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A GAME OF HIDE-AND-SEEK

PAT PURCELL STILL COQUETTING WITH HIS SEAT.

Routine Proceedings in the Dominion Commons—Sir Charles Tupper and Gen. Laurie Presented to the Speaker—Hon. Alex. Mackenzie Welcomed.

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—The House of Commons got through with its business in less than an hour to-day. The proceedings were principally of a routine nature.

Before Speaker Ouimet came into the chamber Sir Charles Tupper spent ten minutes in the corridors shaking hands with members and friends. Sir Charles has almost completely recovered from his illness and now looks robust. He came and left the Parliament Buildings muffled up to the eyes, the weather being somewhat crisp and cold. Sir Charles had to go through the form of being presented to the Speaker, this being his first appearance since his election in Cumberland. When he came into the chamber between Sir John Macdonald and the Minister of Justice he was warmly applauded. After adjournment Sir Charles spent about a quarter of an hour in handshaking and receiving congratulations from both leaders of the House.

Gen. John Wilburn Laurie, the member-elect for Shelburne, was introduced by Sir John and Sir Charles. The General is a large, handsome-looking man who lives on an experimental farm down in Nova Scotia. He only arrived in the Capital this afternoon, but has already made many friends.

Mr. Pat Purcell is still playing hide-and-seek with his seat. The lord of palatial and stately Fairview, past the feet of whose broad acres flows the majestic St. Lawrence, dropped into the chamber about fifteen minutes before adjournment. The gentleman from Glengarry looks as if he owned the seat and was going to stop there until the Supreme Court bounces him, if it ever does.

Everyone was glad to see and applaud Hon. Alex. Mackenzie when he entered the House and took his seat beside the unterrified knight from Kingston, Sir Richard Cartwright. Mr. Mackenzie, the grand old ex-leader of the Reform party, is a person whom we all miss when he is absent, and all regret his impaired health. The old gentleman, however, looks as if he could do some good work for his constituents this session.

A number of blue books were laid on the table. They were the annual report on penitentiaries by the Minister of Justice, the report from the Militia and Defence Department, the Public Works report, the Public Accounts, the report of the Auditor-General, the report of the Interior Department and the Trade and Navigation returns; also a large number of Governor-General's warrants.

A Batch of Petitions.

Mr. McKay of Hamilton astonished the House by presenting a batch of petitions almost a foot thick. They were principally from Knights of Labor assemblies in the Ambitious City and prayed for:

A bill to declare illegal uniformed private police and detective bodies.

A bill for manhood suffrage in all elections.

A bill providing that no persons, co-operating body or class shall be exempt from the payment of any tax which is levied on the rest of the community.

That the Dominion Government shall issue all money for the purposes of a circulating medium, to be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

To amend the Seamen's Agreement Act by replacing the clause reserving the right to appeal after conviction for any offence, and also to give all persons charged under said act the right of jury trial.

For the better protection of life and property on vessels plying on inland waters by employing competent crews and having an inspection of hulls and rigging.

For a Dominion Factory Act similar to the one in force in Ontario, and for a Workshop Regulation Act.

All these petitions were very numerously signed.

The Controverted Elections Act.

Mr. Amyot reintroduced his bill of last session to amend the Dominion Controverted Elections Act. The little member from Bellechasse explained that this bill would make the publication of all members elected to Parliament after a general election uniform in The Canada Gazette. The measure is directed against the present practice of gazetting members elect whenever it suits the purposes of the Government. The bill was read a first time.

Mr. J. C. Patterson sent up a bill for the incorporation of the Canada and Michigan Tunnel Company, after Sir John Macdonald had been assured on the quiet that the bill was not an "underground proceeding." It was read a first time.

Mr. Edgar has a notice of enquiry on the paper concerning the liability of Canadian fisheries vessels for harbor and other dues while in port or harbor for shelter or repairing damages. The Minister of Marine said he was not prepared to answer Mr. Edgar, and the question stands.

Questions Under Consideration.

To Mr. Innes and Mr. Casgrain Sir Charles Tupper said the Government were considering their questions asked on Friday regarding the introduction of legislation, in view of recent bank failures, amending the General Banking Act.

Mr. McMullen's motion for a return showing the sums of money paid in costs or otherwise in the suit of the St. Catharines Milling and Lumbering Company v. the Queen was agreed to.

Mr. Dawson moved for a return, which he supplemented with a fifteen-minute speech, showing the number of Canadian vessels lost or wrecked on the Great Lakes during the season of 1887. Mr. Dawson said the loss of life and property on these water stretches was appalling. He advocated more stringent navigation laws providing especially against overloading and for a hydrographic survey. The Minister of Marine said he believed that all the information which Mr. Dawson sought would be found in his report, which would be presented to the House in a day or two. If not, he would bring it down.

The Election for Kent.

