EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN CARTOON BY LOU SKUCE.

Street Railway convicted as a nuisance. Granites retain Ontario Tankard. John Bull opens new parliament. Weston pays tribute to her first citizen. Whitney raises pay of Ontario's hired men.

FIFTY PER CENT. PREFERENCE TO BRITAIN

This is the Card of the Liberals if the Fielding-Knox Reciprocity Arrangement Succeeds in Passing Congress.

OTTAWA, Feb. 4. — (Special.) — Strange all this difference should be 'twixt tweedledum and tweedledee.

Reciprocity with the United States to-day hangs in the balance. The latest reports from Washington indicate that the present congress will not be able to deal with the tariff. The question then arises, what will the Canadian Parliament do? The necessary tariff changes under the proposed reciprocal arrangement will pass parliament. So far the Laurier government will stand by its platform. But it will be the requiem of reciprocity.

At the Liberal convention in Ottawa in 1893, reciprocity was made a feature of the platform then adopted. Up to the present that dream of the old generation of Liberals of the Cartier-Brown-Mackenzie school, has not been capable of realization, and Hon. George E. Foster has enjoyed taunting Sir Wilfrid Laurier in parliament and on the platform, "Will the hon. gentleman tell me one promise he has redeemed, just one."

So, whether reciprocity becomes a fact or not, Sir Wilfrid will be able to face his critics and say, "Yes, we obtained an agreement with the United States for a measure of reciprocity."

Increase Preference

The government has not yet disclosed its full hand with respect to the tariff changes. Ottawa advices say that if congress ratifies the reciprocal tariff, Sir Wilfrid Laurier will strengthen his position in the country by increasing the British preference to 50 per cent. The preference now gives the British manufacturer a cut of 33 1-3 per cent. on the general tariff. Notwithstanding any reduction in favor of United States imports, British products will still have a paramount place in the Canadian tafiff.

On the other hand, suppose reciprocity does not go thru, what then? The plan of the government under such circumstances will be to take the position that they have redeemed their pledge, but as the scheme is not acceptable to all parties it will be shelved. And instead of increasing the British preference to 50 per cent. the policy will be free trade with Britain. Sir Wilfrid is moving cautiously. He will not relinquish the whip hand, and while the Conservatives are guessing the tried chieftain of the Liberals is keeping his own counsel.

Split Among Conservatives.

On Tuesday of this week the full dress debate will be on, and it will probably take a fortnight or three weeks to dispose of the matter. Apart from the Liberals it is not thought there will be a party line-up. The western members know the feeling of their constituents in favor of freer trade with the American republic. The recent demands of the grain growers has been sufficient mandate for them to support the government. R. P. Roblin and Robert Rogers to the contrary, it is doubtful if the representatives of the prairies constituencies will disregard the strong sentiment that is current in that part of the Dominion for a lowered tariff.

Revision Must Follow.

There are those who think even if reciprocity is defeated this time that the United States, on the general tariff revision which must follow, will lower duties on foodstuffs, and a reciprocal agreement will be unnecessary. Public sentiment in the republic may force that, but the policy of the tariff officials in the United States is that no country will receive any benefit from the general tariff revision unless some corresponding favor is extended in return. It will really be an extension of the present favored nation clause.

Much will be said during the debate, both in Ottawa and Washington, pro and con, but as far as Canada is concerned, the outcome will be freer trade with somebody, and, best of all, with the motherland.

Thomas Foster's New Home.

Ex-Controller Thos. Foster is to become a resident of Rosedale. He has purchased the property at the northeast corner of Elm and Sherbourne sts., where he intends to build a large house to be occupied by himself. The cost of the land was $6000.

WEST AGAINST FREE TRADE SAYS PREMIER ROBLIN

Impression That Farmers Want Closer Trade Relations Mistaken One.

One of the strongest opponents in Canada to any reciprocal agreement with the United States is Hon. R. P. Roblin, premier of Manitoba, who was in Toronto Saturday on his way back to Winnipeg, after conferring with Sir Wilfrid Laurier concerning the Manitoba boundary.

