\$2,000 EXEMPTION

Are Forced to Spend Much of

Salaries When Away From

Their Homes.

DEPUTATION AT TORONTO

A Special Assessment Committee Will

Deal With the Entire Question.

The railroad engineers of the Prov-

nce again are making a determined

ffort to have some of the alleged

by the Legislature, and, in addition.

erday a deputation of twenty en-

gineers, representing all engineers in

Ontario, interviewed the Hon. W. J.

revise the assessment act, and se-

on an adidtional \$300, making the total exemption \$1,500. This arrange-

ment was satisfactory at the time to

the engineers, but it has not been

carried out by the assessors, no in-

though in a number of cities an un-

Situation in London.

was stated at Toronto.

In London, Ottawa, St. Thomas

ngineers have cause for complaint.

essment act.

want the income exemption

from \$1,200 to \$2,000. Yes-

ENGINEERS ASK

PRICE TWO CENTS.

ALLEGED ROBBER

P. J. O'Brien Positively Identified by Two of His

REVOLVER IS SECURED

Done Now in the Hands of the Police.

Patrick J. O'Brien, alias William Ma Magistrate Judd this morning on four charges having to do with the hold-ups

The prisoner will remain in the county jail until the spring assizes of the high court, which commence at the court house on Feb. 26, before Chief Justice Falcon-

who acted for O'Brien, their stories were unshaken in any detail.

Mr. Bartlett questioned both witnesses closely as to whether the man who attacked them bore any evidence of having been drinking, but they declared that to the best of their knowledge he

Three Charges. Three charges are laid by Crown Attorney McKillon in connection with the robbery of Mrs. Fraser—first that O'Brien, or Maloney, as he calls himself, did rob Mrs. Fraser of a gold locket and chain, using violence secondly, that he did shoot Mrs. Fraser with a revolver; and thirdly, that he did steal from Mrs. Fraser while armed with an offensive weapon.

offensive weapon.
Only one charge is 'id in the Volk affair, that he did rob with violence. This was today amended by the crown attorney to read that he committed the crime while "armed with an offensive process." When asked whether or not he had any

seat in the box.

Producing the Pistol.

The manner in which the police ob time. Detectives Nickle, ped several nights at the home

anything of the hold-ups However, when questioned about the revolver, and ordered to produce the gun, he did so, and took it to the police station. While Lampman was careful in giving his testimony, Mr. Bartlett was

He denied then and still denies, that

pigeon" and endeavoring to shield himself.

Lampman's own recognizance was ac-

Lorne avenue towards Adelaide street in search of him. Mr. Fraser had in sion is made, it may go as far as Lorne

and Elizabeth streets to return home. while still behind her remarked that it was a cold evening.

breast, demanded her money or her money, he declared that he would have to search her clothing. Tearing open her coat he exposed

the chain and locket, which he snatch. ed from her throat. He again reiterated that he would have to have

holding his revolver to within a use of terrible oaths all the time. I Association, "and it should have the was very much excited and did no

up in the box, and faced Mrs. Fraser in an apparently nervous manner. That is the man, as far as I am

able to tell," she said. "His appearance is slightly changed, as I though he had a mustache then.' Bullet Pierced Clothing.

singed by the flame. The witness then identified as her

own the chain and locket found in the prisoner's possession at the time of his arrest.

sel, Mrs. Fraser repeated her story. a mustache?" asked the lawyer. at the time," she answered. "He was about six feet tall, heavy-set, and wore

an overcoat and a coarse cap." When did you first see this man?

out to you when you entered the "No, I knew him. I had expected to

who attacked you?" "I could," declared Mrs. Fraser.

and Probs. Say More of

It Is Coming.

TO 16 BELOW ZERO

PROTEST FILED AT HOUSE OF REFUGE

Cold Dip Is Still on the Job tion at Four o'Clock on Thursday Afternoon.

A new record for days of zero MIDDLESEX PETITION UP TO THE COUNCIL weather is being set by the weatherman, another dip being added to the

January series during last night, when the mercury fell to 16 below at the South London observatory. The police on the beats about the eity last evening, having become human thermometers, called it zero weather before many people were as low as ten below zero were re

corded before midnight. With the arrival of daylight this morning matters improved to a degree, and at 8 o'clock 14.5 above was shown.

