

TO HAVE IT READY FOR THURSDAY NEXT.

Street Railway Company's Proposition Will be Submitted to Board of Works.

Council to Hold Caucus Over Board of Control and the Estimates.

The Street Railway Company has promised to submit to the city by Thursday the proposition stating the conditions on which it will fix up its roadbed and cars, thus heading off the move some of the aldermen were prepared to make at the council meeting last night to appeal at once to the Ontario Railway Board, in an effort to force the company to improve its system. There was very little discussion on the matter. When Chairman Sweeney, of the Board of Works, made the explanation, there seemed to be a general disposition to wait and see what the company's proposition would bring forth.

The subject came up when Ald. Dickson, under the head of new business, inquired what the Board of Works was doing about local improvement for road work. It might facilitate matters in striking the estimates, he said, if something were done.

Chairman Sweeney replied that he thought it would make very little difference, as far as the amount of the appropriation to his committee was concerned, whether local improvement was dealt with before the estimates were struck. Colonel Gibson had been busy at Ottawa with the Railway Board, and unable to take the matter up before this. He had informed the secretary of the Board of Works, however, that he would submit the proposition by Thursday.

"You might acquaint the council of how you are going to consider the proposition," said the Mayor. "No authority that I know of has been given to open negotiations with the street railway."

Chairman Sweeney replied that the Board had acted entirely on its own initiative. It was necessary to do something with a view of getting permanent pavements, and the committee decided to ask the company what it would do in the way of fixing up its roadbed on York, James and Barton streets. If the tracks were fixed it was useless to lay permanent pavements.

"What is going to become of the order the Ontario Railway Board made," inquired the Mayor. "Are you going to let this lag too long?"

"No," said Chairman Sweeney. "Our intention, I said, is to wait until Thursday."

Ald. McLaren made a similar explanation to Ald. Sweeney, and explained that of course the subcommittee would report back to the Board of Works and that committee to the Council.

"We might hear from the Solicitor as to what progress has been made by the company in carrying into effect the board's order," suggested Chairman Sweeney.

"I know no more about how much it has been carried into effect than you do," replied Mr. Waddell, who explained that the aldermen rode on the cars and were in a position to judge the same as he was. Last June, he said, three by-laws were passed by the Council in connection with the Street Railway agreement, giving the company a reasonable time to make certain improvements. It was then that the Council now to apply to the board. When the previous application was made fault was found because there were no specifications regarding the cars, tracks, and car service in the by-law. "That has been remedied now," he added, "and I contend that it is open now for the city to go before the Railway Board and ask for an order to have the company give a good car service."

Ald. H. G. Wright immediately moved an adjournment of the Council, and there was no further comment.

Caucus to Discuss It.
The Council will thresh out the question of a Board of Control system, at the caucus to consider the estimates and matters of salary. The Finance Committee had recommended that an appeal be made to the Ontario Legislature for an amendment to the Municipal Act, authorizing the creation of a Board of Control at large and appointing a special committee to go to Toronto in support of the application. It was on the suggestion of Ald. Dickson that the matter was referred back. While the members of the Finance Committee understood it, the rest of the aldermen did not, and it was a very important matter. He suggested that copies of the proposed amendments be given to the aldermen.

Ald. Evans was one of those who counseled delay. He did not see what the city was going to gain by a Board of Control or reducing the number of aldermen. The fact that anything the Board of Control did could only be upset by a two-thirds vote of the Council, he considered was making the Council somewhat of a donkey engine for the controllers.

Although some of the aldermen voted against it, Ald. Dickson's amendment to refer the matter back was adopted.

Plumbing Inspector.
Although the Finance Committee bowed to the proposition to appoint a plumbing inspector the aldermen who are inclined to favor the creating of such a position succeeded in getting a special committee appointed to consider the matter at report to the council.

Ald. Sweeney, seconded by Ald. McLaren, made the motion, the committee to consist of Aldermen Farrar, Bailey, Allan, Hennessey, Gardner, Sweeney and McLaren. The members of the Finance Committee with the exception of Ald. Dickson, seconded by Ald. Jutten, to refer the matter back to the Finance Committee. Some of the members of that body said they thought it was a cheery piece of business appointing another committee when they had thrashed the matter out. Ald. Sweeney's reply was that the matter had been before the Finance Committee for two years now, and nothing was done. The officers of the Trades and Labor Council, which strongly approves of the appointing of an inspector, were present.

