Pacific Railway track here yesterday morning, was held last night. A verdict of accidental death was rendered. His left arm was torn off, right leg fractured, neck dislocated and the base of his skull fractured. He leaves a wife and family.

Ruined by Fire.

MONTREAL, Jan. 19.—A disastrous fire occurred in Robert Gardner's machine shop, situated between Nazareth and Dalhousie streets and fronting on Brennan-street. The fire was discovered shortly after 2 o'clock this morning. The premises are in ruins. The damage cannot as yet be ascertained, but will be very heavy.

Arrest of German Spies.

LYONS, Jan. 19.—Two German spies were arrested here to-day for attempting to bribe a French soldier into obtaining for them one of the new repeating rifles with which the Government is about to equip the army.

TORONTO'S PHILANTHROPY.

Work Provided for Everybody With Two Hands and a Willing Disposition.

On the frozen and snow covered banks of the Don 120 men are now employed under the able foremanship of Mr. John Naismith, in excavating for the new channel. The contracts are signed, and as the spring opens up the work will be pushed to a speedy conclusion. Indeed so rapidly are the preparations going on, that Eastenders already in fancy hear the whistle of the steam engine down its bank, and see the smoke ascend from the factories on either side. Property holders and land speculators also build their hopes on an unprecedented jump in the value of land.

So far as at present contemplated, the canal will not extend farther north than the turn at Winchester-street. The first shovel of snow has been turned on the side of the jail hill, north of Gerrard-street. The men who are at work are in the pay of the corporation. This is an experiment to see whether the city can compete successfully with contractors, and also as a means of helping the city's unemployed but industrious poor. It is not a charity, and shirking or intemperance will be visited by instant dismissal. Each man brings his own shovel. The rate of wages is not yet fixed. The foreman will note the ability of each man, and grade them accordingly. The lowest wages will not be less than $1 per day. Besides those already engaged 271 names are on the books, and able-bodied men were applying all day yesterday at the Engineer's office. Application for work must be made at St. Lawrence Hall between 9 and 10 o'clock, when Secretary Roden will enter all particulars about the applicant, and notify him if he is wanted. No outsider has any chance, as this scheme was got up for the benefit of Torontonians. The time for receiving applications will close with the end of the week, as not more than from 400 to 500 can be taken on, and that number will soon be reached.

HAMILTON MATTERS.

Address by a Toronto Lady—Meeting of Hamilton Presbytery.

HAMILTON, Jan. 19.—Among those who delivered addresses at the meeting of the Presbyterian Women's Foreign Missionary Society last night was Mrs. Harvie of Toronto. She spoke at considerable length on mission work, giving interesting statistics to show its growth and development and recalling a number of incidents which illustrated the fact that the work done was of a lasting character, and that the good resulting from it could not be estimated. A collection amounting to $30.01 in aid of the funds of the association was taken up.

At the meeting of the Hamilton Presbytery yesterday a remit in regard to marriage with a deceased wife's sister was taken up. It is couched in the following terms: "The discipline of the Church shall not be exercised in regard to marriage with a deceased wife's sister, aunt or niece." The remit was approved by a large majority of the members present. Some disapproved of it on the ground that the Church had in its standards a clause to the effect that such marriages were incestuous. They expressed the opinion that the clause should be amended before the Presbytery approved of the remit.

HENRY GEORGE AND THE CHURCH.

His Writings Have Not Been Condemned at Rome.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 19.—The Sun has a special from Rome which says: "Much astonishment is expressed in ecclesiastical circles at the statement circulated in the United States that Rome has condemned the teachings of Henry George and that Dr. McGlynn has been censured for advocating them. It is authoritatively stated that George's teachings have not ever been examined by the Propaganda, and it is, therefore, evident that they have not been condemned nor their advocacy censured. Dr. McGlynn has many warm friends in Rome, and the construction put on the summons to come to Rome is deprecated as a mischievous error.

Senatorial Elections.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—Mr. Dawes was re-elected senator to-day.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 19.—The Minnesota Legislature in joint session elected C. K. Davis as senator to succeed Mr. McMillan.

ALBANY, Jan. 19.—After a long fight the Republican caucus to-night voted to nominate Congressman Hiscock to fill the vacancy in the United States Senate made vacant by the expiration of Senator Miller's term.

Goschen Makes a Speech.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—In a speech at Liverpool last night Goschen said that the Government was prepared for any obstruction that they might meet with, and was hopeful that worthy additions would be made to the statute book, which would deserve the approval of all classes of politicians. England, he said, equally with Germany, was laboring to preserve the peace.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

The London Speaker ceased publication on Saturday.

A soup kitchen for the poor has been opened in London.

A band tournament will be held in Guelph in June next and all bands in the Dominion will be asked to compete.

Francis Meyers, a farmer living in Marmora, was injured so badly by a haystack falling upon him on Friday that he died on Saturday.

Lone Man, the Indian, held for trial for complicity in the Cowan and McIvor murders in 1885, escaped from the police at Fort Saskatchewan on Jan. 7.

The latest rumor in provincial politics is that Hon. Mr. Ross will retire before the House meets, when Hon. Mr. Taillon will be called to form a ministry.

Charles E. George, city editor of the Ottawa Free Press, has begun suit against the Ottawa Citizen, claiming $5000 damages for libel. A criminal suit has been begun against the editor.

The jury in the case of Chris. Leroux, charged at Aylmer with the murder of Hyacinthe Seguin, returned a verdict of manslaughter, as it was shown the killing had been done in self-defence.

