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CANDIDATES GALORE.

Four Mayoralty and Many Aldermanic Aspirants

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The New Wards Plentifully Baptised Yesterday.

Sharp Speaking in the Council Chamber—Mayor Clarke Defends His Administration—He Attacks Candidate Fleming—Who in Turn Compares His Worship to the Serpent—Candidate McMillan Well Received—He Says a Good Word for the Retiring Mayor—Mr. Osler Gets a Royal Reception—He Interests His Audience and Was Generally Regarded as the Man for Galway—The Aldermanic and School Trustee Nominations.

The nominations of candidates for the office of mayor, aldermen and public school trustees took place yesterday. There was no lack of aspirants for the various offices, as will be seen by a reference to what follows:

FOR THE MAYOR'S CHAIR.

Four Gentlemen Enter the Race for the Chief Magistracy.

The Council Chamber and the corridors of City Hall were crowded to their utmost yesterday morning to hear the nominations and speeches of the candidates for the Mayoralty. There were perhaps more business men in the gathering than usual, showing a more general interest in civic politics. Workingmen were there not a few. Policemen were there in civilian clothes. And young men, scarcely qualified voters, were there simply for the purpose of having a big time, to get what fun they could out of it. On the whole the meeting was an orderly one—unusually orderly for one of such long duration, four hours.

A few minutes before 10 o'clock, City Clerk Blevins took a seat at his table. Punctually at the hour he announced that the meeting was open for nominations.

Nominations Begin.

At 10.20, Prof. Goldwin Smith stepped to the side of Mr. Blevins' table and said: "I beg to nominate, seconded by W. R. Brock, Mr. Edmund B. Osler financial agent, as candidate for the mayoralty of Toronto for 1892." Mr. W. R. Brock came forward and seconded the resolution. The nomination was received with cheers.

Ex-Ald. Crocker after an interval of some minutes came out of the throng that surrounded the railing and in a very small voice nominated Mr. James Beaty. The only words that were audible at the reporters' table were "I" and "James Beaty." Mr. S. Burnett seconded the nomination, which was greeted with heartrending silence.

As the clock approached 11 Dr. Barrick nominated ex-Ald. Robert J. Fleming, taxpayer, as candidate for the mayoralty for 1892. Mr. D. A. Carey was the seconder.

Mr. H. A. E. Kent moved the name of John McMillan. William Carlyle, in seconding the nomination, expressed the opinion that if Mr. McMillan would serve the city as well in the future as he had done in the past he would make a first-class mayor.

Ald. John Hallam proposed the name of Mayor Clarke. H. A. E. Kent seconded it. The Mayor's name was the signal for loud cheers.

W. B. Hamilton proposed Robert Jaffray and Mr. W. M. Goreton seconded it. This was the last name proposed.

At 11 o'clock Mr. Blevins declared the nominations closed. It was immediately moved that he act as chairman for the meeting that followed, which he did most efficiently.

Not of the Board of Trade.

Mr. Goldwin Smith, as proposer of Mr. Osler, was the first speaker. He spoke in high terms of Mayor Clarke. Continuing, he said, "There is but one thing I wish to say. As chairman of Mr. Osler's committee I can only say that the one aim of the committee was to seek out a competent man. We have found him, I think, in Mr. Osler. He has not come out as the nominee of any class, section or corporation."

A Voice: What about the Board of Trade? "Mr. Osler's nomination," continued Prof. Smith, "has no connection with the Board of Trade; it is said he is a director of the Canadian Pacific Railway. It would be hard to find any prominent business man who is not connected with some corporation that might possibly come into collision with the city, but in such a case, Mr. Osler is a man who is much more likely to allow his own private interests to suffer rather than allow the city to be injured. In supporting Mr. Osler I believe I am supporting the best mam. The candidates are before you, let them be judged fairly on their merits, and take the best."

He is the Best Man.

Mr. W. R. Brock then made a brief speech, in which he said he was supporting Mr. Osler because he thought him the best man in the field. The Board of Trade, he said, was an institution of the people and as such should have a voice in the choice of a Mayor.

Ex-Ald. Crocker said he had moved Mr. Beaty's name because he had been connected with Mr. Beaty in the council and had always found him an able and honest man.

Dr. Barrick said: "I have nominated Mr. R. J. Fleming, ratepayer, for two reasons. [A voice: Hurrah for Cabbage Town!] "I nominate him on principle. I believe the affairs of the city should be managed in a business-like way. I do not think streets should be paved and sewers laid on streets on which there are no houses. I do not think this is the way any of you would direct your private affairs. An incompetent Works Department is responsible for this. I do not believe in the pensioning system. This system was always opposed by Mr. Fleming when he was in the council."

He also supported Mr. Fleming on account of his ability. Mr. Fleming was a successful business man. He had municipal experience and was untrammeled. Mr. Fleming, he said, had shown ability in his preparation of statistics.

A Voice: What about speculators?

Dr. Barrick: Mr. Fleming is a man with real estate. The city should have such a man.

Ald. Hallam nominated Mr. E. F. Clarke, he said, because he had served the city well for the last four years.

Powerfully Defends Himself.

Mayor Clarke then took the stand. He announced he was not in the field. He thanked Professor Goldwin Smith for nominating him on four occasions; and then proceeded to defend his administration to lay, as he said, the responsibility on the shoulders to which it properly belonged.

The debt of the city was now, he said, something over $16,000,000. On Jan. 1, 1888, it was $8,474,000. Besides that there were several expenditures voted by preceding councils that had to be provided for, and that too while Messrs. Fleming and McMillan were in the council. There were the city and municipal buildings for which $750,000 have had to be provided, the Don River improvements $275,000, local improvements, King-street subway, Collegiate Institute and other obligations aggregating in all $1,885,000. So that the debt was really $10,358,000. In addition there were school expenditures to the amount of $750,000, for which the school board is responsible. The uncontrollable expenditures met by the council of '88 and succeeding years amounted to $1,366,865. The only debts that these councils were responsible for were the controllable expenditures charged to capital account. This amounts in all to $486,000. All this was voted on by the ratepayers, one item being the expenditure of $100,000 on public parks.