Hanna and the Hon. W. H. Hearstat Torento, for the purpose of asking NOW TOO LATE FOR for an amendment to the existing as-One of the complaints of the en-JOINT BUILDINGS gineers is long standing. Two years ago they waited upon the special committee which was appointed to

J. Hanna that assessors would be New County Council as a Whole permitted to make exceptions in favor Not Favorable to the of railroad men who were put to extra expense as a result of being away from home on long runs, and

whose net income, as a result, was considerably less than the gross. The VIEWS OF COUNCILLORS arrangement made then was that assessors would be allowed to exempt

Opinion of Most Is That Issue Is Dead One and City is Held Responsible.

The opinion of the members of this rear's county council is that it is now derstanding has been reached by too late for the county to consider the which the extra exemption is given. question of joint county buildings for city and country. Hence, notwithstand-Forento and Sarnia the extra exemption has been generally allowed. ity is now ready to come to some Kenora. agreement with the county in the mat-Schreiber and Stratford are three ter, no action is likely to be taken by other railway centres in which the the county council. The improvements to the county buildings now being completed will cost \$20,000, and the coun-Attention was drawn to the fact that many engineers, in order to save cillors feer that this would be wasted Mr. Neely money, were forced to move their were new buildings to be built. Warden families from one town to another. Buttery declined to express any definite Last year's council having At Kenora, for instance, where any rejected the proposition after thor-income tax is levied, there were many rejected the proposition after thor-dayers income tax is levied, there were be-oughly threshing it out, it was doubt-test and

> Is It Too Late? Coancillor Fitzgerald, of West Nisouri, was of the opinion that it was to the how too late to consider the project.
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> Councillor Currie was inclined to let the protest. ae question of new county buildings Councillor Murdy thought that joint

buildings were out of the question. That the project was no good and trial. the majority of the people of the county would probably be opposed to it, was his view. Councillor Banks, of Dorchester would give the city a free site on the

hall, but he would not be in favor joint buildings. joint buildings," said Counce Hawkshaw, "the city wouldn't said Councilior anything. After the county had gone to great expense in repairing the court house there is no use opening

up the question again.' Councillor Beach would not commit himself on the question. "To my mind the theme might be more favorably entertained than last year," he admitted, "Then the council rather If the cit jumptd at conclusions. would send us a deputation wit something definite to consider the matter might be favorably entertained.'

Councillor Mair declined to express an opinion.
Councillor McTaggart thought the matter was now out of question after the ourt house had been put in good con-

Councillor Linden was not in favor o use the present court house site, the council of last year would have been favorable to the project.

Councillor Fennell had not been con sidering the matter, but was not in of favor of abandoning the present build-Parry Sound, and Smith, of Fort ings after the expense of alteration. Councillor Munro said the city and county should have been more agreeable port," said the priest. "There is no one another last year. He would not truth in it whatever." emmit himself now.

Councillor McDonald also thought vas too late, but he was opposed to it in any case. The city and county had net the interests in common to justify Councillor Noyes, of London Township,

was opposed to joint buildings. Councillor Roberts, of London Town hip, wouldn't entertain the thought for minute. Were new buildings erected he \$20,000 spent on improvements would e actual waste. Last year the city hrew cold water on the scheme. Now i too late.

"It's a dead issue," said Councilled "It has been threshed out before," said

ouncillor Morgan. "There is nothing

FIFTY BELOW Coldest Weather on Record in Foothills of Adirondacks.

[Canadian Press.] Ballston, N. Y., Jan. 26.—The coldes veather of the year was felt this morning in many parts of northern New York. Lake Desolation, in the Adirondack foothills, reported the almost unprecedented temperature of 50 below zero.

