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IT IS STARTING TO SIMMER

THE POLITICAL POT IN THE THREE TORONTO DIVISIONS.

How Things Stand in the West—Mr. Cockburn on Temperance—Mr. Jury's Meetings—Opposition Hopes in Quebec Province Campaign Notes.

The political pot in Toronto has started to simmer in fine style; about next week it is expected that it will boil right up; the week following it will boil over; and at 5 o'clock on the evening of the 22d somebody is going to get scalded. The World cannot to-day answer the tiresome question of who is going to be called "the honorable member for Blank" but it can say how things are going. In East Toronto the sudden appearance of Ald. Macdonald of Over-the-Don as a Temperance-N.P.-and-Young-Man candidate caused some talk yesterday; but the current opinion is that the fight will be chiefly between Conservative Nominee John Small and Labor Candidate Alfred Jury and that Mr. Small will have to sleep with his clothes on and rise early to get there. In Centre Toronto Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn says he is going to knock out Mr. John Harvie, the Liberal nominee, and Mr. Harvie says the same of Mr. Cockburn. In the West Division the issue is between Lieut.-Col. Fred C. Denison, Labor Candidate Sheppard and several other parties yet to be heard from. The indications are that they will be heard from in time to kill the chances of both Mr. Denison and Mr. Sheppard.

The Situation in West Toronto.

The situation in the West is becoming interesting. The probability is that four and perhaps five men will contest the division. He will, therefore, be a wise man who does not pledge himself until nomination day.

The Reformers are not at all satisfied with the result of their recent meeting. Sooner than vote for either Col. Denison or Mr. Sheppard they will stay at home.

The big commercial interest in St. George's and St. Andrew's Wards are looking for a man who has some idea of their needs and views.

The Liberal Temperance Party is also uncommitted as yet.

Mr. Beaty will likely run and Mr. W. F. Maclean received yesterday so many assurances of support that he stated last night that he would likely accept the requisition presented to him on Thursday. He talks of constructing a platform that will meet with the approval of the business and industrial interests of the division. What is wanted in West Toronto is not a representative of the parties out of the constituency.

Mr. Jury's Meetings.

Mr. Alfred Jury's workers are doing all they can to ensure his election in East Toronto. The Labor party is making a strong canvass and claim certain success. Mr. Jury has already announced two meetings. On Monday evening he will address the electors at Copeland's Hall, King and Sherbourne-streets, and on Tuesday evening in Winchester Hall, Parliament and Winchester-streets. Other gentlemen will also speak.

Mr. Cockburn on Temperance.

Editor World: The Globe of Thursday calls the attention of its readers to my connection with the circular issued by the National Temperance Liberal Union some two years ago. This is done seemingly with the purpose of discrediting me with my temperance friends, for though I am one of the members of that organization, the Globe fails to note the presence on the list of many earnest Reformers, such as the Vice-Presidents, A. J. Cattanach, Larratt W. Smith and Dr. Thorburn. Such prominence is given to my name as to seek to create the impression that I was the person who planned the scheme of "partial prohibition," and I may be mistaken, but it appears to me there is an intention by implication to declare that I am anti-Prohibition. Now in view of the vast strides made by temperance throughout the land during the last few years I have no hesitation whatever in declaring that I am a believer in every honest method that may be used to create a healthy public sentiment on the subject, even should that sentiment eventually lead to absolute prohibition. I further believe in crystalizing into law every advance made in public opinion and I shall most earnestly demand the enforcement of all temperance enactments.

GEORGE R. R. COCKBURN.

Toronto, Feb. 4, 1887.

Tupper and Jones at Halifax.

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 4.—The most remarkable political gathering ever held in this country was the joint meeting of the Liberals and Conservatives in the Halifax Drill Shed tonight. People began to assemble on the street outside the building as early as 6 o'clock. When at 7 the doors were thrown open the place was completely filled in one minute. Thousands were unable to get anywhere near the entrance, and it is estimated that though about 2000 got inside, as many more were compelled to go home unable to hear a word of the speeches. The speakers were Sir Charles Tupper and Hon. A. G. Jones, and when those gentlemen appeared on the platform they were received with tremendous and long continued cheering. W. C. Silver, President, first introduced Sir Charles, who, by previous arrangement, was to speak for an hour and a quarter, Hon. Mr. Jones to follow for the same length of time. Sir Charles delivered an able address, dealing at length with a number of important issues, but making no mention of the repeal agitation. Jones delivered a stirring and forcible reply, closing with expressing the determination of the Liberals to press the repeal movement to the bitter end. Both speakers were interrupted continually by storms of cheers and counter hisses, according to the feelings of the audience, and at frequent intervals it was absolutely impossible to hear a word. At times the speaker had to stop for several minutes until order was restored, and he would hardly resume when another burst of applause and counter demonstrations drowned his voice. At the finish of Jones' speech Tupper was to be allowed half an hour, and Jones was to close the meeting, but when Jones concluded his first address a tremendous uproar occurred. The immense crowd, pushed from behind by hundreds forcing their way inside the hall, were jamming up against and on top of the platform. Thundering cheers rent the air, and Tupper's friends raised a shout that he should be heard. The people swayed backward and forward, furniture was crushed into kindling wood and an indescribable roar shook the very ground. Tupper got on his feet to speak, but the chairman appealed in vain for order. The Liberals cheered for their candidates and repeal, and the Conservatives hissed repeal and hurrahed for the union. The uproar lasted for over half an hour, by which time both Jones and Tupper, seeing that there would be no further speaking, had left the platform and the meeting broke up in the most complete confusion. The excitement throughout ran tremendously high and it is a wonder that many serious mishaps did not occur.

