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ESTIMATES FOR 1896.

Treasurer Coady's Statement Brought Bown.

MEANS A RATE OF 17 3-8 MILLS

Unless the Pruning Knife is Used with Skill.

The Total Estimated Expenditure for the Year is $3,139,009, as Compared with $3,000,958 Asked for in 1895—An Appropriation to Meet Expenses in Connection with the British Association Gathering and the Proposed Dominion Exhibition—What the Works Department Requires—Toronto's Growth, as shown from the Official Figures.

City Treasurer Coady has at last been enabled to complete the work of preparing the estimates for the current civic year, which were last night made public. There has been considerable delay in the work, caused by the tardiness which was displayed by some of the committees in handing in their statements of probable expenditure, the last of which only reached the Treasury Department on Monday.

The total estimated expenditure for 1896 is $3,139,009, as compared with $3,000,958 asked for in 1895.

The items of expenditure classed as uncontrollable, which include the debt charges, administration of justice, and the schools, which are prepared and administered by independent bodies, show an increase of $97,326, while the controllable expenditure, which comprises those departments which are under the direct control of the council and its committees, amounts to $1,271,386, a decrease of $19,275 compared with 1895.

As prepared the estimates call for a rate of 17 3-8 mills on the dollar, which is one mill and an eighth higher than last year's rate, but the Treasurer expresses the opinion that the Board of Control and council will make such reductions as will reduce it to the same figure as last year.

The total amount dealt with is $5,576,006, set out as follows: Section 1, items to be provided for by special receipts, $2,436,997; section 2, again subdivided into: sub-section 1, uncontrollable expenditure, $1,867,623, sub-section 2, controllable expenditure, $1,271,386; $3,139,009; total as above, $5,576,006.

British Association.

The Treasurer says: The item of $1,500 to meet preliminary expenses connected with the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science to be held at Toronto in 1897 (this grant to be supplemented by a further vote of $3500 next year, legislative authority to make an appropriation of $5000 having been given), will probably be unanimously agreed to. A large number of members of the association paid a visit to Toronto after the meeting held at Montreal in 1884, when a cordial reception was given them by the Council and the citizens, and I have no doubt that next year also a very hearty welcome will be extended to the eminent thinkers and scientists who are to honor us by holding their assembly in our midst. It is to be hoped that by that time the new Court House and City Hall will have been completed and opened, so that the official reception may take place in a building more in keeping with the importance to which our city has grown than is the present City Hall.

Dominion Exhibition at Toronto.

It is pleasing to note the continued success which has attended the operations of the Industrial Exhibition Association of Toronto, notwithstanding the commercial depression, which has been almost universal. Each exhibition during the past 17 years has been an improvement upon its predecessor. The association alleges that the present accommodation is not equal to the requirements for the coming exhibition for 1896, and has applied to the Council for the repair, improvement and enlargement of the main building and machinery hall, at an estimate cost of $25,000.

Application has also been made, with concurrence by petitions of the Council, the Board of Trade, Manufacturers' Association, and of a majority of the Municipal Councils and other public bodies in Ontario to the Dominion Government, with fair promise of success, for a grant of $50,000 for the purpose of assisting and enabling the association to hold a Dominion Exhibition at Toronto, under Dominion patronage, extending over the last two weeks in August and the first two weeks of the month of September, 1897.

The Industrial Exhibition.

The receipts of the Industrial Exhibition Association from all sources, except special grants, since its inception in 1879 (seventeen exhibitions) amount to $1,003,963.73, and it has received from special grants (outside of the City Council) $45,718.65, and it has borrowed $85,000 upon mortgage, making in all $1,134,682.38. It has expended in new buildings and extensions, $160,246.39; addition and repairs to city buildings, $43,449.25; properties purchased, plant, etc., $24,871.38; prizes paid, $457,867.55; expense account, 17 exhibitions, $466,440.32; total $1,132,974.89.

Reference is made to the prospects of the year 1897 being a memorable one in the history of Toronto, if advantages are taken of the opportunities, and the Canadian Historical Exhibition and the Dominion Exhibition and the presence of the Duke of York in Toronto are added to the attractions of the British Association.

Our Population.

The enumeration of our population, made in 1895 by the assessors, placed our numbers at 175,858, an increase of 2,549 upon the figures of 1894. It is almost impossible for the assessors to make an accurate count, and many think that their enumeration is 25,000 short of the actual population, namely, 200,000. The opinion of the Might Directory Co. is quoted in support of this contention.

Toronto a Residential Centre.

