

TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

A Good Attendance—Several Important Matters Discussed—The President's Report—Election of New Officers.

The annual general meeting of the Toronto board of trade was held in their room in the Imperial building yesterday afternoon. The retiring president, Mr. G. M. Rose, occupied the chair until he had read his annual report, when the president-elect, Mr. H. W. Darling, took his place. Among those present were W. B. Hamilton, Wm. Christie, W. F. McMaster, J. E. Eby, W. T. Kiley, Ed. Gurney, Robt. Jaffray, T. Andrew, Robt. Carie, Alex. Nairn, W. D. Beardmore, Hugh Blain, Robt. Darlup, Alex. Boyd, J. Thwaites, J. D. Laidlaw, A. B. Lee, John Lays, M. Robins, R. Kilgour, W. S. Lee, John Morrison, R. W. Elliott and others.

Mr. Ed. Gurney and Mr. G. M. Rose, two of the committee appointed to wait on the postmaster with respect to the letter despatch of the evening mail from Montreal, reported verbally. Mr. Gurney said that the committee was informed by the postmaster that the matter had been under consideration by the postoffice department at Ottawa for some time. The postmaster held that the only way of remedying the alleged inconvenience was to induce the Great Trunk railway to start the train one hour later, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Gurney thought that the same consideration should be given to the master of postal facilities.

Mr. Rose drew the attention of the meeting to the fact that by taking letters to the train they could be despatched within five minutes of starting time by placing them in a box in the depot provided for that purpose.

Mr. Christie said he was in Montreal last week, and learned while there that it was finally settled to lay a double track between Toronto and Montreal. There would be a fast mail train on an average, and all grievances in this respect would be removed. At a later stage in the meeting the same question was revived, when considerable discussion was evoked.

Mr. Robins thought it would be a good thing to follow the matter up and lay it before the Grand Trunk railway authorities and the Dominion government.

Mr. McMaster said the trains were all an hour or so late, and if the matter were put fairly before the Grand Trunk railway, he did not think there would be much trouble in having the mail train started one hour later.

Mr. Rose—the burden of the complaint laid in the fact that the arrangements for the mail bags on the train after they left the postoffice were not satisfactory. He thought a remonstrance with the Grand Trunk people would have a good effect.

Mr. Jaffray suggested as a remedy that a standing committee be appointed to ventilate all complaints with regard to the railway facilities afforded Toronto. He thought that Mr. Hickson would be willing to accept the suggestions of the board fairly in this matter. While Montreal was a terminal point Toronto was merely a way station.

THE ADAMANT BOARD.

Rival Petitions Supported by Deputations of Industrial Citizens.

A meeting of the city council was held yesterday afternoon at 3:40 o'clock. There were present Mayor Boswell, Ald. Crocker, Blevins, Downey, Piper, Bell, Millicamp, Turner, Carlyle, Hallam, Steiner, Love, Walker, Adamson, Irwin, Evans, Trose, G. Evans, Sheppard, J. B. Evans, Baxter, Clarke, Ryan, and others.

Before the council proceeded to business, Ald. Clarke rose and on behalf of the meeting tendered the mayor their congratulations on the successful conclusion of the negotiations upon his undisputed possession of the chair.

In reply Mayor Boswell thanked the members for their cordial reception, and expressed a hope that the members, one and all, would join heartily in the work before the council.

Rev. D. J. Macdonnell and Hon. G. W. Allan, on behalf of a large deputation of that city, laid before the council a petition that a large number of shops and taverns be licensed to 150, shop and saloon licenses to 50, and that additional accounts be taken of the hotels be required.

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In the reading of the report a warm discussion arose as to the propriety and justice of awarding contracts for the work to be done outside the city.

A petition was presented signed by a large number of citizens that the council should take into favorable consideration the petition for the creation of a new ward.

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A SENSATIONAL SCANDAL.

CHARGE OF CRIMINAL ABASULT AGAINST A CLERGYMAN.

An Action for Damages Against the Accused—The Reverend Gentleman's Wife Suing for a Divorce.

