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ELEVENTH YEAR. THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 15, 1890. ONE CENT.

THE TWO CLARKES CALLED.

THEY HAVE A WALKOVER IN THE CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

An Enthusiastic Welcome to the Late Members of the Assembly from the Queen City—Only One Other Nomination, and Was a Joke—The Candidates Make Encouraging Speeches.

The Liberal-Conservative convention was held in Shaftesbury Hall last night. Long before the hour of meeting, 8 o'clock, the large hall was filled to such an extent that standing room even was difficult to obtain. The proceedings were unanimous, so unanimous that the trouble of balloting for the choice of candidates was not necessary.

Of course the two Clarkes were the chosen, and that without a dissenting voice. It is true that Ald. E. A. Macdonald put forward the name of Ald. Gibbs, but that gentleman promptly declined the honor on the score of ill-health.

It was wonderful to see how the old heads turned out, and as for the young blood it rivalled the fathers in enthusiasm. The Catholic Conservative was not wanting. Ex-Ald. Pape, Lawyer James Robertson, ex-Ald. John Woods and A. E. Macdonnell were on deck as well as many more of equal prominence in Conservative politics. There was no talk of Equal Rights, but the Meredith platform straight, and one and all of the hundreds present showed by their actions that to their minds at least the program of the present leader of the Opposition was all that could be desired.

From the outset it was easy to gauge the feeling of the convention. Mr. H. E. Clarke was the first to enter the hall, just about the time Mr. A. R. Boswell was opening business. His reception proved that he was the right man in the right place. The audience rose as one man and with uncovered heads greeted him with cheers three times three and a tiger. And the Mayor as he walked up the right aisle was accorded, if possible, a still more enthusiastic reception.

Some of the Faithful.

Among those present were: John Jones, Harry Piper, Frank Somers, John Dill, Dr. Burgess, T. A. Gregg, Capt. William Hall, Arthur Ardagh, William Burton, Thomas Shortiss, Charles Pearson, Major Bennett, M. Pearson, Henry Boswell, J. S. Williams, J. B. Bickle, Deputy Fire Chief Graham, R. Neville, R. Curzon, Robert Kirk, Tom Pells, J. S. Boddy, Lawyer Dixon, Dr. R. A. Pyne, S. B. Windrum, J. E. Winnett, John Thompson, John Bell, John Mills, Follis Johnston, T. W. Purkiss, John Graham, E. P. Roden, W. H. Parr, James Crocker, Thomas Hill, W. R. Brock, Thomas Gearing, Ald. Gibbs, William Adamson, Wilbur Grant, John Kane, I. Klein, Charles Levey, S. Michaels, F. Grover, H. A. E. Kent, James Somers, W. J. Franks, Alexander Paterson, Marcellus Crombie, John H. Pritchard, A. C. Macdonnell, Thomas Davies, R. H. Bowes, John Laxton, Wallace Millichamp, James Kerr, E. E. Sheppard, Ald. Irwin, Ald. Shaw, Ald. G. E. Macdonald, Ald. Graham, H. O. Bennett, Ald. Swait, Ald. Allen, Ald. McMullen, Ald. E. A. Macdonald, J. G. Holmes, Ald. Lucas, C. A. B. Browne, ex-Ald. Gilbert, Ald. Dodds, Ald. Booth, W. D. Macpherson, Ald. Lennox, Ald. Yokes, Major McSpadden, John Nunn, Ald. Denison, J. A. Worrell, Richard Clarke.

The World almost forgot that Mr. E. Douglas Armour, Ald. Bell's colleague in the Equal Rights fight, was also present. He arrived somewhat late, but composedly made his way to the front seat and watched the strictures on the new enterprise, sometimes with a smile and oftener with a frown on his face.

Senator W. R. Brock spent half-an-hour inviting prominent delegates to the seats beside him. A large number of the delegates accepted the invitation.

Senator Brock Chosen as President Barwick's Successor.

Mr. Boswell moved that Senator Brock be appointed president of the Conservative Association of Toronto, vice F. D. Barwick, appointed postoffice inspector. This was carried. Mr. Brock in a short address urged united organization in the battle to be waged on June 5. He pointed out that the Reformers were endeavoring to humbug some Conservative voters by putting forward candidates who could not be elected, and it would be a shame for any of the Conservative party to be fooled into swerving from voting the straight ticket. They should stand united and show that the Conservatives could elect their candidates in spite of those who called themselves Equal Righters.

Delegate Pat Mooney made himself obnoxious at this stage of the proceedings by advocating the claims of the Equal Rights candidates. He was greeted with cries of "Put him out," but Mooney replied: "No, you won't. I've been a Conservative all my life and voted that ticket when a good many of you who have since seen the error of your ways voted the other ticket."

