After the Current Had Been Turned on Ten Seconds Topsy Tumbled Over Dead, Without a Groan-Cyanide of Potassium and Hanging as Guarantees.

(New York Sun, 5th.) Topsy, the "original baby elephant," who was brought to this country by Adam Forepaugh twenty-eight years ago, and was exhibited by him all over the country, was executed by electricity at Luna Park, Coney Island, yesterday; 6,600 volts being passed through her body for a period of ten ds. At the end of that time Topsy fell without a trumpet or groan, and officers of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, who vere present, said that they had never manner of caus

The society's officers made their prefelt the minute they reached the sland. They came early and told Mr. who owned Topsy, that they would not him to make a public exhibit of the death of a beast. He had into charge admission a quarter, but he had to give that plan up. Then the afficers asked how the beast was to be killed. "We won't allow you to

on & Dundy had been pdanning all night in view of such a declaration. So they announced that they were going to take Topsy to a platbuilt up in the middle of the laze where the "shoot the chute" boats used to skip. There, they said, they would give her a big dose of cyanide of potassium, turn a current of electricity through her body and at

The society's agents agreed that there was nothing inhumane about that plan. Death seemed to be pretty well arranged for, they said. As soon as the arrangements were finished the press agent told the reporters how everything was to be done.

"We would have shot her with an elephant gun, too," he said, "but we weren't able to get the right kind of a gun in this country, and we understand they are to be bought only in

In the meantime workmen were busy mock at the top of the half-completed thing of the afternoon's work was thing of the afternoon's work was and the pain.

The electrodes flashed fire and the pain.

The electrodes flashed fire and the pain. tower, so that every picture of the execution should contain the advertise ment. At least a hundred camera and a moving picture machine were trained on the platform when noon

the time set for the execution, came. There was a delay for half an hour while the electricians strung the wires running direct from the plant of the Edison company. The company had arranged to shut down all electric lights on the island in order to send the strongest possible current, 6,600 volts, into the park for the execution. Two big electrodes, copper plates, each a foot in diameter, were nailed to boards, which were to be attached to Topsy's feet, and the wires were at-tached to the electrodes. Then the current was turned for a test. The

tricians said it was working all Everything seemed to be ready. The police cleared all persons from the road and the bridge leading to the platform, and some one cried, "Here

wood smoked and started to burn.

Then the current was turned off. The

The spectators looked up the road to see two employes leading between them the fattest man in Coney Island. He was "Cupid" Langtry, a 300-pounder, and attached to him were two big chains and a wire by which he was led. He was marched to the bridge, where it was decided that he wouldn't do, and with a laugh the spectators shifted to the other foot and waited for the elephant.

By that time there were easily 500 persons in the enclosure. All had ly. so the show wasn't a money maker for them. But a saloonkeeper, whose place of business was just out-a month ago, when her keeper side the grounds, profited by charging "Whitey" Alt, let her out. Topsy folwhose place of business was just outous of Coney Island 25 cents each to witness the execution from his when he was arrested for drunkenness He did a good business, and and Topsy was arrested, though she the . P. C. A. people didn't make any was not put in a cell.

Inside were nearly all the celebrities of Coney Island. Ex-Judge Souther-land was there. So was "Doe" Cham-bers and "Doe" Pierce and "Doe" Beck, who were interested from a med-ical standpoint. Former Councilman Doyle brought his family and a number of women took the chance of view-ing a revolting spectacle. Capt. Knipe and the reserves from the Coney Island police station were on hand to

preserve order. ... While preparations were in progress Topsy was standing in her house, calmly chewing hay and looking like by other self-respecting elephant. the didn't appear to be the least bli bad. Finally, at 1 o'cleck, Carl Collath, an expert on elephants, who used to be with Hogenbeck, and "Skip" Dundy led her out to execution. She followed all right, spurred on by a few pricks on tine ear which Goliath gave her with a rake, until she came to within about twently feet of the bridge leading to the island platform. There she balked. Animal experts say that an elephant always hates to cross a bridge, and perhaps it was for that bridge, and perhaps it was for tha

As Topey stopped, however, there seemed to be a twinkle in her eye, as if she knew what was going on, and wasn't going to stand for it. Goliath and Dundy pulled and hauled and used the rake, but she wouldn't budge, so they decided to use strategy.