The Opposition's Hopes in Quebec.

QUEBEC, Feb. 4.—L'Electeur claims the Federal Opposition are sure to carry seventeen constituencies in this section and have good chances of also carrying Quebec County and Temiscouata.

A Personal Canvass.

OTTAWA, Feb. 4.—Hon. Mr. Thompson, Minister of Justice, is engaged making a personal canvass among his constituents in Antigonish County.

The Contest in Quebec West.

QUEBEC, Feb. 4.—The election in Quebec West is the all absorbing topic of conversation here and the chances of both candidates, Hon. Thos. McGreevy and M. A. Hearn, Q.C., are widely speculated upon. The chances of Mr. Geo. Humphrey, who states he will present himself for nomination as a third candidate, are generally ridiculed, and it is believed that he will have but a small chance to get over his 200 votes. No opposition has been named against Hon. F. Langelier for Quebec Centre and Laurier in Quebec East and Sir A. P. Caron in Quebec County. A large and demonstrative meeting on behalf of the latter was held at St. Felix de Cap Rouge to-night where addresses were delivered by several prominent electors.

Campaign Notes.

Hon. Thomas White spoke in Berlin last night. He will be at Milton to-day, and will pass through Toronto to-night on his way back to Ottawa.

Mr. Blake will speak at Strathroy on Tuesday night next.

Mr. John F. Wood (Conservative), of Brockville, reports his prospects of re-election good.

The Labor party in St. John, N.B., has nominated as a Labor candidate Mr. John Boden, a young lawyer.

Mr. J. H. Dickie of Carlyle has been nominated by the Liberals of East Assiniboia to oppose Mr. N. F. Davis.

Mr. J. V. Ellis, the Reform candidate in St. John, N.B., is confronted in his canvass by statements of his own in favor of annexation.

The President of the Glengarry Junior Liberal-Conservative Club is Mr. J. W. Nesbitt. He is said to have been until recently a Reformer.

Ice skating may charm for a day, but the roller rink is more abiding. You are always sure of a smooth surface at the Princess Rink. Open all day and evening. 36

THE CONDITION OF TRADE.

Rumors of War Have Depressed Stocks and Lifted Grain.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Dun, Wiman & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Panics abroad and strikes at home have tested the strength of all markets during the past week. Overhastily it is inferred that the panics on foreign exchanges mean war; they may mean only a collapse of the universal speculation which has prevailed of late, especially at Berlin, and thus may get rid of the strong incentive to circulate warlike rumors. The news in the strict sense, does not afford much evidence that war impends, but rumor and apprehension have depressed stocks and lifted grain. Thus tested the markets have shown unexpected steadiness. The foreign unloading of American stocks has caused but a moderate decline in prices, while even in the grain market the advance has been conservative and limited, and other markets have changed but little. Probably grain would have risen more had not the great strikes exerted a restraining influence. The dry goods trade, though affected by the uncertainty as to transportation, still improves with respect to cottons, while the hesitation in woollens increases. China's demand for brown cottons is excellent, the South American better and the domestic demand steady and strong at a recent advance in prices. But woollens are disturbed afresh by treasury decisions and by large auction sales. Large lots of dress goods have been sold at Boston at little more than half last year's prices and heavy woollens are not sought at any advance.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days, as reported to-day, Friday, by telegraph number for the United States 229 and for Canada 32, or a total of 261 last week, 801 the week previous to the last and 287 for the corresponding week last year. The failures in Canada are numerous and important, in New York City few and insignificant, in the other sections of the country about up to the average.

Rain or sunshine never interfere with the skating surface at the roller rinks, where the young people most do congregate. First-class music is furnished this evening at the Metropolitan and the Princess Rinks. 36

THE OCCUPATION OF EGYPT.