He said the impression that closer trade relations are looked for by the majority of western farmers is an erroneous one, and he declares that the western agriculturist is as interested as the eastern manufacturer in the maintenance of Canada's fiscal arrangements. Mr. Roblin believes reciprocity would mean the beginning of the end of Canada's strong and advantageous relations with the mother land.

"It is the entering of the wedge that will make the cleavage between the British Empire, which must always remain a greater empire than American continentalism.

"The material advantages that will accrue to the individual here and there are so outnumbered by the loss of business to our transportation companies, and to our shipping and other interests, that it is not worthy of serious consideration.

"The west is proud of the manufacturing interests of the east, and is opposed to any treaty that will disturb or make unstable the industrial life of any part of Canada. If the customs duties are too high on any article, parliament should reduce them or put them on the free list, but not revise the entire tariff at the suggestion of a foreign country, which does not even bind itself to keep their side of the compact 24 hours after it has been signed," he said.

CITY'S LEGAL RECORD

Statement of Solicitor Johnston Gives Interesting Information.

The city solicitor's reports for the last quarter of last year and for the past year will be presented. The quarterly report is as follows:

Superior and county court cases disposed of, 16, of which the city was successful in 6 and unsuccessful in 4; cases setled, 6; superior and county court cases pending, 110; arbitrations disposed of, 3; arbitrations pending, 9; applications of railways boards disposed of, 3; applications to railway boards now pending, 13; titles searched, etc., 29; amount paid on these certificates, $181,193; claims examined and disposed of by claims commission, 118; contracts, agreements, bonds and leases drawn in triplicate, 292; bylaws drawn and certified, 86; deeds in triplicate, 54; conveyancing and other charges collected and paid over to city treasurer, $73.50; disbursements collected and paid to city treasurer, $3.83; costs collected and retained by city solicitor and divided among city solicitor and assistants, $81.60.

Following is the report for the year showing the state of business in the law department up to the end of the year 1910:

Superior and county court cases disposed of, 33, of which the city was successful in 15, and unsuccessful in 9; cases settled, 9; arbitrations disposed of, 6; applications to railway boards disposed of, 23; claims examined and disposed of by claims commission, 270; titles searched and land claims paid on certificate by city solicitor, 64; amount paid on these certificates, $377,727.25; contracts, bonds and leases drawn, each in triplicate, 1255; bylaws drawn and certified (11 of which embrace 632 separate works), 243; letters received, 5969; letters written, including opinions, 6283; deeds drawn and certified in triplicate, 365; conveyancing and other charges paid over to city treasurer, $285.50; disbursements collected and paid to city treasurer, $240.94; costs collected and retained by city solicitor and divided among city solicitor and assistants, $660.71.

SILVER BULLION VANISHED

Charles Ritz Brought From Alberta to Face Trial at Sudbury

Charles Ritz of Helena, Montana, is to be brought to Sudbury to stand trial for the theft of silver bullion from the Canadian Copper Company of Copper Cliff. His deportation, followed by his arrest in Lethbridge, Alberta, has been secured by the provincial police.

The company discovered that the output of its refinery did not tally with the assay of ores taken there, and suspected that silver was being stolen. Later it was discovered that employes were taking bars of silver and selling them to agents at the American Soo.

COLLEGES MAY YET UNITE.

Two circulars have been issued by the Trinity and Wycliffe colleges urging the co-operation of these two Anglican institutions in theological education. Trinity's corporation has expressed by resolution its hope that Wycliffe will co-operate and the circular issued by Wycliffe suggests that that institution be accepted as the theological college for the diocese. A meeting will be held in connection with these matters at Trinity on Feb. 14.

Reaume to Quit Lucas Next Man

Minister of Public Works, Now in Europe, May Not Return to His Department.

The political changes have been rung on J. O. Reaume, minister of public works. The French-Canadian representative in the Whitney cabinet is now traveling in Europe, and The Sunday World is informed that he will not return to Canada as head of his department.

Speculations as to his successor are already being made, but probably Hon. I. B. Lucas will hold the breach until Sir James Whitney reaches a settlement of the present difficulty over the bilingual school question.

YONGE-ST. CROSSING OF C.P.R.

