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The City Debt.

To-morrow the Private Bills Committee will pass upon the legislation sought by the city of Toronto. Among other things the Council asks for is power to increase the city debt from 12½ per cent. of the assessment to 15 per cent.

The committee should not hesitate to kick this application out of court. Nearly one-half of our present debt consists of money procured on the strength of promises that our debt should never at any time exceed 12½ per cent. of the assessment. The Legislature in placing this limit in effect became a party to the guarantee that the debt should never exceed that percentage. To interfere with the limit would be to break faith with the creditors and to inflict a damaging blow upon the credit of all the municipalities in the Province.

Besides, the 12½ per cent. limit is high enough. In ten years our assessment has grown from $50,000,000 to $112,500,000. Consequently by mere force of expansion the debt-creating power of the city has risen from $6,250,000 to $14,000,000. Now $14,000,000 is debt enough for Toronto to carry, and the assessment will increase fast enough to provide money for all the real needs of our future. It is quite enough that the city seize one dollar out of every eight dollars of our property, together with the one-and-a-half per cent. per annum levied every year in taxes. A debt of $14,000,000 represents a first mortgage of $400 on the earnings of every family in the city. It would be an outrage to increase this first mortgage as the Council seeks to do. The property owners of the city should see to it that the Private Bills Committee is informed of the facts of the case.

Even at the 12½ per cent. limit, Toronto has a debt much larger per capita than that of the great American cities. In nearly all of the latter the Legislatures have had to step in and curb the debt-creating proclivities of the Councils. The debt of Chicago is small, Detroit has almost no debt, and that of Buffalo is restricted to ten per cent of an assessment considerably below that of Toronto, when the size of the two cities is taken into account.

Prof. Young's Successor.

There are several names mentioned as possible successors of the late Prof. Young in the chair of metaphysics and ethics at University College.

Prof. Watson of Queen's stands a very good chance if he first intimates that he would accept it should the post be offered him. Prof. Young long ago expressed a wish that Mr. Watson should succeed him, or to be more exact he put it this way: "I would resign to-morrow in favor of Prof. Watson." Prof. Watson was trained at Edinburgh, has been a close student of German philosophy and its modifications by Scotch thinkers, and is the most likely man The World knows of to continue the department on pretty much the same lines as followed by the late professor. He is under forty and has already published two books dealing with the philosophy of Kant. He is esteemed at Queen's, where he professes the same subjects.

Prof. Schurman, who is in charge of the same branches at Cornell University in New York State, a native of the Maritime Provinces, and under forty years of age, will be an applicant for the chair. He is the gentleman who predicted in Friday's paper that Sir Charles Tupper would be the next British minister at Washington, but unfortunately for his prediction the next item was the announcement that Sir Julian Pauncefote is to be the man. A metaphysician should never easy the prophetic.

The name of Professor Clark of Trinity is mentioned as a worthy successor to the chair of the late Professor Young. The World has authority for saying that Professor Clark has no aspirations for this position, and that while he would regard it as a post of honor, his love for his Church and her interests at heart would stand in the way of his accepting.

Other candidates will be forthcoming, among them probably some of Professor Young's old pupils.

It is said that the Minister of Education considers it a difficult chair to fill, and that for that very reason he is likely to take the bull by the horns at once, and get the appointment out of the way before it becomes seriously complicated. Which seems a sensible way of looking at it.

A Municipal Unpleasantness.

Ald. Baxter should be made to render a complete apology for his ruffianly conduct at Friday night's Council meeting. Ald. Gillespie had said nothing to justify such an unloading of Baxterian bile. True that Ald. Gillespie has been instrumental in procuring the lifting of one corner of the veil that hangs over Mr. Baxter's municipal record. Mr. Baxter may or may not feel resentful about this. If he does, there is a proper time and place for exhibiting this resentment, and it is not at the Council meeting. By adopting such a place for the display of his ill-temper, Ald. Baxter merely certifies to the public that he is unfit for any place requiring courtesy and calm judgment and he furthermore suggests to the thoughtful that he feels himself badly damaged by the charges standing against him. There are, we are glad to say, at least thirty aldermen who would laugh aloud instead of using bad language if anybody accused them of having improper relations with contractors.

The Mayor has a plain duty in this matter. The office of chairman is a delusion if its duties are not performed. Ald. Gillespie is a brave man. He attacks every abuse no matter how strongly entrenched. He is the farthest remove from a popularity hunter, yet by sheer pluck and hard-fighting has won a name that will endure when many of his time-serving all-things-to-all-men colleagues have relapsed into obscurity. He has had many disagreeable duties to perform. He has performed them well. The citizens love him for the enemies he has made, and look to see the Mayor and all well disposed aldermen deal fairly by him.