"The waterworks debt has been increased to $1,002,000. [A whistle.] Some of you gentlemen whistle. If this money had not been expended your mouths would have been too dry to whistle. The revenue obtained from waterworks has been sufficient to maintain the service and pay interest and sinking fund on the debt. Water rates have also been reduced from 15 cents to 12½ cents per thousand feet on meter rates and a discount of 60 per cent. instead of 50 per cent. on general rates. Taking all this into consideration, over $410,000 has been paid back to the city.

Hits Brother Fleming.

"I am and have been," he continued, "opposed to the local improvement system, because it is liable to be abused, because assessment by foot frontage of property, whether in the centre of the city or the outskirts, is not equitable. Local improvements have added $3,000,000 to the city's debt; that increase has given employment to thousands of men, beautified our streets with block pavements, in many places only to aggrandize land speculators who have property in the outskirts. The mistake was in annexing outside territory that would not have been taken in except for the facilities that were given to land speculators to improve their lands.

"You have heard about the intimate knowledge one of the candidates possessed, not only of our city, but of some hundred American cities. They tell you Toronto is badly governed. Do you want to learn good government from Chicago or New York? The figures given you with regard to the police force were not correct. The police force of this city is run more economically than any of them, and it is worse than demagogy to tell the people it can be reduced and give efficient protection."

His Worship spoke of the reorganization of the Works and Solicitor's Departments, and was of the opinion that the dispensing with the services of Mr. Jennings was a very great mistake.

He then explained that the inequitable assessment complained of was largely due to the opposition of some of the members of council to the appointing of three competent assessors to do the work. At the time this was opposed Mr. Fleming was chairman of the Court of Revision and did not recommend it.

The Mayor said in conclusion that he would always feel proud of the honor conferred upon him of being chosen at four successive elections to the chief magistracy of the city.

The Future Mayor Speaks.

Mr. Osler was the next speaker. Round after round of applause greeted him. His opening remarks were in eulogy of Mayor Clarke. "No man," he said, "could have displayed more energy, in his work."

Proceeding he said: "It is stated that I am unfit for the position of mayor. First is because of my inexperience in municipal matters, but it strikes me you have had experienced men in the council for some time, and you know the result. I have been accused of being a director of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Surely the citizens of Toronto do not think lightly of what is to their interests. The railways' interests and the city's are identical. The more facilities you give the railways the cheaper you will get your goods here, and the wider range you will have for commercial enterprises. I think one of the evils that we as citizens have to complain about are that the city cannot be governed in the same way as when it was little more than a village. It was well managed in those days, because everybody knew what was going on. It has now outgrown that period."

Local Improvements.

Mr. Osler next turned his attention to the Local Improvement Bylaw. "That plan," he said, "is responsible for the very considerable increase in the debt. But it is responsible for more than that. It has added a large expenditure every year to your taxes for the purpose of keeping up the outlying streets. Toronto has got into a position similar to that of a large hotel which has been built in advance of the time. You have got too many rooms. You have got too many streets. [Hear, hear.] You want to do what a sensible hotelkeeper would do with his hotel, make it more attractive to tourists. Then there are also the manufacturing industries. Every effort should be made to keep these within the limits of the city. This could not be done in a better way than by keeping down the taxes. [Cheers.]

"There is apparently no difference of opinion as to what ought to be done. We all know there should be economy. We all want to make money go as far as possible. The only difference is in the mode of carrying it out.

The City's Finances.

"Now, with regard to the city's finances. That they have drifted into a very bad state is evident. Our small debentures are all now issued in different lots—different dates for each particular undertaking. For these odd amounts you cannot get quotations on the London, or any other market for that. As a result these debentures have to be sold on their own merits, for they are not quoted on the market. [Hear, hear.] The debentures that command the highest price are always those of larger issue and maturing at the same time. [Hear, hear.] The smaller debentures falling due on different dates are worth 10 per cent. less on the general market than those which are quoted. [Cries: You're right.] I don't, however, for one moment think that the city is in a bad way or in a hole." [Cheers.]

He held that ground rents were an injustice, and that the city should sell its property and use the proceeds towards liquidating its indebtedness. This remark was liberally cheered.

Referring to taxation, he said: "No council can promise a very material reduction. What you have to look forward to is a steady increase of population without a great increase in taxation." [Loud and prolonged cheers.]

Mr. Beaty Speaks.

The applause for Mr. Osler had scarcely subsided before the familiar form of ex-Mayor Beaty was seen beneath the canopy that shades the Mayor's chair. He assured the audience that he would be speaking from the same platform as Mayor before long.

He criticized the expenditures during Mr. Fleming's term in office rather severely. In 1886 cab hire amounted to $900, in 1889 to $3113.

Mr. Fleming: I was riding around.

A Voice: Looking at your real estate.

He quoted other figures to show that other expenditures had increased also. He said that during his regime the credit of the city was improved, the price of debentures rose from 95 to 115. Mr. Osler was advertised as the business man with a business plan. Where was the business plan? He thought an innocent and inexperienced men should not be put in the way of temptation. Mr. McMillan had a good record in council, but like the other candidates had proposed no remedy. His system, he added, was to reduce the departments to five, and to form a mixed corporation in which the legislative would be kept distinct from the administrative and the number of committees would be materially reduced. "I once," he said, "proposed a charter, which has, unfortunately, never been used."

Mr. R. J. Fleming: It couldn't have been much good.

Mr. Beaty: It wasn't introduced because it wouldn't allow of expenditures such as Mr. Fleming endorsed.

He concluded by some reference to his financial abilities.

Complains of Hard Usage.

Mr. R. J. Fleming stepped out from his seat to be heard. Cries of platform rang through the chamber. But above them could be heard such expressions as, "He isn't big enough for that platform," and "Take the platform for once."

Mr. Fleming complained that the Mayor

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THE SUNDAY STREET CARS.

THE ANTIS HOLD TWO MEETINGS LAST NIGHT.

Excited Orators—The Advocates of Sunday Cars Are Moving Sheolwards, Says One Speaker—The World Denounced Heartily—Correspondents Continue to Debate the Subject — Wednesday's Meeting.

