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SPIRIT OF PARLIAMENT.

A TWO HOURS AND A HALF SESSION YESTERDAY.

McCarthy's Railway Bill Read a First Time—Crying for French Representation in the Senate.

Special Despatch to The World.

OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—In the house of commons to-day, which sat two hours and a half, Mr. McCarthy's act for constituting a board of railway commissioners for Canada and to amend the consolidation railway act was read a first time amid applause. As he has not modified it to any extent it is prophesied on both sides of the house that it will be killed in the railway committee.

Sir John introduced an act respecting the electoral franchise, which was read a first time.

Mr. McCarthy's act for the declaration of titles to land and to facilitate its transfer in the territories of Canada was read a first time.

Mr. Fortier (Gaspe), in moving for correspondence on the subject of the inspection in Canada of Newfoundland pickled herring, repeated his well-known half hour's speech on the question.

Sir Richard Cartwright moved for a statement in detail of the account of the government with the Exchange bank.

Sir Leonard Tilley said he would enter more fully into the discussion of the question when the papers were brought down, and explained that the bank was in difficulty before parliament rose last year. Large amounts were withdrawn from it and the directors applied to the government for aid, and the government after consulting the deputy minister of finance, deemed it safe, and in the interests of the public to advance $200,000 at 5 per cent. on personal security, besides the security called for in the act. Some time elapsed and the run continuing the government advanced another hundred thousand on the same terms. Shortly afterwards the bank collapsed.

Mr. Weldon called for an explanation regarding the loss of the steamer Princess Louise last month outside the Bay of Fundy. The investigation had shown that the hawser had given away, but no reason was given why she could not have been taken to St. John instead of Halifax.

Hon. Mr. McLelan explained that the trip was undertaken on the advice of two experienced officers. He would explain the matter fully when the papers were brought down.

Mr. Cameron (Huron) moved for orders in council respectively for the location of the government for the Northwest Territories at Regina, and pointed out that the Canadian Pacific railway had placed a divisional point at Moose Jaw instead of Regina, the mounted police headquarters, the lieutenant-governor's residence and Northwest council chamber were not located there, contrary to expectation. A great many people had bought land and lots expecting all the advantages named. He asked if the government would do anything.

Sir John Macdonald explained the arrangement made between the government and the Canadian Pacific railway to make Regina the capital. The lieutenant-governor's residence, the council chamber and the mounted police barracks were located in the vicinity adjoining the town. It was not customary to erect such places in the commercial portion of a town.

Sir John Macdonald laid on the table the report of the select committee to strike the standing committees for the session.

The committees are almost the same as last year with the exception of the appointment of new members to fill the vacancies of those dropped out. Sir Richard Cartwright is on the public accounts and banking and commerce.

In the senate, speaking on the address, Senator Belrose, leader of the Castor element, attacked the government very strongly for the partiality shown in appointing two English speaking senators to the cabinet, and complained that the French element was unrepresented in the cabinet by a French senator. He also censured the government for appointing an English speaker to both houses. It was hinted in reply, subsequently, that the latter complaint might be dropped, as it had been rumored that Mr. Kirkpatrick would retire after this session in favor of a French speaker.

THE FISHERY CLAUSES.

Notice of Their Termination Only Received Yesterday.

OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—In the senate to-day Sir Alexander Campbell stated that official notification of the termination of the fishery clauses of the Washington treaty was only received this morning. This probably accounts for the want of reference to this matter in the speech from the throne and to which the leader of the opposition took exception in the discussion on the address.

A Wealthy Ruffian.

SOCORRO, Col., Jan. 23.—Joel Fowler, under sentence of death for the murder of J. E. Cole last November, was taken from jail this morning and hanged to a tree. Fowler with a number of drunken companions took possession of the town and marched through the streets firing into windows, making the citizens dance and sing at the mouth of revolvers. Cole interfered to prevent bloodshed and was fatally stabbed by Fowler. Cole is said to be the seventh victim. Fowler was worth $100,000 and would have used his wealth to purchase witnesses as he had done in other cases. The citizens feared the result would be Fowler's release and took the law in their own hands.

The Glut of Grain.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Several railroads, including the Burlington, Alton & St. Paul, are declining to take grain for transportation to Chicago unless for sale on the track, because all the elevators are full. There are 1,000,000 bushels on the track in the city.

WHY HE WAS HANGED.

