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War and Annexation.

The Detroit papers are sensational with regard to Canada these days. A Toronto gentleman in that city writes The World a very indignant letter, enclosing clippings from two of the Detroit dailies.

The first is from The Journal and purports to be a despatch from Montreal giving the opinion of a British naval officer that there will be war between England and the United States inside the year, and that General Wolseley is coming to Canada to inspect her naval defences and prepare his plans for what is to follow. England is mentioned as keeping quiet in the possibility that the Liberal party would gain power, which, in Lord Salisbury's opinion, would permit a satisfactory settlement. But this hope is gone.

The Journal calls upon the Michigan militia to "brush up its arms," but a more timely call would be to bid The Journal "hush its tuneful lyre and cheat the fool-killer." This wild talk of war appears simultaneously with the British Premier's announcement that a basis of settlement has presumably been reached of all outstanding disputes between the two countries—affairs having reached a more settled condition than at any previous time for years. The most absurd part of the whole thing, however, is the statement that England waited in hopes of a Liberal victory. This is confronted with Lord Salisbury's telegraphed congratulations to Sir John Macdonald on his auspicious victory at the polls. That a British premier should cable his mark of pleasure at the success of a political party in one of Her Majesty's colonies is something new, surprising and suggestive. It certainly proves that England anticipates nothing disagreeable but much that is desirable in Sir John's retention of power.

The second clipping is from The Detroit News defining what it believes to be the Canadian issue. "From a half-way measure of commercial union to a full one of annexation the Liberals of Canada have gone since the election." It quotes from The Globe in support of this, adding:

Before the elections the Annexationists of Canada had to voice their sentiments behind closed doors, lest they be held up to public reprobation as disloyal. When the popular majority in a nation is disloyal, then disloyalty becomes loyalty. That is the case with Canada to-day.

Securing the praise for which one strives is very sweet. Patted on the back for what he has done, cheered forward by the prospect of having a hand in the "dominating influence" referred to, Sir Richard will be thankful to The News for this:

The Canadian Liberals have fought their battle well. The address of Sir Richard Cartwright to the Liberal electors shows that the leaders of the party have not abated their activity and their desires in the least. The battle will be fought out on the lines of the campaign just closed, produced, perhaps, to an open avowal of the expediency of annexation. Canada is moving along at a pretty rapid gait to her manifest destiny, when she can be a part of the Union and perhaps the dominating influence therein.

Blake Opposes Annexation.

When the Liberal organs in discussing Mr. Blake's letter defined his position as favoring annexation The World replied that those organs were illogical and impudent. Their hopes caused them to misread his letter, for in it there was no sufficient warrant for the brazen charge. Failing into one of those periods of silence which are becoming his habit and perhaps a necessity to serious reflection, Mr. Blake emboldened The Globe to reiterate and glory in his supposed advocacy of annexation. No issue of that degenerate journal was allowed to reach the country unloaded with annexation's greatest boom—Edward Blake's alleged endorsation. In yesterday's Globe that gentleman had the following:

SIR,—The contradictory inferences to which a sentence in my Durham letter, detached from its context, has in several quarters unexpectedly given rise, conquer my reluctance to trespass again so soon upon your columns, and I crave space to say that I think political union with the States, though becoming our probable, is by no means our ideal or as yet our inevitable future. EDWARD BLAKE.

Ottawa, March 11.

This effectually disposes of the statement that Mr. Blake thinks all roads alike lead to Washington. It is an express intimation that he believes himself possessed of information that will guide the country towards its ideal future. But why does he not speak out and advise his country how to escape the extreme peril of which he has acquainted her? Why force the country to haggle over and toy with half-truths when expression is to him so easy by pen or platform?

Lend a Hand to Justice.

It seems clear that the Dominion authorities will not permit the Louisiana Lottery Company to operate a Canadian or American business in or from Montreal. The laws deny to sharpers born and bred in Canada the right to conduct lotteries, and it is but proper that alien crooks should be refused privileges that citizens cannot get. The Dominion authorities will refuse the use of the mails to the lottery if the Washington officials will certify that the concern is "illegal and fraudulent." This under the new Anti-Lottery Bill can at once be done. The laws of the two countries should be so broadened and harmonized that there will be a reciprocity in justice that will quite prevent foreign swindlers from defrauding our people, or natives swindle foreign people. Justice should not be checked by imaginary lines, and these lines should never be so imaginary and hard to find as in the punishment of dishonesty and conviction of crime.

Why the Grand Trunk Went That Way.

