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STAIRWAYS AND BRIDGES

Have Already Been Built by the Park Commissioners.

They Have Interfered With Nature in Some Instances—The Electric Road Has Been Brought Into Touch With the Wild Surroundings, But Rocks and Boulders Barred Progress and Remain in Native Beauty—A Field for the Naturalist and a School for the Ignorant.

Niagara Falls, Ont., April 15.—(Special.)—The Park Commissioners are contemplating extensive improvements to be made on the park lands at Niagara Glen, or Foster's Flats, as it is more generally known. The Commissioners paid considerable attention to the flats last year and built stairways and bridges and otherwise improved the path down the cliff to the flats in the gorge. The re-formed path was a vast improvement, but there the clumsy hand of artificial scenery should cease and leave at least one spot free to the arts of Nature. Foster's Flats are situated about one mile below the whirlpool, down in the great gorge of the Niagara River. They are composed of about 100 acres of thickly-wooded land of the wildest nature. As yet it remains in the condition known by the conquered red man and is the only true specimen of the nature of the surrounding country. The entrance is made at either of two paths at the northern and southern extremities. The electric road has a station at the top of the southern path. The foot of this path breaks off into deep and wild surroundings, where it is more awful than pleasant to be alone; boulders, thousands of tons in weight, overhang at perilous heights in all directions, while lodged on, under and between them is the growth of ages in various stages of life and decay. Heavy pines almost shut out the light of day and the damp, cool atmosphere nourishes the moss which coats everything in view. Advancement on every side is barred by rocks and boulders and after several attempts at overcoming the perils of the ancients is more vividly impressed upon the mind. This condition of landscape extends to the river, breaking away suddenly to the rapids, 20 feet below. This view of the rapids is the best of any along the river. Farther down the river the woods are thinner and most of the boulders have been buried by the action of nature. Only earth-covered mounds mark their size and presence. But even these are so numerous and of such great size that traveling off the beaten track is difficult. All around are curious vegetation formations and growths, which would please a naturalist and startle those ignorant of such things. May flowers and violets cover the ground. They grow on the rocks, trunks of trees and bunches of them can be seen on the bare face of cliffs. These have been in blossom for weeks, for, being sheltered on all sides, they are early to greet the spring rains and sunshine. Snakes, birds and game abound in these wilds and in addition to this the sportsman can have the best of fishing in the river at the various points accessible at the northern end of the flats the water has formed a gravel beach, upon which large waves from the rapids curl and beat with the regularity of the motion in the lake. Lying on the beach, the river is seen rushing through the rapids, the water in the middle of the stream being many feet higher than the shore. Cliffs on either side rise perpendicularly about 300 feet and the roaring water rolls between them with the sound of thunder.

The past scenes of the place have given romance which is only surpassed by the oddity of its beauty. Its unwritten history tells of wonderful escapes, captures and deeds of the red man and latterly of the pioneer. It is directly opposite the Devil's Hole on the American side, which is historic for the terrible massacre of 50 white people by the Indians during the turbulent times of the last century. According to the belief of a number of dime novel youths, some of whom may be seen almost any day working with spade and shovel, there is countless hidden treasure buried among the rocks and secrets of the flats.

The northern ascent is made by a serpentine path used by the Indians, who held councils of war within the depths of the glen.

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WOULD THE CUBANS ACCEPT?

Spain May Issue an Amnesty Proclamation in the Hope of Ending the Terrible Struggle.

New York, April 15.—A Washington despatch to The New York Herald says the next important move on the part of Spain in connection with the Cuban trouble will be, it is said, the issuance of an amnesty proclamation similar to that which has just resulted in the surrender of 25,000 insurgents in the Philippine Islands.

Minister de Lome received a dispatch yesterday announcing the surrender of an additional number of insurgents, which makes a total of about 25,000 men who have taken advantage of the promise of amnesty and laid down their arms. This, in the opinion of Minister de Lome, means the ending of the war in the Philippine Islands.

Encouraged by the good results of the amnesty proclamation as applied to the Philippine Islands, the Madrid authorities, it is understood in diplomatic circles, are planning a similar movement with regard to Cuba. The conditions prevailing in the island at the present time are regarded by both the Spanish officials and the administration officials as similar to those which prevailed shortly before the close of the ten years' war.

The Spanish authorities may be over-sanguine, but, according to representations made at the State Department, the belief prevails among them that the conditions for the peaceful ending of the Cuban war were never before more favorable than at the present time.

NOT ALL TAIL TWISTERS.

Britishers in New York Make Arrangements to Celebrate Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee in a Fitting Manner.

