50th Year, No.

# SECTION OF BUSINESS COMMUNIT

Property Owned by Those Who Want Investigation Before Electrification Runs Into Millions - Employ Nearly 5,000 Persons.

The petition presented by sixty-five buildings. Then the business assessmanufacturers, wholesale and retail ment, amounting to \$561,819, would merchants and jobbers, was one of the most important documents of its kind material used in the three-score busithat ever found their way into the city ness houses of all kinds. For instance, irchives. It represents a very large pro- with wholesalers the business assessportion of the business community, and ment would amount to 60 per cent. of a large proportion of the taxes annu- the assessment of lands and buildings; ally paid into the treasury.

About 5,000 men and women are employed by those who signed the petition asking for further investigation 25 per cent. into the electrification scheme.

A Right to Consideration.

A large proportion of the \$890,000 required would be paid by them and their employees, and they think they have the right to appeal for and to secure a reasonable consideration of their claims. They ask that investigation be made into the situation as it concerns the Michigan Central and Pere Marquette, and also the cost of operating the London and Port Stanley Rail. way as a steam proposition. They seek to impress upon the council the necessity for definite information, and wish to have the fogs into which they have

been thrust cleared away. Some of the petitioners may electrification if it can be proved feasclaim the proposal is against P. S. R. to be kept in such a condition taxes than for their businesses. ing admittance to the city, may use the L. and P. S. R. tracks if desirable. The city council will no doubt give the petitioners the consideration their another \$350,000.

importance in the community deserves. Millions Interested. nA assessment of nearlytwo million Assessment Commissioner Grant are

This sum indicates, of course, a proportion of the value of the business represented. In the first place for lands and buildings owned by the citizens on the petition was \$1,168,350. This would of the actual value of the land and standpoint, there can be no doubt.

with retailers it would be 30 per cent. of the lands and buildings assessment unless over \$50,000, when it would be

Value of Their Stocks. The value of merchandise and ma erial represented by the petition would run into many millions of dollars. The stocks of some of the petitioners would a million dollars in some cases and few

would run below \$50,000. The manufacturers on the petition of whom there are more than 30, represent an assessment of \$559,900 lands and buildings, and \$325,010 The wholesale, business assessment. retail and jobbing interests on the petition represent an assessment \$608,450 for lands and buildings, and

\$236,800 for business assessment. The taxes paid by the petitioners for the business with which they appeared on the petition would amount to more but they first want facts. While than \$40,000 annually. Their other inthe M. C. R. maintains that it will not operate over an electrified line, they double this sum. Many of them are their connected with other institutions in the vital interests. They want the L. and city, and pay a much larger sum in that not only the M. C. R. and Pere residential properties the 66 petitioners Marquette, but other steam roads seek- would rank with any citizens, it being onservative to state that each one of them would be assessed for \$5,000 for private property. This would run into

Employ 4,790 Persons. A conservative estimate places the umber of persons employed by these the city contributed to the city

he city of London should be commensurate with the investment and the class of citizens it represents. That it not be more than about 60 per cent. is by far the largest petition from every

### EGED SAFE "BLOWER" BACK FOR A NEW TRIAL

Peter Fairburn Will Appear Before Judge Macbeth To Elect on Thursday—Man Claims He Is Innocent of the Crime For Which He Was Convicted.

a term of three years in the Kingston penitentiary by County Judge Elliott on that they were innocent, and Fairburn in a charge of assisting in the blowing of particular claimed that he knew nothing the safe in Hawkins' Flour Mills at Arva, was brought back to London last night, and will appear before Judge Macbeth tomorrow morning to make his election for the new trial that was ordered by the court of appeal.

The safe was blown on the night, of March 27, and the work showed that it had been done by experts. A hole was drilled in the door of the safe and nitroglycerine was poured in and the explosion muffled by means of a number of flour bags. The next day Fairburn and John Murray, a well-known cracksman, were arrested in a local hotel while both were under the influence of liquor. Attention was drawn to the men on account of Fairburn attempting to extract \$130 The men were first arrested on a charge of vagrancy, but when dismissed at the police court were immediately arrested by High Con-stable Hughes on a charge of safe-blowwere immediately alrested by high constable Hughes on a charge of safe-blowing and theft.