Those opposed to Sunday street cars held two meetings last night. They are displaying admirable activity, and if they do not win it will be entirely owing to the inherent weakness of their cause. They are thoroughly organized. Every other church is a committee room. A house to house canvas is being made, literature is being sown broadcast and meetings will be held nightly until the hour of voting. All the newspapers of Toronto with the exception of The World are on their side. In opposition to this there is no organization. Only one meeting, that on Wednesday night under the chairmanship of the Hon. John Beverley Robinson, will be held. What will be the result? Well just keep your eye on the ballot boxes on Jan. 4.

PERFERVID ORATORY.

Speakers at the Barracks Warm up to the Occasion.

The Salvation Army Temple was the scene of a mass meeting last night against Sunday cars. There was a fair crowd in the building, but yet there was room, and the first thing the chairman did was to request the audience to move forward to the front seats. Upon the platform were the Hon. J. C. Aikin, Emerson Coatsworth, M.P., Rev. Drs. Dewart, J. J. Withrow, H. Johnston, Bishop Campbell, Messrs. Chambers, J. Neil, S. Acheson, J. A. Farmer, Brigadiers Holland and Margatts, Dr. Geikie and Mr. John T. Moore.

The meeting opened with devotional exercises, conducted by Revs. S. Acheson and Chambers.

Hon. J. C. Aikins, acting as chairman, made the opening speech. After alluding to the importance of the question and to the danger that in the heat of the mayoralty contest it might be lost sight of, he proceeded to explain that the general sentiment was against the movement which was said to be in the interests of the workingmen—to get get them the Sunday picnic! The workingmen had too much sense to be taken in by it. Then there was an attempt to raise a "classes v. masses" cry, that the poor as well as the rich should have Sunday conveyance. Here a tribute to the sense of the workingmen was responded to by a terrific "Hallelujah" by an excitable private in the front seat. The chairman concluded by saying he was not in favor of submitting the question to the people—it was too much trouble for them; but he was confident their decision would be right.

The Rev. John Neil now came forward and delivered the speech of the evening, after asserting his right to speak as a minister. He did believe in the theological element—that the Fourth Commandment was not merely Jewish, and that all unnecessary work is a violation of it. He would first take up the argument that church attendance would be improved. What are the facts? That the paper that is weeping and wailing over our spiritual needs wants to give us the Sunday street cars and The Sunday World. Every city in America of over 100,000 population has Sunday cars except Toronto, and Toronto's average stands highest. [Applause, and "Praise the Lord!"] Again the cry that cabs were used by those able to afford should not be used after the census a year or two ago, when it was found that only 5 per cent. of the cabs used on Sunday were by churchgoers. Again, Toronto really stands in the forefront. Over Europe there is a movement towards increased Sunday observance. Toronto is where they are trying to get and should not rob them of the force of her example. Nor is it right to ask others to do what we would not do ourselves. Ministers were not in a glass case utterly separate from other men; he himself had worked hard on the farm and had found the benefit of a day of rest. He had resolved to ask no one to lose his rest unnecessarily, and he defied anyone to prove that he had ever unnecessarily caused any man to work. His position was the Golden Rule. There soon would be seven days' work for the men; even if they got a day off in the week it would not take Sunday's place. It was the only day one could spend with his family. There is a peculiar need for the Sabbath in this age of intense activity, and for the sake of the next generation it should be kept. This closed his speech.

Mr. John T. Moore first avowed his humiliation at any proposal being made to rob Toronto of her peculiar glory. Some, it was said, avoided Toronto because of its Sunday—long may they avoid it! The Devil loves a shining mark and he has chosen one this time, who wished for this to pass, the weary workers? It was outrageous to say so. If the taskmaker can get his heel on the Sabbath he will keep it on, God knows best about man's need; it is not an affair of convenience. There is a man called Jackson who calls himself a minister and preaches a gospel of human happiness and of the welfare of the race; God forbid that he should be a minister. Moses and his "Thus sath the Lord" was good enough for the speaker. Then, after holding that a day of rest was necessary, Mr Moore went on to say that we are morally ahead. [Hallelujah.] Who were for the cars? A sprinkling of fellows who call themselves ministers — ministers of desecration — and with them loungers and loafers who do not know what to do with themselves and wish to get away from home, and the sports and saloon-keepers who are too lazy to walk. Some say people want to go to church! Go to Hell!! There are lots in hell now. The Toronto Sunday strikes the conscience of these people; they find its quiet oppressive; they do not want to think, and they want the cars to go to church! They had their fingers beside their nose as they made the plea. The monsters who are greedy for gain have their confederates and have baited their hook well. They know the cars would break the spell and would open the way for the pandemonium that would come—cigar shops, theatres, etc. The churches would be depleted, the Sunday schools deserted.

This closed a speech given with a power of lung and a vigor of action that must have made Mr. Moore feel weary.

Dr. Johnston followed and compared the European Sunday with Toronto's. He hoped all voters with property in different wards would vote early and often. The enemy contained: 1. The foreign element who have made the American Sunday what it is. 2. Infidelity and secularism. 3. Roman Catholics who have so many holy days that they wish Sunday for a holiday. 4. The high church party among the Anglicans. 5. The easy-goers who to go to church would send the drivers to the devil. Then interested avarice is at the bottom of it. What makes the one paper in their favor advocate it?

"The World, the Flesh and the Devil", was here ejaculated from the platform.

On the other side was the strong, sensible people who have made Toronto what it is. There are cries to guard against: 1. That we are a big city. But no interest suffers. 2. That there should be liberty. But men have not a right to do just as they please. 3. That the poor men are fairly dying to get out into the suburbs. Because the rich man can violate the Sabbath with his cab, the poor man must be allowed to violate it also. 4. That it is the laborers' interest—the most hypocritical of all. Those who wish seven days' work for six days' pay want to rob the laborer of his rest. The idea of the limited service simply means getting the camel's head in. There must be organization and personal work. They were going to put two men on each street and approach each voter.

Mr. E. Coatsworth, M.P., then held that Sunday cars were more necessary 30 years ago when the street railway was introduced. There are parks in 15 minutes and churches in 5 minutes walk of every citizen. The movement was in favor of the clerks and moderately well-off against the workingmen. It had not arisen amongst the workingmen, but in the office of a paper anxious for a Sunday edition. If this come in soon clerks and all will have no rest. What does the Sunday paper care for Sunday rest?

