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**THE TECUMSEHS.**

Election of Officers for the Current Year.

Betting on the Derby—General Sporting Gossip.

**BASEBALL.**

Ben Armstrong says in the New York Mercury: "Toronto is too busy arranging to mob another bishop to bother with baseball at present. After she has satisfied her appetite for that congenial sport she will probably turn her powerful attention to organizing her baseball club for next season."

**THE TECUMSEHS' OFFICERS.**

At the meeting of the executive of the London Baseball and Athletic Association last evening the following officers were elected for the coming year: Messrs. T. S. Hobbs, president; W. J. Reid, vice-president; W. A. Fessenden, manager; R. C. Macfie, treasurer; A. M. Small, secretary; A. D. Holman, assistant secretary; P. Mulken, solicitor. Mr. Mulken will have a seat on the Board of Management. Messrs. C. W. Leonard, R. C. Macfie and J. C. Luffield will constitute the Finance Committee. The Grounds Committee is composed of Messrs. Adam Lock and Hugh McKay. The Excursion Committee will be composed of the Board of Directors and the President.

**LAWN TENNIS.**

The Lawn Tennis Association of England, at its recent meeting, voted to abolish the system of handicapping by quarters and substitute in their place a single fifteen and three-quarter fifteen.

**SKATING.**

A five-mile skating race took place Wednesday at Collingwood. McLeod, Collingwood, won. Aldrich, Collingwood, and Anderson, Collingwood, divided second and third prizes. McCallum, Midland, and Palmer, Alvinston, also skated.

**THE RING.**

A queer sort of a glove contest is shortly to occur at Charlton, S. C. Professor W. S. Layton, a local boxer, is to fight Frank Savage, who claims to belong to Boston. They will fight three rounds with four-ounce gloves, and the man who is knocked down the offender will receive 25 per cent. of the gate. Each man will also receive \$10 for each time he knocks his opponent down. The winner will receive 75 per cent. of the gate.

**CURLING.**

At a curling match at Brantford Thursday morning Hamilton and Brantford the home team won by 12 shots.

A friendly match was played at the Victoria Rink, Toronto, Thursday afternoon between a rink each from Fergus and the Toronto, the latter winning by 12 shots.

The final match in group 14 in the preliminary competition for the tankard was played at Harrison Wednesday between Walker and Chesley, resulting in a draw of 17 shots.

"This rain puts a stop to group 17," said an ADVERTISER scribe. "Yes," said remarked Mr. H. Fysh, the well-known curling club enthusiast; "we are in hard luck as regards weather."

The great event at the Winnipeg bangle Thursday was the international contest between American and Canadian rinks. The result was a hollow victory for Canada. The ice was not in good condition owing to the mild weather. The scores in the international contest are:

Canada. United States.

Comer, Portage. 21 Chisholm, St. Paul. 12

Flavelle, Lindsay. 20 W. H. Rodgers, St. Paul. 10

Lindsay, Stonewall. 21 Middlemiss, Mill. 15

Fraser, Granite. 21 Waukegan, Wis. 14

Clark, Thistles. 25 Waukegan, Wis. 13

Total. 131 Total. 71

Canada's majority, 60.

**THE TURF.**

Latest mail advices have the following quotations for the Derby:

Surfcoat. Taken. Offered.

Le Nord. 11 to 1 5 to 1

Heame. 10 to 1 10 to 1

Rivers. 10 to 1 10 to 1

Garter. 10 to 1 10 to 1

Right Away. 22 to 1 100 to 1

St. Ser. 22 to 1 100 to 1

Matagon. 25 to 1 100 to 1

Albany. 25 to 1 100 to 1

Rathbell. 25 to 1 100 to 1

Golden Gate. 25 to 1 100 to 1

Master Asley. 25 to 1 100 to 1

Kilowen. 25 to 1 100 to 1

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## THE ONTARIO HOUSE.

Annual Financial Statement of Treasurer Ross.

Economy and Foresight Illustrated—A Splendid Record.

(Special to the ADVERTISER.)

Toronto, Friday, Feb. 14.

The House this afternoon will resume the consideration of the motion to go into supply, Mr. Clancy having the floor. He will probably be followed by Mr. Awey, and the House will adjourn for the week at or before 7 o'clock unless the Opposition desire to continue the debate.