It Changes Front.

A perverse fate attends The Globe. Whenever it strikes a course straight away from the metal by common sense it can maintain it absolutely. But if ever, on any great question arising, The Globe at first strikes the truth, as sure as fate it soon afterwards begins to wobble. Then it reels to and fro for a time and finally, having boxed the compass, it starts off in a direction frequently the reverse of that it first essayed.

Two great questions lately The Globe discussed aright about face—the Fisheries and Jesuit questions.

When the Fisheries question the patriotic attitude of The Globe in sustaining the Government and rebuking Mr. Laurier's unwise speech went far to neutralise the awful blunder it made in its first unreserved adhesion to Erastus Wiman's Annexation scheme. Alas! the Evil Genius has been at work and The Globe of Friday last counsels craven surrender of our Fishery rights "in order that our neighbors may incline to listen to proposals for a new Reciprocity Treaty." The pretext it assigns for its advance to the rear is that recent events have shown that Britain will not defend us—which The Globe itself has said over and over again of late years. So it hastens to range itself behind Mr. Laurier, whom it once lectured and despised, and to assure the public that it no longer ventures to differ from him.

A few days before saw the surrender of The Globe on the Jesuit question. Once The Globe had an intelligible position on the Estates Act. It opposed the passage of the act, but, the act being passed, opposed Disallowance on the general principle that Disallowance on the advice of a ministry not responsible to the people whose legislation is disallowed is odious to the spirit of responsible government. This position The Globe maintained for several days with a resolution that would have deceived anybody who had never seen the brave show that can be made with a candle inserted in a hollow pumpkin. But it required nerve to maintain the position. There was The Mail run by those terrible Protestants Prof. Goldwin Smith and Mr. Edward Farrer voluming forth articles a yard and seven-eighths long directed at The Globe's strongly Protestant readers. And perhaps Mr. Mowat is feeling uneasy about the political future. Anyhow, The Globe's knees began incontinently to tremble. On second thoughts it said the Jesuit Estates Act *might* be properly disallowed on the ground that it was legislation "recognizing a foreign spiritual potentate in a manner not exactly in accordance with British constitutionalism." Having masked its retreat in this form of words The Globe proceeded to argue in a huckstering spirit that Disallowance should not be resorted to because it would not pay!

It is small wonder that the public are losing confidence in a journal which reeks with insincerity and itself supplies every morning the refutation of its yesterday's sayings.

In the old days when The Globe was a power in the land as great as or greater than the Government, it was often wrong—but it was always honest.

Now it writes Jesuitically of the Fisheries and fishily of the Jesuits.

A Nation Added.

The American papers have a good deal to say these days about the new nation that has been added to the union of States. Four new States have recently been admitted by Congress—North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Washington. And it is pointed out that these four new States cover more territory than the whole thirteen that formed the union a little over a hundred years ago; and much more such like.

Meantime, what is the matter with the addition to old Canada some years ago of the vast territory lying between the Lake of the Woods and the Pacific ocean? That would most probably have made a few more States for Brother Jonathan but for the fact that there were statesmen here who thought that Canada had the better right. And so, as The World has before remarked, we have now the great lake and the great prairie, each one supplementing the other.

But is it not passing strange that there should be those amongst us who would hand the whole over to the United States? For that is the only conclusion to which this Unrestricted Reciprocity humbug would bring us, if we tried it. But let us reflect that time is on our side, and that the ability of Canada to stand as a nation increases every year. The annexationists have not nearly as good a chance now as they had twenty or thirty years ago. Time is slipping away from them, and their chances are every year becoming less. Their best chance of all was—just before Confederation. Ever since then things have been changing, but not their way. And the longer the worse it must be for them, we should say.

There must be something behind this London Times business not yet known. It is true that Buckle, the new editor, is inexperienced, but Macdonald, the manager, and Soames, the solicitor, would not have blundered into the Pigott mess. It may be depended upon that they went in deliberately, whether at the instance of Mr. Walter, the chief proprietor, or of Lord Salisbury, is yet to be learned.

The London Times is ill and out of sorts and probably doesn's want to give Irish plots undue prominence just now. Otherwise it might, with just as much vim as is entered upon the work of destroying Parnell, proceed to demonstrate the probability that its own Pigott was first bribed or coerced by Land Leaguers into making a false confession, then was induced to fly to a foreign shore where he was closely followed by two Irish Invincibles disguised in slouch hats, long cloaks, top boots and daggers. On the first occasion that these agents of Nemesis caught Pigott alone, to wit in a crowded hotel at Madrid, they inserted a pistol into his mouth and deprived him of the upper part of his head. Afterwards they closed his hand around the pistol for appearance sake. The Times might perhaps have magnanimously refrained from stating its opinion that Parnell and Egan were the actual murderers, but if it had so refrained it would have shown more self-denial than it has shown in dealing with those gentlemen at any time within the last six months.

