PROBS: Generally fair and mild.

FOURTEEN PAGES—WEDNESDAY MORNING JANUARY 25 1911—FOURTEEN PAGES.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS LAY RESPONSIBILITY AT **CROWN ATTORNEY'S DOOR**

Judge Winchester and Magistrate Denison, Sitting as Board, Say Attorney-General and His Officers Have Sole Authority to Lay Charges and Seek Apprehension of Fugitives.

If Magistrate Denison and Judge Winchester are right in their contention, the responsibility for the delay in the issue of warrants against Dr. Beattle Nesbitt, W. J. Lindsay and George Wishart, charging them with various crimes in connection with the Farmers' Bank collapse, must rest with Crown Attorney Corley and Attorney-General Foy.

These two gentlemen, sitting as the board of poince commissioners yesterday afternoon, while Mayor Geary was attending the opening of the legislature, passed a resolution declaring that no blame could rest upon any police officer either for thois delay or the fall-ure to lay charges of extraditable of-fences against any or all of them, if grounds for such charges exists.

chief Grasett, secretary of the board, said after the meeting: "What the board says is that the police have no power to take out a warrant in important cases without the consent of the crown attorney, and that, such warrants being issued, under the legislature's orders in council, transmitted to the police thru the crown attorney, the police have no power to seek the extradition of any fugitive from a for-eign country without the consent of the attorney-general's department." This finding was forecasted in The

World yesterday morning.

This puts the whole matter and the responsibility for any action or absence of action in the matter, up to the city crown attorney and the attorney general's department.

Needn't O. K. Warrants. Speaking of this feature of the situation, Crown Attorney J. Seymour Corley says that he has never issued any OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Dr. F. order to the police court clerks that L. Schaffner (Souris) drew the atten-

second charge of performing a crim operation a short time ago, Mr. Corley \$100 Farmers' Bank note as a souvenir, did object in police court to the charge in raply to which the premier laid the being laid when he had not been confollowing correspondence on the table: sulted and shortly afterward one of the police court clerks did refuse to issue a warrant without the crown at-

Mr. Corley says that his position is that he should be consulted before any important charge is laid. The order in council transmitted to

the police reads: "Re extradition and fugitive offend-

The application for the surrender of a fugitive offender from another country shall be addressed to the attorney-general by letter from the county crown attorney of the county in which the offence was committed stating briefly the facts of the case and giving in detail the information as to the fugitive's supposed whereabouts and the means of tracing and identifying him, also stating whether it is desired that the provisional arrest of the fugitive should be asked for by telegram.

Elaborate Formula. The application shall be accompan-

ied by
"1. The warrant of arrest. "2. A statement of the evidence procurable showing a prime facie case of the commission by the fugitive of the offence charged such as, in Canada, would justify a committal for trial. "3. A description of the accused sufficient for purposes of identification with, if possible, a photograph.

"4. An indemnity for expenses signform. (\$500).

tive is a matter of urgency, the attorney-general may apply by telegram for the provisional arrest in anticipation of the formal demand for sur-

'Police officers shall not make direct application to foreign police for the arrest of a fugitive. Serious dif-

vincial police only shall be sent to the country from which the extradition or rendition is sought."

in doing everything to place the services and resources of the department at the disposal of the crown, in order that immediate action be taken to put the law in motion against any or all ference has been hotly denounced. against by warrants or summons up

to the present time."

This is how the police commissioners have swepttheir doorstep clean of the bruited charge that the police have not been honest and efficient in their action with regard to the prosecution those criminally connected with the collapse of the Farmers' Bank. The board have swept the mud off their own doorstep unto that of their neighbors. the attorney-general and the city

THE SITUATION.

It has been charged openly that there has been laxity in the effort to apprehend .Dr. Beattie Nesbitt and others wanted to answer charges in con nection with the wreck of the Farmers' Bank. This charge was made against the police.

Yesterday Police Commission ers Judge Winchester and Magistrate Denison, sitting as the board, declared that no fault lay with any member of the force, and added that all responsibility eother for the speed with which charges were laid or the nature of the charges, or extradition of fugitives wanted, must be laid at the door of the attorney-general of the province and City Crown

Attorney Coriey.

