

TOO MANY EXTRA FRILLS

And Not Enough Fundamental Work in Schools.

Annual Convention of Hamilton Teachers at Collegiate

And the Wentworth Association Meeting at Centenary.

The annual convention of the Hamilton Teachers' Institute opened in the Assembly Hall of the Collegiate Institute this morning.

An excellent address was delivered by Prof. S. H. Clark on "The Interpretation of the Printed Page."

The convention was continued at 2 o'clock this afternoon and a recital will be given to-night.

WENTWORTH TEACHERS. The Wentworth Teachers' Association held its annual convention in the lecture room of the Centenary Church, Main street west, beginning this morning.

The morning session was opened by President W. F. Moore, of Dundas, by reading of the Scripture and the Lord's Prayer.

The topics "How to Prevent Copying" and "How to Prevent Plagiarism" were ably discussed by Inspector Smith, President Moore and other teachers.

Some good suggestions were brought out in the discussion of "Seat Work for Ungraded School."

Miss Holden, of Dundas, favored the convention with a vocal solo after which she was presented with a beautiful bouquet of carnations by Mr. Moore's son, on behalf of the association.

The session was closed by an excellent address "College Education" by President Moore.

PREMIER'S ELECTION

He Moves in the Matter of the Petition Against His Election.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 19.—A preliminary step in the petition against the election of Sir Wilfrid Laurier was taken this morning.

Senator Belcourt, counsel for Sir Wilfrid, sought to have petitioners examined as to the contents of his affidavits before the Local Master.

Mr. Lewis, K. C., objected that such examination could not be made until the case came before the trial judge.

CRISIS FEARED.

Cuba May Prevent Foreigners Holding Property.

New York, Feb. 19.—According to a special despatch received by the World from Havana, there were reports current there last night that a bill would be introduced in the House prohibiting foreigners holding any property in Cuba.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Another Election May be Necessary to Break Deadlock.

St. Johns, Nfld., Feb. 19.—Declaring that an honorable and satisfactory solution of the deadlock in prospect at the opening of the Newfoundland Legislature will be impossible without an appeal to the electorate, the Parliamentary supporters of Premier Bond, numbering eighteen, have published a resolution pledging the unwavering loyalty to the support of the Government.

Ripe Strawberries. Ripe tomatoes, cauliflower, butter beans, Boston head lettuce, mushrooms, pineapples, grapes, limes, parsley, celery, grape fruit, bananas, new potatoes, cranberries, sweet potatoes, sweet green peppers, Tangerine oranges, Camembert cheese, English Stilton, Neufchatel, square cream cheese, Roquefort, Oka, Gorgonzola, Limburger, pineapples, Edam, Swiss cheese, maple syrup, muffins and cranquets.—Bain & Adams, 80-91 King street east.

INDIAN LIST GETS SOME HARD BUMPS.

Magistrate Says It Is Unfair and a Farce—Merigold Charge Fails.

Characterizing Inspector Birrell's system of putting names of habitual drunkards on the prohibited list as unfair and a farce, Magistrate Jelfs administered a body blow to the "Indian List" at Police Court this morning.

merigold had been sold to McBride, but denied that he had served with a notice that the man was not to be served. He also denied that he knew he was on the list.

LIBERAL CAUCUS.

Hon. Mr. MacKay Says One Will be Held Next Tuesday.



(Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Feb. 19.—Contrary to general expectations there will be no Liberal caucus this week.

GOOD FISHING.

Abe Hand Comes to Hamilton For a New Launch.

Mr. Abram Hand is having a fine new gasoline launch, a 30-footer, built, as he finds that one launch is not enough to supply his orders.

GALT ENTRY.

John Patterson Will Meet the Council Next Week.

The special committee appointed at the last meeting of the Galt Town Council to visit Hamilton and interview John Patterson regarding the entrance of his electric line to Galt will not make the proposed visit, says the Galt Reporter.

The Mayor yesterday telephoned Mr. Patterson and obtained the information that the promoter would be in Galt next week.

At the Council meeting on Monday night the aldermen unanimously expressed themselves against the road coming in from the south.

FIRE IN HOLD.

New York, Feb. 19.—Fire in one of the holds of the German steamer Crestafels from Calcutta, at her dock here to-day, burned for two hours before the crew with the assistance of firemen and a harbor fireboat succeeded in extinguishing it.

Saturday Tobacco Bargains.

Cut T. & B. and Old Chum be or three for 25c, King's Navy 7c, Bobs chewing and Empire smoking 8c, British Navy 7c, three plugs Shamrock smoking for 25c, at peace's cigar store, 107 King street east.

HARMLESS DRUGS.

Bill to Permit Country Storekeepers to Sell Them.

Drug Stores too Far Away For Most of the Farmers. (Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Feb. 19.—From Mr. P. H. Bowyer (East Kent) comes the first private bill of the session, one which will receive considerable support from the rural districts.

The authority for the story is a high judicial official of St. Petersburg. According to this individual the affair was a plot to dethrone Emperor Nicholas.