Bishop Campbell combated the cry that preachers are running the town, and said that any workingman who votes for this measure deserves to have to work on Sunday himself.

Brigadier Holland expressed himself and the whole Salvation Army as being opposed to the movement. He would no more vote for the cars than commit theft. They would encourage young men and women to go to the parks on Sunday and so imperil their salvation.

Mr. J. A. Farmer followed up with a caution against over-confidence, and the chairman concluded with an appeal for organization and canvass. Then the benediction followed and was echoed with a huge "Amen" by the soldier on the front seat.

The Ministers' Valiant Efforts.

The Ministerial Association met yesterday in the Y.M.C.A. library, Rev. A. Grant in the chair. Rev. Hugh Johnston broached the vexed Sunday car question, opening by saying that the advocates of the question included the foreign and Roman Catholic element as well as the easy-going church members. The tenor of his whole address was—"Organize." Answering for his section of the city Dr. Johnston said that the organization there was thorough. The voters' lists had been gone over and each elector was to be sounded by two canvassers. There was to be another committee meeting on Tuesday night to arrange about conveyances, etc. The question of house-to-house visiting was commented upon by Bishop Campbell, Messrs. R. P. McKay and William Frizzell, and it is likely that work will be undertaken in several quarters of the city, especially the North End and Parkdale. Speaking on behalf of the central committee Bishop Campbell stated that vigorous efforts were being made. Grip's cartoon of last year on the car question is to be reproduced as a poster, there is to be a mass meeting every night and a platform meeting for laymen in each church on Wednesday evening. A pamphlet is to be published for free distribution and due care will be taken of the letters to the press. In some districts there will be a house-to-house canvass.

HOW OFTEN YOU CAN VOTE.

One of the officials at City Hall was asked on Saturday how the voting on Sunday street cars was to be conducted, whether a person holding property would or would not be allowed to vote in every ward he held property.

The reply was that the voting would be as on all other questions that have been submitted to the people. An elector can vote for or against the Sunday street car question every place he votes for alderman.

The vote will be exceedingly heavy, perhaps the heaviest that has ever been polled. Out of over 30,000 qualified electors, it is reckoned that 22,000 will be recorded.

HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS.

Sunday Cars, Say the Antis, Will Cause Men to Work Every Day.

A meeting antagonistic to Sunday street cars was held in the First-avenue Baptist Church last evening under the auspices of No. 1 Ward Divisional Committee.

Rev. P. C. Parker, pastor of the church, opposed the scheme on humanitarian, not religious, grounds. He believed in the principle of working six days a week and eight hours a day. This was all the time that any man should be asked to labor. If street cars were run on the Sabbath it would mean compelling hundreds of men to work seven days a week. He did not, however, believe in stifling the voice of the people on the question. He had entire confidence in them.

Addresses were also delivered by Mrs. Vance, S. R. Heaks, E. O. Weston, Capt. Vennell, V. E. Ashdown, Rev. W. Frizzell and Rev. McP. Scott.

They Resort to Prayer.

Rev. H. C. Dixon forwards to The World little printed slip, which is being extensively distributed.

"You are earnestly requested to unite with the Lord's children daily—morning, noon and evening, from this time until the day when the vote of the people will be taken, on Monday next, January 4th, in entreating the Lord so to overrule matters that the quiet of our Sabbath shall be maintained, and that the street cars shall not be run on that day.

"Let His own promise be our confidence at this time.

"If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in Heaven."

Is Ex-Ald. Fleming the Right Man to Choose for Mayor?

Editor World: The following letter of complaint appeared in The Telegram of Jan. 30, 1889, respecting a house, No. 4 St. David-street, owned by this gentleman, who now claims that his conduct as an alderman has been such that he ought to be honored by being appointed mayor:

"A certain alderman owns property east of Yonge-street. The drain to one of his houses is in a very bad condition, The tenant, a working man, cannot conveniently remove, The health authorities are afraid that some of the family will have typhoid or diphtheria. During many months past they have repeatedly notified and urged the alderman to do what the law says he ought to do. But he won't do anything of the sort. ....Let us have English justice."

The tenant resided in the house for upwards of a year after the letter appeared in The Telegram, but nothing was done to the drain; both Dr. Canniff (the then Health Officer) and Alderman Fleming failed to do their plain duty.

The recent complaint in the City Council of Mr. Fleming's other insanitary houses shows that to save himself expense he is willing that his tenants—mostly workingmen—should, themselves and their families, incur the danger of suffering from typhoid or diphtheria.

I therefore suggest that a proper enquiry should be made:

1. Did the health authorities order Ald. Fleming in 1888 to put the drain of the rented house in St. David-street into proper order, so as to make the house fit for habitation? If they did—unless the records have been tampered with—there should be a record of the fact.

2. In what year, if ever, was the drain properly attended to?

3. Was the statement made some months ago at a meeting of the City Council, that some of ex-Ald. Fleming's houses were in an insanitary condition, true or false? If true, there must be a record of the fact.

4. Was the statement which appeared in The Telegram reporting the condemnatory remarks of one of the aldermen at that meeting true or false?

If these charges are true, then Mr. Fleming, who is a rich man, in order to save himself money, has wilfully exposed his tenants—mostly workingmen—to the horrors of typhoid and diphtheria, and he ought not to be elected.

If, on the other hand, the charges are untrue, and if The Telegram invented the report of the meeting at which he was so severely blamed, then he has been slandered.

FAIRPLAY RADICAL.

A Limited Service.

Editor World: I think the question put to the ratepayers on the ballot papers, respecting Sunday cars, should be "Do you approve of a limited service," for I imagine no one wishes to give the company liberty to make a purely commercial business of Sunday cars, as on other days, and run them just when and where it pays them. I fancy that most, if not all, the advocates of Sunday cars are willing to pay some deference to Sunday sentiment and have them run (1) not oftener than hourly, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and only on the main streets, as suggested by The World, (2) so to arrange matters for the horses and the men that the former shall not lose their present quota of rest, and no man work more than six days, or 60 hours, in a week of seven days. If there are over 200 extra hands (as has been stated) who only get occasional employment, it can be easily arranged for the city contract to be carried out; and the extra employment for poor men who hav families will be really a help to provide fo them, and a very seasonable help during winter.

