O'CONNOR FOR AUSTRALIA.

THE AMERICAN CHAMPION LEAVES TORONTO TO-MORROW.

And Embarks at San Francisco Feb. 8—He Will Arrive in Sydney March 3—An Interesting Chat With The Great Sculler—He Will Row Any Antipodean—Plenty of Winter Sport.

Champion William O'Connor will leave the Union Station to-morrow at 1 p.m., for San Francisco, where he ships on the S. S. Mariposa for Sydney N. S. W. He will arrive at his destination on March 3, providing the vessel does not encounter adverse winds on the Pacific.

There is only a single first-class oarsman in America to-day and that is William O'Connor of this city. Long ago he issued a formal challenge to any individual sculler in America. Several of these would-be champions with considerable bombast announced that they would meet the Torontonian in a proposed regatta, the probability of which was never certain. John Teemer and others evaded the direct challenge in this way. The result is that O'Connor was unable to make a single match. And the probability of an Australian visiting this country in the near future was very slight.

So Saturday the American champion decided that he would visit the antipodes and that at once. To The World he said:

"None of the men here will meet me. I am a professional oarsman and can secure no matches, so I am forced to seek pastures new."

"Who will you row in Australia," was asked.

"Any man who lays claim to the championship or pretends to have any claim."

"Why did you not make this announcement earlier?" queried The World.

"Because I was not sure until to-day that I would go this early, and besides it required some time to conclude to make the trip. You see a great deal of money is required for such a voyage not to mention the shekels required to bring about a race."

"Who is furnishing the wherewithal for this gigantic undertaking" continued The World.

"The money all comes from my own pocket" said the champion, "and no one, either directly or indirectly is assisting me. I could have the services of the proposed club but prefer acting as my own financial guarantor."

Mr. O'Connor sets out alone on the long voyage but no doubt will make many friends before reaching, and certainly after landing in the land of the Kangaroo. He announced that the length of his stay there depended altogether on circumstances, but the duration of his visit would be from 1 to 2 years.

"Billy" declares he will give the San Francisco reporters a wide berth when in the California metropolis.

He takes only a single boat with him, a Warin, 31 ft. 6 in. long, 11 in. wide, 7 in. beam, 6 in. deep amidship, 3 in. forward and 2¼ in. aft. He believes that suitable racing shells can be secured in Sydney.

This announcement is a sudden one, but there is no Canadian who will not wish the ambitious Toronto sculler success. The World wishes him bon voyage and may he return "champion of the world."

The White Wings to Change Hands.

Æmelius Jarvis has almost completed the sale of the White Wings to a syndicate composed of W. G. Townsend, F. J. Howell, T. M. Lester, F. R. Waddell, Thomas Beaseley, Capt. Zealand and R. G. Marshall. Three other gentlemen will join the syndicate. Mr. Jarvis had an offer of $1000 from some Toronto men, but he preferred to take $100 less than that amount and have the yacht remain in Hamilton. He intends to have a 30-footer built for next summer.—Hamilton Spectator.

HOCKEY IN HURON-STREET.

The Granites and St. Georges Play a Draw Game Saturday.

The initial hockey match of the season was played in the Victoria Rink Saturday evening and was a complete success. The playing of the respective teams was capital, in consideration of the scant practice indulged in by the members. The soft condition of the ice made fast skating very difficult.

The contest was between the Granites and St. Georges. The latter club was minus two men at the outset, or the result most probably would have been different. After nine minutes' play the delinquents materialized, but not before their comrades had lost two games. When the teams faced each other on an even footing the contest was a brilliant one. With lightning rapidity puck traversed from end to end of the rink.

The game was started only fifteen minutes after the appointed time, 7 o'clock. There was a splendid attendance of ladies and gentlemen as spectators, who vigorously applauded the many brilliant plays of the opposing sevens. By a well directed side shot Frank Nelles scored first blood for the Granites. Shortly afterward H. Green dodged the St. George's defence and landed puck safely between the irons. Renewed vigor came to the home men with the two late players and the next game went to Capt. Crawford's crowd. The game was scored by Lucas after a brilliant rush the full length of the field. Donaldson took the fourth game for the Granites when Hurst had vacated his charge in search of meandering Mr. Puck. This left the score three to one in favor of the Granites when the referee blew the whistle for half time.

The skaters were not evidently tired on restarting and continued with commendable alacrity. Kearns tipped the rubber to Temple when C. K. made a long shot and another notch for the Granites. Before time was up Kearns made one of his brilliant runs from centre field and equalized the score. Point Lucas received an ugly crack from the hockey of a Granite but pluckily continued to play.