On motion of Mr. Boswell, H. E. Clarke and Mayor E. F. Clarke were nominated to again contest the city as the representatives of the Conservative party; Frank Somers seconded the motion. Ald. E. A. Macdonald proposed Ald. Gibbs, but his action was received with much disfavor. Ald. Gibbs had a bad cold and deputed Mr. J. B. Bickle to tell the audience that he did not intend to be a candidate; that now that the enemies of the party were attempting to create divisions it behoved those present to show by their unanimous choice of candidates without balloting that there was no division among the delegates.

Mr. Gibbs: "I don't give my consent to the nomination and it cannot be made without it."

The resolution was put and 693 of the 694 delegates rose to their feet and cheered lustily, waving their hats and yelling themselves hoarse. The only delegate who didn't cheer was Mr. Mooney.

Within ten minutes from the time the chair was taken by Mr. Brock the two Clarkes had been unanimously selected as the standard-bearers of the party.

The Senior Nominee Talks Business.

Mr. H. E. Clarke, who had just returned from South Huron, where he had been assisting Candidate J. G. Holmes, received an ovation on rising to address the meeting. He said: "I highly esteem the high honor paid me to-night and look upon it as an endorsation of my conduct in parliament during the past two terms. I have just one thing to say for myself—I never shirked a vote and never ran away from a fight. And I never would; if I fail, 'tis with my face to the foe, but I don't propose to fall on this occasion. [Cheers.] I stand here on Meredith's platform—a platform broad enough and strong enough to carry every section of the Conservative party and a goodly portion of the Reformers as well." The speaker reviewed the planks of the platform and expressed his hearty concurrence. "But I go to the people with a plank of my own in addition to these, and if you do not approve of it you can select some one else to represent you. It is this: 'The abolition of our separate schools as quietly and as speedily as the constitution will permit.'" [Loud applause.]

Mr. Mooney, who had been taciturn up till now, suddenly went into ecstasies, and almost tumbled from his improvised seat on the rostrum in giving expression to the exuberance of his joy.

Mr. Clarke resumed: "As soon as Ontario asks for the revision of the constitution she can get it. As speaks Ontario so speaks the Dominion, and for the Dominion to ask the revision is for it to be granted." Mr. Clarke proceeded to give an account of his stewardship and continued: "Ever since the Government gerrymandered Toronto they have been sick and sorry of their conduct, and this year their supporters have for the first time nominated two candidates, and they will move heaven and earth to elect them. They are not counting upon their numerical strength but upon divisions in our party. I have nothing to say against Ald. Bell personally. I trust every member of the party will treat him with courtesy. But he has cut himself loose from the Conservative party, and he cannot blame us if we cut ourselves loose from him. Hold up your own side of the leg; let his supporters look out for theirs. They are separated from us only for a time. By-and-bye they will want to come into the fold again. Don't bar the door. In conclusion, gentlemen, don't plump for me on election day; it will not help me—it will hurt my colleague." [Cheers.]

His Worship and Separate Schools.

Mr. E. F. Clarke, who was also received with tremendous applause, said among other things: "Unfortunately there is some division in our party and our opponents are endeavoring to take advantage of this fact to run two candidates in, or at least to remove the stigma that their representative is elected by act of parliament by having him first or second on the list. We cannot expect to frustrate this unless we are unanimous. I would be very sorry to be the man elected by act of parliament; in fact I do not think I would accept the position under such circumstances. I stand with both feet on Mr. Meredith's platform and give adhesion to every principle he has enunciated. If I understand what equal rights means it is fair play for every person, special privileges for none. He is an unfair man who is not prepared to give to another what he claims for himself. I have expressed myself for years on the separate school question. It is unfortunate that the separate schools ever became incorporated in the constitution. They are inimical to the best interests of all classes, and I hope to see the time when they will no longer exist. The best interests of Roman Catholic citizens would be served by the educating of Roman Catholic and Protestant children side by side in public schools supported by the state and free to all. It is also right that those entrusted with the education of children attending the separate schools should possess the same qualifications as teachers of Protestant pupils. The cry that Mr. Meredith is a bigot is a hollow mockery. He has ever evinced the broadest spirit of toleration. I am sorry to note the absence of some gentlemen who have in the past been prominent in advancing the interests of our party. They will take some support with them. But it behooves you to show that the vast majority remains true to the party and the party's weal, and that the shameless gerrymander is still remembered." [Cheers.]

The Young Man for South Huron.

Mr. Holmes, the Conservative candidate for South Huron, who was born in that constituency although he never set foot in it, said he had shook hands with 3000 electors during the past three days and had not found one who was going to vote for his opponent and they were the finest fellows he had ever met, too, especially one strong believer in the everlasting and eternal principles that Meredith's platform lays down, who had driven the speaker fifty miles Monday night in a rainstorm. He referred to the Equal Rights movement, of which he was one of the fathers, and handled it in its swaddling clothes, and he was sorry to see the tail of it now wagging those who would not support Mr. Meredith, although he was granting them nearly everything they asked, and who were willing to sacrifice their principles for the sake of a party name.