A Man Who Desperately Loved his Sister-in-Law.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—Geo. A Wheeler, a native of Gorham, Me., respectably connected, formerly employed by the Rogers company chair factory, Boston, who strangled his sister-in-law, Adele J. Tillson, this city, Oct. 20, 1880, was hanged to-day. An improper intimacy existed between Wheeler and Adele Tillson with the knowledge of his wife. When he came to know Adele had promised to marry another man he choked her to death, giving as his reason that he couldn't see her become the wife of any man. Although brought up a quaker he signified a desire to die in the catholic faith and was attended to-day by a catholic priest. A crowd of five thousand people assembled outside of the jail. The demand for entrance tickets was so great that they they were held at a premium. The female desire for notoriety manifested itself in this case in the person of Mrs. Stratton, a divorced woman who frequently visited Wheeler in his cell and insisted last night on being married to him. Wheeler expressed his willingness, but the sheriff took measures to prevent the ceremony.

TWO PEOPLE MURDERED.

Horrible Tragedy at Fenton, Missouri.

FENTON, Mo., Jan. 23.—Louis Bodicker and wife, Josephine, occupied a log house on a rented farm near here. This morning a neighbor found both dead in the house. The furniture and floor were smeared with blood. Bodicker was in bed with his throat cut and haggled with an axe. His wife was stretched at full length on the floor with the back of her head crushed with an axe and her neck broken. There are indications that the woman escaped from the house when the attack was made, and was pursued and struck down on the road a short distance away and dragged back to the house. It is thought some unknown persons received by the couple as lodgers last night committed the murder, robbed the house and fled. A good white shirt, badly blood stained, which did not belong to Bodicker, was found in the house. A bucket of bloody water in which the murderer washed his hands, was standing on the floor. A trunk in the rear room was broken open with a bloody axe, and a wardrobe in the same room had been forced open with bloody hands.

AMELIA OLSEN'S DEATH.

Three Arrests of Suspected Persons Made.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Six arrests have been made in connection with the murder of Amelia Olsen, seamstress, whose body was found on the prairie a week ago. Two men are charged with the actual murder, but their names have not been disclosed. A hackman, an Italian restaurant keeper, a woman, and three other prisoners, alleged accomplices, have been arrested. The post mortem disclosed that the girl had been criminally assaulted. The theory is that she was induced to enter the restaurant, was drugged, and driven on the prairie in a hack, where she was assaulted and choked to death.

A Pair of Pants in the Rigging.

BOSTON, Jan. 23.—The Storm King, sounding in the vicinity of the wreck of the City of Columbus this afternoon, discovered the mysterious rock on which the vessel struck. This discovery confirms the statement of Capt. Wright, that while the diver and party were on the wreck a pair of trowsers were noticed in the post rigging on the foremast, and when taken down it was found they belonged to Capt. Wright. How they came in the rigging is a question of considerable interest.

Child Labor in the States.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 23.—The state labor convention this morning adopted a report on child labor recommending the passage of a bill prohibiting the employment of children under 14 in factories where goods are manufactured from raw materials, and requiring that children between 14 and 16 so employed shall have attended school at least 20 weeks in the preceding year; limiting a day's work to ten hours, and providing for the appointment of a factories inspector by the governor.

James Nutt Finally Released.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 23.—The hearing as to James Nutt's present mental condition took place this morning before Judge Stowe, and resulted in the prisoner's release.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Jan. 23.—James Nutt was met at the depot by a crowd of 300 people and wildly cheered. He was driven home at once and intends remaining there quietly.

A Ministry of Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23. The fourteenth annual convention of the national board of trade met here to-day. Among other things advocated by its executive council is a ministry of commerce as a brauch of the executive government at Washington with the right of its chief and other cabinet ministers to seats in congress.

Murderous Apaches.

EL PASO, Jan. 23.—The Apaches killed an American prospector near Ures, then attacked a camp of two men and their families. They killed the men and one woman and took the other captive.

East Northumberland Again.

Mr. G. T. Blackstock renewed his motion before the court of appeal yesterday for leave to take further evidence in the East Northumberland election case. The court preemptorily refused the application.

Drawn Into a Whirlpool.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—A special from Carthage, on the upper Cumberland, says a raft was drawn into the whirlpool below that town and nine men drowned.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The Pullman car company is not a common carrier of passengers according to the Illinois appeal court.

Chas. F. Dewey, the forger, was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment yesterday at Boston, Mass.

An express train on the Michigan Central was thrown off the track yesterday near Hagersville. Two cars were badly smashed.

