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The St. Catherines Daily News has ceased publication, but will re-appear as The Daily Gazette. The reasons will be given later.

A multitude of good resolutions are daily downed in the saloon.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Is "good resolutions" a new name for what used to be called "budge."

The Dominion Government, it is understood, will issue Q.C. patents to a number of the gentlemen recently given that honor by the Ontario Government.

It may turn out that the defeat of the candidates who favor the ballot in separate school trustee elections was the best evidence that the ballot is needed.

The Toronto Globe speaks of "the great material advantages which annexation would bestow." Why beat about the bush? If you believe in annexation, say so plainly.

The doctors' bill for attendance on the late King of Portugal was in the neighborhood of $100,000. Still he died just as if he had only one common two-dollar-a-visit doctor.

It is said that seven-eighths of the magazine subscribers are women. But so long as the men continue to take the daily papers they will remain at the head of the procession.

A German scientist is said to be making experiments with poplars to see if they will grow from branches. He can save himself the trouble. Every school-boy in Ontario knows that they will.

Max Muller, in The London National Review, discusses the question "What to do with our old people." He thinks they ought to retire and give the young folks a chance. But how old is Max?

A senator from Texas has his wife on the pay roll for six dollars a day as his clerk. It was a Texas gentleman who enquired, "What in hades are we here for, if not for the offices?" Thrifty people, these Texans.

"Circumlocomote" is the word coined by an American exchange to describe the act of going around a city on a belt line of railroad. We hand it over to Mr. J. D. Edgar, with the compliments of the season.

Hon. G. W. Ross says that energy counts for more in the battle of life than brains. But just as likely as not G. W. would resent any insinuation that it was not brains that brought him his present position.

"Toronto, the Drunken City," is now being paraphed in all the weekly papers. This is the result of "fresh" reporting, as shown in The Empire. Toronto is no worse than any other city, and a great deal better than most.

A great mass meeting in Lyons, France, has resolved that the law regarding taxation should be so remodelled that agricultural land should pay less and houses more. Henry George is invited to give this his serious consideration.

It is said that the poet Whittier gives his barber orders to burn every hair clipped from his head, lest curio-collectors get hold of some. What is to hinder anyone taking the hair from a tramp and saying it is Whittier's if he chooses to?

The feeling among the Methodists against federation is gradually subsiding and there is every prospect of a speedy settlement of the difficulty. Owing to the present situation of affairs no meeting of the general conference will be held until the regular session in Montreal next September.

A Dakota senator says it does harm rather than good to take Indian children from the reservations and send them to school. He says the Indian when he returns is regarded as an alien by the tribe, and that the proper plan is to place schools on the reservation. All right. Adopt that plan and call it the Canadian system.

It seems that there has been a systematic defalcation for years in the administration of the public affairs of Prince Edward Island, and yet the sum in default is only a couple of thousand dollars. One does not know which most to admire—the laxity of the auditors in not discovering the defalcation or the forbearance of the official is not taking more.

A complaint is being made in Boston that the City Council there has practically lost control of the city streets, while at the same time the citizen's money has to be spent for pavement and street cleaning. The street railway companies, the telegraph and electric light companies, and the police patrol box systems, have so taken possession of the town as it were that the Aldermanic Board has little or nothing to say. Toronto hasn't got quite as far as that yet, but we have got about as far as it is advisable to go.

### A Good Business Opening in 1890 in the States.

In the New York papers we find much these days to the effect that leading business men in the great city are pretty well agreed with regard to the good prospects with which the new year is opening in the States. To begin with, there has been an abundant harvest yield, and, although grain prices are not big, they are at least "from fair to middling," and there is a ready cash market for all the stuff offered. With the railways a time of wiser management and more careful economy has begun, and this, it is argued, means the saving of millions of money which will be put to paying uses, instead of being wasted as much of it has been in former years. The cotton crop has been abundant, and is going off at paying prices. That gigantic factor in the nation's prosperity—the iron trade—is really in a vigorous and flourishing condition—all accounts agree as to that. For instance—railway car shops have all the orders they can take in and fill, many of them rather more. There are two very important producing industries which are allowed to be a little backward—the coal trade and the woolen manufacture; and the unusual mildness of the season is given as a principal cause in both cases. Regarding the situation, Mr. Jay Gould thus delivers himself:

"I feel," said he, "that next year ought to be a prosperous one. The reason for that opinion is that the crops throughout the country as a whole have been exceptionally good. This is giving an active business to the transportation companies, and they in turn buy and consume supplies liberally, and this effects all the general ramifications of business. In my recent trip through the west and southwest I saw a marked improvement everywhere over the situation as it was in the spring.