Mr. Sheppard was loudly called for. He heartily endorsed the candidature of the two Clarkes; it was a ticket that would win. The defection of Equal Righters from the Conservative ranks was to be deplored, as their action led them in the direction of causing the return of men pledged to oppose the very principles they professed to advocate. The speaker humorously touched up the dealings of the Government with the license holders, who, he said, had been treated as a man would treat his dog and made to sit up and beg for their licenses and then lie down and roll over. [Laughter.] While trading as a Christian politician Mowat had placed a string around the neck of every official. The speaker paid a high tribute to the worth of Mr. Meredith, whom he characterised as a living exemplification of truth and righteousness.

Ald. Dodds touched up the Parliament buildings job and vigorously castigated the Government for deliberately stepping upon the efforts of Canadians whenever they could and throwing all the sugar plums to foreigners.

Cheers were given for the Queen and the candidates.

MEREDITH AT PICTON.

The Opposition Leader Addresses Two Large Audiences in the Rink.

PICTON, May 14.—Mr. Meredith arrived here by the 3 p.m. train to-day from Trenton, accompanied by Dr. Willoughby, Dr. Boulter, James Johnson, the nominee, and was met at the station by the reception committee and a large crowd of people. A procession was formed headed by the 16th Battalion and Citizens' bands and proceeded to the skating rink, which had been tastefully decorated and comfortably seated to accommodate 1500 people. On Mr. Meredith's arrival an address was presented to him by George Alcorn, president of the town Conservative Association. Mr. Meredith was received with cheers on his rising to reply. The first speaker was Dr. Boulter, followed by Dr. Willoughby and Mr. Meredith, who did not speak long, reserving himself for to-night. He touched on the language in schools, separate schools and the agricultural college. Mr. James Johnson, the Conservative nominee, addressed the electors briefly after Mr. Meredith.

To-night Mr. Meredith addressed a crowded audience in the rink.

COMING CANDIDATES.

North Lanark Conservatives Nominate Dr. Preston of Carleton Place.

ALMONTE, May 14.—A convention of the Liberal-Conservative Association for North Lanark was held to-day at Clayton for the purpose of selecting a candidate to contest the riding in the coming Provincial election. Andrew Willson of Appleton, vice-president of the North Lanark Conservative Association, occupied the chair. These names were presented: Dr. R. F. Preston, Carleton Place; James Rosamond, jr., Almonte; William Thoburn, Mayor of Almonte; B. Rosamond, Almonte; James Donald, Dalhousie; D. Sheppard, Carleton Place. Short speeches were made by the nominees, all retiring in favor of Dr. Preston, who received the unanimous vote of the convention.

J. Hood (Ref.) in West Simcoe.

COLLINGWOOD, May 14.—The Reformers of West Simcoe held their convention here to-day to select a candidate to contest this riding for the Assembly. Several prominent Reformers were nominated, but all withdrew in favor of J. Hood of Creemore, who received the unanimous nomination of the convention.

Mr. Macdonell Accepts.

PORT ARTHUR, May 14.—George H. Macdonell, ex-mayor of Port Arthur, was this morning chosen as the Conservative candidate to oppose James Conmee in this riding. Mr. Macdonell has accepted.

A Third Candidate in Hamilton.

HAMILTON, May 14.—The special committee from the Equal Rights' Association, appointed to interview the two candidates for the Provincial Assembly, reported to the association last evening. The committee expressed regret at the unsatisfactory replies received from both Mr. Gibson and Mr. Stinson and recommended that the association bring out a candidate. A long discussion followed, but the report of the committee was adopted. E. A. Colquhoun is spoken of as likely to get the nomination.

NOVA SCOTIA NOMINATIONS.

A Full Field Entered in the Race for the Provincial Assembly.

HALIFAX, May 14.—This was the provincial nomination day. There will be a contest in every riding. The Liberals claim that Capt. A. K. Smith, one of the Conservative candidates in Shelburne, is not a British subject and therefore disqualified. It is alleged that he declared under oath in Boston 10 years ago that he was a naturalized American citizen, and that he has not since become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty.

Scotch Tweed Suit $6.50, Irish Tweed $7.85, West of England Tweed $9.90. Six hundred Suits to clear. The Model Clothing Store.

THE ORDER PAPER CLEARED.

PROROGATION TO TAKE PLACE FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

No Extra Indemnity on Account of the Length of the Session—General Middleton's Resignation Not Yet Forthcoming—The Fishery Negotiations—The Manitoba Acts.

OTTAWA, May 14.—In the House to-day in answer to Col. O'Brien Sir John Macdonald said no action had been taken on the petition received from Manitoba asking the disallowance of the acts respecting the schools and the dual language.

