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ELEVENTH YEAR. WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 11, 1890. ONE CENT.

LUCK FOR THE EX-TREASURER

HON. A. M. ROSS TO BE MADE CLERK OF THE YORK COUNTY COURT.

A Fat Office for the Man from Huron—But There Is a Great Kick Thereat Among the Local Applicants—Farmer Awrey Comes Down from Wentworth to See the Premier.

The latest political news is in regard to the vacant clerkship of the County Court of York, recently filled by the late Walter McKenzie, and worth from $6000 to $10,000 a year. The Mowat Government have practically decided to give it to their late colleague and treasurer, A. M. Ross of Huron, without, however, consulting the city or county members. There were 20 applicants in the field, mostly local men, and pushed by Mr. Tait, Mr. Davis, Mr. Smith and Dr. Gilmour. There is, consequently, any amount of kicking on the part of the local aspirants and their friends. They were furious last night and the Reform Club was filled with their protests. "Let Ross take the registrarship of Huron!" was the cry. "Give some of us a chance after the big work we did last week." But Mr. Mowat simply says we must use the office for the provincial interests of the party and not from a local standpoint.

Reconstructing the Cabinet.

There are seven portfolios in the Government, and of these three are vacant—the Treasury, Minister of Agriculture and Provincial Secretaryship.

It is pretty certain now that Col. Gibson will not further tackle governmental honor or position. Mr. Drury is out of the calculation. The question arises, how shall the three vacancies be filled?

Hon. G. W. Ross, discredited in the Ministry of Education, to be made Provincial Treasurer.

Mr. Harcourt of Monck, the only other available man for the position, to be Minister of Education.

Mr. Awrey of South Wentworth, for Provincial Secretary.

Mr. Dryden of South Ontario, for Minister of Agriculture.

Such was the talk yesterday, notwithstanding that The Globe contained the following editorial:

We observe that some of our Conservative contemporaries are anxious to switch Mr. Ross out of the Department of Education into some other. All this is purely the work of imagination. No such change is contemplated. Mr. Ross will continue to hold the office of Minister of Education. And the next four years will be fruitful of wise reforms and important educational achievements. Mr. Ross is a strong and progressive minister, wholly devoted to the work in which he is engaged, and there is no fear but the policy of advance will be maintained while he controls the affairs of the Education Department.

In spite of this statement in The Globe there is no getting over the fact that quite a large section of Reformers are pressing that Mr. Ross be assigned to some department where he will not do so much harm.

Nicholas Awrey On the Move.

Hamilton Herald: Coming from the verdant reaches of South Wentworth, from the heart of its finest farms and most fertile spots, Nicholas Awrey, farmer and M.L.A., should know something of agriculture. Whether agricultural knowledge is a requirement in making a man minister of agriculture does not appear. But Mr. Awrey should make a good Minister of Agriculture—is perhaps the most available man in the House for the position. If we can't have a Cabinet Minister in Hamilton, let us at least have one in Wentworth.

"Nick" was in town yesterday and interviewed Mr. Mowat. Whether he filed his claims or not The World could not learn. But the talk is that Mr. Awrey assured Mr. Mowat that as a cabinet minister he could easily carry South Wentworth notwithstanding his reduced majority last week.

Mr. Awrey, after his interview, left for Walkerton on a political mission to Mr. O'Connor, M.L.A. of South Bruce.

"We must have a strong candidate to contest South Ontario," said a Conservative yesterday, "if John Dryden is taken into the Cabinet." Dr. J. C. Connor, who lives in that riding, is confident that Mr. Dryden can be returned again.

Talk of Protested Elections.

Talk of protested elections is circulating in Conservative quarters. From East and West York, Peel, South Wentworth and a dozen other ridings have come reports of corruption. Even Mr. Tait's seat in Toronto may be questioned. To unseat him would let a Conservative in. The Liberals also talk of protesting a number of Conservative seats on account of bribery.

Equal Right Reformers and Mr. Mowat.

What will be the position of the Government supposing Mr. Meredith brings in a straight motion of want of confidence, based on Mr. Mowat's separate school legislation? The Equal Rights Reformers in the House will have to support Mr. Meredith. Just how many of these men there may be in the House we should like to know from The Mail, which has been keeping count of them. It begins to look as if Mr. Mowat may yet be put in a hot-box when the legislature meets.

THE QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

Seven Ministerialists and Two Opposition Members in By Acclamation.

MONTREAL, June 10.—Nominations for the Legislative Assembly took place to-day throughout the province. Nine seats went by default, seven to the Ministerialists and two to the Opposition. The members elected were all in the last House and all sat for their present constituencies except the Premier, who represented St. Hyacinthe, but by the grace of Dr. Martin of Bonaventure comes back from that county. Polling takes place June 17, except in Gaspe, where it is a week later. The members-elect are:

Constituency.	*Ministerial.*	*Opposition.*
Bonaventure	Mercier	
Ch rlevoix	Morin	
Joliette	Barinet	
Lotbiniere	Laliberte	
Montreal West		Hall
" Centre	McShane	
Pontiac	Poupore	
Quebec Centre	Rinfret	
" East		Shehyn

The Third Party Routs the Printers.