Question Comes Before Railway Commission at Ottawa on Tuesday.

The Dominion Railway Board will meet in Ottawa at 10 o'clock Tuesday and among the items up for consideration are: The question of elimination of the grade crossing of the C. P. R. at Yonge-street, North Toronto, application of G. T. R. for approval of its grade separation plans at the following points: Howard-avenue subway, Toronto (abutments); Jane-street subway, Township of York (abutments); Humber River bridge (east abutment, west abutment and centre pier.)

Application of G. T. R. for authority to instal a full interlocking plant at the crossing with the Niagara, St. Catharines & Toronto Railway, between Clifton Junction and Stamford, Ont.

Application of G. T. R. for approval of proposed deviation in location of its railway from Lindsay to Port Hope, as already constructed between a point near Peterboro and a point near Rice Lake summit.

Application of Georgian Bay and Seaboard Railway (C.P.R.), for authority to revise its grade from mileage 65 to 69 and its location from mileage 69 to near 73, which is in the Town of Lindsay.

Application of the Town of Steelton, Ont., to compel the C. P. R. to instal gates and a watchman at John-street.

MAJOR THORN RESIGNS

After Twenty-Six Years With Q.O.R., He Will Retire.

Major J. O. Thorn, who has resigned from active duty on the Queen's Own Rifles, is the first man to be placed on the corps' reserve by that regiment. Major Thorn has seen long, honorable service in the militia force of Canada, having been a member for 29 years. In March, 1885, he enlisted in the Queen's Own Rifles, and took a prominent part in the suppression of the rebellion in the Northwest, particularly at the relief of Battleford.

As a rifle shot he has gained a large reputation, having won the coveted badge for the best shot in his regiment, when quartermaster-sergeant of the Q. O. R. Major Thorn is president of the Northwest Field Force, and treasurer of the Canadian Militia Veterans' Association, in both of which he has always taken a keen interest.

RUINOUS TO SHIPPING

Inland Navigation Practically Killed, Says Lake Captain.

The Canadian millers and fruitgrowers are not the only people who will be hard hit if the reciprocity agreement goes thru, but, according to Capt. James B. Foote, the Canadian inland navigation routes will be practically knocked out of business. He declares that the big elevators at Minneapolis will get the greater part of the vast Canadian wheat crop and the grain boats that have heretofore been loaded with the grain at Port Arthur and Fort William will go empty-handed.

"During 1910 the Canadian vessels carried twenty million bushels of grain from Fort William to Montreal for shipment," he said, "only six million bushels being shipped by way of New York. If the reciprocity agreement goes thru it is easy to see where we get off at. Instead of the wheat being ground in the Canadian west or Montreal, it will gravitate to Minneapolis and be ground there. The elevators there are enormous and our millers will suffer severely."

He declared that one sure proof of the American success in the deal is the way the New York navigation companies are working to have the agreement made law. "If they didn't think they were getting the best of it, they would be working the very opposite to what they are doing now. The American vessels carry many times the amount of package freight that we do, and they get their coal chaper."

The Canadian navigation companies affected are: St. Lawrence and Chicago Navigation Co., Lake and Ocean Transportation Co., Merchant (Montreal), Island Navigation Co., and the Jacques Navalgation Co.

LUMBERMEN OBJECT TO TRADE AGREEMENT

National Association of Lumber Manufacturers Consider Their Interests Are Neglected.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—A hearing for the Pacific coast lumber manufacturers upon the Canadian reciprocity agreement was asked of the house ways and means committee to-day by Edward Hines of Chicago, president of the National Association of Lumber Manufacturers.

Mr. Hines practically admitted when before the committee that he personally would not oppose the agreement if American lumber interests could be allowed free logs from Canada. He said the treaty proposed to make lumber, but not logs, free.

Lumbermen want the same privilege that is given to the wood pulp manufacturers, said Mr. Hines. Pulp logs are made free by the treaty. North of Minnesota, he said, there is the largest body of white pine left in North America, but under the present conditions it must be manufactured on the Canadian side.

Mr. Hines was supported by Representative Fordney of Michigan.