In answer to Hon. Peter Mitchell Sir John Macdonald said the fishery negotiations at Washington were going on very pleasantly and he might be able to give some positive information respecting them on Friday.

Mr. Labrosse asked if the members were to get any extra indemnity on account of the length of the session and was assured in the negative by Sir John Macdonald.

Mr. Landerkin read the letter already published from John W. Campbell of Toronto to Hon. Thomas White, written in 1886, and complaining of misrepresentation on the part of the Temperance Colonisation Company and harsh treatment of the scrip-holders. Mr. Landerkin asked whether the Government had taken action to compel Rev. Dr. Hunter to disgorge the proceeds of his misrepresentation and fraud.

Mr. Dewdney said without notice he could not say what action had been taken on this letter, but he would obtain the information. He believed lately that a number of suits instituted by this company had been withdrawn.

Mr. Wallace said he knew of many cases of hardship arising out of the actions of this company and he hoped the Government would see justice done before making a settlement with it.

The House then went into concurrence on the supplementary estimates. The supply bill was introduced and read a first time.

After recess the routine business standing on the order paper was cleared off. The Northwest Bill yet stands, but is not to be proceeded with.

Sir John Macdonald announced, in answer to Hon. David Mills, that no action had been taken with respect to the Middleton case, and the General had not been heard from, being out of town.

The House adjourned at 9½ until Friday morning, to-morrow being a statutory holiday. Business from the Senate will then be taken up and prorogation will take place in the afternoon.

NOTES AND GOSSIP.

Hon. John Carling's Annual Outing with the Press Gallery.

OTTAWA, May 14.—Hon. John Carling invited the members of the press gallery this forenoon to visit the experimental farm. This is the annual trip which the Minister of Agriculture gives the press and which is always a highly enjoyable one. At 10½ o'clock the party met in front of the Parliament buildings and were driven to the farm. After viewing the different experiments now in progress, the stock, ensilage and other matters of interest, the Minister entertained the party to a luncheon. Mr. Carling presided, as is usual on such occasions. The toast list was exhaustive.

At a meeting of the Railway Committee this morning a bill to extend the time for the completion of the Hudson Bay Railway for five years from June, 1891, was passed. Another bill to extend the time for the completion of the Wood Mountain & Qu'Appelle Railway was also reported.

THE DUNDAS LAND SLIDE.

Grand Trunk Trains Now Running Over the Old Line—A Terrible Death.

HAMILTON, May 14.—The Grand Trunk Railway trains are to-day running over the old line of road near Dundas, through what has now come to be called the land slide. Four years ago the great land slide occurred. Thousands of tons of land came down the mountain side and covered the track to a height of 70 feet at one place, while at other places it carried the track with it. For six months past a gang of men have been at work removing portions of the land and rocks which slid, so as to get the track straight again, a curve having been built around the slide. Chief Engineer Hobson considers that there is no fear whatever of a slide occurring again. A solid retaining wall has been built in the cutting.

About a week ago a small boy named Joseph Ripley, an inmate of the Boys' Home, ran a splinter under his nail. The splinter was removed and the finger attended to, and nothing much was thought of the mattor for two or three days, when he commenced to complain of pain in the muscles of the neck and a stiffness of the jaws was apparent. Dr. Shaw was summoned on Friday evening and found that the lad was suffering from lockjaw. Everything possible was done for him, but he got worse and died on Sunday night in terrible agony. At times the most excruciating spasms convulsed the unfortunate boy until he rested only on the back of his head and his heels.

The striking cotton weavers by a unanimous vote this morning rejected a proposition to resume work at a 5 per cent. reduction and resolved not to go back unless at the old price-list.

Rev. Joel Reddick's Death in Kansas.

The editor of The Canadian Baptist has received this letter:

SOLOMON CITY, Kan., May 6.—Rev. Joel Reddick died this afternoon from injuries received on Saturday while plowing on his farm. The horses ran away throwing him from the riding plow.

From the time of the accident and within a few moments of his death he was conscious of the approach of death, bidding his family and friends good-bye, rejoicing in the hope of soon being with the Saviour. WILLIAM P. SMART.

Mr. Reddick labored for many years in the Baptist ministry in Ontario and was known and esteemed throughout a wide circle. He was the father of Rev. David Reddick of Port Hope.

Not Wanted in Toronto.

A colored man named Edmund Smith was arrested in Buffalo on Tuesday night and it was supposed that his presence was required here on charges of receiving stolen property. He is supposed to be the man known as Davis who was arrested some time ago for robbing a driver on a Winchester-street car. He was convicted and sentenced to one year in the Central Prison. The police afterwards gave him time to leave the city and he went to the States. The detectives say he is not wanted here but is wanted in New Orleans on a charge of larceny.