For Benefit Fund.
Chairman Clark, of the Fire and Water Committee, succeeded in getting the

grant to the widow and family of the late Roy Green, a city fireman killed in the discharge of duty, made \$600 instead of \$500, as recommended by the Finance Committee. The money is to be handed over to the Fire and Water Committee and paid out by that body as it sees fit. Some of the aldermen opposed it. Ald. Dickson was one of those who spoke strongly in favor of the increased amount. "It is little enough," he said, "and I intend when the estimates are being struck to make a motion for provision towards establishing a benefit fund. There is no such fund now."

The amendment was adopted without dividing the council.

Small Matters.

Lieut. Col. Moore, on behalf of the Thirteenth Regiment, applied for the usual grant of \$250.

The Hamilton Teachers' Association asked for a grant.

Notice was received from the Separate School Board stating that it would require the same rate to be levied as last year, six mills on the dollar.

Crown Attorney Washington wrote, stating that it would be necessary to refund \$250 of the \$650 collected in fines last June from Lee Guey and other Chinese who were mulcted that amount for gambling. The Court of Appeal reduced the fines. The matter was referred to the City Solicitor.

The oil by-law making new regulations regarding the storage of oil, was passed.

Another illustration of Tory machine methods was furnished when Ald. Sweeney moved that R. L. Craig be appointed veterinary for the Police Department in place of Dr. Groves, who was recommended by the Finance Committee. The latter is a Liberal. Before Ald. Sweeney could get a second Chairman Bailey of the Finance Committee, who is the Tory whip in the council, whispered something to his colleague, and Ald. Sweeney announced that he would withdraw the motion.

Aldermen Lewis and Howard were the only absentees.

LATE MR. QUINN
Was Freight Agent at Hamilton For Some Years.

Mr. Robert Quinn, who died on Sunday in Detroit, at the age of 65 years, was for 37 years an active worker in railroad circles. Before becoming traffic manager of the Grand Trunk he was with the Northern & Northwestern for many years. The funeral service will be held from Humphrey's Chapel, Spadina crescent, Toronto, on Thursday afternoon at 2:30.

The late Mr. Quinn, who was a native of Dublin, started his railroad experience under the old Northern Railroad under the late Mr. Cumberland. After the absorption of that road by the G. T. R. he was appointed general freight agent of that division. When the late Sir Joseph Hickson was leaving the G. T. R. he selected Mr. Quinn to go to England as European representative of the G. T. R. Mr. Quinn remained in England till the appointment of Mr. C. M. Hays. He then returned to Canada, and was appointed to the freight agency at Hamilton, and was afterwards transferred to Detroit in the last freight department. For ten years he stayed there, and at the end of that time left the G. T. R. and went to Vancouver as claims agent for the C. P. R. Failing health compelled him to return to Toronto, and from here he went to Detroit, where he died. He leaves a son, who is a missionary in Bechuanaland, South Africa, another in the Western Bank at Vancouver, and another who is on the stage. Two daughters and Mrs. Quinn, who is a sister of Messrs. A. M. and Harry Orpen and of Mrs. Gladstone, of Toronto, are in Detroit.

HAS 28 PATIENTS
And Progress Has Been Satisfactory at the San.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hamilton Health Association was held at the Spectator building yesterday, when the monthly routine of hearing reports and passing the accounts was satisfactorily disposed of.

During January the city nurse had 34 on her list, and 28 patients were in residence on the mountain—from Hamilton 25, from Dundas 1, from Barton township 1, and from outside the county 1. Of the 28 patients, 13 have been free, and the others paying in sums from \$1 to \$8 per week.

A system of telephones is to be installed, connecting the doctor's shack and other outlying buildings with each other. Mrs. Sanford has kindly offered to defray the expenses of this work.

In spite of the severe winter weather, everything has been very comfortable at the Sanitarium, and the progress among the patients is steadily good.