Representative Champ Clark asked Mr. Hines whether lumber had not actually gone up after the reduction made in the last tariff bill. Mr. Hines answered that lumber from the manufacturers' standpoint had been going steadily down. The effect of the reduction in the Payne-Aldrich law, which he estimated at 37 1-2 per cent., had been partially to demoralize the industry.

Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee of the house announced to-day that hearings before that committee, regarding the Canadian reciprocity agreement, will close next Thursday at 5 p.m. The hearings will be limited.

Ottawa Clerics After Col. Hughes

Object to Slashing Attack Made on Rev J. H. Milne in the Commons.

OTTAWA, Feb. 4.—Local Protestant clergymen are up in arms, so to speak, against the slashing verbal attack made in the commons a few days ago by Col. Sam Hughes upon Rev. J. W. H. Milne of this city, in reply to some pulpit criticism of members of parliament, who take advantage of their privileged position to attack private citizens.

A meeting of the Ministerial Association of Ottawa has been called for Monday morning, at which the matter will be delt with, and it is expected a resolution condemning Col. Hughes will be submitted.

Several leading Protestant clergymen, in interviews here to-day, condemned the speech, which they characterized as unnecessarily abusive and low tactics, tending to cast reflections on the ministry as a whole.

Officers For Canada's Navy

Must be British Subjects and Have Lived Two Years in the Dominion.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 4.—A number of regulations in regard to the naval service are contained in this week's issue of The Canada Gazette.

Candidates for the positions of naval instructors for the instruction of junior officers are required to be British subjects and to have lived in Canada for two years. They should not be over 27 years of age and should possess an honor degree in mathematics.

The rates of pay range from $4 per day on entry to $10.50 per day, received by a captain-director of naval instruction. Traveling allowances of officers in the naval service are increased and the rates of pay of electrician and chief electricians in the service are revised.

Kept Employer's Money.

Charged with the theft of $46 from R. J. Rose of 154 Front-street, Mr. Levy Bowerman, his representative, was arrested in Berlin Friday night, and will be brought to this city today by Detective Armstrong. Bowerman collected the amount for the plaintiff and then failed to turn it in.

MARRIAGES

STONEBURN—PHILPS — On Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1911, by Pastor Byron E. Stauffer of Bond-street Congregational Church, Mildred E. Philps, Toronto, to Warren L. Stoneburn of Montreal. 67

WOULD MAKE DIRECTORS RECOUP LOSS TO BANK

Civil Action is Launched at Osgoode Hall by Curator Clarkson.

J. A. McAndrew, referee in the winding up of the Farmer's Bank, has issued a summons calling the four provisional directors to appear at Osgoode Hall Feb. 9 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The reason of their appearance as appears in the summons issued upon the application of G. T. Clarkson, liquidator, is:

"That it may be decided that the said provisional directors are jointly and severally liable to the said bank and to G. T. Clarkson as the liquidator to the amount of moneys which it may be found were disbursed by the said directors for which they are accountable, and also are liable to make good any loss which the said bank may have sustained and may be ordered to contribute to the assets of the bank such sums as the court may deem fit."

Mr. Clarkson is going out of the city to Vancouver, but his mission is said to have nothing to do with the Farmer's Bank. Inspector of Detectives Duncan was out of the city yesterday.

M'CARTHY WILL LOSE FIGHT

Opinion Abroad That Resolution Will Fail to Get Majority.

The temperance question promises to be the most absorbing topic at tomorrow's meeting of the city council. That it will be a fight not so much between the supporters and the opponents of the liquor interests is fairly certain and the members of the council who have pronounced views in favor of the liquor interests say they are anticipating a unique entertainment when the rival forces of the temperance interests, led respectively by Ald. McCarthy and Controller Spence, clash on the motion of Ald. McCarthy to memorialize the government regarding the shortening of the hours for the sale of liquor. They declare there is no possibility of the motion going thru because of the opposition of the Spence faction to it, on the grounds of its not being far-reaching enough.

Controller Church's motion to have the city council memorialize the Dominion Government to the effect that the reciprocity treaty with the States, the conditions of which he deems inimical to the best interests of the country, be not ratified, will be introduced, and the rules will in all probability be suspended to permit of its being discussed. It is likely to occasion considerable discussion.