About a thousand newspapers to-day will contain the remark about Pigott that "nothing in this life became him like the leaving of it."

The City Council should be made to expose its true financial position to the Private Bills Committee to-morrow. The bonded debt incurred and authorized cannot be less than $11,000,000. Besides this there is a huge and mysterious floating debt, concerning the particulars of which aldermen are unable to get information. Judging by banking transactions which have been made public, this floating debt at the present time exceeds $2,000,000 and there are more than six expensive months to run before the taxes begin to come in.

Inauguration Day, with the chances in favor of the Republicans electing Presidents for several terms to come if they behave themselves.

Pigott's last words may cause much trouble. He telegraphed to have Lawyer Soames "Send me what you promised." In order to escape a charge of conspiracy to defeat the ends of justice Mr. Soames will now have to plead that he never promised Pigott anything, and that Pigott was such a liar that he could never be believed.

"Parnellism and Crime" must take a back seat in favor of "The London Times and Soup."

Clean Off Yonge and King-streets.

The City authorities or the Street Railway Company, or both working together, ought to take steps to-day to have at least one line of the street railway running north and south, and another east and west, opened at the earliest possible moment if the weather probabilities indicate a continuance of the thaw. The condition of King-street is a marvel to behold. Yonge-street is a series of ruts alternating with small torrents. It is only fair to the business men on these streets that the authorities move at once in the matter.

Do not buy last season's styles in clothing when you can already have new spring goods at the Army & Navy stores. A special effort was made this year to get in the new goods early. The patterns and styles are entirely new, and the price for new goods is lower than old goods at auction prices. Already we show over a hundred new patterns in men's suits, and quite as many new styles in boys' clothing. We will not urge you to buy; trade is dull just now and you will be welcome whether you want to buy or not at the Army & Navy stores.

IN TORONTO'S CHURCHES.

THE CHIEF SUBJECTS DEALT WITH YESTERDAY.

In Memoriam Professor Young—Doctor Wild Attacks the Jesuits and Father Hand Defends Them—The Western Methodist Pulpits—Mr. Jeffery in His Old Church.

Pastors waxed warm over the Jesuit business yesterday. Some of the sermons were merely arraignments of Roman Catholic doctrines, others were distinctly political. Father Hand vigorously defended the Society of Jesus and regretted that there are no Jesuits in Toronto. Some generous words were said of the life and labors of Professor Young. Several anniversaries were held, and the Western Methodists buried the hatchet and welcomed Mr. Jeffery and Mr. Johnston in their new pastorates.

THE LATE PROFESSOR YOUNG.

His Merits as a Student and Teacher Ably Set Forth.

Old St. Andrew's Church was well filled last night when Rev. G. M. Milligan preached on "The late Professor Young as a Student and a Teacher." The speaker compared the late Professor to Daniel, from whose book he took his text. "Both," said he, "were men of pure, humble, highly-endowed lives, lives of great fidelity towards God and man. Their minds followed philosophical pursuits peculiar to the age in which they lived. Besides this they were men of deep and fervent piety. Professor Young was the most richly-endowed man I ever met." Continuing, the speaker referred to his first acquaintance with his late friend in 1865 when he (Mr. Milligan) was teaching a Grammar School and Professor Young was inspector. Like every true student his whole life from the time he left college was a great and glowing course.

The late Professor was eminently a lover of truth. He was also a man of courage. Rightly or wrongly, whatever he saw to be true he must testify that it is true. He had an humble mind; was a contented man; never sought for place. Education with him was real. He was not satisfied unless knowledge was assimilated with the mind. Hence he strove to make the minds of his class think for themselves. It was a spectacle, pleasing to men and angels to witness the working of his mind in his class room to reach this end. It has been truly said that a man who could not learn under him was hopelessly uneducated so far as his subjects were concerned. The weapons of his warfare against error and ignorance and sin were not the carnal weapons of sarcasm, but the spiritual weapons of candor and gentleness. Mr. Milligan contradicted the insinuations that the teachings of the university are not the healthiest, and let me say to any young man who fancies that Professor Young was other than a simple believer in the great verities of the gospel, that it is a mistake. Professor Young was a thorough Christian in his faith as well as in his character."

AT BOND-STREET CHURCH.

Dr. Wild Thinks It's Time That Canadians Kicked.