Sir John Macdonald made a motion referring the report of Mr. Justice Osler, dated Nov. 17, 1887, voiding the election of Archibald Campbell (Liberal) for Kent, Ont., to the Committee on Privileges and Elections. The judge says in his report that no corrupt practice was proven to have been actually committed by either Mr. Campbell or C. W. Buel, the relator, but that Frank Hadley and James McGoldrich were guilty of direct bribery, and on these grounds the election was voided.

Sir John read two clauses from the Controverted Election Act and said there was considerable doubt in face of these clauses whether the Speaker had the power to issue a writ for a new election without a direct reference to the House, which might see it prudent to issue a royal commission to investigate the charges. It was to decide these points that Sir John wished the matter sent to the committee.

Mr. Laurier said this was the second time in his recollection that this question had been raised in the House, and asked that the motion stand till to-morrow. Sir John agreed to this.

It may be mentioned that Hadley was punished for his corrupt acts and McGoldrich's case stands for trial.

The Fisheries Treaty.

Mr. Laurier asked the Prime Minister when the House might expect the papers in connection with the Fisheries Treaty to be laid before it.

Sir John replied that all the papers had not been received from Washington, and that it would be a few days before he could bring down all the documents. They certainly would not be brought down to-morrow. [Laughter.]

Sir Richard Cartwright: I see by the American papers that the treaty and all the protocols have been submitted to the United States Senate.

Sir Charles Tupper: This is incorrect. I have just received a telegram from Mr. Bayard, Secretary of State, saying that by to-morrow the treaty itself and the whole of the protocols would be submitted to their Senate.

Notices of Motion.

Among the notices of motion handed in were these:

Mr. Denison (Wednesday)—For a select committee, with the usual parliamentary powers, to enquire into the desirability of the Government assuming all electric telegraphic lines in Canada.

Mr. Wallace (Wednesday)—For a select committee to enquire into the workings of "combinations" which deal in Canadian and foreign products. This is supposed to refer to the sugar "combines."

Mr. Guillet (Wednesday)—If the Government intends to take any action in the case of John Valentine Ellis, M.P. for St. John, N.B., "who is an open and avowed Annexationist, contrary to his allegiance to the Queen when he qualified on oath as a member of the House of Commons."

Sir Richard Cartwright (Wednesday)—Whether a site was purchased in Cayuga for the erection of a postoffice, and if so its cost.

Mr. McCarthy (Wednesday)—An act for the protection of railway employes and an act to amend the Canada Temperance Act.

Mr. Amyot put three notices on the paper respecting trades unions. He wants a list of trades unions which have complied with the provision of the Trades Union Act, copies of the rules of all unions so complying and the designations of their different officers; also a copy of the regulations made by the Governor-in-Council respecting the registry of trades unions.

Mr. Armstrong (West Middlesex), Resolved—"That in the opinion of this House Commercial Union with the United States would be materially advantageous to both countries, and that it is the duty of the Government to use all proper means to secure such union."

The Address Adopted in the Senate.

The Senate sat till 6 o'clock this evening and succeeded in disposing of the address. The old gentlemen had quite a lively afternoon of it and some of them kicked up their heels in real coltish fashion in referring to the great public question of the day. All of the speakers referred in words of kindness and emotion to the near departure of the Governor-General. The fisheries treaty was freely talked of, but in the absence of correspondence and papers their points were very obscure. The talkers were: Senators Kaulbach, Alexander, Dickey, McInnes, Girard, Almon, Bellerose, Haythorne and Abbott, the Government leader of the House.

International Rights in Behring Sea.

Senator Macdonald of British Columbia handed in a notice of motion enquiring whether any answer had been received to questions submitted in 1886 by the Imperial and Dominion Governments to the United States, whether British vessels fishing in the open seas beyond the territorial waters of Alaska would be exposed to seizure. Her Majesty's Government at the same time would be glad of the assurance that pending a settlement of the question no seizures of British vessel be made in Behring Sea. Also for correspondence subsequent to May, 1887, between the three Governments relating to international rights in Behring Sea and to seizure of British ships therein by armed vessels of the United States.

A Dinner at Earnscliffe.

Sir John Macdonald gave a dinner party at Earnscliffe to-night, at which these gentlemen attended:

Sir Hector Langevin.	Senator Sanford.
Mr. Baker, M.P.	Mr. Cameron, M.P.
Mr. Colby, M.P.	Mr. Joncas, M.P.
Mr. Montague, M.P.	Mr. Ward, M.P.
Senator McKindsey.	Senator J. J. Ross.
Mr. Brown, M.P.	Mr. Cargill, M.P.
Mr. Hesson, M.P.	Mr. Landry, M.P.
Mr. Sproule, M.P.	Mr. White (Ren.), M.P.

CAPITAL NOTES AND GOSSIP.