As to the much talking abou "the thin end of the wedge," I consider it the business of the governing power to keep the wedge in the right position for the public welfare. The business of government is to see that neither extreme or party rules to the exclusion of the just rights of any important class of the community. And it is certain there is a large class of Toronto citizens who see (1) religiously that, being Gentiles we never were under Jewish law; and while some of the Ten Commandments are set before Christians in the Epistles, the Sabbath law is not one of them, while all that is written in the Gospel about the Sabbath is in rebuke of the Pharisees, who were sticklers for the letter and violaters of the spirit of the law—the sum of which the Saviour declared to be to love God and our neighbor. (2) Socially that a limited Sunday car service be so arranged as not to deprive any of the rest to which all hav an equal right as human beings. (3) That in the present condition of the laboring classes the extra work afforded by Sunday cars will really be a help to many of the needy and hungry, by giving them employment they would not otherwise obtain.

A CONVERT TO SUNDAY CARS.

Sin Depends on The Weather.

Editor World: I wonder how many parsons order their rigs for Sunday through the telephone on Sunday and possibly causing some "tired saint" to walk miles to and from the office in order to keep the wolf from coming too near her humble home. Of course, this wearied saint or sinner may save others of the same ilk from carrying the order on Sunday to the livery man because you know, don't you know, it may depend on the weather whether it is a sin or not, and one does not know what Sunday may be like till it comes. Clergymen are different from other men, you know. With them it is circumstances which justify or the reverse. With common people it is the day itself which is holy, and a holy day must not be offended of course. It is really curious how isolated "texts" are made to do duty for pious fads. The same law which commanded "rest" on Sabbath, also ordered six days' work to intervene, thus making a Saturday half holiday sinful. No show for poor folks—hard work all week, and you must not come between the wind and our nobility on Sunday. Don't you begin to believe that Christ, the common carpenter and radical reformer, taught that.

A PRIORI.

A Conductor Speaks Out.

Editor World: I am a street railway conductor and am just off one trip. So I thought I would like to express the opinion of myself and fellow employes on the Sunday car controversy now proceeding in your valuable paper. In the first place we don't want such sympathy as we get in the columns of the evening papers. Last week it took the shape of a request to store clerks (wages $2 to $6 per week) not to trample on the lowly prostrate souls of the conductors and drivers. Now, sir, the souls of the boys are no more lowly than yours is and we will watch that they are not trampled on. We are, as a rule, I take it, as well educated and better paid than the majority of Toronto citizens. Three of our conductors have lately graduated in one of Toronto's medical institutions. Other letter writers are so almighty fresh about there being sufficient extra men to run the cars on Sunday. This, sir, is a mistake that should be corrected. There are no more than 15 extra conductors and less than 20 drivers, and these are not so anxious to earn bread for their little ones on Sunday as one of your correspondents said they were. As a fact they are nearly all single and earn from $7 to $10 per week. But to come to the point, I think all, say with the exception of 25 or 30, would run a car with pleasure on Sunday if we had every other Sunday off to enjoy the privilege of riding out to High Park, the Woodbine, or to a distant church to hear a popular minister, and I am sure that the cars would be a privilege to the working classes of this city, especially those who are in stores, banks, factories, etc.

YONGE-STREET CONDUCTOR.

Sunday Cars and Morality.

Editor World: Would it not be a good plan to get the opinion of clergymen and prominent citizens in the towns and cities in Canada where the Sunday cars are in use as to their effect on the morals of the community? VOTER.

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Wednesday's Meeting.

All arrangements have been made for the great meeting of those who favor Sunday street cars at the Auditorium on Wednesday night. Hon. John Beverley Robinson, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, will preside, and eloquent speakers will discuss the topic.

THOUGHT VERSUS ACTION.

Pointers to People Who Think Deeply but Seldom Act.

Some people are in the habit of exercising their mental faculties to no advantage—that is, no practical results accrue to them from their thoughts. Take a single illustration. Thousands of Toronto's citizens, possessed of ample wealth to afford such luxuries, know that they require furs and yet will not spend sufficient time to visit Dineen's. One has not to look far for reasons to account for this condition of affairs. The weather this season has been somewhat changeable. At one time appearances would augur a snowstorm, while the next day the atmosphere would be as balmy as spring. People, however wealthy, cannot see their way clear, under such inauspicious circumstances, to purchase expensive furs. They would have no use for them. From present appearance this reason will soon be removed. Everything, even Old Probs' prognostications, indicate the near approach of the severest portion of the present winter. No one, then, should neglect to visit Dineens' during the progress of the present sale. Furs have never been secured at such reasonably low prices in this city, and it is not likely that another such opportunity will again be offered this season. The sale concludes with the close of the year, so that only a few days remain in which to act. Act now and secure lasting happiness. Verbum sat sapienti!

The Phonograph Soiree.

This, the latest fin de siecle craze of London, Paris and New York drawing rooms, has become the fashionable novelty of Toronto this season. A phonograph is secured for an afternoon or evening, with a skilled operator and a program of musical and other records. In addition various guests discourse to the instrument a song, a speech, a recitation or instrumental music as the fancy of the moment suggests, which are immediately reproduced by the Phonograph in the hearing of the company. The effect is quite startling and at the same time highly amusing, and the enjoyment is enhanced by the scientific interest of the entertainment. The Toronto District Agency, 12 King-street east, furnishes instruments for this purpose. Call at the parlors and hear the phonograph's wonderful performances.

A specialist will be in attendance during the holiday season for consultation, free of charge, in cases of defective sight due to errors of refraction and accommodation. Michaels, the optician, 47 King-street east.

Lady Dufferin's New Book, "My Canadian Journal" 1872-1878, with Illustrations and sketches by Lord Dufferin, at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-street.

Warm Gloves —Dent's best make fur-lined gloves; real Buckskin gloves. The largest variety of men's gloves, at Treble's, 53 King-street west.

The Vienna Medical Prescription Association are furnishing to the sick and ailing the favorite prescriptions of the most prominent and successful physicians in Europe for Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Liver and Kidneys, Catarrh, Consumption, etc. Send stamp for particulars, to Henry Schallehn, 68 John-street, Toronto, Can. 246

A Handsome Gift—a Dressing Gown for $8.00. Just think of it. A. White, 65 King-street west.