Bond-street Congregational Church has never been more crowded than it was last night. The Doctor's theme was "What the Jesuits will do," and his text "Do unto others as men would do unto you." The preacher contended that no man can be a good and sincere Roman Catholic and at the same time a patriot. In support of this contention were quoted passages from Roman Catholic ritual and doctrine, and the statement was made that every Roman Catholic loyal to his oath would endeavor, anywhere and everywhere to annihilate all temporal power. As head of the Church of Rome, the Pope he called a "humbug" and a "blasphemer," and after ridiculing the Roman Catholic tenets and professions, the Doctor said: "It is impossible to reconcile freedom with statements made in their own works, and in order to protect ourselves we must restrain them from carrying out their unholy purposes." Another thing roundly ridiculed was that anyone should take up the defensive for the Jesuits.

Canadian sentiment, he contended, ought to be emphatic against them. I would like to see more in the modern school books of what we saw in the old Readers, such beautiful little poems as this, which used to be in the old Third Reader:

Hurrah, hurrah for Canada,
Her woods and valleys green;
Hurrah, hurrah for England
Hurrah for England's Queen.

THE JESUITS PRAISED.

Father Hand Is Sorry There Are None in Toronto.

Long before 7 o'clock last evening the spacious interior of St. Michael's Cathedral was crowded with worshippers who had come to hear Rev. Father Hand deliver a sermon on the all-absorbing topic of the Jesuits. His was an able defence of the grant which they have received in Quebec. By historical references he contended that the Order of Jesus is entitled to the $400,000 which the bill gives them. Wild and frenzied harangues had been hurled from the pulpits in language which must scandalize the angels in edifices erected to the worship of God and falling from lips that cannot but profane the name of Jesus. Men unable to reason calmly had offered opinions on the local questions of the indemnifying of the Jesuit order. The Jesuits were satisfied to settle a long and vexatious dispute for the small sum of $400,000, when the estates to-day were worth two million and perhaps more. The Rev. Father said, "I don't see why there should be such a fuss and contention over this small matter. It will benefit all parties." "But," he continued, "I don't see how in justice $60,000 can be given for Protestant education. The Catholics should protest against the giving of $60,000 to a party which never put a cent into the original land." The Mail by its appeals to Protestant ministers had succeeded in creating a prejudice amongst the Protestant religious denominations in the Province. "The Wandering Jew," who had for the past two years been preaching Commercial Union, a few weeks ago was rejected in his own society as its president. He desired to create a feud between the different denominations of the Province, but the real object he had in view was annexation, and the poor, deluded ministers say: "Let us become part of the States, then we can escape the Jesuits." But in no country was the Jesuit order so strong as in that great republic.

QUEEN-STREET METHODIST.

The Pulpit Once More Filled by Rev. T. W. Jeffery.

Rev. T. W. Jeffery preached in Queen-street Methodist Church last night. Long before the appointed hour of service, the church was crowded to its utmost capacity. Mr. Jeffery was greeted with applause which increased when he referred to his appearance in that church after so long an absence. "I have been appointed," he said, "to fill this pulpit in accordance with the resolution passed by the Quarterly Board. I appear not as a stranger, but I come to do my Master's work, to do it in the way that I think best; and I ask your prayers, your help and your sympathies for the short time between this and Conference. No doubt many of you came here to-night thinking that I might say something of the past, but this is no place to talk about that except to say that all praise, all honor, all glory and all might I ascribe to Him the Eternal Father who has helped me to keep from sinking and enabled me, under circumstances most peculiar and painful, to be able to say that those that believe and put their trust in Him shall never be confounded." Then Mr. Jeffery preached an able evangelical sermon, in which he dealt principally with his experience in spreading the gospel among the lowly. He related some amusing anecdotes and urged the members of the church to go everywhere and preach. "I have been, myself," he said, "in some of the worst gambling dens of this vast city preaching His word. Go everywhere, no matter where it may be, and preach to poor souls, and do so with the consciousness that God loves them."

The Western Methodists' New Pastor.

Rev. Hugh Johnston took possession of the pulpit of the Western Methodist Church, Bloor-street, yesterday morning and preached an earnest and eloquent sermon from the command to the Israelites in Egypt, "Go forward." He deduced lessons suitable to the circumstances of the church and congregation and stated his desire for peace and progress. He requested no further notice of their past difficulties but all to look upward and forward and do good as they had opportunity.

Severe on the Jesuits.

Yesterday afternoon in Shaftesbury Hall Father Phillips, through an interpreter, gave an address on the Jesuits. He said though the Jesuits call themselves the Society of Jesus they are no more like Jesus than God is to the devil. It was the Jesuits who murdered Hackett in Montreal and they would kill all who do not agree with them had they the power. Beware, Protestants; send not your daughters to convents, for therein dwell darkness and iniquity. Father Phillips will lecture to-night in Agnes-street church on Jesuitism.

Remember that Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has no equal as a specific for colds, coughs, and all affections of the throat and lungs. For nearly half a century it has been in greater demand than any other remedy for pulmonary complaints. All druggists have it for sale. ed

Business Difficulties.