What promises to be the most interesting exhibition of poultry, pigeons and pets ever given in this country opened yesterday at Madison square garden. A large number of prizes will be awarded.

THE PEOPLE'S PASTIMES.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN SPORTING CIRCLES ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Harry Gilmore and His Propositions—The Chess Champion—Woodbine Winter Meeting Postponed.

John Ennis, the six-day pedestrian, offers to skate with any man in America 100 miles for $500.

William Goode, a brother to Jem Goode, and Pat Perry are matched to fight with hard gloves in or near London on Feb. 23 for £100 a side.

Mike Cleary says he will fight any man in America for $1000 a side, with hard gloves, and in private, three-minute rounds to a finish. He has put up $250 forfeit.

The Toronto snowshoe club had a tramp to Deer park last evening. Mr. Frank Laidlaw led the way. About twenty members participated. Traveling was a bit rough, but the crowd enjoyed themselves all the more for that. The usual meet of the club will take place on Saturday for a tramp to Carlton.

The Toronto World objects to the Tribune's statement that the Canadian racing mare Simoon was sold for $8000. When you come to think of it that was a pretty big price, but the man who set the paragraph didn't know as much as the sporting editor of The World, and evidently thought that a cipher or two at the end of the amount wouldn't make much difference.—Hamilton Tribune.

The Curling Bonspiel.

The rough weather yesterday somewhat interfered with the success of the great bonspiel. All the clubs that were expected did not report and a rearrangement of the rinks had to be made. The storm prevented any out-door play. The result was that the match had to take place in the various rinks under cover. The most strenuous efforts last evening failed to get the score in detail, but the total score was east 792, west 666, making the former victorious by 126.

Woodbine Winter Meeting.

Woodbine winter trotting meeting was to have been commenced to-day, but owing to the storm of yesterday it was considered advisable to postpone the first day until to-morrow. Although each event has filled well, entries will be received until this evening. The track was in good condition last night in spite of the day's storm, but to-morrow it is hoped matters will be even more favorable. Books on the different races will be opened in Frank Martin's this evening.

It might be mentioned that in order to show how good the track is a trotting match will take place this afternoon, to which the admission will be free.

The Chess Champion.

Dr. J. H. Zukertort, the great chess champion, commenced his brief engagement with the Toronto chess club yesterday by playing a series of games with members of the club. Each of the opponents of the doctor received the odds of a knight. The first man to tackle him was Mr. G. Phillips, who lost four games. Then followed Mr. Boultbee, who shared the same fate. Mr. W. A. Littlejohn was more successful. He won one game, lost two and drew one, making on the whole an extraordinarily good showing. Mr. E. B. Freeland came next with two games, of which he lost the first and won the second. Mr. J. H. Gordon closed the day by losing four successive games.

Everyone who has met the doctor is highly gratified with his reception. One and all are courteously received and treated with almost a too pressing good nature. This afternoon the doctor will again engage in individual play, giving the odds of a knight, and this evening commencing at 7 o'clock he will tackle all comers simultaneously. To-morrow he will play blindfolded against the following twelve gentlemen: W. Boultbee, E. B. Freeland, Goodwin Gibson, J. H. Gordon, W. H. Judd, H. N. Kittson, W. A. Littlejohn, A. C. Myers, C. W. Phillips, H. J. Rose, Dr. I. Ryall and W. M. Stark.

Harry Gilmore in the Press.

To the Editor of The World.

SIR: I am an old time friend of Harry Gilmore. I admire the man and admire his pluck. But I do not admire his policy. He talks too much. Fulljames has said distinctly that he will not leave New York for anything but a fight for $500 or more in private. He generously asks no expenses, but only seeks fair play. Gilmore after declaring that he is averse to newspaper talk and that his classes are too big to talk fighting again opens out. Why doesn't the man put up a stake, adhere once for all to what he says, and forever afterwards hold his peace. The fact is he wants things too much his own way. He fortifies himself in his own castle and then says come on. It is really a pity his classes are not a little larger and then perhaps he would have less time to spend talking to reporters and for writing letters.

THE MAN WHO WHISTLES.

Toronto, Jan. 23, 1884.

P. S.—Gilmore pleads as an excuse for not acceding to Fulljames' terms that he hasn't time to train. Fulljames asks for four or five weeks. His business necessarily keeps him out of trim. Harry Gilmore's necessarily keeps him in. Harry could easily train and keep up his classes had he a mind to. He is wise in keeping out of the prize ring, but when he knows neither Fulljames nor Hurst will meet him under conditions that are all in his favor, let him cease his firing. It will be a long time before he can get such another picnic as that he recently had in this city, when referees and judges were all his intimate friends and sympathisers. T. M. W. W.