Try the Restaurant at the Hub

A LESSON THEY WON'T FORGET

ANOTHER DESPERATE FIGHT IN NORTHERN BRITISH INDIA.

A Handful of Men Clamber Up a Precipice, Storm the Enemy's Stone Breastworks and With Knife, Bayonet and Sword Slaughter Seventy of Them—A Powerful Khan Surrenders.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.—News from Gilgit, the most northern agency of British India, is to the effect that Lieut. Manners Smith at the head of a body of Kashmirs in the British service has scaled a precipice opposite Fort Nilt, and after a desperate fight with the Hunsea-Nagar rebels, drove them from behind the stone breast-works they had erected above the precipice, killing 70 of the enemy and wounding many others. The force under the command of Lieut. Manners Smith was about 100 men. When the necessary preparations were made, fire was opened upon the enemy by the supporting body, and under its cover the scalers sprang up the sides of the precipice. There was no resisting the attack of the Kashmirs. They clambered and scrambled up the sides until they reached the vicinity of the stone breastwork. There the lieutenant gathered his men together and led the way right up to the rebels' fortification and sprang over it, followed closely by the Kashmirs. Sword, knife and bayonet did the rest in short order. The British force only had four men wounded

The Khan of Nagar, utterly discouraged by this defeat, has submitted to the British military authorities and will be taken under escort to Simla.

The engagement is the result of instructions sent to Lieut.-Col. Durand shortly after the capture of Fort Nilt. The officer referred to was ordered to teach the chieftains of Hunsea and Nagar a lesson they would not soon forget.

A BUCKETFUL OF DUST

All That Was Left of Five Miners Entombed in a Yorkshire Colliery.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The bodies of five miners were recovered from a pit at Castleford, Yorkshire, which has been on fire for a fortnight. The bodies were so cremated that the ashes hardly filled a bucket. The remains were buried in one coffin.

ITALY AND FRANCE.

Two of the Powers to Arbitrate the Behring Sea Dispute.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—It is believed that the court of arbitration in the Behring Sea case will be announced soon. The United States Government will select France and it is believed that England will select Italy. These powers will select a third.

Sir William White Dies of Grip.

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—The Right Hon. Sir William Arthur White, British ambassador to Turkey, died from influenza at the Kaiserhof in this city to-day. Sir William was a son of the late Arthur White, and was born in 1824.

Collier, the Composer, Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Alfred Collier, the composer, is dead. He had been suffering from influenza about two weeks, and on that account was unable to finish the orchestration of "The Mountebanks."

Chat from Over the Sea.

Ruhenstein has decided not to visit America.

Gen. Booth is making many converts, at Madras, India.

The Porte has demanded from Bulgaria an explanation why the French journalist Chadouine was expelled from Sofia.

Recent arrests in Poland were due to the discovery of a secret league, the object of which was to assassinate the Czar.

The Countess of Clancarty, formerly Belle Bilton, of music hall notoriety, yesterday gave birth to twins, both boys.

Sir Algernon Borthwick, editor of The Morning Post, is to be given a peerage, the first ever granted to a newspaper man.

Near Glasgow an engine running light collided with a passenger train, causing a bad wreck. Eight passengers were seriously injured.

The French steamer Albatross engaged in the oyster fishery was wrecked yesterday near Boulogne and 11 of her crew were drowned.

While shooting partridge on the Queen's preserve in the Isle of Wight, the Duke of Connaught lodged a charge of shot in the face of Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein.

Baron Hahn, a well-known landowner at St. Petersburg, has been arrested for tearing down the imperial coat of arms which stood over the door of the court house at Milan.

The Czar has decided to depose and exile his brother the Grand Duke Sergius, owing to the latter's unpopularity on account of vigorous efforts taken to suppress Russian official thefts.

The scandal arising from the discovery of adulterated flour in St. Petersburg is apt to make trouble for a number of people. The consignment comprised 300,000 poods (7,800,000 English pounds) of barley flour which had been purchased from dealers in Liban with the view to regulating the price of wheat in the St. Petersburg market as well as to afford relief to famine sufferers. An investigation proved that the entire consignment had been adulterated with chalk dust and other substances.

The Sheffield House Importing Company (Registered).

65 Yonge-street (below King). Selling off at cost for cash. Expiration of lease. C. E. Robinson, Manager.

Toronto's Citizens.

We extend to one and all a cordial invitation to visit our wonderful display of new and beautiful holiday goods, especially selected with a view to meeting the every requirements of the giftmakers of this locality. Davis Bros., jewelers, 130 Yonge-street. 246

"Review of the Churches" and "Review of Reviews" (English Edition) for December, "Hood's Comic Annual," "London Society," and "Belgravia Annual," etc., at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-street.

Boy Drowned While Skating.

John Callendar, the 15-year-old son of Henry Callendar, the well-known hotel keeper of 1211 Queen-street east, was drowned while skating on Ashbridge's Bay yesterday morning. This is the first fatal skating accident of the season.

"1892"—"Pocket and Office Diaries," "Canadian Almanac," "Harper's," "Scribner's," "Outing," "St. Nicholas," for January, '92, at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-street.

Removed

S. Corrigan, merchant tailor, has removed to 122 Yonge-street, where he will be pleased to see all his old customers and lots of new ones. His stock of imported suitings, overcoatings and trouserings is large and varied and gentlemen requiring something choice will do well to call and inspect. First-class work at close cash prices is his motto. Note the address, 122 Yonge-street. 246

The demand for fine pictures is increasing in Toronto as a result of improved artistic tastes. At Mathews Bros.' art gallery may be seen a recherche stock of oil and water color paintings, etchings, engravings, etc., including a special exhibition of Mr. L. R. O'Brien's latest works. An early selection is advised. 6

RUSHING THE BYE-ELECTIONS.

The Writs Issued For Glengarry and Lincoln and Others Coming Soon—Hon. John Carling to be a Candidate.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—The Government seems to be determined now to rush the bye-elections and get them over in plenty of time before the meeting of Parliament. The writ for Glengarry has been issued and nomination will take place on Jan. 7, polling on the 14th. Major McLennan, the late member, will be again the Conservative candidate.