Business failures reported to Bradstreet's numbered 243 in the United States last week against 302 the week before, and 205 the corresponding week last year. Canada had 67 last week, against 57 the week before. The total of failures in the United States from January 1st to date is 2727, against 2317 in 1888.

The creditors of the Star Hosiery Co. of Georgetown have applied for a winding-up order.

The Speight Wagon Manufacturing Co. of Markham have gone into liquidation.

Clark, Maitland & Co., general dealers, Smith's Falls, have gone into liquidation.

Brownell & Shaver, dry goods dealers, Cornwall, have assigned.

Jerret & Co., builders and contractors of this city, are offering to compromise at 50c. on the dollar.

John F. Otwell, fruit canner, etc., St. Mary's, has assigned for the benefit of his creditors.

"Cable" Cigars. The standard brand. Over a quarter of a century in the market. Sales constantly increasing. tf

Personal Mention.

Mayor-elect Grenier of Montreal is ill.

The condition of Mr. W. H. Gladstone is improved.

Rev. J. E. Hunter and Rev. H. T. Crossley, the well-known evangelists, are at the Walker.

Jay Gould and Russell Sage have withdrawn from the directorate of the International and Great Northern Railroad stock.

Mr. M. C. Cameron, ex-M.P., of Goderich, has recovered from his late severe illness and is again able to attend to his law practice.

Mayor Lockerbie, Reeve C. Gamon and Councillor C. Macdonell of Sarnia were in town on Saturday and put up at the Walker.

The rumor that Sir Donald Smith had offered $25,000 for the Jesuit barracks property at Quebec for the site for a large hotel in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway is incorrect.

Editor E. Farrer of The Mail is rapidly convalescing. He was out for a drive yesterday afternoon. It is understood Mr. Farrer will take a trip for a few weeks, when he hopes to resume his editorial duties.

J. S. Nesbitt, Sarnia; L. H. Allison, Sherbrooke, Que.; J. Browning, St. John's Newfoundland; J. E. Woodworth, Winnipeg; D. Walsh, Halifax; J. E. Smith, Cannington, and Alex. Macdonnell, Windsor, are at the Walker.

Mr. Edward Lloyd, the great English tenor, is a cricket enthusiast. His grandfather was bandmaster of the Coldstream Guards; his father and mother were musicians of high rank and his son is being trained in the same artistic calling with every prospect of success.

Dr. W. R. Campbell, Smith's Falls; J. A. Warnock, Galt; Frank Moore, Chicago; S. J. Bowling, Detroit; A. H. Turner, New York; E. Ashton, New York; D. Martin, Guelph; G. R. Renfrew, Quebec; H. R. Williams, Hamilton; G. W. Ingils, Boston, Mass., are at the Rossin.

Thos. Cowan, Galt; E. Davis, Brockville; Robert Kerr, Winnipeg; F. S. Whitney, St. Paul; W. Pearce, Calgary; F. S. Wylie, Port Arthur; Hugh Russell, Montreal; A. Godfrey, Vancouver; T. M. Coulter, Halifax; D. E. Sprague, Winnipeg; R. J. Tyre, London, Eng.; John T. Ashley and Chas. Johnston, Bradford, Eng., are at the Queen's.

Wm. J. Murphy, Montreal; A. J. Watts, jr., Brantford; A. McKenzie, Montreal; H. Yelland, London, Eng.; John A. Allen, London, Eng.; Fred Waller, Brantford; Chas. G. Mason, Kentucky; S. W. Bromley, St. Catharines; J. A. McKee, Brockville; R. Scott, Galt; W. T. Hyland, Guelph; F. Allan, St. Mary's, are at the Palmer.

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JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

In all the Roman Catholic Churches yesterday the rules for Lent were announced from the pulpit. They are the same as last year.

Science Hall was filled last night with members of the Secular Society and their friends, when Mrs. Charles Watts gave another of her popular dramatic readings.

A man named John Henry is in custody charged with the theft of two goatskin robes from John Unsberg of Springfield. A constable will arrive to-day to take him to Brampton for trial.

At the Canadian Institute on Saturday night a resolution of condolence with the relatives of the late Professor Young was passed. Then the thorny subject of the Bible account of creation was temperately discussed.

On Saturday Constable Anson arrested Geo. Long alias Lane of 122 Edward-street on the charge of having stolen a bottle of beer from the delivery wagon of Humphrey Jackson, King and George-streets.

Longfellow memorial day will be observed by St. Paul's Circle with a reception to their friends and the public this evening in the Central Methodist Church parlors. A choice program of selections from the works of the poet will be given by some of our favorite singers and readers.