THE OLD WORLD IN BRIEF.

Six cardinals are to be created at a consistory to be held at Rome on Feb. 21.

It is reported a crisis is impending in the Turkish ministry.

An explosion occurred in a mine in the Rhine provinces yesterday. Sixteen persons were killed and twelve severely wounded.

El Mahdi's brother-in-law, recently captured, has made a statement in which he gives an account of El Mahdi's plans and surroundings.

Heavy gales prevailed yesterday throughout England. The bark Madras from Pensacola was wrecked in the river Dee. Ten persons were drowned.

SAFE OVER THE SEA.

Date.	Steamship.	Reported at.	From.
Jan. 23	Labrador	New York	Havre
Jan. 23	Rothnia	New York	Liverpool
Jan. 23	Neckar	Southampton	New York
Jan. 23	Edam	Amsterdam	New York
Jan. 23	Anchoria	New York	Glasgow

A NEWSPAPER BURNT OUT.

The Hamilton Spectator Printing Office Laid in Ruins.

HAMILTON, Ont., Jan. 23.—About 3.30 this morning the Spectator building, corner of McNab and Market streets, this city, was discovered on fire, and in a few hours the stone structure was completely gutted, though, owing to their great strength, the outer walls remained intact. The origin of the fire is a mystery, but as several attempts to set the office on fire have been made within a few months it is thought it was incendiary. The loss will be somewhere about $30,000 above the insurance. The company was insured for $21,000 in the following companies: $1000 Scottish Union, $2000 Western, $2000 Northern, $4500 North British and Mercantile, $4000 London, Liverpool and Globe, $3000 Guardian, $4500 Fire Assurance. The tenants of the buildings were the Victoria Mutual Fire insurance company, D. Kenny, seeds, etc.; R. Evans, tweeds; C. J. Williams, Can. Oil company; Stamp & Waite, painters; H. C. Allan, tweeds, etc.; Mrs. McDougall, oil and lamps; Mead, shirt factory; McMichael, laundry; Murray, ferrule factory; Myers, boot stretcher factory; Raphael, manufacturing tailor; and Rosenthall, button hole maker. The losses of the tenants are chiefly by water and smoke. One of the Spectator employes named Munro was asleep on the third flat. He let himself down by a rope from his window, but it was too short, and he was somewhat hurt by falling, and by the friction of the rope on his hands. The Spectator was worked off from the Times office this morning, and arrangements are being made to issue the paper as usual.

BARRIE BITS.

Cases Decided Before Judge Ardagh.

BARRIE, Jan. 22.—Dugald McDonald, the Bradford postoffice thief, was tried yesterday before Judge Ardagh, found guilty and sentenced to five years in the provincial penitentiary. Gabriel Blowen, Gabriel Blowen, jr., and Adam McCauley were tried before Mayor Sowny and John Laird, J.P., on Saturday for being drunk and assaulting Constable Greer, and were fined $43. Edwin Bell, a fresh young man, was fined $5 and costs for assaulting a man named Gilpin. Bell was on a tear and amused himself by striking whoever he met.

THE QUEBEC MINISTRY.

The New Members Sworn in Yesterday.

QUEBEC, Jan. 23.—The following ministers were sworn in to-day as members of the local government:— Messrs. Ross, premier and commissioner of agriculture and public works; Robertson, treasurer; Taillon, attorney-general; Lynch, crown lands, and Blanchet, provincial secretary. There is yet one portfolio not given. The ministers were sworn in at 4 p.m. at Spencerwood, the lieutenant-governor being still confined to his bed.

DOMINION DASHES.

The Latest and Best News Found in Our Canadian Exchanges.

The Toronto, Grey and Bruce railway is petitioning parliament for an act to enable it to fund its debt.

Mr. Woodard, member of the Madison square company playing at St. Thomas, Ont., took morphine yesterday instead of quinine, and for a long time was considered in danger of losing his life, but finally he recovered.

A Montreal hackman named Francois Pacquet committed an unsuccessful assault on a married lady named Mrs. Bourne who had engaged him to drive her to a friend's house last evening. He robbed his victim and then through her out of the sleigh. The lady's husband succeeded in having the scoundrel arrested during the night.