"Speaking of the coal trade, there is every assurance that the outlook in the bituminous region is good. The anthracite people seem to have got their prices so much higher relatively above bituminous that the consumption of anthracite has been curtailed to a point a good deal below the capacity to produce. Probably a lower scale of prices, something more near the relative prices for bituminous, would again restore the consumption of anthracite to the old figures.

"The iron interest is quite prosperous, and that has become one of the great elements of production of the country. So that, on the whole, and after looking the situation over, I cannot but take a very hopeful outlook at the future, especially as the prices for commodities, stocks and bonds, and raw materials are on a low basis."

A prominent New York banker, Mr. H. E. Enos, takes this view of it:

"The iron industry, which is regarded as the barometer of trade and traffic notwithstanding the small amount of railroad construction in 1889, it was only 5000 miles, is in a most flourishing condition, and I believe the consumption of iron for domestic purposes is and will be the largest in the history of the country. There has been a healthy advance in the price of iron and steel rails, and yet not sufficient to induce overproduction. Then, again, the iron industry in Great Britain is so good that there seems no likelihood of an overflow from that country to affect our prices. The only depressing industry in the country is the coal trade, but this is only creating a natural equilibrium to equalize the phenomenal prosperity it had for two or three years. But while some may suffer in this direction, there are more people benefited by the abundant supply at reduced prices. The coal situation also cheapens the cost of manufactured articles and enhances the profits of manufacturers. The money situation is the only apparent disturbing element, and this seems to come from the great demand for it for use in the industries rather than from demands to take it out of the country. Undoubtedly the Paris Exposition did take a great deal of money from us, but exchange indicates that we may expect an early return of some of this from Europe. As far as the use of silver is concerned, it seems to be growing in favor all over the world, and no country will be more benefited by this universal improvement than the United States. I do not believe there will be any prolonged stringency of money to affect the prevailing favorable conditions, and one of the striking evidences that things are prosperous is the little trouble that has been experienced this year from the laboring classes. The year just closed has passed with scarcely a single important labor trouble in America, and this, in my opinion, indicates that labor is well and satisfactorily employed."

To sustain the favorable opinions above given, various reasons are advanced. Among these one is mentioned, which we venture to think a pre-eminently good one. And that is—the growing belief that there is really very little danger now of any disturbing tariff measure being passed by Congress, such as might shake up and injure the country's growing home industries. Another reason we see mentioned—though there is not very much said about it as yet—is the impression that silver legislation of an important and beneficial character may be looked for ere long. But, be the prevailing reasons what they may, the fact seems beyond question that New York's representative men of money and business are agreed that the year 1890 opens in Uncle Sam's country with remarkably good business prospects.

### Two New Knights.

The announcement that the honor of knighthood has been conferred upon Joseph Hickson of the Grand Trunk Railway, and Dr. John G. Bourinot, Clerk of the Canadian Commons, will be received with much gratification throughout the Dominion. Mr. Hickson has been in the service of the Grand Trunk Railway since 1862, and has made a world-wide reputation as a successful manager. The interests of the Grand Trunk are so intimately bound up with the interests of Canada that the efficient management of the railway is really public service of great importance to the country. Dr. Bourinot is a recognized authority on parliamentary and constitutional questions, and his works on "Parliamentary Practice and Procedure" and "Constitutional History of Canada," have given him a name which is not limited to this country. The Queen could not have made more popular or fitting choice.

### Castor Oil in Dinner.

The castor oil industry in India is reported to have been exceptionally prosperous of late, chiefly because of increased orders from China. But it is not to be supposed from this that the stomachs of the Celestials have gone suddenly out of order. The castor oil plant and its produce have been put to many uses. Was it not a castor oil plant (translated "gourd") that was made to "come up over Jonah that it might be a shadow over his head?" In North Africa its leaves are grown for the feeding of silkworms, and, there and elsewhere the oil has been used both for burning and soap-making. As a mild and most efficient non-irritating purgative castor oil is used far and wide. But to the best of our knowledge the Chinese are alone in using it as a table oil.

### Boiled Milk.

Since it was proved that cow's milk may become the channel for conveying tuberculosis and other infectious diseases to the human subject, the practice of sterilising the milk by boiling has come into vogue as a sure preventive against such danger. It has, however, been contended that boiling destroys certain nutritive qualities of the milk. But this contention must henceforth be regarded as groundless in face of the results from the careful and elaborate experiments which Herr Uhlig has been making at Leipzig. He has experimented upon 89 infants in different states of health; and the conclusion is that milk loses nothing of its nutritive value by boiling. Indeed, the process of heating makes it all the better for the infant, thereby greatly modifying the casein, and largely preventing the curdling or clot-forming in the stomach. It is because mother's milk has so much less casein in it than cow's milk that the latter requires an addition of water when used as infant's food.