Richmond Hall was filled both morning and night yesterday with the poor of both sexes. On the conclusion of the hearty breakfast Rev. John Neil, pastor of Chalmers-street Presbyterian Church, gave an address. At night Mr. H. C. Dixon interested the audience, which consisted principally of those who had been at the breakfast. A Bible-woman has been appointed to visit the people at their homes or boarding-houses. Many gave in their names and addresses.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Minnie Higgins, wife of Mr. Higgins, proprietor of the Rossin House billiard parlor, who received fatal injuries in the accident at St. George, took place on Saturday to Mount Pleasant. Rev. J. M. Wilkinson conducted the service. The pallbearers were W. G. Murdoch, Charles Scales, Harry Donaldson, William Smith, R. Murdoch and Carl Paygenstecher. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ailin of Detroit, the latter the deceased's youngest sister, and L. F. Jordan, a brother of Mrs. Higgins, and wife, also from Detroit, were the friends present. The funeral was from the residence, 215 University-street.

Have you tried Holloway's Corn Cure? It has no equal for removing these troublesome excrescences, as many have testified who have tried it.

City Hall Small Talk.

During the past month the License Inspector turned over $2,678.20 to the City Treasurer, being the amount received in license fees under the bylaws in that period.

There were registered with the City Clerk last week, 69 births, 13 marriages, and 44 deaths.

The Court of Revision has been called for 2 to-day.

A building permit was granted to James Hudson on Saturday for the erection of two two-storey brick dwellings in Bathurst-street near Bloor, to cost $6000.

The question of making all wires go under ground in the city of Toronto will occupy the attention of the Private Bills Committee shortly. The various companies interested in the pole system are preparing to oppose it to the bitter end.

Ald Davies' property occupied the attention of the Don arbitrators on Saturday morning. This property will take the arbitrators fully a week to adjust.

Six cases of diphtheria, two of scarlet fever, three of typhoid and two of measles were reported to the Medical Health Department last week.

Ald. Dodds and his Ottawa deputation got in from the east on Saturday morning. Ald. Dodds is confident that the Government will grant at least $10,000 towards rendering the American Association for the Advancement of Science a fitting reception, and one of which not only Toronto but the Dominion may be proud.

At a conference with the Council of the Board of Trade on Saturday, Mayor Clarke, Ald. McMillan and the City Solicitor succeeded in converting that body to the view that a consolidation of the civic debt was a thing to be desired.

The celebrated El Padre brand of cigars has lost none of its original excellence. The tobacco used, being of a high grade and carefully selected, guarantees the consumer a cigar of fine and delicate aroma and the best value. tf

O'CONNOR'S EASY VICTORY.

THE CHAMPION DEFEATS GAUDAUR AND BREAKS THE RECORD.

The St. Louis Sculler Gives It Up After Half a Mile—Rough Water His Excuse—English Racing News—Baseball and Other Sports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 3.—The boat race here to-day between William O'Connor, champion of America, and Jake Gaudaur of St. Louis, Mo., for the championship and $1000 a side demonstrated a fact: That the Toronto sculler who so handily won to-day's race and shattered the St. Louis aquatic idol is certainly the best oarsman in America if not in the world.

The time made—19.45—which breaks all previous records for three miles in a race demonstrates such, and there is little doubt but that O'Connor could have rowed much faster had he so desired. From the moment the "word" was given the Canadian was never headed during the race, and he worked with the ease and steadiness of a well-oiled machine. The contest excited as much interest as did the race here last March between O'Connor and Peterson when the local oarsman fell a victim to the mighty Canadian. Although it was known that the race would not take place till between 4 and 5 o'clock, as early as 1 o'clock Alameda Bay was fairly dotted with boats of every description.

The day was perfect, with a bright warm sunshine, though a slight breeze caused a little roughness.

It was after 5 o'clock when the oarsmen were called out, O'Connor being the first to make his appearance. As he pulled to the starting point he was warmly greeted by his thousands of admirers and it was easily to be seen that the Canadian was the favorite both in the betting and with the general public. Shortly after Gaudaur rowed to the judges' boat and the men were soon in position.

When the oarsmen got the word "go," O'Connor was the first to strike the water and pulling 37 strokes to the minute soon forged ahead and before he had gone two hundred yards was an open length in front of Gaudaur, who "gave up" after going half a mile. O'Connor continued on pulling a long steady stroke and crossed the finishing line in 19.45.

The champion was loudly cheered on all sides as he pulled back to his boathouse, where a host of admirers were waiting to greet him.

Gaudaur was seen after the race and gave as an excuse for stopping that the water was too rough, although he afterwards frankly acknowledged that O'Connor could beat him.

THE CHAMPION'S CAREER.