Sir Wilfred Lawson Makes Some Unpalatable Remarks Thereon.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—In the House of Commons this afternoon, Mr. Cremore, Radical, moved an amendment to the address in reply to the Queen's Speech demanding the immediate recall of all British forces in Egypt.

Sir Wilfred Lawson, Radical, in seconding the motion, said: "We have raised the funded debt of Egypt from £30,000,000 to £100,000,000, slaughtered many thousands of the natives, crippled the national chamber, bombarded the principal city of the country under circumstances of the greatest horror, increased taxation, promoted horrible debauchery in the capital, sown dissensions between the Khedive and the people, and crushed out the first little sparks of independence that had been seen in Eastern nations for ages past."

Sir James Ferguson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Foreign Office, condemned this "over-drawn picture" of the English occupation of Egypt. He said the occupation was initiated at the instance and under the mandate of Europe, to prevent Egypt from falling to pieces on account of intestine trouble. The Government, he declared, was doing what they could to reduce the force in Egypt, and it would shortly be limited to 5000 men.

—Steel wire door mats will not wear out. They require no shaking as they clean themselves. They do not fill with dirt and dust; all dust falls through and can be readily swept up. 136

The Irish Difficulty.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Marquis of Salisbury to-day received a deputation of gentlemen who called upon him to urge that the Government apply principles of colonization in the work of relieving Ireland of poverty.

The Prime Minister in reply expressed himself in favor of a sound, healthy scheme of colonization directed by the state, but said he feared the promoters of such scheme would find themselves unable to overcome the difficulties connected therewith, especially those of a financial nature.

—Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the parts are thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust or injure carpets or painted floors. 361

The London Stock Market Improved.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—After the close of the Stock Exchange to-day the tendency improved all around. Foreign securities were firm and Americans were very strong.

The Crown Prince Hopeful of Peace.

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—The Crown Prince Frederick William, at a court ball yesterday, spoke hopefully of the outlook for peace.

Steel wire Mats are now in use in all our principal churches, schools, banks and public buildings. Offices and factory, 6 Wellington west. 136

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The President has approved the Inter-state Commerce Bill.

Secretary Manning is to be President of the Western National Bank of the city of New York, and will resign his position in the Cabinet.

Albert Fitch of Buffalo was knocked down in a Chicago street and robbed. He was found insensible on the sidewalk.

Washington Territory has refused suffrage to women.

A sentinel at the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va., alleges that the ghost of Stonewall Jackson appeared to him the other night.

Charles Talbot, who robbed Fanny Davenport of her diamonds at Memphis, has been arrested at Kansas City. All the jewelry has been recovered.

Two convicts were killed and eight wounded by an explosion at the Inman mines, Tenn., yesterday.

A boy named Ruther McGruder was killed at Palmyra, N.Y., yesterday by a railway train.

Henry Shipman, an insurance clerk, shot and killed his landlady, Josephine Mason, at 339 West 31st-street, New York, on Wednesday afternoon. She had refused to marry him.

A waterspout burst in South County, Tenn., on yesterday morning, and caused great damage.

The storms in the Northwest have caused great hardship to settlers and great loss in stock.

Ferris, who claimed to be Roger Tichborne, and who was convicted of swindling the United States Government has been sent to prison for five years.

Sophia Congdon of Williamantic, Conn., died on Wednesday at the age of 110 years and seven months.

The authorities at Washington have been notified that a cargo of Australian rabbits is on the way to the United States, and it is probable that the prolific pest of then Atipodes will be refused a landing.

Steel wire mats are wear and weather proof. Snow, ice, mud, clay and water are wiped out of sight by the slightest scrape. 61

STILL IT LOOKS LIKE WAR.

BUT THE EMPEROR SAYS GERMANY WILL NOT ATTACK FRANCE.

The French Premier Questioned—The Berlin Post Makes an Important Denial—General Boulanger Said to Have Made a Visit to the Frontier.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—The Journal des Debats has a telegram from St. Petersburg saying that the Emperor William, in reply to a message from the Czar, has stated that Germany has no intention of attacking France, and that Prince Bismarck has sent a similar despatch to M. DeGiers, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs. The contents of both despatches, the Journal correspondent says, were communicated to M. Laboullarge, the French ambassador at St. Petersburg.

The French Government Questioned.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—M. Lacroix intimated in the lobby of the Chamber of Deputies that he intended to put a question to Premier Goblet in order to give him a chance to make a public statement regarding the political situation.

