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FINGERS OF FIRE PLAY ON THOUSANDS OF KEYS.

The Heintzman Building in King-street a Prey to the Flames—Several Merchants' Stocks in the Lower Flat Badly Damaged by Water—The Loss Will Reach Many Thousands.

The first serious fire of the year occurred last night. Happily there were no lives lost nor were there any accidents, but many thousands of dollars worth of goods, if not actually destroyed by the flames, were damaged to such an extent as to make them a total loss. It was at 10.35 when an alarm was sounded for a fire at Heintzman's piano warerooms, No. 117 King-street west. The Bay-street section was the first on hand, and when it arrived on the scene the flames were already bursting out of the windows on the second floor. Portland-street Hall, Queen-street Hall, Lombard-street Headquarters quickly sent in their contingents, Chief Ardagh in charge. He quickly saw that there was every indication of a big blaze, with possible danger to the Rossin House, and he ordered a general alarm.

In less than 15 minutes every fireman in the brigade, with the exception of the caretakers of the halls, was on the ground. The sounding of the general alarm brought crowds of citizens to the scene of the conflagration, but the police were present in strong force and prevented the throngs assembled pressing in front of the burning building and retarding the work of the firemen. Stream after stream poured into the second story through the windows and the flames at this point were speedily subdued. Unfortunately, as the blaze was quenched in the lower story it ascended to the next, and after combating successfully with it below the firemen found that they had to go through the same struggle on every story of the big building.

The extension ladder was not required for the first story, but it had to be brought into requisition as the flames traveled upward. It was here that the greatest delay in subduing the flames occurred.

The Overhead Wires Again.

The overhead wires interfered with the proper working of the aerial truck, but the firemen managed to bridge the difficulty without resorting to cutting the wires. The aerial truck once up the rest was comparatively easy. Branch after branch was throwing streams on the flames. Wherever the fire showed itself it was fought with the hose until nothing but a heavy black smoke was all that remained of what had been a serious blaze with unknown possibilities.

The close proximity of the scene of the fire to the Rossin House—there is only a brick wall between—caused not a little anxiety among the guests of that hotel. The volumes of smoke which rolled up from the Heintzman building penetrated the rooms and corridors, bringing everyone into the rotunda. Even the servant girls were badly scared and sat in the scullery on the ground floor until it was definitely known that the fire had been subdued. The outbuildings of the Rossin came in for a little scorching, but Mr. Nelson told The World that the damage would be slight.

The great sufferers by the fire are the Heintzman Piano Co., No. 117 King-street west; William Goldstein & Co., No. 115, and M. Quinn, No. 115½, on the same thoroughfare.

Mr. George Heintzman told The World that the stock of the firm was valued at $25,000 and consisted mostly of pianos in all stages of manufacture. It was insured for $10,000 in the Globe and the Equitable in equal amounts. The building was the property of Mrs. Bender, 100 John-street, and the damage, which will figure up to $2000, is fully covered by insurance. Mr. Quinn places the value of his stock at $25,000. In the afternoon he had just received $1000 worth of silks as a final addition to his spring display. The fire has not touched his goods, but the water has ruined them. He could not estimate his loss, as some of his best goods were floating around in the basement, but he believed that it would mount away past $16,000. He is insured in the Western, Quebec and Fire Insurance Exchange for $11,000, about equally divided among all three. Mr. W. Goldstein placed the value of his stock and fixtures at $16,000 and was insured in the Scottish Union, Caledonian and Hartford for $2500 in each company.

What Caused the Fire.

The cause of the fire so far remains a mystery. It was rumored at first that it had broken out in the Heintzman Band room, in the rear of the building. This, however, has been disproved. The band had been practising last evening, but left 15 minutes before the alarm was sounded. The band room is in the rear of the Heintzman building and the fire was first observed bursting out from the rear windows of the wareroom. In fact, the flames did not reach the band room at all. L. Vogan of the Revere House was the first civilian to observe the fire, and Policeman Childs, who had also caught sight of it, just beat him by a neck at the alarm box. Mr. G. Heintzman told The World that whatever the cause no one was allowed into the warerooms after 6 p.m., and that the factory owed its safety to the fact that it was separated from the gutted building by a thick brick wall.

The firemen worked well and were ably directed by the chief, despite a serious injury he had received while driving from his house to the scene of the fire. He was rounding the corner of King and Sherbourne-streets in answer to the first alarm, when his horse becoming frightened at an electric light shied and upset the buggy. The chief was thrown out and fell on his side. To save himself he put forward his right hand, with the result that the shock gave it a bad sprain, besides giving the chief a severe shaking up. The buggy was smashed to pieces.