Personal Charges Against the Halifax Members Dismissed.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—The personal charges against Messrs. Penny and Stairs, [Conservative M.P.'s] were withdrawn to-day and the court adjourned till next Saturday, the respondents having admitted an illegal act that renders the election void.

Carling Will be a Candidate.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—Hon. John Carling, who is a member of the Senate and holds the portfolio of Agriculture, will be a candidate at some one of the bye-elections, as he desires to strengthen his position in the cabinet by sitting in the House of Commons

Hon. Mr. Dewdney denies that he has been offered the Lieut.-Governorship of British Columbia.

Dismissed With Costs.

WINDSOR, Dec. 28.—South Essex protest to unseat H. W. Allan (Liberal) came up before Judges Falconbridge and Street this afternoon and was dismissed with costs.

In Mr. German's Constituency

ST. CATHARINES, Dec. 28.—The Welland County Liberals hold a convention at Crowland to-morrow to select a candidate for the House of Commons, made vacant by the unseating of Mr. German.

The Writ for Lincoln.

ST. CATHARINES, Dec. 28.—A local paper announces to-day that the writ for the election in Lincoln has been issued and that the nominations will take place on Jan. 14 and elections on Jan. 21.

LIZARDS ATE HIM WITHIN.

Death of a Road Supervisor From a Strange Cause.

HANOVER, Pa., Dec. 28.—A post-mortem examination upon the body of Daniel Mummert, a farmer living near East Berlin, who died a few days ago, revealed the startling fact that his stomach was full of lizards. It was thought that he suffered from consumption, but a few days before his death he emitted six lizards and that aroused the physicians' suspicions. He was a road supervisor and often lay down and drank from small springs.

Mayors by Acclamation.

St. Mary's—G. H. McIntyre.
Brockville—D. S. Booth.
Belleville—C. Bogart.
Ridgetown—John Cochrane, jr.
Perth—William Butler.
Collingwood—Frank F. Telfer.
Oakville—George Andrew.
Walkerville—H. A. Walker.
Walkerton—William Richardson.
Milton—S. Dice.
Deseronto—E. W. Rathbun.
Oshawa—W. F. Cowan.
Port Hope—H. H. Burnham.
Forest—M. McCahill.
Niagara—Henry Paffard.
St. Thomas—Robert McCully.
Guelph—Thomas Goldie.
Simcoe—J. L. Campbell.
Woodstock—Malcolm Douglas.
Goderich—John Butler.
Cornwall—E. O. Callaghan.
Orillia—W. M. Harvey.
Dresden—J. W. Sharpe.
Berlin—C. Bitzer.
Essex Centre—John Milne.
Tilsonburg—William Macdonald.
Bothwell—H. Richards.
Harriston—S. M. Henry.
Cobourg—William Battell.

Nominations in Principal Cities.

Hamilton—For mayor: P. C. Blaicher, William Copp, James Dixon.

Ottawa—McLean, Cox, McDougall, Durocher and Valade were to-day nominated for the mayoralty.

London—William Spencer and E. T. Essery, candidates for mayor. George T. Davis and William Jones, water commissioners, by acclamation.

Ted Is Hard To Beat.

All yesterday Bailiff Gegg was on guard at the corner of Yonge and Shuter-streets in the endeavor to secure entrance to the billiard hall on the second flat at the building at the southeast corner. But it was all in vain. After the sun had gone down, at which time the law says a distress shall not be made, a lady came along, followed by several carters, opened the door and ordered the men to remove the billiard tables. This they did, notwithstanding the protestations of Mr. Gegg and his threat to call in the officers of the law. A policeman coming along Mr. Gegg got him to take the names of the carters, and notwithstanding that these gentlemen laughed a good deal Mr. Gegg declares that they will discover to their cost that they were at fault and that they will have to appear before the magistrate for assisting in the removal of goods which it was contrary to law to disturb. This will be the result if the rent be not paid.

Don't Buy

your Christmas presents until you call and see Bonner's stock of Christmas novelties in gents' neckwear, gents' four-in-hand scarfs, 15c or two for 25c, sold all over at 25c each; 25c four-in-hand scarfs worth 50c, gents' scarf pins for 50c, gents' silk handkerchiefs from 25c up, gents' fine silk hemstitched handkerchiefs for 50c, sold all over at $1. Bonner's, cor. Yonge and Queen streets. 246

Henry Ward Beecher very truly remarked, "Money secured to your family by life insurance will go to them without fail or interruption, provided you have used due discretion in the selection of a sound and honorable assurance company." A company which has a large surplus over and above all liabilities and capital stock and which has been able to pay handsome returns to its policy holders is one in which to hold a policy of insurance. The progressive and popular North American Life Assurance Company of this city is such an institution. 246

Mr. Osler's Meetings.

Mr. Osler will address the electors at the Masonic Hall, Parkdale, and also at Dawe's Hall, corner Dovercourt and Bloor-streets, tonight. Other speakers will be present.

A Good Example.

Manager Frank, on behalf of Jacobs & Sparrow, and Manager Walter Sanford of "My Jack" company, will admit free to the upper gallery tonight all the news boys in town. There is no doubt about the boys thoroughly enjoying the kind treat.

Fine Wood Mantels.

Messrs. W. Millichamp, Sons & Co. of 234 Yonge-street, have in stock a full line of wood mantels of the newest and most artistic styles. Parties building, who desire their rooms to present a fine, comfortable, homelike appearance, should see Messrs. Millichamp and inspect their stock. 24

A Christmas Notice.

To avoid disappointment to those desirous of having photographs taken, we would suggest as early an appointment as possible to enable us to regulate sittings. J. Fraser Bryce, 107 King-street west. 246

BIRTHS.

DOWDALL—At Almonte, on Monday, the 28th inst., the wife of Mr. P. C. Dowdall, of a son.

DEATHS.

WHILLANS—On Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at 12 Grove-avenue, in her 48th year, Margaret, beloved wife of Robert Whillans, ... merchant, third daughter of late Turnbull Smith, Southdean, Roxburghshire, Scotland.

Funeral on Tuesday, 29th inst., at 2 p.m. to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Jedburgh and Howick papers please copy.