A number of witnesses were produced by the crown at the trial, who stated the new trial as soon as possible.

Peter Fairburn, who was sentenced to that they had seen both men in the vicinity of the crime the next morning. When of the crime. Their lawyer, Mr. P. H Bartlett, made an appeal, and on Nov. 1 Bartlett, made an appeal, and on Nov. 19 the court of appeal, composed of Judges Meredith, Lennox, MacLaren, Garrow and Magee, ordered that the conviction of Fairburn be set aside, and that a new trial be held. The court also dismissed the appeal of Murray, who has served other terms of confinement for similar orimes.

Brought From Kingston. Fairburn, who is about 50 years of ige, and a native of Scotland, was brought back from Kingston Tuesday by Deputy Sheriff Waterworth, and the stoutly maintains that he is innocent. He claims that he was unable to secure certain evidence as to his whereabouts at the time of the trial that will now be produced, and he is positive that the new trial will result in his acquittal. As nine months, Fairburn is in much better a result of his incarceration of almost physical condition than at the time of his trial. When asked by The Adver-

### DETECTIVES EMPLOYED TO STOP ABUSES OF TRANSFERS board were of the opinion that one should be initiated, and a report will be

the Opinion That People Are Abusing Privilege.

It has been learned that the London Street Railway Company has employed private detectives to ferret out the misuse of transfers by their patrons, a suspicion of which they have evidently had for some time, and it is learned that some fairly-prominent citizens have been detected at this game, and if good cases car he made out against them there will likely be some actions in the

Mr. King Speaks

Manager C. B. King, when questioned on the subject, admitted that such was cheaper than those of any other city of the case, but he hoped such action would its size in the country."

London Street Railway Are of be unnecessary to stop the practice, which is certainly wrong. "The provision in our bylaw relative transfers is quite plain, to the effect

that a transfer is provided for the purocse of enabling as near as possible a continuous ride for one fare from one art of the city to another where a car annot be taken directly; thus a transfer s not to be considered as either a return-trip ticket nor a stop-off ticket. Likewise, any people giving away transfers so that one person gets a ride to the centre of the city, and another one gets a ride in some other direction, are doing wrong by the company.

Two Rides for One Fare. 'In either case it would be the effec getting two rides for one fare, which certainly objectionable on our part. and which our patrons surely could not expect us to countenance if they would bear in mind that our car fares here are

#### **ALTERATIONS TO S. A. CITADEL** TO COST FIFTEEN THOUSAND

Citizens of London to Help the Work.

their building on Clarence street to cost between ten and fifteen thousand dollars. The amount will be regulated by the generosity of the friends of the army. The armount will be regulated by the generosity of the friends of the army. The work has developed to the extent that the building needs remodelling to meet the requirements of various branches.

The amount will be regulated by the generosity of the friends of the army. The work has developed to the extent that the people here would help him to keep pace with the times and needs by liberally assisting.

If the necessary money can be raised, the alterations will take place in the early summer of this year.

Minus (—) mean

Army Workers Will Ask the over the financial responsibility of the scheme, and to this end will be calling upon the citizens who may be interested in this matter.

Must Keep Pace. It is necessary to secure some sub stantial promises before the above alterations can even be considered, but Major The Salvation Army in this city con-template some extensive alterations to

Forecasts.
Toronto, Jan. 22—8 a.m.
Moderate to fresh winds; fair; nonuch change in temperature.
Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. L
LONDON .... 25
Victoria ..... 40 lictoria . Minus (-) means below zero.

### GRAND TRUNK AND CITY SUFFRAGE BILL FIGHT MAY DISCUSS THE L.AND P.S.R.

Vice-President Wainwright and Party Met Mayor Graham and the L. & P. S. R. Board To Consider Important Matters Affecting the City's Line to the Lake.

The conference between Mayor Graham | "We are having a pleasant chat," he and the London and Port Stanley board other matters affecting track elevation, is

Mr. Wainwright, Mr. H. H. Kelly and shortly after noon today from the east, and were met by Mayor Graham, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Spittal, Ald. Moore and City Clerk Baker.

They were directed at once to the run into many millions of dollars. The stocks of some of the petitioners would be valued as high as three-quarters of at London, who has been promoted to the valued as high as three-quarters of the petition of trainmaster at Palmer.