Another match has been arranged between St. Georges and the Granites for Feb. 5. The teams were:

St. Georges—Goal, A. Hurst; point, M. Lucas; cover-point, F. W. Jackson; forwards, W. Crawford, Capt. T. Kearns, A. Shaw, C. K. Temple; umpire, L. S. Murray.

Granites—Goal, C. Crawford; point, W. Meharg; cover-points, F. Nelles, W. Lamonte; forwards, H. Green, Capt. D. Donaldson, H. Fletcher; umpire, A. H. Cassels.

Referee, A. McVitty.

Lindsay Wants a Match.

Mr. C. K. Temple, secretary of the St George's Hockey Club, in response to his recent challenge in The World, has received an answer from Lindsay accepting the same. In reply the secretary stated that they could have a game here any day this week. A general meeting of the St. George's Hockey Club will be held at Keachie's to-morrow evening at 8.30. A representative from the Victoria Skating and Curling Association is requested to attend. Arrangements for the Ottawa vice-regal match will be completed at this meeting.

SATURDAY AT THE TRAPS.

The Stanley's Serial Shoot at 200 Blue Rocks.

The day being pleasant some excellent sport was enjoyed at McDowall's grounds on Saturday. The Stanley Gun Club commenced a serial shoot at 200 blue rocks, shooting twenty at each of ten shoots. In addition several sweeps were shot.

Stanley Club shoot at twenty birds:

S. McClure	11111100101100111101	14
Geo. Henry	10101111000100110111	12
J. Mitchell	01010101101001000111	10
C. Harrison	00110010001100001110	8
C. S. Winchell	01110111111111011110	16
N. Dick	01110011100010011110	11
W. Tracy	10110010001100011111	11
F. Emond	11000111011000111111	13
G. Carruthers	10111111101111111110	17
T. Sawden, sr.	10111011111111101011	16
W. McDowall	00111101101000111001	11
C. Charles	10110111011111111111	17

Sweep at ten birds, 3 prizes:

C. Charles	1111111110	9
G. Carruthers	0111111110	8
J. Draisey	1111101101	8
F. Emond	1101101111	8
T. Sawden, jr.	0011111110	7
N. Dick	1101100111	7
W. Tracy	1001011110	6
W. McDowall	1011100011	6
W. Martin	0110110110	6

The Owls Shoot at Sparrows.

The members of the Owl Gun Club held a shoot at sparrows on Saturday afternoon at C. Stark & Co.'s athletic grounds, Eastern-avenue, for a handsome gold medal presented by one of the members and for several prizes given by the club. On account of the bad weather the attendance was not quite as large as expected but those who were present had a good afternoon's sport. The medal was won by Mr. J. Townson. The following are the scores:

J. Townson	9	W. McDowall	7
C. Charles	8	J. Humphreys	6
R. Powell	8	A. Austin	6
J. Douglas	7	C. Ayre	6
A. J. Tymon	7	J. Rice	6
H. Page	7	J. C. Unwin	5
H. Townson	7	A. Long	3

The shoot-off at 5 birds of the ties resulted as follows:

Douglas	11111—5	Page	11100—3
Tymon	11101—4	Townson	10110—3

The following sweeps were also shot at 5 birds.

First sweep.

J. Townson	11011—4	H. Page	00101—2
J. Rice	11100—3	C. Budd	01100—2
C. Ayre	01010—2	J. Humphreys	00010—1
A. J. Tymon	10010—2	H. Links	00001—1
R. Powell	01001—2		

Second sweep.

J. Townson	11111—5	R. McKay	01110—3
J. Rice	10111—4	C. Budd	01110—3
A. J. Tymon	11110—4	H. Link	00000—0
C. Ayre	00111—3	A. Canam	00000—0
H. Page	01011—3		

Third sweep.

H. Paige	11111—5	C. Ayre	00101—2
J. Townson	11001—3	A. J. Tymon	10000—1
H. Link	10110—3		

A Detroit Blue Rock Tournament.

DETROIT, Jan. 26.—There will be a blue rock tournament here next Tuesday under the management of John Parker and William Garrison. There will be 7 contests, to be shot under the new rapid firing system, with 5 traps, American Association rules to govern.

The Torontos Annual Match.