AN O'DONNELL VENGEANCE FUND.

Money Subscribed in New York to be Used for Outrages in England.

DUBLIN, Jan. 23.—An Irish Times London despatch says there is good authority for stating that the British house office and the police have been warned that serious steps are being taken to perpetrate outrages in England in connection with the New York Irish World's O'Donnell vengeance fund. Of £1800 subscribed between £600 and £800 were forwarded to London last week. The detectives have been working hard to trace the holders of the money but have failed.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—No great importance is attached to the story of the London Times' London correspondent. The police here believe disappointed fenians are systematically attempting to create alarm throughout England.

Chinese Gordon in the Soudan.

CAIRO, Jan. 23.—Many persons who consider the influence "Chinese" Gordon formerly wielded in the Soudan has vanished think he will run the risk of assassination at the hands of the rebels. It is stated that two sheikhs from Cairo will accompany him to Khartoum. Baker Pasha has gone from Suakim to Trinkitat to attempt to relieve Toka.

Things in Madagascar.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—A despatch from Madagascar says a number of guns have been landed in Madagascar and sent to Antananarivo the capital. The Arabs have recommenced the slave trade on the west coast of the island, where a thousand African slaves have been landed.

Ireland a Nation.

CORK, Jan. 23.—A banquet was given here this evening in honor of Richard Power and Edmund Leamy, members of parliament for Waterford city. Thomas Sexton, M. P. for Sligo, replied to the toast of "Ireland a Nation."

Police Court Pointers.

Seven drunks in this court yesterday. Thomas Clarke stole a sealskin coat from A. A. Alexander of Queen street west and was sent to jail for 60 days. John Johnson, alleged to have also been engaged in the theft, was allowed to go. Michael O'Neil and Arthur Renwick, highway robbery, sent to the criminal court for trial. A number of other cases were remanded till various dates.

COVER UP YOUR EARS.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE,
TORONTO, Jan. 24, 1 a.m.

Lakes; Northerly to northwesterly winds; fair, very cold weather. The temperature will fall considerably below zero in most places, followed to-morrow by west to southwest winds and rising temperature.

COL. SPEAKER CLARKE.

AGAIN ELECTED BY THE ONTARIO ASSEMBLY.

A Compliment From the Leader of the Opposition—The Mover and Seconder of the Address.

About two-thirds of the members of the Ontario legislature managed to find their way to the squatty red brick pile in Front street known as the parliament houses of the province. A number of members busied themselves in the morning marking off the seats they intend occupying. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon Governor Robinson went down to the legislative chamber and informed the house that it would be necessary to elect a speaker. This little ceremony was disposed of in a few seconds.

Hon. Mr. Mowat moved that Col. Clarke, M. P.P. for Centre Wellington, be chosen as speaker. The selection met with universal approbation, and the good looking colonel from the county of fat bullocks was duly elected.

Hon. Mr. Meredith, leader of the opposition, paid a flattering compliment to Col. Clarke as previous speaker, and said he was as good a selection as could possibly be made.

The session will be formally opened at 3 p.m. to-day, when the governor's speech will be read. Mr. D. J. McIntyre (South Victoria) will move the address, and Mr. Sills (West Hastings) will second it.

A TRUNK SEWER LOOMING UP.

Ald. Turner Outlines a Financial Plan For its Construction.

The first meeting of the new legislative committee of the city council met yesterday afternoon, Chairman Smith in the chair. Present: Mayor Boswell, City Solicitor McWilliams, Ald. Hunter, Hastings, Maughan, Mitchell, Lobb, Love and Turner. Ald. Turner stated that the board of works had for some time been engaged in taking surveys as to the practicability of the trunk sewer scheme. They had decided that it was imperative that the Garrison creek section should be constructed this present year. It was estimated that the whole work would cost $1,444,000, and he thought a fair allowance of time for finishing the work would be four or five years. To provide for the expense of construction he proposed the following scheme: That corporation stock for the full amount be issued bearing 5 per cent interest. This stock would be irredeemable, but transferable. The city's present debenture debt is $6,000,000, but according to the consolidated act of 1859 power could be obtained to issue a further allotment of debentures of $1,350,000, and his plan proposed to leave that power unused to meet further wants of the city. By the issue of the irredeemable bonds to provide for the construction of the sewer, the burden would be light on the tax payers, and no sinking fund would have to be provided. He had been assured by local capitalists that there would be little difficulty in floating the proposed stock at 5 per cent. He hoped the members would give their serious consideration to the scheme.