It is said that in evidence submitted before the board in the shape of a statement by Travers, the ex-general mana-ger, now in jail, lies the basis of charges of extraditable of-fences against Dr. Beattle Nes-bitt and W. J. Lindsay, and that the statement is borne out by documents in the bank. Crown Attorney Corley says that he has seen this statement and says that it does not con-

tain evidence upon which extradictable charges could be laid against Dr. Beattle Nesbitt. This is the situation to-day, which the days will develop.

Sir Wilfrid's Little Souvenir

Wrote Travers, Thanking Him for Gift of First \$25.

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.-(Special.)-Dr. F. they must not issue warrants to the tion of the house of commons to-day following correspondence on the table: Toronto, Jan. 1, 1907.

To the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, G.C.M.G., Ottawa: My Dear Sir Wilfrid—I take great pleasure in enclosing you the first \$25 bill ever issued by any bank in

Canada Please do us the favor of accepting this bill as a souvenir, with the compliments of the Farmers' Bank of Canada. Yours very turly,

W. R. Travers, General Manager. Sir Wilfrid's Reply. Ottawa, January, 1907.

Dear Mr. Travers,—I have your very kind favor of the 1st instant, and I feel very much flattered by the honor which has been done me your institution. I accept the souvenir which you

have enclosed with the greatest pleasure, and you will add to your kindness if you will present my grateful appreciation to the mempers of your board.

Believe me, dear Mr. Travers, yours very sincerely.

Wilfrid Laurier. Beyond reading the correspondence Sir Wilfrid did not add a word of explanation, and resumed his seat amid Liberal applause.

FIRE VICTIMS BURIED

Bereaved Husband Too III to Attend

Notwithstanding the efforts made to keep the hour of the funeral service for the victims of the Indian-road tragedy secret, a large crowd had as a sembled at the undertaking parlors of f. W. Matthews, Spadina-avenue, when the procession of mourners arrived.

the arrest of a fugitive. Serious difficulties have arisen in cases where this direction has been overlooked. Except in special cases authority to proceed shall only be given to provincial officers.

"Only cases involving serious crime affecting the public generally shall be undertaken by the attorney-general without a bond of indemnity.

"When the decision of the government of the country where the fugitive is to concede his surrender is notified, the conveyance of a prisoner to Ontario is a matter of arrangement and except in special cases the provincial police only shall be sent to the GLADSTONE DENOUNCED.

GLADSTONE DENOUNCED.

LONDON. Jan. 24.-Great excitmen Police Exculpated.

The board finds that "no blame attaches to any member of the force for lack of energy or want of promptitude in doing everything to place the serious and resentment have been aroused in Rhodesia and South Africa generally, according to despatches received here, on account of the new governor. Vt. Gladstone, commuting the death sentence on a native for criminal assault

TURKEY'S RESENTMENT.

ROME, Jan. 24.—Considerable excitement has been caused by the departure of the battleship Pisa for Egypt, and the order just issued to the battleships Sangiorgio and anmarco to hold themselves in readiness to sail at any moment.

He is believed this is the forerunner of any Italian naval demonstration against Turkey as the outcome of any station.

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Statement Made by Travers Said to Disclose Extraditable Charges Against Nesbitt and Lindsay - Crown Attorney Corley Does Not See It That Way-Wealthy Citizen to be Summoned.

That evidence which forms the basis of an extraditable charge against Dr. Beattle Nesbitt and W. J. Lindsay, now fugitives from justice, upon warrants for offences not extraditable, is disclosed by an interview held by Inspector of Detectives Walter Duncar with W. R. Travers, late general manager of the Farmers' Bank, on Saturdday last, is said to be the opinion of Magistrate Denison and Judge Winchester sitting yesterday on the board

of police commissioners.

The board, inquiring into charges of inefficiency on the part of the police, questioned Inspector Duncan, G. T. Clarkson, curator of the bank, and Attorney Bicknell of the Bankers' Association. It is said that Mr. Clarkson, in answer to questions of the board, agreed that such evidence was disclosed by the interview, which was taken in the presence of a contract that the such evidence was disclosed by the interview, which was taken in the presence of a stenographer and which forms a bulky pamphiet. and which forms a bulky pamphiet. It is understood that the new charge which may be laid against Dr. Nesbitt is that he, with Travers, obtained the certificate of the treasury board or the bank's charter by false pretences and that Travers has said that fifty charges of obtaining stock subscriptions by fraud may be laid against Lindsay, but that the question arises as to whether these alleged offences were committed in Toronto, where the money is said to have been received, or in Halton County when the or in Halton County, where the sub