The water pressure could not have been better, and notwithstanding the heavy drain on the hydrants there was no diminution in its force.

It took the brigade a good hour to finally subdue the fire, and it was 12 o'clock when the last reel left the scene. Every effort was made to protect the goods of Messrs. Quinn and Goldstein from damage by water. Huge tarpaulins were placed on piles of fine articles in both stores, and by this means many thousands of dollars' worth of goods were saved with little or no damage. The girls in Coleman's confectionery, a little east of Goldstein's, would persist in keeping the windows of their rooms open to better watch the fire. As it was possible that sparks might enter into the Coleman building by this means the Chief of Police had to order that they be kept closed, threatening to arrest any girl who failed to comply.

This Fire Cost a Life.

NEW LONDON, Conn., April 9.—The Central Hotel was burned this morning. The occupants all escaped in their night clothes with the exception of Michael Daley, aged 70, father of the owners of the hotel, who was burned to death.

Fire at Port Hope.

PORT HOPE, April 9.—The house of Robert Rankin, sr., Hope-street, was destroyed by fire with its contents to-day, together with the barn of J. Grimson. Cause, upsetting of a lamp.

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ELOPERS CAUGHT.

The Woman Escapes Punishment, but the Man Must go to Jail.

BARRIE, April 9.—In January last a man named Richard James and Mrs. White of Linden Valley, near Lindsay, eloped, both leaving families behind. Detectives were placed on their track, but lost them. They went to Allandale and boarded a while and finally took up housekeeping in Tollendal, James taking the assumed name of Dr. Nichol, which was Mrs. White's maiden name. On Good Friday James was walking along the road when he was thunderstruck upon meeting one of his Linden Valley neighbors driving. The neighbor wrote home and on Friday two of the woman's brothers and Constable Sweeney proceeded to Tollendal and arrested the pair. They were brought before C. H. Ross, J.P. Mrs. White was let off to appear when called upon and James will hear the sentence of the court next Saturday.

A SPINSTER BONE-SHEDDER.

At 71 She Has Had Two New Jaws, New Hands, Arms, Etc.

GREENVILLE, Tenn., April 9.—A woman 71 years of age, who has twice expoliated or shed many of the bones from her body and had new and sound ones grow in their stead, has, through the mediumship of Dr. Bell of Parrottsville, set the East Tennessee Medical Society guessing as to how and why she does it. She is Miss Sarah Less of Coney's Branch, Tenn., and there is abundant proof that she has shed and given as souvenirs to friends 100 pieces of bone. This expoliation, marvelous as it may seem, has included the shedding twice of Miss Lees' entire jaw bone; yet all the teeth but two in her new jaw are intact.

During the last 21 years she has twice shed in addition to the jaw the bones of the hand and forearm, arm and shoulder-blade, and this without leaving any deformity and without suppuration and with entire consciousness of the change on the aged patient's part. Her health is good.

SIR CHARLES' REPLY.

The High Commissioner Challenges Sir Henry Tyler to a Discussion.

LONDON, April 9.—A reply by Sir Charles Tupper to Sir Henry Tyler's criticism of his speeches against the G.T.R. during the late Canadian electoral campaign appears in The Times this morning. Sir Charles expresses his regret that Sir Henry should have attacked him on the strength of unauthenticated reports. Sir Charles expresses himself as willing to meet Sir Henry Tyler before the shareholders of the G.T.R. Company and make good every statement he made as to the partisan management of the company.

Nobody believes that Sir Charles' offer will be accepted. In the meant me Sir Henry Tyler says he will answer Sir Charles fully at the meeting of the company on the 14th.

Foreign Brevities.

Parnell denies the report of his alleged marriage to Miss O'Shea.

The threatened strike in the iron trade in England has been averted.

Prince Napoleon is very severe on Prince Victor in the political portion of his will.

When the police dispersed a Socialist gathering at Bergdorf yesterday a desperate riot ensued.

A syndicate of English capitalists will undertake the work of operating oil wells at Mancora, Penn.

Yesterday, the 73rd birthday of King Christian of Denmark was celebrated with much display at Copenhagen.

The Enniskilleners have applied to Secretary for War Stanhope to permit the soldiers to remain in their town.

Premier Del Castello of Spain counsels Spanish workingmen not to take initiatory steps in the eight-hour movement.

The feeling against the coercion of Newfoundland is growing stronger among the Liberals and Mr. Gladstone is said to be strongly opposed to it.

It is stated Mr. Power, M.P. for Waterford, intends to resign his seat in the House of Commons.

Justin Huntley McCarthy, M.P. for Newry, has offered to resign his seat in the House of Commons in favor of Dr. Shaw, if that gentleman will consent to resume his old position as Irish leader.

