Two Editions Daily.

For Direct Taxation.

by the French Chambers.

creasing the Navy.

r.can Inquiry.

ise Made on Christmas Eve-

Premier Laurier in Paris.

PREMIER LAURIER IN PARIS.

London, July 21.-Hon. Nathaniel

Curzon, brother of the Rt. Hon. Geo.

or foreign affairs, was married yes-

RESERVES CALLED OUT.

Athens, July 21 .- The government

has summoned to the colors those mem-

ers of the reserve who were exempted

in the first two classes who are now

inder arms. It has also summoned the

class that were destined under ordin-

ary circumstances to join the colors in October. The measure is considered

necessary to fill the ranks of the army.

THE KAISER'S BLACK EYE.

Berlin, July 21.-The Berlin Reich-

sanziger publishes a bulletin from Em-

pelling the exercise of great care in the

JEAN INGELOW.

London, July 21.-Miss Jean Ingelow,

who died in London Monday night, was

Lincolnshire family, and was born at

her verse she has written various prose orks for children and four novels.

One of her best known and most popular poems is "We Are Seven."

CARLIST ACTIVITY.

stored on the French border, and

Carlists will openly rebel in the pre-

COERCION.

London, July 21.-The Constantinople

correspondent of the Post says the

frontier proposals made by the Euro-

pean powers; but the sultan has not

Athens, July 21.-It is stated here

that Italy has proposed coercive mea-

The Pester Lloyd (Budapest) says

that Edem Pasha, commander-in-chief

of the Turkish forces in Thessaly, re-

eived an infernal machine yesterday

opened, severely wounding Edhem Pa-

THE RAND INQUIRY.

London, July 21.-Mr. A. J. Balfour

has consented to furnish an opportun-

ity for the House of Commons to dis-

cuss South African affairs, stipulating,

nowever, that the matter be raised on

per for Burnley, gave notice that he

he inconclusive action and report

the South African committee, especi-

sion. The resolution would also de-

THE CZARINA'S WISH

London, July 21 .- The Berlin corre-

spondent of the Standard says that

while celebrating Christmas Eve in the

German manner, the czarina was asked

by her husband to express a wish. She

spered: "Please permit a little more

gious toleration." The czar answer-smilingly: "That will come by and

The czar has not forgotten his

nise, as it has been reported, but

issued a ukase canceling that of

father, Alexander III., which or-

erson should sign a document declar-

ng that he would baptize and educate

ukase of Emperor Nicholas permi

ucated in the religion of their parent

ters in that of their mother.

sons in that of their father, and daugh-

DIRECT TAXATION IN FRANCE.

of Deputies, by a vote of 516 to 7,

Storage.

Paris, July 21.-The French Chamber

yet ratified their acceptance.

which exploded while it was

sures against Turkey.

sha in one arm.

a specific resolution.

sent circumstances, if popular dis content over the mismanagement of

may try his luck again.

London, July 21.-Referring to the

rday afternoon to Miss Mercy Lil-

the Dominion Premier, at Paris.

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Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading. two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

CATHOLIC CLUB PICNIC-PORT STAN-LEY, Tuesday, July 27. Baseball matches, quoiting matches, races, \$200 in prizes. Moon-light excursion, string band. Best of the season. Everybody come. 77u

B ASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP - HAMIL-TON vs. London. Thursday, July 22nd. Game called at 4 o'clock. 76u o! FOR THE OLD COUNTRY-VERY Lines to or from Great Britain via Montreal the St. Lawrence short route. F. B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next door to Advertiser. ULPHUR SPRING PLUNGE OPEN FOR

YOICE CULTURE—
EVA N. ROBLYN.
Studio, 340 Dundas street. Concert engage-573 CENTRAL AVENUE-SWIMMING bath open for the season. Ladies or gents taught the art at moderate prices. 43tf DICYCLE RIDING TAUGHT 476 RICH-MOND street. "Dayton" bicycles, \$80; "Tempests" \$60. Fully guaranteed. See them. Dayton & McCormick.