Toronto has many advantages as a residential centre. No better place in which to spend what is the heated term of the more southerly latitudes could be chosen by the moneyed and leisure classes. The many summer resorts within easy reach of the city are also an advantage of some importance. Those who have retired from business cannot find a city with better educational facilities for their families.

The education facilities offered by the city are admitted to be most excellent; but they cost upwards of $600,000 a year. For Public schools the amount to be paid by the city this year, as per their estimates, is $485,549. This is exclusive of the Government grants to the Public, High and Separate schools, which are estimated at $29,543; pupils' fees estimated at $20,541, which brings up the total to $637,700. Large as this expenditure is, there can be little doubt that the ratepayers receive good value for the outlay, and that the school system of Toronto is on an excellent basis, admired by all visitors to the city. No other city in the Dominion offers better educational facilities than Toronto, a fact so generally admitted that to it is due, no doubt, much of the phenomenal increase in the population of the city; parents with their families coming here from all over the province to take advantage of the unrivalled opportunities offered by our schools, public and private, colleges and the universities.

Manufactures.

Toronto is already a Parliamentary, an educational, a legal, a commercial and a railway centre. The City Council has recognized by the appointment of a Special Committee, of which Mr. Ald. Saunders is chairman, with a view to the encouragement of manufacturing industries, the desirability of making it, in addition, a manufacturing centre to a greater extent than it is at present. The Special Committee will, no doubt, consider whether it is possible to do more in the direction of encouraging manufactures without injustice to those establishments which have for years paid their share of taxes and borne part of our municipal burdens. The recently acquired lands on the Esplanade and the Don, and lands to be reclaimed on Ashbridge's Bay will afford convenient sites for manufacturing industries.

Low taxation is absolutely necessary, and it can be secured only by economy and strict adherence to sound business principles. The very large expenditure which the city has from time to time made in bonusing railways has contributed towards making Toronto a centre of distribution for a large area of country and a desirable place for the location of manufacturing industries. But it is possible by an excessively high rate of taxation to lessen the great advantage which we have thus acquired. Nothing could do more to build up our city than a low rate of taxation. In order to secure it, the Council must have the assistance of the several School Boards, the Library Board and the Police Commissioners. If there is to be low taxation there must be economy all along the line—the Council must have the co-operation of the other boards whose funds are provided out of the taxes of the people.

Tax Sale.

In December and March, a Treasurer's sale of lands for taxes was held. A large proportion of the registered arrears were in this way cleared off the books. Taking together the arrears realized under pressure of sale and those voluntarily paid, the receipts under this head during 1895 aggregated $157,127.

The Local Improvement System.

If the streets of the city are to be kept in a properly passable and safe condition, legislation must be obtained to compel the local property owners to bear the cost, or else the work will have to be done at the general expense of the city. On the majority of the streets the property-owners appear to be opposed to the local improvement system, as shown by their refusal to petition for local improvements and their opposition to works recommended by the City Engineer on the initiative principle. During the past ten years an enormous amount of money has been expended on the construction of local improvement works and services, but in the future the addition to the debt on this account will be small as compared with the past. The table shows that in the past ten years the annual rates for local improvements have increased from $147,472 to $666,680. The gratifying fact must also be reported that during the next ten years the great bulk of the local improvement bonds will mature, and the taxation for local improvement purposes be thereby substantially reduced.

The City Debt.

After dealing with the city debt, the Treasurer takes up the question of the civic credit. The city's finances were never in a more sound condition than at the present time. The revenues from taxation and other sources have been collected closer than the most sanguine could have anticipated in these times of business depression, and bank loans have been procured on the most favorable terms. The average rate of interest paid for the use of temporary loans did not exceed 3 1-2 per cent. After paying $548,748.99 of debentures in 1895 (less $331,748.02 old 6 per cent's renewed at 3 1-2 per cent.), there remained at the credit of the sinking fund the sum of $4,351,894.15, consisting, as above mentioned, of (1) Cash on deposit with city bankers in Toronto to the amount of $1,614,853.76; (2) $2,737,040.39 invested in municipal securities, also deposited with the city's bankers.

The civic credit is now standing at the highest point reached during any period since the incorporation of the city in 1834, and our 3 1-2 per cent. debentures are quoted on the London Stock Exchange at 103 1-2. This is an evidence of the high credit of the city, and goes to show that investors in Great Britain look upon Toronto as a safe and profitable field for investment, which must be a matter for congratulation to the ratepayers of Toronto.

No effort has been spared by myself and the members of my staff to protect the interests of the corporation, and the revenues and expenditures have been carefully scrutinized and administered on lines of the strictest economy.

Collection of Civic Revenue.