The Newfoundland delegates will be allowed to state their case at the bar of the House of Commons. Their arguments will thus gain great publicity

Mutilating Dominion Bills.

OTTAWA, April 9.—The attention of the officers of the Finance Department has been called to a practice which is being indulged in by some smart individuals in Western Ontario. Dominion bills have been mutilated by scissoring out certain portions of one dollar bills and then, by carefully pasting the pieces together, an entirely new bill has been made. Thus, five single dollar bills have been converted into six bills and the Government cheated to the extent of $1 in six. The Assistant Receiver-General at Toronto has been requested to communicate with the different banks on the subject, and it is probable that prompt steps will be taken to stop the practice.

Wright the Wrong Man.

HAMILTON, April 9.—Alfred Wright, who was arrested here on the charge of impersonating a voter named Hands, a Toronto policeman, at the last Dominion elections in Haldimand, was taken to Cayuga by Constable Farrell. He had to pay his own expenses at the hotel. Wright was tried before two magistrates at Cayuga yesterday, when the magistrate discharged Wright, as there was no evidence against him. He says that he was not near Cayuga on election day. Wright is going to see if he can't obtain redress.

Fever on Shipboard.

GLASGOW, April 9.—The Anchor line steamship Circassia, which left New York March 18 and reached Greenock yesterday with fever on board, is detained at quarantine. The sickness reported is even more severe than at first supposed. The second engineer died from the fever during the voyage and seven others of the Circassia's crew are suffering from the same malady. The nature of the fever is not stated.

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The Big Nesheshin.

SARNIA, April 9.—At the last meeting of the council of the Indians of the Sarnia Reserve, a complimentary resolution was passed to Dr. Maclean, recently appointed registrar of Lambton, who for 20 years has been the "Big Nesheshin (good) Medicine Man" of the tribe.

Catarrh—Hay Fever—Catarrhal Deafness
A New Home Treatment has been discovered whereby the worst cases are permanently cured by a few simple applications made fortnightly by the patient at home. Send stamp for circular. J. G. Dixon & Co., 345 West King-street, Toronto.

Tights Replaced by Abbreviated Skirts.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 9.—The McHale bill, which prohibits the wearing of tights on the stage in this state and compelling the use of at least a short skirt, passed the Senate.

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ANOTHER RISING AT OPORTO.

MILITARY CALLED OUT TO QUELL THE OUTBREAK.

They Charge the Mob, Injuring Many—The Irish Land Bill in the House of Commons—Sensational Italian Trial—179 Members of a Murder Society in the Dock.

OPORTO, April 9.—This city, recently the scene of a violent Republican outbreak, was to-day disturbed by Republican rioters. The trouble arose from the arrest during a fair of several thieves who were mistaken by the crowd for Republican agitators. A riot followed, which the military were summoned to quell. The soldiers were stoned by the rioters and were forced to charge upon the mob, injuring many. They finally quelled the disturbance, but extra precautions against future disorder are being taken by the authorities, who are cognizant of latent agitation.

Revolutionists Indicted for Murder.

BERNE, April 9.—The Court of Indictment has decided to try Castroni on the charge of murdering Councillor Rossi in the revolution in the canton of Ticino in September last and 21 other Ticinese who took part in the insurrection.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

The Land Bill up for Discussion—A Lively Debate.

LONDON, April 9.—In the House of Commons this evening in committee on the Irish land bill Henry Fowler (Lib.) moved that the salaries of land commissioners be placed in the estimates and thereby be controlled by Parliament. Mr. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, contended that the land commission ought, like the judges, to be paid out of the consolidated fund and not be subject to the control of majorities swayed by party influences. If the commission, he said, became the slaves of Government it would be impossible to command the respect of all classes in Ireland.

Mr. Healy held that the proposal was a vital one. The Government had rigged up a commission out of Tory nominees and attaches of the House of Lords, the permanent landlords' barracks. The only chance the tenants had rested in the control of the commission by Parliament.

T. W. Russell (Unionist) declared the Government's attitude would be resented in Ulster.

Mr. Morley said the proposal of the Government was a mischievous blow at the soundest principle of the Constitution and Parliament.

Power's motion was rejected, 180 to 142.

The House presented an air of liveliness this evening. There was a goodly muster of members and the galleries were well filled. All the leaders except Parnell were in their places when the House was called to order, an unusual scene lately on Irish benches. Mr. Gladstone occupied his accustomed seat. He looked happy in the thought of the House having at last reached the Irish land bill. The Irish members looked rather solemn, being affected by the recent split in the Conference party. The opinion existing in their ranks regarding the measure, Parnell and his followers favoring the rapid passage of the bill.

