ELECTRIC RAILWAY DEVELOP.

The information first published by the ADVERTISER that the Blake-Kerr-Cronyn stock in the London Street Railway Compaty, as well as the Masonic Mutual Company's stock had been sold out to a rich parys some conside syndicate, has since been practically confirmed, and it is made apparent that the control of the line goes to new parties who already have the bulk of the stock in the electric railway systems of a number of Canadian and United States cities.

What position the company will take in regard to the proposal to give it electric railway privileges remains to be seen. But it is apparent that it may have to meet another offer from the new company, which assets that it is yet in the field.

The aldermen have done well to await The altermen nave done well to await developments. They have to dispose of a great natural monopoly for a period of 20 years on the lines yet to be built, and for 33 of the 50 years franchise granted the old company. A false step might mar the prosperity of the city in a very considerable It has been well to make haste degree. It has been well to make hade couply, and to watch the opposing bidders for civic privileges closely. The gentlemen who are competing for the monopoly of our streets on which to conduct an electric milway have not entered the lists for the benefit of their health, and they will make the best bargain possible for themselves. The aldermen, acting for the citizens, should have but one care—the protection of the people. They should see to it that as far as possible the profits from great natural monopolies that every citizen aids in accumulating should be collected for the benefit of the whole people, or at least, by cheap fares and rapid transit in comfortable cars, shared by the taxpayers whose presence here makes electric oading profitable.

A bargain between the old company and the city is now in process of ratification, and will likely be considered at the next meeting of the City Council. Until the bylaw has reached its third reading, it is not too late to amend the agreement in any respect that the aldermen deem to be in the city's interests. It is said that the new company has another offer. Let us see what it is. It may be that it will pay the city to send it to the old company. But by and by there should be some finality to these manipulations. The stage should be reached where the aldermen, having made up their minds what is fair and reasonable to all parties and profiting by the experience of Toronto, the people of which enjoy many excellent privileges through their agreement, should be able to close the bargain, and let the arrangements for the new

THE AMALGAMATION VOTE.

A London West correspondent asks if gamation with the city. Yes, the bylaw will be submitted to a vote "of the municipal electors." That is provided for by subsection 4, section 24, of the Consolidated

IN LABOR'S FIELD.

Explanation by the C. A R. Manage-

Explanation by the C.A. R. Managemat-Printers on Strike.

General Manager Shauginessy, of the C.
R. R., referring to the statement that the
company, in view of the possibility of
trubs with their men during the World's
18. And vancinded a three-years' contract
the them, said "Nothing of the sort."
We never thought of the fuir in connection.
There is no general agreement of the kind
dicisted. The arrangement only applies
to the lecemotive drivers, and it is not
general. It applies to the drivers of the
eastern sections of the road. It is not for
the fair, but for convenience. convenience.

Times went out on strike Monday. An advance in wages has been granted the Lahs Shore and Michigan Southern allroad to their engineers and firemen.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE

Second Day's Session of the Grand Ledge-Election of Officers.

Legic-Bloction of GROGES.

Minos Ont, Dec. 7.—The session of the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance were continued to-day. There were many bewarrivas, nearly 40 new members being admitted. A message from Mr. Thos. Lawless, G.S., conveying the greetings of the Grand Ledge, I. O. G. T., was received with suplause and the chief officers requested te send a suitable reply.

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The Victoria Bridge To Be Replaced. MORIBARIA, Dec. 7.—The Financial Times of London has an article stating that is Grand Trunk Railway has decided to mee the Victoria Bridge across the Stations at Montreal, which was built of years ago, by a new and modern structure.

The Whishy Barrels Were Full of Water. Only Seriels Were Full of Water.

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Only Seriels Water formerly of Hamilton,

is in custody here charged with have

set fire to his saloon, in West Broad

set, this morning. Eleven whicky

found to be full of water. There was

So imprance on the saloon.

Cyclone in Texas.

SHALL, Trx., Dec. 7.—A cyclone through the northwest portion of largeth the morthwest portion of largeth the morthwest portion of largeth the morthwest portion of the kine of S. Whaley (colored) how down and his 6 year-old the killed and his wife injured.

Long Branch, N. J., Dec. 8.—Mr. J.

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Defeat and Resignation of the Spanish Ministry.

The Duke of Edinburgh popular With the Navy.

The Austro-Hungarian Heir Apparent Confined to His Bed.