Excursions.

RLINGTON CLUB EXCURSION TO

STEAMER LEAVES LONDON DAILY-1;45, 3:30, 7:45. Springbank - 5:15, 9:30. Harpers every trip. Bicycles free. 55tf Wine Two WEEKS HOLIDAY TRIP-Monti eal and return via steamers Mel-bourne and Cuba, leaving Port Stanley weekly, and calling and remaining several hours at Cleveland, Toledo, Windsor, Hamilton, To-ronto, thence through the Thousand Islands to Montreal where three days are allowed to Montreal where three days are allowed to visit Quebec, Ottawa or any other points of interest. Two solid-weeks of pleasure at less than \$2 per day, meals and berths included. Special rates from Fort Stanley. F.B. CLARKE, agent, next door to Advertiser; E. N. HUNT, agent, 190 Dunda; street, and C. C. Young. ATTERSON LINE-THE FAST STEAM-

ER. A. J. Tymon, will leave Port Stanley every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 p.m., for Cieveland, returning leave Cieveland Sunday, Tresday and Thursday, 9 p.m., central standard time. The agent of the boat will meet passengers at Port Stanley on arrival of 7:20 p m. train, and transfer baggage and grips free. Sunday schools and societies desiring trip on the lake can charter boat or will be given special rates. For further information, freight or excarsions, apply John Price, general agent, Port Stanley, or Arch, Patterson, Ridgetown, Ont., of 98 Broadway, Cleveland, Tickets for sale by F. B. CLARKE, Richmond Freet, next Advertiser, London; D. K. McKENZIE, St. Thomas.

Domestics Wanted.

GOOD GENERAL SERVANT WANTED-TIRLS, HURRY UP TO DWYERS' EM-PLOYMENT Agency, good situations to fill at Sarnis, Cnatham, Petrolea, Lucknow, Forest, Giene og and Aylmer. Reliable help for city og hand. 591 Richmond street, phone

has a number of situations to fill. Good girls wanted at once as cooks. Nurse girls

Male Help Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. WANTED - TINSMITH WITH \$500 -Young man preferred. This is a snap.
Apply by letter to Box 21, this office. 76c

Female Help Wanted. First insertion 1c per word. One-half

cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. WANTED-EXPERIENCED CAP-MAK-ERS. Good wages to good makers, Apply 71 and 73 King street. 76c

WANTED - LADIES TO DO FANCY work at home. 304; Dundas street.

Agents Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. TEACHERS—IF YOU WANT TO MAKE \$150 during July and August, in a good cause, write or wire me quickly. T. H. LINS-

STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND AGENTS wishing a worthy and profitable occupa-tion for the summer can get same by writing us. We have an entirely new thing. Dont promise \$10 per day, but more than that per week, Address. J. L. NICHOLS & Co., Wes-ley building, Toronto.

WANTED-I CAN PAY TEN DOLLARS weekly to a lady of mature age, refinement and tact to spend her time in a good cause. T. H. Linscott, Toronto. 68bc

WANTED-MEN AND WOMEN WHO can work hard talking and writing six hours daily, for six days a week, and will be content with \$10 weekly. Address, New Ideas Compary, Brantford, Ont. 68bc

A GENTS-SECOND EDITION "QUEEN Victoria" exhausted in his Victoria" exhausted; jubilee edition on ess; best history of the Queen and Victorian press; best history of the Queen and Victorian era published; the only Canadian work accepted by her Majesty; sales unprecedented; knock the bottom out of all records; canvassers scooping in money; even boys and girls sell it fast; big commission or straight weekly salary after trial trip. The Bradley-Garretson Compary (Limited), Toronto.

Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half Service and subsequent insertion No. 1 ESSRS. H. PORTER & CO., HAVE received instructions from Mr. B. Johnadvertisement less than ten words. WANTED-200 FEET OF SHELVING

Also two young cats. Address or city and county auctioneer. WANTED - GENTS SECOND - HAND SAINSBURY, 90 King street. Mail orders

Houses, Etc., To Let.

COTTAGE TO LET FOR BALANCE OF season, from Aug. I, on Orchard Beach. Port stanley. Apply 83 Dundas street. 76c TINO LET-BRICK HOUSE, 136 QUEEN'S TIO LET-COTTAGE, 260 PICCADILLY street: 9 rooms, cellar and summer kit-chen, hard and soft water; rent \$10; newly painted and papered inside. Apply to John Fraction & Sons. TTO LET-A TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE

Aug. 15. Apply J. P. Thompson, 140 Dundas.

TO LET-NO. 411 KING STREET-TWO lends money on diamonds, watches rooms; nice situation. Rent cheap, Apply at King street.

To LET-NO. 411 KING STREET-TWO lends money on diamonds, watches and jewelry: business strictly confidential: highest price paid for cast-off clothing. 383 Clarence street.

Real Estate.

TWO BUILDING LOTS 52 FEET 8x110 feet, Ridout street, next Fullarton street. Apply on the property. PATTERSON & JOLLY. PEAL ESTATE—A FEW GOOD LOTS near car shops, and three good cottages; a few fine lots in North End: nice cottage on Ontario street, near Dundas, only \$1,200, J. F. SANGSTER, 403 Richmond street.

Articles For Sale.

cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. First insertion Ic per word. One-half FOR SALE-GOOD FURNITURE, NEAR-LY new: for sale cheap. Parties leaving city. Apply 111 Hamilton road. 76e SHEETRUBBER AND RUBBER HOSE, hose nozzels and reels and lawn hydran t smith Bros., 265 Dundas street. x

DORTABLE OVEN FOR SALE-CAPA-CITY 100 loaves; good running order, be seen at 402 Princess avenue. 76c F YOU REQUIRE FURNITURE, BUY it now. This is the last week of Kilgour's fourth Annual Clearing Sale. 75c ZEEP YOUR HAIR ON-BOTH OLD and young for nothing looks worse than a bald head. When it comes first no man need be bald if he will use Cook's Sure Hair Restorer. Call and see what he has done for himself. Pork Shop, corner Hill and Wellington streets.

Call and be convinced that he can do what he OLD OATS FOR SALE-IN LOTS TO suit purchasers—At Slater's Warehouse, York street, city. OR SALE-ONE 3) HORSFPOWER automatic "Brown' engine, built by ie, McCulloch & Co., Galt. Cylinder 10 inches, stroke 24 inches; can be run at 69 revo-lutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also one tubular exhaust feed water heater. The en-gine can be seen at H. PORTER & Co.'s storage warehouse, Carling street, London, Ont.

FOR SALE-BRICKS, TIMBERS, COAL and wood wagen her and wood wagon box, truss rods and plates. Patterson & Jolly. 72tf CO., 374 Richmond street. Phone 1,115. TOVES AND SECOND-HAND FURNI-TURE for sale cheap at KEENE'S Furni-ture Store, Masonic Temple, Market Square. PIANOS, PIANOS-NEW AND SECOND HAND, also a beautiful assortment or music and musical merchanduse, and two good organs cheap. Anderson's Book Store, Nord-neimer's Piano Agency, 183 Dundas street. UMBER.

DOORS,

FINISHING. DYMENT-BAKER LUMBER CO

Board and Lodging.

FURNISHED ROOMS WITH BOARD-In private family. 340 Dundas street. RURNISHED ROOMS WITH BOARD-All modern conveniences. 251 Queen's lowed, and a third volume of poems was published in 1925.