**TUESDAY, Thursday, Feb. 13.**

The galleries were crowded with those who went down to hear the financial statement of the Treasurer. The Hon. A. M. Ross spoke for an hour and forty-five minutes, and retained the attention of the whole Assembly. He began by presenting

**LAST YEAR'S RECEIPTS:**

Subsidy. \$1,165,722 50

Specific grant. 80,000 00

Interest on capital held and debts due by the Dominion to Ontario. 280,000 00

Interest on investments. 75,065 98

Total. 1,500,788 48

Crown Lands Department. 65,888 54

Railway lands. 5,748 50

Clergy lands. 3,072 34

Common school lands. 14,411 50

Grammar school lands. 952 42

Rest lands. 89 00

In suspense re lands. 22,722 93

Woods and forests. 1,075,388 12

Casual fees. 89 12

Refunds. 1,953 35

Total. 1,196,455 88

Algebra taxes. 3,911 49

Law stamps. 8,841 65

Licenses. 302,734 44

Education Department. 35,339 71

Public institutions revenue. 35,339 71

Toronto Lunatic Asylum. 36,036 28

London Lunatic Asylum. 10,280 99

Hamilton Lunatic Asylum. 8,750 07

Kingston Lunatic Asylum. 3,679 95

Orillia Lunatic Asylum. 2,169 53

Reformatory for Females. 3,837 12

Reformatory for Males. 610 20

Central Prison. 65,679 09

Dowd and Dumb Institute. 150 00

Total. 131,199 56

Casual Revenue. 700 00

Provincial Secretary's Department. 90,714 79

Registrar General's Office. 145 06

Fines. 4,127 02

Sequestered estates. 4,028 33

Insurance companies. 700 00

Surrogate Court fees. 1,307 70

Division Court fees. 8,817 72

He land titles office expenditure. 1,108 40

Official Gazette. 8,830 23

Private bills. 4,539 75

Statutes. 1,961 89

Consolidated rules of practice. 108 00

Incidentals. 145 93

Total. 44,404 71

Insurance companies' assessments. 22,999 95

Removal of patients. 5,065 78

London L.A.—Capital account. 40 00

Debt and Dumb Institute—Capital account. 80 10

Mercer Reformatory—Capital account. 1,049 50

Drainage works assessments. 17,450 75

Municipal loan fund. 8,817 72

Toronto L.A.—Sale of lands. 119,851 29

New Parliament buildings fund. 315 74

Total. 3,499,583 25

Drainage debentures. 3,301 92

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Total. 3,638,405 08

The first item calling for remark was that of "interest on capital held and debts due by the Dominion to Ontario and on investments." The receipts under this head were \$355,024, as against an estimate of \$320,111, or an excess of \$25,914. Now members of the Opposition and newspaper critics, apparently on their behalf, are continually in the habit of proclaiming the surplus a myth, and declaring that the assets were unreal and visionary and as the Province could not realize upon them, could not, therefore, honestly count them as assets. To these gentlemen and those critics he would propound the simple problem as to where all this interest comes from. If the Province had no real assets, it seemed to him that there must be some substance where there was so palpable a shadow. Moreover, the interest received this year was not an isolated instance. It was an item that figured every year. In 1886 it had amounted to \$235,004; in 1887 to \$324,856; in 1888 to \$334,443; and in 1889 to \$355,024, a total for the four years of \$1,350,327. The receipts under this head for 1889, 349,328, and an average of \$337,322, representing, at 5 per cent., a capital of \$6,745,000. When, therefore, Mr. Ross urged, Oppositionists claimed there was no capital, the responsibility rested upon these same gentlemen to show where these large sums of interest came from.

Then the Honorable Treasurer dealt with the items in the Crown Lands Department, which amounted in total to \$1,196,455, as against an estimate of \$1,100,000, being an excess of the estimate of \$96,455.

When comparison was made between the large amounts received under the Ontario system and the insignificant amounts received under the Dominion system, the critics of the Ontario Government sought to break the force of the comparison by arguing that the Dominion Government collected a royalty every year from those who were working its limits, and they tried to make out that that was fully equal to our system and productive of an equal revenue. Mr. Ross showed conclusively that the annual dues under the Ontario system were from 20 to 30 per cent. higher than those under the Dominion system, and the difference was more than sufficient to counterbalance the difference in the ground rent by the Dominion Government. The larger sums received by Ontario were due to the better management of the Crown lands by the Government.

In the item of education, the Honorable Treasurer showed that the estimated receipts of \$22,000 had been exceeded by \$13,359 71.

In law stamps the estimate of \$75,000 had been exceeded by \$9,841; the increase due to land taxes from the Master of Titles office, which amounted last year to \$10,119.

The next item touched on was that of licenses. The estimate was \$290,000, receipts, \$302,734 44, an excess of \$12,734 44. In making the estimate Mr. Ross said he had taken into account the probability of the Scott Act being repealed in some counties. He had not counted on its being repealed in all, and had, in fact, only counted on its being repealed in one-fourth of them, and that account.

In 33 districts in which the Scott Act had been repealed the figures for licenses issued in 1885 and 1889 respectively, were:

Hotels. 1,049. 032. Less.

Shops. 132. 92. 40

Total. 1,181. 102. 157

It being a cardinal belief with temperance

people that the fewer the number of places in which liquor was sold the less the amount of liquor was consumed, it would be seen that the increase of the fees by the act of 1886 had had a direct influence in the direction of temperance.