TOWNLEY—On Sunday, the 27th inst., at 481 Adelaide-street, Isabella, beloved daughter of Samuel and May Townley, aged 17 years.

Funeral on Wednesday, the 29th, at 3 o'clock. Friends will please accept this intimation.

ONTARIO DYED WITH BLOOD.

LONG LIST OF SHOCKING TRAGEDIES IN THE PROVINCE.

A Young Married Woman at Ottawa Found Dead With a Carbolic Acid Bottle Beside Her—The Railway Juggernaut's Victims—Whisky Reaps a Harvest—The Waters Claim Several Lives.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—In a house overhanging the Rideau River this morning lay a young married woman in bed with an empty bottle, which had contained carbolic acid, between her teeth, with black marks and bruises all over her arms and body, cold in death. By her side lay her husband, who on wakening gave the alarm and now the city detectives are working up the case. Lon Labelle, the unfortunate woman's husband, is a son of the late Captain Labelle, who represented Richelieu in the Dominion Parliament for some years, and was employed as clerk in the Secretary of State department until about a year ago, when he was transferred to the Printing Bureau to look after the type-setting machines. His wife's name was Flannigan, one of three girls who were well known and bore a respectable name in the city. Labelle came home late last night and, to use his own words, "Pretty full." He went to bed beside his wife and when he awoke early this morning found her cold and dead. This is all that he knows. On the empty bottle, marked poison, was the wife's own name, "Mrs. Labelle," which showed that she had purchased the carbolic acid from Walker's drug store, Rideau-street. The body when found this morning was naked.

Whisky, Exposure, Death.

ST. WILLIAMS, Ont., Dec. 28.—While out hunting this afternoon Culver Smith and James Becker discovered in N. Newkirk's woods, about a mile west of here, the body of William Underhill, who has been employed cutting bolts in this vicinity for J. A. Deas.

Deceased was a bachelor, 45 years of age and lived alone. He was last seen alive on Friday, walking on the railway track on his way home from Port Rowan. He had been drinking and died from exposure.

Drowned While Skating.

BOWMANVILLE, Dec. 28.—While some boys were skating on Vanstone's pond today, Walter Fogg, aged 11, son of Mr. John Fogg of the Upper Canada Furniture Factory, broke through the ice and was drowned. Fogg hung to the ice, but his hands became numb, and losing his hold the current carried him under. The body was recovered.

Through the Ice.

MINDEN, Ont., Dec. 28.—Mrs. E. B. Munn was drowned late Sunday evening in South Lake, about three miles from here. She was on her way home with her husband from visiting a neighbor and both walked into a large air hole in the ice. Her husband escaped but was unable to save his wife.

Still Another Victim.

CHARLESTON, Ont., Dec. 28.—Alexander Smith, aged 30, school teacher, a passenger from Toronto to Charleston on the Toronto, Grey and Bruce, jumped from the train at Caledon. One leg was drawn under the wheels and mangled below the knee, while the other leg was broken at the thigh. He may recover.

Hanged Himself to a Tree.

BRADFORD, Ont., Dec. 28.—This afternoon the body of a man named Begree, who has worked as a laborer with Mr. C. W. Magee, farmer of West Gwillimbury, for the past two years, was found hanging from the limb of a tree in the bush adjoining Mr. Magee's farm. The man disappeared about two weeks ago. No cause is given for the rash act.

Killed by a Train.

CHATHAM, Ont., Dec. 28. — Adelbert Brown attempted to cross the G.T.R. track at Louisville when he was struck by a train and killed.

A Berlin Tavern Burned.

BERLIN, Ont., Dec. 28.—At an early hour this morning the Commercial Hotel was destroyed by fire. The loss is about $5000, nearly covered by insurance.

Fire at Collingwood.

COLLINGWOOD, Ont., Dec. 28.—Last night fire destroyed the dwelling of W. Carmichael in West Oak-street. Cause, explosion of a lamp.

Another Sad Honeymoon Ending.

ORANGEVILLE, Dec. 28.—The funeral of Mrs. F. R. Parker (nee Miss Emily Island) took place this afternoon. Six weeks ago she was married to F. R. Parker, assistant teacher of the High School here.

A Former M.P. Dead.

BELLEVILLE, Dec. 28.—Mr. N. S. Appleby, formerly M.P. for East Hastings, died at San Francisco on the 10th inst., aged 73.

Taps From the Telegraph.

Walt Whiteman, continues to improve.

Actor W.J. Scanlan has gone daft, and it has been found necessary to close the theatre where he played.

Herrick, the brakeman who caused the caused the railroad disaster near Hastings, N.J., Christmas Eve has been arrested at White Plains.

Mrs. Charles Lebel, wife of a clerk in the Department of Secretary of State, was found by her husband dead from heart disease yesterday when he woke up.

Albert Privott, one of the proprietors of the San Francisco Hotel at Vancouver, B.C., and formerly of Collingwood, is dead.

Radyard Kipling will be married shortly to the sister of Wolcott Balestier, who collaborated with Kipling in producing the novel now running in The Century Magazine, and whose sad death from typhoid fever occurred three weeks ago.

Big Failure in Montreal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28.—Business circles were greatly surprised to-day when it was announced that Mills & McDougall of this city, the well-known wolen firm, had called a meeting of creditors. The firm did a large business in Western Ontario, where their suspension will be learned with regret. They are said to have had several very large accounts in Toronto, some of whom will, no doubt, be affected to some extent by the failure. The liabilities will amount to about $125,000.

Toothache cured instantly by using Gibbons' Toothache Gum.

Ocean Steamship Movements.

Date.	Name.	Reported at.	From.
Dec. 28	—Aurania	New York	Liverpool
"	—Moravia	"	Hamburg
"	—Obidam	"	Rotterdam
"	—Dania	"	Southampton
"	—Deurita	Antwerp	New York
"	—State of Nebraska	Glasgow	

Will Stand Criticism.

Call and be convinced that Bingham's, 100 Yonge-street, has the largest and latest assortment of Perfumes and Xmas Toilet Novelties. 246

The Weather.

Strong winds and gales from south to west and northwest, partly fair and mild, followed by lower temperatures and light local snowfalls.