WESLEY CRUSADE DAY.

Yesterday was Crusade Day for the Women's Missionary Society of Wesley Church. The meeting was held in the church parlor. Nearly one hundred ladies were present. Miss Carey, Miss Cole, Mrs. Waugh and Mrs. Cole kindly furnished music and refreshments, and the social half hour for becoming acquainted with the strangers was improved and enjoyed. Many new names were added to the membership.

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From the Mite Boxes In Charlton Avenue Church.

Charlton Avenue Methodist Church mite box anniversary was concluded last evening, when a large gathering of the church people assembled to hear the annual report read, and to enjoy an excellent programme. The pastor, Rev. R. H. Bell, was chairman, and he and Rev. J. Wesley Magwood, of Niagara Falls, and Dr. Gillie spoke briefly. The report of the mite box fund prepared by Mr. W. D. Platt, Secretary-Treasurer, was read by Mr. A. J. Taylor, and was most encouraging. It showed that 346 boxes had been given out during the year, of which 310 had been returned. The contents of these amounted to \$1,323.73. It is expected that the remaining 36 will bring in about \$100, and it is reasonably certain that the total contributions from this source will exceed last year's amount by over \$100. The fund goes to the reduction of the mortgage debt on the church.

The programme was as follows:
Instrumental—Ballad in A flat, Chopin
Solo—Morning Hymn, Henschel
Mrs. Ida McLean Dilworth.
Recitation—Hagar
Miss Jeannette Lewis.
Solo—Fear Not, Ye, O Israel
Dudley Buck
J. Farnell Morris.
Duet—The Lord is my Light
Dudley Buck
Mrs. Dilworth and Mr. Morris.
Solo—(a) A Valentine, Schlesinger
(b) Two Aprils, Nevin
Mrs. Ida McLean Dilworth.
Recitation—Dooley's Letter, Dunne
Miss Jeannette Lewis.
Instrumental—Selection, Moszkowski
Miss Morris.
Solo—Good Bye, Tosti
Mrs. Ida McLean Dilworth.
Solo—A World of Praise, Aylward
Mrs. Ida McLean Dilworth.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Anniversary Tea and Concert Held Last Evening.

The first anniversary of the induction of Rev. Mr. MacLachlan was continued last evening when the church was filled to its capacity. Tea was served from 6 to 8, after which a splendid programme was given with Rev. Mr. MacLachlan, chairman. It was as follows: Piano solo, Miss Staback; solo, Miss B. Vallance; solo, Mr. Chapman; solo, Mr. Richmond; recitation, Miss B. Mackenzie; duet, Messrs. E. Morwick and O. Penny; solo, Miss Sillars; recitation, Miss Jackson; instrumental duet, Misses Cook and Gordon; solo, Mr. Chapman; recitation, Miss Mackenzie; solo, Miss Coutts; piano solo, Miss Wilson; solo, Miss Vallance; solo, Miss Sillars; instrumental, Mr. R. Symmers.
Accompanists, Mr. R. Symmers, Misses Fraser and Staback.

Mr. R. S. Wallace in a short speech thanked those who had helped to make the anniversary so successful. After singing "The King," Mr. MacLachlan pronounced the benediction and brought to a close one of the most successful services ever held in this church.

WILL RESIGN FIRST.

Toronto Commissioners Will Not Cut Down Licenses.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The rumor that the city license commissioners will resign, rather than carry out the decision of the City Council to reduce by thirty-four the number of liquor licenses within the municipal area, has been given a severe setback. The commissioners have told the council that unless action is taken to prevent the reduction being carried out they will resign, and it is said on very good authority that the Cabinet will certainly not do anything to thwart the will of a majority of the City Council.

There was a rumor that the leading Tories of the city had decided that no one would accept the position of license commissioner, and that in this way the hands of the Government would be forced, when the patronage committee met it was found that a number of strong temperance Tories were ready to take office and to carry out the reduction.

PARED HIS CORNS.