During the proceedings Tim Healy assailed Messrs. Nolan and Thomas W. Russell for supporting the Government against a quibbling amendment offered by Healy. The Speaker finally ended the matter by calling Healy to order for "prolixity" and Nolan for using unparliamentary language.

Parnell arrived at a late hour. He met Maurice Healy on entering the House, but did not speak to him.

PARNELL MEANT DR. O'REILLY

When He Stated Gladstone Had Granted Audience to American Dynamiters.

LONDON, April 9.—In connection with the charge made by Mr. Parnell at the meeting in Phœnix Park, Dublin, recently that Mr. Gladstone had received American dynamiters at his residence at Hawarden, The St. James Gazette publishes a story to the effect that Mr. Atkinson of Detroit, Mich., and Dr. O'Reilly visited England in 1889 as emissaries of Alexander Sullivan and as representatives of the Irish American extremist party, and that while in England upon the occasion the two gentlemen named visited Mr. Gladstone. The St. James Gazette adds that, as Dr. O'Reilly's name was one of the most notorious names in connection with dynamiters, Mr. Gladstone could not have received him or Mr. Atkinson without knowing their true character.

Deplorable Prospects for McCarthyites

DUBLIN, April 9.—Yesterday at the first public meeting of the National Federation, which was presided over by Thomas Sexton, the announcement was made that the account standing in the name of John Dillon had been overdrawn to the amount of $15,000. Other urgent liabilities, amounting to $40,000, were also reported. A resolution was adopted to call upon Parnell and Carey to at once relieve Dillon and fund a sum sufficient to meet present and future liabilities.

A Gory-Hued Circular.

ROME, April 9.—The Socialists throughout Italy are organizing a demonstration for May 1. As a preparative for the demonstration they have issued a sinister manifesto printed on red paper, which is being secretly distributed among workingmen. This circular calls upon the Neapolitans to meet in Naples on May Day.

A Serious Riot at Hof.

MUNICH, April 9.—News has reached this city of a serious riot at Hof, in Upper Franconia, on the Saale. Polack workmen were fiercely attacked by unemployed Saxons and Bavarians and a desperate struggle ensued. Twenty-five men were more or less seriously wounded. The police were unable to cope with the enraged workmen, and it was found necessary to call on the troops of the garrison for assistance in restoring order.

European Labor Troubles.

The proposed strike of bakers in Vienna, Austria, has been postponed, but that the men will eventually go out appears inevitable. The municipal authorities have made contracts with a number of foreign bakers to supply the city with bread in case of an emergency.

The dispute between the iron masters and workmen in the Cleveland district over the proposed reduction of 12½ per cent. in wages has ended in an agreement between the two sides to renew the sliding scale. This is tantamount to a reduction of 4½ per cent.

The Cokedom Shooting.

MT. PLEASANT, Pa., April 9.—This afternoon Capt. Loar and 13 deputies were arrested on charges of murder for shooting the strikers at Frick's Coke works last week. They were taken to Scottdale, where they will give bail.

Female Police Justices.

ATCHISON, Kan., April 9.—At the recent election Mrs. Mary T. Burton, formerly editor of The Kansan and at present postmistress, was elected police judge at Jamestown. Mrs. Jessie McCormick was elected police judge at Burr Oak. Both are strong prohibitionists. Mrs. Burton is the widow of a prominent politician who died from the effects of strong drink.

Another Gone.

William M. Widgery died yesterday morning at his residence, 152 Wellington-street west. He was well known and greatly esteemed and was a member of L.O.L. 301, a charter member of Doric Lodge, A.F. and A.M., a member of the Commercial Travelers' Association, and was once second lieutenant in the Toronto Field Battery

THE PETROLIA HORROR.

An Open Verdict Returned—Burial of the Three Victims.

PETROLIA, April 9.—The terrible explosion which occurred here yesterday has cast a gloom over the town, and all day thousands of people have visited the fatal spot and willing hands have collected all over the field pieces of the remains of the victims Bradley, Chambers and McDermid. In one case the heart of one of the men was found by itself and another party found the eyes of one, also one hand. The remains of the unfortunate fellows have been gathered together, and such pieces as can be identified will be separated and each buried by himself. The funeral of the three men will take place here to-morrow afternoon. Coroner Loughead held an inquest this afternoon in Victoria Hall and the jury returned an open verdict, recommending that none but experienced men be allowed to handle such explosives in future.

IN THE MIDST OF LIFE.

Sudden Deaths in Various Sections of Ontario.

ARTHUR, April 9.—Mrs. Hugh McTaggart of Arthur complained to her husband while working around the house of a pain in her heart, then a chill in her back. She sat down by the stove to warm herself, when her head fell forward on her breast, and before a doctor could be secured for her she was dead.