Silver Stopped - Political Agriculturists in Conference-Convicts Wreck and Burn an Austrian Prison-How the Duke of Cumberland May Be "Left

Royalty With a Sore Threat. VIENNA, Dec. 7.—Archduke Francis, heir apparent to the Austro-Haugarian throne, is confined to his bed with an attack of inflammation of the throat.

British Board of Trade Returns. LONDON, Dec. 7.—The refurns issued by the Board of Trade for last month show that the imports decreased £4,960,000, and the exports decreased £240,000, as com-pared with those of November last year.

Wholesale Revolt of Convicts. VIENNA, Dec. 7.—One hundred and seventy convicts in the prison at Koeniggratz revolted to day. They wroked the interior of the building and set fire to two sections. A body of gendarmes and soldiers suppressed the rising.

The Duke of Cumberland Will Be Left. Berlin, Dec. 7.—The Post says that the Duchy of Brunswick may be converted into an imperial province, so as to dispose forever of the question of the succession of the Duke of Cumberland and his heirs.

The Pope Anticipates Home Rule. LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Rome correspondent of the Chronicle says that believing that the accession of Gladstone is certain that the accession of Gladkone is certain to result in home rule, and in accordance with the urgings of the American prelates, the Pope has decided to bestow the red hat on Archbishop Walsh.

Silver Speculation Stopped.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Under fears of a sus-tension by the American Government of the pension by the American covernment on Sherman Act, and some sudden change in the Indian policy, future business in the silver market here has virtually ceased. The silver market is so unsettled that dealers refuse to give quotations. All silver securities are down.

The Spanish Ministry Defeated.

MADRID, Dec. 6.—Priemer Canovas to-day asked the Chamber for a vote of con-fidence on the Government's action in the nuncicpla scandal. The Chamber rejected the request by a vote of 129 to 121. Senor Canovas immediately proceeded to the palace and tendered the Queen Regent the signation of the Cabinet

The Duke of Edinburgh's Unpopu-

tarity.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Truth says the Duke
of Edinburgh will vacate his post of naval
commander in chief in Dover Port in commander-in-chief in Dover Port in August next and that he will thenceforth permanently reside at Cobourg. The report is generally believed, as two of the duke's daughters will be married abroad before then. His son, l'rince Alired, is serving in a German regiment. The duke is very unpopular in the navy, in which he holds the rank of admiral.

Friends of Russia.

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LONDON, Dec. 7.—The second annual meeting of the Society of the Friends of Russia was held in London yesterday. Among the speakers was Stepniak, who complained of the honors shown by Queen Victoria to the "lifamous Duke Sergina." It is said three members of the Gladstone Government are also members of the general committee of the society, which would afford a text for a Russian grievance if the Government should think it worth while to complain.

to the formation of a union of manated and tenants.

A bill having for its object the establishment of a uniform customs duty upon sugar and the abolishment of the payment of sugar bounties, has been introduced in the House.

Hamilton Hotel, of New York. It is said Mr. Jordan has been acquainted with Miss True about two or three months. He has been a widower for several years, having one grown upson and one daughter. There is a rumor in society at this place that the Jordan family formed the acquaintance of the Trues through Mr. Jordan's son, who it is said paid attention to Miss True until one day the father went to the True cottage upon an errand and Miss True entertained him. He became fond of the young lady, and after that, instead of young Jordan calling upon Miss True, the father called. It resulted in the father having Miss True for his wife. Miss True is the daughter of W. F. True, the general freight agent of the New Jersey Southern Rallroad.

Late Canadian News

No Hope for Slavin, the Murderer-A Great Gathering of Agriculturists in Prospect.

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Ontario Fruit-Growers' Association is being held in Brantford.

John Doherty, aged 56, committed suicide at Peterboro on Wednesday morning at 3 o'clock by cutting his throat.

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The will of the late James Jolley, of Hamilton, was entered for probate on Tuesday. The value of the estate is placed at \$31,561.

On Wednesday evening a trolly wire broke and fell on the street near the Hamilton City Hall. A horse stepped on the wire and was instantly killed.

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Nearly all the wells in the village of Cote des Nieges, just outside of Montreal, have run dry, and over a hundred families are suffering from a water famine.

It is understood that the Governor-General-in-Council has declined to grant executive elemency to Slavin, the Cornwall murderer. Slavin will accordingly be executed at Cornwall on the 16th inst.