BRANTFORD, Jan. 29.—The Rev. Francis Robert Beattie, M. A., pastor of the First Presbyterian church here and a graduate of University college, Toronto, where he obtained a silver medal for metaphysics, has brought an action for \$10,000 against Miss Leishman for defamation of character.

It appears that during the past few days developments have been quietly created by many in the city, who have received information of a certain affair in which the name of a most respected clergyman figured.

For a long time there has been a most unpleasant relationship existing between the Rev. F. R. Beattie, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and his wife, indeed, it is said by her parents, who live in Toronto, and who very often were opposed to the union.

The family name of the difficulty under an open rupture occurred last week, and Mrs. Beattie left her home to return to the parental roof, preparatory to filing a bill for divorce.

In July last a young woman named Lillian Leishman, a graduate of the normal school, came to this city and was employed at the blind institute. While here she met Mr. Beattie at a church social at Mr. Grant's house.

It is said that she had a most intimate relationship with Mr. Beattie, and that she had been seen in his home and that she had been seen in his home and that she had been seen in his home.

Mrs. Beattie went to Toronto, leaving Miss Leishman the only female occupant of the house. When she returned she was informed by the young woman that she had been seen in his home and that she had been seen in his home.

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STABBING AFFRAY IN HAMILTON.

A Peasant Vendor Cuts a Customer for Wanting His Change.

HAMILTON, Jan. 29.—At 9:30 this evening several policemen, followed by a large crowd of citizens, were seen running down James street. The police had received news of a stabbing case on James street and were chasing the culprit.

It seems that A. S. Smith entered a peasant store kept by an Italian on James street near Mulberry about 9 o'clock, and asked for ten cents worth of peanuts, for which he gave twenty cents and waited for change.

The peasant vendor had received the same amount before without paying and refused to give change. Smith called him a liar, at which the Italian, enraged, followed by his wife and three other men, rushed upon Smith.

The police received the alarm, but have not succeeded in arresting the culprit.

MORE DISASTERS AT SEA.

Founders of a Steamer with All Hands—Continuation of the Storm in Great Britain.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The storm continues. Ten bodies have been washed ashore near Penarth. A steamer is supposed to have foundered with all hands, 20 in number, near Porthawl. A vessel, supposed to be the Black Watch, sank to-day off Mumbles-head and 26 persons were drowned.

The wrecking was supposed to be from the Scilly islands believed to be from the British ship called Capt. Doherty.

THE LEWISTON BRIDGE.

A Premature Statement as Regards its Transfer to the Canadian Southern.

BUFFALO, Jan. 29.—The Courier says that although the Lehigh Valley Union says the transfer of the franchise for the Lewiston bridge to the Canadian Southern was consummated on Tuesday evening last, it fully understands the source of the Union's information, does not hesitate to contradict the statement as rather premature, as it is unquestionable authority for going so. The franchise grants authority for the construction of a bridge at any point between the Lehigh Valley and the Canadian Southern.

MAC AND HIS MAORI.

Prevention of their Sparring Exhibition in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The police received an order to prevent the sparring match between Mac and Slade to-night. The exhibition consequently did not take place.

A PRISONER FOR SOME DISPUTED PROPERTY.

ITACA, N.Y., Jan. 29.—The town hall sounded an alarm yesterday morning at the order of Sheriff Follett, who was summoned by State's attorney Merrill of Utica, Illinois and Elmer railroad. Firemen and hundreds of other citizens assembled about the police station.

A LEANER'S SUICIDE.

MOBILE, Jan. 29.—The death of Wm. Seybold at the Long Point asylum on Saturday was a very sad business. It appears that the friends of the young man had gained admission for him into the asylum, and had just left him in charge of the proper authorities. They fancied he would be well taken care of, and turned to leave the place.

A BANK MANAGER IN TROUBLE.

Mr. W. J. Ingram, of the Federal at Montreal, has been arrested by the police.

PERSONAL.

Lord Vaux, of Harrowden, is dead, aged 79. He was a liberal.

Daniel Chaney, president of the Mechanics bank, Brooklyn, N. Y., died suddenly yesterday while conversing with the company treasurer. Apoplexy is supposed to have been the cause.