The antipathy of the Grand Trunk to the Conservative party in the late election had its mainspring in Sir Henry Tyler, the president of the road. Sir John Macdonald had not only called into existence but established the Canadian Pacific, and also had refused certain concessions that were asked of him by the Grand Trunk. The result was that Sir Henry vowed that he would block the C.P.R. on the London market and for a time he was as good as his word, as Sir George Stephen and his associates had to go to Amsterdam for the money they required. The Grand Trunk had nothing to gain but much to lose from the success of Sir Richard Cartwright at the polls, but revenge is even sweeter than success, and Sir Henry gave the order to throw the whole influence of that corporation against the Government. It is not too much to say that the C.P.R. went with the Government. They went that way because their interest was there. But the Grand Trunk went as it did in a spirit of vengeance. Many of the Grand Trunk officials are naturally Reformers, and against their men little can be said as individuals; but when they used the whole weight of their power over the men of the line they were guilty of the grossest kind of intimidation, and as a matter of fact caused the loss of several seats to the Conservatives.

Is This Mr. Blake's Scheme?

1. Tariff war with the United States will lead to annexation.
2. Commercial union will result ditto.
3. Canada is in desperate straits and must do something.
4. Therefore let Canada declare for independence and set up as a republic—built by diplomacy and not revolution. Canada to be wholly free of control whatsoever. England and the United States to sign a treaty creating a joint protectorate, each power being bound to not encroach upon the liberties of Canadians, and in the event of either power or any outside government doing so, then the other or both shall be pledged to maintain Canadian independence. Canada to then negotiate such favorable trade treaties as may be expedient.

The Effect Must Be Good.

The latest blue book to arrive from Ottawa contains the evidence taken at Montreal, Quebec and Three Rivers on the export cattle trade of Canada. This is the report of that famous investigation conducted by the Deputy Minister of Marine, to determine what justice there might be in the objections raised by humanitarians to the Canadian cattle shipping methods. The third provision of the bill, promoted by Mr. Plimsoll through his friends in the Imperial Parliament, reads as follows:

Live cattle shall not, after Jan. 1, 1891, be landed at any port of the United Kingdom from any ship, whether British or foreign, from any port or place west of the 12th parallel of west longitude. Any cattle so landed in contravention of this section shall be forfeited to Her Majesty, and may be seized and detained by any officer of customs or board of trade. The Board of Trade may from time to time make regulations exempting from this section any description of cattle not imported for the purpose of sale or food.

This provision it made law would end the Canadian live stock shipments to England. Mr. Plimsoll and those identified with him in the movement attributed their purpose to a desire to end what they conceived to be the shocking cruelties practised upon cattle in shipment from America, by prohibiting the trade and substituting an equally profitable one in dead meats. The evidence covers upwards of 300 pages and fully answers all charges preferred against the Canadian cattle trade. To be sure it directs attention to certain details possible of improvement, but the sensational stories contained in Mr. Plimsoll's book are made to appear ridiculous, the dead meat trade is shown to be comparatively unprofitable and the proposed enactment of the British Parliament in direct favor of American cattlemen as against Canadian. The exports of this country to England in live stock last year amounted to about $6,000,000, and it is therefore cause for congratulation that Mr. Plimsoll appears to have got his quietus and that no further attempts will be made to harass a great and growing trade. If the trouble is safely over the effect cannot be other than good, for injurious criticisms are answered and English attention called to a trade that has great possibilities of profit for both countries.

A New Novel.

"The Wages of Sin," the new volume of the Red Letter series of the National Publishing Company, Toronto, is the latest and one of the best which the firm has issued. Lucas Malet has achieved a great success in its production. The Scotsman says: "It is a work of singular power, strength of intellect and strength of information, rich and vigorous in style and glowing with warm colors. Since the 'Mill on the Floss' appeared there has been nothing more powerful in fiction." The Glasgow Herald says: "Admirable in originality of conception, keenness of psychological analysis, as well as technical skill and literary finish, it is entitled to a high place." The St. James' Gazette says: "is undoubtedly one of the most powerful novels of the day."

THE GRAND TRUNK.

English Shareholders Uneasy—In Dread of Reprisals by the Dominion Government.