A considerable number of citizens continue to pay their taxes at the City Treasurer's office. Out of the total amount received up to the end of December last on account of 1895, over 40 per cent. (upwards of $1,000,000) was paid at the City Hall. The time of the tax collectors was fully occupied serving the bills within the time prescribed by statute, attending at their offices during the appointed hours, looking up delinquents and collecting the arrears. At the close of the year only 18 per cent. remained uncollected. Corporation rentals amounted to $90,586, of which about 10 per cent. remained unpaid, and less than 2 per cent. of water rates is in arrear for the past year.

The rate of taxation for 1895 was 16 1-4 mills, but that rate did not produce sufficient to meet the city's requirements. In these estimates the amounts set opposite "unprovided expenditure and liabilities" aggregate $135,457, from which must be deducted unexpended balances and surplus revenues of the year, amounting to $42,089, reducing the amount to $93,368.

The expense of the operation and maintenance of the waterworks continues to decrease as the result of the introduction of modern improved engines which require less fuel. It has become the rule to provide the cost of new machinery, new mains and renewals, out of taxation without issuing debentures, and $82,225 must be raised this year for the water meters, mains, etc.

Notwithstanding a reduction in many items, the aggregate amount of revenue other than taxation steadily increases from year to year. In 1894 the amount estimated was $809,002, including Street Railway receipts, while for 1896 it is $831,350. Rentals of city prop-

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BISHOPS WILL SPEAK

Their Mandement Will See Light on Sunday Next.

TO INFLUENCE CATHOLIC VOTERS

Liberal Press Declares War Upon the Episcopacy.

La Patrie Says Mgr. Langevin, Now on His Quasi-Political Tour, Appears to be Inspired to a Much Greater Degree by Sir Charles Tupper Than by the Holy Spirit—The Allans Will Tender for the New Fast Service—Sir Mackenzie Bowell Interviewed.

Montreal, May 12.—(Special.)—Your correspondent learns upon excellent authority that the long-talked-of episcopal mandement, signed by all the prelates of French Canada, will see the light on Sunday next. It is understood that it gives the right to each Bishop to go further than the line of conduct mapped out by the document in question, and that there is little doubt as to the effect it will have upon the result of the elections of this province.

In the meantime, the Liberal press has declared war upon the episcopacy in general, and Archbishop Langevin in particular. La Patrie has opened fire, and, of course, L'Electeur will follow suit in the Quebec district. La Patrie says in its edition of this afternoon: "Mgr. Langevin is now engaged in a quasi-political tour through the county of Laprairie, and his sermons appear to be inspired to a much greater degree by Sir Charles Tupper than by the Holy Spirit. His Grace of St. Boniface offers at the present moment the painful spectacle of a prelate who wishes absolutely to contribute to the triumph of a party that has robbed and pillaged the country since 1878. Does Monseigneur really wish to force our people to vote for a Government that has wasted the public funds and has stolen a quarter of a million in the Curran bridge matter? Why is he the only Bishop that goes from parish to parish in order to do harm to Hon. Mr. Laurier's candidates?"

Here are Mgr. Langevin's exact words at St. Isidore: "Those who voted for the bill did their duty. Those who voted against it, I leave it to you to judge them."

The Allans Will Tender.

In conversation with a member of the firm of H. & A. Allan, your correspondent was informed that the Allan line would tender for the Canadian fast line service, and, although no boasting was indulged in, your correspondent was given to understand that the old Canadian firm did not intend to lie down and be distanced by any of the foreign companies who will no doubt endeavor to secure the contract. The tender of the Allan Line will be put in as soon as certain negotiations with parties on the other side have been concluded, and no doubt the company will be able to give a good account of itself in the future race for marine supremacy on the North Atlantic waters.

What Sir Mackenzie Says.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, who was in the city to-day, said that he was confident that the Conservative party would once more carry the country. "In Ontario I think we are safe, for although I am willing to admit that the publication of Sir Oliver Mowat's open letter was a very clever move, I do not consider that it will accomplish much. Of course, it is well known that Sir Oliver has many friends among the Roman Catholic clergy of his Province, but the idea of writing a public letter to Mr. Laurier, telling him to rely upon all that he can do for him is so transparent that really I think that the majority of voters of a certain class, for whose edification it is doubtless written, will see through the scheme. I want to call your attention to one of Mr. Laurier's statements, which appears in this morning's paper. He deliberately contorts and misrepresents one of the declarations made by Sir Charles Tupper at the Winnipeg meeting, when he states that the latter said that he would do less for the minority than what a French-Canadian and a Catholic would do. What Sir Charles really did say was that he would give the majority its rights and that 'a French-Canadian and a Catholic couldn't do more than that.'"