New York, April 15.—At a meeting of the British Societies in Caledonia Hall last evening, it was decided to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with a grand carnival, to be held somewhere in the vicinity of New York. Representatives of the Sons of St. George of New York City and Brooklyn, the New York Scottish Societies, New York Celtic Societies and the Scottish clans were present, and all signified their intention of cooperating in making it the grandest celebration of the Queen's subjects yet held in this country. Mr. Percy Sanderson, the British Consul-General, was elected honorary chairman; R. T. Hughes was elected chairman, and James M. Robb treasurer. The carnival, which will consist of games, dancing and fireworks, will be held at Ambroze Park, Brooklyn, on June 19.

DEATH ENDED THE HUNT.

A Methodist Minister and a Friend Went Shooting—Former Succumbs to Exposure, the Friend Drowned.

St John, N. B., April 15.—A double tragedy is reported from Westmoreland. Rev. T. L. Williams, pastor of the Methodist Church at Pointe de Bute, and Richard Carter, a well-known citizen, went gunning yesterday, starting from Aulaic in a boat. This morning the boat came ashore with the body of Rev. Mr. Williams. He was then alive, but unconscious, and lived only a short time. No trace has been found of Mr. Carter, who is believed t have been drowned. The boat was on the Bay of Fundy all night, and the clergyman, no doubt, died of fatigue and exposure, being unable to reach the shore alone against the strong currents.

Only those who have had experience can tell the torture corns cause. Pain with your boots on, pain with them off—pain night and day; but relief is sure to those who use Holloway's Corn Cure. ed

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Saturday, April 17th

There is nothing so appropriate or acceptable to the little ones as candy Easter Eggs.—Hyle's Confectionery Review, N. Y.

It was our faith in the correctness of this view that caused us to commission the Boston Candy Works to supply us with several crates of their prettiest colored Easter conceits.

The following shoes will be on sale to-morrow, Saturday:

Gents' $4.00 Patent Leather Shoes, Lace Style, Goodyear Welted, Razor Toes	$2.47
Gents' $4.00 Hog Grain Mining and Prospecting Boots, Leather Lined, Hob Nailed, reduced to	$2.00
Gents' $2.00 Black Satin Calf Shoes, Laced and Gaiter Styles, Pointed and Coin Toes	$1.25
Gents' $3.00 Black Dongola and Chocolate Goat Elastic Side Pullman Slippers, Soft Turn Soles	$1.47

Don't forget your market baskets for the Easter Eggs!

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CZAR OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Inspector Hughes Told Teachers That the Board Had Done Wrong in Its Bylaws.

The business of the School Board last night consisted principally of the consideration of the reports of the various committees and the presentation by Mr. Noel Marshall of the silver medals to the pupils obtaining the best standing in the night schools, viz.: Edith Hewitt and John Imrie of Bathurst-street.

INSPECTOR HUGHES ABOVE REBUKE.

Dr. Noble rose to a question of privilege, saying that some time ago the bylaws had been changed, whereby the inspector's duties had been somewhat altered, by the following bylaw:

"No teacher shall administer punishment, when necessary, with the strap supplied by the board, on the hands only, except in case of opposition by the pupil, when punishment may be applied elsewhere, avoiding the head and other vital parts, as the circumstances of the case may warrant."

Since that had been passed, Dr. Noble had learned that the inspectors did not like the change and that the inspectors had gone so far as to complain to the teachers, and Mr. Hughes had told teachers that the board had done wrong in passing any such bylaw, and that the teachers had better go in the same line as formerly. The Doctor went on to censure the inspectors for giving any such instructions, but no action was taken.

REPORTS ADOPTED.

The report of the Finance Committee was adopted, the principal items being the increase of $32 in the salary of the caretaker of the Dewson-street School.

The report of the Management Committee, after an hour and a half's discussion, was finally adopted. The recommendations were that Miss E. Jewett be appointed kindergartner to Dewson-street School and Miss R. M. Drayton to Morse-street School. These kindergartners were also appointed to the occasional staff: Miss Minnie Hill, Miss J. M. Temple, Miss Mabel Wilkinson and Miss Pearl Becker.

The discussion of the evening took place on clause 7 of the Management Committee's report, which recommended that the following be rescinded:

"No teacher who is marked 'poor' or 'very poor' in either teaching power or discipline by both the principal and inspector in the reports of 1896 receive any increase of salary for this year over the salary of such teacher in 1896."

After the chairman had ruled that the clause was not in order and nearly every member of the board had given his opinion several times, Mr. Kent appealed from the decision of the chair, when the chairman's decision was negatived, and the report was adopted in full.