The total estimated receipts for the year had been \$3,322,083, as against a sum actually received of \$3,499,583 25, exclusive of \$39,019 83 on account of drainage and tile debentures, or the estimate had been exceeded by \$177,502 25.

**LAST YEAR'S EXPENDITURE.**

The Honorable Treasurer then proceeded to discuss the expenditure of the past year, and dealt with the items in the following table:

**EXPENDITURE, 1889.**

Civil government. \$11,761 08

Legislation. 110,338 02

Administration of justice. 396,232 24

Education. 698,238 32

Public institutions maintenance. 72,990 61

Immigration. 8,849 90

Agriculture. 12,872 88

Hospitals and charities. 129,462 48

Repairs and maintenance P. H. 64,732 09

Public buildings. 618,907 39

Public works. 23,071 08

Colleges. 103,999 53

Charges on Crown lands. 101,775 08

Consolidation of statutes. 1,761 41

Miscellaneous. 163,107 53

Refunds. 18,024 87

Ordinary expenditure under supply. \$3,151,614 98

Drainage debentures. 17,727 88

Tile debentures. 8,900 00

Railway certificates. 618,907 39

Annuitants. 22,200 00

New pensions. 1,761 41

New Parliament buildings. 315 74

Total. \$3,638,336 37

On the item for civil government, the estimate had been \$1,383 32 in excess of the sum expended, in spite of a few small over-expenditures. In legislation the expenditure had been \$1,011 31 under the estimate.

No Government has done more in the direction of providing accommodation freely to the insane and needy than the Government of Ontario. During the present session alone accommodation had been provided, at a cost of about \$500,000, for 508 additional permanent beds in the asylums of the Province—109 in Toronto, 40 at Orillia, when all the cottages at Mimico were completed there would be accommodation for 350 more insane, and when the asylum at Orillia was completed, for 200 more idiots.

The total votes placed at the disposal of the Government amounted to \$3,390,040, and the ordinary expenditure under the Supply Bill to \$3,181,614, less by \$178,426 than the amount voted. The ordinary receipts had been \$3,499,583, and, taking from this the ordinary expenditure he had just mentioned of \$3,181,614, there was a balance of receipts over expenditure on the ordinary account of \$317,964. (Applause.)

There was, however, certain expenditure outside of the Supply Bill that had to be met, viz., on account of railway certificates, widows' pensions and the new Parliament buildings (as in above table), and which brought the total expenditure up to \$3,638,336, against the total receipts of \$3,538,405, a difference of \$114,931. A good many critics of the Government were fond of talking of the "deficit" of the Ontario Government, and he saw that already the Government had this year been credited with a deficit. He did not see how it could be claimed that there was any deficit, when the Government had over \$300,000 cash in the bank which they had not required to use.

There had been a large increase for postage. For administration of justice the expenditure had been \$3,514 under the estimate. The expenditure for Crown

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**DRAUGHT TWO MILES.**

The Shocking Death of a Thamesville Farmer.

THAMESVILLE, Ont., Feb. 14.—An appalling accident occurred here the night before last, in which John Shaw, a farmer living about three miles north of this place, lost his life. He was going home from town in a cart when, from some unaccountable cause, he was thrown forward from the seat, his head becoming caught between the right wheel and the shaft of the cart, and in that position was drawn about two miles, as it is believed, about a mile from town. He was found in his barnyard on the cart in the position described about 7:30 yesterday morning. Deceased was about 43 years of age, and unmarried.

**The King and the Peasant.**

(From the Detroit Free Press.)

One day while the King of the Cannibal Islands was out hunting for grizzly bears, he became separated from his retainers, and after wandering about for a long time he finally came upon the cabin of a peasant. The peasant hadn't the least idea who the stranger was, of course, and he invited the King to enter and make himself as comfortable as possible. His Royal Nibs, seeing the land lay, thought to get an honest opinion of himself, and after a bit he led off with:

"They say that this King is out on a hunt to-day."

"No doubt of it," replied the peasant, "he has been late seized upon every pretext to neglect the king business, and let's affairs go to the dogs."

"They say he drinks."

"Alas! He can't guzzle more budge than any four drunkards in the country."

"And that he is harsh and tyrannical."

"You bet! He'd grind our noses to get an exorbitant price for our liberties."

"And that he is a spendthrift."

"Ah! sir; if he wasn't the King he'd be a loafer and vagabond."

"But he must have some good features," protested the King, as he sweated under the collar.

"I never heard of but one. They say he is extremely kind and generous."

"I am the King!" thundered his Majesty, as he rose up in all the terrible of his awfulness.

The peasant fell upon his knees and prayed that his might be insured, being he had no insurance, and the King took him by the right hand and lifted him up and said:

"Have no fear. You are an honest man. You are the only honest being who has dared to tell me of my faults. From this moment I am a changed sinner. Here—take these seven silver rings, and as soon as you get your potatoes dug and your corn husked, come to town and be my Prime Minister."

Now, wasn't that nice?

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