A consignment of **Men's Suits just in clearing at from $6.50 to $9.90. Special inducements for the next ten days. The Model Clothing Store.**

The Druggists Strike a Pic.

The druggists of the city had a kind of a picnic in a mild sort of a way yesterday. An afternoon paper conceived the scheme of going around with a couple of prescriptions with an idea of seeing if there was any difference in price at the different shops. The druggists got onto the scheme and when the reporters presented themselves they were charged all the way from 75c. to $1 for a little mixture of common salt and water or some such simple preparation. It was "pie" for the druggists while it lasted.

Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum for Coughs, Colds and Throat Irritation.

Spring Productions.

In the spring the drummer hustles and the candidate seeks your vote,
In the spring the flowers blossom and th yachtsman paints his boat;
In the spring the bees are humming, full of business are the ants;
In the spring are worn quinn's econo ties and his two fifty cricket-trousers.

A BULL CRAZE IN BOSTON.

The Bean-Eaters on the Stock Exchange Lose Their Wits.

BOSTON, May 14.—Rarely in the history of stock speculation in Boston has a bull craze quite like that of to-day occurred. The opening was a boom attended with wild excitement which both the bears and bulls ineffectually endeavored to check. Thousands of shares were thrown out, but the market only hesitated momentarily and the movement grew until it became a mad scramble in which everybody participated. The sales at 12½ p.m. aggregated over 63,000 shares, nearly 12,000 more than any business ever done here in the same time. Bond transactions were 864,000, also a larger record. The report that Atchison had secured an entrance into St. Louis through a valuable traffic alliance contributed greatly to the excitement.

OLD WORLD NEWS.

A Home Ruler Returned Without Opposition in East Galway—A New Cotton Corner in Lancashire.

LONDON, May 14.—Mr. Roche has been elected member of Parliament for East Galway without opposition. Roche is a Home Ruler and succeeds the late Matthew Harris.

A new cotton corner is being created in Lancashire. A quantity of American cotton is already cornered. Prices are advancing.

The Porte has dismissed to their homes the reserves in Crete. The island is now peaceful.

President Chaplin of the Board of Agriculture at the dinner of the Bankers' Association to-night said he earnestly desired the passage of the Silver Bill now before the United States Congress. Unless the action which would be taken by Congress should be ultimately followed by free coinage in Europe a further fall in the value of silver would ensue with accompanying evils.

Italy and England Solid.

ROME, May 14.—In the Chamber of Deputies yesterday Premier Crispi stated that the policy of the triple alliance was unchanged. It was a policy of peace and menaced no one, being solely of a defensive character. Our armaments, he said, are not the result of alliances, they are necessary to Italy as a means for defence, if menaced in the Balkans. We have always protected the independence of those states. In Bulgaria, acting in accord with Austria and England, we prevented action that would have endangered the peace of Europe. In Africa we remain where we are and we do further. Nothing remains us from the Soudan, the English are keeping a good watch there. Our accord with England is complete and we shall never do anything except in accord with her.

Referring to the African estimates Crispi said he was confident there would soon be found an Italian East Africa company.

Speaking of the condition of the workingmen he said the Government had under consideration a measure which would reform existing regulations regarding emigration. The fact that the number of emigrants was decreasing showed that the reports of the misery existing among the working classes in Italy were exaggerated.

Diss de Bar in a Roman Jail.

ROME, May 14.—Madame Diss de Bar of New York, who became notorious through her spook pictures, has been arrested here for gulling a hotelkeeper. She is also charged with trying to procure money by false pretences.

The Whips Blundered.

LONDON, May 14.—In the House of Commons to-day the Irish Agricultural Labor Bill was ordered to a second reading despite the Government's opposition and amid prolonged cheering from Irish benches. The defeat of the Government was due to a blunder of the Tory whips in not getting their men to the House in time.

The European Powder Barrel.

BERLIN, May 14.—During the debate in the Reichstag to-day on the Military Bill the Minister of War explained the measure.

Count von Moltke spoke in support of the bill. The European situation, he declared, was always growing more difficult and it was imperative Germany should have a strong military system. A strong government would alone be able to maintain peace. Most of the powers, he said, honestly desire peace and there is no one who does not hesitate to throw a match into the powder barrel. Germany's security depended upon herself alone.

Soldiers Patrol Prague's Streets.

PRAGUE, May 14.—The strike here is extending. The strikers are riotous and soldiers are patrolling the streets.

Cable Flashes.

Strikers at Gera have destroyed 57 looms.

The Emperor and Empress arrived at Koenigsburg Wednesday morning.

Nine thousand miners of Bilboa have struck, making 20,000 striking coilers.

The International Prisons Congress will open in St. Petersburg on June 16.

The strikers at Koeniginhof, in Hungary, are forcing all the factories to stop work.