THE CHILDREN WILL SING.

The Special Public Committee recommended that a concert be held on June 21 by the Public school children and that an admission fee of 15c be charged for adults and 10c for children. The report was adopted.

At this stage it was found that there was not a quorum present and the further business was suspended.

GENERAL HAMILTON GOSSIP.

Many Matters of Passing Interest Gathered by The World's Staff Correspondent—The World's New Office There.

Hamilton, April 15.—(Special.)—The World moved this afternoon into its new quarters next door to the Post-office and where the old Empire used to be. Some alterations effected in the place make it as handy and as pretty a newspaper office as there is in town.

The Hamilton district of the Methodist Church this afternoon elected Rev. John Wakefield of Dundas permanent chairman in the place of the late Rev. James Van Wyck. Rev. Dr. Philp and John Kay were candidates for the position.

Mayor Colquhoun and Ald. Hill tried yesterday to induce Mrs. Madigan to enter the City Hospital, but their efforts were unavailing.

Barrister G. A. Young, who leaves next week for the Klondyke district, was presented with a well-filled purse by his associates at the Hamilton Club last night.

Magistrate Jelfs had a number of truancy cases before him this morning and remarked that the majority of juveniles arraigned he had to deal with had previously been before him for playing truant from school.

Twenty-five clergymen and a large congregation were in St. Mary's Cathedral this morning when Bishop Dowling administered the oils.

The XIII.L will go to Kingston on the Queen's Birthday.

All the city schools closed to day for Easter vacation.

Lawyer R. W. Witherspoon is suing Shoemaker D. Mitchell for refusing him possession of a house on Duke-street, which he had rented from him.

The Street Railway Company paid into the city's coffers to-day $3147 for the quarter ending April 1st. For the same quarter last year the figure was $3037.

Mrs. Agnes Baxter appealed to Relief Officer Hulton this morning to get re-possession of her 5-year-old child, which, it is alleged, had been appropriated by Mr. Cross, a carter of 71 Emerald-street for whom she had been working.

The World approached Aldermen Dixon and Clappison yesterday afternoon respecting the rumor that they would make another attempt to rush D. R. Gibson in as Superintendent of Street Watering. Ald. Clappison said that he was satisfied with present arrangements and hadn't heard a whisper of any attempt to effect a change. Ald. Dixon was a little more diplomatic. He had been in favor of D. R. Gibson as assistant superintendent, but didn't now believe that a cannon ball fired at the committee would bring it about. Unless a vacancy occurred he would keep quiet until Xmas.

The boy, John A. Bailey, who pleaded guilty to stealing $6 from his fathers was let go this morning on deferred sentence. John Bailey, sr., making an eloquent appeal to get him off.

The Jockey Club will have a meeting on Monday at 3 o'clock.

And, Angus, Hess-street north, was arrested to-night by Detective Bradley of the G. T. R., at the Stuart-street depot. He is charged with pocket-picking. Bradley alleges that he saw Angus pick a woman's pocket of a purse and that he recovered the stolen property.

The annual dinner of the stationary engineers of Hamilton was held at the Commercial Hotel to-night.

A large barn on Caroline-street, below Cannon-street, owned by Thomas Mitchell, was burned down to-night, about 11 o'clock. The firemen had a hard fight to prevent the flames from spreading to adjoining premises. A cutter, buggy, pair of bob sleighs and some fodder belonging to the occupant, William Daniels, was consumed. The total loss is about $600.

About 4 o'clock this afternoon a bicycle belonging to Charles E. Thompson was stolen from the door of Brigger's sporting goods store. The police were notified, but about 3 o'clock the loser's brother, Doyne Thompson, saw a man riding the wheel on King-street. He knocked him off the machine and shouted "Police!" Sergt. McKenzie and P. C. Stewart responded, and arrested the rider, who gave his name as Albert Rawson Fulton. He says he traded a watch worth $20 for it.

The choir of Hannah-street Methodist Church gave a concert to-night which showed that a successful program can be got up without the aid of outsiders. The artists contributing were the Misses Flatt, A. Smith, C. and E. Carey, E. Robertson and E. Taylor, and Messrs. A. H. Baker, B. A. Carey, G. Allan, W. Lees, G. Robertson and W. Robertson.

Hamilton, Ont., April 15.—The solemn service of the Tenebrae was celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral this evening. Rev. Father Lehmann of Carlsrhue, Rev. Father Hinchey of St. Joseph's and Rev. Father Coty of Dundalk chanted the Lamentations of Jeremiah.