Mr. Alex. Cambie, chief clerk of the Canadian Patent Office, is dying of Bright's disease and dropsy. He is now in Montreal, whither he went to consult some eminent physician. He was unable to return home.

Mr. A. S. Johnson, M.A., Modern Language Master of Caledonia High School, has left to take the position of Professor of Metaphysics in Cornell University, Utica, N.Y., at a salary of $1000 for the coming six months.

The Sheriff at Rapid City, Man., has seized $10,000 worth of debentures which the town was about to hand over to the Saskatchewan & Western Railway. The seizure was made at suit of two creditors of the town.

A young blacksmith named Edward O'Connor, arrested in Montreal charged with stealing from his employer, tore the lining out of his coat, and with it attempted to hang himself in the police cells. He was discovered just in time to save his life.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

A fire at Alliance, Ohio, yesterday caused loss of $110,000.

A block of buildings at Kokomo, Ind., was burned Tuesday night; loss $50,000.

The National Board of Trade met at Washington yesterday in its seventeenth annual convention.

A vein of silver has been discovered in a rocky ridge in Glenridge, Bloomfield Township, in Essex County, N.J.

The safe in the Belmont, Mass., Bank was blown open Tuesday night and securities representing a large sum stolen.

Miss Van Zandt, who is desirous of marrying the condemned Anarchist, Spies, has been refused admission to the jail at Chicago.

A baggage car attached to the New York limited express was blown to pieces at Pittsburg on Tuesday night by the ignition of some explosive in the baggage.

At Washington yesterday Senator Edmunds, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported in favor of the adoption of a bill for the protection of American fishermen.

Kate L. Terry has begun suit against the New York World, claiming $100,000 for libel. The suit grew out of an article in the World to the effect that Mrs. Terry had formerly been married to Piano Charley, a noted crook.

We commence to-day a great clearing sale at our stores, King-street East. The whole of our large stock must be sold within sixty days. Petley & Petley.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Glasgow: Ethiopea from New York.
At Antwerp: Waesland.

SPORTING AS YOU LIKE IT.

BIG PIGEON SHOOTING SWEEPSTAKES AT ST. CATHARINES.

Toronto Caledonians Beaten by Their Hamilton Namesakes—Ice Racing at Newcastle—Toronto Football Club—Snowshoe Tramps.

ST. CATHARINES, Jan. 19.—The pigeon shoot for a sweepstake of $300 came off successfully in this city to-day. The following is the score:

FIRST SQUAD.		
W. Stroud (Hamilton)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 1	—10
A. Smith (Hamilton)	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0	w'drn
Ed. Hudson (Syracuse)	1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1	—10
J. Stroud (Hamilton)	1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	—11
W. McCarthy (Buffalo)	1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0	— 9
J. Smith (Hamilton)	1 0 1 0 1 0	w'drn
SECOND SQUAD.		
C. Rogers (Toronto)	1 1 0 1 1 1 0 0	w'drn
W. Folstead (Toronto)	1 0 0 1 1 0	w'drn
C. Forsyth (Hamilton)	1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1	—11
J. Adams (Niagara)	1 0 1 1 0 0	w'drn
H. Lansing (Buffalo)	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0	w'drn
R. Bishop (Niagara)	1 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0	w'drn
THIRD SQUAD.		
J. Worden (Toronto)	1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0	w'drn
C. Ayre (Toronto)	1 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 0	w'drn
E. Dwyer (Beamsville)	1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0	w'drn
H. Graham (Hamilton)	1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0	w'drn
T. Clark (Buffalo)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0	—11
T. Dwyer (Beamsville)	0 1 0 1 1 1 0	w'drn
J. O'Neil (Pt. Colborne)	1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 0	w'drn

The ties will be shot off to-morrow.

Ice Races at Newcastle.

NEWCASTLE, Jan. 19.—The first day's trotting races of the eighth annual meeting came off here to-day. The ice was in fine condition and good time was made. Timer, Thos. J. Best, Toronto. Judges, J. McNaughton and D. Ferguson, Port Hope; R. Lemon, Toronto.

GREEN RACE—					
Kitty Scott	2	1	1	2	1
Lady Mac	1	2	2	1	2
Rex	3	3	3	3	3
Best time: 3.05.					
2.34 RACE—					
Nettletop	1	3	1	3	1
Schela	2	1	2	1	3
Corkfoot Tom	3	2	3	2	2
Best time: 2.37½.					
3-MINUTE RACE—					
Billy T.	1	1	1		
Gladstone	2	2	2		
Little Bill	3	3	3		
Best time: 2.40.					

Toronto Caledonians Disastrously Beaten.

The Hamilton Caledonians and Toronto Caledonians played three rinks a side at the Ambitious City yesterday for the Reid Challenge Cup. The Hamilton curlers won by a large majority. The score:

HAMILTON.	TORONTO.
Rink No. 1.	
W. R. Davie,	M. M. Millan
A. Rutherford,	J. Rennie,
John Kerner,	F. Foster,
S. Scott, skip 24	W. Rennie, skip......18
Rink No. 2.	
C. Kerner,	S. Downey,
W. P. Crawford,	W. Ross,
Jas. Hannah,	A. Wheeler,
D. McPhie, skip....30	W. Davidson, skip....10
Rink No. 3.	
R. Bowering,	J. G. Gibson,
J. Malloy,	J. E. Pearen,
John Harvey,	J. Mills,
W. G. Reid, skip...32	W. J. McCormack, sk.16
Total..........86	44

Majority for Hamilton 42.

Toronto (Rugby) Football Club.