criptions were obtained. Not Extraditable, Says Corley. Crown Attorney Corley said last night that he had seen the Travers interview, but that it did not, in his epinion, disclose evidence of any extraditable offence. He would not say as to whether he had any such eyldence or as to whether any extradit dence or as to whether any extraction able charge would or could be laid upon any evidence which might be in his possession outside the Travers interview. Mr. Corley explained that there are three kinds of conspiracy; (a) the conspiracy to do an illegal act. (b) the conspiracy to do an illegal act; (c) the conspiracy to do a legal act by Nesbitt's alleged conspiracy for the Keeley line and which property iliegally taken by Travers from the bank) could only be a conspiracy of hause." third order as regards Wishart or Nes-

He says that only Travers' signature

Curator Still Mum. Nesbitt might be charged wih an extraditable offence, said to The World:

fused to discuss the matter.

The World is informed that there is the owners of the buildings were redocumentary evidence in support of ceiving more than their total value.

Travers' statement and that the chief Mr. Pugsley interposed with the re-

ter Boland, K.C., of Messrs. Macdonell & Boland, who had asked if bail would

charging a prominent and wealthy citizen with illegally obtaining money from the bank, and that this will be done within the next few days. The offence has to do with illegal dealings with the bank's currency. Charges against three others are also being considered.

Travers, who is awaiting his removal to Kingston at the Toronto jail, was taken from there by Inspector Duncan and Detective Guthrie on Saturday af-ternoon. He was taken to some place which is not known and there gave the interview which was discussed by the police commissioners yesterday. In the evening he was taken to the Broadand Detective Guthrie dined together Trayers is looking well and took that opportunity to smoke a number of cigars, which are denied him at the jail. Ito's said that no drinks were served to the party.

"JACKY" FISHER RETIRES.

LONDON, Jan. 24 .- Sir John Arbuthnot Fisher, first baron of Kilverstone. admiral of the fleet, will retire from the navy to-morrow under the age limit. He was born in 1841 and has been admiral of the fleet since 1965.

Gaelic League To-night. The Gaelic League will meet to-night at 108 Strachan-avenue.

iliegal means. He explained that Dr. tion of the government in renting cer- rate health. tain building in the City of Ottawa at one from the bank (which for the first time is learned to be the money paid for the Keeley mine and which was bloomly to be the money paid for the Keeley mine and which was property, is unbusinesslike, indefension property, is unbusinesslike, indefens-able and merits the censure of this

The debate for the first part was a repetition of a previous years discussion, but as the talk extended late into the evening, it became apparent that the opposition was determined to the opposition which was determined to the o appears on the papers upon false documents upon which the charter of the heresh the whole matter out, and as bank was granted and that Nesbitt's fresh speakers were continually put signature appears upon none of the papers at Ottawa, but the alleged false till half an hour after midnight. As it returns. was voted down by the Liberals. The Mr. Clarkson, asked last night if its vote stood yeas 61, nays, 104, govern-had told the police commissioners that ment majority 43. A. Gilbert (Drum-

government. High Rentals. "I will not tell you that. I certainly At a late hour Mr. Borden took a do not remember making that assertion hand in the debate. He reviewed eviwas asked questions and I answered dence taken before the public accounts committee, and said that the govern-Inspector of Detectives Duncan rement was paying such high rentals used to discuss the matter. documentary evidence in support of Travers' statement and that the chief accountant, who has already been proceed as a crown witness, is said to have knowledge of the facts referred to in the statement.

Crown Attorney Corley said last night that Wishart had never, as T. N.

Countered as a crown witness, is said to have knowledge of the facts referred to in the statement.

Mr. Duglessis is a French-Canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer for 30 years, and is at present employed by the Canadian Government at Sorel as a mechanical engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the control of the present employed by the canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer for 30 years, and is at present employed by the Canadian for the call engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the Canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the Canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the Canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the Canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the Canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been a mechanical engineer. During the life of Mr. On the present employed by the canadian and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. He has been and was born 60 years ago at Three Rivers, Que. The life of Mr. On the present employed and year present employed by the present employed by the present night that Wishart had never as T. N. do so then, or suggested that Mr. Pugs-Phelan, his counsel, is reported to have ley had the game in his own hands by said, appeared before either himself or having some member move the ad-Inspector Durcan to ask if he was journment of the house. None of these wanted either as a witness or other- expedients seemed to satisfy the mind wise and that the only one who had seen bim on Wishart's behalf was Wal-Eighteen Per Cent.