The Prince of Wales has arrived inognito at Cannes, where Mr. Gladstone is staying. Sir Stafford Northcote is expected there shortly. Lord Randolph Churchill is residing near Montecarlo.

CANADIAN NEWS.

The total amount collected at Hamilton for the sufferers by the floods in Germany is \$1,118.

Three young girls 16 years of age were arrested in a house of ill-fame at Quebec yesterday.

A company is being organized at Hamilton to run a steamer from Hamilton to Toronto, and another steamer to navigate Burlington bay.

John Jiret has been sent to prison for a month at Montreal for carrying a dirk and a knife. He alleged that he was going deer hunting.

A plumber at Montreal yesterday turned a Chicago boy, that seat of learning, into a jester, and jotted him on the head with a hammer.

A farmer named Gibson, residing at Nisour, went on a spree the other day and abused his wife. He adopted son, in consequence of the man's conduct, took a gun and shot him in the arm, inflicting a severe wound.

Sir Hector Langford received a deputation at Quebec yesterday relative to the new drill shop and exhibition building and proceeded \$40,000 towards it, providing the local government and the city each gave \$15,000.

The question of admitting women to McGill university is under discussion by the faculty. The result of their deliberation is expected to be the recommendation for founding a separate college for lady students.

DAVITT ON IRISH WOES.

ALMOST INDESCRIBABLE SUFFERING IN MANY DISTRICTS.

Arrival of Iron Huts for the Protection of the Inhabitants' Protectors.

DUBLIN, July 29.—Davitt, speaking at the national league meeting on Sunday, referred to the terrible distress prevailing among tenant farmers, and said he defied any government to put him for proclaiming the existing state of affairs in many districts where the suffering is almost indescribable. He felt it his duty to make known to the world the true condition of the people of Ireland, and was but obeying the dictates of humanity in so doing.

The iron huts have arrived at Cong for the accommodation of the protectors of the farmers Kerrigan in the Joyce case and the national league meeting on Sunday. Davitt has written to an ex-spectat at Inishinawe, that as the Coast has 'boycotted' him six months on public speaking, he cannot fulfill his promise to speak at Inishinawe, pending the expiration of his sentence.

The police to-day arrested two marines while Earl Spencer was passing through the street, mistaking them for assassins.

FRANCE REORGANIZED MINISTRY. Retention of their Portfolios by Most of the Cabinet—Suppression of the Prefect of Police.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—Julies Ferry has decided to form a cabinet. It has been decided to revert to a combination ministry under the presidency of Fallieres, all the late ministers, except Ducloux, Billot, and Jaudouberg, retain their portfolios. Tirard will be minister of foreign affairs; Fallieres, president of the council; Demary, minister of marine, ad interim; and Thisbaudin, minister of war.

In the chamber of deputies this afternoon M. Demun contended that the real conspirators against the government were the republicans themselves. M. Fèvre claimed liberty for the republic to take legitimate measures in its own defence. Ribot said he could not agree to exceptional measures in the perpetual crisis, which raised doubts as to the stability of republican institutions. It behooved the chambers to strengthen the republic by a temperate and tranquilizing course. M. Plouquet said his object was to protect the republic, which was threatened by pretensions that would have an effect. The debate was adjourned.

At a meeting of the municipal council the prefect of police was asked for information in regard to alleged appropriations. He declined to reply. The council passed a resolution suppressing the prefect and placing the duties of the prefect under the supervision of the municipal council.

Prince Jerome's counsel has addressed the minister of Justice a strong protest against the continued imprisonment of the prince.

The new ministry are prepared to support M. Fèvre's compromise measure. The prince discovered that the republicans were in the imperial army, and which Prince Jerome removed there the day before his arrest. They retained papers which the prince had written, and which were the object of Prince Jerome's case regarding his important.

THE WEATHER BULLETIN.

THE WEATHER OF THE WEEK.

TORONTO, January 29, 1883. Probabilities—Light fresh to strong westerly winds, with some snow, and light to moderate winds, and lower temperature to-morrow.

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