At a threshing near Brampton, a plat-

At a threshing near Brampton, a plat-form fell nearly twenty feet with four men. Wm. Maw, a farmer, went down head first, and a tine of his fork passed clear through his roces at the bridge perforating the

his nose at the bridge, perforating the C. Willis McAllister, who opened a legal

C. Willis McAllister, who opened a legal collecting agency a few weeks ago in Hamilton, has left the city, and many creditors mourn his departure. He fitted up a splendid suite of offices on King street, secured a large number of \$10 subscriptions to his agency and skipped.

The Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union will meet in Guelph on Dec. 22. Hen. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture; William Mulock, vice-chancellor, Tronto University; F. A. Gemmell, president Ontario Beeksepers' Association; William McLevoy, foul brood impector, and many others have signified their intention to be present. Avery attractive programme has been prepared.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COURT.

Constable vs. London Street Railway Company in Progress-Starr Plea Guilty-Verdict for Plaintiff

Company in Progress—Disc.

Guilty—Verdict for Plainting in May ve. Beckett.

Edward Starr was arraigned on the charge of not supporting his wife and pleaded guilty. He was asked why he had neglected to provide for her, and he replied that "she had too many men around hor." Starr is an able-bodied man and is said to be a first-class workman. He was remanded to jail for sentence and until inquiries have been made into his case.

Chas. J. Ross, who was committed for trial by the police magistrate yesterday morning was bailed until the June sessions. He is charged with the seduction of the second of t

He is charged with the seduction of Florence M. Godwin. Frederick Ross and John Orange went his ball for §150 each, and he cutered into his own recognizance

In May vs. City of Louden and Crawford Beckett, Judge Davis dismissed the case as against the city and the jury returned a verdiet for \$50 for the plaintiff as against Beckett. Judgment was reserved in the matter of costs, but Judge Davis was under the impression that full costs should be allowed the plaintiff.

CONSTABLE VS. LONDON STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

would afford a text for a Russian grievance if the Government should think it worth while to complain.

Agricultural Conference.

London, Dec. 7.—The National Agricultural Conference, called to direct public attention in an emphatic manner to the present grave condition of agricultural adairs and of ventilating the grievances under which agriculture labors, and considering suggestions of their removal, met today. One thousand five hundred delegates from ever 250 agricultural ascociations were present. Many members of the graves were also in attendance.

James Lowther made the opening address. Henry Chaplin then moved the adoption of a resolution declaring that the critical condition of agriculture was a matter of a that any proposal to return to protection, which included a duty upon food, would meet with certain defeat.

The resolution, which was very general in its character, was adopted. A general discussion of the effect of foreign competition followed.

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The Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham suggested the formation of a union of landicide to immediate removal, and that, therefore, all competing imports ought to pay a duty not less than the rates and taxes, which plaintiff claims was foreign imports ought to pay a duty not less than the rates and taxes, which plaintiff claims was larged to the formation of a union of landicide and the produce was an injustice that the land the produce was an injustice that the land the produce was an intended to the formation of attempt to pull in his horses or apply the brakes, which plaintiff claims he should have done for the safety of passengers getting on or off the other car. Mr. Constable had just placed his foot on the step of the ere he was bearding, when the moving one rushed past, knocking him down. His shoulder blade was broken and he was otherwise injured. For a much work as before the accident, which he claims was caused by negligence on the safety of the driver of the moving car. His saut was for \$200 amages, the maximum amount within the jurisdiction of the court. The case was not through when court adjourned until 10 this morning. E. Meredith, Q.C., and E. R. Cameon for plaintiff. H. Munro Grier, Toronto, for defendants.

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The Dominion Cabinet Ministers Sworn In.

And the Thompson Government Holds Its First Meeting.

The Member for Judge Elliot Swallows His Gruel Meekly.

Prof. Saunders Resigns His Position-Rumor That Mr. Carling Will Be His Successor—The Quebec Situation -- General Political Gogsip.

(Special to the ADVERTISER.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—Prof. Saunders has definitely resigned his position with the Experimental Farm, and rumor connects Mr. Carling's name with the vacancy.

Mr. Carling was again interviewed by another deputation from London. It is said they urged him to refuse the empty title of Minister of the Exterior without patronage or salary.

CARLING TAKES HIS MEDICINE.