HELD BY POLICE. Auburn, Cal., Jan. 26.-Herman Bremer, son of a wealthy brewer of Montgom

ery, Ala., is locked up here today pend-ing action of a grand jury which will sault with intent to kill his wife, who is ery, Ala., is locked up here today pendcalled to investigate the murder of a prominent member of a fa Thos. Raffleton, a prospector. Bremer's father, who is here, said he confident of his son's innocence. Raffleton, accompanied by a man al- the night of Dec. 23 last, and after

Raffleton, accompanied by a man alleged to have been Bremen, left Auburn, last April on a prospecting trip, and a few days later was found dead, his skull having been crushed. Money and gold nuggets, which he is known to have earried, were missing.

the night of Dec. 23 last, and after a lengthy talk with his wife, stood in the back of the provincial governments and the back of the back of the head. He fied, but was arrested in New York and brought back to this county, where he was indicted after his wife's partial recovery.

MERCURY AGAIN DROPPED N. MIDDLESEX

Sutherland Will Fight It If It Is Push-ed—Neely Will Have to Face a Cross Petition.

Notice was served on Mr. Robert Sutherland, M. P. P. for East Middlesex, on Thursday evening, that the Conservatives intended protesting his far as they are concerned, corrected aware of the fact, but registrations election on the grounds of bribery and counter-petition. This is being prepar- a dining-room which also serves as a ed now, and some rather interesting facts will be brought out when the case comes to trial.

Mr. Sutherland has been in consulation with Mr. J. M. McEvoy, his solicitor, and both state that the case will be fought to a finish so far as they are concerned. An absolute de-

The details of the counter-petition are being prepared, and will be made known at the proper time. Mr. Mc-Evoy, on behalf of his client, has made a demand for the particulars of the charges against Mr. Sutherland. North Middlesex Protest.

North Middlesex, was filed yesterday afternoon. The time limit for filing peitions expired Thursday afternoon o'clock. Mr. J. M. McEvoy had his petition ready, and at two minutes to 4 had it in Mr. Edmund Weld's hands There are no particulars given in the statement, a general broad charge of bribery and corruption being made The necessary papers will be served on Dr. Macarthur at once. It is not known whether or not a counter-petition will be entered, but such action

is not considered probable. There will be a general meeting of the ing Mayor Graham's inference that the Conservatives of East Middlesex on Satprotest will be discussed. There is a large body of the party opposed to the action of Mr. Goo. W. North action of action of Mr. Geo. W. Neely in filing the protest. They claim that they are tired of elections, and are particularly tired of

> Should See the Point. "Mr. Neely should see the point now," id a prominent Conservative to The "If he should win the proo give him a much ave had enough elections for a time. We standpoint vant a rest.

A considerable length of time will

vitnesses summoned and examined for feel the same way. liscovery, and it will probably be some

MGR. BRUCHESI DENIES NE TEMERE REPORT court house square for a new city

oint buildings.
"When the county was in line for Says There Is No Movement in Quebec to Ask Pope to Abolish Decree.

> [Canadian Press.] ispatch to the Star from Montreal

> the Pope to abolish the ne temere de-

in the story. It is a fabrication. "His grace is astonished that any-

one should have sent out such a re Father Donnelly, pastor of St. An thonys Parish, and one of the most prominent Catholic priests in Montreal, also denied the story.

"I have heard nothing of any such movement, and were any such move in progress I would be sure to hear of t," he said. "You can say there is not a word of truth in the story.'

HAS CHANGED HANDS

by he purchased from the Chisholm estate the west store now occupied by R. J. Young & Co., on Dundas The consideration is said to be

\$30,000, or \$1,000 a foot frontage. The deal has been under considera tion for some time, but Thursday afternoon it was consummated.

M'CONNELL GUILTY

Shooting His Wife.

the magazine editor, and founder of a so-called electrical healing cult, was conshowed that McConnell appeared at the house in Ocean Grove where Mrs. Mc-Connell was living with her mother or

RAIN SOAKS BEDS

Mr. J. M. McEvoy Put In Peti- Aged Inmates Have to Endure Much That Is Most Unpleasant.

Nothing Can Be Done to Improve General Unsatisfactory Conditions Until Members Take Action

[Staff Correspodence.]

Strathroy, Jan. 25. - Roofs like sieves, walls innocent of new paint for corruption. He has fifteen days in many years, a lighting system of which to file a reply and bring in a smoky, dangerous kerosene lamps, and smoking-room and social hall, are some of the conditions at the house of refuge here, which the Middlesex county council will be asked to correct at its present session.