C. H. Murray, who arranged the execution, took a hand and held out a correct of the secution.

vance a few feet to get it. She did, but when he backed up a little more nd offered her another, she would not advance another step nearer the bridge to get it.

Murray fed her twenty-seven car rots all told, but the plan would not work. Topsy was wise. Then Go-liath turned her around, walked her back to the end of the enclosure and tried again. It was no use. Topsy advanced to the place where she had stopped before and stood stock still.

Nothing could persuade her to cross the bridge through a trail of grain had been laid to tempt her.

"I'll bet 'Whitey' Alt told her what was up," said one of the employes. "Whitey," Topsy's former keeper who was discharged some time ago, was the only man who could manage the

An hour had been consumed in trying to coax the beast to the platform when the plan was given up as a bad "We will have to kill her right here,"

said Thompson, one of the managers. So every one was cleared out of the space near Topsy and she was chained by all four feet to piles which stick up all over the enclosure. The employes put a temporary board

flooring on the ground under her and electricians extended the wires. When t came to attaching the electrodes to Topsy's feet there was more troubl and delay. One was attached to the right fore foot without much trouble and the other had been wired to her left hind foot when Topsy took it into her head that she didn't like the feeling. She kicked off the one on the front foot and when that was wired

on again she repeated the operation with her hind foot. It looked as though she had done it out of pure mischief, for she stood during the operation as quietly as could be asked, obeying all the commands of the men, even one telling her to get down on her knees.

the same time strangle her by a rope out a carrot to Topsy. She ate it, and another and another, and even twisted her trunk playfully as she took them. In each carrot there was a heavy dose of cyanide of potassium and in all the elephant ate 460 grains, the show people said.

As soon as she swallowed the last one, and before the poison had time to act, Goliath shouted to have the current turned on. Suddenly a flash and a small flame

sprang from the electrodes. Topsy was just curling her trunk when the current hit her. The trunk straightengetting the platform ready for the exbody strained forward as if she were

near the beast could detect an odor of burning hoofs. "Turn off the cur-rent," an employe yelled just as Top-sy lunged forward and fell on her side motionless. She had fallen before a man in a building nearby had snapped the switch open again,

Topsy was dead. everal veterinary surgeons, among them Dr. Smith from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Dr. Treadwell of Englewood, N. J., and Dr. Baker of Union, S. C., said that there was no a spark of life in her when she fell. The show people were not taking any chances, however. A huge noise which had been slipped around her neck before the current was turned on, was tightened up with a donkey engine and held tight for ten minutes Then it was slackened up and a crow gathered to watch some one take

neasurements. These showed that Topsy's extreme height was 10 feet, length from tail to to tip of trunk 10 feet 11 inches, and circumference of legs at fetlock 2 feet

6 inches Immediately after death several veterinaries dissected the body. Hubert H. Vogelsang of 311 East Fifty-ninth street, who bought the carcass, will tan the hide, while Topsy's heart and tomach are to be sent to the biology department of Princeton University.

Topsy developed a bad temper two
years ago and killed two keepers in Texas. Last spring, when the Forepaugh show was in Brooklyn, J. F. Blount, a keeper, tried to feed a lighted cigarette to her. She him .up with her trunk and dashed

him to the ground, killing him instant-A little while later she was sold to the establishment in Coney Island, parlers and whether or not any other where she behaved herself until about, powers will protest to the Porte in lowed "Whitey" to the police station.

Thompson & Dundy saw her value as an advertising medium, and every lit-tle while she broke into the newspapers with some new trick. Finally Alt was discharged and more stories came out about the "unmanageable

elephant. Topsy was eating about \$25 worth of hay a week all the time and her eeper drew a salary of \$20. The elephant was costly, even if she was to be relied upon for press agent uses, so it was decided to put her out of the

Coughs, colds, nourseness, and other throst fiments are quickly relieved by Vapo-Creso-cae tablets, ten couts per box. All druggista.