They were directed at once to the private car of Mr. Wainwright, where are simply chatting informally now. Later we will arrive at the real cause o'clock, when they adjourned to the of the interview.' ondon Club. Later they will meet at Mayor Graham's office, and will continue

The press representatives were rigidly excluded. Mr. Wainwright informed them hat under no consideration would they be admitted to the gathering. "A Pleasant Chat."

"We simply came to have a pleasant that with the mayor and aldermen," he declared. "We have absolutely nothing to say at the present time. If, after the conference, Mayor Graham wishes to give anything out, all well and good, but we will say nothing at this time."

After being closeted some hours with he Grand Trunk officials, Mayor Graham was called from the meeting by The Advertiser and was asked what was being discussed. His worship was nonommittal as Mr. Wainwright.

"What about the lease of the London and Port Stanley?" he was asked.

continued the reporter.

or whether or not they will make an

question. "As I said before, we have not come to that point," the mayor declared. "We are simply chatting informally now.

The Grand Trunk officials took up most of the time of the interview, it is understood, in discovering in what position matters were at the present time. There

chase of the line.

No definite proposition was made to the city representatives, that being reserved until alter in the afternoon.

City Not Committed.

informed that the city had been com-mitted to no proposition whatever, but were free to hear any proposition the Grand Trunk had to make regarding it tained as to what offer the G. T. R. offi-

### "We have not come to that as yet," "Have they made no offer for it?"

"None whatever," said the mayor. "We may come to that later, but up to the present time, they have made no the pure merits of the case and without suggestion as to what they would do,

"What about allowing the city to use their terminals in case of electrification was decided upon?" was the next consideration except that of suffrage his own resignation, can hardly be

matters were at the present time. There had been a great deal in the newspapers about the London and Port Stanley Railway, and they wanted to know whether or not the city council were tied up to any one company, or were absolutely committed to electrification. In short, they desired to know hether or not the city was in a position to consider any city was in a position to consider any offer from them for the lease or pur-

It is understood that the company was

### \$6,750 A YEAR SALARIES FOR NEW SCHOOL DISTRICTS

the City's Already Large

The annexation of the suburbs has ourth of a mill on the tax rate.

enter suit against the school board at Pottersburg for an accounting of the moneys in the hands of the latter on Dec. 31, 1912.

about \$2,300 was in the hands of the treasurer of Pottersburg school. On Dec. 31, the board expended \$1,400 for a piece of land adjoining the school, leaving a balance of \$900 in the treas-The board of education are of the een handed over to the city, and not expended for any purpose whatever. The question will come up at the ext meeting of the board.

### DR. F. L. BURDON WAS ANOTHER TUMULT IN BRITISH HOUSE

Limit on Woman's Suffrage Debate-Precincts

at 4 o'clock. It was decided to have Dr. Hutchinson angry gibes, and the noisy scene was appointed largely because the militants

> Seething With Intrigue. The lobbies and precincts of House of Parliament, as well as the political clubs and drawing-rooms, are will vote against the measure on the

M'BRIDE DEMANDS FLEET ON PACIFIC

China and Japan Constitute a Menace.

Canadian Pacific coast, he said: "Every day is pointing out to the world the rich variety of our resources and the magnitude of our potential inwhile across the sea that wonderful people, the Japanese-and China, as wellare intensely engaged in nation buliding.

army of women. All the members of Shouts of "Traitor! Traitor!" were the House are left to vote as they

There is a strong suspicion that without any restrictions as to time. When the votes have been counted the Many of the legislators exchanged suffragettes will find themselves disbrought to an end only by the Speak- of the party have alienated so many er rising and publicly reprimanding the of their former supporters. Should the women carry the day, however, the fate of the franchise bill itself might be endangered, as a considerable number of Liberals have declared that they got down to business, and it developed

### PLAN TO MOVE BIG

Record in the Moving of Buildings.

[Canadian Press.]

If the building is successfully movto make he should make it. If not he ed it will constitute the biggest feat

Rev. John Morris Was Formerly

Memorial Church

# WRECK ASQUITH CABINET

Grave Crisis Believed To Be at Hand in the British Commons-Fierce and Furious Campaign Being Waged by Suffragettes and Agents.