The Toronto Curling Club's annual match, President v. Vice-President, was concluded at the Huron-street rink Saturday afternoon. The President's rinks won handily. The ice was only fair. The score:

President.	Vice-President.
H. Winnett,	E. G. Lightburn,
J. B. Miller,	John Bertram,
Major Bell,	A. Boite,
T. McGaw, skip.......11	T. McCracken, skip...13
James Tennant,	J. Smith,
A. F. Webster,	George McKenzie,
A. E. Plummer,	A. F. Jones,
W. W. Bilding, skip...18	W. A. Shepard, skip.. 8
A. S. Hector,	A. G. Thompson,
J. L. Capreol,	Dr. Hodgetts,
A. G. Brown,	J. McCracken,
H. A. Drummond, skip.14	J. Shanklin, skip..... 9
W. L. Fellows,	A. P. Scott,
J. B. Fitzsimmons,	F. D. Monichee,
George Jeffrey,	P. J. McNally,
J. Bain, skip..........19	J. C. Forbes, skip....16
H. Cassells,	P. J. Clark,
A. C. McCracken,	H. V. Morse,
R. Starr,	A. Keith,
Geo. Bertram, skip... 7	D. S. Keith, skip..... 12
C. S. Botsford,	T. Hodgetts,
S. Y. Baldwin,	J. B. Henderson,
A. G. Hodgetts,	J. M. Ewing,
C. E. Maddison, skip. 12	W. McLean, skip...... 8
R. S. Y. Baldwin,	J. I. Davidson,
A. W. Godson,	J. Harris,
A. J. Hollyer,	O. D. Strickland,
W. B. Smith, skip.....19	J. S. Russell, skip..... 5
R. Christie,	A. W. Roberts,
W. Stone,	A. R. Capreol,
C. W. Taylor,	W. Dickson,
Geo. McMurrich, skip. 9	W. A. Wilson, skip.... 7
T. W. Scott,	G. W. Harman,
W. D. Hart,	E. Henderson,
T. Hodgetts,	A. M. Cosby,
G. E. Keith, skip......12	A. Macdougall, skip..13
A. B. Carman,	W. A. McDonald,
A. C. Gibson,	W. W. Payne,
A. H. Collins,	W. C. McDonald,
John Wright, skip 13	W. B. McMurrich, skip 9
Total.....................134	Total...................100

Majority for President McGaw, 34 shots.

The Moss Park Club.

A special general meeting of the Moss Park Curling Club was held in the club rooms, Shuter-street, on Saturday evening, with a good attendance, President Summerfeldt in the chair. After routine business was disposed of, the following were elected regular skips for the season: Dr. J. C. Clapp, Wm. Summerfeldt, J. G. Malcolm and R. Malcolm. Tankard skips: Dr. J. C. Clapp and R. Malcolm. District Medal Match with Orillia Club: Wm. Summerfeldt and J. G. Malcolm. The Tankard rinks were then chosen and had a game against each other for practice.

In and Out Turns.

Messrs. John Bain and J. C. Forbes have been selected as the tankard skips of the Toronto Club.

Messrs. Wilson, Belding, Maddison, Forbes, Bain and McLean are the skips of the Toronto Club who will contest for the district medals.

Four rinks of the Buffalo Caledonians will visit Toronto this week for their annual match with the Torontos. Messrs. Russell, Wright, Forbes and Bain are the Toronto skips for this game.

A one-rink match between the cricketers of the Torontos and Granites will be played as soon as ice permits. The players are: Toronto—A. H. Collins, A. H. Hector, A. G. Brown and H. A. Drummond, skip. Granite—M. Boyd, W. F. W. Creelman, R. Miles and W. Gibbs, skip.

The following are the arrangements for playing in group 9, commencing not later than noon of Thursday, Jan. 30: Granites v Bramptons, on Caledonian ice; Orillia v Prospect Park, on Moss Park ice; Markham v Moss Park, on Prospect Park ice; he second draw to be played in the same evening.

Toronto curlers will dispose of a number of fixtures this week if the weather is favorable. To-night the Caledonians and Torontos will play the first match in the Caledonian Cup series. To-morrow the Four Brothers' tournament will open at 11 a.m. on the ice of Moss Park. The Orillia-Moss Park district medal match is set for Wednesday and the competition in group 9 for the Ontario Tankard will take place on Thursday.

The Banquet to Mr. Hurst.

President George Orr will act as chairman at the banquet to "Billy" Hurst at McConkey's to-night. The Wanderers declare they will turn out to a man to do the great cyclist honor, and Mr. McConkey has promised to lay the best spread of the season. Mr. Hurst is one of the oldest members of the Wanderers and his brothers are justly proud of him. He will be an honored man to-night.

Saturday Night's Mill.