LONDON, March 12.—The interview with Mr. Reeves, general traffic manager of the Chicago & Grand Trunk Railway, in which he so freely criticized the Canadian Government, was cabled to the leading London papers and caused general surprise here. Many of the leading English shareholders are intensely annoyed at Mr. Reeves' statement that he would like to see the Stars and Stripes floating over every mile of the Grand Trunk system. Surprise was also generally expressed at Mr. Reeves' evident desire to disown for the Chicago and Grand Trunk direct relationship with the Grand Trunk of Canada. His statements as to the unfair treatment received by the Grand Trunk from the Canadian Government are regarded as ill-advised as tending to lead to retaliation by the Government. Then his statement that the G.T.R. looks to the United States rather than to Canada for its future advancement has caused timid shareholders to be doubtful as to the prospects of the company, in view of the possibility of hostile legislation as regards the Canadian roads on the part of the United States. Along with this significant interview came reports of Sir Charles Tupper's speech at Amherst, N.S., in which the High Commissioner denounced the Grand Trunk for aiding the Opposition in the recent elections in the way it has done. From Sir Charles statements it was considered that the Dominion Government had determined to have nothing further to do with the Grand Trunk, and altogether the opinion prevails here that the Government and the Grand Trunk are now at daggers drawn. Proof of the uneasiness caused is the heavy drop in Grand Trunk stocks. Yesterday there was a fall of two per cent. on guaranteed shares, and ⅝ to 1¾ on preference shares. The guaranteed stocks of the company fell further to-day owing to bad traffic returns and these disquieting reports from Canada. The friends of the Grand Trunk here do not deny Sir Charles Tupper's main statements, but say that anything the Canadian Government may do by way of revenge would have little practical effect, seeing that the railway now is very little dependent upon the Government. Sir Henry Tyler, president of the Grand Trunk, is expected to make a public reply to Sir Charles Tupper's charges.

The Financial News says that Sir Charles Tupper's attack will not be without a sympathetic echo among British investors. The position of the Grand Trunk Railway Company has been that of a dog in the manger from the outset, having been jealous of and hostile to the Canadian Pacific from its inception.

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Mr. Thomas Ballard, Syracuse, N.Y., writes 'I have been afflicted for nearly a year with that most-to-be-dreaded disease, Dyspepsia, and at times worn out with pain and want of sleep, and after trying almost everything recommended, I tried one box of Parmelee's Valuable Pills. I am now nearly well, and believe they will cure me. I would not be without them for any money.'

Good Advice.

If you do not want to injure your liver and kidneys don't buy baking powder in bulk. Buy the Princina or Borwicke, both are absolutely pure and as cheap as the bad powders. Purity of the Princina and Borwicke proven by the Dominion Government and legally sworn declaration with each package.

ON THE SUDBURY RANGE.

Colonel Potter's Big Scheme and His Big Head—General Mining News.

Colonel Potter of the now defunct Loan and Investment Association had a great mining scheme on hand. But, as Mrs. Gamp would say, "there is no denying of it." He figured for a while last spring, though not in a very flourishing way, as the president—nothing less—of one of the mining companies in the Sudbury district. He visited the range in the early part of the summer, and unfolded a scheme that fairly made the natives stare with astonishment. He was going to show them what American enterprise could do in mining. Large works were going to be erected at once for treating all kinds of ores by a new process. Another part of the scheme was a line of tugs and scows to take the ores down the Vermillion River to the mills. A bank was also to be established at the works for the special purpose of handling gold and silver bullion, platinum, matte and other products of the mines there, with agents in London, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and San Francisco. In the words of another colonel, "There was millions in it."

But everybody knows the uncertain fate of some of the best laid plans of mice and men and even colonels. He went up the river to look at some mining claims, and that was the last seen of him on the range. The local manager of the company said that he went away with the "big head," which is a dangerous condition for a mining man. But this explanation is accepted without question in that part of the district, seeing that he left his shining plug hat there. They say it got too small for the increased size of his head, and whenever the prospectors in Whitefish want to have a lark one of them will don the Colonel's hat and swagger around the camp as a millionaire with it on, which is great fun for the boys.

An old Scotchman who heard the Colonel talk when he was up there remarked: "There is na use in trying to live wi' a Yankee unless ye blaw a little." But articulate wind does not work mines.

General Mining Notes.

A French syndicate of Paris and Montreal capitalists have purchased parts of lots 2 and 3 on con. 1, Denison. The price agreed upon is said to be $70,000. Development work was commenced on the property last week.

The Terence More Company are rushing things in Drury. Three weeks after the arrival of the manager on the ground a road was opened back of the mine, four miles from the track, the boarding-house and blacksmith shop up, and a diamond drill at work testing the property, all done in midwinter, too.

An old prospector from the Sudbury district was in the city this week, showing fine samples of gold, silver and nickel. He complained in vigorous terms of the injustice and unworkableness of the present mining laws of Ontario. "They are the worst in the world," he said, and give the poor man no chance at all.