M. Goblet, on receiving the notice from M. Lacroix, replied that he considered a discussion on that subject unnecessary after the repeated declaration by himself and M. De Freycinet that the sentiments and policy of France were pacific, and that if fresh declarations were unnecessary from a political point of view, they were equally so in the financial world. He added that he had convictions, supported by undoubted evidence, that the Bourse panic was exclusively the work of speculators.

On receiving this reply M. Lacroix renounced his intention of questioning the Premier.

An Important Denial.

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—The Berlin Post denies that the Emperor William, in recently announcing at a reception that the reserves were to be called out for rifle drill, declared there would be no war. All that the Emperor said, according to the Post, was that it was necessary for the reserves to learn to handle the new repeating rifles.

Boulanger Visits the Frontier.

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—Berlin papers report that Gen. Boulanger, French War Minister, made a flying visit to the frontier town of Verdun to-day, and that he rode as far as Ananweiler, on the German frontier, making a strategic reconnaissance.

The most popular resort in the West End is the Metropolitan Roller Rink. The crowd is always select and the skating good, and to these may be added a first-class band. Open all day and evening. 36

SERVICE AT LAMBETH PALACE.

The Consecration of the First American Bishop Commemorated.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The service in Lambeth Palace to commemorate the consecration therein in 1787 of the first bishop of the Episcopal Church in America was held to-day. Among those who took part were the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London and Winchester, and Bishops Potter and Lyman of America. The Dean of Windsor performed the service. Instead of a sermon Bishop Potter delivered an eloquent address, sketching the history of the Church in America and its connection with the English Church. The Archbishop of Canterbury celebrated the communion. Minister Phelps and many other Americans attended the service.

A PRISONER RESCUED.

A Murderous Encounter on a Railway Train Near Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 4.—Early this morning as Captain of Police Hoehn and Detective Hulligan were returning on the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad from Pittsburg with one of the prisoners suspected of being implicated in the recent fur robbery in this city, they were assaulted, nearly killed, and their man taken from them. It was noticed by some of the trainmen that four strangers boarded the express at Ravenna, Portage County, Ohio. Shortly after the train started a scuffle and several shots were heard in the front car. Running in, the brakeman found Captain Hoehn living on the floor with a bullet hole in his shoulder, another in his thigh, and his head badly cut from blows inflicted by some blunt instrument. Hulligan was lying insensible, his head being literally smashed open. The two officers were brought to this city at 6 a.m. Captain Hoehn was taken to the City Hospital and Hullgan to his home. The extent of their injuries is not definitely known.

THE C. P. R. EXHIBITION CAR.

Over Two Hundred Thousand Americans Visit It.

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—After a journey in the States lasting over three months the Canadian Pacific Railway's exhibition car, under charge of Capt. C. W. Allen, has just returned to Canada. The car, which left Newport on Oct. 22, traveled as far south in the States as Springfield and Worcester, Mass., west as far as Troy and Albany, N.Y., and as far east as Lowell, Mass. The car was visited by upwards of 200,000 people of all classes of society, and the exhibition was well received and much appreciated. After some necessary repairs the car will go west to exhibit in Ontario, leaving Guelph on Monday week.

THE NEW YORK STRIKE.

The Strikers Have Many Additions to Their Ranks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The strikers on the pier of the New Haven and Hartford Railroad, East River, were admitted to the Union to-day. This makes over 400 admitted this week. The caulkers and joiners at work repairing an Old Dominion steamer struck to-day. They had no grievances. The coopers employed along the piers, with the millwrights, joined the strike to-day, as did also the painters and mechanics on the Guion line.

The Pinkerton Insolvency.

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—Judge Taschereau to-day appointed A. W. Stevenson curator to the insolvent estate of Pinkerton, Turner & Co. Messrs. Beardmore of Toronto, Thos. Ecroyd, F. McIndoe, T. Samuels and J. M. Smith were appointed inspectors.

Fun and music at the roller skating rinks. The Metropolitan in the West and the Princess in the East. Open all day and evening. 36

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

A skating and tobogganing party was given by Lady Lansdowne at Rideau Hall yesterday.

Walter Scott, who lost his life in the Simcoe woollen mills fire, leaves a wife and two children.

Mr. Joseph Labelle has been elected Mayor of Iberville by a majority of one over Mr. Didace Tasse.

The cruiser General Middleton has gone out of commission and the Vigilant (the capcured Highland Light) will be put on in her stead.

Benjamin Diamond is under arrest at St. Thomas charged with the larceny of a watch and chain from James Dwyer, a boarder at the American Hotel.

Mrs. Ann Richards of Omaha is at St. Thomas, looking for J. L. Ray, the jeweler who absconded from Omaha, taking with him $7000 of her money. Ray has left St. Thomas.