The annual general meeting of the Toronto (Rugby) Football Club will be held Friday, Jan. 21, at Thomas' Chop House. The chair will be taken by President W. Hamilton Merritt at 8 o'clock. Business to come before the meeting: Annual report of the Executive, election of officers, and other matters of interest. There ought to be a large turn out of members and friends of the club, as the Torontos have had a successful season, not only as regards their actual play, but also owing to the large increase in membership. They have been able to place three teams in the field, the first fifteen winning the championship of the town clubs in Ontario and the third holding the junior championship of the County of York. The Club propose holding their annual supper Friday, Jan. 28, at Thomas', when no doubt a most enjoyable and pleasant evening will be spent.

Winners at Montreal Chess Tournament.

MONTREAL, Jan. 19.—At the Canadian Chess Association tournament to-day the following were the winners of the games played: Mr. Hicks won from Hurlbert and Champion; Hurlbert won from Cooke; Cooke drew Robertson; Wright won from Cooke and Barry; Short won from McLeod; Barry won from Champion and McLeod; McLeod won from Robertson.

Hockey in Toronto.

Editor World: Is there a Hockey Club in Toronto? MONTREAL.

[No, but some members of the Toronto Lacrosse Club intend starting one as soon as arrangements can be made.]

Yes.

Editor World: Can a player claim a show down for his money in a game of poker where the betting is unlimited? R. N. N.

General Notes.

The city curling clubs are now engaged in playing for the various club trophies.

The Brampton and Toronto Caledonian Clubs will play a friendly curling match on Monday in this city.

Two rinks of the Hamilton Caledonians defeated two Dundas rinks by 29 to 20 at the Valley City Tuesday.

The curling match at Ayr for the gold medal was finished Saturday, Andrew Reid's Rink winning it this year.

The conspiracy against Malcolm W. Ford has been thoroughly exposed, and he will now hardly care for acquittal by the National Association.

President Spalding has promised Silver Flint $550 over his salary if he refrains from drink this year. The other players for Chicago will get from $100 to $400 extra.

James Quirk, the well known sprinter, left Brantford Tuesday for Shenandoah, Pa., where on Saturday he will run George Smith of Pittsburg, a race of 85 yards for $1000 a side.

There is considerable difference in the winnings of twenty-four of the leading runners last season and the same number of leading trotters. The former won, in the aggregate, $139,725, the latter $86,877.

McCutcheon of Fergus and Bunyan of Guelph skated at Elora Tuesday for $40 a side. McCutcheon won by one lap. On Monday McCutcheon skated J. Jackson of St. Thomas in Preston for $50, and won by half a lap.

According to late advices, the Epsom authorities are becoming more and more alarmed at the rapid increase in the value of the stakes, and steps are to be taken to reconstruct the conditions of the Derby and Oaks.

A five mile skating race at the Dominion Palace Rink, Montreal, Monday night was won by C. Gordon in the alleged time of 18 minutes 10 seconds. At the St. Denis Rink G. Dugdale won a similar race in the more likely time of 22 minutes 27 seconds.

The sportsmen in and around St. Thomas will petition the Ontario Legislature to allow woodcock to be shot after July 15, a month earlier than at present. They say that by August 15 the birds have moulted and taken their departure southward.

The annual general meeting of the Ontario Rugby Football Union will be held Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Rossin House, for the election of officers and to receive the report of the Executive. There is likely to be some "tall kicking" when the rule of "heeling out" adopted by the Canadian R. U. A. at Montreal last Thanksgiving Day comes up for discussion.

The members of the Moss Park Club were to have played "points" yesterday for the Gouldinggold medal. Owing to the absence of some members, the competition was postponed for a few days. The eight highest scores will entitle the makers to represent the club in the competition for the Governor-General's medal.

The Toronto Snowshoe Club met at the Queen's Park Guns, twenty-two strong last night, and headed by Archie Mackenzie, with Chris. Henderson as whipper-in, tramped across the country to the Metropolitan Toboggan Slide. The return was by way of Deer Park and Yonge-street. A tramp to Weston is on the cards for Saturday afternoon next.

The Tam O'Shanter Snowshoe Club intend taking an extended tramp next Saturday, striking across country to the Humber Valley coming down the river to Sunnyside where dinner will be partaken of. Members intending to go will if possible send in their names to the Secretary beforehand. Arrangements are being made for club rooms and members may look for a notice in Saturday's papers stating where the opening "At Home" next Monday evening will be held.

BUSY MR. BROWN ELECTED.

The Energetic Gentleman With Several Initials Head of the School Board.

At the inaugural meeting last night of the Public School Board for 1887, Mr. C. A. B. Brown was elected to succeed Mr. George McMurrich as Chairman. Mr. Brown received 20 out of 25 votes. The members were all present with the exception of Trustees Vair and Henderson. The newly elected members, C. H. Bishop, A. R. Denison, R. S. Baird and F. S. Spence looked on with interest, but did not take a prominent part in the proceedings. Some of the trustees took advantage of the occasion to change their seats. Messrs. Kent and Somers now sit side by side, and ex-Chairman McMurrich has installed himself at the foot of the table.

Chairman Brown looked very pleased as he sank back into the educational throne. What he lacks in size he makes up in initials and energy. In his inaugural speech, which was short and to the point, he advocated increased economy, manual training in the schools and the eschewing of politics. The latter sentiment was concurred in with a chorus of "Hear, hear."