Mr. A. G. Duncan, formerly of the Vermillion mine, was also in the city the other day. He predicts a tremendous boom on the nickel range this coming season. English and American capitalists will evidently be tumbling over each other to get there first when the snow leaves. Since the Government stopped selling any more claims good patented properties are going up in price.

WORTHY OF INCREASED SUPPORT.

Where to Get Ladies' Tasteful Work and Help a Good Cause.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Depository for Ladies' work was held at the Y.M.C.A. building yesterday afternoon, Professor Goldwin Smith in the chair.

The managers presented their eleventh annual report. It is not as satisfactory as could be wished owing to depression of trade and the present dulness throughout the country. The work done lately has been eminently satisfactory and has met with great appreciation. It is a matter of regret that the depository will probably be obliged to leave their premises at 49 King-street west, as the stand is a most desirable one. The women of Toronto and of the whole province should remember that by visiting the Depository they can get the most dainty painting, art embroidery, drawn work, lace work and bric-a-brac of every description, and they will find workers to meet all wants. The need of helping those whose only desire is to be self-supporting and to help in supporting others is most urgent, and the managers hope for a better patronage during the present year. In New York, where a similar institution was started just a year earlier than the one in this city, the managers have been doing by large business, amounting to $5000 and $10,000, and from a humble beginning they now have an immense building where every branch of woman's work is successfully carried on. Why should not Toronto have one on a smaller scale? The treasurer's report shows a balance of $148. Ninety-five dollars has been collected by the assistant treasurer for the rent fund.

These were elected to the Board of Management: Mrs. F. Arnoldi, Mrs. R. H. Bethune, Mrs. Melfort Boulton, Miss Burn, Mrs. John Cawthra, Miss Campbell, Miss Covernton, Mrs. J. I. Davidson, Mrs. Gibb, Mrs. T. W. Ryan, Mrs. P. Galt, Mrs. G. Hodgins, Mrs. Stephen Heward, Mrs. A. J. Johnson, Mrs. W. B. McMurrich, Mrs. W. N. Millet, Mrs. E. A. Meredith, Mrs. W. R. Meredith, Miss Meredith, Mrs. Wallace Nesbitt, Mrs. Riordan, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. F. W. Ross, Mrs. Grayson Smith, Mrs. C. Temple.

The officers will be elected at the meeting to be held at the Depository next week.

Distress in Digby.

DEAR SIRS,—I was troubled by costiveness and sick headache, and in fact felt very miserable until I tried B.B.B. I used seven bottles with Burdock Pills also, and they made me as well as ever I was. This was about two years ago, and I still enjoy the best of health.

MRS. A. MCCULLOUGH, Digby, N.S.

Our Streets.

Editor World: I read with much interest and approval your editorial in to-day's paper on the above subject, with special reference to asphalt as compared with cheaper material. Whatever may be the most suitable for such streets as Front-street, King and Yonge-streets, everyone must see the utter folly of putting asphalt on private or residential streets that are removed from the centre. As you say I think the cedar block pavement has not had a fair trial, and to substitute such expensive roadway in parts of the city which are only beginning to be settled, such as St. George-street north and Rosedale, is simply a waste of money, and which will certainly prevent parties from settling in these localities.

Cedar blocks make a good roadway, are pleasant for driving, and can be had for a reasonable cost. Let them have a fair trial.

March 12. ONE INTERESTED.

Cod Liver Oil.

This valuable medicine for weak lungs and debility is frequently rendered unavailable by its strong odor and taste. Caswell, Massey & Co's. Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, with pepsin and quinine, entirely overcomes these objections. See letters from leading physicians. W. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal, and all druggists. ed

Moving.

The store now occupied by McKendry & Co., the drygoods house, proves far too small for their big business, and the firm have leased the premises, No. 202 and 204 Yonge-street (Fage's Block.) The buildings are now undergoing great alterations, and in about two weeks the ladies will be able to get greater bargains than ever, meanwhile a big sale is on at 278 Yonge.

Messrs. Stott & Jury, chemists, Bowmanville, write: "We would direct attention to Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery, which is giving perfect satisfaction to our numerous customers. All the preparations manufactured by this well-known house are among the most reliable in the market.

Junction Jottings.

A number of horses have arrived for work on the Belt Line. It is reported the western loop will be in running order by exhibition time.

The Annette-street Methodists gave a at home in the basement of the church last evening. The orchestra of the Young People's Association took a prominent part.

Dr. Gilmour, M.L.A., has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to attend to his legislative duties.