There was a good crowd at Pattillo's academy on Saturday night to see the 4-round sparring contest between Paul and Dick Guthrie. Lovett seconded the Montrealer and Mike Burns attended to the Toronto light weight. Joe Popp was the referee. Guthrie had slightly the best of the first round, but Pattillo's science stood by him in the remaining three. The referee decided the mill a draw. The visiting pug was much the heavier and doubtless would make a great prolonged fight. At the conclusion Lovett challenged Pattillo for a mill next Saturday night, which was promptly accepted by the redoubtable Paul.

The Canoe Club's At Home.

The Toronto Canoe Club's At Home in the Academy of Music, Feb. 14, promises to be a great success. The secretary is inundated with applications for invitations. Messrs. Gordon, Wright, Tilley, Shaw, Mason and Elgie, the Executive Committee, are working earnestly for the event.

Toronto's Female Pedestrian.

DETROIT, Jan. 26.—Next Friday evening, at the Princess Rink, there will be a ten mile walking match between Miss Mertie Elliott of New Orleans, Miss Minnie Ward of Philadelphia, Miss Kittie Rooney of Toronto, Miss Carrie Wilson of Bridgeport, Ct., and Miss Millie St. John of Paterson, N.J. Race begins at 8 o'clock.

RACING AT THE GUT.

Duff, Arizona, Van, Red Elm, Steve Jerome and Bela the Winners.

GUTTENBURG, Jan. 26.—The races yesterday resulted as follows:

First, 1 mile—Duff 1, Top Sawyer 2, Harwood 3. Time 1.45¾.

Second, 7 furlongs—Arizona 1, He 2, Landseer 3. Time 1.30½.

Third, 1⅛ miles—Van 1, Hamlet 2, Drumstick 3. Time 1.57.

Fourth, 5 furlongs—Red Elm 1, Elmstone 2, Lady Agnes 3. Time 1.02.

Fifth, 6½ furlongs—Steve Jerome 1, Red Light 2, Benefit 3. Time 1.22¾.

Sixth, 7 furlongs—Bela 1, Fountain 2, Bothwell 3. Time 1.31¼.

The New Orleans Results.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 26.—The results of yesterday's races were as follows:

First, ¾ mile—Skobeloff 1, Lidal 2, Bonnie King 3. Time 1.15.

Second, 9-16 mile—Secret 1, Col. Cox 2, Jim Reed 3. Time .56.

Third, 5 furlongs—Passion 1, Donovan 2, Crede 3. Time 1.02½.

Fourth, 7 furlongs—Col. Gore 1, Harry Ireland 2, Pritchett 3. Time 1.28¼.

The Scots' Saturday Night Concert.

Mr. William Hogg was the chairman at the smoking concert of the Toronto Scots Association Football Club Saturday evening in their club-rooms, Yonge-street Arcade. Songs were given by Messrs. McCallum, Agnew, Mannison, Arnott and Baird, while Mr. Douglass' piccolo solo and Mr. Smith's club swinging also added to the enjoyment of the evening. The smoker was open to all sister association clubs and representatives who were absent missed a very enjoyable affair.

TWO MORE SUMMONSES.

A Second Criminal Libel Against David Creighton—Mr. Farrer Is Also After L. P. Kribs.

There are now three separate charges of criminal libel against Mr. David Creighton, managing director, and Mr. L. P. Kribs, city editor of The Empire. One is preferred by Mr. C. W. Bunting, managing director of The Mail, against Mr. Creighton, and one by Mr. Edward Farrer, The Mail's editor. Mr. Farrer also instituted a suit against Mr. Kribs, the alleged commissioner of The Empire who went to Washington and New York and wrote up the expose. Mr. Creighton, as stated in The World on Saturday, was served with the first summons on Friday night; the other one, on behalf of Editor Farrer, was served Saturday afternoon by Detective Slemin, as was also the one against Mr. Kribs. The last two summonses are made returnable at the Police Court this morning.

It took just about five minutes to dispose of the proceedings in the Police Court Saturday against Mr. Creighton. No evidence was taken. Mr. Richard Cassels, for Mr. Creighton, said he was not prepared to go on, as he understood other suits were to follow. Mr. Wallace Nesbitt (of Mr. McCarthy's firm), appeared for Mr. Bunting, and he remarked that he was anxious to prevent The Empire from continuing the alleged libel, and contended that as the case was now sub judice the newspaper in question should be prevented from making further comments. Mr. Cassels retaliated by saying that if The Empire continued to comment the complainants could simply increase the number of charges.

All three cases will come up this morning.

Mr. Bunting has retained the services of Messrs. McCarthy, Osler, Hoskin and Creelman and Mr. William Lount, Q.C., and Hon. S. H. Blake have been retained by Mr. Farrer. The Empire's counsel have not yet been announced, but in the meantime Messrs. Cassels, Cassels & Brock will look after its interests.