Lost and Found.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent a word each insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. DUNCH OF KEYS LOST—ON DUNDAS. revival of Carlism, a dispatch says: amendments to the sugar schedule were reached, over which there was suitably rewarded by leaving with elevator boy, Hiscox building.

b stored on the French border, and OST—BETWEEN HUB AND GRIGG large consignments of arms have been ordered in Germany and in Balengraved on inside. Reward at this office. b

Veterinary Surgeons. H. TENNANT-VETERINARY SUR GEON-Office, King street, opposite Market House; residence, corver King and Wellington. Telephone.

Money to Loan.

SOME MONEY TO LOAN ON MIDDLE-SEX farm property at 5 and 5 per cent, and on city property at 5 and 6 per cent, T. W. SCANDRETT, solicitor, 98 Dundas street, London, up stairs. ONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST MORT-GAGES, at 5 per cent: on second mort-gages and other security at low rates, at G. W. FRANCIS loan office, 781 Dundas street,

\$100,000 TO LEND ON MORT-GAGES and notes. TEN NENT, McDonagh & Colbridge, barristers, solicitors, notaries 78 Dundas street, London, Branch offices, Glencoe, Bothwell and Alvinters

Summer Resorts.

HOTEL LONEY-LEADING HOUSE IN Port Stanley. Airy rooms, good table, large promenade, accommodation for 150 bicycles in special shed. Rates moderate. MATT.

DUSSELL HOUSE-PORT STANLEY-Hemodeled and improved, electric bells, oms large and airy, special rate to summer arders, bicycle headquarters, meals at all hours. GEO. GRAY, proprietor.

"The Fraser."

Wm. Fraser, Prop., Port Stanley. Saturday Night Hops.

Steamer will make short trips out on lake. All trains run around to the beach. Hot and cold water, swings, etc., free for

BOOTH PRIVILEGES

For Grocers' Picnic, Queen's Park, by auction Wednesday evening, July 21. 7 o'clock. 75c J. W. JONES, Auctioneer.

and 200 feet of counters. Apply RunButler.
The contents of a well furnished cottage, consisting of parlor, dining room and kitchen furniture, carpets, stoves, bedroom suites, etc.

By Auction.

W. JONES HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED by Mr. W. Gordon Rickert, to sell at his residence, 695 Colborne street, on Thursday, July 22, at 10:30 a.m., the whole of the household effects, comprising drawing-room suite, casy chairs, coher tables, stands, easels, netures lace curtains, noles and hinds bits. pictures, lace curtains, poles and blinds, brica-brac, bookshelves, couch, hall stand, hanging and other lamps, sideboard, dining-table and chairs, contents of four bedrooms in uites, mattresses, springs, toiletware, brus-els carpets, linoleum, wardrobe, baseburner, No. 8 cookstove, fruit jars, kitchen utensils, awn mower, etc. J. W. JONES,

Pawnbrokers.

SLATER'S STORAGE AND TRANSFER WAREHOUSES,

225 TO 259 YORK STREET. LONDON.

The Principle Strongly Indorsed | posal. The chamber, by a vote of 518 against 18, without debate, adopted the recommendation of the budget committee, granting a credit of 7,000,000 francs for commencing new warships, expedit-ng the reconstruction of the navy, and establishing a naval base at Bizerta, a fortified seaport of Tunis, and the most northern town of Africa.

The senate, by a vote of 217 to 2, adopted the direct taxes bill and unanimously adopted the naval credit

LONDON, CANADA, WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1897.

Proposal to Reopen the South Afof 7,000,000 francs for commencing new varships, etc.
The chamber voted to authorize the establishment of a lottery, with prizes aggregating 8,000,000 francs (\$1,600,000). Nicholas Hasn't Forgotten His Promne proceeds to be devoted to relief the sufferers by the recent floods Both houses then prorogued.

CABLE NOTES The negotiations between the Ameri-Paris, July 21 .- M. Hanotaux, the can bimetallic commission and the representatives of France and Great French minister of foreign affairs, last Britain will agree to participate in a evening received Sir Wilfrid Laurier, enference to be held in Washington

The Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says that China is about to reor-ganize her army on the lines of the German military, and that orders for rifles have been placed in Germany.