### Demand For Doctors.

For a long time it has been complained that too many doctors are made at the German universities—many more, in fact, than there is work for but they had been counting without the host who complained thus. They did not reckon upon the influenza, of which there are now so many ill in Berlin that there are not practitioners enough to attend to them. The head of the great physiologist, Prof. Virchow, is also upon the pillow.

## AT THE WESTERN CATTLE MARKET

### Bullocks Lost and No Trace—A Drover's Suggestion.

Matters are not progressing very satisfactorily in the Western Cattle Market. On Christmas eve a drover of Tara named George Dunn lost a bullock worth $40 in unloading his stock and at last accounts it has not turned up. There have been several instances of the kind during the year, and some better arrangement is urgently required.

A drover many years in the business told The World yesterday that the Western Cattle Market was the worst conducted of any in Canada. In Montreal there is a man employed to unload the stock in the order of its arrival. Each load is numbered and the number put down in a book kept for the purpose. Each drove is relegated to a distinct yard, so that there is no trouble from mixing up.

As it is now in the market there is practically no system. Drovers run their loads in haphazard, and the result is endless confusion.


Whooping cough, croup, sore throat, sudden colds, and the lung troubles peculiar to children, are easily controlled by promptly administering Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. This remedy is safe to take, certain in its action, and adapted to all constitutions.


### St. Louis Budweiser and Anheiser Beer.

The quantity of barley used last year at the Anheiser Busch Brewery, St. Louis, was 1,215,000 bushels. This represents the product of nearly 30,000 acres. They buy fully three-fourths of all the finer grades which comes from Canada. 135

# GARRISON GOING ABROAD.

## PITTSBURG PHIL SAYS HE HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN ENGLAND.

### To Ride in the English Derby—New Yorkers Declare the Snapper Could Not Permanently Leave America—Racing at New Orleans and Guttenburg—Champagne Charley's Demise—A New Year's Shoot.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 2.—Much mystery has been attached to the probable doings of the great "Snapper" Garrison next year. A Times reporter interviewed Pittsburg Phil, who gives the famous jockey's program as follows:

"A few days before coming home to Pittsburg to spend the holidays I met Garrison and his wife at a dinner to which the great jockey had invited me. During the conversation which followed he asked me how I intended to spend the remainder of the winter. I told him I had made up my mind to make a tour of Europe, and would set sail on the steamer Etruria Jan. 4. Judge of my surprise and delight when Garrison informed me that he had that very day secured berths on the same steamer for himself and wife, who would in company with a Mr. Aiken and wife do Europe as well.

In questioning him closely as to his object in crossing the ocean, Garrison frankly admitted to me that he was going there to reside permanently and would hereafter cut a figure in English racing events. To assure me of his earnestness he told me he had already been engaged to ride a horse which would compete in the English Derby. He would not give the name of the horse, but said it was one of the colts out of St. Blaize and owned by August Belmont, of New York. As a further clincher to the regretable fact that the American turf is to lose Mr. Garrison, he told me he would return to America next summer for a brief visit, during which time he would ride a horse in the American Derby, to be run in Chicago next June. Garrison would not say by whom he had been engaged in England, but a man of his ability will be welcomed there with open arms. Since the death of Archer and some other notable English jockeys there has been a dearth of good riders in England.

### Garrison's English Engagement Denied.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The Tribune to-day says: "Pittsburg Phil," whose parents bore the meek and lowly name of Smith, talks of starting a stable of his own, although his turf gains this year are reported not to have been enormous, and indeed to have fallen far below those of some more fortunate seasons. "Pittsburg Phil" is said to have asserted that Garrison would probably remain abroad and ride in England permanently, but this is mere stuff and nonsense. There would be no demand for Garrison's services on the other side of the Atlantic that would justify the young man in remaining and joining the ranks of the English jockeys. He can make much more money in America, and with much more ease and comfort to himself. The stewards of the English Jockey Club and some of the other racing officials over there have a habit of making themselves extremely disagreeable to jockeys that are too independent, and Garrison has always been exceptionally independent. Hence it may be taken for granted that the "Snapper" will be riding as usual at the principal Eastern tracks in this country when the regular racing season of 1890 begins.

### The Results at New Orleans.

[Special to The World.]

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2.—Following are the results of today's races:

First, ¾ mile—Dusme, Probus, Lady Blackburn. Time 1.17¾.

Second, 5½ furlongs—Nickelplate, Florine, Antonio. Time 1.12¾.

Third, five furlongs — Col. Gore, Little Bess, Vattel. Time 1.03¾.

Fourth, seven furlongs—Bertha, Neva, C. Buckler. Time 1.31.

### Yesterday at the Gut.

[Special to The World]

GUTTENBURG, Jan. 2.—Following are the results of the races to-day:

First, 5 furlongs—Hardship, Macao, Gold Vase filly. Time 1.05.

Second, 6 furlongs — Nita, Dr. Jekyll. Time 1.17¼.

