

### CITY'S FIRE LOSS OVER A MILLION

Big Fire in Car Barns and the Allen Manufacturing Company Amounted to Half a Million.

### THE INCREASE IS LARGE

Chief Thompson Complains About Obstruction on Account of Overhead Wires.

The total loss by fire last year amounted to \$1,102,854, just \$665,896 above that of the previous year, according to the annual report of Fire Chief Thompson.

Two children were burned to death, while 19 citizens were injured; 39 members of the brigade were hurt, some seriously, but no deaths occurred.

The chief makes a complaint on account of obstruction by overhead wires. He says: "For 12 or 14 years have been annually calling attention of the committee on fire and light and city council to the obstruction and delay our department has experienced, and also to the serious danger to both life and property occasioned by the overhead wires in the city, especially in congested districts, and would again be taken at once to have this danger removed."

### DYSPEPSIA MADE HIM MISERABLE

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### LABOR MEN WANT NEW REGULATIONS

Deputation to Premier Urges Provincial Control of All Telephone and Telegraph Systems.

### TO PROTECT MOTORMEN

Should Have Longer Training Before Taking Charge of Cars—Urge Eight-Hour Day.

Twenty-one resolutions, suggesting changes to law now in force, were presented to Sir James Whitney by a deputation of representatives of organized labor, led by Allan Studholme, M.L.A., East Hamilton, on Tuesday.

One of the most important steps that the government was asked to take was suggested by James Simpson, who urged provincial control and operation of all telephone and telegraph systems in Ontario.

### L'PTON put the capital in Toronto

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board, he said, should be abolished. Toronto street cars should be changed to meet such requirements.

Better conditions for stage employees were asked. Proper sanitary appliances for all stage hands were said to be necessary.

The deputation consisted of James Simpson, Joseph Gibbons, Allan Studholme, M.L.A., East Hamilton, A. Garfield, T. Moore, L. Worthall, Fred Bancroft, W. Storey, T. G. Mills, W. Shank, M. Clark, H. Scott and J. McLeod.

### AMUSEMENTS.

ALEXANDRA 115 Yonge. Nights, 8:15; Mats., 2:15, sharp.

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### PROVERB CONTESTANTS SOON TO KNOW WINNERS

Examining, Checking and Filing the Many Thousands of Proverb Sets Soon to Be Completed.

The work of picking the winners in The Toronto World's great \$5000 Proverb Contest is nearly completed, but it must still be some days before the successful contestants can be made known.

Practically 19,000 sets of answers were sent in in this great contest, and, naturally, the work of examination is a slow and tedious task.

Every contestant was duly informed from time to time through the contest, and through the published rules, which appeared in every other copy of the paper, of the progress of the contest.

Many sets of answers have also fallen on account of the trifling mistakes in spelling and punctuation. Many of these contestants will be disappointed, but it was only necessary to hint at the proverb path rather than to be punctual and accurate in their writing.

Thousands of letters commenting upon the Proverb Contest as one of the most interesting and entertaining features ever conducted were enclosed with the sets of answers.

Installments of the correct answers will continue to appear daily, and contestants should watch The Daily World closely for announcement of the exact date upon which the winners will be published.

### Last Instalment of Correct Answers in The Toronto World's Great Proverb Contest

The examining, checking and filing of the sets of Proverb Answers in The Toronto World's Great Proverb Contest, have been completed and the names of the winners of the prizes will be published within a few days. The last instalment of correct proverb solutions appears today.

### CORRECT PROVERB ANSWERS Sixty-three to Seventy-five

- 63. When two play, one must lose. Pg. 43.
- 64. Keep your own counsel. Pg. 35.
- 65. An idle brain is the devil's workshop. Pg. 45.
- 66. As long as there is life, there is hope. Pg. 44.
- 67. No question is settled until it is settled right. Pg. 45.
- 68. The right man in the right place. Pg. 35.
- 69. A little learning is a dang'rous thing. Pg. 52.
- 70. Don't cry out till you are out of the woods. Pg. 45.
- 71. Better go about than be drowned. Pg. 47.
- 72. To take one a peg lower. Pg. 47.
- 73. Don't count your chickens before they are hatched. Pg. 57.
- 74. Examine well the counsels that favor your desires. Pg. 35.
- 75. The end justifies the means. Pg. 37.

Contestants Must Watch The World Closely For Exact Date of Announcement of The Winners.

### TO PROHIBIT SALE OF WESTERN SCHOOL LANDS

Senator Davis Urges That Government is Depriving Itself of Valuable Assets.

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—(Can. Press.)—The senate today discussed the disposal of school lands at some length.

Senator Davis made a motion which was in substance as follows: "That in view of the rapid increase in land values in the western provinces, the senate is of the opinion that school lands in these provinces should be withdrawn from sale, and leased only until they can be sold at the best advantage in the interest of the public schools."

Senator Ross said he was not convinced upon this point. Men with limited capital might be buying lands outright. The school areas had been the greatest advantage to education in Ontario, and he was not prepared to give up that advantage for the sake of a few cents.

On the suggestion of Mr. Loughheed, Senator Ross moved that the motion be dropped.

### COMMERCIAL HANDBOOK OF CANADA

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