A new Chinese fleet is to be con-N. Curzon, under secretary of state ew vessels going to England, and half o Germany. The Armstrongs will supply the guns for the new fleet.

U. S. SENATORS KICK Against the \$2 Tariff Rate on White Pine Lumber.

Washington, D. C., July 21.-The conference report on the tariff bill came before the Senate yesterday, and the lumber amendment led to an animated

Mr. Teller and Mr. West contended peror William's physician, the Duke of Bavaria, saying that an examination of his majesty's eye, which was recently injured by a blow from a piece of rope at Oddo, shows that the sight is in no sense impaired, though there are still granted and will be an all of that the \$2 rate on white pine and the retallatory clause against Canadian logs in effect permitted a double tax. He said the whole thing was conceived in the interests of a few millmen of Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, by which they would be enabled sin, by which they would be enabled to raise the price of pine \$3 to \$4 per

Mr. Pettigrew (South Dakota) severely criticised the conference amendment. He said the \$2 was designated to benefit a few men who own standing pine there is in Michigan the daughter of Wm. Ingelow, of a Wisconsin and Minnesota. Comment-Boston, Lincolnshire, in 1820. Her first work appeared in 1863, and was en-titled, "Poems by Jean Ingelow." Four showed that the pine amendment would take over \$6,000,000 out of the pockets of the people and put it into the pockets of "this little group of lumbermen who gathered in Burrows' room."
While the bill was full of such tricks,
Mr. Pettigrew asserted that the lummost barefaced tricks of the whole blin.

The debate was fruitless, and the reading of the bill proceeded until the amendments to the sugar schedule were reached, over which there was an animated and protracted debate.

Cornwall, July 21.—Donald McPhee, a former resident of Fort Covington, recently offered to give \$1,900 to purchase a site for a new cemetery in that chase a site for a new cemetery in that

Briefs by Wire.

Cuba and the subserviency of the government to the United States spreads and develops riots, as it is quite likely to do, then Don Carlos Dr. Colter, ex-M. P., has been appointed postoffice inspector of New Mr. Henry Mooney, ex-reeve of Morris, has been nominated by the East Huron Conservatives as their candidate Good Crop Is Reported by the Weather

for the Legislature. Carl Bauer, who was extradited from Turkish ministers have accepted the Fort Wayne, Ind., on the charge of raising a check for \$5 to \$500, was sentenced at Toronto on Thursday to three | bulletin of the Michigan weather buryears in the penitentiary. The shipment of cheese from the port of Montreal this season far exceeds the | yield of good quality is reported. Rye

quantity sent for the corresponding period last year. John L. Brown, the Epworth Leaguer reported to have been swept away in the Cave of the Winds at Niagara Falls, has arrived safely in Toronto. He got separated from his father when at the Falls, and the two have been hunting each other for the past three

An unknown man about 25 years old was struck and killed by M. C. R. express No. 14 while walking on the track half a mile east of Waterford on Tuesday morning. He was talking the night watchman a few minute before, and told him he was from Hagersville, and was returning

yould move a resolution deprecating after seeking emloyment at Waterford. About a year ago a prisoner at the the South African committee, ally to recommend specific steps regarding Mr. Rhodes, and to report the garding Mr. Hawksley to produce was from Guelph, and was in for a sentence of eighteen months for forgery and larceny. He was a privileged prisoner when he decided to leave. He mand that Mr. Hawksley be summoned has committed many crimes since his escape, but he was captured at Richber of applications for four years and ber of their income to heavy learning the deputy minister showing the number of their income to heavy learning to heav to the bar of the house and compelled to produce the telegrams. known also by the names of Hamilton

NINE LIVES LOST By a Steamship Collision Off the Isle of Wight.