U. S. Supreme Court Justice Dies in Consequence.

New York, Feb. 11.—Justice George B. Abbott, of the King's County Superior Court, died today from blood poisoning at his home, 96 Joralemon street, Brooklyn. His death followed the amputation of a toe, which had reached a dangerous condition, after treatment for a corn. Immediately after the operation blood poisoning set in, and despite the efforts of several physicians Justice Abbott failed to rally.

Justice Abbott had been a sufferer from diabetes for seven or eight years. Two weeks ago he complained of a corn, and was induced to visit a chiropodist, who removed it.

Several days later Justice Abbott again complained, and the family physician was called in. It was decided that blood poisoning had taken hold, probably due to a deep incision. To save the justice's foot it was decided to amputate the toe. At the time the doctor did not anticipate any fatal consequences.

After the operation, however, Justice Abbott became very sick. His diabetes became aggravated. His wife, son, and daughter were with him at 9:30 o'clock, when he died.

Fire at Latchford destroyed the Alexandra Hall, the Empire Lumber Company's store, the post office, and damaged the King Edward Hotel.

The C. P. R. has declared the usual dividends for the half year, and has placed large orders for steel rails with the Soo and Dominion Steel Companies.

Mr. Frederick M. Coombs, well known in the Cobalt region as a mining expert and engineer, was found dead in his room at Buffalo.

TREATMENT OF CRIMINALS

Discussed at Regular Meeting of Canadian Club.

Reform of the Prisoner Should be the Object.

Problem of Prison Labor and the Prisoners' Families.

The regular debate of the Canadian Club was held last evening in the Conservatory of Music, and was well attended. The subject for the evening was the "Modern Treatment of the Criminal and Methods Employed." Mr. W. M. McClelland, the president, occupied the chair and called upon Mr. Allan Studholme, M. P. P., to open the discussion.

Mr. Studholme said that the labor party had been discussing the problem of prison reform for the past 25 years, and was of the opinion that "prison labor should not be in competition with free labor. He referred to the report of the Special Committee appointed to look into the matter of prison reform, and read recommendations to the effect that the Central Prison should be abolished, and that the prisoners should be placed on a large farm not far from Toronto.

It had been further suggested that the prisoners' food should be raised on the farm for their own consumption, and at the same time manufacture such articles as are needed for other public institutions throughout the province. As for the parole system, Mr. Studholme stated that he was in favor of it as it gave the criminal a chance. The popular idea seems to be to put these criminals at some outdoor work or teach them a trade, but the principal idea of the parole system was to reform men.

In many cases it was the wives and the children of the criminals who suffered more than the criminal himself, and he thought that a system should be devised so that the earnings of criminals should be paid over to the wives and children for their support.

William Barrett could not do for the life of him understand how it was that any Government had the cheek to sell the labor of prisoners, worth at least between \$2 and \$3 a day for 35 and 40 cents. He considered that it was time to come to the conclusion that the criminal, in regard to the license system, he thought that that should be placed more in the control of the Government than at present.

H. J. Halford said that while the man in the jail might not be punished enough for the sin he had committed it was certainly a fact that the wives and children of these men suffered, and he thought that some adequate protection should be given them. He applied the idea of reformation as he outlined by Mr. Archibald, as he was of the opinion that when a man did wrong he was generally sorry for what he had done, and if he was given a chance, would try and lead a better life. Of course there were always men in the prisons who were real criminals and he did not think they should be given the chance that other men, who not as bad, were. If Premier Whitney succeeds in bringing about prison reform he will have deserved the approbation of the people.

Linus Woolverton, of Grimsby, said that the parole system certainly commended itself to him. He thought that the cat o' nine tails was the strongest and most effective method that could be used for the reformation of criminals. It would make them afraid to be bad.

L. J. Burns and P. Rouen, representing St. Patrick's Club, were present and spoke. Mr. Rouen thought there should be a discrimination made between the bad and the real bad criminals.

Mr. Geo. J. Smith spoke briefly.

Mr. G. R. McCullough said that Mr. Archibald made converts of all who attended the luncheon of the Canadian Club. He believed that the author's book should be put at work on civic improvement. If the criminal was given the right bent there was no doubt in his mind he could be turned out a man in every sense of the word.