The Bank of Montreal.

The annual statement of the Bank of Montreal, which was issued today, showed that the bank earned $41,196.09 over and above the $1,200,000 required for the semi-annual dividends of 5 per cent. The balance of profits now carried forward amounts to $856,348.19, an increase of $41,196.05 over last year.

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Pember's hair dressing establishment 127 and 129 Yonge.

May Settle the Strike

An arrangement between the striking builders' laborers and the Builders' Exchange may result from a conference between masters and men, to be held to-day, as a result of the action taken by the Federated Building Trades.

His Whereabouts Discovered.

Owing to the paragraph in The World yesterday the whereabouts of Richard Field, who had been missing from Toronto, have been discovered, and his friends have been communicated with.

THAT NEW YORK SUICIDE

Identified by a Man Claiming to be Her Husband—He was a Liar—Who's the Toronto Girl?

New York, May 12.—The woman who committed suicide Friday at the Colonnade Hotel was identified this morning as Mrs. Julia A. Biller, 31 years of age, of 15 Summit-street, Newark, N.J. The identification was made by the woman's husband.

Biller a Liar.

New York, May 12.—(Midnight.)—On the strength of the statement made by Biller, the Morgue authorities, obeying his instructions, turned the body over to an undertaker, who prepared it for conveyance to Newark, to which city Biller had ordered its removal. The jewels and money found on the suicide would probably have been turned over to Biller, had not reporters gone to Newark and made an investigation of his story. According to Biller's sister-in-law, who lives at that place, Biller did not tell the truth. She said that Biller's wife died a year ago in Newark. Biller did not return to the undertaker's shop to which the body of the suicide had been transferred.

Who's This Missing Toronto Girl?

Among the visitors at the Morgue last night was the Rev. Father Larouche, accompanied by the brother of a girl who is missing from a convent in Toronto. They arrived from Toronto yesterday afternoon, their mission being expressly to view the Colonnade suicide's body. Father Larouche said the dead girl much resembled his pupil, but he could not be positive that it was she. The brother could not believe, he said, that the body was that of his sister.

Rev. Father Lamarche of the Sacred Heart Church, was seen last night, his being the only name resembling that of the Father mentioned in the despatch. He had not been to New York, he said, and knew nothing of the case. Asked if he knew of any girl being missing from any of the Roman Catholic institutions of the city, he answered in the negative. Neither did he know of any Toronto ecclesiastic being in New York this week.

THOSE DEATH SENTENCES.

Findings of the Court Martial at Havana Made Public—A Rebel Shot.

Havana, May 12.—The findings of the court martial, before which were tried the five men who were captured on the filibustering American schooner Competitor, were published here to-day for the first time. As already cabled all of the accused were convicted and sentenced to death. It has been ordered that proceedings be instituted for the confiscation of the Competitor. Florentino Herrera, convicted of the crime of rebellion, was shot at Matanzas this morning. It is rumored that Maximo Gomez, with a strong force of rebels, has re-entered the Province of Matanzas. His vanguard is said to be near the town of Baro.

To be Tried Again.

London, May 12.—The Standard will tomorrow print a despatch from its Madrid correspondent saying that Spain and the United States have arrived at an amicable understanding regarding the men captured on the Competitor. The prisoners will be tried again, this time by a civil court, under the provisions of the existing treaties between the two countries.

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Intending insurers will find it to their advantage to look into this form of policy. Rates and full information will be sent on application to the head office, Toronto, or to any of the company's agents.

ROGERS FOR LISGAR.

Prominent Conservative Nominated—Big Manitoba Hotel Burned.

Winnipeg, May 12.—(Special)—Robt. Rogers was nominated by the Conservatives of Lisgar at a convention held at Morden to-day. Mr. Rogers is president of the Manitoba Conservative Association.

The Northern Pacific Hotel, Wawanesa, was burned to-day. Loss $10,000; incurance $5000.

Get Your Doctor's Opinion.

Do you know the good qualities of East Kent ale? Most doctors use it, so ask your physician his opinion of it. If you were ill he would prescribe it, but you needn't wait for sickness; East Kent ale will help to keep you in good health. It is the purest and most wholesome beverage obtainable, and is sold by all first-class dealers at ordinary prices.

If at any time your digestion is not right, use a piece of Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum. You will soon feel better. See that the trade mark name Tutti Frutti is on each 5-cent wrapper.

Newfoundland Wakes Up.

St. John's, Nfld., May 12.—Confederation is again a live question, owing to Premier Tupper's manifesto to the Dominion electorate. The Legislature meets on June 11, when it is believed the question will be revived.

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East York Election.