Rioting was renewed at Hamburg Wednesday night. Mounted police with naked swords cleared the streets.

An immense agricultural exhibition was opened in Vienna Wednesday. The opening ceremonies were presided over by the Emperor.

Martha McLean Committed for Trial.

Martha McLean was charged in the Police Court yesterday with attempting to kill N. J. Hutchinson, her recreant lover, at his machine shop in Richmond-street on April 28 last. Hutchinson told the story of the attempt on his life and of his relations with the girl during the past year. He said he had had intimate relations with her but never promised to marry her. He had finally discarded her. The girl had often threatened to take poison since he became acquainted with her. Magistrate Baxter committed Martha for trial without bail. The charge of attempting suicide against her was not pressed.

The Canadian Military League.

The first competition of the Toronto battalion teams belonging to the recently organised Canadian Military League will take place on Garrison Commons Saturday afternoon at 200, 500 and 600 yards, Snider rifles. There will be seven matches simultaneously during the season throughout the Dominion for a trophy valued at $250, two other prizes being added for the teams making the second and third highest scores. There are seven teams from the Toronto battalion in the league, the Queen's Own and Grenadiers having each two and the Twelfth York Rangers, Body Guards and "C" School one each.

The Health Office to be Open Sundays.

The Local Board of Health met yesterday There were present Chairman Carlyle, Small, McMullen, Gibbs, George Verral, Lucas. Ald. Verral brought up a Saturday afternoon and Sunday service in connection with the ambulance for the removal of patients suffering from contagious diseases. It was decided to keep the office open all Saturday and for half-an-hour, at 9 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Sundays. The members then walked over to the offices of the department, making a cursory examination of its working.

Successful Solicitors.

These gentlemen were successful in the recent solicitor examination held at Osgoode Hall: J. H. Cooper, M. K. Cowan, G. E. A. Cross, J. H. Denton, F. B. Geddes, W. J. Green, K. P. Halpin, C. W. Kerr, F. O. Hastings, W. H. Hunter, J. D. Lamont, R. F. Lyle, C. E. Myers, W. C. Mikel, W. G. Richards, W. L. Ross, E. W. Sayers, W. A. Smith, J. B. Starr, C. Styles, A. H. Walbridge, J. S. Walker, F. L. Webb, W. J. Williams (without oral), J. W. Mealey and N. Mills with oral.

25 Leader Lane.

Ed Beston, the high grade watch specialist, has removed to 25 Leader-lane.

NEW APPLICANTS PLUCKED, TOO.

The Hide Examiners Refuse Certificates to Messrs. Wilson, Thorn and Pepler.

The hide and leather examiners last evening completed their examinations of candidates for certificates qualifying them for the position of inspector. There were three candidates wrestling with the oral and practical tests, C. Wilson, Woodstock; W. H. Thorn and T. S. G. Pepler of Toronto. The examiners declined to grant certificates to any one of the trio, as all failed to qualify.

Messrs. James, Bills, Brown and Charlesworth, who failed to pass the first examination and deposited $20 each for re-examination, are in the cold broth, the examiners having been notified by the Inland Revenue Department at Ottawa that under no consideration could their applications be again considered by the examiners.

PROPOSED NEW CURRENCY BASIS.

Congress Urged to Provide for the Issue of Agricultural Produce Certificates.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Mr. Macune, representing the Farmers' Alliance, to-day continued his argument before the Ways and Means Committee in favor of the bill to establish sub-treasuries for the receipt of agricultural products. He was questioned by members of the committee respecting the details and probable effect of the bill. Mr. Bayne wished to know if one effect would not be to encourage over-production. Mr. Macune replied it would not, for just as soon as the farmer's calling became more profitable than others there would be an influx of men into that business, which would result in a reaction and finally the restoration of an equilibrium. To his mind no fixed volume of currency, no matter how great, would meet the needs of agriculture.

Mr. Flower feared the plan would lead to banking on live shoats, iron, lead, and silver ore. They were getting along now in the latter direction at the other end of the capitol. In time we would have everything in hock. In the course of 10 years the Government would be nursing the children and the women working in the fields. The true remedy for the farmers' ills was the manufacturers' plan. They should regulate production, raise only enough produce to meet the people's wants and thereby get fair prices.

Mr. Macune explained the process proposed to regulate the issue of produce certificates. He said the necessity for excluding imports of agricultural products was obvious if the quality of the certificates was to be preserved. The certificates would constitute the soundest and best currency in the world. Probably not one-half of the $50,000,000 appropriation asked for to put the new machinery in action would be required, but the sum should not be absolutely fixed at a minimum, as in time it would be necessary to extend the system to include all the products of labor not covered by patents. Mr. Macune said the National Alliance had not sent out a single printed petition and the petitions and demands now pouring in upon Congress were the spontaneous offerings of the farmers of the United States, who were convinced they knew what they wanted and were going to have it.