Mr. McClelland, in closing the discussion said that he considered that the society at large was responsible for the condition that exists at present, and he thought that the Government should be held responsible for the betterment of the social system. Environment, home training and lack of education were responsible for the criminal. He contended that a system of education, a discipline such as is in vogue in the public schools, should be applied to the criminals. The labor should make the jail a self-sustaining institution. He also thought the earnings of the criminals should go to the support of the wives and families, or be laid aside so that when they were let out they would not have to go bare into the world.

EVENING WITH POE.

Century Literary Society Had an Enjoyable One.

Century Literary Society held its regular meeting last evening. It was an evening with Edgar Allan Poe, and Mr. G. A. Willis charmed his audience with his masterly sketch of the life and poetical writings of that gifted but unfortunate poet. During the evening Mr. Willis recited "The Raven," "The Bells," and that beautiful picture poem, "Plethora," with piano accompaniment by Miss Willis. Miss Laura Salisbury read "Annabel Lee" in her usual pleasing manner. Miss Nellie Marshall added to the evening's pleasure by playing a piano solo. The society is fortunate in securing Prof. McLachlin, of Victoria College, Toronto, to give an illustrated lecture on Egypt, past and present, next Monday evening. The public is cordially invited.

Ottawa will tax the salaries of civil servants this year, which will make a difference of \$20,000 in the city revenue.

Fat Defeating Extraordinary

MARGARET KNOLLY.

SLENDER Margaret Knolly now, if you please, the fascinating leading lady of the Bijou, now more fascinating than ever, astonished all her friends on Broadway the other day by presenting to their admiring gaze a sweet and willowy form in place of the plump, not to say fat, outlines with which she gaily sailed away to new triumphs and foreign shores last January. After a good deal of diplomatic cross-examination from interested fat acquaintances, the secret was cautiously whispered to a few dear friends, with the result that everybody knows it now. It was not exercise, not fasting, nor sea air, nor worry about her new venture that had brought about this wonderful willowy change in the charming Margaret; no, none of these; no thing but a simple mixture which all druggists are familiar with, and which, applied at small cost, to wit: One-half ounce Marmola, 3/4 ounce-Fluid Extract Casarea Aromatic, and 3/4 ounces of Syrup Simplex. "Grown folks need a teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime," explained the slender Margaret. "It is so simply wonderful. It takes off the fat quickly, as much as a pound a day, and keeps it off. You can eat what you like, too. In that respect it is unlike anything of the kind ever heard of, and, besides, it has another special feature—it is entirely harmless, and will not cause wrinkles. I think it is about as essential a toilet article for the woman who is fat and wants to get thinner as face powder. In order to get the best results, however, you should buy the Marmola in the original package and mix it with the other two ingredients after you get home.

LARGER LICENSE FEES.
Council Will Ask Legislature to Increase Them.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—It is recommended that the Ontario Legislature be applied to at its present session to increase the liquor license fees. This recommendation of the Board of Control was adopted by the City Council yesterday, after an ineffectual attempt had been made to defeat it. Ald. Church moved in amendment as follows: "It is recommended that the Ontario Legislature be applied to at its present session to take over the whole license system and regulation thereof, including fees, and to increase the liquor license fees on a graduated scale." The amendment was voted down by 16 to 5.

TO EXPEDITE THE WORK
Between Winnipeg and Lake Superior Junction.

Montreal, Feb. 10.—Mr. E. W. Morse, Vice-President and General Manager of the G. T. P., left today for Ottawa to confer with the members of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission with regard to the section of the line between Winnipeg and Lake Superior Junction. The Lake Superior branch line from Thunder Bay up to the junction, which is being constructed by Messrs. Foley Bros. & Larsen, will, it is expected, be built much earlier than was anticipated some time ago, and considerably earlier than the firm of contractors who are building the 275 miles of line case of Winnipeg to Lake Superior Junction will be able to complete their work. The idea is to infuse more energy into the larger contract that provides for the building of the line east of Winnipeg, so that it may be finished by autumn, either with the assistance of Messrs. Foley Bros. & Larsen or by the firm of McArthur & McDonald firm to employ a larger number of workmen.