Drowned in a Railway Ditch.

SARNIA, April 9.—Daniel Carter, a resident of Point Edward, was last seen alive Monday evening, and was then considerably under the influence of liquor. It is supposed that he wandered out along the railway track by mistake for the way to his home, and that he stumbled off the track into the ditch and was unable, in his helpless condition, to extricate himself. Mr Lackie next morning found the dead body of Carter lying face downward in the ditch between the two tracks of the Y, the water at the spot being only two feet deep. Deceased was a man of about 65 years of age, an Englishman and a pensioner of the British army.

Death at the Journey's End.

BROCKVILLE, April 9.—Yesterday afternoon an old man named John Goodin, aged 92 years, was found dead in a boat at Jones Creek by some men who were fishing in that vicinity. After drawing the boat up on land he had taken off his coat and used it for a pillow. Monday afternoon he procured a boat at Lachapelle's boat works to row up the river and probably died on the way.

Burned to Death.

BARRIE, April 9.—Mrs. Feigner, living on the 11th con. West Gwillimbury, was standing near the stove when by some means her clothes caught fire, and when her son John Stephen, who had been from the house only a few minutes, came in he found her lying on the floor, apparently suffocated and badly burned. Dr. Stevenson was called in and did all he could to relieve the sufferer, who died next day.

Died in a Drug Store.

HAMILTON, April 9.—Harvey Crosthwaite, a well-known Bartonville farmer, walked into A. Rutherford's drug store yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock looking as well as usual, made a purchase and 15 minutes later his body was carried out in a coffin. Death resulted from heart disease.

Only Two Hours' Warning.

MINTO, April 9.—William, son of Robert Scott, reeve of Minto, attended school as usual, came home at night, assisted his father in feeding the stock and took his leave of all right, retiring for the night he complained of a pain in the bowels. Two hours later he was dead.

Dropped Dead While Preparing Tea.

WOLFE ISLAND, April 9.—Mrs. John Laughlin was busy preparing the tea when she suddenly gasped and fell to the floor. A doctor was immediately summoned, but before he arrived she was a corpse. Her mother-in-law died suddenly a week ago.

Killed in His Father's Mill.

QUEBEC, April 9.—The young son of Mr. Eliot Martel of St. Augustine, while near a large revolving wheel in his father's flour mill, was struck by the wheel and literally cut into three pieces.

Found Her Daughter a Corpse.

RIDGETOWN, April 9.—Mrs. Gilbert, widow of the late Ira Gilbert, was found dead in her bed by her mother, Mrs. Kilborn, who resided with her. On going to arouse her she found she was dead.

Fatally Hurt by a Horse.

BELLEVILLE, April 9.—Emilius Lawrence, a Sidney farmer, was so seriously injured by a vicious horse yesterday that his recovery is doubtful.

Struck by a Train.

ALLANDALE, April 9.—As the "Soo" express was coming into Allandale station a man named John Hazley, who has been working in Barrie for the past year, was noticed walking on the track. The whistle was blown several times and the bell rang, but without any effect, the man still kept the track. The engine was reversed, but too late and the man was struck on the right arm and shoulder and thrown off the track insensible. He may recover. He was the worse of liquor when struck and hardly knew what happened to him.

Trainmen Parboiled.

MILWAUKEE, April 9.—The engine of a freight train, north bound, on the Wisconsin Central road, jumped the track near Vernon to-day and tipped over, pinioning Dan McMullen, engineer, B. A. Moore, fireman, and Peter Seipp, brakeman, beneath the wreck. All were terribly scalded. Moore is dead; the others will die.

The First Engine Through the Tunnel.

SARNIA, April 9.—The first locomotive to pass through the G.T.R. tunnel under the St. Clair River here did so this evening, making the run through the tunnel from the Canadian to the United States side and then returning, having a flat car attached to it. The run back from the United States side was at the rate of 15 miles an hour. The track was in first-class shape and everything worked smoothly.

Still a Tie.

ROCHESTER, April 9.—To-night's scores in the bicycle race: Clark, 360 miles 6 laps; Reading, 360 miles 6 laps; Ashinger 325, Appel 323, Desmond 301 miles.

Through Wagner Vestibule Buffet Sleeping Car Toronto to New York via West Shore Route.
The West Shore through sleeping car leaves Union Station, Toronto, at 4.55 p.m. daily except Sunday, arriving in New York at 10.10 a.m. Returning this car leaves New York at 5 p.m., arriving in Toronto at 10.25 a.m. Sundays leaves Toronto at 12.20 p.m. connecting with through car at Hamilton.