Third, 1 mile—Carrie G, Vigilant, Sunshine. Time 1.46½.

Fourth, 6 furlongs—Lemon, Pommery Sec, Sherwood. Time 1.16¼.

Fifth, mile and furlong—Wynwood, Bordelaise, St. Valentine. Time 1.57¼.

Sixth, 7 furlongs—King William, Lotion, Cupid. Time 1.30¾.

### Gossip of the Turf.

The twenty-one valuable stakes offered by the Coney Island Jockey Club will name and close to-day.

Messrs. A. H. Cridge & Co., the N.Y. bookmakers, employ fifty people continuously in their business.

The Maryland Jockey Club's failure was due to the multiplicity of tracks in New York and New Jersey, being crowded out of its dates. The club had been in existence for twenty years.

The shares of the "gate money" racing companies in England are only salable as follows: Kempton Park, £50 shares at £210; Sandown Park, £10 shares at £12, and the £100 shares of the Manchester Race Course Company at £650. The last named is by long odds the most successful racing company in the land.

It is stated in an English review of the past racing season that the total amount raced for under the rules of the Jockey Club was upward of £480,000 ($2,400,000), of which £196,000 ($980,000) was won by 2-year-olds, £151,000 ($755,000) by 3-year-olds, £72,000 ($360,000) by 4-year-olds, and £61,000 ($305,000) by 5-year-olds and upwards.

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The enormous disproportion between the Duke of Portland in the list of winning owners in England, with nearly £74,000 to his account, and that of Mr. Milner, who comes next with something over £21,000 is startling. The whole of that prodigious sum, with the exception of £5241, has been won by three horses, Donovan, Ayrshire, and Semolina.

### Shooting at Blue Rocks.

The disagreeable weather of New Year's Day did not prevent several interesting matches being shot at McDowall's grounds. After a number of small matches a 50-bird sweepstakes was shot. The scores:

50 blue rocks; two prizes:

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| W McDowall | 43 | J Dralsey | 40 |
| C Charles | 42 | C Budd | 37 |

Double rise match; 5 pairs:

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| Charles | 9 | McDowall | 8 |

A number of open blackbird matches will be shot at McDowall's grounds to-morrow afternoon.

### Gilmore and Hanly Will Spar.

BUFFALO, Jan. 2.—Harry Gilmore and Jack Hanly will meet in a 20 round glove contest, Jan. 29. The contest will be under the auspices of the Erie County Athletic Club.

### National Leaguers Confident.

There is a considerable contrast in the respective attitudes of men signed by the Brotherhood and National. The League has now signed 25 of its 1889 players who were Brotherhood men, 8 who were not members of the Brotherhood and about 30 youngsters. These, in addition to the full first-class teams signed by Brooklyn and Cincinnati, assure those who believe in the old organization that there will be good teams and good ball in all League cities. The League men do not worry about their teams. They say they will be all right even should they lose the lawsuits, which they deem highly improbable.

### Dust from the Diamond.

Clarkson is reported to be on his way to Boston from San Francisco. Soon after his arrival in Boston he will begin coaching the Harvard pitchers.

W. R. Whitaker yesterday received application from another club for admission into the American Association. He declined to name the city from which the application came, but said he did not know whether it would be an Eastern or Western club. Syracuse may be the city in question.—Philadelphia Record.

The New York League managers express confidence in their suit against Ward having a successful issue, and expect to sign O'Day, Welch and Murphy within a week.

The Rochester club has already six men under contract. These are: Pitchers Barr and Fitzgerald; Catcher Burke; Second-baseman "Tom" O'Brien; Fielders Scheffler and Lyons.

Cartwright, the heavy hitting first baseman of the St. Joseph team, may be found in Jay Faatz's place in the Cleveland team next season.—Chicago Inter-Ocean. So perhaps Hamilton has not secured him after all.

The opinion that the League will reduce its circuit from ten to eight clubs is steadily gaining ground. It is believed that the Indianapolis players will wear New York uniforms, and that the Washington players will be parceled out among the other eight League teams.

The capital stock of the old Rochester club was $7000, and this amount will be increased to a sum sufficient to sustain a first-class major league club. General Henry Brinker will own a controlling interest in the new organization.

At a meeting of the National League committee in Philadelphia Long and Stearns were allotted to the Boston club and Hamilton to the Philadelphias. Both clubs had claimed the three men under an agreement with the owners of the Kansas City team.

Jim Mutrie has succeeded in trapping those time-worn veterans, Sam Crane, Jack Farrell and Joe Hornung. He would like the addresses of Hugh Daly, Ed. Gault, Lou Dickerson, "Cientific" Bill Hague or any other before-the-war veteran.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Ed Swartwood was in receipt of a letter yesterday from Manager Cushman, formerly of the Torontos, but now of the Milwaukees, of the Western Association, asking him at what terms he would play there next season. Ed sent him back as an answer that for the present he would not engage with any club. Several brotherhood clubs are also after him.—Pittsburg Times.