The Drop Forge Company have decided to commence operations on their new factory at an early date.

It is rumored that Messrs. Campbell & Mossman of Toronto contemplate the erection of a fine business block in Dundas-street with a fine music hall thoroughly equipped.

IN THE WHIRL OF PLEASURE.

Concerts and Plays in Quick Succession—No Dearth in Winter Evenings' Amusements.

The talk of the city among theatre-goers are the marvelous feats and juggling of Cinquevalli, the wonderful acrobatic and bar performance of the Boissette Brothers, the singing of the beautiful Misses Marian Hayman and Kate Davis, and last, but greatest of all, the inimitable Dutch Daly, which appear with the Howard Athenaeum Company at the Grand this week. There are only three more performances.

That Miss Agnes Huntington's audiences at the Grand next week will be the most fashionable and the largest of the season is certain, judging from the large advance sale which opened yesterday morning. Miss Huntington and her company will arrive in Toronto on Sunday morning by special train from Cleveland.

Another season of musical merriment is upon the patrons of the Grand Opera House. The De Wolf Hopper Opera Company will present Sydney Rosenfeld's classic conceit, "The Lady or the Tiger," and Byrne & Kerker's sparkling comic opera, "Castles in the Air," both of which were constructed solely for melody and laughter-creating purposes. A company of capable artists such as those are who surround the star and the enlarged orchestra, under the direction of the eminent musical director, Herr Adolph Nowak, will make a joyful sound at the Grand next Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

Casino Opera Company Coming.

Mr. Rudolph Aronson has made light operetta a permanent feature of amusement in the metropolis, and by gathering together the very first people in that field of art, mounting the pieces artistically and expensively, and exercising discretion in the selection of new and popular works that have already won the stamp of success in Europe, that energetic manager has actually made it next to an impossibility for any competitor to wrest from him the position his company has attained. Comic opera was nomadic until Mr. Aronson made a home for it at the New York Casino and brought to his assistance his corps of talented artists. This beautiful Moorish building has been the scene of numerous successes, but none has ever equalled the wonderful degree of popularity attained by "Poor Jonathan". It will be presented here by Mr. Aronson's company.

The presentation will be in exact duplication of the New York Casino production. Every detail has received the most careful attention, and the magnificent scenery, the elegance of the costuming, the perfect ensemble, the rapid, alert action of the performance, the perfection of characterization by the able company, all combine to create an impression likely to make the judicious rejoice that American enterprise added to American talent can produce such delightful results in public amusements.

The Casino Company appear at the Academy of Music the week after next, with matinees Good Friday and Saturday. The usual prices of the theatre will prevail.

Manager Greene of the Academy of Music has received over 200 applications for tickets for the Casino Opera Company's performance of "Poor Jonathan" for week commencing March 23, but he has refused to issue any, believing that it is fairer to the patrons of the house to wait until the plan opens next Tuesday morning.

Promenade Concert at the Academy.

The last concert by the Canadian Royal Academy was such an unqualified success that the members of the committee have decided to hold another to-night. A first-class orchestral program has been arranged from grand opera and Mr. Faeder will play a violin solo. All should hear this talented artist, especially when they have the additional charm of the best exhibition of fine arts ever held in Toronto. Saturday is set aside for the "school children," and the artists hope the little ones will come "en force," as it will be entertaining, elevating and at the same time educational.

The Cyrene Craze.

The dancing of this great Spanish artiste will undoubtedly be one of the events of the season. She will appear at Robinson's all next week at every performance in the theatre. Only a poor idea can be formed of her by the following from The Boston Herald: "Cyrene appeared before the largest audience of the season and scored a triumph. When she was here last fall she was decidedly successful, and won full measure of popular approval, but this time she was more pleasing than ever. She has added to her wardrobe several handsome and elegant costumes, and also produced the new dances, 'La Madrilene' and 'La Palomo,' which resulted in her securing several encores. She is more graceful than ever."

Philharmonic Society.

At the weekly rehearsal of the society for the Santley concerts to be held April 6 and 7, at which Mendelssohn's sublime oratorio "Elijah" and Massenet's beautiful cantata "Eve" with miscellaneous selections will be performed, a chorus of over 250 attended, and judging from the way in which the various numbers were performed it bids fair to be the finest chorus the society have ever had. In view of the great demand for subscribers' tickets, the following resolution was passed at a committee meeting held on Wednesday: "Any subscriber who has not already subscribed for a larger number of tickets will not be entitled to select more than six tickets for each concert, until after the expiration of the time allotted for the subscribers to select their seats."