MONTREAL, June 10.—The strike in The Herald office is at an end. The management has now a full staff of compositors, and tomorrow morning will issue the usual 8-page paper. The non-union men employed are under a police escort when they go on the street. They are quartered in The Herald office.

The paper was got out for eight days in single sheets by the assistant editor, two reporters, the cashier, the telegraph editor and the office boy. The assistant editor was the only man in the lot who had a fairly thorough knowledge of setting type and making up forms. The improvised staff were pretty well used up when the siege was raised.

Drowned at Kinmount.

LINDSAY, June 10.—Kinmount was thrown into a state of excitement on Friday morning last by the sad intelligence that Mr. Robert Bryans, son of Mr. Bryans, lumberman of Toronto, had been drowned in the river. Mr. Robert Bryans, who has been looking after the estate of Mr. Robert Bryans of Lindsay, was a young man 22 years of age, and was a favorite with one and all. He was out in his canoe, and although only a short distance from shore when the canoe upset, he was not able to reach shore, being unable to swim. The remains were taken to Lindsay on Saturday and buried on Sunday afternoon at Cannington.

The General Assembly's New Moderator.

OTTAWA, June 10.—Dr. Laing of Dundas will be successor to Principal Grant in the moderatorship of the Presbyterian General Assembly which opens in Bank-street church on Wednesday evening of this week.

SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION.

A General Store at Lynnville Burnt—Four Persons Scorched.

SIMCOE, June 10.—At Lynnville, 5 miles from here, B. Hall's general store and stock were consumed by fire yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Young, Mrs. Cabal and Mr. Boughner were badly burnt, Mr. Young probably fatally. The fire originated in a room where oil was stored.

Other Fires.

ST. JOHNS, Que., June 10.—Black's Opera House in Richelieu-street was destroyed by fire last midnight. Loss $40,000.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Fire gutted the city button works, owned by Max Erlinger, here to-night. Loss $75,000.

WINNIPEG, June 10.—Two thousand cords of wood belonging to Smith, Curtis and the Portage Milling Company were burned at Oakville Station on the Northern Pacific & Manitoba Road. Loss $2000.

THE CROWD WAS GREAT

At the Concert Given by the Choir in Jarvis-street Baptist Church.

"I've been here 16 years and I never saw such a crowd before," said the door-keeper at Jarvis-street Baptist Church last evening. The occasion was an evening with the choir, when an excellent program of music and readings was rendered. Miss May Donnelly sang "She Wandered Down the Mountain Side" and "The Banks of Allan Water." Mr. H. M. Blight sang "The Yeoman's Wedding Song." Mr. Harry M. Field gave a number of selections on the piano, and Mr. Grenville P. Kleiser's recitations: "The Spanish Duel" and "The Legend of the Organ Builder" were highly applauded. A number of excellent part songs were given by the choir under the direction of Mr. A. S. Vogt.

At the conclusion of the concert the members presented Mr. Vogt with a handsome solitaire diamond ring as a slight token of their appreciation of his services as organist and choirmaster and of their personal regard for him. As conductor of the choir for the past two years he has devoted himself with untiring energy to its interest and has been eminently successful, the choir being acknowledged to be one of the foremost in the city.

A Farewell Concert in St. Clarens-avenue.

The completion of Rev. W. W. Andrews' term as pastor of St. Clarens-avenue Methodist Church was made the occasion of a farewell concert last evening, when he was presented with an address, and the excellent program provided included songs by Misses Luno and Leadley, a selection "With Sheathed Swords" by Mrs. Dale, Misses Leake and Graydon, and Messrs. Lawson, Bruels, Ralston and Knott, and an address by the Chairman, Rev. T. Bartley of Dovercourt.

A successful concert was given last evening at Woodgreen Methodist Church.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The Annual Meeting of the Y. W. C. G. Encouraging Reports Presented.

The third annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Guild was held last night in Association Hall. The chair was occupied by Rev. Dr. Parsons, and there were on the platform Hon. S. H. Blake, Rev. Dr. Potts, Rev. Dr. Parker and Mrs. John Harvie, president of the guild. There was a large audience of ladies and gentlemen.

After the chairman's opening address a nice musical program was disposed of, these soloists taking part: Miss Walsh, Miss Murray, Miss Houston and Messrs. Parks and Levian.