That the International League will disband now seems probable. With Rochester, Toledo and Buffalo out and Syracuse inactive, it would be next to impossible for the League to fill the vacancies and continue in existence. The International was an excellent organization, but it had to go. Detroit's admission in 1889 and that club's questionable tactics of late proved the League's death.—Rochester Herald. You should never jump at conclusions.

### Sadler the Sculler is Dead.

[Special to The World.]

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Sadler, the once famous sculler, is dead. Sadler held the English sculling championship in '75 and '76, defeating in those years R. Bagnall and R. W. Boyd.

### Paulsen Secures the Stake.

[Special to The World.]

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 2.—It is reported to-night that the protest of McCormick has been withdrawn and the money has been paid over to Paulsen.

### A Chance for the Lightweights.

CHARLESTON, S.C., Jan. 2.—Billy Layton, a local lightweight who put Jack Donovan to sleep in twelve rounds not long since, offers to fight any lightweight in the United States for $1000 to $5000.

### Spots of Sport.

John Teemer will be backed heavily by his McKeesport friends to win in the Thayer regatta.

Richard K. Fox has decided to have a belt made to represent the 115-pound championship of America.

Jack McAuliffe is to start for San Francisco next Sunday. He will be there in time to second Jack Dempsey in his fight with Billy McCarthy.

John L. Sullivan will return the championship belt to Richard K. Fox this week, which, authorities say, will be a virtual surrender of the championship.

The champion Irish middle-weight, Jack Hickey, is coming to this country with Jack Fallon, and he expects to do great things. Fallon says Hickey has bested Bill Goode, Toff Wall and a dozen others on the other side of the water, and that he intends to challenge the winner of the Dempsey-McCarthy fight.

Peter Jackson and Woolf Bendoff, his sparring partner, opened their tour at St. James' Hall, Plymouth. A crowded audience was the result, and the tame three rounds were voted anything but worth the money. In fact, some amount of hissing was indulged in, and "Parson" Davies found it imperative upon him to soothe the troubled waters with a speech or two.—The Victuallers' Gazette.

## AT DEER PARK LAST NIGHT.

### The Ratepayers' Association Weighing the Merits of Municipal Candidates.

G. A. McKinzie presided at the Deer Park Ratepayers' Association meeting in the schoolhouse last night. The meeting was called to discuss municipal matters as they may affect Deer Park. Candidates for municipal honors present were first given an opportunity to air their views.

In response thereto Farmer J. Dollery said a few things in many words. In response to a question put to him by a member present, "Would you support the removal of the toll-gate?" he replied, "Oh, yes," and was greeted with applause. "Are you in favor of the local improvement system?" "I am not a great friend of that. It is an expensive way of getting a small amount of improvement."

Councillor W. Clarke thought the township had a right to its own taxes, less expenses of collecting, etc. He was also in favor of a statute labor tax and the abolishment of toll-gates. He favored the county keeping the roads in proper repair.

Councillor W. Morgan was of opinion that returns should be made according to assessment, that tollgates should be abolished, and proposed as a way out of the "roads" difficulty that municipalities through which the roads run should pay a certain percentage and the county the rest, naming 60 and 40 per cent. respectively as proportions. The speaker was emphatically down on "committee work," charging that it was an unnecessary expense, doing the work for which paid officials were employed. Many present were of this opinion also. He was not in favor of the local improvement system unless a pretty weighty piece of business is involved, as the expenses in connection therewith were too large. Mr. Morgan further promised, that if elected to the council next year, he would be "heard" more vigorously than ever.

Candidate J. Gibson was dead against extravagance in any shape or form. He would advocate local improvement and jump on the tollgates. He would have the ratepayers pay half and the council the other half for sidewalks.

S. T. Humberstone, who is contesting this election with A. L. Willson for the office of reeve, favored local improvement if the improvement was worth the time; if not he advocated the granting of a fund from the township. He had voted for the tollgates and would do so again. In his most scornful tone he repudiated the assertion that he was a "bag of wind," or could be bribed.

Dr. Larratt Smith moved that section 5 of the constitution be amended by substituting "eight" committee men instead of "five." In amendment, A. McLeish moved that the motion be left over till the next general meeting. The amendment was carried.

## THE STREET CAR FRANCHISE.

### What a Public Meeting of Citizens Says Ought to be Done.

There were by actual count just 63 people at the proclaimed public meeting held in St. Andrew's Hall last night to discuss the question of "what shall be done with the street car franchise." Before the meeting was finished nine of these men went out, leaving 54 to pass the resolutions. There were two of these, one declaring that the street car lines should be taken under the control of the City Corporation, and another pledging themselves to support only such candidates as are in favor of this scheme. Samuel McNab acted as chairman, and the resolutions were moved by David Hastings and Hon. D. J. Donoghue.