The committees for the year were arranged as follows:

Finance—Pyne (Ch.), Somers, Bishop, Meredith.
School Management—Kent (Ch.), Roden, Lee, Macdonald, Hamilton, Henderson, Boxall, Willcock, McMurrich, Downard, Bell, Vair.
Sites and Buildings—Bell (Ch.), Denison, Kerr, Ogden McMurrich, Somers, Baird, Westman, Hamilton, Pyne, Poulton, Vair.
Printing and Supplies—Downard (Ch.), Westman, Boxall, Kerr, Spence.
Night Schools—Roden (Ch.), Meredith, Boxall, Bishop, Willcock, Macdonald.

Miss L. P. McCausland, teacher in Wellesley School, and Mr. D. Flynn, night school teacher, sent in their resignations.

Ex-Trustee Thos. R. Whiteside was elected to succeed Mr. John Mills as the Board's representative on the Public Library Board.

Fifteen notices of motion covering a variety of subjects were handed in.

SOME OF THE GRENS DINE.

The Annual Repast of G Company Proves the Usual Interesting Affair.

The annual dinner of G Company, Royal Grenadiers, was held last night at Hughes' Criterion. The dinner was given by the non-commissioned officers and men. Col.-Sergt. Dent occupied the chair. Covers were laid for fifty. Among the guests were Capt. Bruce and Lieut. Burch, (officers of the company), Capt. Manley and Sergt. Major Francis. Col. Grasett sent a letter regretting his inability to attend, and Lieut. Eliot would have been among his comrades but for illness. The toast list was "The Staff," responded to by the Adjutant and Sergeant-Major; "Our Officers," by Capt. Bruce and Lieut. Burch; "The Ladies," by Lieut. Burch. The Adjutant proposed the health of the non-com's and took the opportunity to congratulate the company on the proud position it held to-day in the regiment and attributed this to a large extent to the non-com's. Sergts. W. Dent and Judge responded in good style. The songsters of the evening were the Adjutant, Lieut. Burch, Pte. McIlveen and Corp. Stainsby.

At the close of the entertainment the prizes won at the recent rifle match were presented to the winners.

Host Hughes gave the boys an elegant spread.

Mr. Aubrey White Promoted to the D.D.C.L.

Mr. Aubrey White, clerk in the woods and forest branch of the Crown Lands office, has been promoted the deputy commissionership of the department, made vacant by the death of Mr. Thos. H. Johnson. Mr. White has been connected with the department since 1876, filling the offices of crown lands agent and chief of the wood rangers. The attaches of the department are well pleased with Mr. White's promotion, instead of introducing a political outsider.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Bastedo & Co., the famous fur men, are holding a genuine clearing sale of furs of all kinds.

The Metropolitan Toboggan Slide, out Yonge-street, is in first-class condition, and open day and night.

Home for Incurables needs your Morse's Mottled wrappers to get a large share of the thousand dollar donation. Send them in.

The South York Teachers' Institute will begin its first annual meeting at the Parkdale Model School this morning at 10. The session will last two days.

Thomas Blake, formerly caretaker of the Drill Shed, was arrested by Detective Burrows yesterday. It is charged that while Blake officiated at the shed he stole fifteen military blankets.

The loss on the building and machinery at Wilson's scale works by Tuesday night's fire will be less than $5000; insured. Thirty-five men will have to await completion of repairs to resume work.

Edward C. Doty was arrested by Detective Cuddy yesterday afternoon on a charge of not supporting his wife. Doty, it is said, has been bestowing his affections and substance on another woman.

An inquest is to be held to-day at the city morgue upon the body of Mrs. Moore, whose death occurred recently under suspicious circumstances, at 73 Edward-street. The body was exhumed yesterday, so that a post-mortem may be held.

Supreme Master Workman Badgerow yesterday received a telegram from Senator Rogers, St. Louis, Missouri, informing him of the death of Father Upchurch, the founder of the Ancient Order of United Workmen. A general order of condolence has been issued by the Supreme Master.

Mr. William Morrison, of the Toronto Fire Extinguisher Company, was knocked down yesterday afternoon at King and George streets, by a runaway horse. His injuries, which were not serious, were dressed in Dilworth's drug store and he was subsequently taken home.

The arbitration case between Conmee & McLennan, contractors, and the Canadian Pacific Railway was resumed at Osgoode Hall yesterday. The witness under examination was Mr. A. R. Pinsonneault, the chief bookkeeper for Conmee & McLennan. He will take the stand again to-day.

When Dennis Sullivan appeared in the Police Court yesterday it was found that his feet and hands were badly frozen. He had passed the night in a West End police station. He received his frost-bites while stealing a ride from Hamilton to Toronto. The Magistrate ordered that he be removed to the Hospital.

Ammonia; or, Hartshorn.

From Hall's Journal of Health.

The original source of supply of ammonia was camel's dung. It is found in the refuse matters of men and animals, and especially in the urine. It is this that produces the pungent and sickening odor in urinals and neglected stables. It is, in its concentrated form, peculiarly destructive to the delicate tissues of the animal economy. The action of ammonia on the sensitive membranes of the eye is the most prominent cause of blindness in horses. Animals that are confined in close stables, where manure is allowed to accumulate in considerable quantity, are, in addition to blindness, peculiarly liable to diseases of the lungs and the kidneys, from the action of ammonia. The effect of this drug seems to be cumulative, and when taken into the stomach in small doses repeatedly it is easy to conceive that its action must be irritating to the coating of the stomach, and to those far more sensitive membranes that line the passage of the urinary apparatus.