A GANG OF INTRIGUERS.

The Real Reason of The Mail's Strange Conduct—The Thing all up at Last.

Said an old campaigner to The World yesterday: "You must not conceive that The Mail's desire for Annexation is the product of mere cussedness. True, The Mail's record is unsavory. Its late proprietor acquired the paper by the grossest treachery toward T. C. Patteson, and one of his boasts was that some day he would be selling the manufactured material from the Merriton mills over a larger area than is covered by the Canadian flag. The Riordans, Bunting and Farrer are all Irish of the intriguing stamp. The pulp factory would be one of the few Canadian manufactures (in the opinion of the Riordan family) would not be swallowed by Annexation. They think their field would be enlarged, and it is in that direction that I should search for the mainspring of The Mail's unpatriotic attitude toward the British Crown."

"But what of The Mail's desertion of Sir John Macdonald?" was asked.

"Oh! that was due to the same leading idea of the Riordan family: 'Make money, honestly if you can, but make money.' Riordan is the proprietor. It is his money that keeps the machine running. To satisfy a crazy ambition and to find a market for his pulp he is ready to lose a little money every year. But you may depend on it he dictates the policy of the paper and according to his lights, which are limited, he shapes the ends. There was room, he thought, for an independent paper, advocating views that the party would not endorse, and as it chimed in with a private and personal grudge he came out against Sir John. Now that he has given The Globe and The Empire a rare good chance to leave him between two stools, he rushes into court to vindicate his loyalty. It is a desperate recourse, a forlorn hope, and if it ever comes into court it will have no remedial effect upon The Mail's circulation. You may depend on it all the reputable loyalists in the country will turn The Mail out of their homes, and they are in an immense majority. Farrer did not expect to be found out, and besides he went too far, though being the adept he is in tortuous methods I am surprised at that. On reflection I feel sure he foresaw the present result. Of course, now, the proprietors and Bunting are alarmed, but do what they will the mud will cling to them and rightly too. The Mail has lost its usefulness to the Riordans, who are now hoist with their own petard, and Ned Farrer is chuckling over the mess he has got them into. Of course it is mere trash for them to boast that they are making money and The Globe and The Empire losing it, and hence their attack. The truth is none of them are making money. The Victoria-street deal is a godsend to one of them. Toronto has not the advertising patronage to support three such expensive papers, and in the city The World is better liked than any of them."

"What do you think will be the result of the action for libel?"

"Impossible to say. The Mail cannot show any substantial damage at present and must support its action by admitting that damage to its circulation will arise from the charge of disloyalty. So far so good. It has in fact to look both ways and will find the position embarrassing. Of course the three or four of The Mail staff, who made holiday excursions from time to time to look at a press or type-setting machine for sale there, could do more harm to Canada than any three or four other persons who might choose to go down and volunteer evidence. They were possessed of no state secrets that it was treason to divulge, but the boots at a hotel might talk treason and be held responsible for it. It is a pity the members of The Mail staff pretend they were press-hunting, if they ran the chance of having that cause of their visit disproved. It only leads to the inference that they were there for a purpose they wished to conceal, and that a bad purpose."

"Fagan" is an Able Man.

[From The New York World of Saturday.]

Mr. Edward Farrer is one of the ablest and best informed newspaper men in Canada. He is an Irishman by birth, and was educated at Maynooth College, with the intention of taking orders in the church. He went to Canada while still a young man and engaged in newspaper work. He has been employed on The Mail for a number of years, and many articles from his fluent pen have appeared in American magazines and newspapers. Few men are better posted on the history, the politics and the race questions of Canada. For nearly two years Mr. Farrer was connected with the staff of The World, and went from New York to take charge of a Winnipeg newspaper. He found that climate too bleak, and after one winter's experience he returned to Toronto.

Personal Mention.

The members of Immanuel Baptist church at Wellesley and Jarvis-streets, have extended a call to Rev. A. T. Soweby of Aylmer.

Mr. Richard Wigmore, well known throughout Western Ontario as having been for seventeen years chief of police of London, left Toronto for that city on Saturday afternoon. He has been visiting his son Alfred in this city for some time past. Mr. Wigmore is suffering from a cancer in the neck, and it is feared he cannot recover, a fact which his many friends in Western Ontario will greatly deplore.

His Grace Preaches on Charity.

In St. Michael's Cathedral last night Archbishop Walsh preached an admirable sermon on charity. The Saviour's life was taken as an example of self-denial, and many valuable lessons drawn from it. The charity of Christ was represented as a constant charity, and the congregation were charged to follow in his footsteps, thus fulfilling their duty to mankind.