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OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—Mr. Carling surrendered and attended the council with the new Cabinet. Ontario is now represented mainly by Ministers without portfolios and comptrollers. In addition to this another slap in made at this Prevince, and the customs and inland revenue are not going to be under the control of Mr. Bowell, but Mr. Foster.

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[Associated Press dispatches.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—The ceremony of swearing in the new Ministry took place at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The first meeting of the Thompson Government was afterwards held.

The dinner to been tendered to the new Ministry by Sir Adolphe Caron has been postponed until Monday evening next. The Conservatives of Ottawa will shortly tender a public banquet to the new Ministry at the Russell.

A CHARACTERISTIC PROPOSAL.

Hon. Mr. Chapleau's last act as Minister of Customs was to transmit a memorandum to the council, recommending that the regulations whereby provision is made for a refund of duty paid by the imperial liquors, chinaware, glassware platedware and silverware when imported by regimental messes be amended and extended in their application, so as to include the officers' messes at the various permanent schools of military instruction in Canada.

ARGUMENTS FOR ANNEXATION.

WINDSOR, Dec. 7.—Those who attended the anti-annexation meeting here on Monday evening were given circulars just before they entered the door. Instead of the programmes the circulars turned out to be cleverly-written arguments in favor of annexation, headed "Union of Canada and the United States; the only practical change by which Canada would obtain progress, prosperity and happiness. Her great natural resources would be rapidly developed. Her population and wealth would be doubled within ten yeare. All truly loyal Canadians, who have the real prosperity of their country at heart, are in favor of this union, which is its inevitable destiny."

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NOTES.

It is reported that Mr. Miall, Commissioner of Inland Revenue, will be appointed by Mr. Bowell Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce. If it is not Mr. Miall, Mr. Parmalee, Commissioner of Customs, will doubtless get the position.

It is reported Hon. John Carling will retain his position in the Cabinet without portfolio, and will be appointed commissioner to the World's Fair.

The writs for elections in Terrebonne and North Hastings caused by the resignations of Hone. J. A. Chapleau and Mackenzie Bowell will be issued this week. A. F. Wood will succeed Hon, Mackenzie Bowell in North Hastings.

Bowell in North Hastings.

The writ for an election in Montreal
Center will be issued in a few days.
Hon. W. B. Ives will offer himself for
re-election in Sherbrooke.
At a meeting of the West York LiberatConservative Association on Tuesday a
vote of confidence in the new Dominion
Administration was carried, but not unani-

mously.

Hon. J. A. Chapleau, Licutenant-Governor of Quebec, has issued an address to his late constituents.

TAKES NOTHING WITH HIM.

Jay Gould Leaves His Millions to His

his will his sons, George J. Gould, Edwin Gould and Howard Gould, and his daughter, Helen M. Gould. No bonds are to be required of the executors and trustees.

There is a provision that if any of his children shall marry without the consent of the majority of the executors and trustees, then the share allotted to such child shall be reduced one half, the other half of such share shall be transferred to such person as under the laws of the State of New York would take the same if the testator had died intestate.

London's Industries.

An Interesting Statement of Its Manufacturing interests.

What It Means if Factories Are Exempted.

A Total Assessment of \$1,159,200 Represented-The Cpinions of Various Firms on the Question-Willing to Pay on Real Estate, But Not on Personal.

Assessment Commissioner Grant has prepared a statement showing the number of hands employed in the various industries of the city and the real and personal assessment on each establishment.

This was done as an aid to No. I committee in determining to what extent these industries shall be taxed. A circular was sent out to the leading manufacturers of the city, inviting their replies to the following questions: I. Should real estate be exempt? 2. Should buildings be exempt? 3. Should machinery and appliances be exempt? 4. Should stock in trade be exempt? 4. Should stock in trade be exempt? 7. Answers have been received from 33 firms to the following effect:

Four want real estate exempt; 29 don't. Twenty-four want buildings exempt; nine don't.

Twenty-eight want machinery and appliances exempt; five don't.
Twenty-four want stock in trade exempt;

Out of the 33, 3 or 4 are willing to be Out of the 33, 3 or 4 are willing to be taxed on everything and as many more want to be taxed on nothing. The appended table includes industries which represent 3,142 employes, \$703,900 in real estate and \$455,300 in personal property. If everything be exempted it will mean a reduction of \$1,199,200 in the assessment of the city; if personal property alone be untaxed, as the majority of the manufacturers heard from wish, the reduction will be \$455,300.