Mr. Blake read the annual report, which was encouraging. Since the organization of the guild three years ago 750 members have been added. At present the headquarters are at 208 Yonge-street, but this year efforts will be made to raise funds for a new building. During the year 8736 persons have visited the parlors and 51 meetings have been held with an average attendance of 130. The classes in shorthand, penmanship, sewing, mutual improvement, etc., have been largely attended. The financial statement showed a small balance on hand. The King's Daughters and the members of the Sick Benefit Society have been instrumental in spreading comfort among the sick and needy and in distributing flowers and literature.

Mr. Blake referred to the lack of a building for the young girls of Toronto, and offered to contribute $1000 towards suitable quarters.

Dr. Pott's, in seconding the adoption of the report, paid a high tribute to the officers' management.

These officers were elected:

President—Mrs. John Harvie.
Hon. Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Dr. Atkins, Mrs. J. W. Devlin, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. W. F. Smith, Mrs. George Wilson, Miss Lockhart.
Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Brettner, Mrs. H. B. Gordon, Mrs. J. Blavin, Mrs. R. Donald, Miss B. Walton, Miss Watson, Miss Neil.
Secretaries—Miss A. S. Brown, Miss Lillie McDonald, Miss Henry.
Treasurer—Miss Jessie Mitchell; assistant, Miss Percie.
Trustees—Hon. S. H. Blake, Dr. Atkins, W. H. Howland, John Harvie.

OPENING OF THE SUICIDE SEASON.

An Unknown Man Jumps From the Goat Island Bridge.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., June 10.—This afternoon one of the park policemen saw a man on Goat Island bridge climb the railing and jump into the water. He was carried down by the current and passed over the American Falls. A few minutes afterwards the body was seen in the middle of the river near the Maid-of-the-Mist landing. The steamer started after it but it almost immediately disappeared and has not yet been recovered. There is no clue to the identity of the suicide.

The body of Mrs. Beagen, the woman who suicided by jumping into the river above the Falls on the American side last Sunday, was found in the whirlpool this evening.

Cobourg Wants the C.P.R.

COBOURG, June 10.—A meeting composed of the reeves of the different townships in this county, together with a railway committee composed of citizens of Cobourg, was held in the Council Chamber to-night for the purpose of discussing the new railway scheme to connect with the Canadian Pacific Railway. The people of Cobourg are determined to get connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway and the tone of the meeting to-night augurs well for the successful carrying out of the scheme.

A Prize Fight Results Fatally.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 10.—Harry McBride, who was badly punished in a brutal glove fight with Frank Larne at the Golden Gate Athletic Club 1st night, died this morning. Larne is in jail. Secretary Jamieson of the Golden Gate Athletic Club; Frank Jones, a director of the Club; Joe Bowers, Wm. McGrath and John Joel who seconded the contestants, were arrested to-day as accessories to the murder.

The C. & G. T. Free to Cut.

CHICAGO, June 10.—The quarrel over the dressed beef rates in which the eastern roads are engaged has resulted in the withdrawal of the Chicago & Grand Trunk from the Central Traffic Association. The officials of that road are incensed at Chairman Blanchard for refusing to authorise them to protect their differential rate. They will now make such rates as they see fit.

Anti-Chinese Laws Denounced.

NEW YORK, June 10.—The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to-day adopted a resolution denouncing the Chinese restriction laws as unjust and contrary to the genius of American institutions. All missionaries were called upon to remonstrate against the Chinese legislation.

A Policeman's Widow's Death.

Coroner Duncan yesterday afternoon began an inquest into the death of Mrs. Kearns of 157 River-street, the widow of the late Policeman Kearns, who died of blood-poisoning, which the attendant physician believed was the result of criminal malpractice.

The Sugar Syndicate.

MONCTON, N.B., June 10.—The Transcript says the sugar refinery and cotton factory here are to be sold to a syndicate, and that Barrister O. L. Spencer of Cameron & Spencer, Toronto, is visiting West Moncton and Halifax in the interest of the sugar refinery syndicate.

A "Shocking" Crime.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Harris A. Smiler, lieutenant and bugler in the Salvation Army, was convicted of murder in the first degree here to-day. Smiler shot and killed his third living wife in April last.

Beeton & Playtner, 25 Leader-lane.

Owing to the gradual increase in my business I find myself unable to attend to it alone and therefore have taken into partnership Mr. Henry Playtner, a thoroughly first-class watchmaker, whom I have known intimately for five years past. We confine ourselves to the adjustment of good watches only, and in the future can promise promptness as well as fine workmanship. 136

A FALSE FRIEND.

Alleged to Have Betrayed His Trust and Despoiled a Widow's Daughter.