"After Dark" Next Week.

The New York Herald, in speaking of the production of "After Dark," which will be placed on the boards at Jacobs & Sparrow's Opera House next week, says: "A large audience witnessed the production of Dion Boucicault's thrilling melodrama, 'After Dark,' at the Bijou. It is one of the very finest plays of this class and possesses unusual merit. The name of the author is sufficient on this score. One of the novel features is a gambling saloon modeled after those found on the Continent. The music hall and variety show are remarkable for the cleverness of the artists and the slugging match between Kelly and Murphy, a pair of promising fighters. The play is attractively mounted. Those who admire a clean play, full of thrilling incidents, bright comedy and pleasing novelty, will find this what they have been looking for.

Singing for Charity.

A concert was given last night in the old Methodist church, Cowan-avenue, for the poor, under the auspices of the local W.C.T.U. It was largely attended. Mr. William Houston presided. Mr. Hollis created much amusement in his character songs, "The Good Fellah" and "Old Sarah Walker." The remaining items on the program were: Glees, Parkdale Collegiate Institute Glee Club; songs, Mrs. W. Smith, Mrs. Capt. Thompson, Miss Lamont, Miss Jessie Mitchell, Messrs. Shaw and Barker; vocal trio, Mrs. Arnold, Miss Downs, Mr. Becroft; piano solo, Mr Maitland; readings, Miss Wingfield, Mr. Bentley.

Choral Society and Symphony Orchestra.

A full house greeted the combined concert of Sig. D'Auria's two organizations, the Choral Society and the Toronto Symphony Orchestra in the Pavilion Music Hall last night, and although it was late before the program was begun the meritorious work of the orchestra commanded the interest of the large audience to such a degree that they remained very quiet till it was finished.

The two most important orchestral numbers on the program, "Der Freischutz", overture, "Weber" and "Egmont," overture, Beethoven, fully demonstrated the rapid improvement the Symphony Orchestra has made under Sig. D'Auria's baton. The lighter numbers were rendered with a gracefulness of phrasing which has never yet been equaled by a local organization. Still there were many shortcomings which were only too apparent, notably the tendency in the brass to differ with the conductor in the matter of tempo. This fault was especially apparent in the "Recollections of Scotland" (Blue Bells), but no doubt Sig D'Auria has told the executants the difference between orchestral work and solo playing, at least he looked as if he intended to do so, and it need not be mentioned further here. The other faults at which one might grumble were forgotten in a pleasant remembrance of the orchestra's general proficiency.

Sig D'Auria is not only a musician of great excellence, as he has amply demonstrated since he came to Toronto, but he is the personification of a graceful conductor with just that quality of command in his baton which makes it less difficult for unpracticed musicians to execute their parts and at the same time suggests a self-confidence to the individual executant and carries him successfully through difficulties which, under other direction, would involve him in a labyrinth of uncertainty and bungling. The tone of the horns and violoncellos was extremely good and the first violins under that veteran leader Mr. John Bayley left little to be desired. The orchestra as a whole well deserved the enthusiastic applause which the audience bestowed, and it is certain that the many remarks of commendation heard from the dispersing audience will go far to secure it the large patronage it has earned.

The best work of the Choral Society was in the "Song of the Vikings," and had it been given earlier on the program would of necessity have had to be repeated. The vocal soloists, Mme. d'Auria, Miss Dick, Messrs. Blight and Schuch, performed the work allotted to them in "Melusina" (an unimportant and light though somewhat pleasing composition by Hofmann) in their usual satisfactory style. "Melusina" has little to do work, has one or two fairly good choruses, is smooth and flowing throughout, but lacks a musical climax and leaves one without either regret at having heard it or a remembrance that he did. A popular number by each of the soloists and one or two choruses like "The Vikings Song" might have been substituted for "Melusina" and met general approval.

A Night of Scottish Song.

The MacLennan Royal Edinburgh Concert Company commenced a three nights' engagement at the Auditorium last night. Since their appearance in Toronto a few months ago the company has appeared in all the large American cities in the west, notably St. Louis, Chicago and Cincinnati, and met with flattering receptions at every engagement. During their last visit to Toronto the members of the company made many friends, both on account of their professional ability and as representatives of "Auld Scotia," but it was not until they were preparing to leave that their true worth became known, and they have returned to the city by special request.