On Wednesday night last Mrs. James Scarff of Woodstock went out with her daughter to see a fire. In the street she became ill, and died shortly after being taken to the house of a friend. She was 75 years of age.

Burglars have been busy in Dundas. Nelson Bros.' carriage shop, W. Lawson's blacksmith shop, Bowman's planing mill and Powell's grocery store have been burglarized this week. The swag was not large at any of these places.

The Marquis of Lansdowne has subscribed $100 towards the erection of the Jacques Cartier monument. His Excellency took the occasion to express his admiration for the great men who were the pioneers of civilization in Canada and his affection for it.

ABOLITION OF TOLLGATES.

The County Council Puts in the Thin End of the Wedge—No High School for Aurora.

The Council of the County of York hustled through considerable work yesterday morning and they hope to wind up the session this morning. Mr. P. Patterson resigned his position as trustee in the High School Board of Richmond Hill. The resignation was accepted and Mr. A. Russell was appointed in his place.

No action was taken in the Court House matter because the city had failed to perform its part of the agreement of two years ago, providing that the new building would be up by December of this year.

The Education Committee's report showed that the county's educational affairs were in a prosperous state. There are 385 High School pupils and sixty-four teachers in training at the Model Schools. The recommendation that the asked for establishment of a High School in Aurora be considered inadvisable was sustained by a vote of 23 to 16, caused by an amendment to establish a school. The committee's bill appointing these gentlemen as High School Trustees was passed: For Weston, Wm. T. Grubb; for Markham, Hugh Clark; for Richmond Hill, Wm. French; for Newmarket, Geo. Rose.

Mr. F. Barwick appeared on behalf of the County of York Law Association and urged that body's claim to a grant.

The first business at the afternoon session was the consideration of the report of the special committee appointed to devise some means for maintaining the York roads. The committee recommended that at the expiration of the present leases the county cease to collect tolls at gates No. 2 Kingston-road, and No. 2 Dundas-street, and that the remainder of the gates be leased for one year; the gates in the Counties of Peel and Ontario to be leased subject to cancellation by giving three months' notice. The report also asked that the committee be re-appointed to perfect some equitable plan for the further maintenance of the roads, and that it be empowered to appoint a sub-committee to wait on the Peel and Ontario County Councils with a view to selling the portions of the York roads within those townships, providing the County of York ceases to collect toll on these roads.

There was a long discussion on this report, and many views were expressed and many amendments offered in committee of the whole and in council; but the report was finally adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee as adopted provided for a grant of $100 to the Prisoners' Aid Association; $10 to the Ontario Rifle Association; $225 to the York 12th Battalion to assist in paying for recent purchases of accoutrements; $25 each to the North York and East York Farmers' Associations. The report recommended refusal to pay the claim of the Grenadier Ice Company for $179 tolls paid on the Lake Shore-road when that road, as alleged, was not in good repair; that the County Treasurer be required to furnish a bondsman in the place of Daniel Macdonald, deceased, and that the total amount of bonds be to the amount of $40,000 as the bylaw requires, instead of $30,000, as is the case; that no grant be made to the County of York Law Association as asked in aid of their library, the committee "not being fully aware of the benefit to be derived from such library to the county." The Treasurer's were accounts reported to have been found correct. The report of the committee was adopted without amendment.

At 5 o'clock the Council adjourned till 9 o'clock this morning.

A big supply Montreal Star Carnival Number in rollers ready for mailing. Secure your copies early as the supply is sure to run out. McAinsh & Ellis, opposite the Postoffice.

MR. COOLICAN'S COAT.

Its Sudden Disappearance From the Queen's Hotel Causes a Large-Sized Sensation.

Auctioneer J. S. Coolican was in a happy frame of mind when he arose from the Queen's Hotel dinner table last night. He had dined sumptuously, and was satisfied, as bon vivants are when in a like condition, with all things terrestrial. Upon looking for his sealskin coat and cap in the hall, a moment later, and finding that these valuable articles were gone "the whole man changed," and a sorrowful expression clouded his hitherto happy countenance. To lose such an inestimably valuable coat—which had passed unscathed through the vicissitudes of the Manitoba boom—was unbearable, but the idea struck Mr. Coolican that some friend had played a practical joke upon him. Taking this view of it, he carelessly mentioned the matter to the clerk, at the same time stating that he would lie low for his playful friends.

About this time Detectives Reburn and Cuddy discovered a suspicious character, one David Williams, attempting to dispose of a sealskin overcoat and cap to a gentleman on the street. He was placed under arrest. Then the detectives communicated with the various hotels, and in this way Mr. Coolican ascertained the identity of his supposed friend. He is again happy in the possession of his valued coat, his reminder of Manitoba's boom days.