Mrs. Annie M. Gardiner, a widow residing at Clarksburg, in Grey county, is the plaintiff in one of the saddest cases ever brought before the Toronto courts. In 1888 she placed her 9-year-old daughter Emma in charge of Samuel Friend and his wife of Thornbury. The young girl is alleged to have fared badly at the hands of her adopted parents who it is claimed provided her with miserable accommodation and had no fastening on her sleeping apartment. In December last, the girl being then in her 15th year, a hired man named Thomas Goldsmith, it is alleged, entered her room and assaulted her, and subsequently Friend assaulted his adopted daughter. Both the accused are awaiting trial for the crime, and the girl's mother has entered suit for $3000 against Friend and his wife for defaming Emma's character.

Before the Master-in-Chambers at Osgoode Hall yesterday a stay of proceedings was obtained in the civil suit pending the outcome of the criminal action.

Thousands Left Behind.

In the Surrogate Court yesterday the will of the late Lafayette Badgerow, farmer, of the County of York and brother of County Crown Attorney Badgerow, was filed for probate. The deceased was possessed of property in Canada valued at $38,475 and in the United States at $10,000. He leaves the whole to his widow and appoints her sole executrix. He directs that all his property in Canada be disposed of and the proceeds, or as much of them as his widow shall deem fit, shall be applied to the purchase of property near Blair, Nebraska. On the death of Mrs. Badgerow the property is to be divided between his children, five sons, Martin, Peter, Justin, Truman and George, getting one-seventh each, and the four daughters, Mary Ann, Hannah, Ella and Ademine, getting one-fourteenth each.

Mrs. Mary Cleary, No. 8 McCaul-street, applied to administer the estate of her late husband, Michael Cleary, shoemaker, amounting to $7960. He left no will.

Mrs. Elizabeth St. John applied to administer the estate of her late husband, Philip L. St. John, farmer of Georgina Township, who left no will, but $7000 in property.

Settling the Amounts Out of Court.

The St. George accident case got another airing before Mr. Justice Rose yesterday. The trial jury were not recalled, as was expected, but were discharged. It is likely all the cases will be settled by the counsel on both sides. Yesterday these settlements were made:

Elizabeth Francis and Estate of William Francis, Woodstock, v. the Grand Trunk. The plaintiffs in this action sue for $20,000 damages for killing William Francis in the accident at the St. George viaduct. Case settled. The defendants pay all costs and pay the plaintiffs $2500.

Estate of Daniel Peacock, Woodstock, v. the Grand Trunk. The plaintiffs in this action sue for $20,000 for killing Daniel Peacock in the accident at the St. George viaduct. Case settled. The defendants to pay all costs and pay the plaintiffs $2600.

On the list the cases for the assessment of damages were as follows: Knight, Francis, Peacock, Martin, Pears, Karn, Marshall, Higgins, Hixon, Hylop, Andrews, E. Budden, S. Budden, McLeod, Forbes, Swan and Sanford.

Her Majesty's Veterans.

At the meeting of the Army and Navy Veterans' Society last night in Occident Hall President John Nunn was in the chair. These new members were added: His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught (life), N. Ferguson, R.N.; S. Richardson, late 13th Hussars (hon.); James Ryan, late 1st R.N.; A. McCurdy, late Connaught Rangers; P. Lonregan, late Royal Engineers; T. D. Dowland, late Royal Welch Fusiliers; J. Messenger, late 17th Lancers (a Victoria cross man); Captain H. P. Drayton, B. Marchman, late 13th Hussars (of the Noble 600); Henry Payne, late Royal Horse Artillery.

The society will assist in the Dominion Day celebration and the different societies throughout the province have been invited to attend.

A committee was appointed to arrange for the annual excursion.

The receipts for the evening amounted to $32.

Preparing Conference Work.

The Tabulating and Statistical Committee of the Methodist Conference met last evening in Elm-street church. Rev. A. M. Phillips was in the chair, Rev. R. Colloch acting as secretary. Resolutions on various subjects were tabulated under their separate heads.

The conference will open by a meeting in Elm-street Church to-night, where addresses will be delivered by Rev. T. W. Jolliffe of Bradford, J. A. Chapman, M.A., Parry Sound, and J. J. Maclaren, Q.C.

It was recommended that the conference appoint an additional committee on general conference legislation and that lay delegates be appointed at the quarterly instead of the district meetings.

Mrs. Ellis' Suit for Alimony.

A writ was issued yesterday from the Process office on behalf of Mrs. Mahala Ellis of 116 Rose-avenue, claiming separation and alimony from her husband Charles S. Ellis. The plaintiff sues for alimony to the tune of $8 a week. The defendant is a clerk with P. W. Ellis & Co., the jewelers of Wellington-street. "His salary is $750 per year and he allows me $8 a week," said a member of the firm last night to The World. "I see The Telegram states that he is a partner in the firm and that he allows $4000 per annum."

The couple have been married 10 years and they have three children. Mrs. Ellis (nee Miss Hardy) in her charge alleges cruelty and immorality against her husband.

A Big Suit Against the Grand Trunk.