### A Pennsylvania Cave-in.

PLYMOUTH, Pa., Jan 2.—About 200 feet of the tracks of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railway caved in here to-day. The cave-in has extended to the Methodist Episcopal Church, but the building has not yet been damaged. The entire territory surrounding it is undermined. Large gangs of men are propping up the interior of the mine, and all the miners have quit work.

# THE LAST FOR THIS TERM

## OUR SCHOOL TRUSTEES DISCUSS MATTERS EDUCATIONAL.

### That Pearson Brothers' Commission Again Considered—They Will Get $90—The Expenses of School Management—Trustee Roden Confident of Re-Election—A Funny Adjournment.

The last meeting of the present trustees' term of office was held last night. There were present Chairman Herbert, Kent, Trustees Somers, Brown, Kerr, McSpadden, Lee, Downard, McMurrich, Dr. Ogden, Vair, Baird, Hastings, Willcock, Williams, Roden, John Kent, Middleton, Johnston, Henderson, Whitesides, Schoff, Dr. Burgess. A letter was received from Trustee McCracken stating that he was unable to attend owing to illness.

A letter was received from Solicitor McMurrich re the commission of $190 claimed by Pearson Bros. for selling the George-street property. He states that while they were not agents of the board at the time of the sale to Messrs. Wheeler & Bain and could not legally be paid $190 as commission that they might receive from the board a reasonable compensation for their past services should the board think it advisable to grant the same.

A notice of motion was sent up by Trustee Roden: That it be an instruction to the Committee on Sites and Buildings to consider and report upon the advisability of enlarging the playgrounds at the Park School by the purchase of a piece of property adjoining the same. A notice similar in effect was sent up by Trustee Williams.

The following resolution, moved by Trustee Hastings, was carried: That the bylaws submitted with the rules and regulations be signed by the chairman of the board, and that the bylaws come into force on the second Wednesday in January.

The Board went into Committee on the report from the Finance Committee, Trustee Downard in the chair. All the accounts recommended for payment were passed. The committee recommended that the janitors of these schools be paid at the same rate as other schools of the same size, viz.: Crawford, $425; Hamilton, $425; Perth-avenue, $270; Leslie, $270 per annum.

In consideration of the opinion submitted by Solicitor McMurrich the payment of $190 commission to Pearson Bros. was recommended.

Trustee Hastings moved that the sum of $100 be paid instead of $190.

Trustee Baird was in favor of sending the clause through without amendment.

After a discussion, lasting nearly an hour, Trustee Roden moved that the clause be sent back for further consideration.

"For," he said, "of course I will be here next meeting to see that justice is done."

A Trustee: "No, we're all going to attend your funeral."

Trustee Henderson: "Hush, he's making his last speech."

Both the motion and the amendment were lost. Trustee Hastings then moved that $99 be inserted in place of the $190 recommended. This manœuvre was successful, and the $99 amendment was carried.

The report from the Committee on School Management was passed. It recommended the acceptance of the resignation of Miss D. Corrigan, teacher in Niagara-street school, and Miss K. Rogers, teacher in Bolton-avenue school. A number of transfers and locations were recommended, also that Kindergarten classes be opened in Palmerston-avenue and in Crawford-street schools.

The first and last snag struck in the report from the Sites and Buildings Committee was the following clause:

That the services of R. McKenna, recently appointed janitor of Leslie-street school, be dispensed with, on account of ill-health, and that George Summers be appointed to that position.

Trustee Schoff was in the middle of a long speech when it was discovered that there was no quorum.

"There's no quorum," said the Chairman of the Committee, "I must adjourn the Board."

"There's no chairman, either," said one of the members, Chairman Kent having left the room.

And so the Board was adjourned with the biggest report left practically unconsidered.

## AMUSEMENT NOTES.

### The Varied Attractions the Theatres Offer Their Patrons.

"The Ironmaster" last night received another admirable representation at the Grand Opera House by the Kendal Company. "The Queen's Shilling" will be irresistible to-night.

"Little Lord Fauntleroy" will be at the Grand Opera House Thursday, Friday and Saturday next. The sale of seats opens on Monday.

### Academy of Music.

Lovers of comedy will have an opportunity this evening of witnessing the celebrated and successful adaptation by Mr. George M. Wood of the world-famed Von Moser's Der Bibliothekar or "The Private Secretary," the best English version as played by Mr. Wood in the principal English theatres and materially different from any yet presented here. The company will include such names as George M. Wood, Miss Marguerite St. John, Fletcher-Williams, R. Gaston, Alexander Calvert, Philip Darley, Miss Randolph, Miss Van Brunt, Miss Stone and others. This successful comedy will be produced to-night and to-morrow night with a special matinee to-morrow afternoon, too.