A Central Committee room in the interests of Mr. W. F. Maclean, the Liberal-Conservative candidate, has been opened over The World office in Yonge-street, and a complete list of the voters in the riding can be seen and information given there.

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Lakeview Hotel, corner Parliament and Winchester-streets; steam heated, bath-room on each floor; rates $1 and $1.50 per day; special arrangements for weekly board. John H. Ayre, proprietor. 135

Guinane Bros.' "Slater Shoe" store (89 King west) open every night till 10 o'clock

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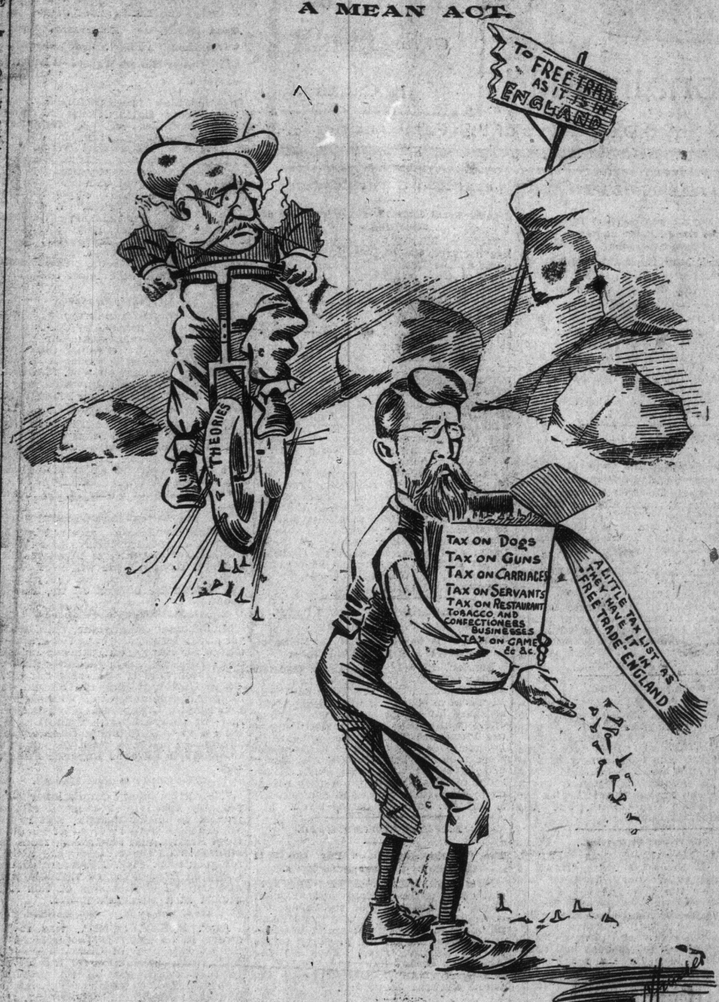
A MEAN ACT.



Georgie Foster ruins Dicky Cartwright's pneumatic tires.

KIPLING WON'T BE SHOT.

Belestier, His Brother-in-Law, Scared Him Somewhat—He Supports the Wild Young Man.

Brattleboro', Vt., May 12.—There was an informal hearing in the case of Rudyard Kipling against his brother-in-law, Beatty Belestier, to-day in the office of Town Clerk Newton. The room was crowded. Kipling testified that on the afternoon of May 6, while riding towards Brattleboro' in his carriage, he was overtaken by defendant on a bicycle. Belestier was wild and ungovernable. He said he wished witness to retract certain stories which he claimed witness had circulated. Witness told him to see his counsel. Belestier said: "This is no case for lawyers. If you don't retract I'll blow your d——d soul out of you." He then called witness a liar, thief, cheat and coward.

Witness thought Belestier was insane, and that he would commit murder under similar circumstances. He is dangerous only when under the influence of liquor.

At the time of the trouble Belestier owed witness nothing, but witness felt that he had been supporting the man for three years. Witness said: "I have a decided objection to being shot. I have never known Belestier to carry a pistol as a practice. At the interview Belestier was raving mad. I had never been so threatened before. I had done him no wrong."

The defence put no witnesses on the stand, but they tried to prove by Kipling on cross-examination that he had caused stories to be circulated against Belestier.

Justice Newton decided to hold Belestier in the sum of $400 for his appearance before the grand jury at the September term of court, also to hold him under $400 bonds to keep the peace. Belestier and his counsel were accepted as sureties.

Mr. Kipling expressed profound regret that circumstances compelled the course he had pursued. He said that he did not feel secure here, and that the only thing for him to do to protect himself and family, so far as he could see, was to leave the place, and possibly the country.