Howland, Arnoldi & Bristol, acting on behalf of Edward F. Fauquier of Toronto, yesterday inaugurated a suit against the Grand Trunk Railway to recover $41,050. The plaintiff claims from the defendants a balance due for work done, materials provided and money expended on a contract between the plaintiff and the G.T.R. to the amount of $25,000. Further claim is made for money and materials for work done at the request of the defendants to the amount of $10,000, and interest to the amount of $1000. For breach of the first mentioned contract, the plaintiff sues for the sum of $8000 damages against Engineer E. P. Hannaford for withholding the final certificate of the completion of the plaintiff's contract.

Stonemasons' Troubles Still Unsettled.

The settlement of the stonemasons' strike, the last of the quartet, still hangs fire. Deputations from the master builders and the stonemasons union held a conference with President Davidson of the Board of Trade yesterday, but no agreement was consummated. The strikers were receiving 32½c per hour and went out for 35c. The masters are willing to concede 35c per hour for the first two years and 36 cents for the balance of a five year term, but this the men decline to accept, asking 36 cents per hour after the first year. They will hold a further conference.

The Order of Kapiolani.

Mr. Richard Howell of Toronto has received from King Kalakaua, at the hands of Consul-General J. E. Thompson, a second class medal of the order of Kapiolani, which has been conferred upon him for services rendered to Capt. Andrews in the cause of humanity, Mr. Howell having assisted the blind hero in the preparation of his book. The medal is of silver, oval in shape, and bears the inscription "Kulia I, Kanau." It is surmounted by a silver crown and crimson ribbon in a bow. It was manufactured specially to the king's order in Paris, France.

Charles Richmond Run Down.

Chief of Police Dealy of Meaford has won the $100 reward offered for the recapture of Charles Richmond, who escaped from the Central Prison some time ago. He telegraphed to the city yesterday that the man has been captured. Richmond is a bad thief and has been twice convicted at Owen Sound on charges of larceny. He was serving a term for stealing at Singhampton, and it was in the vicinity of this place that he was recaptured. He stole a span of horses since his escape. A guard was despatched to Meaford yesterday to bring the man back to his old quarters.

The Men of Caledonia.

The regular monthly meeting of the Caledonia Society was held last night in Association Hall. President Hugh Miller was in the chair.

These new members were elected: J. S. Adams, J. Lawson, A. Gillander, W. G. Ritchie, James Robertson, Robert McCalpin.

The annual excursion will be held on July 17 to Queenston Heights per steamer Cibola.

At the close of the meeting songs were rendered by Messrs. Imrie, Grant, Wright and Ritchie.

Engineer Forman's Mishap.

Engineer George Forman of the Northern Division of the Grand Trunk met with a serious accident at Gravenhurst on Monday night. He stepped from the cab intending to oil up and fell into a large hole at the side of the track, dislocating his right hip. He was brought to Toronto last night and conveyed to his home, 43 Claremont-street, in the police ambulance.

An $8000 Dog House.

The directors of the Industrial Exhibition yesterday decided to erect a new $8000 building for the dog show, and to expend $1000 for an addition to the fruit and flower building.

Sheffield House Importing Company (Registered),

5 Yonge-street, below King, will sell goods retail at wholesale prices. We only keep the best goods. C. E. Robinson, Manager.

'VARSITY'S URGENT NEEDS.

THE HON. CHANCELLOR EXPLAINS THINGS AT CONVOCATION.

A Grand Chance for the Wealthy Men of the Province to Come to the Front—A Stirring Scene Under Canvas on University Lawn—Conferring the Degrees—A Couple of Class Dinners.

Just a few feet from their old Alma Mater, now standing partially in ruins and in places overgrown with ivy, the matriculants, the graduates and those holding positions high in authority and in dignity yesterday attended the annual convocation of Toronto University. How touchingly did the Chancellor, Hon. Edward Blake, speak of the memories clinging like the ivy around the walls of that classic pile and of the wish of her sons that nowhere but within the shattered walls of Convocation Hall should they receive their degrees!

The graduates, undergraduates and their lady friends crowded the huge tent to its utmost capacity long before the hour when the faculty stepped upon the improvised platform. All the old college songs, "Old Grimes" among them, were in high favor and were sung by the students as they entered the tent and lined along the platform. Three hearty cheers were sent up for the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and President as they took their places.

Vice-Chancellor Mulock first took the chair and beside him on the platform were the Chancellor, Sir Daniel Wilson, Rev. Dr. Caven, Charles Moss, Q.C., Hon. G. W. Ross, Rev. Dr. Dewart, Prof. Chapman, Hon. Charles J. Pope, James Bain, jr., W. Macdonald, Dr. Reeve, Prof. Loudon, F. H. Torrington, Dr. Willmott, George Gooderham, Dr. Ellis, Dr. A. H. Wright, D. B. Willson, J. B. Walker, James Mills, Principal Dickson, Alan Macdougall, Rev. Dr. MacVicar, Dr. U. Ogden, Prof. Hutton.