Shorthanders' Annual Meeting—Election Appeals Dismissed.

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—The annual meeting of the Canadian Shorthand Writers' Association was held in the debates office to-day. Arthur F. Wallis of The Toronto Mail was chosen president.

The Supreme Court to-day dismissed with costs the appeals to unseat Messrs. Coulombe (Con., Maskinonge), Gauthier (Lib., L'Assomption), Casgrain (Lib., L'Islet) and Langelier (Lib., Montmorency). The court held that it had no jurisdiction. The appeals were against the six months' hoist.

Mr. Adam Brown (Hamilton) will ask this session for changes in the act for the prevention of cruelty to animals. He wants to have pigeon shooting at tournaments made a punishable offence.

The Atlantic Mail Service.

Those who are supposed to know Government intentions assert that the Atlantic mail contract is to be treated as an open question, removed from the field of party politics. So it ought to be. It is said that resolutions will be introduced asserting the necessity for a faster ocean mail service, and reciting the advantages of such a scheme from a national as well as a commercial point of view, and leaving the amount of subsidy blank. The Canadian Pacific Railway people are pressing a twenty-knot speed, while the partisans of the existing steamship lines deride the chances of such a business being attracted as will justify the needed expenditure on the part of the contracting company, or the granting of a Government subsidy, likely to prove a reasonable supplement to actual earnings, taking the most sanguine view of the latter. These place the subsidy for ships the equal of the Umbria and Etruria at very little less than a million of dollars a year; or four thousand pounds sterling a trip. It is not likely, they claim, that Parliament will sanction any such outlay; while a company undertaking the speed for less money would find speedy ruin, or be constantly embroiled in disputes arising out of breach of their contract. If it be true that the Orient tender was based on the acquisition of the Arizona, Alaska and Austral, there is certainly reason to suppose that these ships would not attain the sea-going speed required, which at present is only shown by the Umbria and Etruria. The Canadian Pacific Railway people insist that if the twenty knot speed be guaranteed they can divert from New York such a share of the traveling public as will pay the expense. Their opponents doubt this and allege that no vessel to-day running to Halifax would carry a paying number of first-class passengers; while admitting that for two months in the year such ships running to Quebec might pay. Certainly a visit to New York is among the principal considerations affecting travelers either from the Western States to Europe or from Europe to America and trans-Pacific countries.

The Dismissed Translators.

Remi Tremblay, Ernest Tremblay and H. E. Poirier, translators of the debates of Parliament, though dismissed by the Internal Economy Committee, refuse to lay down their "oars" and are still at work. The charges against these three robust rogues is that they took the stump and spoke slanderously against the Secretary of State and Mr. Ives of Richmond during the last election campaign. Their dismissal came through A. McMahon, Speaker Ouimet's secretary. The defence of the impeached translators is that they did not slander Mr. Chapleau and Mr. Ives, and that as they were appointed by the Debates Committee the former committee have no power to dismiss them. This question may involve a parliamentary investigation.

Vacancies Filled.

Robert Sedgwick, Q.C., City Solicitor of Halifax, has been appointed Deputy Minister of Justice, succeeding Mr. Justice Burbidge, elevated to the bench. Mr. Sedgwick studied law with the late John Sandfield Macdonald and returned to Nova Scotia to practice. He is Professor of Equity in Dalhousie College.

Mr. E. Boivin, shoe manufacturer of Montreal, has been appointed a member of the Labor Commission, succeeding Mr. Cote, who is in ill health.

Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Mackelcan, Messrs. Reub. Fax, W. E. Ramsay and Fred Warrington will sing at the Canadian Order of Foresters' Concert in the Pavilion, March 8th. 2345

The Candidates in Shoal Lake.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 27.—At a meeting of the Reformers of Shoal Lake to-day it was decided to run Provincial Treasurer Jones. There will be a convention at Beulah on Thursday to nominate a Conservative candidate.

A Montreal special to The Call states that J. McTavish has resigned the Land Commissionership of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and that L. A. Hamilton has been appointed in his place.

A Blue Prospect.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 27.—In an interview last night Andrew Carnegie stated that, notwithstanding the natural facilities of Pittsburg, the iron and steel manufacturers were unable to compete with Chicago and the Northwest. The steel rail trade, he said, was unusually dull. There is not a steel rail mill in the country that has orders to run them for sixty days and many could not continue in operation a month.

Canadian Live Stock Association.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—The Canadian Live Stock Association was formed here this morning by a number of gentlemen interested in the live stock trade. It is proposed to hold an annual fat stock show in Montreal, open for entries to the entire Dominion. The first exhibition takes place on March 23 and 24, at the Canadian Pacific stock yards here.

Scott Act Fines at St. Thomas.