The woman suffrage agitation has dereloped an exceedingly grave aspect. The following statement nigh authority last night: "If the suffrage amendment

reading and resign. "It is on the understanding that no

should be allowed to enter into the divi- avoided. In such case the position of the sion that Sir Edward Grey agreed to the course adopted by the Cabinet on this question, and Mr. Asquith will probably make it plain this week that that is the attitude adopted by the cabinet." How House May Divide.

With regard to the general question of suffrage the House of Commons may be divided roughly into four great parties, namely

First-Those opposing woman suffrage. Second-Those supporting woman suf Third-Those supporting woman suffrage in a limited degree.
Fourth-Those who support Premier

Asquith before anything else. There are three possible elopments. in the first place, Sir Edward Grey's amendment, to omit the word "male," may be defeated. In the second place, it may be passed, and then all the definite woman suffrage imendments may be defeated. In the third place, one or other of the woman suffrage amendments may be passed in

Three Alternatives. Of the three alternatives, the defeat case in connection with any parliament-Sir Edward Grey's amendment would

MR. H. ROSS McLENNAN. Night chief dispatcher of the

SCANDAL SEARCH

PROVES UNAVAILING

W. F. Bennett Wants Probe of

Canadian Dredging Com-

pany's Contract.

Liberals Protest Against This as a De-

Allowed.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Jan. 22.-A search for scandal

was begun today in the committee of

Mr. W. F. Bennett, of Simcoe, who

has a passion for looking into dredging

contracts, was there indulging in hi

probing, and was saucy to the point of

exasperation with Hon. William Pugs-

y. Dredging inquisitions once cost Mr

Bennett his seat and the county consid-

Provides a Lawyer.

Hon. Robt. Rogers had provided

service committee, from the time Lib

erals came in until they went out with-out finding anything. However, Mr

Rogers has determined to get a little

mud to stick, and has Hugh Steward

C., of Brockville, to make the cas

The Liberals protested that this was

departure which had never been al-

owed. It would interfere with the

work of the committee, which was composed almost entirely of lawyers

now. Dr. Pugsley said that the pro-

ceeding was without precedent.

Chairman Middleboro—"Mr. Stewart i nere simply to assist with the case."

Mr. Bennett remarked that Dr Pugs

v was beginning to squirm over hav

Dr. Pugsley said he wanted no in-sinuations If Mr. Bennett had a chargo

should try to be civil and behave as

nearly like a gentleman as he knew

The case taken up was that of the

Canadian Dredging Company, of Mid-

land, which had been paid \$105,000 fo

work in 1906. Mr. Pringle, representing

he company, said that the committee's

authority did not go back that far. Mr. German, of Welland, said that, in

is opinion, the Rogers' organization

should have full liberty to look over the

ing his record looked into.

ng of the session where the committee

some interesting features

erable money.

r the Government.

It was the first meet

parture Never Before

cause the Government the least embar-New York, Jan. 22.—A cable to the rassment. Its acceptance, followed by Tribune from London says: amendments, would cause the Government the most immediate, though not the most serious, embarrassment, since the course taken by the House would then have been most illogical. The aceated and Sir Edward Grey feels that ceptance, on the other hand, of one of the decision has not been arrived at on the three suffrage amendments would probably involve the Government ulticonsideration of any possible danger to the Government he will feel compelled all. If Sir Edward Grey carries out his to vote against the franchise bill on third threat and votes against the third reading of the franchise bill a cabinet crisis

of the greatest gravity, reaching beyond other cabinet ministers who had voted for his amendment-David Lloyd George, John Burns, Augustine Birrell and Sir Rufus Isaacs, to mention only the more prominent-would be extremely delicate, and it is more than probable that his resignation would be accompanied by that of one or more of his suffragist col-

eagues. Furlous Campaign. Meanwhile the campaign is growing daily more fast and more furious. Paid canvassers in the outer lobby of the House of Commens are now supplementng the efforts of members within the House to secure a victory in next Friday's franchise fight. In Parliament Square the placard propaganda of the

rival sandwich women adds to the rigor of the game. Within the recollection of the oldest parliamentarian there has never been such activity as now prevails in Westminster. Even the House of Commons' postoffice is feeling the burden of the rusade, members receiving more literature for and against the enfranchisement of women than has ever been the

### HELEN GOULD WEDS FINLEY SHEPARD

Jay Gould's Daughter, Noted for Good Works, Bride of Railway Man.