They were greeted last night by an immense audience, and their performance thoroughly appreciated. The first number on the program, a quartet, "There was a Lad was Born in Kyle," by Misses Steel and Ross, Messrs. Finlayson and Fleming, was received with great applause. When the famous MacLennan himself appeared and danced the Highland Fling the audience cheered him to the echo, and he was obliged to respond to several encores. The champion also danced the Sailor's Hornpipe, and one old Scotchman in the audience declared he could smell the salt air. The vocal efforts of Miss Steel and Miss Edith Ross were very favorably received. Mr. Jules Guitton's violin solos were creditably rendered, and the songs by Messrs. Finlayson and Fleming were very good indeed. Mr. C. F. Ferguson's humorous recitations convulsed the audience, but especially those who are acquainted with Scotch life and sayings.

The company appear to-night and to-morrow night, and will no doubt have crowded houses.

Amusement Notes.

The prisoners at the Central Prison were given a musical treat last night by Mr. Grenville P. Kleiser, elocutionist; Miss Lillian Kleiser, contralto, and Miss Amelia Kleiser, guitar. This was one of the series of concerts given each winter to the prisoners, who wish to thank the performers for the pleasant entertainment.

A very enjoyable concert was given last night under the auspices of the Church of the Redeemer Young People's Association in the church Sunday school-room. There was a very large audience and the program was an excellent one. The performers were Misses McKay, Dixie, Ryan, Massie, Francis, Glover, Hatch; Messrs. Chambers, Gorrie, Smedley, Stewart and Kidner, and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Cameron. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Association.

FINISHED THEIR SURVEY

And Adjourned for Twelve Months—The New Officers.

The Association of Provincial Land Surveyors completed the business of their sixth annual convention in the Canadian Institute yesterday evening.

At the morning session H. L. Bowan, P.L.S., of Berlin read a very instructive paper on "The Kincardine Marsh Lands." Mr. McAree's paper on "Compass Lines" and Mr. Niven's paper on "Does the Passing of an Act of Parliament always do Justice" were laid over until the next meeting.

The report of the Committee on Drainage was taken as read and will be printed in the annual report. The report of the Committee on Engineering was read by the secretary and proved very interesting. The report of the Committee on Entertainment will appear in the annual report, and the reports of the Committees on Legislation and Publication were made and accepted.

Mr. P. S Gibson brought up the question of qualification for admittance to the School of Practical Science and, after a good deal of discussion, this resolution was adopted:

Resolved that in the opinion of this association any person holding a certificate as a land surveyor should be admitted to the School of Practical Science without being required to pass the matriculation examination, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the authorities of the University by the secretary of this association.

A vote of thanks was given to the president and secretary for their services to the association and also to Prof. Galbraith and Prof. Carpmael for their kindness in showing the members through the School of Science and the Observatory.

The election of officers resulted in President V. Sankey, Vice-President E. Stewart and Secretary A. J. Van Nostrand being re-elected by acclamation. A number of names were nominated for the position of councillors, and these officers will be elected by letter ballot, the result to be made known on or before March 15. Messrs. Speight and Foster were chosen scrutineers.

This completed the business of the convention, and at the suggestion of President Sankey the members accepted the invitation to inspect the exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts.

The most important question brought before the convention was that of incorporation. The benefits that would flow from incorporation were recognized by all, and a special committee was appointed to wait upon the Attorney-General and the Commissioner of Crown Lands to ascertain their views in the matter. The members are anxious that at their next convention they will meet as an incorporated body.

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For the Collegiate Trustees.

Editor World: The citizens should take more than ordinary interest in our Collegiate Institute. There is reason justly to complain that we have been lax and negligent in the matter of the education of boys and girls through the most important years of their school life.

My attention was drawn to this subject by a most vigorous and logical impeachment of our trustees by "Phalacrosis," in the last issue of The Week.

"Phalacrosis" presents a most serious array of reasons against the contemplated experiment of tacking on the work of the Institutes the additional work of the Provincial Training School. I would recommend the trustees to peruse it carefully. All has not been said by this writer which can be urged against the preposterous idea that our Collegiate Institutes have to undertake the training of 75 teachers at the expense of our children's education.

He has not emphasized this very important fact, viz., that training teachers for the schools of this Province is distinctly a provincial duty, to be undertaken and paid by the Provincial Government, and not by the city of Toronto, or any other place. The trustees exceed their duty to the citizens whom they represent in undertaking a work that is in every way foreign to theirs and against which there is consensus of opinion throughout the whole city. If the Hon. Mr. Ross or his aide-de-camp, Mr. Seath, finds the need of a provincial training school, let him erect and equip one and run it properly and pay for it, and not seek to compel the parents of the pupils of this city to do his work. The whole scheme over the province has been a dismal failure wherever tried. CERBERUS.