The House of Refuge Committee to-night took up and adopted a number of rules framed by Supt. Rae H. Harvey, T. W. Reid and A. H. McKeown tendered for a cold storage for the Refuge food, but the figures were so wide apart that the committee will alter the specification and then ask for renewed tenders.

Vice-President Upton of the T. H. & B. reached town to-night and wired Engineer Wingate to meet him with reference to the overhead bridge. Bridge Constructor Law of Peterboro was also in consultation to-night and begins the real work on the bridge on Monday.

St. John's Masonic Lodge room was the scene to-night of the presentation of past masters' jewels to Lawyer James Chisholm, Commission Merchant A. Pain and Lumber Merchant W. J. McAllister. R. W. Bros. D. McPherson and G. Reid, and V. W. Bro. C. R. Smith made the presentations. J. Hickey, roadmaster of the M. C. R., was at the Royal to-night.

Charles Wynn, the man with the broken neck, is now able to walk abroad, and Dr. Husband says he will ere long be at his work of nail making.

The Canada Life.

The Canada Life held its fiftieth annual meeting in the city of Hamilton on Tuesday last. The year just closed was one for the company with assurance business footing up to the large sum of $70,747,557.21 upon 23,638 lives and under 32,302 policies. The company shows assets exceeding seventeen million dollars, and has an income of two and three-quarter millions of dollars per annum. This is indeed a jubilee year for the Canada Life. The business for the year just closed shows that 2116 policies for nearly four and one-half millions of dollars were issued. The death claims for the year were comparatively small, not nearly as large as had been looked for. President Ramsay, in the course of his address, referred to its being the semi-centennial meeting of the company, and the president traced, in a thoroughly business-like manner, its progress since it began business in humble quarters in Hamilton fifty years ago. The steady prosperity that has always been enjoyed by the Canada Life has been to a large extent due to the fair and just methods adopted by its officials in all their transactions.

The Wabash Railroad.

If you are contemplating a trip to the gold mining country, please consider the merits of the Wabash Railroad, the short and true route, via Detroit, Chicago and St. Paul, to all points in the Kootenay district. Passengers leaving Toronto and points west by morning trains reach St. Paul next day at noon. Where direct connections are made for all points in the gold fields. Quickest and best route to Hot Springs, Ark.; Old Mexico, California, and all western points. Tickets and time-tables of this great railway from any railway agent, or J. A. Richardson, Canadian Passenger Agent, northeast corner King and Yonge-streets, Toronto.

$500,000 Blaze in New Orleans.

New Orleans, April 15.—The Moresque Building in Camp-street, between Poindras and North-streets, occupied by the E. J. Montgomery Furniture Company and John Gauche Sons' crockery store, has been entirely destroyed by fire. The Washington Hotel, German Gazette office, Evening Telegram, and J. A. Aitken, plumber, were also burned out. Total loss will reach half a million. Hundreds of telegraph and telephone wires and many cable and electric light wires were wrecked by falling walls.

New York and Return Only $8

The Lehigh Valley Railroad will make the very low rate of $8 from Suspension Bridge to New York and return. Tickets good going on regular trains April 23, 24, 25 and 26. Good returning until May 4. The Lehigh Valley is America's cleanest railroad, and runs through the Switzerland of America. Don't fail to go. Tickets sold at Suspension Bridge Office. For further information call on ticket agents or Robt. S. Lewis, Traveling Passenger Agent, corner King and Yonge-streets. 456

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY.

Items of Passing Interest Gathered in and Around this Busy City.

The Public Schools closed yesterday and will re-open April 26.

Excursion traffic at the Union Station was very heavy yesterday.

Don't be deceived—"L. & S." brand of hams, bacon and lard is delicious, healthful and appetizing.

Rev. Dr. Mackay will conduct a Gaelic service in Knox Church on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Dr. Henderson will conduct missionary services in Elm-street Methodist Church on Sunday.

At 8.30 last night there was a $40 fire at 71 Walton-street, occupied by Mr. Sylvester. The cause of the fire is not known.

The local sub-committee of the Executive of the General Board of Methodist Missions, met yesterday afternoon in Wesley Building. Rev. Dr. Carman presided.

Surrogate Court proceedings took place yesterday in three estates: James George Weir, farmer, Scarboro, $3800; Ebenezer Faulkner, laborer, $5000; Mary C. Edgar, widow, $3100.

There was a very large congregation at the last of the noontide services in St. James' Cathedral yesterday. Bishop Sullivan gave an eloquent address on "The Denial of Christ."

The Rev. Alex. Mackay, D.D., will conduct a Gaelic service in the lecture room of Knox Church next Sunday at 3 p.m. All who understand that language are cordially invited to attend.