In introducing the discussion Mr. e granted if Wishart returned, and Blain gave a number of illustrations that he had been told that it would be in support of his motion. He said that the former Y.M.C.A. building occupied Wealthy Citizen Named.

It is understood that information will bought by the labor department, had been bought by the present owner for less than \$50,000, and he had made improve-

Continued on Page 7, Column 4. PHILLIPS, THE NOVELIST, DEAD.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—David Graham

WARDENS ELECTED

Frontenac-Miller. Grey-N. McKnight. Haldimand-H. Phyle. Kent—H. J. French. Lambton—Alf. Darvel. Leeds and Grenville—J. Lennox—A. B. Loyst, Lincoln—J. Merritt. Middlesex—W. D. Moss. Middlesex.—W. D. Moss.
Norfolk.—Ed Moir.
Ontario.—W. J. Haycroft.
Oxford.—William McGee.
Perth.—J. Rudolph.
Prince Edward.—J. L. Shannon.
Victoria.—B. A. Callan.
Waterloo.—P. Christman.
Welland.—W. H. Fry.

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MONTREAL ALL YEAR

Commercial Metropolis Even in Winter.

MONTREAL, Jan. 24.-Edouard Duplessis has invented an ice-plow boat evidence now existed upon which Dr. mond and Arthabaska) voted with the which he believes wil Isolve the problem of keeping the port of Montreal open for navigation during the winter

nonths.

This new boat is not of the same pattern as boats for breaking ice in the St. Lawrence. It does not ride upon the top of the ice and break it by sheer weight, but cuts the ice as the share of a farmer's plow turns the soft

Mr. Duplessis is a French-Canadian

ferent devices.

The new boat, according to the plans of Mr. Duplessis, will measure 25% feet in length, 40 feet in width, having a water draught of 15 feet and a total depth of about 50 feet.

PRETTY SERIOUS

Pulp Mills Tied Up and Inadequate Supply of Water for Fire Purposes. OTTAWA, Jan. 24 .- An inspector of

the Fire Underwriters' Association arrived in the city to-day to look into the low-water situation, and resultant in-adequate pressure for fire purposes. The result of his visit is that the city has the consent of the big Chaudiere power users to close down their plants NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—David Graham Phillips has lost his brave fight for life. He dled in Bellevue Hospital late tonight, a victim of Fitzhugh Coyle Goldsborough, an eccentric and emotional musician, who, altho of refined tastes and aristocratic southern stock, shot the novelist down yesterday for a fancled grudge, then killed himself.

The power users to close down their plants in case of a serious fire, and leave all the water available for city use. In the two Booth pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a wheel was turning, the sulphite mill is running only half capacity, and one machine in the paper mill is at a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a standstill one hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mill is running only half capacity, and one machine in the paper mill is at a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a standstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply, not a supplied to the poor water supply and one machine in the paper mill is a tandstill. One hundred and seventy-five men are out of work. One pulp mills to-day, due to the poor water supply not a standstill.

DEATH TO AUTONOMY

Is How London News Views Question of Imperial Preference.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable). (Canadian Associated Press Cable).

LONDON, Jan. 24.—Touching the reciprocity agreement. The News asserts that the tariff reformers' scheme of an imperial preference is shown to be merely the old colonial system under a different name. Its establishment as an ideal would mean the death of colonial autonomy, which has always been the colonies' own ideal. Free trade alone asks nothing of the colonies, who have deliberately omitted the preference from the list of conference resolutions.

The strangement reductions will be in order.

A "Fascinating Widow" Matinee.

The striking feature of a manly man, and are therefore intensely interested. Next year, in all probability there will be an advance of at least seventy per cent. The big January fur sale at Dineen's gives you an opportunity to-day, with a matinee this afternoon and evening performance.

of the fact that the rates west of Calgary will be higher by 2 mills per mile than in the eastern sections of Can-

The new tariffs, Judge Mabee said, were the first effort to put the sleep-ing and parlor car rates on a scientific

mileage basis.