The committee went over the various bills prepared by the city solicitor for presentation to the legislature, but made no changes.

Mr. McWilliams stated that although the city had given notice on Dec. 15 last of its intention to review the Esplanade bill thrown out at the last session of the dominion parliament, if the Grand Trunk railway company did not make some progress towards a settlement, the railway company had done nothing, and will again use its influence to burk the bill.

COLBORNE CRYSTAL HALL.

Jewell & Clow's Surprise—What a World Reporter Discovered.

To use a hackneyed phrase, what Mr. Wm. Clow does not know about erecting a snow palace is not worth knowing. The city is full of legislators, lobbyists and curlers, and Jewell & Clow, with their usual enterprise have something original to show them. In these days of nineteenth century ingenuity people must not be surprised at anything, but these well known Colborne street restaurateurs have something to introduce their friends to this time which will quite startle them. For a number of days past Clow has been superintending certain mysterious movements in rear of the restaurant, and each time when he returned to his accustomed place he wore a smile of superior satisfaction.

A World reporter dropped in upon him yesterday afternoon and was agreeably amazed to find a veritable snow palace, gaily decorated with flags of all nations, evergreens, banners, bright lithographs of the Toronto Brewing and Malting company and Mr. Sam. Osborne's celebrated ocean steamships. The whole design is about as unique a piece of work as would be seen anywhere, the Montreal carnival palace or the icebergs of Greenland not excepted. The palace will be ready to receive visitors at 10 o'clock this morning, when a number of ladies will be present. Among those who will call is Dr. Zukertort, the famous chess player, now the guest of the Toronto chess club. All their friends are invited to come and see the Colborne Crystal Hall.

Among the Medicos.

The medical society in connection with the Toronto school of medicine hold their regular meeting to-morrow evening. R. A. Reeve, B.A., M.D., will read a paper on the Physiology of the eye. This society has made rapid progress during the past few months.

A large number of freshmen have registered with the two schools of medicine since Christmas.

Medical men, especially senior students, are loud in their complaints against the hospital authorities in reference to the way in which things are conducted as far as they are concerned. Having paid their fees they demand the advantages they are justly entitled to.

The grievances of medical students are manifold. Not only does the greatest dissatisfaction exist in the hospital workings, but the lack of subjects is even a greater cause of complaint. Three and four students are "put on" a part which at the most can only accommodate two, and then after this quadrupling up process has been done the supply is not equal to the demand. The schools surely receive ample remuneration from the students, and it is absurd that coming the distance most of them do, paying the large sum annually they are required, that material is not provided whereby they can pursue their professional studies in such a way as to merit the curriculum that is yearly becoming more difficult.

THAT NEW COURT HOUSE.

The Matter No Nearer a Solution Than Ever.

The county council resumed its session yesterday morning, Warden Davis presiding. The standing committees for the year were named as follows: Finance and assessment — Tyrell, Watson, Canning, Brodie, Yule. Roads and bridges—Porter, Stevenson, Hartman, Helborne and Frankland. Education— Jones. Malloy, Reesor, McMath, Davids. County Property—Duncan, Morgan, Sprague, Vanzant, O'Neil. Equalization—Jackson, Richardson, Foster, Evans, Irwin. Printing and contingencies—Saunders, Reaman, Abell, Booth, Ough. Legislation—Jones, Cook, Turner, VanNorman, Park. Specialties—Secor, Brown, McConnell, Bruce, Park. Industrial home—Rowan, Lloyd, Willson, Duncan, Richards. Messrs. Knox & Leslie and Joseph Stokes were appointed county auditors. A number of notices of motion were given.

Mr. Frank Turner and H.R. Frankland, 1st and 3d deputy reeves of York, gave notice of their intention to again wage war on the toll gates of the county. Those gentlemen deserve the thanks of the citizens of Toronto and its suburbs for their efforts to abolish that greatest of modern inflictions, a toll gate.

When the council resumed at 4.30 Reeve Jackson presented a report from the Court house committee. The report passed through committee of whole and council without a murmer or a question, which is probably a good indication that the county council, as a body, does not care whether a new court house is built or not. The report says:

That very shortly after the close of last session two sites for the proposed court house were submitted by your committee to the city authorities from which to make a choice, viz., No. 1, the block of land lying between Queen and Richmond streets, and running westward from the west side of Church street. No. 2, the block of land lying between Bond and Victoria streets, and running north from the northern side of Queen street about 500 feet, but your committee regret to state that both sites were rejected. As it was some weeks after the close of last session before notice of the city's rejection of the above sites was received, and the recess being short, during which the municipal elections took place, your committee has not been able to press the question to a furtherence. The matter is now relegated to the council.