Mr. Flower said the farmer would do well to mind his domestic affairs without Government interference. The currency system of the present was wrong. The Government had not managed it properly and could not do so. It had taken from the states the right to issue currency, though it was itself no judge of the needs of the people. The states and their people were the best judges.

The hearing will be continued to-morrow.

TO FREE THE ANARCHISTS.

Gen. Butler Says they are Held Without Due Process of Law.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Preparations have been made to attempt to secure the release from the penitentiary of the convicted Anarchists, Fielden, Schwab and Neebe, by a method heretofore not hinted at in the case. In a short time an application will be made to Judge Gresham for a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that the prisoners are detained without due process of law.

The ground of the application is that after the sentence of death was passed upon the condemned Anarchists and Neebe was doomed to spend 15 years in the penitentiary the case was appealed to the Supreme Court, where the finding of the lower court with the sentence of death for Spies, Parsons, Lingg, Fischer, Engel, Schwab and Fielden was affirmed. The prisoners were not taken before the Supreme Court to hear this affirmation of their sentences and their lawyers were not even notified to be present. The claim was made that this is a breach of their constitutional rights and that the constitution even goes so far as to say that a sentence of death rendered in the absence of the prisoners was not due process of law. This action will be taken under the advice of Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, a regular associate counsel for the Anarchists.

"I have come fully to the conclusion," says the General in a letter dated May 10, "that such action is erroneous in that it was an attempt to take life without due process of law. I therefore advise very strongly your taking a writ of error to have such procedure corrected by the judgment of the Supreme Court of the United States if any technical objections are made to the Circuit Court for a writ of habeas corpus for Fielden, because under that writ the facts as well as the law can be discussed, and forms are of no consequence when they stand in the way of due course of justice. Of course the decisions of these questions relieve any of his fellows who are suffering from the same errors, and if decided as I believe they must be, save the men whose lives have been taken without due process of law.'

Cutting Western Rates.

ST. LOUIS, May 14.—The Missouri Pacific has met the Burlington & Quincy cut to Kansas City and other western points and has made a rate of $7.10 to Wichita, Kan. Other roads will follow.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Passenger rates to western points are now lower than they have been for years. The Burlington to-day give notice of a further reduction in the rate from Chicago to St. Paul to $3, which is $2 lower than the present second class fare. No sooner did the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul hear of the reduction than they made a $3 rate to Council Bluffs, Omaha and Kansas City and a rate of $5.20 to Sioux City.

KANSAS CITY, May 14.—The Alton, Wabash & Missouri Pacific have met the $1 rate to St. Louis made by the "Q." yesterday.

Rich People Avoided the Law.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., May 14.—Red flags are fluttering in every street in East Hampton. It has an epidemic of diphtheria. Over 100 cases are reported and 30 deaths have resulted. John Messer has lost four children within five days. The hotel has been closed and placed under quarantine, several cases being there. This morning a corps of physicians from the Massachusetts General Hospital took charge of the epidemic. The blame is laid to the lax enforcement of sanitary laws by the board of health and the non-quarantining of cases in rich families.

True Blues' Grand Officers.

ST. CATHARINES, May 14.—The Grand Lodge of Loyal True Blues, in session here to-day, elected these officers:

G.M.—R. Newman, Toronto.
D.G.M.—George E. Hill, Toronto.
Grand Chap.—R. E. Boyle, Merritton.
Grand Treas.—R. Bunting, Lindsay.
Grand Sec.—N. Ingram, Toronto.
Grand D.L.G.—J. B. Jackson, Hamilton.
Inside Tyler—Thomas Holden, Merritton.
Outside Tyler—T. Wetherspoon, Hamilton.

The Circulation Liar.

Three liars were trying their skill and taste:
The fisherman first told his scaly tale;
The political liar came next, and his words
Made the angler with every word and spleen grow pale.
After them the Circulation Liar starts
And facts take on such shapes and forms uncouth
That the politician's and the fisher's styles
Compared with his seem like the naked truth.

A MAGNIGORGIFICENT ROAD.

THE C.P.R.'S GREAT SHOWING FOR THE PAST YEAR.

Annual Meeting of the Shareholders at Montreal—Net Earnings of Over $6,000,000—A Surplus of More Than $1,500,000 for the Year—President Van Horne Re-Elected.

MONTREAL, May 14.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to-day 343,898 shares were represented. The old Board of Directors were re-elected with the exception of R. V. Martinsen, in whose place Gen. Samuel Thomas of New York was elected. The report for the past year was highly satisfactory, showing:

Gross earnings	$15,090,660
Working expenses	9,024,501
Net earnings	6,066,069
Fixed charges	3,779,158
Surplus	2,286,926
Surplus for year after payment of supplementary dividend	1,570,026
Surplus from previous years	326,422
Total surplus carried forward	1,903,350
Increase in gross earnings over previous year	1,895,115
Decrease in working expenses	300,359
Increase in profits	2,290,985

The report attributes the decrease in working expenses to the large expenditure made for improvements during the past few years and indicates the intention of the directors to continue improvements with a view to the further cheapening of the cost of operation and expresses the belief that the proportion of working expenses to gross earnings will soon be brought below 55 per cent.