WORTH \$10,000,000

Pair United at Lyndhurst, the Beautiful Country Residence of the Bride.

[Canadian Press.] Tarrytown, N. Y., Jan. 22. - Miss Helen Miller Gould was married at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at Lyndurst, her country estate, to Finley

Johnson Shepard, a railroadman, who has risen from the ranks. The bride went to an altar halfaidden by roses, trailing asparagus erns and great banks of palms. George G. Gould gave her in marriage, The Rev. Daniel D. Russell, pastor of the Irvington Presbyterian Church, performed the ceremony. Helen and Dorothy Gould, nieces of Miss Gould, stood with her. Garbed in pale pink satin, they acted as flower girls, and

ere her only attendants. The couple stood during the cereony beneath a bower of American eauty roses, with festoons of grayhite asparagus reaching almost to the ground. The bride carried a modest bouquet of lilies of the valley,

her favorite flower. Pearls for Bride.

A group of exquisite pearls, said to have once adorned the Empress Josphine, Napoleon's wife, and a pearshaped diamond pendant, the latter the bridegroom's gift, were the only ewelry worn by the bride. The pearls were a bequest from Miss Gould's nother. The wedding rown was of duchess ivory satin, with a sweeping train three and a half yards long, rimmed with duchess and rose point ace, and with seed pearl embroidery. The lace and veil were the gifts of the Duchess de Talleyrand, formerly Miss Anna Gould, the bride's sister. The veil was held with a spray of orange blossoms, and fell in flowing lines to the end of the long train. Orange blossoms also caught up the ace at the sides of the skirt. bride's slippers corresponded with the sown, and were trimmed with small

osettes of grange blossoms. Each of the little flower girls carried a basket of pink roses, which matched their gowns. Their stockings vere of white silk, their slippers white, and mounted with golden butterfly buckles. The bride handed to Dorothy her bouquet of lilies of the valley while the bridegroom placed

he ring upon her finger. Less than 100 persons were bidden to the ceremony. They included close relatives of the bride and the bride. groom and friends of long standing.

#### TURKEY ACCEPTS ADVICE OF POWERS

Constantinople, Jan. 22. - The grand council of the Ottoman Empire decided today in favor of accepting the proposals put forward by the European powers for the purpose of bringing about the conclusion of peace.

#### CRASH AT BLACK ROCK TEN ARE INJURED

[Canadian Press.]

Buffalo, Jan. 22.-Ten persons were injured today when Wabash Railroad passenger train No. 3, for the west, collided with a Michigan Central freight train at Black Rock this morn-No one was seriously injured, whole Liberal record for scandal. They ing.



position of trainmaster at Palmer-

### WILL DOUBLE TRACK C.P.R. NEXT YEAR

Big Railway Contemplates Making Some Important Changes.

MANY DISTRICT WORKS

New Stations Are To Be Put Up at Milton, St. Marys and Tillsonburg -Freight Shed at Windsor.

The Canadian Pacific is planning for another big expenditure in this district this summer, and among the work was represented in the petition. The firms at 4,790. Each of these employees this summer, and among the work figures as secured from the office of represent a certain amount of the taxes which will be started at as early a date as possible is the double-tracking of in fact, would be found to own their the line from Islington to Woodstock. It was officially stated to The Adver-The influence of this petition upon tiser this afternoon that as soon as this is completed the work of double tracking between London and Woodstock will be commenced. This will

probably be in the spring of 1914. The company contemplates making all its station platforms and the approaches of cement. This will

started early in the spring. Milton, St. Marys and Tillsonburg. The company contemplated building big new freight shed at Windsor, but t was stated that owing to the attitude of the city the work may not be pro-

## ELECTED CHAIRMAN

of Health Held on Tuesday Afternoon.