The recommendation of the board of control to stick to the railway commission's decision for a subway at the site of the present G.T.R. crossing at Sunnyside will come up for discussion at the council meeting to-morrow and may occasion considerable argument because several of the aldermen from the wes end are very much in favor of extending Queen-street north of the tracks to Keele-street and Indian-rd. There is thought to be little doubt, however, that the recommendation of the board of control will receive the endorsation of the council.

Canadian Concern Loses Big Suit

Were After T. S. Cuyler, an Atlanta Broker, for Forty Thousand Dollars.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 4.—Announcement was made here yesterday that any claims against Telamon Smith Cuyler, the Atlanta broker, by the Canadian Cottons, Ltd., of Montreal, will be adjusted by arbitration and a suit against Cuyler in the nature of an attachment to recover about $40,000 on a cotton transaction, has been dismissed. Cuyler is confined in a private sanitarium.

A GREAT AUTO SHOW

Equines Will Have No Place in Big Display at Armories.

The directors of the automobile show have no desire to impugn the faithful old horse, but by their present program there will be an unfortunate but necessary absence of the faithful beast during the week of Feb. 25 at the armories.

Gasoline and electricity will take up an exclusive position in the motive facilities of the show, discounting at every turn the traditions of horsepower. These days the automobile factories of the Dominion are working overtime to provide special machines showing the place of the motor car in war as well as in commercial fields.

Equally disparaging to the horse will be the practical exhibition of aeroplanes in model form, three types of which have been completed showing the monoplane, bi-plane and tri-plane in action. Altogether the show will be an eye-opener to most Torontonians. Manager Wilcox having imported numerous new ideas by a recent visit to the New York Show.

LIT'TLE BOBBIE'S PA

By William F. Kirk.

Wife, sed Pa, I am now a fiolsofer. I have thought it all oaver, & at last I have decsided for to be a fillosofer. Well, sed Ma, I must say that you look it this eevning. I nevver seen a man yet, sed Ma, that wasent in favor of late hours. Tell me, dear hart, sed Ma, wen & how you caim to maik up yure keen mind to be a fillosofer.

It was this way, sed Pa. This noon I had lunch with Professor Ray, the star gazer, & he had bacon for his peece de resistance, wich is French for tough eating. Then the professor sed to me: Every time I eat bacon I think of that grand fillosofer wich rote Bacon's essays & a large part of Shakespeer. Have you evver read Bacon? Then I toald the professor that I hadent, & him and me went right oaver to a library & I got a copy of a book by Mister Bacon called The Fillosofy of Life. It dealt largely with wimmen, Pa sed, and so I brought it hoam to read it to you. Lissen to this passage, sed Pa. I think after you have heard it you wont think so much of yure wunderful sex. Lissen:

It would seem, to a mind untram-melled by anything al-tru-istic, that woman is a feend in human form, but to them wich has in mind the dethless devosaun of Helen of Troy, which left her husband beekaus she hated to see him rote anything like that. He dident, sed Pa; then what have I been reeding to you? Oh, I see, sed Pa, it is a copy of Shopenhaur, that grand old German grouch. I thought all the time it was Bacon. But it is grand stuff, jest the saim, under dubbel expense, & Cleopatry, the feemale Nat Goodwin—

What are you reeding, sed Ma. Mister Bacon nevver, sed Pa. Lissen to this line:

Woman is like the feeline cat. The cat is smooth and easy to rub the right way. So is woman. The cat can purr good and plenty wen the witching hour of payday cums around, but also she can always be reelied on to be there wen it cums to the scratch. So can woman.

Well, sed Ma, if that is all the fillosofy that you can talk about, you better throw that book away and cum to dinner. I doant mind you wanting to be a fillosofer, sed Ma, beekaus, goodness knows, it taiks sum hero to be a fillosofer nowadays. Speeking of fillosofers, Ma sed, the iceman sed that he cud wait till the next time he calm for his bill, and the grocer sed that you dident need to hurry.