### Effie Ellsler.

Effie Ellsler, the well-known Hazel Kirke of past seasons, reappears at the Academy of Music for a limited engagement of three nights and the customary Saturday matinee, commencing Thursday, Jan. 9, appearing in her latest successful creation, a domestic drama entitled "The Governess." There is a womanly grace about Effie Ellsler's acting which is very attractive. She is effective without being theatrical in the ordinary sense. She is artistic in her work, not lithographic. There is a probability of her becoming the coming greatest emotional actress; if she is it will be a pure, clear, natural emotionalism which may found a new school. In all her methods are sweetness, directness and humanity. She combines art with heart. Almost born upon the stage, she is not stagy. Miss Ellsler is a dainty blending of force and tenderness. Her coming engagement should be a great success. Seats are on sale this morning at the Academy of Music.

### The Haverly Minstrels.

At the Grand Opera House next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the attraction will be W. S. Cleveland's Minstrels. The New York Dramatic News says of this combination: "Cleveland's combined minstrel troupes present the greatest aggregation of burnt cork known to the universe. The aggregation is to the Haverly Mastodons as the old Mastodons were to Happy Cal Wagner's Minstrels. There were upheavals of applause and hurricanes of laughter. It was a red-letter day in minstrelsy. It was a long bill, but none too long for the enthusiastic audience. These great burnt-cork comedians supplied the fun: Billy Emerson, Hughey Dougherty, John Queen, Marcus Doyle and Burt Shepard. There was enough vocal and instrumental music to supply two grand concerts."

### Jacobs & Sparrow's.

At this Opera House Austin's Australians hold their own this week and will be succeeded by "Pat's Wardrobe." This is the name of the new three-act comedy in which Mr. Pat Rooney has been wonderfully successful. The Boston Herald avers that "Pat's Wardrobe" was written for the sole purpose of keeping audiences in a state of irrepressible merriment.

### A Noisy Box.

The occupants of one of the boxes at the Grand Opera House last night were so noisy that Mrs. Kendal called out to them: "Hush, I cant hear myself speak." The rebuke, however, had little effect.

### St. James' Ward.

Mr. W. M. Hall, who is running for alderman, is well known in Toronto as a large property owner and taxpayer, and the ward of St. James could not return a better representative to the council. Mr. Hall has the leisure for the office, the energy for the work, and possessed of the right kind of ideas on civic government.

## MAKING ARRANGEMENTS.

### The Fight For Gates at Level Crossings To Be Renewed Shortly.

City Solicitor Biggar is in correspondence with Ottawa at present, arranging for another appointment when Toronto, through its representatives, can argue its case in the matter of level crossings before the Privy Council. It is probable that an early appointment will be made when some interesting correspondence will be laid before the Government.

It will be recollected that on the suggestion of Ald. Woods (chairman of the special committee) correspondence was invited with the various cities of the Dominion as to what arrangements existed between them and the railroads on this important point. Ald. Woods told The World yesterday that the replies showed that in no instance did the municipalities contribute one cent towards the maintenance of gates at level crossings. "If this," said the alderman, "is the rule in Montreal, Quebec and other cities of Canada, why should Toronto be the exception?" A meeting of the committee will be called for an early date, when the members of the deputation to Ottawa will be chosen.

### Jottings About Town.

The deputy returning-officers will get their ballots and ballot-boxes this morning.

L.O.L. No. 395 had several propositions last night. Bro. W. Pearson presided.

L.O.L. No. 140 had one proposition last night. W. Adamson was in the chair.

Maggie Morrison, 90 Peter-street, had $10 stolen out of her dress pocket yesterday.

Thomas Cowan, a satchel snatcher, was yesterday convicted and got three months.

The number of services put in by the Waterworks Department during 1889 was 3613.

Lewis Straus, 273 King-street east, had two live turkeys stolen from him yesterday morning.

Over 2000 complaints were dealt with by the Street Commissioner during the past year.

Rev. Canon Dumoulin will preach to young men in St. George's Church next Sunday evening.

Assistant City Clerk Littlejohn is confined to his home through a bad attack of "La Grippe."

A certain alderman holds a bet of $100 even that Mayor Clarke will be re-elected by 1500 majority.

At 6.30 yesterday morning a small blaze did about $25 damage to the house at 81 Seaton-street.

Andrew Simpson, for theft of a fur cap from E. Lavack, was yesterday sent to jail for ten days.

The Criminal Assizes open next Tuesday before Justice Street. There are two murder cases on the docket.

Hardy's shoe shop at 665 Queen-street west caught fire at 1.40 yesterday afternoon. The damage was trifling.

There is every prospect of the Dundas-street bridges difficulty being settled before the close of the municipal year.