MILK BYLAW AMENDED was Ontario Minister of Agriculture Was of

Opinion That London's Standard

Was Too High. At the inaugural meeting of the board f health, held yesterday afternoon, Dr. F. L. Burdon was elected chairman for the year. His name was proposed by Mayor Graham, and was indorsed unanimously. Dr. Burdon thanked the members for the honor, and hoped that the year would be productive of good results

for the health of the city. and City Engineer Brazier report on the advisability of placing a sewer on Lyle street, from King to a point 175 feet north. The petition for it was insufficently signed, but the members of the ocard were of the opinion that one

obtained at once. The Milk Bylaw. Hon, Jas. Duff, provincial minister of agriculture, wrote suggesting some amendments to the milk bylaw of the ity. . He pointed out that London's bylaw demanded 14 per cent of solids in This was too high a standard, in is judgment, as very few samples reach ed that mark. He suggested 12 per cent, and this was adopted. As for butter fat, he thought this was also too nigh. However, many tests were submitted showing that the average was

above 3.25 per cent, and this was adopt ed as the minimum. DISMISSED WITH COSTS

Action Was Against Hamilton For an Alleged Libel.

Hamilton, Jan. 22.-The action of lumsden Brothens against the Spectator for \$75,000 damages for alleged mier. It had been to him a matter of ibel was dismissed with costs. The plantiffs asked for the usual 30 days'

THE WEATHER. TOMORROW-NOT MUCH CHANGE.

#### tion of the taxes raised in the new dis-Annexation Adds This Sum to trict. In some places it is thought that this will mean fully one-half, A Sharp Move. The board of education will probably

idded somewhat to the expense account of the board of education, and produced other problems of importance.

In the matter of salaries alone, the schools will add \$6,750 to the annual expenditure of the city, or about onesalaries were raised from the rural standard to that of the city, the increases amounting to about \$800 an-

When annexation was consummated

# This will eat up a considerable por-

Inaugural Meeting of the Board Asquith Called "Traitor" Because He Puts a Time of Commons Seething With Intrigue.

> [Canadian Press.]
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> London, Jan. 22. — A small sample fate of the amendment brought forof the passions which will be loosed ward by Sir Edward Grey, the foreign when the House of Commons begins on secretary, which eliminates the word Friday the debate on the amendments "male" from the first clause of the bill, to the franchise reform bill, was given and which, if carried, opens the way to this afternoon during question time, the enactment of amendments which immediately after the session opened will enfranchise a numerically varying

hurled across the floor of the please on this amendment, and the "di-House because Premier Asquith refused to lock up the Government "guilloto be decided by barely more than a LAWYER WILL FIGHT tine," and to allow the suffragette score of votes either way. amendment to the bill to be debated

member who had started the storm.

[Canadian Press.]
Victoria, B. C., Jan. 22.—Vigorous support of Borden's naval policy by Sir debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne in the Legislatection on Canada's Pacific coast line was particularly emprasized by the Predeep regret that the question of the Canadian navy had assumed a political complexion and developed into a subject of partisan controversy. Borden's policy sentiment of all Canada. Dealing with the question of ample protection for the church, adequately expressed the staunch imperial

terests as a great nation of the future, They cannot but note the conditions which obtain in this province. They are not to be blamed if they take more than a healthy interest in this par of Canada. and if, in an unguarded hour, the nava! forces of these countries, or either of

seething with intrigue. Forecasts vary third reading if it enfranchises women. MONTREAL CATHEDRAL

Believes Growing Strength of The Feat Will Constitute a New lawyer for the case. Dredging has bee investigated departmentally by Mr. Mon and by Mr. A. B. Morine, of the publi

Montreal, Jan. 22 .- St. James' Methdist Church will not be sold after all. Richard McBride was the feature of the This was decided by the trustee board last night after receiving a favorable report from a Cleveland firm as to ure Tuesday. The need of naval pro-The idea that meets with most favor with the trustees is to shift the big structure to one corner of the land it stands on, about an acre, and lease the section left for commercial purposes for a long term, the money thus obtained to be devoted to main-

GOES TO WINNIPEG

Memorial Church Here.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Leamington Jan. 22.—Rev. John Morris.

paster of St. John's Church, has tenered his resignation, as he has received and accepted an offer of the rectorship them, should cross the seas and take of a centrel in winimpeg. Mr. Morris whole Liberal record for scandal. They had nothing the investigation and the passengers continued on their possession of some of our so-desirable came here from London three years ago. would find nothing. The investigation and the passengers continued on their proceeded without disclosing anything way after being attended by physical record for scandal. They had not been season of the se