Ammonia is used in the manufacture of some baking powders, and probably one-half the cans of baking powder on grocers' shelves contain it. If you get the pungent fumes of ammonia, discard the baking powder. There are plenty of baking powders in the market that are made only from pure cream of tartar and bicarbonate of soda, with a little flour or starch combined as a preservative. Buy only baking powders that have printed guarantees on the labels, or in the circulars contained in the cans. No honest dealer in any class of goods intended as food, or to enter into foods, will refuse to furnish with each package the correct formula from which the goods are made. Every consumer has a right to know what he is using as food. We always refuse to buy goods of any kind that are branded Pure, Strictly Pure, or Absolutely Pure, unless in addition we are as plainly informed of just what they are made; and we think this rule is always a safe one.

A Thaw.

Weather for Ontario—South and southwest winds; partly cloudy or cloudy, milder weather, with a thaw in most places.

A THIRD LABOR CANDIDATE

MR. A. W. WRIGHT IN THE FIELD FOR CENTRE TORONTO.

Hon. Edward Blake Asked to Run for That Division—James Beaty in the West—Dominion Campaign Pointers.

A petition said to contain 500 names was presented to Mr. A. W. Wright last night asking him to contest Centre Toronto as a Labor-National Policy candidate. Mr. Wright told the deputation which waited upon him that he would.

Mr. J. D. Edgar yesterday purchased a supply of pocket diaries. This is a political item.

Mr. James Beaty, Q.C., will certainly contest his old seat in West Toronto.

It is not at all probable Mr. Robert Hay will seek re-election in Centre Toronto.

A plethora of would-be candidates is making things unpleasant for the nominating Conservatives of West Toronto and the nominating Liberals of Centre Toronto.

The Reformers want Hon. S. H. Blake to stand for one of the city districts. He would, it is claimed, carry the church and temperance, as well as the straight party vote.

Hon. Edward Blake has, it is understood, been asked to accept the Reform candidature for Centre Toronto. Half a dozen well-known Grits are anxious to sacrifice themselves at the polls for the party, and unless some such prominent leader as Mr. Blake steps in and smooths things over there will be much dissatisfaction and dissension among the faithful, if not an open rupture.

Labor Candidates Sheppard and Jury are hard at work in their respective districts.

Campaign Pointers.

A requisition bearing the names of 1000 electors has been presented to Sir Hector Langevin from Three Rivers, his old constituency. As there are only about 1500 in the district it would appear that the Opposition candidate's work is "up hill," to say the least.

The Conservative opponent of "Bolter" Bergeron in Beauharnois will be either Mr. Philippe Pelletier, brother of the famous Castor Cure, of Valleyfield, or Mr. Bergevin, ex-M.P.P. for that county.

Lieut. Gov. Dewdney will prepare his annual report to the Department of Indian Affairs during his stay at Ottawa. He is said to contemplate contesting Eastern Assiniboia at the coming elections.

Editor and Philosopher Mills is opposed in Bothwell by Dr. Mitchell, of Wallaceburg, who, says the London Free Press, will administer physic to the Hon. David for the next five weeks, from which he will never rally.

It is estimated that 200,000 is the number of newly enfranchised electors who will have the right to vote under the enlarged franchise at the Federal elections.

Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Thos. E. Kenny, who was in Toronto recently as a member of the Railway Commission, are spoken of as the Ministerial candidates for Halifax. One of the Liberal candidates will be the Hon. A. G. Jones, of haul-down-the-flag fame.

The Liberals will run A. F. McIntyre and Dr. St. Jean in Ottawa, although ex-Mayor Frank McDougall is pressing his claims for the candidature. They were beaten by over 300 by C. H. Mackintosh and Mr. Tasse in 1882, but will not be opposed by these gentlemen this time. Mr. Tasse will seek a Quebec constituency and Mr. Mackintosh will make a stand in Russell, Mr. Dickinson, the retiring member's, usefulness being gone. The Conservative flag flyers in the capital will be Mr. G. W. Perley and either Mr. Oscar Macdonell or Mr. Henry Robillard.

The Montreal Star correspondent interviewed Mr. Chapleau at Quebec Tuesday regarding the rumor that he had resigned his position in the Cabinet. Mr. Chapleau denied the rumor in toto stating that he had not even heard it.

Sir Hector Langevin's adversary in Three Rivers will, it is said, be Mr. L. P. Pelletier of La Justice.

Polling in the four new districts in the Northwest Territories will not take place till March 15.

In Montreal East Mr. C. J. Coursol, the sitting member, is not likely to be opposed by the Liberals, in consequence of his stand in the Champ de Mars resolutions.

Politically the House of Commons just dissolved stood as follows:

	C.	L.
Ontario	54	38
Quebec	48	17
Nova Scotia	16	5
New Brunswick	9	7
Prince Edward Island	3	3
Manitoba	3	2
British Columbia	6	0
Total	139	72

Conservative majority 67.

Mr. A. McArthur of Winnipeg has been selected as the Liberal candidate for Lisgar, Man.

In Halton County the Liberal candidate is likely to be Mr. McCraney, the late member.

Col. Domville has been nominated to contest King's County, N.B. This nomination places two Liberals in the field in King's to oppose Minister of Marine Foster, the other candidate being J. E. B. McCready, journalist.

The Monck Conservatives yesterday tendered Mr. Lachlin McCallum the late member, the nomination, which he refused to accept on personal grounds. Mr. McCallum has represented the riding since Confederation. Mr. A. Boyle, of Dunnville, defeated candidate for the Ontario legislature was then chosen as the standard bearer of the party.