Harrison's Tour.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—President Harrison will start on his tour of the south and west Tuesday morning. Mrs. Harrison and several other ladies will accompany the party.

There is no earthly reason why a broken leg should cripple you financially. Take out a policy in the Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Company, Toronto.

Suicide at Galt.

GALT, April 9.—Albert Chatwin, a married man, aged 45 years, committed suicide here to-day by taking a dose of "Rough on Rats." Deceased was an Englishman and had been drinking to excess lately.

Dr. Coulter's Vaporizer and Inhaler has become a household word. Just the thing for la grippe. Call and see the instruments. 440 King-street west. C. H. Bigger & Co.

A PETITION TO THE QUEEN.

CAMPBELL OF DURHAM STARTLES THE ASSEMBLY.

The Equal Righter Wants Such Change in the British North America Act As Will Place Education Completely Under the Jurisdiction of the Ontario Legislature—Mimico Incorporation.

Mr. Campbell (E. Durham): Resolution: 1, that legislation respecting denominational schools in Upper Canada was adopted by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada at a time when Upper and Lower Canada were joined in a Legislative Union; 2, that this legislation was adopted by the Parliament of Canada against the wishes and opinion of a large majority of the representatives of Upper Canada in the Legislative Assembly; 3, that by the passage of the British North America Act, 1867, the Imperial Parliament imposed on certain Provincial Legislatures restrictions in dealing with education; 4, that in consequence of these restrictions the people of Ontario are not free to make such laws respecting education as they may from time to time deem necessary and prudent; 5, that such restrictions are contrary to the principles of proper, responsible government as conferred on the Dominion of Canada and on the several provinces composing it and to the autonomous powers which were in other respects granted to the Provincial Legislatures; 6, that the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec are the only provinces of the Dominion of Canada which are so restricted; 7, that in opinion of this House the interests of the country require such change in the British North America Act, 1867, as will place education under the jurisdiction of the Ontario Legislature as completely as the various subjects assigned to Provincial jurisdiction under section 91 of that Act; 8, that a humble address be presented by this House to Her Most Gracious Majesty, embodying the foregoing resolutions, and praying that she will be pleased to have them brought to the notice of the House of Parliament with a view to securing the change desired.

The separate school question is brought before the Assembly for the first time this session by this resolution. Mr. Campbell of East Durham, the only Equal Righter in the House, has taken this method of placing his views on record and seeking an expression of opinion from the House, after consultation with Mr. D'Alton McCarthy and other prominent local members of that party. What reception the motion will meet with in the House it is hard to say. Mr. Campbell himself is reticent. He says he introduced his motion without consultation with any other member and does not know how either Mr. Mowat or Mr. Meredith regard it. As much as Mr. Campbell was a Conservative until this agitation sprung, the Government will probably reject the motion as "a Tory dodge." One of the Opposition, prominent in the front row, said he had not seen the resolution, but would support it if it were in favor of handing over the control of education to the province. As the resolution lays down that proposition it is probable the remark is an index of the way all the Opposition will regard it.

The High Schools Bill, which occupied the attention of the Assembly all afternoon, contains one clause abolishing preparatory classes after July 1. The Toronto Collegiate Institute is the only one in the Province which has a preparatory class. Mr. Ross said that the clause was inserted because a private report from one of the inspectors said the instruction given there was of an inferior character.

Mr. H. E. Clarke denied this and said the Board of Trustees was opposed to the abolition of the classes. He moved that the clause should not apply to existing classes.

Mr. Meredith thought it was an unfair, even a cowardly, way of attacking Toronto Collegiate Institute to refuse to disclose the report of the inspector on which the Minister is acting. If the people of Toronto want to abolish it all right. But it is an entirely different thing to abolish these preparatory classes against their will. The whole expense is borne by the pupils, and therefore there can be no objection from a ratepayer's point of view. It has not been stated there is no available room. Why then interfere with the board? There is actually room plus from the preparatory class fees which can be devoted to other purposes. It is a harsh, arbitrary, bureaucratic way of acting.

Mr. Ross said the arguments of these gentlemen were based on the supposition that the public schools of Toronto were not fit to educate pupils sufficiently to enter the high school. Reading from the report of the inspector (Mr. Ross declined to say whether it was Mr. Seath or Mr. Hodgson) he said that 36 pupils passed by the local board of examiners last July were rejected by the department; that the presence of incompetent pupils was deteriorating the efficiency of the school; that in consequence several pupils had left and gone to other schools. He did not believe that Toronto was the one city in the province which required such a course.

Mr. Wood (Hastings) strongly supported the bill, saying that preparatory schools weakened the public schools and would destroy the democratic character of our schools.

Mr. Clarke's amendment was defeated and the preparatory classes in Toronto Collegiate Institute wiped out.