Hon. Edward Blake was presented by Sir Daniel Wilson to Vice-Chancellor Mulock, who conferred upon the Chancellor the degree of LL.D. The Chancellor then took the chair and conferred the degrees.

The Chancellor's Oration.

The Chancellor in his address did not weary his audience with a full statement of details and figures relating to the progress of the university, although throughout he was most hopeful and sanguine as to her future prosperity. He spoke more of the recent fire, of the portions of the building reconstruction of which is most urgently necessary, and of the funds necessary to accomplish their reconstruction. He thanked the faculty and graduates for having again elected him to the honored position of Chancellor and then went on to speak of the progress and increased attendance in late years. The increase in the attendance was largely due to the increased provision for female university education—"the sweet girl graduates"—although the Chancellor didn't put it that way. "What might we not hope," he asked, "for the advancement of learning when we realised fully the benefit of doubling the sources of supply, when we accomplished the fuller proficiency of that half of the race who had hitherto been compelled to fight their way into those pleasant fields of learning at disadvantage?"

Most congratulatory was he upon the re-establishment of the great faculties of law and medicine. Waiving all details he rejoiced that the Legislature had recognised the importance of these faculties and that these professions existed for the public and not the public for these professions. It was of the highest concern that those who were to engage in the care of the bodies and estates of the community should be fitted for the task by receiving all those advantages in general education which Toronto University was enabled to provide—especially useful to the doctor and to the lawyer—her great biological department for the former, her new branch of general jurisprudence and constitutional law for the latter. He hoped, too, for a rapid development of that most important of departments, political science, to which chair Professor Ashley had been appointed. And here the Chancellor gave Prof. Ashley a word of praise. He had refused an appointment in Australia at twice the emolument received here. He now asked for some assistance, not to shorten his own hours of labor, but to enable him to use his time to the best advantage for the university. They were met here, as elsewhere, by financial difficulty, but he trusted that they might find means to meet Professor Ashley's modest request.

The Tendency Towards Specialization.

A few words were devoted to the growing tendency of students towards specialization to the detriment of their general training, which was of the greatest practical advantage in life and general learning, which made all the more valuable their special attainments. No student, for instance, should quit 'Varsity's halls without obtaining a perfect acquaintance with our own English language and without learning to appreciate and love our English literature. Even should a student make less apparent progress in his specialty, his practical advance would be greater, because he would know better how to use the advantage of his specialty. But he would not make less progress, but rather more. Moreover the acquiring of a love of English letters would grow with years and would confer upon him who attained it the highest and most enduring of earthly pleasures.

Then, introducing the most important part of his address, the Chancellor said:

And now I turn to that sad event which has left us to meet to-day on a grassy floor, with a canvas roof, hard by those walls, "all roofless and stormbroken," which were at once our shelter and our pride. [Applause.] In a few short hours the stately pile we loved so much, round which so many pleasant memories clung, the principal home and seat of learning in the Dominion, the chief glory of the city, was in the ruin we deplore. The authorities of the university were called to deal on the instant with questions of the greatest moment. Early the next morning the venerable president, the most active figure during the conflagration, had assembled the faculty, and by the kindly co-operation of kindred institutions was enabled to arrange for the uninterrupted prosecution of the work of the university. And here I must be your organ in expressing our warm and cordial thanks for the outbreak of sympathy, the offers of assistance and the liberal acts of sister institutions of educational, literary and political organizations, including the neighboring Province of Quebec, and of friends of Canada and of lovers of letters in the Old World and the adjoining Union. [Loud applause.] We have been pleasantly reminded that the public of letters recognises no narrow or political lines of demarcation; but that she, at any rate, aspires in her domain to realise "the brotherhood of man, the federation of the world." [Applause.] It became the duty of trustees of the senate and of convocation at once to grapple with the serious problems involved in the repair of our losses, and to strive to prevent any permanent damage to our work. It was the general voice that the exterior features of the old pile should be substantially reproduced. To the best use and the necessary remodelling of the interior much time and thought have been devoted. The aim has been to secure the accommodation needed, according to modern views and methods, and the lessons of our own experience, by our existing numbers, with reasonable space for proximate development. A general plan has been devised, so remodelling the interior as to give us an increased number of lecture rooms of various suitable sizes, with professional rooms and needed apartments for the students of each sex and the officials of the university. This plan devotes the old library and museum to the purposes of examination halls and occasional lectures, and the space of the old Convocation Hall to general educational objects such as I have described.