Big bargains in Silks, Dress Goods, Hosiery, Gloves, Laces, Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, etc. Petley & Petley.

TORONTO AGRICULTURALISTS.

The District Society—Encouraging Reports—Officers Elected.

About sixty members attended the annual meeting of the Toronto Electoral District Agricultural Society in the Executive Committee room, City Hall, last night. President Geo. Vair was in the chair. The annual report of the Directors was most satisfactory. It showed that at the flower show held in the Pavilion last July, in conjunction with the Horticultural Society, the entries were 538, an increase of 140 over the previous year, while the attendance and receipts were also greatly increased. This report, together with that of the treasurer showing a small balance, was adopted.

Short addresses were delivered by Messrs. J. J. Withrow, W. Christie, D. C. Ridout, W. B. Hamilton, James McGee, Col. Gray, Ald. Hunter and Capt. McMaster. Mr. Ridout spoke of a proposal which had been made to remove the Pavilion Music Hall to the Exhibition Grounds, but the scheme fell through owing to a difference regarding the price that should be paid.

These gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year: President, Geo. Vair, re-elected; 1st Vice; P. G. Close; 2nd Vice, John E. Mitchell; Directors, Col. Gray, Capt. McMaster, ex-Ald. Saunders, Dr. Andrew Smith, J. J. Withrow, Wm. Christie, James Fleming, Robt. Davies and D. C. Ridout. The directors met subsequently and re-appointed J. P. Edwards as secretary.

Dr. McLaughlin (Lib.) Will Sit for West Durham.

At Osgoode Hall yesterday Mr. Justice Proudfoot handed down judgment on the motion for a mandamus made a few days ago on behalf of Mr. Power to compel Judge Benson of Northumberland to proceed with the recount of votes cast at the election in West Durham, when Dr. McLaughlin was elected by a majority of three. The judge had refused to proceed on the ground that proper notice had not been given. His Lordship refused the mandamus, agreeing with Judge Benson that the notice was insufficient.

The White Cross Army.

This organization is still in active operation and a public meeting is to be held under its auspices in St. James' school house this evening. The Bishop of Toronto will speak on "The necessity for the White Cross movement and the duty of the church towards it;" Rev. D. J. Macdonnell on "Personal purity, specially in relation to young men;" Rev. Dr. Potts on "The responsibility resting upon the press in regard to public morality," and Rev. Canon Dumoulin on "The law of purity as equally binding upon men and women."

No Mistake About

—Who's going to be elected? Sure enough, "Sir John." One thing, the G.O.M. ("Sir John") is just as popular as Strathern, the house-furnishing man, 179 Yonge-street, who is selling toboggans and children's sleighs, etc., etc., at the lowest price of any house in the city, and all the ladies and children give "Strathern" their vote every time, because he gives satisfaction. x

A FRAUD ON THE CREDITORS.

The Perjury Case Against Sandfield Davidson Dismissed—A Convict Found Guilty.

Chief Justice Cameron conducted the business in the Criminal Assizes yesterday. Geo. Jessop, a Central Prison convict, was convicted of having done grievous bodily harm to Geo. W. Ballander in September last by throwing a heavy iron wrench at him and striking him in the head. Ballander was foreman in the wood-turning shop at the prison where Jessop was employed, and the trouble arose out of the latter being made to work while he was ill, the doctor however asserting that he was well enough. His Lordship sentenced Jessop to five year's imprisonment.

Wm. Acheson was found guilty of robbing an Italian named Fenelli of $20 in a house on Centre-street.

The most interesting case was that of Sandfield Davidson charged with perjury. The case will doubtless be remembered. In July last a storekeeper named Leopold B. Davidson doing business at Mono Mills and Camilla, made an assignment to Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson of Toronto for the benefit of his creditors, one of whom, Mr. Alex. Boyd of Boyd Bros., paid a visit to these villages. At Mono he met Leopold's brother Sandfield, who informed him that for $3500 he had sold out the business of the two stores to W. J. Leffler who was there present. Sandfield refused to hand over the money for the benefit of creditors, or even to show it to Mr. Boyd. It was suspected that fraud was going on and that the Davidsons and Leffler had schemed to defeat the creditors, and that no $3500 had changed hands. Law troubles ensued and in a hearing before Chancellor Boyd at Osgoode Hall Sandfield swore that he had received $3500 from Leffler, and that it was buried in a certain part of a cellar. Search was made for the money, but it could not be found, so the Chancellor ordered Sandfield Davidson's arrest on a charge of perjury.

The chief witness for the Crown yesterday was John Phœnix, a farmer, who swore before the Chancellor that he saw Leffler pay the prisoner $3500. Yesterday he said he had sworn this at the request of the two men, and that he obtained no benefit for so doing. In short he admitted that he too had perjured himself.

At the conclusion of the Crown's case Mr. Robert Fleming, ex-M.P. of Brampton, who appeared for the defence, asked that the prisoner be discharged, contending that the evidence was not sufficient to go to the jury. The Chief Justice agreed with him and directed the jury to find the prisoner not guilty. He told Davidson he had no doubt the whole matter was a perfect fraud against the creditors, and that perjury had been committed, but in a case of this kind it required more than oath against oath to convict. The evidence of Phœnix, who had admitted he swore to what was untrue, was not to be relied upon.

THOSE BATHURST-STREET FIENDS.

John Hinton and His Wife Sent to Prison for One Year Each.