"Dr. Bruce Smith was right in near. nial of corrupt practices will be ly everything he said in his report condemning the institution." Superintendent Hodgins told The Advertiser, but there is no use trying to put things in better shape until the county. council repairs the roof. Any new paint or kalsomining would simply be ruined by water the first time it rained. It is so bad now that the inmates The protest against the election of have to get up in the middle of the Dr. Duncan Macarthur, M. P. P., for night and move their beds in order to escape the downpour of water. It isn't right, but we can do nothing without action on the part of the county coun.

A Dingy Room.

When The Advertiser representaive visited the place today he was shown to a large room in the basement, where about 20 old men sat about smoking. A few rough benches and tables indicated that the room was used as a dining-room. The floor was about as clean as possible in an apartment used by a score of men as smoking and lounging quarters, but the well-worn finish on the walls speakably untidy

Are Contented.

One old man who looked above the average in intelligence, sat in a corner reading a missionary pamphlet. test and run again, we would simply have He was asked about conditions in the werse drubbing. We home as viewed from the inmates'

"As far as I am concerned I can't complain," he said. clapse before the case can come to trial, good food, clean beds, warm quarters, if the Conservatives decide to go on with plenty of heat, and lots of good reading matter.

Several other inmates expressed the same uncomplaining attitude, but one man thought the county ought to do something to keep the water from pouring down on his bed.

Can Do Nothing. "I know it isn't just right to have

the dining-room used as a smokingoom," said Superintendent Hodgins, but there is no other place where the men can get together and smoke and read. If the county sees fit to provide a smoking-room I would be only to glad. As it is we shall have to go on in this way. In other respects things are somewhat better than they used to be. We have recently engaged another maid, which allows us to take Toronto, Ont., Jan. 26. - A special better care of the rooms, and I think we shall need no additional help. don't agree with Dr. Bruce Smith that a trained nurse is needed. It has been anon Roy, Archbishop Bruchesi this my experience with nurses that they morning issued a very positive denial require more waiting on than their patients. In fact, I think we amply equipped to take care of our

So far as actual animal comfort is have little to complain of. But if 't is true that "man does not live bread alone" then there is great need of improvement. Dingy walls, unadorned by pictures, bare corridors, uncarpeted, bare rooms, dining-room void of even ordinary chairs and table, and reeking with the odor of stale tobacco smoke, are not culated to appeal to the inner man.

CAN'T HAVE ULSTE RHALL

Belfast Corporations Will Not Permit Political Meetings To Be Held There. [Canadian Press.]

Belfast, Ireland, Jan. 26.-The city orporation today refused the request of the Liberal Association for the use of the Ulster Hall on the morning of Feb. 8, the day of the rule demonstration at which Winston -'hurchill, first lord of the admiralty, s to speak, together with John Redmond, leader of the Nationalists. The corporation also forestalled any further possible manoeuvres by passing a resolution not te let Ulster E. M. Thorne Buys a Valuable Piece Hall for any further meetings, of any

UNIFORM LOAF OF BREAD

Consideration of Senator Casgrain's Bill Was Adjourned. Ottawa, Jan. 26 .- Regulation of the

aze of the loaf was again discussed by the Canadian Senate yesterday. Senator Casgrain's bill, designed for that purpose, was called for reference to the commit-The bill, which was introduced at the beginning of the session, provides that bakers shall make only loaves of six or three pounds, or a pound and a half on small bread below twelve ounces, and that they must keep scales and weight the bread when asked to do so by the Substantial penalties are provided

Senator Casgrain wanted the bill deal with in committee of the whole, where outside parties could not be heard and the bill delayed.

d Parliament's jurisdiction, and asked that the bill go to the bills committee, where the provincial governments and

SENT FOR TRIAL

Victims.

Gun With Which the Shooting Was

oney, was committed for trial by Police of Miss Christine Volk, of 500 Colborne street, and Mrs. Samuel M. Fraser, of 508 English street, on the night of Mon-

day, Jan. 15.