William O'Connor, who was born in Toronto twenty-eight years ago, needs no introduction as he is as well known throughout the world as Mayor Clarke is in Toronto.

As an amateur he first rowed in a race as the regatta of the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen at Ottawa in 1883. He won the junior singles there, and also, in conjunction with G. T. Enright, the double-sculled inrigged skiff race. Buckley and O'Connell of Portland beat them in the double-scull race.

O'Connor and Enright, by successive victories the next year in shells and skiffs, became the double-sculled champions of the Canadian, National and Northwestern Associations.

In 1885 O'Connor won the senior singles at the Canadian regatta at Hamilton Beach, and he and Enright had a walk-over for the doubles.

In 1886 O'Connor became a professional, he and Enright being matched against Hosmer and McKay to row three miles on Lake Quinsigamond for $1000 a side. Hosmer and McKay won by three lengths in 18.01—the best three mile record for double sculls. O'Connor had not recovered at the time from an attack of inflammation of the lungs. Afterwards O'Connor won a match for $1000 with Stone of Minneapolis. He also won in the 22-minute class in the Erie regatta. Hosmer beat him in the open class.

In 1887 O'Connor and Wallace Ross were matched to row for $1000 a side on Bowery Bay. Ross backed out on the pretense of sickness, and O'Connor was sent over the course by the referee.

At the Fourth of July regatta in Buffalo Hamm and O'Connor were rowing second to Hanlan, when a tugboat rushing up beside O'Connor, threw him out of his shell. He climbed in again from the tug and finished a good third. Courtney, Enright and Bubear did not finish. In a regatta at Bellaire, Ohio, O'Connor beat Ritz, Moniger and other local men. On Toronto bay in September, 1887, O'Connor easily beat Al Hamm in 20.16 over a three-mile course with a turn. Hamm was about six lengths behind.

Last year the champion commenced by defeating Henry Peterson of San Francisco last March, over the same course as he beat Gaudaur on yesterday. On Aug. 15, O'Connor easily beat Lee, his present trainer, in a three-mile race over Toronto Bay, and the following week beat Gaudaur, Wise and Lee at the regatta at Sturgeon Point. His next victory was over John Teemer, when he won the championship of America from the McKeesport sculler at Washington on Nov. 4, winning easily by 15 lengths.

For the America's Cup.

The English correspondents of the Boston papers are calling the wildest rumors across the Atlantic. One day it is the Thistle that is to surprise us with another challenge for the America's Cup—after she has been fitted with a centreboard. Another day it is a ninety footer that is being built at Fay's yard, Southampton, for the same purpose. All these stories are evolved from super-fervid imaginations. Even if a yacht was built for the purpose of trying for the cup she would have to wait until next year. It is said on the very highest authority that the New York Yacht Club is determined to insist upon the six months' notice, which is one of the prime conditions under which it became custodian of the coveted trophy. So even if it were true that a yacht is being built the news is of little interest to Americans this season.—N.Y. Herald.

Jack Farrell Defeats Owney McElroy.

NEWBURGH, N.Y., March 3.—Jack Farrell of Dobbs Ferry and Owney McElroy of Yonkers fought a desperate battle of 72 rounds with skin gloves, London prize rules, in a ring pitched in the Star Hotel at Highland Falls early yesterday morning. In each of the first 24 rounds Farrell knocked McElroy down. In the 45th round McElroy broke his thumb. In the 72nd round McElroy's backers threw up the sponge and the referee gave the fight to Farrell. Both men were badly punished. About 100 New Yorkers were given the tip and paid $2 each to see the mill.

Knocked Out in the Eighth Round.

CHICAGO, March 3.—Mike Murphy of Duluth was knocked out by Jack Cotton of Chicago in the eighth round of a hot fight near Riverside yesterday. The men are middle weights and were fighting for a purse of $300. About 300 people were present.

Cardiff to Meet Jackson.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 3.—Patsy Cardiff has started for San Francisco to meet Jackson, the colored champion. Cardiff is confident. He will enter the ring at 180.

Fought 116 Rounds.

ASHLAND, Wis., March 3.—John Van Heisel, champion feather-weight of the Northwest, and "Billy" Welch, fought 116 rounds (London prize ring rules), before a select crowd here to-day. The fight was given to Van Heisel. Welch was fairly covered with blood and his right hand was broken.

The Pool Tourney.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The nineteenth game of the pool tournament was forfeited to Manning to-day, King not appearing. An exciting contest was had between Fowers and Dobro, the latter winning. The score was Dobro 100, Powers 101. Scratches—Powers 2.

Football in Mid-Winter.

FALL RIVER, Mass., March 3.—The last game but one in the American Football Association championship series was played here to-day between the Rovers of this city and the O. N. T. S. of Newark, N. J., resulting 7 to 0 in favor of the former.