The directors in the report express their intention to continue dividends at the rate of 5 per cent. and their belief that there will be no difficulty in maintaining this rate. The bad harvest in the Northwest materially affected traffic for the last half of the year and it became had to be made good from traffic of a leaner description than is usually sought by the company. The entire property of the company has been well maintained and the railway has enjoyed remarkable immunity from accidents of a serious character and is the only one of the transcontinental lines that has been entirely free from snow blockades in the mountains. The land sales for the year were 195,160 acres for $731,194 as against 162,310 acres for $553,910 in 1888.

The report expresses the belief that there is no good ground for anticipating hostile legislation at Washington and that a body like the Congress of the United States is not likely to be moved to such a course by false or exaggerated statements concerning the actions or policy of the company emanating from parties whose sole object is to check legitimate competition.

The report refers to the fact that it will be 10 years on Oct. 21 next since the contract for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway was signed, and goes on to say that neither the Government nor any one of those who signed the contract on behalf of the company had at that time the remotest idea that through trains would be regularly running between Montreal and the Pacific coast by the month of June, 1886, five years before the time stipulated in the contract, and up to a much later time, but very few of even the best informed and most steadfast friends of the enterprise foresaw or believed that the year 1889 would see the completed road in operation with earnings under anything but favorable circumstances, more than $15,000,000 with profits exceeding $6,000,000, having at the same time the highest possible reputation based on the prompt discharge of all its obligations from the beginning and having attained a financial standing hardly second to that of any railway company on this continent, and occupying, furthermore, the unique position of having made a reasonable return to its shareholders from the outset and in having repaid with interest and long before it became due every dollar borrowed from the Government.

The share holders authorised the directors to proceed gradually and as circumstances might require with the construction or acquisition of several short local lines. The meeting was unanimous throughout.

At a subsequent meeting of the board William C. Van Horne was re-elected president and Sir George Stephen, Sir Donald A. Smith and Richard B. Angus were re-elected as members of the Executive Committee.

The Niagara River Bridge Scheme.

LOCKPORT, N.Y., May 14.—Ever since the New York Central cut out the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western from its contemplated entrance into Niagara Falls along the river bank by purchasing the land for quite a distance along the banks, in conjunction with the Niagara Construction Company, the Lackawanna has been looking for an opening either to Suspension Bridge or the Falls. The Lackawanna has pushed along, and now holds a right of way from Lasalle to Suspension Bridge. A gentleman who registered as C. W. Haskell came to the Falls last week, stayed a few days and then departed. He represented the Lackawanna and secured the right of way from the points named. The road will branch off on an air line to the bridge from the Niagara Construction Company's lands. If the Lackawanna desires to reach Niagara Falls it will have to secure the right of way from Suspension Bridge up. It will be like traversing two sides of a triangle to reach the desired point. The Lackawanna has achieved quite a victory in this matter. It is now rumored that the new bridge project, for which charters have been issued by the Ontario Government and the State of New York, will go through, as both the Canadian Pacific and the Lackawanna will desire to use it.

A LIVELY PLACE TO LIVE IN.

Where the Mayor and the Marshal Run the Town With Pistols.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 14.—The Picayune's Jacksonville (Fla.) special says: News has been received from Cedar Keys which states that city has been in terrible commotion since Sunday. The mayor and marshal are holding high carnival. The lighthouse keeper had a pistol discharged at him while he was in the city, and warned to keep off the street. An inoffensive Episcopal clergyman and his wife have left the city to avoid horse-whipping. The United States collector has been held up by Mayor Cottrell and his ally, the town marshal, and threatened with imprisonment if he stepped out of his office, and R. M. Dozier, agent of the Florida Central Railroad, was waylaid, and an attempt made to shoot him. The telegraph operator was terribly whipped by a negro. Mayor Cottrell, holding a loaded pistol to the negro's head, forced him to do the whipping. He gressly insulted ladies of the town, and in fact things are so bad that many of the oldest and leading citizens have left the place, including several ministers. It is a perfect reign of terror, and every person met on the streets for the last few days has been armed.

Phip Spohn Out on Bail.

Phip Spohn, arrested by Detective Davis on the charge of vagrancy, has through the efforts of his counsel, Mr. W. G. Murdoch, succeeded in obtaining bail, himself in $100 and John Fleming in $200. The case came up at the Police Court yesterday, but a remand was granted until Tuesday next.