Special care is being given to questions of heating, lighting and ventilation, all defective in the old building, and difficult to perfect within its lines, but susceptible of great improvement. You will miss the rich ornamentation and elaborate carving of the interior. Economy demands this sacrifice in order that we may bring the cost of reconstruction within the estimate of $250,000, which is provided for by the insurance of $90,000 and the legislative grant of $160,000, freely given within a few days of the event, on the assurance that the authorities would look to private and municipal liberality for the large requirements beyond. In estimating these requirements we desire to regard economy on the one hand and the needs of the university on the other.

The Remaining Requirements.

What are the remaining requirements? They are four in number.

1. The books.

Our loss has been calculated, I believe, at $150,000, of which $50,000 is covered by insurance. The exertions of a committee of the senate and a committee of convocation, of which Mr. Walter Barwick is the indefatigable secretary, aided by local committees of our graduates, have resulted in substantial progress towards meeting the deficiency of $100,000. The Canadian list reaches $48,000, payable in instalments, and, of course, subject to shrinkage. It is very largely the offering of our graduates, aided liberally by friends. [Applause.] Various societies and distinguished friends of learning, and of Canada, on this and the other side of the Atlantic have come f rward. A most influential committee has been formed in London on the initiation of Mr. Staveley Hill, and under the chairmanship of Lord Lorne. Various foreign governments and great universities have liberally responded to our appeal.

We have been given the advantage of free transport by sea and land, and are relieved from that most odious tax on knowledge, the book tax. [Loud applause.] Considerable contributions of books have been made by our graduates off of their scanty stores, as well as by others at home and abroad. It is impossible now even to conjecture the results already realised. The best guess I can make is to value all, including the subscription list, at $70,000. Thus there would remain $80,000 to be still provided in books and money in order to make good our loss in books. I hope this sum may be provided without delay; it would be matter for deep regret if we were obliged to recognise a permanent loss in the matter of our books.

The University That Is To Be.

Our next want is a home for these books; and on this, as well as other points on which I am about to touch, you will understand that, no formal decisions having been taken, I speak for myself alone as to plans, opinions and advice, and that my estimates are only approximate. You will have already learned that the home is to be found elsewhere than in the old structure. We must then erect an isolated library, which I should like to see on the east side of this lawn, near the ravine. This building, I hope, will be the heart or the shrine in which shall be encased the heart of the university. We have learned that the laboratory, the experiment, the work in the field, original and practical investigation by the student, are the keys that unlock the stores of knowledge in the departments of physics and natural science. But we are only beginning to recognise to the full extent the fact that the main function of the professor, or at any rate for the lovers of learning, in the Belles Lettres and kindred departments, is after all very like that of the professor in those other branches. The library is his laboratory, and books are his tools and machines, and, in a sense, the subject of his experiments. His highest duty is to teach the student the use of books, to quicken his spirit, to point out his path, to remove his difficulties, to cultivate his love and his capacity for independent investigation.

But I am trespassing on ground on which it is perhaps dangerous for me to stray. Enough to say that I believe we will soon find much more professorial work of this kind, and that there is even now a general recognition of the library as a laboratory. Then it should be so planned as to make its use general, easy and convenient; it should be the central force, the hearthstone, the focal point, the "common room" for the intellectual repasts of the elite of the undergraduates. [Applause.] In its arrangement we should study the modern developments of the great, and even of the secondary, universities of the Republic, and the systems they have introduced with such great advantage, in part original, but mainly borrowed from the German seminar and the cours pratiques of France and Italy. Under this plan the bulk of the books are concentrated, on the stack system, in a moderate size fire proof room, while the many thousands of volumes are easily accessible and thoroughly catalogued. Attached to this bookroom are a set of studies, or smaller libraries, devoted to special use of classes or groups of students, who there carry on independent work under the guidance of their professor. Here, where are deposited works in actual use by the class they meet, conduct enquiries, read essays and engage in discussions under the teacher's care, and here is done the best and most fruitful work in certain branches. Such a building, with the requisite conversation rooms and other appliances, avoiding all needless expenditure, will cost under $60,000. And I place it first in the rank of our needs.

The Physical Needs of the Student.

I place next in order of pressing importance the gymnasium. [Applause.] It will be the physical centre, as the library will be the intellectual centre, of our system.

We want it for the health of the intellectual worker, that the student cannot neglect his body without injuring his mind. For a great while its need has been felt; and our long winter months, when the means of exercise and amusement close at hand and under shelter are so important, render it to us no less than vital. A gymnasium of moderate size and modern form, built with some regard to the elevation and with the convenience of a basement and a gallery, I reckoned very humble in other universities elsewhere, would cost about $25,000. A single story shed which would give one large floor space, but would be as ugly as sin and as inconvenient, would cost about $10,000. We ought to adopt the other plan, and it needs be even to confer our degrees for a time in our gymnasium.