Does Not Aspire for Pugilistic Honors.

Editor World: In regard to the challenge in The Eastern Star of March 2 and purporting to have come from me, I would say for the benefit of my friends that there is not one word of truth in it, as I do not aspire to any notoriety as a pugilist.

Toronto, March 4. CLARKSON W. JAMES.

The Olympic Lacrosse Club.

The annual meeting of the Olympic Lacrosse Club of Milton was held last week, Mr. M. E. Mitchell being in the chair. The attendance was the largest ever seen at a lacrosse meeting in that place, and judging from the interest taken in the welfare of the club by all present, lacrosse is going to boom in Milton the coming season. There is a good balance in the hands of the treasurer and everything points to success. The following officers were elected: L. P. Eager, honorary-president; D. W. Campbell, president; John Lyon, 1st vice; H. H. Watson, 2nd vice; M. E. Mitchell, captain; D. A. Robson, secretary-treasurer. Two committees were appointed. An executive consisting of C. Burrows, J. Little, John Dewar, J. Hannant and E. Wilson; a grounds committee consisting of John Ford, William J. Dewar and J. F. Little.

The captain was also instructed to purchase for the club a dozen jerseys of the very best quality and it was also decided to hold a grand celebration here on Dominion Day. The meeting adjourned greatly the manner in which the O. L. A. had worked since its organization and decided to continue its membership in that association.

The Player Must Move.

Editor World: In playing checkers, do the rules compel a player to move within five minutes or any specified time?

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Ans.—Yes. The rule reads: At the end of five minutes (if the play has not been previously made) time must be called by the person appointed for the purpose in a distinct manner; and if the play be not completed on the expiry of another minute, the game shall be adjudged to be lost through improper delay.

Kenilworth Is Dead.

News has been received of the death at sea of the trotter Kenilworth, formerly the property of Mayor Hugh Grant of New York, and sold at auction with the rest of his stable shortly after the election. Kenilworth was sold to Mr. Scannell for $3000, and by him sold to a gentleman who sent him to England to enter for competition in a two-mile race over there. The horse was subsequently sold to a Mr. Ricker for $5600, and was on his way to South America in the steamer Advance, when he was taken with lung fever, died, and was buried at sea. The shoes were removed and sent to Mayor Grant.

English Racing Gossip.

Kenilworth is a strong tip in the north for the Lincolnshire Handicap and Warlaby is also spoken of as being good business.

Topmost is an intended runner for the Grand National, and will, if all goes well, be the mount of Mr. W. E. Stephens.

It is stated that the connections of Why Not have not yet backed the horse for the Grand National.

Homely, Zanzibar and Listen, the last three of the Duchess of Montrose's horses at Manton, have left there for Newmarket, where they join Golding's string.

In the Grand National it is understood that Mr. H. Beasley will guide Why Not, and that Mr. T. Beasley will guide Battle Royal, Mr. W. Beasley piloting Frigate.

The Sikh, who has been so heavily backed for the Grand National, was pulled out on Feb. 16 for the Harrington Hunters' Steeple Chase over Four Oaks Park. Jumping in bold style his task proved of the simplest character, and his performance gave complete satisfaction.

The steeple-chaser Prime Cheddar, who was purchased by Mr. Taylor for 70 guineas after winning a selling steeple-chase at the Windsor December Meeting and sent to France, has had a very short life in his new home. He was one of the competitors for the Prix d'Ouverture at Auteuil on Feb. 16, but fell and sustained such injuries that he had to be destroyed.

A series of mishaps marked the contest for the Qualifying Steeplechase at Wyre Park, Feb. 18, as seven of the ten competitors fell. When Fireball came down six furlongs from the finish Lord Coventry rolled right over him, but fortunately their riders escaped without any serious injury, though Sir James Duke had his wrist badly cut and one of his legs bruised.

The following is the latest London betting on the Spring events:

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP, 1 MILE, RUN MARCH 27.

			Weight.
18 to 1	against	Wise Man (taken)	106
20 to 1	"	Johnny Morgan (taken and offered)	106
20 to 1	"	Veracity (taken and offered)	116
20 to 1	"	Gallinule (taken and offered)	107
25 to 1	"	The Baron (taken)	107
25 to 1	"	Sweetheart (taken)	93
25 to 1	"	Tyrone (taken)	111
50 to 1	"	King Milan (taken)	103

GRAND NATIONAL, 4½ MILES, RUN MARCH 29.

100 to 8	against	Why Not (taken)	159
100 to 8	"	Roquefort (taken)	168
100 to 6	"	The Sikh (taken & offered)	144
100 to 6	"	M.P. (taken and offered)	149
100 to 6	"	Glenthorpe (taken & offered)	150