ASSEMBLY NOTES.

To Add Four Months to the Work at University College.

Among the bills introduced was one by Mr. Whitney to amend the Act respecting Toronto University by providing that the lectures shall begin and end at the same time as the work in the high schools, namely, begin on Sept. 1 and end on June 29, with a few holidays at Christmas and Easter. This would make the term begin a month earlier and end three months later, or add four months to the work of the lecturers and professors. No reduction is made of the salaries. It is presumed, therefore, that the idea is to make them work four months longer each year for the same salary.

The Ottawa College Charter.

The bill to amend the acts incorporating Ottawa College by striking out the words which prevent it from affiliating with other institutions in Ontario went through the Private Bills Committee with an amendment providing that no college, seminary or other institution of learning in Ontario now in affiliation with Toronto University and no University in Ontario shall affiliate or connect with the said University of the College of Ottawa.

Mimico Incorporation Abandoned.

The bill to incorporate the town of Mimico seemed a little premature to the Private Bills Committee. The original intention was to incorporate a district, bounded by the lake shore on the south, the Humber on the east, Queen-street on the north and on the west by Mimico-avenue, including in all about 3000 acres. But the promoters of the bill decided to be more modest, left off a slice on the west and asked for the incorporation of 2000 acres, 1300 without the streets necessary, having a population of 1323. In answer to Mr. Gibson, Mr. George Mills said the reason they did not seek incorporation under the general act, instead of applying for a special one, was that the population was so scattered that they could not find any lot of 500 acres which had the population necessary for incorporation under the general act. They felt the necessity of incorporation so much that they had to take in the larger area in order to get the population requisite for incorporation under a special act.

Petitions were presented for and against the bill, the latter accusing the promoters of the bill of being non-resident real estate boomers. This roused the ire of one promoter, Alexander McRoberts, who said he lived at 92 St. George-street but had a substantial interest in the town. He proceeded to analyze the signers of the counter petition. "They are the real estate boomers. They are not engaged in manufacturing. There is P. J. McNally, who proposes to start a glue factory. You don't need to go farther than the end of your nose to know that a glue factory won't build a town. [Roars of laughter.] None of them ever did anything for manufacturing, except Joe Barrett, and he has sold out. Now, if there is any bigger boomer than Joe Barrett, I would like to see him. [Laughter.] I don't think such men should impugn motives to others. I am interested in a factory there, and am entitled to as much consideration as any Tom, Dick or Harry."

Mr. Gibson (Hamilton) objected to the incorporation, because the population was spread over too great an area.

Mr. McRoberts: "But we are going to have an enormous suburban city there in a few years. We have no facilities or modern conveniences under township councils."

Mr. Balfour suggested that, as the promoters named Jan. 1 next as the time when they wanted their bill to come into force, it would do no harm to wait until next session. There would be a delay of only about two months, and in the meantime they might get the required population. The suggestion was adopted by the promoters of the bill and it was withdrawn.

The Toronto Junction Bill Riddled.

Deputations from York Council, West Toronto Junction, the C. P. R. and property-owners interested packed the Private Bills Committee room yesterday when the bill respecting the bustling factory town came up. The name was changed to Toronto Junction. The town wanted to annex a block of land on the west side of the town, being parts of lots 1, 2 and 3 fronting on the Humber, in the 2nd concession of York, and that block bounded by Annette and Elizabeth-streets, the C.P.R. track and Jane-street, containing in all about 300 acres. The owners of lot 1, near the Bloor-street crossing of the Humber, objected, and that portion, about 40 acres, was dropped. The remainder will probably be annexed if the proportion of area to population allowed by law is not exceeded. No further discussion of it was postponed until to-day. The clause to close up the Weston-road at the C. P. R. crossing was thrown out after a long wrangle. The clause providing for the election of mayor and council for two years was thrown out, as were also clauses granting lands for factory sites and bonuses to manufactories. Further consideration of what the committee left of the bill was laid over until to-day.

The Fine Italian Hand of the G.T.R.

The city did not make much headway with its bill before the Private Bills Committee. Only 4 unimportant clauses out of 17 were carried. Clause 5 was to confirm the agreement made July, 1889, with the C.P.R. respecting the use of the Don improvements and clause 6 was to confirm an agreement which has yet to be made with the Belt Line for a parallel entrance to the city along the same improvements. Mr. J. D. Edgar, on behalf of the Belt Line, objected to the confirmation of the C.P.R. agreement until an agreement had been made with his own company. "The Belt Line," added Mr. Edgar, "has been leased for 40 years to the G.T.R."