And this brings me to the last item on my short list—a convocation hall, to be used on occasions like our university life. You may judge of its value when I remind you of the touching petition of our young graduates of this day, who asked that they might be allowed to receive their honors in the ruins of our ancient hall. [Applause.] Such a building would require a larger floor plan than the old one, which we had long outgrown, and, with a presentable elevation conformable to the general style of our architecture, would cost, I fear, $60,000. These three items of library, gymnasium and convocation hall I thus bring to $145,000 to which, if you add the deficiency on the books, you find a sum total to be provided of $175,000.

Discussing Ways and Means.

Now, as to ways and means. We have a building subscription list of nearly $60,000; the Quebec grant, so liberally given, is $10,000 and there are gymnasium subscriptions of $4000: in all $74,000, subject, of course, to some shrinkage, and which I call equal to near $70,000. Then there is at least the possibility that the property holders of this city may vote the proposed bylaw, the general result of which, I am told, is that it would improve our position by something less than $50,000, though costing the city greatly less than we gain. Should that by-law fail there will be a general deficiency of $105,000. Should it succeed there will remain a general deficiency of $55,000 to $60,000. Now, the Province has done its part; the graduates—not generally blessed or cursed with a superfluity of means—are doing theirs; and for what remains we have to look to the tangible sympathy of the wealthier citizens of this great corporation. What has been as yet subscribed has been mainly in considerable sums by a few individuals. I am sure no well-to-do man will think for a moment that the passage of the by-law should discharge him of his duty. The bylaw is a means of obtaining a mere trifle from each; it will cost even the richest but a few cents a year, it is nothing sensible even to the poor, it is nothing at all to the rich and it leaves their privilege and their obligation—that high privilege and that clear obligation which inseparably accompany the possession of wealth—practically unfulfilled. Why, look at McGill College in Montreal. Without any such stimulus to generosity, without any such urgent need as unhappily exists in our case, that university, in addition to great benefactions in recent years, has within the last few months seen her condition improved by near a million of dollars in possession or immediate prospect. I rejoice at her good luck. It will enormously increase her efficiency. It will not merely advance materially the future of that English and Protestant portion of the Quebec population about whose welfare we are all so anxiously concerned—(hear, hear, and laughter)—but it will make McGill largely the intellectual nursing mother for the Maritime Provinces, and even for Eastern Ontario. I do not grudge her a single dollar. But may I hope for us some exhibition of a like spirit here in Toronto? We do not boast so many great fortunes; but we do boast a more widely diffused prosperity, a greater total of accumulated wealth and an equally progressive and public-spirited population. Let us make good our boast.

A Noble Appeal for a Noble Cause.

Many handsome fortunes have been made by Toronto men out of Toronto's prosperity during the last few years. I confidently appeal to them, I appeal to all, in this noble cause. I believe they will recognise their duty, and will feel it to be their pleasure too. I cannot believe that they will suffer this institution, no insignificant part of the elements which make Toronto what she is, to become a reproach instead of an ornament. No! Let me hope that, with your aid and sympathy, they may, the case being now set plainly before them, come freely and gladly forward, and so enable us at once to go on with our good work on all the indicated lines. Let no man call a halt. Let every man raise a helping hand. Soon may our first stone be laid. Felix faustrum quesitis! I hope that we shall ever be able to justly apply to this institution, as our national embodiment of the spirit of learning, those glorious words in which the spirit of freedom is personified by one of the great poets of our day:

Her open eyes desire the truth;
The wisdom of a thousand years
Is in them. May perpetual youth
Keep dry their light from tears;
That her fair form may stand and shine,
Make bright our days and light our dreams;
Turning to scorn, with lips divine,
The falsehood of extremes!

So may our noble University, our alma mater, rising from her sure foundation, "broad based upon the people's will," rear once again her stately form, fair and tall, pure and bright, majestic and benign; gleaming with the sacred jewels of learning, illuminated by the holy light of truth; and dispensing, through countless generations, unnumbered blessings to the land she serves.

With the Chancellor's splendid oration, which was applauded for several moments after he took his seat, Convocation was closed.

The Class of '90 Round the Festive Board.

The three score and ten graduates, more or less, who were made bachelors of arts yesterday in the tent on the University lawn celebrated their graduation by a dinner last evening at Webb's. A. T. DeLary, president of the class of '90, was in the chair, G. R. Faskin occupying the vice-chair. When the chairs were pushed back for the toast list, and a mist of cigar smoke began to rise around the tables, Class Secretary Brebner read letters from Trinity University and Trinity Medical School regretting that representatives were not present. A poem "Leaving Port," by the class poet, H. A. Dwyer, was read by J. J. Ferguson, in the absence of the bard. Toasts were honored till midnight, songs were sung and after-dinner speeches made, and the class of '90 ended its four years of college life by singing "Auld Lang Syne," and disbanding for what is usually referred to as "the battle of life."

The Class of '85 Also Dine.

The graduating class of '85 of Toronto University held their first