ELOQUENT LADY ORATORS.

Rev. Anna H. Shaw, D.D., Holds Forth on Three Occasions—Mrs. Buel at the Pavilion Meeting.

The eloquent voice of Rev. Anna H. Shaw, D.D., of Boston, the eminent exponent of freedom for womankind, was heard three times in Toronto yesterday, in the morning and evening at the Metropolitan Church and in the afternoon at Association Hall. She will also deliver a course of lectures this week, starting at Woodgreen Methodist Church to-night.

Mrs. Shaw is a plump, bright-eyed little woman, with a peculiar ringing voice, which can be heard with ease by the listeners in the back seats, whether it soars or drops to a whisper tone. Her sermon yesterday morning was based on a part of St. Paul's famous trial speech:

> Whereupon, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.

After noting the present tendencies to demand explanation of the spiritual bylaws of the material world, she showed the relation between Paul's vision and those relating to worldly things. It is in response to a vision of future success that causes the youthful apprentice to work early and late in the hope that he may attain to his employer's greatness. The lad that lives by the sea looks wistfully at every ship far out upon the deep. While the girls playing on the sand, he enthusiastically traces: "Jake Seers, Master." His face aglow with pride, his shoulders thrown back and head erect, he resolves to be master some day of one of the finest ships afloat. This is his vision.

No disappointment, no hard work will keep him from attaining the coveted end. The future will make the vision a reality. So in the higher life, as in the lower, the vision, which Paul and all other Christians have, should be the guiding star of daily life and the reality when the conflict is past. As the Roman girl, who studied a marvelous picture day after day, at last was enabled to reproduce it in all its beauty, so the Christian should draw inspiration from the divine life until "conformed into the image of His Son."

At Association Hall.

Her audience at Association Hall at the meeting of the Young Men's Prohibition Club was large and enthusiastic. President F. S. Spence occupied the chair, and on the platform were Mrs. McDonnell, Dr. Emily Stowe and Rev. J. Walton. For over an hour the gifted lecturer held the audience as she discussed the question of prohibition and made an earnest appeal to all classes for help in carrying on the great work. In a clear and comprehensive manner she dealt with the evil results of the liquor traffic and advocated total abstinence as the only cure. Her asides were clever and witty, and the audience applauded again and again. Many amusing stories were told of her first attempts at reforming drunkards. For instance, she and several other ladies in an American city undertook to enter a certain saloon which they knew to be a famous place for drunkards. On entering the door the inmates took to their heels at the sight of the pledge book, and by the time the last lady was inside the skirts of the last man's coat were disappearing through the back door.

"I always thought before," said the reverend lady, "that men possessed all the bravery, but this little incident shook my faith."

She laid great stress upon the fact that it was impossible to work a reform by starting with the drunkards themselves. "Begin with the children, with the law and with society," she said, "and the rest will be easy."

Another Lady Temperance Operator.

Mrs. Caroline B. Buel, corresponding secretary of the National W.C.T.U. of America, addressed an audience in the pavilion yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Canadian Temperance League. Though somewhat aged in appearance she is bright and vivacious in manner and says what she has to in a concise and interesting way. The slave traffic that once existed in the South was likened to the liquor traffic of the present day, which has passed from the moral to the legal phase of the question, said Mrs. Buel. E. J. Cashmore sang a sacred solo with fine effect. Before the address an appeal was made for funds for coffee-house work. J. S. Robertson announced that the Balmoral Choir will sing in the Pavilion on Feb. 15 and 17, the proceeds to be devoted to coffee-house and temperance work. Walter Thomas Mills, editor of The Statesman, will speak in the Pavilion next Sunday afternoon. On Feb. 9 the reformed pugilist, "Joe" Hess, opens a series of gospel meetings in this city.

Mrs. Buel will address young women in Association Hall this afternoon.

BLOWN FROM THE TRACK.

A Train Rolled Down an Embankment by the Wind.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 26.—The Atlantic express on the Rio Grande was blown from the track at Mounment late last evening and rolled down an embankment. The cars caught fire at once and the flames were fanned by the hurricane into a seething furnace. Twenty or more passengers were confined in the cars, and but for the almost superhuman efforts of the trainmen would have been roasted to death. John Green, Pullman porter, was fatally scalded; C. S. Zimmerman was dangerously cut and bruised; T. N. McIntyre, badly cut and bruised. The Santa Fe express that left here last night is also reported to have been blown off the track but there are no details yet.

"PREACHERS AND PREACHING."