A friend of Mr. Coolican's said last night: "You can well understand what a loss the coat would be to Mr. Coolican when I tell you that it is perhaps the most expensive in the city. This coat has no rival possibly, with the exception of Mr. W. H. Nagle's of Winnipeg, or Brother Cox's, or Brother McConnell's. Then again, it is such a neat fitting article that it sets off Mr. Coolican's person to decided advantage."

Mr. Williams spent last night at Police Headquarters, clad in his ordinary clothes.

A box of Vellum Envelopes for 35c., square or oblong, worth 60c. McAinsh & Ellis, opposite the Postoffice.

HAMILTON MATTERS.

The Hamilton, Guelph and Buffalo Railway—No Crime During the Carnival.

HAMILTON, Feb. 4.—The Committee of the Provisional Board of the Hamilton, Guelph and Buffalo Railway met this morning and conferred with the Citizens' Committee, of which Mayor McKay is Chairman. Mr. Jennings, Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, was present, he having previously, with the Mayor and Mr. Sanford, driven about the city to inspect the possible routes and the topography of the neighborhood. Those present talked over the situation, and it became evident that the desire of the Canadian Pacific to gain access to Hamilton was sincere, and that the intention of that company was to make this city a principal point on their main line.

Mr. John S. Meredith, manager of the Hamilton branch of the Merchants' Bank, has been appointed manager of the Montreal branch in place of Mr. Crombie, who has resigned to take a similar position in the Bank of Commerce.

Not a single case of pocket-picking, larceny or robbery occurred during the Carnival. The detectives and police when they met a suspicious looking person advised him to leave town. Three or four were treated in this way and though they protested that they had just come to town for the Carnival, they took the hint and got out.

A complete list of E. P. Roe's Books, pocket size, 25c. McAinsh & Ellis, opposite the Postoffice.

CABLE NOTES.

The police of Metz have seized M. Antoine's electoral address and closed the editorial and printing offices of the Monitour de la Moselle.

Prince Henry of Battenberg is in disgrace. When he went to Buckingham Palace to represent Her Majesty at the Iddesleigh memorial services he went to the theatre and the circus.

Cardinal Jacobini has written a letter in which he says the Pope acknowledges the services of the members of the Centre party in Germany and urges them to strive for the removal of exceptional ecclesiastical laws.

Eight of the twenty-four Canadians who went to England a year ago from the Royal Military College to take positions in the British army, will, on February 3, sail for India to join their regiments. The Imperial Government has only required them to put in one year at special instruction, while English cadets always receive two years instruction.

Steel wire mats are the greatest thing in the way of a mat ever devised. Made from galvanized steel wire with Japanned iron frame. 61

SYMPATHY FOR THE GIRLS

D. J. O'DONOGHUE'S NAME FOR THE MALE DRY GOODS CLERKS.

The Trades and Labor Council Will Assist in Getting Shorter Hours for the Young Women—Municipal Matters—The Alleged Muzzling of the Firemen.

President Geo. Harris occupied the chair at the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council in Dufferin Hall last night. These new delegates were admitted: Andrew Cleland, Alf. Peterbaugh and Robt. Newman, Local Assembly 5792, K. of L.; Geo. Brown and Frederick Green, Star Assembly 7210, K. of L.; M. C. Lee and Patrick Reilly, Plasters' Laborers' Union; G. Piddington and W. Cooper, Alpha Assembly 4679, K. of L.

The report of the Legislative Committee regretted that "the Don improvement scheme in this city has been taken advantage of by unscrupulous rascals who figure in the capacity of philanthropists to induce poor people in England into coming out to Canada, and to Toronto in particular." The committee further desired to warn intending immigrants from Great Britain that there was not in this country sufficient public or private works to furnish even transient work for one-half of the laborers now in this country. The report also denounced the importation of destitute children from Great Britain.

Delegate Beales suggested that the Legislative Committee take some action in the matter of railway frogs not being plugged as required by law. The report was adopted with this suggestion.

Delegate D. J. O'Donoghue expressed pleasure at the action of the Mayor in moving a resolution compelling firemen not to interfere in election matters other than vote, and at Ald. Macdonald's motion for the repeal of the "salary grab" bylaw.

Delegate McCormack said he believed in not muzzling the firemen.

Then the matter of workmen on the Don improvements not being capable was discussed, the delegates denouncing strongly any attempt to bring British workmen out with a hope of working on these works. Delegate W. E. Cooper said that in the Birmingham (Eng.) Post he saw an advertisement to the effect that workmen were wanted on the Don improvements. He thought the name signed to the advertisement was something like that of E. P. Roden, but another delegate suggested that the name might be that of Mr. Beddoe. Mr. Cooper promised to get the paper and ascertain the proper name.