The following by the same committee was adopted in committee of the whole and council:

With regard to the settlement re annexation of Yorkville to Toronto it was not till the 9th inst. that your warden received legal notification of the appointment of an arbitrator by the city. The same day it was received, however, the county arbitrator was notified and requested to take immediate action. There the matter rests.

The commissioners in county property reported, among other things, that tenders were to be advertised for for the construction of a new registry office for North York at the town of Newmarket at a cost of $4600. The report was adopted, and Messrs. Jackson and Rowen and the warden were named as a building committee.

The committee adjourned at 5.50 until this morning.

Tableaux and Dramatics.

When The World reporter left the Grand at midnight the performance was still going on—always the way of amateurs, they will give too much of it. The house had been crowded by the friends of the house of providence, that most deserving charity, but five hours of it was too much for many of them. The tableaux were three in number and well put on. Mrs. McCulloch of St. Catharines, who superintended their production, took great pains with the soldiers and the many others who took parts, and her success was really creditable. All the tableaux were encored.

But the dramatic part of the program was too long and dragged. The Toronto amateurs are certainly improving, and with more experience and a manager who would push things through they might make quite a reputation—as amateurs. The ladies taking part were Miss I. Mulligan, Mrs. V. Harris and Miss Jennie and Miss Helena Conger. They all did fairly well. The pieces were, All That Glitters is Not Gold and the farce The Little Sentinel.

The Great Snow Storm.

Railroad travel leading in and out of Toronto is demoralized by the prevailing snow storm. The cubole of the month of January so far has been a very unfavorable one for travel. The severe cold has been alternated with blinding snow storms. As a consequence business has been almost at a standstill. The only bustle noticeable around the hotels yesterday and last evening was that attendant on the opening of the Ontario legislature. Many of the members however were unable to reach the city owing to late or cancelled trains.

Eight Thousand and a Half.

Mayor Boswell yesterday received the following additional sums for the relief of the Humber sufferers: R. S. Cox $25, Oshawa workingman $2, Massey manufacturing company $28.85, their employes $71.15, $20 of which is for Mrs. Barber, the Toronto World additional subscriptions $92.10. The total amount received amounts to $8580.

The council of the township of York on Monday night voted $100 to the sufferers collectively and $15 each to the families of Charles Stanley and John McKenzie, who were killed.

A Dishonest Bread Deliverer.

For a number of months, George Constable, the well-known baker of Queen street west, has been suspicious that one of his bread deliverers has been embezzling sums of money. The man's name is John Holigan. Mr. Constable visited several customers on his route and found out as he alleges, that Holigan collected money and then made entries in his books as if credit had been given. A warrant was sworn out for his arrest, and last night he was locked up in the western police station.

Who Murdered Susie Gibbs?

Yesterday afternoon County Crown Attorney Fenton and Coroner Johnston were to have made a trip out to the lonely hut at the Humber, where the old woman Susie Gibbs was murdered, but it was too stormy to make the trip. It is understood some additional evidence will be forthcoming at the inquest, which will be continued to-night at Hicks' hotel.

The Assessment Amendment Convention.

The city committee on legislation yesterday named Ald. Smith, Turner and Denison as a committee to represent the city at the convention to be held at the Queens hotel on Jan. 29 to consider assessment and municipal amendments. It is likely that City Assessor Pratt of Ottawa, who is at the head of the convention, will be made chairman.

A BROKER'S SQUABBLE.

WM. MARA TRYS TO RECOVER $20,000 FROM COX & WORTS.

Mara v. Priestman Dropped for the Present—A Nice Lot of Dealing in Federal Stock—More Actions Expected.

There is going to be a lively time among the stock-brokers and some of their clients. A number of law suits have been entered, the stock exchange will have some of its members before it, and the banks and bankers will be "shocked" to see how some of their stocks have been knocked about. The fun began yesterday by an injunction being served on Messrs. Cox & Worts, forbidding them to dispose of certain notes made by Wm. Mara and held by them.