Thomas Woodhouse, no home, was arrested last night by Detective Black. He is charged with stealing an overcoat, the property of S. A. Hutchison, 70 Bond-street. The coat was stolen from the barristers' room in Osgoode Hall.

Miss Dunn, a deaf lady, who lives at 153 Queen-street east, while crossing King-street at the Market, walked in front of a horse. She was knocked down and carried into a drug store and afterwards taken in the ambulance to the office of Dr. E. E. King, who attended her. A set of false teeth were broken in the mix-up.

COUNTY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

Spring Show of Toronto Gore Agricultural Society at Clairville—Budget of News.

Toronto Junction, April 15.—(Special.)—James Riley, for being drunk and disorderly, was this morning fined $1 and costs or 15 days.

Much sympathy is felt for the Town Treasurer and Mrs. Jackson on the death of their only child, Harry Taylor, aged eleven months.

The Brick Paving Company have acceded to the request of the Weston-road Cinder Path Committee, and will supply the necessary cinders free of charge. About $75 has been collected and more keeps being added.

To-morrow being Good Friday, service will be held in St John's Church in the morning; the day will be observed as a holiday, and in the afternoon there will be two baseball matches, Argyles v. Toronto Junction, and Lakeview Club v. Toronto Junction High School.

Dr. C. A. Hodgetts of Toronto addressed the members of Lodge Worcester, S.O.E. B.S., to-night upon the advisability of organizing a class of the St. John's Ambulance Society. He said the necessity of being trained to act in emergency cases need not be dwelt upon in a lodge like Worcester, where so many of the members were connected with the railway. He showed its great usefulness, which was not intended to dispense with doctors, but to enable men to act until a doctor arrived. The first year's course is divided into five lectures.

Clairville Spring Show.

Clairville, April 15.—(Special.)—The annual spring horse show of the Toronto Gore Agricultural Society was held here today, a representative gathering of farmers from York and Peel being present. The following prizes were awarded: Shire stallions—George Garbutt, Thistletown, 1; Robert Atkinson, Thistletown, 2; David Shaw, 3. Clyde stallions—Robert McGeachie, Coleraine, 1; David Shaw, Bolton, 2. Roadster driver—Joseph Lawson, Brampton, 1; W. Canmer, Weston, 2. Roadster stallion—John Mashinter, Clairville, 1; Tom Armstrong, Brampton, 2. Fastest trotter or pacer—T. Armstrong, Brampton, 1. Roadster colt—Bland, 1; T. Fenwick, Coleraine, 2.

York County News.

The cinder path between Humber Bay and New Toronto is being repaired under the direction of Mr. Hicks.

The Ontario Sewer Pipe Company at Mimico will resume operations on Monday.

Mimico Athletic Association will have races on Saturday evening.

S.S. No. 12, York, gave an entertainment last night, when there was a debate on "Married v. Single."

A service of song will be held in the Morningside Church, Swansea, on Easter Sunday.

North York Y.P.S.C.E. will hold a convention at Aurora on Monday.

North York License Commissioners grant licenses at Sharon on Tuesday.

Rev. De Lucas, who has traveled round the world, will conduct the Easter service at Mimico Methodist Church. His son will sing solos.

The widow of J. G. Weir, Scarboro, seeks the guardianship of her two children and administration of the estate, which is valued at $3800.

Thieves entered John Wernham's residence at Holland Landing Tuesday night and stole a watch and chain and overcoat.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bilton of Willowdale celebrated the 40th anniversary of their wedding day on Wednesday.

Lewis Algeo has purchased the Bradford agricultural and race grounds, 30 acres, for $1500.

Mr. J. Ranson of Vandorf, who recently removed from Kingston, injured his hand. Blood poisoning set in and now his life is despaired of.

During the trial trip of a new boat, the "Causey," at King City, Walter Jackson met with an accident, which nearly resulted in the loss of an eye.

Miss Margaret Reid of Toronto will be the soloist at the Easter services in St. George's, Islington.

"Hillside Farm," near Woodbridge, the home of the Elliotts, was the scene of a happy gathering Tuesday evening, the event being a birthday party in honor of Miss F. Elliott. Several students from the Public School were present and the evening was spent in games and amusements.

Another effort is being made to recover the body of Willie Little, who was drowned at Weston about a month ago. Yesterday William Stone, of Toronto, and Lombard-street fire hall, searched the bottom of the dam in a diving suit, and worked until 4 p.m., without success. He will continue the search to-day.

The late Michael Oster of Woodbridge served in the Rebellion of 1837. He was a wonderfully strong man and no barn-raising was complete without him. He died aged 83.