That's the whole thing about fillosofy, sed Pa. Each knows that the other is a true beelesver in the grate laws of Nature. Why, sed Pa, you cuddent get that grocer or that iceman to hurt my feelings if you was to thretten them both with automatick guns. That is what Mister Bacon & them other grand minds called the Brotherhood of Man, sed Pa. Jest then the bell rang & Pa went to the door. There was a big fat man at the door. He toald Pa that he was the iceman. Ah, sed Pa, so you are a fillosofer, too. No, sed the iceman, I am not a officer, I am a iceman. It is now two weeks that the payments is not, & ice is getting all the time no cheaper. Two dollars I ask. So Pa paid him the two dollars, & jest then the grocer caim & rang the bell, & Pa had to pay him, too, so I guess that he dident have very much munny left.

Wen he caim back in the dining room he dident say any moar about Bacon, maybe he was afrade the butcher wud cum.

FOUR HUNDRED CASES OF TYPHOID AT OTTAWA

Dr. J. W. McCullough, Chief Provincial Health Officer, Investigates Cause of Epidemic.

OTTAWA, Feb. 4.—Dr. J. W. McCullough, chief health officer for the Province of Ontario, arrived in Ottawa this morning in connection with the typhoid fever epidemic. He immediately started out with Dr. Law, M.H.O., to make investigations.

Mr. J. O. Meadows, sanitary engineer for the Province of Quebec, has been in the city for several days, so that it is likely some plans for a sanitary survey of the Ottawa River will be agreed upon at once. The number of typhoid cases is now upwards of 400.

Oswego Approves Reciprocity Pact

Looks For Much Benefit From Trade Treaty Between Canada and U. S. A.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Feb. 4.—Resolutions approving the proposed reciprocity agreement with Canada and urging favorable action by congress were adopted by the chamber of commerce to-day. Oswego is chiefly interested in the provisions which will admit barley and other grains, lumber and wood pulp, free of duty, as it is believed this would restore the commerce with Canada which was lost to this port by the tariffs.

HAD STORMY PASSAGE

Wave Sixty-Five Feet Hight Sweeps Ocean Liner Brandenburg.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Bearing marks of a stormy passage, the North German Lloyd steamer Brandenburg from Bremen, reached port here to-day.

Her officers told of a tremendous sea which flooded the vessel from stem to stern on Jan. 31, smashed ventilators, life boats, stanchions, bridge and deckhouse and stove in the crow's nest, fifty feet above sea level.

The lookout in the crow's nest had a narrow escape. The officers on the bridge estimate the height of the sea at sixty-five feet.

GYPSY CAMP BROKEN UP

Routed Out of Eglinton, Slept in Stable With Four Bears.

The gypsy camp that has been an annoyance to Englinton residents has been removed by the law's minions and the whole outfit, including four brown bears, horses and wagons, three men and several women and children, will be deported to the United States, whence they came.

County Constables George Simpson, Frank McMullen and John Brown arrested them Friday night, and the whole outfit was billetted in the Cross livery, 77 West King-street, where they will remain until the necessary arrangements can be made thru the immigration officials for their deportation.

Independence of Country at Stake

Montreal Star Says Treaty Would Mean the Death of the Canadian Nation.

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—The Montreal Star devotes its whole front page today to a plea against reciprocity, under the captain, "An appeal to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the one man who can save Canada."

It says: "We do not believe that his (Sir Wilfrid's) mind was ever made up to accept so sweeping a reciprocity scheme as that proposed. It is no more than truth to say that none realized the inward meaning of the shrewdly-framed offer of the American Government, as cunning a trap as was ever laid.

"We know now," it adds, "that such a 'gift' can only be accepted by the barter of our commercial and ultimately our political freedom."

"It means, in fact," the article concludes, "annexation, and this in turn means the bleeding of Canad's financial, labor and all other interests for the benefit of the United States.

"To-day Sir Wilfrid has the ball at his feet. The Canadian people have never watched him so eagerly. It is not a business deal, but the fate of a nation. He is deciding for or against the annexation of Canada to the American Union."

QUEEN MARIA PIA, Grandmother of the deposed King Manuel, whose poor health is causing considerable apprehension.