TWINS NOT BORN IN SAME YEAR. One Came on Dec. 31, 1902, and the Othe on Jan. 1, 1903.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—A difference of about three hours in the birth of sisters has led to the strange situation of twins having birthdays on different days and different years. Mr. and Mrs. John if ift, 180 Sheffield avenue, are the parents of the twins, and every one in the neighborhood is commenting on the curious circumstance. One of the twins was born at 10.30 p. m. on the last day of December, 1902, and about an hour and a half after midnight the second child was born. Her birthday is the refore Jan. 1, 1903.

Chronic Constipation surely cured or money back. LAXA-CARA TABLETS never fall. Smrll, chocolate coated, easy to take. Price, 35 cents. At criminal court will not adjourn the grave robbers are tried."

COST HIM 39 CENTS.

as Good a Lawyer as Some Long Robe Fellows in St. John. (Washington Star.)

A local business man who was one the representative of one of the big mercantile agencies tells a story of how he became a member of the bar in the state of Virginia a number of years ago. He had occasion to go to one of the inland counties of the state to make an examination of the county tate their Danish competitors in this records in order to ascertain the standing of a number of country merchants. Upon reaching the railroad station he found it necessary to drive a distance of 10 miles or more over road which was a mere apology for a highway. Reaching the county seat, the only man who could manage the beast, the show people said, so one of the employes was sent to find him and offer him \$25 if he would get her across. "Whitey" was found, but he wasn't feeling very friendly with his former employers and he answered "Not for \$1,000"." The the clerk's office in the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (2) That each cow's daily milk yield is weighed once of the per week, or at least sufficiently often so that accidental influences may not have any serious effect. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (2) That one reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (2) That one cow's must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (2) That one cow's must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible, be weighed or measured. (3) That the reed given the cown must, as much as possible or measured. (4) The cown must, as much as possible or measured. (4) The cown must, as much as possible or measured. (5) That the reed given the country set of the country

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"Tm sorry," said the young man,
"but in this country it is against the
rules for anybody other than a lawyer
to handle the books."

It was explained to the firm's employ
could not be found, and as the lawyer
lived more than two miles away ne
would not have time to get him unless the missed the next train.

"There will be no trouble in arranging the matter," the clerk informed ing the matter," the clerk informed

the Washingtonian. subscribed to by attorneys was administered, and a certificate showing the stranger was a full-fledged lawyer was handed over to him. "What shall I do now?" the clerk was asked.

'Pay the fee," he answered. "What is the amount?" "Thirty-nine cents," was the clerk's prompt answer. The money was paid and the man

told how he became lawyer for small sum of 39 cents.

TO WED A BOSTON WIDOW. harming Mrs. Blake to Become Lady Seymour Blane of London.

LONDON, Jan. 3.- Mrs. Blake affair and never met an English girl ssedness. But when he met the ing purposes might be selected. tall, elegant Mrs. Blake, the widow of GROWTH OF THE ASSOCIATIONS. for the last seven years in a pretty block at the top of the half-completed tower and then the most important thing of the afternoon's work was done. Four signs painted on cloth in pain.

Dody strained forward as it she were to made no lost his heart. Every night he dropped into Hans place, and until the ensagement was fixed he was unhappy. The bride to be is a charming woben clearly demonstrated that the prise visit to the farmer to weigh the top of the half-completed trying to move, but she made no lost his heart. Every night he dropped into Hans place, and until the ensagement was fixed he was unhappy. The bride to be is a charming woben clearly demonstrated that the prise visit to the farmer to weigh the top of the half-completed trying to move, but she made no lost his heart. Every night he dropped into Hans place, and until the ensagement was fixed he was unhappy. The bride to be is a charming woben clearly demonstrated that the prise visit to the farmer to weigh things and dresses beautifully.

Her wedding robe will be of grey velyet, with old lace. At Mrs. Blake's wish the wedding will be very quiet. It will take place at Holy Trinity, Sloane street, at a very early hour Mrs. Blake has a great social con-

nection. Among her most intimate personal friends are Lady Chesterfield, Lady Roden, Lady Wallscourt, Lord Munster, Miss Van Wart and Lady Abinger, all of whom are invited to About seven years ago Mrs. Blake

lost her only son.