The Police Court was thronged yesterday by spectators anxious to see the principals in the Hinton case, and to hear for themselves the damaging evidence against them as to their cruelty towards their little girl. The story told by the latter, a prepossessing child 8 years of age, was clear and convincing. She detailed minutely the system of cruelty exercised by her parents, showing the fiendish nature of these devils in human form. Her step-mother's cruelty consisted in compelling the child to press her hands and lips on a hot stove. Claude Keay, a boy employed by Hinton to deliver milk, corroborated the girl's statement as to her being tied in a stable all night and the general ill-treatment she received. A couple of witnesses testified to the prisoners' previous good character. Magistrate Denison said: "From what I have heard this has been one of the most cruel and heartless cases which has been before me since I have been on the bench. It is something really monstrous that those who are responsible for the bringing up of a child should resort to such barbarous treatment. I have made up my mind to send you both to prison for a year, the woman to the Mercer, and the man to the Central."

Ladies' fine Cashmere Hose worth $1 per pair, selling at 60 cents per pair during the big clearing sale at Petleys'.

Funeral of the Late Charles Robinson.

The funeral of the late Mr. Charles Robinson, brother of Mr. George T. Robinson (of the firm of Eichorn & Carpenter) took place yesterday afternoon from his mother's residence, Caer Howell-street, to St. James' Cemetery. There was a large attendance of the friends of the family; among those present being E. F. Clarke, M.P.P., Warring Kennedy, Richard Score, Charles H. Hubbard, Charles March, John A. Cowan, William McGuire, George Milligan, James Ramsay, Robert Riddell, William Armstrong and John Wilson. Rev. Dr. Potts conducted the services at the house and the officiating clergyman of the cemetary read the burial service of the Church of England at the grave.

The T. B. of the I. N. L.

The regular weekly meeting of the Toronto Branch of the Irish National League was held last night in St. Vincent Hall, Victoria and Shuter-streets. President Mulligan occupied the chair. The Executive Committee reported that Dr. Pepper's lecture, although not as largely attended as was expected owing to the inclemency of the weather, was not a financial loss. Mr. Mahony being unable to attend the Hamilton meeting in conjunction with Mr. Lynch, Mr. Cahill was appointed in his stead. Mr. Teefy reported finances in a flourishing condition. Mr. Cahill gave a brief review of Irish affairs of the past week, and read several select articles from United Ireland.

Remembering their Townsman.

The Board of Trade of Portland, Me., has passed a resolution which speaks in the highest terms of Mr. John Porteous, who lately resigned the position of General Freight Agent of the Grand Trunk Railway to take the managership of the National Despatch Company at Washington, D.C. The resolution congratulates Mr. Porteous as a citizen of Portland on the success he has achieved in life, and heartily wishes him a continuation of prosperity.

Men's Overcoats and Winter suits selling at 50 cents on the dollar during our big clearing sale. Petley & Petley.

Officers of C Co., Q.O.R.

C Company, Q.O.R., held their annual meeting in the Armory last night, the following officers being elected: Pte. E. J. Boyd, Secretary; Col. Sergt. Domelle, Treasurer. Rifle Committee—Lt. Johnson, Sgt. Owen, Col. Sgt. Domelle. Recruiting Committee—Pte. Vickers, Sgt. Owen, Pte. Weatherly, Corp. Staton. Auditors—Ptes. Patterson and Irving. Company Drill Instructor—Sgt. Thompson. The meeting was unanimously in favor of the proposed regimental trip to England next summer.

A Suggestion to Superintendent Franklin.

Editor World: On the southeast corner of Front and York streets is situated a small building, containing a neat little room, which at present is vacant. Would not it be a great comfort to passengers waiting perhaps ten minutes for street cars to be able to go in there and warm themselves? It would only cost the company a trifle. G.S.S.

A York-Street Early Morning Matinee.

At 2.15 this morning Policemen Bell and Black were called into Henry Dalton's dive at 125 York-street, where a general row was in progress. A woman named Mary Brown charged Dalton with assaulting her with a bottle. Dalton, Brown, Wm. Jackson and Chas. Davis were all arrested. Dalton will be charged with keeping a disorderly house.

Changes at the Model School.

Mr. C. Clarkson, who is retiring from the headmastership of the Model School, will be succeeded by Mr. Angus McIntosh, first assistant. The vacancy thus created has been filled by the appointment of Mr. R. W. Murray.

Mr. Maloney Resembles the Tragedian.

Tragedian Miln closely resembles Mr. Mike Maloney, and in consequence Mr. Maloney has been a regular attendant at the tragedian's excellent performances.

A MAN'S DOUBTFUL DEATH.

A CASE THAT IS PUZZLING LAWYERS AND INSURANCE MEN.

Was Samuel John Dunseath Drowned in the Detroit River—His Brother Suing Two Insurance Institutions for Certain Beneficiaries.

Two cases full of mystery and turning upon the question of whether or not a man is dead were commenced jointly in the Assize Court yesterday before Mr. Justice Rose, the parties having agreed to dispense with a jury. The plaintiff is Richard Dunseath, of Lisle, Simcoe County, the brother and executor of Samuel John Dunseath, whose death is in dispute. He sues the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of Ontario, to recover $2000 on a beneficiary certificate which his brother obtained by becoming a member of the order on Feb. 3, 1885; and the Ontario Mutual Life Insurance Company to recover $2500 as secured by a policy taken out on January 13, 1886. Sam Dunseath had other policies in the Mutual amounting to $14,000, but only one is sued on.