But to understand the situation it is necessary to go back to the boom times in Federal bank stock. Joseph Priestman, manager of Bradstreet's agency in this city and a heavy speculator, or investor if you like the word better, instructed William Mara, his then broker, to buy Federal stock for him, and to buy it from Mr. Cox. So day after day at the board Mara called for Federal at so much and Cox sold it him. But it was never "delivered," Cox agreeing "to carry" it for Mara. That is that Priestman had little money at the time to give Mara as margins on all the Federal he was buying for him, but as Cox held him liable and considered him able to pay he "carried" the stock, that is Mara paid him ordinary interest for doing so. This went on till Cox & Worts found themselves carrying a great deal of Federal for Mr. Mara. But Mr. Mara paid his interest.

Then came the celebrated drop in Federal—when the bag was pricked collapse followed. From 163 it tumbled down to 125, when Cox and other bears had themselves to put in a peg to stop it. When it began to go of course Cox & Worts insisted on delivering the stock to Mara. The latter thereupon became greatly excited. He began to denounce his client, Priestman, on whose account he said he had bought the stock, but who would not pay up. Cox & Worts insisted on delivery. Then Mr. Mara "got down on his knees" as the brokers say. With tears coming down his cheek he declared that he would be ruined, that they would not surely take his house and home, etc. Cox told him all he wanted was some kind of a settlement, that he was willing to compromise it and take Mara's note for whatever amount they settled on. All this time Mara was in constant risk of being struck off the board for not being able to pay Cox & Worts, if the latter saw fit to post him. Mara was glad to get out of it by giving his notes and they were taken by Cox & Worts, Mara saying that he would put Priestman through for it. And so he seemed satisfied. He entered an action against Priestman for all he had lost in margins and interest on Priestman's account. He also "posted" Priestman on the stock exchange as a client who did not pay up. It was the posting of Priestman over which the Globe blunderingly said H. S. Mara had been posted. But after judgment was given the other day in Carnegie against Federal bank things took a new turn. Mara thought he would have Cox & Worts, whom he thought better game. So he engaged a lawyer, and the first proceeding was to get Priestman to consent to a withdrawal of Mara's suit against him. Priestman was only too glad to accommodate him, though Priestman had no love for him for posting him at the board. So yesterday, after Priestman had given consent to a withdrawal of the action of Mara, Mara's lawyer served Cox & Worts with the injunction regarding the notes, and later on with a writ in a suit for $20,000 damages alleged to have been sustained by him in his dealings with them on behalf of Priestman in Federal stock.

This is where the case stands at present. How far Priestman and Mara have joined cause against Cox & Worts is a matter for speculation. Mr. Priestman says in no way, and that he intends suing him for all he is worth for defamation of character in posting him as he did.

A reporter interviewed Mr. Cox between the long waits at the theatre last night. He laughed at the matter, and said that Mara would most likely be struck off the stock exchange to-day for bringing a dispute with another broker into the courts without first submitting it to the board to arbitrate on. The reporter saw a dozen other brokers who all spoke strongly about Mr. Mara's course in the matter.

'TIS HE!!

Who is the gently playful youth,
Who sometimes writes what's not the truth,
Because he thinks it's fun, forsooth?
'Tis he.

Who says the Globe was written by
A party whom he calls "Tis I,"
And in that statement tell a — — fib?
'Tis he.

Who, setting-out to criticize,
Did Langtry's grace apostrophise
And Maggie Mather's art despise?
'Tis he.

Who thinks he knows a sight too much,
Of music, opera and such,
And writes critiques that "beat the Dutch?"
'Tis he.

Who measures other people's corn,
Etcetra, yet who would adorn
A notice which should "toot his horn,"
Could he?

But who, alas, nor sings nor plays,
Nor yet performs in other ways,
And so who in the back ground stays?
Why, he.

Who like the innocent Chinee,
Is childlike, bland, and goes for me,
Yet doesn't dare to sign
"'Tis Me."
—S.

SOMEWHAT PREVIOUS.

Mr. Editor—Please print this as soon as convenient. It is entitled:

AUTUMNAL GLORY.

Autumn's golden sunshine
Is peeping through the trees,
And we hear no longer
The hum of busy bees.

The wind blows soft and gently
As it did in days of yore,
And the happy children
Are playing by the door.

The violet in the wildwood
Lifts up its pretty head;
The maple changes color
From brightest green to red.

The sun is fast declining,
Golden Luna smiles on high;
Boatmen out upon the water
Sail beneath an azure sky.

There's not a tiny ripple
On river, lake or bay;
All is hushed and silent,
A glorious autumn day.
—Orible.