The Canon of St. James' Gives a Clever Analysis at Trinity.

The opening lecture of the fourth winter series at Trinity University was given on Saturday afternoon by Canon Dumoulin. He chose a subject with which he is au fait—"Preaching," and in an hour and a half's address treated it in a comprehensive manner. If fault it may be termed, the only one was that the learned Canon's survey and strictures were confined almost exclusively to the Anglican preachers of bygone times. Of the preachers of to-day there was mention only of Canon Liddon and Canon Farrer, but no reference to Spurgeon, Talmage and the host of nonconformist preachers on whose words spoken and printed hundreds of thousands weekly feast.

The earlier portion of the Canon's eloquent address dealt with the raison d'etre of preaching and its development with the progress of the race. This was valuable historically and was admirably treated.

The post-apostolic preaching for the first 100 years was marked by no special excellence. Origen the seraphic and mystic, Chrysostom ("John of the Golden Mouth"), the two Gregories, Basil the Great, John of Damascus, Cyprian, the immortal Augustine came under trenchant review and general commendation, as also in a later age the Venerable Bede, Anselm, Thomas a Kempis, Aquinas and Barnard. Not so the preaching of the Middle Ages with its legends of saints and stories of miracles.

Tributes were paid to Wycliffe in England, Jerome of Prague, Huss in Bohemia, Savoronola in Florence. Luther, however, "the monk that shook the world," stands in the forefront of the Reformation preachers. The fierce Knox, and good and at times jocular Latimer were sketched.

The Canon broke away from the seriousness of his subject and caused no small diversion by citing Latimer's impeachment of "the non-preaching prelates" and his censure of "the roundabouts" of the ladies' dresses. Said the lecturer, "he would be a bold preacher in Toronto who would from the pulpit attack the ladies' roundabouts. What a rare morsel that would be for the newspapers!"

And so the Canon pursued his chronological way, describing the preachers of the days of persecution and in the times of the Puritans. He was funny at the expense of the latter, who with their "18thly and its subdivisions," he pronounced "intolerable bores." The Canon dealt large-heartedly with the evangelical revival of the 18th century. Generous were his tributes to the Wesleys, Whitefield, Romaine, Toplady, Fletcher, whom he claimed as sons of the Church of England.

"Evangelical religion was not revived by the Dissenters; the men who plucked Christianity out of the dust were Churchmen."

The Oxford revival, albeit marked with extravagancies, had bequeathed churchmen free and open churches, frequent celebrations of communion, elevated and refined services, hard parochial work and earnest preaching.

The closing passages of the able lecture were in favor of written as against extempore sermons, in treating of which he showed the advantages as regards fluency in the pulpit of the Methodist itinerancy system and regretted the competition for the rural Anglican clergyman of some illiterate Boanerges in a neighboring chapel who draws away the church's children by his "ranting," also in theatre-like churches in the city of sensationalism, jokes, personalities and "clap-trap." The motto of preachers should be Baxter's:

> I preach as though I ne'er should preach again,
> And as a dying man to dying men!

The Bishop of Toronto, in proposing a vote of thanks to Canon DuMoulin for his admirable lecture, emphasized the importance of the students cultivating extempore speaking.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

Attractions at the Theatres This Week—"His Natural Life," "Held by The Enemy" and the Vaudevilles.

No drama of greater human interest has ever been seen in Toronto than Mr. Tyrrell's play to be produced at the Grand Opera House this evening. "His Natural Life," says The Albany Times, not only employs a large cast of strong and important characters, but a large force of auxiliaries add strength to the realism of the scenes at the convict depot in Tasmania. The story is that of an innocent man foully wronged, and punished for another's crime. But the whole plot is worked out in a thoroughly original manner, and the play is full of elaborate scenes than thrill the spectator, and fascinate the audience. A novel effect is the sea on fire. Lightning strikes the oil upon the waters and the inmates of the boat are surrounded by flames, just upon the eve of rescue. The great flogging scene in the third act is marvelously exciting and yet thoroughly true to nature. The whole play has stood the test of the critics all over the world."

No pains have been spared by Manager Sheppard to make it one of the greatest triumphs of the season. Some funny specialties are introduced by the comedians, some stirring scenes transpire between the others, and the interest and excitement are unlimited.

Mr. Inigo Tyrrell (the author of the play), Mr. Harry Emmet, Mr. Louis Glover, Miss Louise Larrendon, Fanny Temple, Alma Aiken and others are artists of acknowledged ability, and will bring all their well-known powers to bear upon the work. Miss Larrendon wears some magnificent costumes from the firms of Worth and Felix of Paris, and the general display is picturesque all through.