The table below is divided into two groups—factories which employ under twenty hands and factories that employ

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Hodson Abbot, carriages	7	\$3.20
Wm. Atkins, cigars,	12	1,80
Rowland Dennis, wireworks	13	5,20
J. M. Dufton, woolens	15	9,00
Dominion Meterworks, meters	5	50
Dominion Mills, millers	15	13,50
John Elliet, agricultural imple-		
John Elliet, agricultural impre-	7	60.00
ments	6	3.80
John Fox. scaleworks	10	16,00
Globe Tobacco Co., tobacco	16	4,00
P. Hendershot, boxes	12	1.90
George Kelly, eigars	12	1,0
Lehfreldt & Goldstick, hats and	10	2.20
caps		
London Soapworks, soap	10	5,50
J. H. Moran, carriages	10	5, 5,70
S R Manness, cigars	12	1,4
Magee Manufacturing Co.,		
woodenware	2	3,5
R. McPherson, agricultural im-		
plements	7	11,0
Robinson Corset Co., corsets	15	1,7
J. Ross, confectionery	2	2.0
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& Co., elevators.....ick M'n'f'g Co., confec-McCormick M'nTg Co., contectioners, Markay McNee & Co., cigars, 70 McCay, MnTg Co., stoves, etc. 450 Nash & Greer, carriages . 50 A. Olmstead & Co., cigars . 45 Natrolo Stained Glass Works . 20 Natrono & Joly, wayons . 30 Natrono & Joly, wayons . 175 Natrono & Green & Co., confectioners . 175 Natrono & Eurne, agricultural implements . 122 Stovens, Clark & Stevens, boots and shees . 35 32,500

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This is what The Girls say to it.

To the Editor of the Adventible:

In a recent issue of your paper I read a letter signed Harry M. Fenwick in reply to which will you kindly permit me to use your valuable columns? Mr. Fenwick denies the right of girls to fill positions outside of their homes unless compelled to do so, and even goes so far as to assert that those who do so are lacking in self-respect, a charge he should be very chary of making unless he has very strong proofs to offer. If girls were intended only to remain at home they would not have been given the ability to engage in every description of employment. These powers are bestowed that they may be used and to deny any person or class or sex the use of their God-given powers would be tyranny. The girl who remains at home must either remain idle or employ her time with housework. If the former, she must be maintained by the labor of some one else, which surely cannot add to her self-respect. If the latter, she should be paid such wages as her labor would command elsewhere; otherwise she is merely a slave, a being all the profit of whose labor goes to another. If her parents are unable to pay her, as in the case with people of ordinary means, then she is right to take her labor (her only capital) where it will command the highest price. Mr. Fenwick seems to think a girl should be content to remain at home and receive gratefully her board and clothes as ample compensation for all her time and effort, meanwhile having before her the noble ambition of some day being so fortunate (?) as to the pleasing little fiction to which so many of the sterner sex fondly cling. In the average family the husband works six days in the week, ten hours a day, and the wife seven days of from twelve to fifteen (and if she have a young baby or a sick child, many more), and then, though marriage is called a partnership, the husband pockets all the profits and sees no injustice In his owning everything, while his wife gets merely her board and clothes. On the contrary be real

In Congress.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The antioption bill will go over until next week. A statement prepared by Messra. Courts and Cleves, clerks respectively to the House and Senate committees on appropriations, show that the estimates for the regular annual and permanent appropriations for the fiscal year 1893 4 aggregate \$505,831,335, an increase over the estimates for the current fiscal year of \$15,929,241, and over the appropriations, exclusive of deficiencies and miscellaneous, of \$17,375,500. In Congress.

Used Artificial Blood.

GLENS FALLS, N. Y., Dec. S. —A remarkable surgical operation was recently performed in the village of Lyon Mountain. It was a case of the transfusion of chemical blood into Mrs. Louise Christian, by Drs. W. C. Thompson and J. H. O'Neil. Mrs. Christian had been ill for a long time, and was apparently about to breathe her last, when the physicians decided to try transfusion of a solution whose temperature and fusion of the solution of the solutio the chemical blood directly into the artery
The result of the first injection was a
decided improvement. The patient is
apparently on the road to complete re-



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