At the residence of the bride's father, Clairville, on Wednesday night, Miss Libbie Kellam, second daughter of Robert Kellam, was married to Mr. Andrew Barker, second son of Mr. Andrew Barker of Thistletown. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. J. Ferguson, Weston.

A happy event occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Sueden, Schomberg, on Tuesday evening, when their eldest daughter Gracie, was united in marriage to Mr. L. J. Tomlin, of the McLean Printing Company, Toronto. The bride was attired in a costume of cream lustre, with pearl trimming, and bridal roses adorned her hair. Her sister, Miss Maud, acted as maid of honor. Rev. Leo Williams performed the ceremony, and yesterday the happy pair left for Toronto amidst showers of rice.

The Stouffville football team organized Monday evening and expect to put a very strong team in the field this year. They play the Hurons of Toronto on Good Friday. Following is the list of officers: Patron, Hon. J. D. Edgar; hon. president, M. M. Brent; hon. vice-president, A. Low; president, F. D. Miller; vice-president, John F. Lennox; captain, T. B. Armstrong; secretary, J. W. Younge; treasurer, L. Hoover; Management Committee, Jos. Churchill, Ben McOuay, Tom Smith, Fred Rayner and Fred Stouffer.

North Toronto.

The gang of men have started in at York Mills ballasting and overhauling the extension.

Bicycle riding along the Yonge-street sidewalk is becoming exceedingly common. While the authorities have been willing to condone the offence by residents during bad roads, no excuse will answer to prevent prosecution when the roads are dry.

Mr. J. Brackin, principal of the North Chatham School, was a visitor to the home of Mr. J. E. Clubine yesterday.

Services will be held to-day at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. at St. Clement's, Eglinton. On Sunday special Easter services at the hours of 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. and a children's service at 3.15 p.m. will be conducted. Rev. T. W. Powell will preach at each service.

The special offering services that were to have been held at the Davisville Methodist Church on Sunday next have been postponed until Sunday, the 25th inst. The pastor, Rev. J. Pearen, will preach on the life of Christ in the morning and a special Easter sermon in the evening on Sunday next.

East Toronto.

A long-agitated reform has been made on the G.T.R. All heavy engines are being brought to the division of the road between here and Belleville, while the light ones will run in the future between the latter city and Montreal.

Mr. M. Win of Palmerston is here.

It is understood that negotiations are now being made for extending the Scarboro line as far down the Kingston-road as the Hunt Club.

The house-owners of East Toronto find it impossible to meet the demand for residences. Seven families have made applications for houses during the past week.

The Excelsiors will have their first run at 3 o'clock on Saturday.

Thornhill.

Dr. G. Langstaff of Brooklyn, N.Y., son of Mr. John Langstaff, has been home on a visit to his parents.

Rev. W. W. Bates is at present confined to the house by sickness.

Devotion of "The Way of the Cross" will be held at St. Luke's at 3 p.m. to-day. On Sunday special Easter services will be held both morning and evening.

Taylor's Quality Your Taste.

It's a matter of taste the style you incorporate in your bicycle suit; it's a matter of economy in the long run to have the quality and good making put in the garments that one's insured in placing his order with Henry A. Taylor, the Rossin Block.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

WILLARD NEXT WEEK.

Mr. E. S. Willard, after several years' absence, will make his reappearance in Toronto next week at the Grand and has selected for his opening Henry Arthur Jones' new play, "The Rogue's Comedy," which has met with success everywhere. It will be presented on Monday and Tuesday evenings and Wednesday matinee and will include in its cast the charming actress Miss Olga Brandon. On Wednesday and Saturday evenings Mr. Willard will present "The Middleman" and Thursday and Friday evenings and Saturday matinee "The Professor's Love Story," in which Miss Maude Hoffman will play the leading feminine role. The success of both these great successes has been attended by large audiences this season. His Cyrus Blenkam in "The Middleman" is a masterpiece of finished acting.

THE BAND CONCERTS TO-DAY.

The Chicago Marine Band will give two concerts to-day in the Massey Hall. The matinee takes place at 2.30 and the evening concert at 8.15. A splendid and most attractive program has been arranged for the afternoon as well as the evening. At night one of the numbers will be "In a Bird Store," a descriptive piece, of which the following is a synopsis: The composer tells a story in music of Bird Life in Captivity. Morning dawns; the winged minstrels are still wrapped in slumber; the sun peeps in at the windows and they awake; the Quail, the Robin and the Rooster herald the day; the canaries warble, and one by one the other birds join in the merry concert; "Polly Wants a Cracker;" the Red Cardinal and the Cuckoo sing a duet, accompanied by a ringing chorus of the jolly canaries; the sweet, plaintive song of the caged nightingale is intermingled with the jubilant notes of the thrush, the finch and other birds; then the shades of evening settle over the bird store; the birds are sleeping; suddenly a stray cat jumps against the window; her hissing and clawing frighten and alarm the disturbed sleepers; the angry scolding of Polly, the parrot, drives the peace-breaker away, and the birds rejoice in her victory. The box office will be open to-day at 9 o'clock.