Southampton, July 21.-The British steamer St. Fillans, Capt. Stabb, which sailed from Rotterdam July 19 for New York, has arrived here with bows badly damaged. Yesterday, off the ered that every non-orthodox person | Isle of Wight, she collided and sunk Russia who married an orthodox the Belgian steamer Concha from Medterranean ports, bound up the channel. Nine of the crew of the Concha were

> brought here on the St. Fillans. CROPS IN RAINY RIVER. The Outlook More Favorable Than

Ever Known Hitherto.

Toronto, July 21.-The correspondent passed the direct taxes bill for which in the Rainy River district of the de-M. Cavaignae on Friday last endeavored to substitute an income tax pro-

it is three feet high, and will probably yield 40 bushels to the acre. On one place there is being raised the fifth crop of wheat in eight years. This it is expected to cut with a self-binder if it is not to heavy. Peas are in good condition and promise a heavy crop. Clover and timothy hay will be a heavy crop, and cutting became general about the 15th inst. Potatoes are in fair condition, no bugs having been seen as yet. Flax is doing well and there is every prospect of a good fruit crop. Stock is in good condition, and the bulldog Proceedings at the Session fly season over. Bees are also doing well. The correspondent states in conclusion that farm hands are scarce and wages remain \$25 per month.

Railway Rumblings.

Grand Trunk Employes' Excursion to Windsor.

Fly Run Between Montreal and Sarnia -Woodstock a Wabash Flag Station.

The employes of the Grand Trunk will give an excursion to Windsor Sat-Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, president of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, will make his annual inspection of the system, arriving in New York by steamer on July 28.

Mr. W. A. Cooper, formerly in specr, has been appointed assistant superintendent of sleeping, dining and parlor cars, with offices at the Canadian Pacific headquarters, Montreal.

The Grand Trunk made "a fly run" fr' a Montreal to Sarnia tunnel Friday n connection with the Boston flyer, record time, making the 5021/2 mil in 11 and 58 minutes. The special left Montreal at 1:50 a.m., which was 2 hours and 20 minutes after the regular, and landed it at the tunnel three minutes behind at 12:48. The 80-mile run from Stratford to the tunnel was made in 85 minutes.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review: -On and after tomorrow, the four fast Wabash trains which pass through Woodstock over the G. T. R. will be subject to the "stop." This means that Woodstock has been made a flag station. Any passengers desiring to go by the trains can have them flagged. Another advantage included in the new rangements, is that tickets may be Woodstock, from any point across ing on a newspaper clipping as to the gathering of lumbermen in Mr. Burrows' room, Mr. Pettigrew said it the new arrangement.

WAS THE FIRST BURIED.

Donald McPhee Helped Buy a Cemetery and the First Grave in It Was

Mr. McPhee was visiting in Fort Covington he was taken sick and died iberally.

WHEAT IN MICHIGAN.

Bureau.

Lansing, Mich., July 21.-The crop eau says wheat threshing has commenced in southern counties and a fair harvest is also good, and hay is exceptionally fine. The slow start at seed-

ing time, and the burning weather made oats thin and short. Complaint of insufficient rain comes from the northern part of the state, where the grasshopper and potato bug are doing The hot weather has burned out much young clover. Apples are dropping badly, but all other fruit, except peaches, are fairly promising.

THAT SENSELESS ATTACK official Figures Which Show How Sir

Oliver Mowat Has Been Traduced. Ottawa, July 21.-Some statements to the department of justice being too

when applications are made for their

ter of justice, taking the year from July, 1893, to July, 1894, there were 335 convicts on whose behalf applications were made to the department, and in

tions.

SIR JOHN SKELTON DEAD, London, July 21.—Sir John Skelton, the author known by the nom-de-

The Freemasons. The Grand Lodge Meets at

Brantford.

Opened This Afternoon. Grand Master Wm. Gibson, M. P.,

on the Prosperous State of the Craft.