Expostulated With Kruger.

London, May 12.—The Standard will tomorrow say it is rumored that Colonial Secretary Chamberlain has expostulated with President Kruger for delaying the announcement of the sentences that will finally be imposed upon the convicted members of the Johanensburg Reform Committee.

The Telegraph will publish a despatch from Pretoria stating tht the wife of President Kruger is seriously ill.

Bicycle Suits to measure, from $7.00 up. Dominion Trouser Co., 12 Leader-lane.

The Milwaukee Street Car Strike.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 12.—It is now almost certain that the striking street railway employes will lose the strike, unless something unforeseen happens. Cars were running last night on the main lines, and with the exception of a few harmless assaults of laborers on police officers, all is quiet.

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Emperor William Will be Absent.

New York, May 12.—A special to The Herald from Berlin says: Emperor William, following the advice of Prince Hohenlohe, has abandoned the idea of visiting Cowes this year. He has charged Lord Lonsdale with the duty of representing him at the regatta.

Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent solicitors and experts. Bank Commerce Building, Toronto

Great sale of colored shirts now on. Fine cambric shirts and two collars, fast colors, now selling for 75c. Treble's, 53 King-street west.

Liberal Candidates in Ottawa.

Ottawa, May 12.—Messrs. Hutchison and Belcourt will be the Liberal candidates in Ottawa.

Gems in Art

Are found in our plantinum-finished photographs. The Bryce Studio, 107 King-street west; telephone No. 1724 for sittings. ed

A Political Economist Dead.

Mentone, May 12.—M. Henri Cernuschi, a well-known political economist, died here yesterday.

HONORED THE VETERAN.

Enthusiastic Masons of St. Andrew's Lodge Heartily Welcome the Patriarchal Senator Gowan of Barrie.

The gathering of the members of the Masonic Fraternity in the Masonic Hall, Toronto street, last night, was one of the largest and most enthusiastic ever held in the hall. The members of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, have reason to be proud of the success attending their efforts to do honor to the oldest of its living members, Bro. Senator James R. Gowan, Q.C., LL.D., of Barrie, who was initiated in the lodge on July 3, 1840. St. Andrew's, which is the mother lodge of Freemasonry in Toronto, has a record of which it is justly proud, having numbered among its members men who have occupied the foremost positions in Canada in all walks of life, such as jurists, legislators, educationists, journalists and mechanics, having been members of this veteran lodge.

His Honored Career.

Bro. Senator Gowan in his early days took an active interest in the welfare of St. Andrew's Lodge. In 1841 he became a Royal Arch Mason, being exalted in St. John's Chapter, No. 4 P.R. He has also received the degrees of the Lodge of Perfection, the A. & A.S. Rite, and also the degrees of the Rose Croix Chapter in the Toronto bodies, and in the McLeod Consistory of Hamilton, he has advanced to the rank and dignity of S.P.R.S. 32 degrees.

The Masons' Welcome.

After the routine business of the lodge was completed, R. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson introduced the guest of the evening, Bro. Senator J. R. Gowan, to the brethren.

W. Bro. J. W. Dowd, the Master of the Lodge, extended a most cordial welcome to the venerable brother, who for 56 years had lived an open life in the public eye, and worn the badge of Masonry unstained and untarnished.

The brethren sang "Auld Lang Syne" and the Master then presented Bro. Gowan with a beautifully engraved and illuminated address in album form, illustrated with Masonic emblems. Senator Gowan, in reply, referred with feeling to his early Masonic experience, and to the pleasure with which he had in later years seen the beautiful principles of Masonry exemplified in England, the United States, Africa and other parts of the world. He described his visit and most fraternal reception in a native lodge in Egypt. He then presented to the lodge a valuable parchment document, in the form of a subscription list, got up in 1842, in connection with a presentation to the W. Master, Thomas Gibbs Ridout. The document contained signatures of some of the most distinguished men who lived in Canada at that time, such as Sir Allan Napier McNabb, Chief Justice Sutherland, Justice J. C. Morrison, and many others.

HAMILTON CONSERVATIVES

Held an Enthusiastic Meeting Last Night and Elected Officers—The Convention.

Hamilton, May 12.—The Hamilton Conservative Association held an enthusiastic meeting to-night in Arcade Hall for the purpose of organization and election of officers, and the following were elected: John Milne, president; Alex. Turner, vice-president; A. G. Bowes, second vice-president; W. L. Ross, secretary, and George T. Tuckett, organizer. John W. Nesbitt, Q.C., was elected organizer of the party, and it was announced that within a few days a meeting would be called for the nomination of Conservative candidates of this city, and that anyone present would have the privilege of nominating a candidate, whose name would go before the convention.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W., ev'g. 50c

The Corean in Danger.