MR. KEENE.

Thomas W. Keene is with us again in his old-time form. One would have thought that the magic word "Richelieu" linked to that of "Keene" would have conjured up the audience that would have filled the King-street theatre to the doors. Keene, in short, deserves a great deal more, however, of Toronto than he received last evening at the Princess. The fact that he is one of the few, if not the only first-rate tragedian, who is courageous enough to successfully attempt a revival of Shakespeare, and that his support is unquestionably strong and well-balanced, renders the company unique. The burly physique of Charles B. Hanford is given full play in the part of the impetuous officer of France, Adrien de Mauprat. Carl Ahrendt, as the monk confidante of Richelieu, Arthur Stanford as the Courtier Baradas, and John Bilton as Baradas the favorite, are strong in their respective parts. Grace Hopkins throws a deal of emotion into the role of the orphan Julie, but Marie Hanford is handicapped in that of Marion de Lorme. Keene himself has changed but little. He has the same power of demonstrating violent charge in the role of Richelieu of appealing to the sense of the ludicrous at most solemn moments, and were his scenes and settings a little more in keeping he would rank among the most superb. At to-day's matinee Hanford appears in "Ingomar," and to-night Keene appears in "Othello." To-morrow afternoon he will present "The Merchant of Venice" and his repertoire concludes Saturday night with "Richard III."

A NEW MELODRAMA.

Speaking of "The Great Northwest," the new five-act spectacular melodrama, which comes to the Toronto Opera House next week, The Pittsburg Commercial Gazette says: "The Great Northwest" proved to be one of the very strongest melodramas produced at this house. It brings onto the stage an atmosphere different from that of the wild and woolly west, or the flowery South, or crowded city, and it seems to be more bracing. The story is full of humane interest to begin with, and then it is well told, the strong characters presented by strong people and the scenery made to correspond. Altogether it is a good show, being thrilling without being bloody, full of heroics and yet not overdone. The humor is of a type that people can and may be revelled and enjoyed days after the play. The house was jammed full and none regretted having been in the crowd.

KEENE AT "COON HOLLOW."

Tragedian Thomas W. Keene occupied a private box at the Toronto Opera House yesterday afternoon and seemed to enjoy the performance of "Coon Hollow," especially the poetic description of "The Six Sounds of the Ladder," a passage which strikingly recalls Shakespeare's "Seven Ages of Man." Two performances of this dainty Southern play will be given to-day. There are still plenty of good seats to be had for either afternoon or evening. Another "bargain matinee" is announced for to-morrow.

METROPOLITAN OPERA.

New York, April 15.—The Tribune this morning prints the following: A company was formed yesterday for the promotion of opera at the Metropolitan next season. It has a capital of $100,000, half of which is subscribed by members of the Metropolitan Opera and Real Estate Company, which owns the opera house, and the other half by persons interested in opera outside that company. It is said, also that capital to the extent of about $100,000 can be had if it is needed. Maurice Grau is to have entire and absolute control, with the title of resident manager.

TOMMY BAKER'S CONCERT.

The farewell benefit concert to be given to Tommy Baker, Toronto's popular humorist, in Massey Hall, April 22, promises to be the success of the season, as most of the city bicycle clubs are combining to give their popular friend a good send-off on his departure to the far West. Tickets may be had at Massey Hall on or after April 17. Tickets 25c.

MR. SMILY'S RECITAL.

Owing to engagements previously booked in the United States Mr. Owen A. Smily has postponed his recital until Friday, April 30. Subscribers and those interested may reserve their seats at Gourlay, Winter & Leeming's. Mr. Smily has been meeting with great success in the States of Michigan and Ohio. It is not probable that the postponement will materially affect subscribers who have already purchased their seats.

MISS HOPE BOOTH.

The New York Herald, speaking of Miss Hope Booth's present engagement at Tony Pastor's Theatre, has this to say: "Miss Hope Booth, in her classic poses, made the hit of the evening and caused a great sensation. She is a clever artiste." Miss Booth will appear in this city for one week at the close of her present New York engagement.

EIGHT BELLS.