Most Interesting Annual Address by the Chief Head and Ruler.

Brantford, July 21.-The 47th annual emmunication of the grand lodge of 216 Dundas St., London, Ont. Free and Accepted Masons of Canada met here this afternoon, with Grand Master Wm. Gibson, M.P., presiding. The board of general purposes held a meeting yesterday, and had their several reports ready for today's session. Cayuga. A large crowd is expected. Before beginning the real business of the session, grand lodge convened and marched to the site of a new school, Muscan Lodge, Sarnia, and Water-where Grand Master Gibson well and down Lodge, Waterdown. Lodges were where Grand Master Gibson well and truly laid the corner stone, with all the splendid ceremonies of the craft. When grand lodge opened in the opera house at 2 p.m. it was a most impressive sight. The whole of the building was ccupied by Masons from floor to gal-Heries. Among those present were: M. W. Bros. W. Gibson, M.P., grand master; A. A. Stevenson, Hugh Murray, Harry Robertson, Q.C., R. T. Walkem, Q.C., J. Ross Robertson, M.P., J. Kerr, Q.C., and W. W. White, Q.C., past grand masters; R. W. Bro. E. A.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS. M. Wor. Bro. Wm. Gibson, M.P., rand master, who was warmly applauded on taking his seat in the

Malone, D. G. M., and others.

grand east, said: Let me extend to you, my brethren of grand lodge, a most hearty welcome apon your meeting here today in this good city of Brantford, whose founder Captain Joseph Brant was so intimately associated with the easliest hisory of Freemasonry in this section of the county, as well as with the rise and progress of the material welfare of our beloved province.

Before entering upon the duties devolving upon us as a grand lodge, let us once again give thanks to the great Architect of the universe for permit ing so many of us to meet here today may he watch over and protect us nav our labors begin in order, be conducted in peace, and closed in har-

the condition of the craft within the jurisdiction, to be able to say from jurisdiction, to be able to say from personal visits in every portion of the province, as well as from authentic information derived from the district deputy grand masters, that our noble craft was never in a healthier condition than at the present time. On the chase a site for a new cemetery in that village if the citizens would raise an 357 lodges (the perfect number). It equal amount. The condition was complied with, and a few days ago while was in a flourishing state, and still more was in a flourishing state, and still more marvelous if in a membership of 24,000 every member was a model of what a there, and was the first one to be buried in the cemetery for the purburied in the cemetery for the cemeter for the cemetery for the cemeter f lodges are in a flourishing condition, and that very rarely a member, by his life and conduct, brings discredit upon the fraternity. As a rule, the lodges are prosperous and successfully doing the work for which they were established, and the members are living up to their professions.

I am happy to call the attention of the members of the Grand Lodge to our increasing prosperity. Notwith-standing the commercial depression of genial face and kindly grasp will be late years, our capital account has reached the handsome sum of \$94. In conclusion the grand master warm202 17. During the past year the rely thanks the brethren all over the juceipts of the Grand Lodge have reach- risdiction for their kindness and co-oped the largest amount in its history. viz.: \$20,828 82, being an increase of \$613 65 over last year.

RECEIPTS. From lodges\$17,090 50 From investments 3,738 32

Of the total expenditure of the past year, amounting to \$17,613 03, no less a sum than \$9,887 50, or over 50 per cent,

ried to capital account. I am sure that every member in grand lodge will join with me in wishing that this good work will go on and on, and continue with better results as years roll by of their income to benevolent purposes It may not be out of place to say that many of the grand lodges of the Unit-ed States are surprised at the large amount given annually by the grand From July, 1894, to July, 1895, the year being divided between Sir John Thompson and Sir Hibbert. Turner the street of the careful supervised in their praise of the good work we are doing through our benevolent board.