A presentation of an address and a silver water pitcher and goblet to ex-Secretary John Rose, who had served in that capacity for several years, then took place. The delegates stood during the presentation, Delegate Andrew McCormack conducted Mr. Rose to the front, Delegate John Armstrong read the address, which was handsomely framed, and President Harris handed over the silver service. Mr. Rose made a suitable reply.

A communication from 250 young women engaged in dry goods stores, asking for the co-operation of the council in assisting them to obtain shorter hours on Saturday night was read. At first there was an evident desire not to assist the girls because of past conduct of the male dry goods clerks with which some delegates were not pleased. There was a feeling expressed that dry goods clerks, male and female, should keep aloof from organized labor until they should form a union or a Knights of Labor Assembly. Delegate Beales said that male dry goods clerks were ashamed to recognize as brothers men who dug in ditches. Delegate March took the brotherly-love ground that the young women should be assisted; by this means organized labor would educate them up to the proper standard.

Delegate O'Donoghue took occasion to refer to male dry goods clerks as "a certain number of hermaphrodites behind counters—they've been called men but they're not—who are ashamed to be organized, and be brothers with men who work in ditches." Delegates Armstrong and McCormack said that last spring at a meeting of male dry goods clerks, to which they had been invited, they were told on reaching the hall that their assistance was not needed. There was a strong feeling that the male clerks had slighted organized labor.

Finally the kindly sentiment prevailed and this motion was carried:

That this Council endorse the action of the young women engaged in dry goods stores in this city in their endeavor to shorten their hours of toil, and pledge them our hearty support and sympathy in the movement; and be it further resolved that while we pledge them our hearty support we would also recommend to them the advisability of forming a permanent organization.

THE WHITE CROSS ARMY.

Mrs. Bradley Makes Two Addresses in Favor of the Movement.

The social purity question was discussed by Mrs. Bradley at a meeting of ladies in Shaftesbury Hall yesterday afternoon. The address was chiefly directed to the duties of mothers. Rescue work, Mrs. Bradley pointed out, had been attended with great difficulties, and prevention was now the only recognized plan for prosecuting the social reforms which were sought to be compassed by the movement. Mrs. Bradley advised the ladies to send their male friends certain leaflets, containing important advice in regard to their conduct. A collection, amounting to $16, was taken up.

In the Berkeley-street Methodist Church last night Mrs. Bradley addressed a large assemblage upon the White Cross movement. The subject was handled, as she said she desired, "without coarseness or vulgarity." She traced the crusade through its various successful stages. Mrs. Bradley referred to the repeal of the English law, legalizing vice, but which had only been effaced from the statutes after many years of persistent work on the part of those identified with its repeal. The system of trafficing in human flesh, which had been carried on between England and Belgium, and at one time between Canada and Chicago, was severely denounced. Pall Mall Gazette Editor Stead's efforts to assist the movement were alluded to, and Mrs. Bradley asked that the assemblage include him in their prayers.

Rev. J. E. Starr, who presided, expressed his appreciation of the lectures' work, and said that on Friday afternoon next a meeting would be held in the church to form a W.C.T.U. for the east end of the city. Mrs. Bradley, he announced, would speak in the Carlton-street Methodist Church to-night.

Youth is the time for enjoyment. Patronize the Princess Roller Rink, at Duchess and Ontario-streets. Open all day and evening. 36

Dancing Engineers and Firemen.

The first annual union ball of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway was held last evening at West Toronto Junction Station, and was a most successful gathering, over 100 couples being present. The Committee of Management were composed of Thos. Charlton (chairman), W. Hyndman (secretary), R. Cochrane (treasurer), J. Roddick, J. Plaxton, W. B. Richey, A. Madden, J. Rice, J. Galvin, J. Flood, G. Shields and A. E. Stewart. Among those present were J. W. Leonard, Assistant Superintendent; J. R. Spragge, Second Grand Engineer International B. of L. E.; Chris. Kyle, Locomotive Foreman, Havelock, and Thos. Williams, Car Accountant.

The Metropolitan Roller Rink on Shaw-street is under good management, and every facility for enjoyment is afforded its patrons. Open all day and evening. 36

The Girls' Home

Is waiting for your Morse's Mottled Wrappers. They need money to buy warm flannels for the little girls. Send in your wrappers and help them to get a big share of the $1000 donation.

A revolting case of assault occurred in the vicinity of Rosedale Thursday night. The offender is an old man living on Isabella-street, and his victim was a small boy. The police have the case in hand.