St. John's, Nfld., May 12.—The ice blockade continues. The steamer Corean is in a very dangerous position four miles off Cape Spear. The sealing steamer Kite is forcing her way through the ice to take off the Corean's mails and passengers, which will permit her to continue her voyage to Halifax.

WALKED OUT TO DEATH.

Donald Campbell's Deliberate Suicide by Drowning at Charlottetown, P.E.I.—A Doubtful Form His Finding.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., May 12.—A man named Donald Campbell deliberately committed suicide here to-day by walking out into the current and drowning himself. He was temporarily insane and imagined his friends were not treating him right. In his hat, which was found on the shore, was a slip of paper, on which were the words of the 8th verse of the 12th Psalm.

The verse referred to reads: "The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted."

ONTARIO BREWERS KICK

About Giving Security for Costs in Their Appeal Against Paying a Provincial License for Manufacturing.

A deputation of Ontario brewers, headed by Mr. Robert Davies, waited upon the Provincial Cabinet-in-Council yesterday and asked that they be relieved from giving security for costs in their appeal against the ruling compelling them to pay a provincial as well as a Dominion license for the privilege of manufacturing in Ontario.

Mr. Z. A. Lash, Q.C., laid the case before Sir Oliver and his colleagues, who promised to consider the application.

THEY CAUSED A FLUTTER.

New Hats From a Celebrated New York Maker at Dineens'.

The appreciation of Dineens' new hat styles shown by Toronto men is an evidence that our citizens are fully as knowing in the matter of fashions as those of American cities. The latest hat to cause a flutter among dressy men here is the hazel-brown Derby, sent out by that famous New York hatter, Dunlap. This shape is a pronounced favorite in New York and other big cities, and it is noticeable that the best dressed men of our own city were quick to seize upon the good thing. As a result, there is only a limited number of Dunlap's left at Dineens', in hazel-brown and black. Five dollars is the price of Dunlap's felts at Dineens', King and Yonge.

Any honest doctor will tell you that Adams' Tutti Frutti is the best thing in the world for indigestion. See that the trade mark name Tutti Frutti is on each 5-cent package

Elected a Conservative.

Edinburgh, May 12.—Mr. Priestly, Conservative, has been elected without opposition to the seat in the House of Commons for Edinburgh and St. Andrew's Universities, made vacant by the acceptance of a judgeship by the former member, Sir Charles J. Pearson.

Galt Going Ahead.

Galt, May 12.—Voting took place here to-day on two money bylaws, $7500 for waterworks extensions and $4000 for market improvements. Both bylaws were carried.

Pember's Turkish Baths 75c, evening 50c 129 Yonge

DEATHS.

BENNETT—On May 11, 1896, in Chicago, at the residence of his brother, Arthur Emerson, third son of the late John D. Bennett of Markham, aged 26 years 11 months.

Funeral from the residence of Mr. Anderson, 244 Markham-street, at half-past 1 o'clock, Wednesday, 13th. Friends invited to attend.

SMITH—At 192 Bleecker-street, on Tuesday, May 12, Margaret Moffat, beloved wife of Wm. F. Smith, traveler for the Ames, Holden Co. (limited), Toronto.

Funeral from the above residence, on Friday, May 15, at 4 p.m., to St. James' Cemetery.

NO SUCCESSOR YET.

Six Ballots Have Been Taken and No Result.

IT IS DUMOULIN OR CARMICHAEL.

Former Backed by the Clergy and Latter by Laymen.

The Niagara Synod will Continue the Balloting this Morning, When a Hard Fight May be Looked for Between the Two Candidates—A Great Deal of Quiet Canvassing is Being Done in the Meantime—How the Six Votes Stood.

Hamilton, May 12.—(Special.)—The election of a bishop for the Niagara diocese was in progress all afternoon and evening, and to-night the Synod adjourned after six ballots had been taken without a bishop being elected, and the probabilities are that it will require many more ballots before the question has been settled.

In the last ballot taken to-night the contest was practically between Canon DuMoulin of Toronto, who is being strongly supported by the clergy, and Dean Carmichael of Montreal, who is the choice of the lay delegates. To-night it looks as if it will be a hard fight between these two men, the last ballot showing that Canon DuMoulin was winning over the support of the clergy.

Dean Carmichael's supporters are not idle, and to-night they will do a great deal of quiet work, so that no one knows what to-morrow may bring forth.