Both Mrs. Fraser, who is a lady of advanced years, and the Volk girl, again positively identified the prisoner as the man who committed the crimes, and de-spite the efforts of Mr. P. H. Bartlett,

thing to say in connection with the matter, the prisoner replied to the court. "I do not think anything is necessary now, but—"
"No! No!" interrupted Mr. Bartlett before Maloney concluded the sentence, and the prisoner again took his

tained the revolver with which they claim the prisoner shot Mrs. Fraser. was brought out today for the first Egelton learned that O'Brien had stop-John W. Lampman, of Mampbell stret, and after the arrest of the prisoner put Lampman into the sweat-

apparently of the opinion that Lampman was acting the part of a "stool-

At the conclusion of the case Croves Attorney McKillop asked that the witness be bound over in the sum of \$300 to appear at the trial at the assizes.

Mrs. Fraser Testifies. Mrs. Eliza Fraser, one of the complainants, was first called by Crown Prosecutor McKillop. She testified that have to be moved to put the street she had been out visiting with her hus-band, Mr. S. M. Fraser. She proceeded ones, and little difficulty would be exalong ahead of him, but when he did not arrive home she started back on

avenue. The block between English the meantime walked past his own Mrs. Fraser, when she did not meet Queen's avenue is a long one; in fact, her husband, turned between Adelaide one of the longest in the city, and if As she did so a man crossed over from the south to the north sidewalk, and

He then grasped her by the shoulders, and pressing a revolver to her other storekeeprs along Dundas street. life. On being told that she had no

A Devilish Act. "He appeared very much disappointed at not getting money, and. inches of my breast, fired," said Mrs. them. Fraser, "I screamed, and he again used threatening language, and made

notice which way he went." The prisoner was ordered to stand and while the land is cheap, now is the time to make the purchase, their attention. APPOINT JOHN SALMON

The bullet pierced Mrs. Fraser's clothes, and was only deflected by the steel of her corsets. Her coat was

To Mr. Bartlett, the prisoner's coun-'Are you certain that the man had "I thought he had, but it was dark

"Last Monday at the police station "Did Detective Nickle point this man

meet him."

"Now, Mrs. Fraser, I want you to be absolutely fair, as I am sure you will be. If you were left to will be. If you were left to your trustees utterly opposing the building of own judgment could you swear posithat this prisoner is the man

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With Monk's Sanction, They Have Packed Their Grips and Departed, Refusing to Return to the House Until the Government Dismisses the Montreal Harbor Board.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Jan. 26 .- It looks as though the smashing of the Government is in sight. There is another revolution among its following. This time it is not over a great question of principle like the ne temere decree which brought on the crisis of Monday, but over a sordid question of patronage.

For weeks the French members from Quebec have been pressing for the dismissal of the Montreal Harbor Commissioners. They have insisted that in spite of the fact that they are efficient, they are Liberals, and must go because

they are Liberals. The failure of the Government to act upon the suggestion of their Quebec following is declared to have made them ridiculous and the laughing stock of their districts. Today they have declared that they will stand it no longer, and the whole twenty-two of them have packed their grlps and left for home, with the an-

nouncement that they will not be seen in Ottawa again supporting the Government until the Liberal harbor commissioners of Montreal are dismissed. It is understood that the twenty-two French members have taken this action with the approval of Hon. F. D. Monk, miniser o public works, who has been pressing for a change on the harbor board. Being a minister, he has not joined the revolt, but it is said to have his ap-

ogether again and that he will suggest as a compromise that Commissioners Ballantyne and Geoffrion be dismissed, and that Chairman Stephens be con-

deavor To Have Street

Pushed Through.

Interested Parties in the Near

Future

At the meeting of the members of

matter has been given any serious con-

Mr. Charles A. Ross has given the

matter a great deal of thought, and

street, and it is not unlikely that very

soon he will make personal application

to the council to put the proposition

Not Costly.

It is stated that the property re-

uired to make the extension can be

on Rectory street at this point is in

of the money that would be needed.

Two houses on Queen's avenue, and

ome house on Dundas street would

It is also thought that if the exten-

one wants to go around to the corne

eans so much more extra walking of

riding whereas if Rectory street wer

car service, and the merchants and

Progressives in Favor.