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At Jacobs & Sparrows' Opera House all this week, with matinees Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, a great attraction for the first time at popular prices will be given in "Held by the Enemy." William Gillette has successfully solved the problem of writing a play with the great civil war as a plot. He has avoided wounding the feelings of either the blue or the gray, and yet he tells a story of powerful interest. All the world admires a brave man. Each side has a hero in this drama, which is rich in sentiment, pathos and human feeling. It is intensely exciting, without the improbable situations so common in most of the modern plays.

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At the Academy of Music all this week, with Wednesday and Saturday matinees, Herrmann's Trans-Atlantic Vaudevilles will hold the boards. "This is a show that is both unique and clever," says The Philadelphia Press. The specialties are novel and are sure to please all who may see them.

Other Amusement Matters.

Mr. Felix Brant, the escaped Siberian exile, who reached Canada about a month ago, will be on the platform at Mr. Kennan's lecture this evening. It is safe to say that all who heard Mr. Kennan on Friday evening and who possibly can will be at the Pavilion to-night, and many of these have already secured their seats at Nordheimer's. The plan is rapidly filling up and will remain open today till 5 p.m. Mr. Kennan was so enthusiastically received on Friday night and made such a favorable impression it is expected the house will be crowded to-night. This is his most interesting lecture, and is a thrilling recital of the horrors of the Russian exile system.

A lecture was delivered to the students of the Toronto Conservatory of Music by Mr. J. W. F. Harrison in the lecture room of the Y.M.C.A., Yonge-street, on Saturday afternoon. There was a large and appreciative audience. There was also a choice program of piano selections by pupils of Mr. Edward Fisher.

At the Toronto Bicycle Club's concert and bicycle tableaux at the Academy of Music on Feb. 4 the soloists who will appear are Mr. Whitney Mockridge, the recognized leading tenor of this continent; Miss Clara E. Barnes, the well-known soprano of Buffalo, whose successes here in the past have established her as a favorite with Toronto audiences, and Mr. H. L. Clarke, our own solo cornetist, who is too well known to require further laudation and of whom Toronto may be said to be justly proud.

The following students attending the Toronto College of Music took part in the weekly concert on Saturday afternoon: Miss Treble (teacher Mr. Torrington), Misses Mara, Donnelly, Parsons, Davy and Chamberlin (Mr. Field), Misses McFaul, Robertson and Martin (Mr. Haslam), Misses Devlin and Howel (Mrs. Hawson), Miss Hunter (Miss Reynolds), and Miss Applebe, pupil of Miss Johnson.

From Police Blotters.

An overcoat was lifted from J. R. Mulligan's residence, 418 Ontario-street, on Saturday.

M. Munro, 52 Wood-street, reports the theft of a seal cap from the above address yesterday.

H. Williams, 45 Richmond-street east, had stolen from him on Saturday night a silver watch.

A thief has got away with Thomas Conlin's diamond pin. His address is 491 Parliament-street.

A thief sneaked into the Nealon House, King-street east Saturday, getting away with an overcoat.

A nickel watch was stolen yesterday from Alexander Rutherford's room in the Bay Horse Hotel.

Hugh Morrison was arrested in Jones' dive on York-street on Saturday night on suspicion of stealing two overcoats.

A box containing a quantity of English china has been missing from McFarlane's auction rooms since the 4th inst.

A thief picked the pocket of Mrs. Watkins, 1378 Queen-street west, of her purse containing $3 in St. Lawrence market Saturday night.

About 50 lbs. of butter, 60 lbs. of pork and a bag of coppers was the result of a raid made on C. Varrel's butcher store, 95 Agnes-street, Saturday night.

The store of S. Corrigan, 6 Adelaide-street west, was entered Saturday night and $8 stolen. The Saturday Ledger office, next door, was also visited but nothing was carried away.

Mary Foley, a young looking woman, was found wandering around the West End on Saturday night apparently insane. The police took her to St. Andrew's market station, as she had no home.

MEETINGS.

NOTICE.—THE GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Toronto Silver Plate Company will be held at the Company's offices, King-street west, on Monday, the 3d day of February, 1890, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the directors' annual report, election of directors and other business of the Company.
By order of the Board,
JNO. C. COPP., Sec.-Treas.
The above meeting will be adjourned till Monday, February 10th, at the same place and hour.
JNO. C. COPP, Sec.-Treas.

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Of the shareholders of the Toronto Electric Light Company (Limited) will be held at the office of the company, foot of Scott-street, on Tuesday, 5th February, at 11 a.m.
H. M. PELLATT, Sec.

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