ELECTING A BISHOP.

Committees of Clergy and Laity to Choose Toronto Bishop.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—At this morning's session of the Toronto Anglican Synod action was taken which probably will lead to a compromise solution for bishop of this diocese.

MAN DROWNED.

Fell into an Underground Tank Full of Oil.



(Special Despatch to the Times.) Sarnia, Ont., Feb. 19.—William Lowry, about 35 years of age, who for many years had been employed in the Imperial Oil Works here, was drowned early this morning by falling into one of the underground tanks.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

TO DETHRONE THE CZAR.

Plot Discovered to Establish a Regency in Russia.

Grand Duke Vladimir Was to Take the Czar's Place.

The Duke Died Suddenly and That Put an End to It.



EMPEROR NICHOLAS.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—A sensational story of a reactionary plot to dethrone Emperor Nicholas is being related in St. Petersburg to-day in connection with the recent death of Grand Duke Vladimir Alexandrovitch, the Emperor's eldest uncle.

DOWN ON AUTOS.

Bill Closes Rural Roads to Autos Except Certain Days.

Restrictions on Chaffeurs--Imprisonment and Fine. (Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Ont., Feb. 19.—From present indications it looks as though automobile owners will get some unfavorable attention from the present Ontario Parliament.

HELD FOR TRIAL.

Moore and Man's Wife Attempted to Get into States.

Detroit, Feb. 19.—John Erwin Moore, a Canadian farmer, formerly living near Springfield, Ont., was arraigned in the United States District Court yesterday and held in \$500 bail to appear for trial in March.

FELL FROM GRACE.

Minister Fought Losing Battle For Temperance.

Onaway, Mich., Feb. 19.—A minister of the gospel, nearly crazed with drink, staggered into his own church here and heard the sermon then being preached.

FROM CHINA.

Mr. John Duff Back From His Eastern Home.

Mr. John Duff, brother of Messrs. Duff, of the Duff Stores, this city, is in town, accompanied by three of his children, whom he brought from China for the purpose of giving them the advantage of education in Hamilton.

STOP RACING.

Complaints to Police About Use of Delaware Ave.

Is winter racing dead in Hamilton? Not by a jugful, say the police, and they seem to know whereof they speak.

TO DIE IN CHAIR.

Shot and Killed His Daughter and Wounded His Son.

New York, Feb. 19.—Carl Loose, the baker who shot and killed his sixteen-year-old daughter and shot and wounded his son, the Rev. F. W. Loose, of Yale, South Dakota, last November in this city, was to-day sentenced to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing Prison during the week beginning March 29.

RAILWAY BONDS.

New York, Feb. 19.—Directors of the So. Pac. Co., which controls and operates the Southern Pac. R. R., to-day authorized an issue of \$82,000,000 twenty-year four per cent bonds, which are convertible into common stock at \$130 per share.

CUT OFF BONUS IS THE PROPOSITION.

Foundrymen Say Reduction Would be Less Than Ten Per Cent.

"It does not figure out the way some of the men seem to think," said one of the leading stove manufacturers of the city in discussing the moulders' wages question this morning.

That would mean a reduction of 20 per cent, on lines on which the bonus was 25 cents, and of about 9 per cent, on lines paying a bonus of 10 cents.

THE MAN IN OVERALLS.

Bill Closes Rural Roads to Autos Except Certain Days.

The interests opposed to the automobile bill will present a lengthy petition and list of names, containing all accidents which are supposed to have been due to carelessness on the part of the motorists.

LIKES THE TIMES.

Obediah Smith, of North Glanford, Enjoys Good Paper.

There are few men who live to the great age of 89 years, but Mr. Obediah Smith will, if he lives a few months longer. Mr. Smith was born on the farm he now occupies, and has lived there continuously.

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CONFIRMED 21-MILL RATE

Finance Committee Will Pass It to the Council.

The Prospect of Barrow Winning Disgusts the Mayor.

Industrial Committee Will Be Appointed on Monday.

Beyond fixing the tax rate at twenty-one mills, as decided upon at the aldermanic caucus in the morning, and recommending the Council to grant the salary increases agreed upon, the Finance Committee yesterday afternoon transacted little business of importance.

The Mayor promised that Mr. Kerr would be looked after next year, and he thought it would be better to wait and give him a substantial increase than to recommend a small one, and, perhaps, have all the increases thrown out.

The only new increase recommended was that of James Will, a clerk in the tax office, who has been receiving \$420 a year. He has been recommended for an increase of \$50 a year.

There was another discussion over a bill from Burlington Council for \$12 for the keep of Jordan Dillard, a colored man, of this city, for medical attendance.

William Kavanagh and John J. Bucle asked for a grant of \$500 for Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. A grant of \$400 was made last year, and the aldermen did not see how they could increase it.

Mayor McLaren declared to-day that if the Council on Monday night did not vote to reorganize the city engineer's department he would be disgusted.

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