Should the G. T. P. management succeed in this they would be able to have the whole line from Edmonton to Port Arthur ready for the movement of next year's harvest. Although this would mean that nearly 2,000 miles of line will be finished in little more than a year's time. There seems to be no reason now to doubt that the prairie sections will be ready for the movement of next season's crop from Edmonton to Thunder Bay.

New Publications.
It is safe to say that a more striking story than "Simon Tellow's Shadow," which Jeannette Lee contributes to the March number of the Smart Set, has not appeared in any recent magazine. The short stories cover a very wide field. Edwin L. Sabin in "The Elopement," writes a delicious American satire; "Monsieur Patrique," by Maude L. Radford, is exceedingly droll; "The Cynic," by the well-known English writer, Mrs. Henry Dudeney, is one of the author's most finished bits of work; "Wireless," by Alice Leal Pollock, is a one-act play, powerful and unusual; "The Exquisite Revenge," by Algernon Boyeson, deals with a unique situation, which is handled almost with the skill of Henry James.

Cable despatches from London report that the chapters of Lady Randolph Churchill's reminiscences in the February Century are creating intense amusement and considerable apprehension among her late husband's political colleagues. Mr. Arthur Balfour especially being agitated over the publication of a note written to Lady Randolph when he was Irish Secretary. This note avowed that he would rather play Wagner duets with Lady Randolph than remain on the "bestiary" (treasure bench), and report has it that Balfour had requested that the note should not be included in these playful reminiscences.

French Regiment Riots.
Paris, Feb. 10.—The Temps reports a serious riot in the 22nd Colonial Infantry Regiment at Hyeres. There was rifle firing and bayonetting all night. Several soldiers were seriously wounded. This is the second military outbreak within a few years.

A review of the export coal trade by D. M. Stevenson & Co. shows that Great Britain in 1907 shipped abroad 63,600,947 tons, being 8,001,176 tons more than 1906; and that Scotland's proportion was 10,146,631 tons, an increase of 1,074,516 tons.

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ing tenders for supplies for civic departments.

Prices of certain varieties of stock were also shown to have been altered so that in the event of a competitor of the Stone & Wellington firm wishing to know what was paid for varieties of trees and shrubs the record would be decisive, and in this way, it is believed, competition was discouraged.

TWO TORONTO FIRES.
\$30,000 Loss to One, And Thirty People Homeless in Other.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—A fire which gutted the premises of three firms on Bay street, a short distance below Adelaide street, on the east side, broke out this morning shortly after one o'clock. The fire started in the premises of the Dominion Fancv Manufacturing Company on the third floor of 115 Bay street. A rough estimate placed the loss at about \$20,000 to \$25,000.

Shortly before 1 o'clock this (Tuesday) morning fire broke out in the brick block of four stores, Nos. 758-763 Queen street east. The stock in the store owned by J. W. Bowles, 760-762, was totally destroyed, involving a loss of \$8,000, insured for \$6,000. The millinery stock of Miss Barrett at 758 was also destroyed.

About thirty people occupying apartments in the upper stories are rendered homeless.

BERLIN BANKER SKIPS.
He Leaves Unsecured Liabilities of \$750,000.

Berlin, Feb. 10.—Siegmund Friedberg, a banker, has absconded, leaving unsecured liabilities of \$750,000. Small depositors spent the day outside the bank, vainly hoping to recover their savings. He secured a large clientele among small traders and artisans through the Investors' Review, a newspaper owned by him. These people are likely to lose all the money they had in Friedberg's hands. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

At Peterborough the five-months-old son of Mr. Thos. Jones, of that place, was found dead in bed. The little one was smothered to death by becoming wrapped up in the bedclothes.

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HOW IT WAS FIXED.
Startling Disclosure Made at Toronto Parks Investigation.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Absolute manipulation of accounts at the office of the city Park Commissioner was shown yesterday in the evidence presented at the parks inquiry. With the result of letting the firm of Stone & Wellington have a practical monopoly of the business of supplying nursery stock to the department of Mr. John Chambers, the former Park Commissioner, gave instructions to have accounts for large sums split up into amounts of less than \$200, so that tenders would not have to be called for, and thus comply with the provisions of the city by-laws regard-