The East End Progressives ar

the matter, and have it explained to

"It will be a great improvement,"

stated one member of the Progressive

support of everybody in East London.

A street is badly needed at this point,

Other members expressed the same

WHO IS AGAINST SCHOOL

County Council Will Likely Do

This in the West Nissouri

Matter.

A lively debate is probable at this

afternoon's session of the county council

of the school. He was nominated by Councillor Fitzgerald, reeve of West Nissouri, who is one of the most ardent opponents of the school. By recommending Salmon the committee throws down the candidate of the faction supporting

However any motions now on the re-

of Rectory and Dundas streets,

extended, it would save all this

brought to his notice.

perienced in purchasing them.

May Go To Law.

and Ontario streets on Dundas

tself sufficient to warrant the spending

has figured out the benefits that will

accrue by the extension

sideration.

It is expected that Hon. L. H. Pelletier will endeavor to bring the parties

MAY DISMISS TWO.

The revolt was determined upon at mid-day and created great excitement EAST LONDONERS OPEN RECTORY TO QUEEN'S AVE. TALK ANNEXATION

East End Progressives Will En- Committee Named to Bring carried out by the assessors, no instructions having been issued, al-London Junction Into the City.

PETITION TO COUNCIL MARKET FOR EAST END One Will Likely Be Presented by the Progressives on Thursday Night Discussed Many Matters of Importance.

A committee, composed of Messrs. he East End Progressive Association E. B. Hargraves, R. Christian, Wil-Thursday evening, it was stated that liam Wakeling, and W. L. Pearson, income tax is levied, there were many was appointed by the East End railroad men whose runs were beouncil to consider the suggestion of Progressive Association at treet to Queen's avenue. The im- the resident of London Junction in income tax in Winnipeg on income portance of having Queen's avenue and regard to joining the city of Lon-less than \$1,500 they moved their don. It is thought that many of the families to Winnipeg.

Pottersburg people are desirous of The minister, in replying to the entering the city and as this point.

ners, but it is only recently that the entering the city, and as this will latter has been given any serious conare taking the matter un East End Market. The question of the new market or East London was discussed . the meeting, and plans were suggested for the outlay of a market square between Rectory and Glebe streets, on Dundas street. The weigh scales are located at this point, and it would only be necessary to purchase the land around them to make a very suitable location that would ought at a reasonable figure, and that

be handy to all East Londoners. The the advantage of having an extra block matter will be more deeply threshed out at a later meeting. Owing to the fact that Court Stella is holding an anniversary meeting in Society Hall on the night of Feb. 8, the East End Progressives will can-

cel their meeting to be held that

BE PUBLICITY AGENT Council Asking for Money to Boost the City This

WILLIAM MORRIS MAY

Year. also enable the residents of this section to get into closer touch with the street Application will be made in the city of London bill to allow the city council to set aside a certain sum of money, possibly \$5,000, for publicity purposes A branch of the Dominion Bank is located at the corner of Rectory and The council at its meeting this after-Dundas streets, and it is as a result of noon will discuss that question, and this that Mr. Ross had the matter first from what can be learned, the re-

quest will be forwarded to the Legislature. According to the municipal act, the greatly in favor of the plan, and will city of London is allowed but \$1,500 for give it their support. They will invite Mr. Ross to attend their meeting More than half that amount is annually on Thursday evening next to discuss taken up in deputations, entertainment of distinguished visitors, etc. eaving but a very small amount for ndustrial purposes. oCuncils in the past have been unable to accomplish

much with this sum of money.

As a result ,an effort will be made to get the Legislature to allow the city to expend a sum estimated at \$5,000 or industrial purposes. "If we cannot get that amount, we opinion, and they will give the matter can do nothing," one of the members of the manufacturers' committee stated to The Advertiser. "The money we now have on hand is a mere trifle, and

we will be in no position to compete

vith our neighbors. If we get the

ublicity agent, or industrial commisioner, whatever you want to call him, we will give manufacturers plenty of to locate here. Probably the Man. As mentioned some time ago, ouncil will appoint a publicity agent, rovided the money is forthcoming. City Clerk Baker now has the names of several, the majority of them men of experience elsewhere. A gentleman from Sherbrooke, Que., Mr. William Morris, is the favorite of the alderman The committee on education at their morning, decided or recommend the appointment of John something in the neighborhood of \$2,-

Salon as county trustee for the new Sex Nissouri continuation school.