The first ballot will be taken at 9.30. Archdeacon Dixon of Guelph is presiding, and the following is a result of the balloting:

First ballot—Rev. Canon DuMoulin, Toronto, 37 clerical 21 lay; Rural Dean Armitage, St. Catharines, 9, 29; Rev. Dean Carmichael, Montreal, 4, 2; Rev. John Kerr, Montreal, 5, 0; Rev. Canon Sweeney, Toronto, 4, 1; Rev. Canon Mockridge, Toronto, 1, 1; Rev. Canon Mills, Montreal, 1, 0; Archdeacon Houston, 0, 1; lost, 0, 3. Total 61, 58.

Second ballot—DuMoulin, 42, 24; Carmichael, 6, 2; Armitage, 5, 30; Kerr, 3, 0; Sweeney, 3, 1; Bishop of Athabasca, 2, 0; lost, 0, 1. Total, 61, 58.

Third ballot—DuMoulin, 42, 26; Carmichael, 8, 2; Armitage, 4, 28; Sweeney, 2, 1; Mockridge, 1, 0; Bishop of Athabasca, 2, 0; Kerr, 1, 0; lost, 0, 1. Total, 61, 58.

Fourth—DuMoulin 39, 24; Carmichael, 13, 32; Sweeney, 1, 0; Kerr, 1, 0; Houston, 1, 0; lost, 0, 2. Total, 60, 58.

Fifth—DuMoulin, 42, 25; Carmichael, 18, 31; Houston 1, 0; lost, 0, 2. Total, 61, 58.

Sixth—DuMoulin, 44, 25; Carmichael, 16, 31; Houston, 1, 0; lost, 0, 2. Total, 61, 58.

NO LIKELIHOOD OF FROST

Nor of the Pouring Rain Which Has Deluged Manitoba.

"Toronto needn't fear a frost just yet," remarked Old Probs last evening to a World reporter. "They may get it in Manitoba and the Northwest, but the farmers and fruit-growers of Ontario need not fear such an event. The most extraordinary feature of the weather of the last month," he continued, "has been the heavy rainfall in Manitoba and the western prairies, while we have had it so dry here in the east. The ground there is soaking wet, and no seeding can be done." The highest temperature in Toronto yesterday was 66 deg.

In the New Store.

The magnificent new store of Robert Simpson, at the corner of Yonge and Queen streets, is now in full running order. The latest addition is a well-arranged restaurant on the first floor. There are broad aisles for the purchasers to walk through and inspect the wealth of goods displayed, and there is light—clean, fresh sunlight—everywhere, and thorough ventilation—giving the idea of comfort, convenience and an all-pervading desire on the part of the concern to make a visit there pleasurable as well as profitable. The seven floors are all connected by speedy elevators, the latest pneumatic system for handling cash, every modern facility for parcelling and delivering goods.

Just as attractive as the store itself is the display of goods contained in it. Each of the many departments is stocked with every variety of its line, and all within the hand and inspection of the buyer.

But even the excellence of the store itself, and the wealth and variety of the goods displayed, is not all; still more attractive than both of these is the price at which everything can be bought. In a visit yesterday, a World reporter took a look at the dress goods department, and was struck with the offers made. The latest display in the way of bargains consists of hundreds of pieces of American challies and chameleon moires, goods with silk effects at cotton prices. There are indigo prints at five cents a yard; Scotch Zephyr Ginghams that sell at 20 cents ordinarily for just half that sum. And there will be put on the counters to-day or to-morrow a large importation of genuine French organdies at 20 cents a yard that usually command 40 and 50 cents. It is genuine attraction of this character that give Simpson's store a reputation all over Canada.

"Salada" Tea is not nerve disturbing.

It Means Hard Fighting.

London, May 12.—The Times' correspondent at Havana telegraphs that he has carefully examined the trocha, the fortified line from Mariel to Majana, and declares it to be a good position that is strongly held. He adds that any attempt by the rebels to force the line will result in severe fighting.

Fair To-Day—Rain To-Night.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Edmonton, 44—60; Calgary, 42—52; Qu'Appelle, 50—56; Winnipeg, 50—76; Port Arthur, 42—52; Parry Sound, 54—68; Toronto, 56—66; Ottawa, 48—68; Montreal, 50—68; Quebec, 42—64; Chatham, 32—60; Halifax, 42—56.

PROBS: Fresh easterly winds; fair most of day, followed by rain at many places to-night; not much change in temperature.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W., ev'g. 50c

Steamship Arrivals.

May 12.	At	From
Memphis	Quebec	Bristol.
Palatia	Hamburg	New York.
Achem	Bremen	New York.
Ethiopia	Glasgow	New York.
Majestic	Queenstown	New York.