West of Calgary sleeping car rates West of Calgary sleeping car rates will be computed on the basis of 8 mills per mile, with a 20 per cent. discount on uppers. The railway companies explained the difference by saying it costs more to haul the cars thru the mountains. The parlor car rate will be two-thirds of a cent per mile. Indee Makes, in giving approval. Judge Mabee, in giving approval which a ten-storey building for desaid that the commission hesitated in approving the higher western rates, but as the companies were anxious to College-street will be extended east have the new rates come into force in a direct line from its present juncture with Yonge-street and the new consent to their adoption, on the con-dition that the agitation now on for

The adoption of the new tariffs would. Judge Mabee pointed out, do away with the old complaints in regard to the upper and lower berths. Hitherto, he said, the tariffs have been in Wood-street, of 625 feet. The two based on no soientific principles. A blocks, as laid out, exceed 12 ecres in great deal of unfairness would now be area. done away with.

He gave as an example the Pullman With the new tariff the rate from Ottawa to Montreal would be \$1,50. He said that altho in some cases there would be increases, considering as a whole, the new tariffs would mean

above reduction in rates is of a temporary character, and is based more or less on the fact that the Pullman Sleeping Car Company in the United and confessed judgment to the extent price of their upper berths.
On the line of this, a somewhat sim-

ilar reduction is being made in Canada, own. because the Pullman Car Company operates in Canada, and it must consequently introduce into Canada the same Chicago architect, will have a frontrate as it gives in the States, and other lines in Canada must follow suit, especially the C. P. R., which has its

The World, therefore, believes this is a temporary reduction, and that neither the railroad commission in the United States nor in Canada has gone fully into the merits of figures in sleep-ing cars, and that, when they do, still more and permanent reductions will

Strongly Marked Social Color-Ing Given Function at Queen's Park, Where Notables Freely Mingled-His Honor's Address Touched on Abounding Prosperity.

Once more the legislative mill is at work grinding out government for the greatest of British provinces. The session opened yesterday in almost the usual manner. There was a disturbing element in the air owing to the conelement in the air owing to the con-flagration of the year before last, which still curtails the accommodation of the government officials. It is hoped, how-ever, to have the building ready before the next general election.

the next general election. There is no-thing like being sanguine.

As a result of the fire there are no As a result of the fire there are no Speaker's apartments, and the usual entertainment and reception could not be extended to the great company of ladies assembled. There was no lecteream and no tea and no cake—nothing, in fact, to stay the falling energies of those in attendance.

Speaker's Little Error.

The hospitable soul of the Speaker

PATERSON WON'T TALK
Willing to Discuss Anything Else But Reciprocity.

MONTREAL, Jan. 24—(Special.)—Hon. William Paterson returned from Washington the evening, and will proceed leisurely to the capital to-morrow. When saked if the had anything to communicate, he said, yes, the feeling at Washington was every friendly, and they shad a very fine time of it all thru, between the states of the American capital."

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Bishop Sweeny was early on hand and Col. Sweny came about the same time, and they had a chat while the adies kept coming in. full advantage of such chance as they do get to sit in the legislature. At 2 o'clock the chamber was half filled.

Ex-Speaker Charlton came in and Continued on Page 8, Col. 1. THE BIG DEAL CLOSED.

A real estate man told The World yesterday that the famous Carlton-

ture with Yonge-street, and the property thus cut into by the extension. lower railway rates in the Canadlan west be not interfered with. Their case, he said, would be presented before the commission this week.

lege of closing Wood-street. has a frontage on Carlton-street of 900 feet, and on Yonge-street, taking

With College-street extended due He gave as an example the Pullman rates between Ottawa and Montreal and Toronto. In both cases the charge was \$2. The distance in the first case was 263 miles, and in the latter 333. Into a street. This will make Carlton-street 191 feet wide.

Perhaps this will be too great a width to give to a city street, and it will rest with the city council to decide whether it will carry the south side of Carlton-street north, say, 91 The World has an idea that the feet, making the new Carlton-street 100 feet wide.

Further, for the purposes of delivery, the proposed department store States practically came into the court will ask leave of the city to widen of the inter-state railroad commission Church-street on the west side from Carlton to Alexander 100 feet, giving that they were willing to reduce the up its own property to do so, and retaining the privilege of using it as its

> age of 500 feet on Yonge-street and 800 feet on Carlton, an area of 400,000 square feet, exceeding nine acres.
> With a 10-storey building there would thus be a floor space of 90 acres—a greater thing than the world has ever seen before.

Furs Going Upl The steady increase in the price of furs is a matter of considerable worse to every man, woman or child living

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