ENGLAND'S PROTEST

Against Passage of Russian Torpedo Soats Through the Dardane

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Great Britain's protest in the matter of the passage through the Dardaneilles of four Rus sian torpedo boat destroyers, creates onsiderable interest, and it is expected is not unlikely to lead to the virtual abrogation of that clause of the treaty of Paris which closes the Daranelles. It is supposed that the inerval since last September, when Turkey granted the permission for the estroyers to pass the straits, has cen employed for pour parlers on the

The London daily papers are greatly concerned at Germany's refusal to as-sociate itself with Great Britain, although she is a signatory of the treaty. What the result of the pour the matter is not yet known here.

A LAST CHANCE.

(London Answers.) The keeper in attendance on a guest at a Norfolk shooting party recently looked on with disgust at the gentleman's erratic marksmaninip. He was panging away here, there and every-

"Aim 'igher, sir," advised the keep-Still the birds flew untouched "It ain't the gun, sir, and it ain't the cartridges," remarked the Norfolk man. "Try shuttin' your right eye in-

where, but no birds fell.

Stead of the left, sir."

But not a pheasant fell.

The keeper scratched his head.

"The birds is very strong on the wing this year," he remarked, "but "have"s one more chance. If I was stead of the left, sir." you, sir, I should 'ave a pop with both

WHOLESALE GRAVE ROBBING.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 6.-The trial of Dr. C. J. Alexander, demonstrator of anatomy at the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons, who is under indictment with about twenty other men on the charge of wholesale grave robbing, has been postponed un-til February on account of the illness of Dr. Alexander. This is the third or Dr. Alexander. This is the third time the case has been postponed, but Judge Alford of the criminal court said today: "These grave robbing cases will be disposed of if the court has to hold through the summer. The

THE FARM. Co-operative Testing in Danish

The farmers of Denmark have evolved a very successful co-operative system of testing dairy cows, which has proved of great value in raising the standard of their herds. A short sketch of the plan which they have followed may prove of interest to Canadian dairymen, who might well imiparticular at least.

THE OBJECTS OF TESTING AS-SOCIATIONS.

Four chief objects are kept in view in organizing these testing associations: (1) That the feed given the clerks if he was a member of the bar.

"Not in Virginia," he answered in a yield is tested sufficiently often to copies to all the members. Indeed eliminate accidental influences. (4) everyone interested in dairying helped That an exact account is kept in such the plan along, and this explains why a manner as to show the relation be-tween the butter yield and the food

The original association, that of As an example of the practical re-Vejen, had 13 members, aggregating sults obtained, three years' work of 300 cows, and the first year's expenses the Faarup association may be quoted. were \$175; but the government recognized at once the importance of this movement and gave them a grant of \$62,50. Some of the by-laws of the original association declared that:

"The object of the association was to build up a race of cows which would be recognized as the far association may be quoted. According to the Maeikert Tidende the average results per cow in the herds tested were as follows:

Year. Lbs. milk. Lbs. butter. P. c. fat. 1899-1990. 5,182 191 3.34 1900-1901. 5,283 202 3.44 build up a race of cows which would 1901-1902. 6,104 238 3.50 Entering a private room, the oath give a large yield of rich milk; the membership should be limited temporaverage yield of 47 lbs. butter per cow arily to 12 or 13, who agreed to let the by testing and selecting in three years. milk of each cow be tested every 14 The work of these associations is days; the expenses should be distri- evidently the keynote of cheaper milk buted in proportion to the fat tests production, and the co-operative plan made, and collected twice a year; offers the only means of securing systhree directors should be chosen, one of whom should resign every third Some suggestions for Canadians. In year after the first two years, and my opinion something along the above who should elect a president and sec- lines should be worked out in Canada, The money was paid and the man retary-treasurer; the association with the creamery or cheese factory from Washington returned home and should continue for five years, and no as the nucleus of the movement. The member should withdraw before that tester would make the factory his time, unless on account of removal headquarters, and if the farmers were from the district." The directors of trusted to do the weighing of the milk north end merchants undersell those

yield of each cow and the feed con- take note of all conditions, record the Boston will wed next Tuesday Sir Seymour Blane, a septuagenarian bachelor-soldier, who has always boasted that he had never had a love economical producers, so that those farmer and numbers stamped thereor who could entice him from single cows having special value for breed- to take separate samples of two At the close of the first year's work they would send in to the factory on