"Now we see the fine Italian hand of the Grand Trunk," said Mr. Biggar, "I object to being terrorized into an agreement in this way. We have made the best bargain possible with the Canadian Pacific Railway, and now the Grand Trunk come here and say the city must enter into an agreement with them on their terms or else they will not allow the Canadian Pacific agreement to go through."

The clauses were ordered to stand over, however, until Tuesday next to see if an agreement could be reached with the Belt Line.

The McDougall civic reform scheme was discussed briefly and then left over along with other clauses of the bill.

LOYAL MEN AND LOVELY WOMEN.

The Grenadiers' Assembly Last Night at Webb's a Brilliant Success.

Her face beneath her petticoat,
Like mice in fear of cats out,
As if they feared the light;
But O, she dances such a way,
No sunlight on a Summer day
Is half so fine a sight!

So wrote ye man of poesie in 1638, and so it was last night in Webb's when the Royal Grenadiers gave their third assembly. The same brilliant disposition was made of the spacious rooms as obtained on former occasions. The first floor, all bedecked in flowers, was given up to the dancers. The band of the regiment, screened off and under the conduct of Mr. Waldron, shed the excellent music, for which it is celebrated, as follows:

1. Lancers.....Varsity
2. Valse.....Echoes of the Ball
3. Waltz.....El Dorado
4. Polka.....See Me Dance
5. Valse.....Bon Voyage
6. Military Schottische.....Rustic Bride
7. Valse.....Come to My Heart
8. Polka.....Who's That Calling?
9. Valse.....Little Huntsman
10. Lancers.....Military
11. Valse.....Fantasie
12. Polka.....As You Like It
13. Highland Schottische.....
14. Valse.....When the Lights Are Low
15. Lancers.....Mis Bella
16. Military Schottische.....Dream of Beauty
17. Valse.....Elaine
18. Sir Roger de Coverly.....

Upstairs the rooms were sprinkled with daisy decorated tables, around which the ladies lingered and said things as sweet as the delicacies served. The ceilings and beams were hung with flags, while at every available spot a room and stairway flower was placed to scent the air. The guests were not too many, so that the scene was as graceful and inspiring as one might wish to see. The sun was still far below the rim of the world when the gay company dispersed

Thrown From a Bicycle.

Mr. John Crofton, city traveler for John Macdonald & Co., residing at 236 Gerrard-street east, met with a serious accident yesterday morning. He is due at the warehouse at 9 o'clock, and left his home on his bicycle at 8.53. At the corner of Sherbourne and Gerrard-streets he was thrown to the ground, badly cutting his neck on the curbstone. His skull was also split, and he was otherwise injured. He was carried into Dr. L. Pickering's office in Sherbourne-street in an insensible condition, in which state he remained for 45 minutes. He was sent to his home in a cab after having his wounds dressed. Dr. Pickering says that Mr. Crofton may possibly recover.

Dropped Its Money in the Slot.

ORILLIA, April 9.—One day lately the 4-year-old child of Mr. Thomas Wood, carter, swallowed three cents. Mr. Wood, observing the distress of the child, succeeded in getting one of the coppers out of its throat. The other two had passed beyond recovering. They tore the throat severely and the child is still suffering distressingly from the mishap. It is hoped its life may be preserved, however.

Robust Health enjoyed from Chewing Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum. Sold by all druggists, confectioners and grocers. Five cents.

Brothers Seek Death Together.

LANCASTER, Pa., April 9.—Milton Kauffman died ten days ago under mysterious circumstances, and last night his brother Harry died from the same symptoms, which resembled arsenical poisoning. Their father to-day stated that Harry had confessed to him that he and his brother had taken poison with the object of dying together. The boy would give no explanation of the act.

Sisters Die Within Seven Minutes.

LANCASTER, Pa., April 9.—Mrs. John Chamberlain, aged 80 years, and her sister, Miss Rachel Hood, 75 years old, living in the same house, died within seven minutes of each other yesterday.

Wealth Left Behind.

Dorah Ann Welsh of Weston, deceased, left an estate of $3290. Henry T. King, letter carrier of Toronto, died in February and his will was filed yesterday. The estate amounts to $4830 and is left to his widow.

THE LAY OF THE CANADIAN REN.

The citizens of Toronto, the business men of Toronto, the members of the Ontario Reform Club, the Ontario Cabinet, and the patriotic Reformers are beginning to cock up their heads and peck their necks like the rooster that imagines he sees a weasel in the fence corner, since The World directed their attention to the disloyalty of The Globe to Canada, to Toronto, and to themselves from the time that it came under the editorial control of Mr. Robert Jaffray, president of the company. They are recalling the many vagaries in the conduct of that paper, and when they search for a responsible head they come across Robert Jaffray.

Formerly the control of The Globe