GOT THE COUNCIL'S SANCTION.

The Street Railway Co. Will Do as Hitherto Two Months Longer.

The Mayor presided over the special meeting of the council yesterday at 3.30 to consider the proposed extension of the time for taking over the street railway till May 16, 1891.

These members were present: Ald. Allen, Atkinson, Bailey, Bell, Burns, Farquhar, Foster, Gibbs, Gillespie, Graham, Hallam, Hill, Jolliffe, Kerr, Leslie, Lindsey, Lucas, Macdonald, Maloney, McDougall, McMurrich, Orr, Pape, Park, Phillips, Rose, Saunders, Shaw, Stanley, Stewart, Verral, George, Verral, J. E.

Ald. Lindsey presented the report of the street railway committee, as published yesterday.

The council went into committee of the whole with Ald. Foster in the chair.

Ald. Graham thought it would be a good idea to run the road from March 13, paying into court a deposit to secure the order for transfer and awaiting developments as to profits.

It was pointed out that a large sum might be required by the court, and it would be expensive to raise it.

Ald. Hallam moved a resolution that the city take the road over on March 13, and let the company run it for them till May 16, profits to go against interest and the company to keep things in repair. He said he had been told by a first-class lawyer that the resolution was necessary to protect the city against the possibility of litigation. The city sought to take it for granted that the company would have to pay and not vice versa.

Ald. Hallam was pressed to withdraw his motion but refused.

The report was passed in committee and adopted unanimously in council.

Ald. Lindsey introduced a bylaw worded exactly like his report and intituled "A by-law to authorize an agreement with the Toronto Street Railway Company extending to the 16th of May, 1891, the period at the expiration of which the city of Toronto may assume the ownership of the railway."

The bylaw was read three times and carried.

The council adjourned at 4 p.m.

Those Badges.

An item in the municipal news of yesterday was capable of bearing a construction hardly fair towards Messrs. J. E. Ellis & Co The reference was to their bill for articles furnished to the Civic Reception Committee in connection with the Dominion Day celebration. The Globe's suggestion that the badges and medals "came high" was levelled not at Messrs. Ellis & Co., but at the committee that ordered them. Messrs. Ellis have a perfect right to require fair pay for their goods and work.—Globe 11th.

The account from Messrs Ellis & Company, concerning which a letter was laid before the council on Monday, does not contain a single item in connection with the Carnival Committee. For several years Messrs. Ellis have received the contract for the badges for the Reception Committee, the school children's prizes for Dominion Day festivities and similar supplies. In 1889 the amount was about $700, and in 1890 the amount was only $452, every item of which was ordered by the council through its Reception Committee and not one cent through the Carnival Committee or for carnival purposes. Messrs. Ellis & Company intended to have been represented before the courts when the injunction was being argued, but they were assured by the representatives of the city that their interests would be protected. This was not done and now Messrs. Ellis & Company's account is unpaid.—Mail 13th.

The city had better pay the account and get out of the difficulty. That is the sensible view and the cheapest view of the situation.

Weather Probabilities.

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Shakespeare and the Elizabethan Age.

Sir Daniel Wilson, president of Toronto University, delivered a lecture on "Shakespeare and the Elizabethan Age" at St. Stephen's Church Schoolroom last night under the auspices of the Young People's Association. The subject was treated in Sir Daniel's usual eloquent and interesting style. The connection between the dramas of the great playwright and the glorious material and otherwise, of his age were clearly pointed out.

Mrs. W. J. Lang, Bethany, Ont., writes: "I was one of the greatest sufferers for about fifteen months with a disease of my ear similar to ulcers, causing entire deafness. I tried everything that could be done through medical skill, but without relief. As a last resort, I tried Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, and in ten minutes round relief. I continued using it, and in a short time my ear was cured and hearing completely restored. I have used this wonderful healer successfully in cases of severe contraction of the lungs, sore throat, coughs and colds, cuts and bruises, &c., in fact it is our family medicine.

A Candidate for the 100 Acres.

MONTREAL, March 12.—The wife of Mr. J. G. Leonard of Beauharnois gave birth to triplets.

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Church Work in the Northwest.

His Lordship the Bishop of Saskatchewan gave an address last night in Trinity College before the Missionary and Theological Union. Rev. Prof. Symonds presided. There was a fair-sized and appreciative audience composed partly of ladies. Proceedings were opened by a hymn in which the manly voices of the students were employed with rich effect. His Lordship dealt with the progress of church work in the dioceses of the Northwest.

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