has been in rather delicate health. better milk for the creameries, and or take samples incorrectly, as the She has irreproachable taste in all the dairy paper, Maelkert Tidende, total average of each herd would be soon had frequent discussions as to known by the patron's daily delivery the work of these associations, not- and factory test, and any trickery ably as regards securing uniform reports from the various associations. Joint meetings were held and several weak features of the scheme pointed

out. In 1898 \$4,250 was appropriated for the support of the various associations, and in 1899 the Vojen association again took the lead in including a report as to the raising of calves and hogs. In the same year, at a gen-eral meeting of all the local agricultural associations, the blank forms for the test associations were fully discussed and uniform methods agreed

In 1900 we find four distinct associa tions, comprising in all about 240 test associations, and the results compiled from the reports of the various dis-tricts furnish a great deal of valuable information. For instance, the old notion that a larger flow of milk must ecessarily give a lower percentage of own testing, but the latter may be fat was disproved. Most important of all, a co-operation was effected beween the test associations and the preeders' associations (bull associaions), and a chief inspector was ap pointed in one district, who helped to elect the cows entitled to be bred to for his bulls when the necessity for certain bulls and to supervise the better cows had been impressed upon the farmer by the testing system.

The Maelkert Tidende sends blanks the associations, and when these

A SAMPLE RESULT.

tematic testing. the association engaged a "tester," who took samples and tested the milk of each cow, and for whose use reliable apparatus was bought. This tester also kept exact records of the milk vield of each cow and the feed contained to do the weighing of the milk and taking of the samples, it would be possible for one man to do the work for all the farms sending milk to the average factory. He would require to visit each farm before the test started, take note of all conditions record the leading grocery stores in each section of the city were visited and the following prices were given. The figures quoted are the highest take note of all conditions record the milkings, also blanks for filling in feed records every two weeks.

and factory test, and any trickery would soon be discovered. There is another advantage in this

plan, and that is that the factory can well afford to pay part of the expenses, because the tester's visits to the farms will also encourage better care of milk, better sanitation in the stables, etc. In any case, the main point is to include in the test at least for figuring the average every cow and heifer being fed on the farm, whether they are dry or in milkthat is the crucial test; the rest is simply a matter of bookkeeping. The food given cannot be weighed out to ach cow-that would be too expensive -but fortnightly estimates tested by the scales now and then should be re corded. This idea may not be of di rect benefit to the professional breeders, nor to the progressive farmers owning large herds who may do their small farmers and thus make the establishment of such a system possible. Nevertheless the professional breeder of pure bred dairy cattle would soon find an increased demand

> F. W. HODSON, Live Stock Commissioner.

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anything before retiring without eating something at the same time. So when I have my 'night cap' I always eat a Christie's Biscuit with it."

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COST OF LIVING.

Is Less in the North End of the City.

It has often been stated that the cost of living in the north end is considerably less than in the city proper, ment is correct. Property in the north end is not so valuable as in the city, and for this reason, among others, rents are much lower. A dwelling which rents for from \$100 to \$135 in the north end would be \$150 to \$175 in the

Fuel is cheaper, in so far as wood is concerned, and this is probably due to the fact that the mills are all near at hand and the river boats which bring down firewood all stop at Indiantown. But while these different items in ousehold expense may be smaller in the north end than in the city it is also true that the grocery and other stores provide their customers with cheaper goods than do those in the city. Lesses expense of running the stores is probably one principal cause of this, but the fact remains that the

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Deans, QL Q-100	9c-10c
Uatmeal, Ib. 21/2	3½c.
Grey buckwheat, lb., 2½c. Molasses, gal., 35c.	3½c4c.
Apples, DDI	40c.
Turnips, ppi 650	\$2.50-\$2.75 \$1.00
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Canned Deas, Lin 100	15c.
Canned tomatos, tin,15c. Steak, lb.,12c.	15c.
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such as bread, soda biscuits and other

things the prices are the same. TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES. Following is a statement of the values of the shipments from the port of St. John and the outports under Consul Myers' dis-trict for the year ending December 31, 1902: Fire brick....

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FIRE IN CHAPEL ROYAL.