Charles Kiwington, a laborer, while going home from church last night lost a wad of bills containing $140.

Wm. McKeown reported to the police last night that he had a Persian lamb cap stolen from him on Peter-street.

Mozart Farmer, for theft of a set of harness from Thomas Powell, was yesterday sent down for three months.

The Police Magistrate yesterday committed David Christie for trial on a charge of assault with intent to rob.

Ald. Frankland is the proud possessor of the biggest blackthorn stick in Toronto, the gift of admiring friends.

Mr. D. E. Thompson of the Citizens' Esplanade Committee, had a lengthy conference with Mayor Clarke yesterday.

George Ferguson, charged with attempting to break into Blair & Hawthorn's boot and shoe store, was yesterday sent to jail for 40 days.

Mrs. Thomas, who lives at No. 2 Bond-street, had a pair of gold bracelets stolen out of her trunk at 100 Bond-street yesterday afternoon.

There was no quorum of the sub-committee of the Parks and Gardens Committee in the matter of the Toronto lacrosse grounds yesterday.

Joseph Harrison, a gas fitter working at Bennett & Wright's, had his tool box broken open yesterday forenoon and a number of his tools stolen.

The Mayor would like an interview with Mr. R. Peterson, whose application for recognition by the Royal Humane Society has just reached his hands.

For theft of a silver watch from T. S. Complin and a pea-jacket from A. Simon, John Thomas, an old offender, was yesterday sent to prison for 60 days.

The Rennie Manufacturing Company has put in a claim for $800 damages sustained by them through the overflow of the Tannery Hollow sewer on the night of Dec. 24.

All the deputy returning-officers are to be at the City Clerk's office not later than two this afternoon or they will be struck off the rolls and others appointed in their place.

Albion Lodge No. 1 Sons of England had a large meeting last evening. Bro. C. B. Jones presided. There was an election of officers, after which refreshments were served.

The Cyclorama Company tendered an invitation to the Girls' Home, which was accepted yesterday. The children attended in a body, and were delighted with the exhibition.

Little Trinity Church choir gave a concert in the theatre of the Hospital last night, which was much enjoyed by the patients. Rev. R. Caswell had charge of the entertainment.

All Saint's Literary Society held another of their successful entertainments in the Schoolhouse last night, when an unusually and interesting enjoyable program was presented.

A letter was received by the Public School Board from Robert Davies last night, making an offer of $5500 for the old Palace-street school and site. The offer was accompanied by a deposit check for $550.

The New Year was welcomed in at Sunny Bank, the residence of Mr. R. W. Prittie, by sweet music, the Dovercourt brass band playing in their usual happy manner God Save the Queen and other pieces.

Mr. Baird of the City Clerk's office spent a sad New Year's Day. His little eight-year-old daughter, his youngest child, died on Monday, and on Wednesday the father conveyed the remains to Cobourg for interment in the family plot.

Cavell and Powell, solicitors for Mr. McManus, have sent a claim for damages sustained by their client by his wife and two daughters being thrown out of their buggy owing to the defective condition of the roadway in Brondview-avenue.

On call yesterday at the Board of Trade President W. D. Matthews was greeted by his fellow-members of the grain section with the soul-inspiring, "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." He made a neat little speech in return for the compliment.

By request of many friends Prof. Seymour will lecture in Shaftesbury Hall on Saturday afternoon to ladies only, and in the evening to the public generally. Mesmerism at each lecture. This is a special engagement and will positively be the Professor's last public entertainment in Toronto this winter.

At a largely attended meeting of Wilton Lodge, I.O.O.F., held Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Noble grand, Bro. T. Johnston; vice-grand, Bro. T. Foster; recording secretary, Bro. J. J. Fee; permanent secretary, Bro. H. Hunter; treasurer, Bro. T. Bain.

Mr. Richard Ardah, a butcher, residing in Queen-street east, was walking near the Gerrard-street bridge last night, when he was attacked by three men and knocked down. His assailants bit a piece out of his chin and ran off. Mr. Ardah made his way to the Hospital, and his injuries were attended to.

Mrs. Henry Sheldon of Farmersville, was cured of Canker of the Stomach by Burdock Blood Bitters when her friends had nearly abandoned all hope.

## UNITED STATES NEWS.

The down-town shops of the Edison Illuminating Company in New York were burned yesterday; loss $100,000, insurance $50,000.

Three men attempted to blow up the Opera House at Millvale, Pa., with dynamite while a dance was in progress. No one was injured.

James Slocum, formerly of the New Haven and Wilkesbarre baseball clubs, murdered his wife with a hatchet in New York yesterday.

While a bullfight was in progress at Villa Serdos, Mexico, the building in which 10,000 persons were crowded, collapsed. Hundreds were hurt, but none fatally.