Ald. Boustead stated to The World yesterday that he would add a $5 bill to the funds of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty.

BURNED BISCUITS.

A Big Fire at Christie, Brown & Co.'s Factory—$10,000 Loss.

At 7 o'clock yesterday morning a workman in Christie, Brown & Co.'s biscuit factory, Duke and Frederick-streets, discovered a fire on the floor above the baking department. The fire appliances on the premises were called into requisition, but as the flames made rapid headway, an alarm was given. For an hour the brigade battled with the fire, which burned through to the roof. The damage was chiefly confined to the top floor, though the lower floors and their contents were damaged by smoke and water. A large quantity of biscuits, stored in the top flat was more or less damaged, as well as some 2000 bags of flour. The origin of the fire is ascribed to the heat from the ovens, which ignited the woodwork of the hoist.

The loss is estimated at from $8000 to $10,000, which is covered by the following insurances: Stock—Ætna, $3250; British American, $3250; City of London, $5000; Commercial Union, $10,000; Glasgow and London, $2500; Imperial, $3750; Lancashire, $5000; London and Lancashire, $2500; Norwich Union, $2800; National of Ireland, $5250; Royal Canadian, $3250; Western Assurance, $3250. Total on stock, $47,500. Machinery—Ætna, $1750; British American, $3250; National of Ireland, $1750; Royal Canadian, $1750; Western Assurance, $1750. Total on machinery, $8550. Building—Lancashire, $5000; London, Liverpool & Globe, $5000; Queen's, $4000; Western Assurance, $2500. Total on building, $15,500.

THE BURNS FAILURE.

The Estate Said to be Worth $275,000—Liabilities $50,000 More.

In business circles the assignment of Mr. Patrick Burns, the big coal dealer, is the absorbing topic of conversation. The impression prevailing as to the state of his affairs is an erroneous one. As a matter of fact the estate is in fair shape, and there is every prospect of a satisfactory basis of settlement being arrived at.

The World was yesterday furnished with the following statement with reference to the indebtedness of Mr. Burns to the Dominion Bank, by Mr. Kane, the assistant manager. The bank holds $92,000 of Mr. Burns' notes, endorsed by Messrs. Lepper and Trotter, $20,000 of which is absolutely without reference to these gentlemen. This will leave $72,000 on which the bank ranks on P. Burns' estate and on Messrs. Lepper and Trotter. As the estate of P. Burns will probably pay 75 cents on the dollar it is presumed that there will be a considerable surplus left for Messrs. Lepper and Trotter after they have satisfied their creditors in full. Any other paper held by the bank discounted for P. Burns is perfectly secure and will be paid at maturity.

Trustee Clarkson, Mr. Kane added, is engaged upon the books, and so far the debts due the business aggregate $75,000. This asset, it is thought, will not suffer any material depreciation in collection. The Bathurst-street coal premises, including stock on hand, are valued at $175,000, and the Front-street dwelling at $25,000, making a total asset of $275,000. The liabilities, Mr. Kane thought, would not be more than $325,000.

SYMONS DOWNS BURNS.

The Wife of the Chief Witness in the Late Coal Case Against the Chief Defendant.

After a long and important session, lasting from Jan. 10, the Winter Assizes for the County of York closed yesterday, when the last of the civil cases were heard. Every case was marked off the list, for the time being at least, except Toronto v. Toronto Street Railway and Caston v. Hall, adjourned for argument at Osgoode Hall to-morrow. In Humphrey v. Staunton, an action to recover $600 commission for the sale of the "Dineen" property at the corner of King and Yonge streets, judgment was given for the plaintiff for $300 without costs. Cooper v. Moody, a suit to have set aside a real estate mortgage by an assignee to his wife, resulted in judgment against the defendant. Langstaff v. Langstaff and Goetz v. Kerr were struck off the list. Grand Trunk v. Shea stands over till next court.

Symons v. Burns, which was tried a few days ago, was an interesting case and the judgment, as given yesterday, was equally so, both because of the "conspiracy" and "coal" troubles. Mr. Burns, when Symons disappeared, seized some of his household furniture valued at about $800. Mrs. Symons sued Burns to recover the value of this, alleging that the furniture was hers because it was given to her some years ago by her husband as birthday presents. Her claim proved to be a good one and yesterday judgment was given in her favor.

Presentation to Mr. J. B. Carlile.

At the annual meeting of the North American Life Assurance Company Mr. J. B. Carlile resigned his position as inspector to assume the management of the Manufacturers Life and Indemnity Insurance Company of Canada, and was presented by the company with a solid silver service. In making the presentation Hon. Alex. Morris, Vice-President of the North American, recorded the company's high appreciation of Mr. Carlile's services and reg