LONDON, Jan. 8.-There was consid-

erable alarm at the Chapel Royal, St. James Palace, this morning, owing to

the sudden outbreak of fire in the Christmas decorations above the altar.

The chapel was crowded, the occasion being the annual Epiphany service at which the King's offering of frankin-

ense and myrrh is made. The draught

carried the flame of a candle to the decorations, but before the blaze had

made much headway the officiating clergyman mounted the altar and tore

WANTED A RECEIPT.

An old colored mammy who was

taking her first ride in the trolley cars

saw the folks seated near her get transfers when they paid their fare. When the conductor came for hers she handed it to him, and he passed on Then mammy called out: "Say, ye

man, why fo' yo' don' gib me a receipt

fo' my money same as yo' gib dem

WANTED-A case of Headache that KUMFORT Powders will not cure in

white folks? Yo' ought to be o' yo'self to treat a po' old cullud woman dat er way."—Baltimore Am-

lown the burning holly,

Your committee would re Your committee would re re the portion of the address to the proposition of the Gra Railway to build a new transnatal railway, that the boat pass a resolution somewhat lines of the resolutions passe Quebec and Winnipeg boards and that they are strongly committee that resolutions are strongly as the committee of the resolutions. opinion that no subsidies granted to any transconting unless the terminals of such I be both winter and summer

W. Frank Hatheway then n

advance in prices of western lands, the large influx of im to the Northwest seeking the lands and valuable mining New Ontario and western have proven the great value wheat, grazing and mining therefore resolved, that in charters to trans-continenta lines it should be the policy government not to grant either of money or lands to s way companies, but rather er that the right of way given charter is a valuable frac by the people, and should be sed that within a definite

rans-continental railway Jas. F. Robertson moved

ent to the amendment in view of the present pre for a Grand Trunk trans-cor railway and believing that it interests of Canada would served by the building of a ment owned and managed continental line: and also that a subsidy of cash and lan

BOARD OF

Regular Monthly Tuesday Afternoo Board Roo

Special Meeting Called Afternoon Next, t Motion as to Tra tinental Railw

The regular monthly n Board of Trade was held ternoon. Those in atte President W. M. Jarvis, Hon. J. V. Ellis, W. F. Alfred Clarke, J. H. M. Fred Fisher, Jos. Bull Vroom, Jas. F. Robertson ter White.
The following summar: ceedings of the council

approved: Five meetings of the been held since the annu the board on December 1 The following were elec members of the council of the council held on 18 viz.: John H. Thomson, R. G. Haley, S. S. Hall and J. A. Likely. The council has rece

from John Sealy resigning as vice president of the Sealy's resignation will b fore the meeting for cons At the request of Alexa president of the Montre Trade, a statement of amount of expenditure port by public authority mprovements and termin has been furnished

An article having appearance Brooklyn Eagle contains statements in regard to the statements in the statement of the statement navigation of the Bay of letter has been sent to t that paper correcting ments and requesting which has been promised. The Dominion Atlant having been desirous of re Prince Rupert by str. Y: the Digby route during

months, the president he minister of railways and general opinion change. The council has agreed of standing committees f rent year, which will be s the present meeting. The committee ordered nual meeting to be appoint sider the president's addre-meeting has been appointed report at this meeting.

Communications in refere coming conference of Ch Commerce at Montreal, expo litter, export of oysters ar to the United Kingdom, but South Africa, and South A ish and Colonial Industrial have been referred by the this meeting.

A letter was read from dent Sealy, in which he is he would be unable to serve dered his resignation wh cepted, Geo. McKean being nis stead.

Messrs. Gandy and All elected to the board. The report of the comm pointed to consider the presi nual address, and of which Fisher was chairman, was by the secretary. After some tory remarks, the report re-Your committee recognize portance of an assessment

to our mercantile and man interests; they therefore r that the question of asses specially considered by the committee, and further, they opinion that the present ct cannot be amended so as isfactory to the citizens, and only move that can possibly to rectify the evils of the p ment act is to form an new one, and they would urg taxation committee watch action of the common cun

dian ports.

It was moved that this r

following amendment: Whereas, the increased s

years it would revert to the And further resolved, that should clearly specify that the ni in winter and summ

to a corporation may result land passing into foreign conti further believing it best for t