Mr. Salmon is opposed to the building of the school. He was nominated by Of course, there will be opposition Ald. Richter considers that the board of trade should do something towards Calgary the publicity campaign, and if they will assist, good results will follow.

LOCOMOTIVE EXPLODES. syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 20.

dead and another dying as the result of the blowing up of a locomotive on the Father Point... 10 —10

Father Point.... 10 —10

Monte Court of the blowing up of a locomotive on the Minus (—) means below zero.

Weather Notes. Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 26.- One man is Ottawa cords of the school board cannot be repealed by three members out of six, and in this way the supporters of the school board. Alfred L. Bretzer, the engage will have an edvantage at the school gives of this class. in this way the supporters of the school morning. Alfred L. Bretzer, the entray still have an advantage although they cannot make any new moves.

Weather Notes.

Very cold weather still prevails over the Dominion, with temperatures much below zero in most localities.

At Kenora, for instance, where an opinion. their tween Winnipeg and Kenora. As full whether this year's council would extending Rectory street from Dundas meeting Thursday evening, to petition they were not compelled to pay an favor the proposal the resident of London to Dundas the Resident of Dundas the Resident

> requests, said it had been the custom to appoint a special two or three years in order that the assessment act could be revised and any little injustices remedied. The time for another revision, he said. was not far away. It would not be taken up this session, but before the Legislature met next year the act would be revised again. When it was under consideration, the engineers could again present their views. the exemption for engineers had been increased from \$700 to \$1,200 in the past few years, there was no doubt but that their requests again would

favorably considered. He could not promise, however, that the committee would see eye to eye with them. He would promise, however. that the special committee would give their views very favorable consideration. As the engineers are asking for an exemption of \$2,000, they went away

eeling confident that the special ommittee would at least fix the amount at \$1,500.
The Deputation. Among those who formed the deputation were: Messrs, P. Heenan, of Kenora; Thomas Bruce, of London: T. R. Irwin, of Toronto; Charles Clarke, of London; J. Curry, of Smith's Falls; B. Miller, of St. Thomas; W. W. Meirs, of Belleville: John Roberts, of Stratford; J. N. Chishelm, of Ottawa; McBride, of it now. If the city had been willing to Schreiber; C. Lawrence, of Thomas; B. Baker, of Ottawa; Craw ford, of Sarnia; Mimms, of Toronto: Lewis, of Palmerston; McMann, o. Lindsay; Hartney, of Havelock; Roach, of the Soo; Findley, or

William. Mr. Grant Explains. Assessment Commissioner Grant. when informed that the statement had peen made in Toronto that an exemption of \$1,500 in London had been as rule allowed the engineers in London, said that such is not the case. joint buildings. The law exempts \$1,200 income, and there is no special clause for the engineers. Mr. Grant further stated that there is such a wide difference between the salaries of employees, as given by the railway officials and the

receive, that in future the assessmen will be based absolutely upon the figures furnished by the companies. MEMORIAL TO PASTEUR. Dole, France, Jan. 26.—The local com-nittee, organized for the purpose of our chasing the house where Pasteur was Rockefeller to donate the purchase price, n addition to \$11,000 for its maintenance This offer was communicated to the mittee through the foreign office.

salaries the men themselves claim to

TOMORROW-COLD. Forecasts. Toronto, Jan. 26-8 a.m. Today-Easterly and northerly winds cold, with light snowfalls. Saturday—Continued cold. Temperatures. The following were the highest and owest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock this morning:

Stations.

Port Arthur....

THE WEATHER.

of the story that was wired out of Montreal last night to the Toronto Mail and Empire, to the effect that sick inmates as it is." prominent Roman Catholic clergy and laity in Montreal were starting a concerned it would seem from a easmovement with a view to persuading ual inspection that the county's poor

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of Property in Business Section. Mr. E. M. Thorne, the shoe man, on Thursday concluded the deal where

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Other members of the Senate question-