The plaintiff hopes to prove that his brother was drowned by falling from the ferry boat Victoria in crossing the river between Windsor and Detroit on the night of January 18, 1886, and that therefore the moneys should be paid, while the defendants allege that Sam Dunseath was not drowned, but that he is living somewhere in the United States, and that an attempt is being made to obtain money by fraud. The plaintiff is represented by Wm. Lount, Q.C., and Mr. Cavell; the A.O.U.W. by its Past Grand Master, Warren Totten of Woodstock, and G. T. Blackstock; and the Mutual Life by B. B. Osler, Q.C., and Mr. Millar.

The plaintiff's first witness was James Carson, who said that in January of last year he, Paul Gallagher and Dunseath left Hamilton for Detroit. On the way Dunseath complained of feeling unwell, and while the boat was crossing the river he left the cabin, saying that the heat made him sick. Witness and Gallagher followed him in a few moments and found him vomiting over the bulwark. By this time the boat had reached the American side, and it was nearly 10 o'clock at night. Dunseath said he would soon be through, and then he fell over the bulwark into the river. They were only six feet away and they sprang to the side but could see nothing of the body, only a hat on a piece of ice which floated away.

The witness was put through a raking cross-examination by Messrs. Blackstock and Osler. He told his story with great clearness, but he got a little confused on one or two points. He denied having told anyone that the last he saw of Dunseath was as the latter left the cabin. He admitted that, supposing a job was being put up, Dunseath had time to leave the boat after it stopped. A pine model of the boat's bulwark was produced and Carson said he thought it was the right height. To Mr. Osler he said "it did seem curious how Dunseath got over the side." (The bulwark is rather high.) Carson was in the witness box for five hours, and he stood the ordeal remarkably well.

Paul Gallagher, the other companion of Dunseath, was the next witness and he was under examination for three hours. He will take the stand again this morning. He is a tall, elderly farmer, living in the township of Mulmur, where he has been reeve, deputy reeve and councillor. He said that in January last he was going to Detroit on business about some notes. At Hamilton he met Dunseath with whom he was slightly acquainted and he was introduced to Carson. His evidence regarding Dunseath complaining of illness on the journey, leaving the cabin of the boat, and falling overboard was similar to that of Carson. He said that the top of the bulwark and the deck were icy and he thought that Dunseath slipped and fell over.

The case is attracting much attention, particularly from members of the A.O.U.W. and insurance men. It promises to last for a couple of days longer.

Agricultural Examinations.

The Council of the Ontario Agricultural and Arts Association has issued a circular announcing that the fourth annual examination in subjects having a direct bearing upon practical agriculture will be held at the same time, at the same place, and subject to the same rules, regulations and supervision as the High School intermediate examinations of July, 1887. The place and date will be subsequently announced. Intending candidates are required to send in their names, accompanied with a statement as to whether they have ever attended any agricultural school or college in Canada or elsewhere, and also of the place at which they desire to present themselves for examination, to the Secretary of the Association at Toronto, before May 1, 1887.

At the Theatres.

Mr. Miln closed his engagement at the Grand last night. In the afternoon he appeared as Romeo and in the evening as Shylock.

Mr. Sully will change the bill to "The Corner Grocery" at the Grand Opera House this evening.

Miss Fortescue opens her three nights' engagement at the Toronto this evening in "Gretchen." The sale of seats has been very large.

The choir of Holy Trinity Church will give a concert at Shaftesbury Hall to-night, assisted by Mrs. Adamson and Miss Berryman, and under the direction of Mr. A. R. Blackburn.

Mr. Torrington's amateur orchestra is hard at work and is getting on well. The practice this week will be on Saturday evening instead of Thursday.

A Suit Re Solicitors' Fees.

Mr. Frank McDougall, of the law firm of McDougall, McDougall & Lecourt, Ottawa, has a motion pending in Osgoode Hall that is of considerable interest to the profession. The name of Hon. Wm. McDougall appears in the firm, but he is in no way connected with it, nor does he share in its profits. The Law Society levies on the hon. gentleman the usual solicitor's fees, which he refuses to pay on the ground that he is merely a practicing attorney, on his own behalf, and is not a solicitor or a member of the firm of McDougall, McDougall & Lecourt. The younger Mr. McDougall went before a single judge and made a motion to have his father's name struck off the solicitors' list permanently. This the judge refused to do and referred the application to the full Court of Queen's Bench, before which tribunal it will come for settlement. The Law Society is considerably agitated over the result.

The Q.O.R. Trip to England.

The officers of the Queen's Own are enthusiastic over the proposition to take the regiment to England during the coming summer. If the men were transported as regulars are, it is estimated that the cost to each man would not exceed $50, allowing six weeks the journey.

PERSONAL.

Mr. L. H. Boult of Montreal is at the Rossin House.

Mr. Thomas Long of Collingwood is at the Walker.

Mr. J. Francis Lee, C. P. R. agent at Chicago, is at the Rossin.

Mr. Magnus Begg, Indian agent at Calgary, is at the Walker.

Dr. May of the Education Department has returned from the Colonial Exhibition.

Miss Fortescue, who appears at the Grand Opera House to-night, is at the Rossin House.

He Pays no Dues More Cheerfully.

—A prominent city physician, in renewing his subscription to The World, says: "Enclosed find check for my subscription to The World for 1887. I pay no dues more cheerfully than this, because to a busy man the short pithy paragraphs and condensed news of the day are at once a saving of valuable time and a help to thought as well. You must succeed because you deserve success."

DEATHS.

NEALON—At 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, Jan. 19, Dr. E. A. Nealon at the residence of Mr. P. Mulqueen, 182 Wilton-avenue.

The funeral leaves the house at 7 p.m. this Thursday evening for the Union Station.