Owing to the careful supervised in their praise of the good work we are doing through our benevolent board. lodge of Canada, and are not stinted Thompson and Sir Hibbert, Tupper, applications were made for 477 convicts, and in 156 cases there were in the standard of the grants made for benevolence by the board, only worthy applicants. applications were made for 477 con-victs, and in 156 cases there were inthe sub-committee on From July, 1895, to July 1896, the year in this case being divided between Sir Hibbert Tupper and Hon. Mr. Dickey, there were 489 applications present being \$50 for a brother and \$40 and 123 interferences. and 123 interferences.

From July 1896, to July, 1897, under
Sir Oliver Mowat, there were 626 apmum in special cases. I would furthe plications and 105 interferences, being the lowest percentage in four years, notwithstanding the increased applications and 105 interferences, being recommend that in cases of pressing need arising between meetings of the grand lodge, the chairman of the subcommittee, with the approval of th most worshipful the grand master and the president of the board of genera purposes, should be authorized to make a grant for purposes of temporary re-

plume of "Shirley," is dead. The late lief, such grant not to exceed \$40 to Sir John Skelton was born at Edinburgh in 1831, and was educated at St Andrew's and Edinburgh University. The grand master proceeded to praise the Masonic Relief Association of Unit-He was an advocate of the Scottish ed States and Canada. He then discusshis report as to the state of the crops in that locality. Seeding, he says, was early, and up to the present the thermometer has ranged from 40 degrees at 7 in the morning, to 80 degrees at mid-day, being a little higher at times. Vegetation of all kinds is making very rapid progress, and there were no cold, chilly winds, nor June frost. The spring wheat is just heading out, but is somewhat too dark and rank looking, the probability being that it will have too heavy a straw. At present some of

TRUSSES

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PHARMACISTS AND CHEMISTS.

on on V. Wor. Bros. J. Y. Egan and Keith, for settlement connected with the grand lodge of Ontario difficulties.

Branch-Cor. Richmond and Piccadilly.

DEDICATIONS During the year, the grand master dedicated Harmony Lodge, Toronto; also dedicated at Elmsdale, Hepworth, Havelock, and Tilbury. Dispensations were issued for new lodges at Wes-port, Thessalon, and Powassen. The application for a new lodge at Cree-

more, Simcoe county, was sent to the board for information. The grand master suggested that R. Wor. Bro. Kivas Tully should receive the rank of past grand master for long service for the craft. The grand master reported that he had laid corner-stones as follows: At Chesley, of the new Holy Trinity Anglican Church Chesley. Church, Methodist; and at Brantford. today, of a splendid new public school building. The grand master adds that he should not be called upon to lay a stone where another stone is also to be laid.

Many visits were made by the grand master during the year. He visited and was banqueted by the London Pastmasters' Association, and he also visited lodges in Toronto, Kincardine, St. Catharines, Hamilton, Thorold; Beamsville, Parkdale, Essex, Ancaster, Smith's Falls, Belleville, Brockville, Pembroke, Stratford, and other central points. Everywhere the grand:

master was received with the warmest Lodges of instruction were held during the year in Essex, Watford, London, St. Marys, Wingham, Walkerton,

R. Wor. Bro. R. B. Hungerford had been reappointed representative of the grand lodge of Michigan near this odge. R. Wor. Bro. Wm. Rea, Otta-

HER MAJESTY'S JUBILEE. The grand master states that R. Wor. Bro. J. J. Mason, grand secretary, while in England, will present the address of the Freemasons of Canada to her Majesty the Queen, who is the daughter of a Mason, and the mother of the First Mason of the British Empire, the grand master of England. The grand master pays a high tribute

Then the grand master reports the absence of the grand secretary as com-mander of the Bisley team in England. He is sure the brethren will commend the granting of absence to R. Wor lodge for the first time in 23 years. The M. Wor. Bro. Hugh Murray. grand master made a feeling reference to the absence through illness of M. Wor. Bro. D. Spry, of London, "whose taly missed at this communication.

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Abdul Agrees to the Powers' Terms of Settlement.

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