The Byrne Brothers' new "Eight Bells" was given at the Grand last night before a half house. The show consists chiefly of clever acrobatic acts with a few musical features thrown in. It will be repeated, twice to-day and to-morrow.

THE AUDITORIUM.

The entertainment at the Auditorium this week is drawing good houses. There will be a special Good Friday matinee at 2.30. There is sure to be a crowded house in the evening. Those wishing good seats should go early. The management has reserved St. James' Hall for bicycles, which will be checked free. The artists are all first-class vaudeville performers.

METROPOLITAN CHURCH.

The Jubilee Chorus, under the direction of Mr. F. H. Torrington, will render Gounod's sublime oratorio, "Redemption," this evening in the Metropolitan Church.

RETAIL MERCHANTS MEET.

A Convention Will be Held in Toronto Towards the End of April.

There was a large and representative gathering of retail merchants in Forum Hall last night. Mr. George Boxall presided, and the organizers of the Canadian Retail Merchants' Association reported good work being done and much enthusiasm throughout the country. The organizers who reported were Messrs. Murdoch, Stewart, O'Brien, Impey and Lee, and they stated that only in very few cases had merchants opposed the principle of the association.

The Executive Committee reported progress regarding the convention of the association, which will be held in Toronto some time about the 24th inst. The date will be definitely decided at a meeting of the committee on Saturday night. Merchants from outside towns have promised their cordial support, and the convention will doubtless be a success.

Several of the members made five minute speeches and were well received. There was one lady among the gathering, Mrs. Dancy of North Toronto.

Mean People Still on Earth.

London, April 15.—A despatch from Paris to the Central News says that the Prince of Monaco has written to The Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique expressing his willingness to offer a reward for the detection of the steamer which caused the loss of the boats of the foundered steamer St. Nazaire without giving the sufferers in the boat any assistance. The action of the unknown steamer is strongly denounced by all seafaring men.

Will Keep Up the Drill.

Notwithstanding the unpleasant news from England that only 200 Canadian soldiers are wanted in England to participate in the jubilee the companies that had been picked to go from the Queen's Own and Royal Grenadiers will drill at the Armories on Saturday night in case there might be some better arrangements made with the Imperial Government.

Studying Seal Life.

London, April 15.—Mr. Gerald B. Hamilton, who, with Prof. Thompson, went to the Behring Sea in 1896, to enquire into seal life, has left England again on a similar mission. Their report made to the Foreign Office in January, set forth that the effect of pelagic sealing is not nearly so serious as the Americans have stated. But they favored some common measure, between the two Governments for the preservation of the seals.

The Owners Exonerated.

Aberdeen, April 15.—The Board of Trade inquiry into the loss of the British steamer State of Georgia, Captain Stewart, from Dantzic, on Dec. 23 last, for Halifax, N.S., which is believed to have foundered in the middle of the Atlantic in January has exculpated the owners from all blame.

Regulation of Department Stores.

Albany, N.Y., April 15.—Senator Martin has introduced in the Legislature a measure which if passed the Legislature of Illinois which provides for regulating department stores by providing a graded system and classification of selling merchandise.

New York Clubs Pay $500

Albany, N.Y., April 15.—The amendments to the Raines Liquor Tax Law were adopted to-night without change. The principal amendment, putting a tax of $500 on all clubs that sell liquor, was bitterly opposed but was carried. (One amendment restores free lunches on hotel counters.

Only $8 to New York and Return.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad will make the very low rate of $8 from Suspension Bridge to New York and return. Tickets good going on April 23, 24, 25 and 26; good returning until May 4. The Lehigh Valley is America's cleanest railroad and runs through the Switzerland of America. Tickets sold depot office, Suspension Bridge. For further information call on ticket agents or Robert S. Lewis, local passenger agent, corner King and Yonge-streets. e1

Organizing for the Fray.

At the last meeting of the members and adherents of St. Alban's Methodist Church, Parkdale, those present by a unanimous resolution declared their opposition to Sunday street cars and pledged their support and co-operation to the Executive of the Sunday Observance Alliance in the approaching contest. Active steps were taken to see that all the members of the church and congregation were thoroughly organized for the fight. A large and representative committee was appointed to look after the organization.

Personals.

J. McMillan, M.P., is at the Walker.

Col. Tyrwhitt, M.P., is at the Walker.

R. R. Gamey, Rossland, is at the Walker.

Dr. Meikle, Mount Forest, is at the Walker.

A. Megraw, Camp McKinney, B.C., is at the Walker.

I. F. Hellmuth, London, is at the Queen's.

Walter Ross, Rat Portage, is at the Queen's.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hay, London, Eng., are at the Queen's.

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