ST. THOMAS, Feb. 27.—At the Police Court this morning 22 hotel keepers charged with violation of the Scott Act pleaded guilty. Twenty of them were fined $100 and costs each for second offences, and two $50 each and costs for first offences.

Ranche Cattle Losses.

DENVER, Col., Feb 27.—R. G. Head, President of the International Range Association, says that the reports circulated in the east that the loss of ranche cattle this winter would reach from 50 to 75 per cent. were absolutely false.

Fell Dead at His Friend's Funeral.

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 27.—John J. Flanagan, for many years city editor of The Utica Observer, and extensively known over the state, fell dead at 10 o'clock this morning at the funeral of a friend.

Killed in a Quarrel.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 27.—Geo. Urquhart and Lee Wells, carrier boys for The Evening Herald, quarrelled on Saturday, and Urquhart shot and killed Wells.

THE SCOTT ACT IN HALTON

PROGRESS OF THE REPEAL CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

The Temperance People Sanguine—Figures of the Two Previous Contests—The Antis Doing a Heap of Work on the Quiet—Toronto Voters to be Called Out.

The friends of the Scott Act are working themselves almost blind in their efforts to retain the banner Scott Act County of Halton under their wing, and the Antis from all over the province are joining issues with them in a last effort to break the rule of the Temperance party. Halton has been the scene of the two bitter battles between the temperance and the liquor interests, and on both occasions victory was with the former.

In the first fight, in 1881 when the county people were called upon to vote on the question of the adoption of the measure or not, the figures stood this way: For the Scott Act, 1483; against, 1402; majority in favor of the act 81.

Then came the campaign of 1884. The fight this time was for the repeal of the Scott Act, and both parties struggled hard. When the voting closed the poll registered as follows: In favor of repeal, 1767; against repeal, 1947; majority against repeal 180. This was a clear gain for the temperance people of 99 votes over the figures of 1881.

"Yes," said Temperance Citizen Spence to The World yesterday, "we are expecting another victory. Our prospects are good and hopes high. You must see the great difficulties we have to contend against. Halton County is unfavorably situated for a temperance county. First of all it is small, and then it is sandwiched in between the two anti-Scott act counties. But then we are bound to hold the banner county of Ontario."

"Do you anticipate any likelihood of a victory for the liquor interests?"

"No, certainly not. We carried the county in '81 by a respectable majority, which we more than doubled in 1884, and we propose to continue on in our career of victory. Of course there is this thing to be considered. The last two campaigns were under the old election law, but this one will be under the new Dominion Franchise Act, which will greatly increase the number of voters. The only uncertainty now is where to place this increase."

"Have you any fears of it being against you?"

"Not if the repeal vote in Westmoreland, N.B., is any criterion to go by. When the Scott Act was submitted to the people there first we had a majority of 73. The voting on the question of repeal took place on Feb. 16, and under the new election act, which, as in Halton, had materially increased the voters' list. Well, we scored a second victory this time by a majority of 766."

"Are there many Toronto people helping on the temperance fight in Halton?"

"Mr. J. J. Maclaren, Q.C., Mr. J. C. Robertson and Rev. D. R. Keefer. These are all I know of, including myself. Of course we have others in the field as well."

"What is your plan of campaign?"

"We hold meetings every night and have organized a personal house to house canvass. One thing I have noticed is, that lots who were our staunchest opponents in 1884 have promised their votes for March 1. That is in itself a good sign."

"Where will your main strength lie?"

"Among the farmers undoubtedly. They will pile in the majorities for us. We do not expect much favor in Oakville or Milton. In fact the towns of Halton have always given majorities against the act."

"You said something in the Pavilion about residents of Toronto going out to Halton to vote?"

"There are quite a number of Toronto people who have votes in Halton. I should say the figure would be about 50. You can say that from the reports received daily the prospect of the temperance party for another sweeping victory is good."

In the course of a walk along Colborne-street yesterday afternoon The World ran against Mr. Charles Knees, the cordovan leather manufacturer, and a large property owner in Halton. He is a firm anti-Scottite and has taken a hand in all the battles.

"How are the Antis in Halton, Mr. Knees?" was the first question.

"They are working quietly and have strong hopes of success. We are doing no spouting although we have had offers of some of the best orators in Toronto, but we thought we would do things on a different plan this trip."

"Have you many canvassers out?"

"Oh, yes, that part is being fully attended to. The liquor party is not making a great noise, but they are making a great effort to get there all the same."

"Why did the liquor men have no public speaking this time?"

"They found it was no use trying to knock the preachers out on the platform. It was simply a waste of money and did no good. They prefer to go on another tack now."

"Why do you oppose the Scott Act?"

"Well, I am a big property-owner out in Halton, and since the Act was carried it has decreased in value. Again, I import my labor from Germany, and as soon as the men find out that it is a Scott Act county, off they go to some other place."

Another Halton residenter, who comes into the city daily, told The World that the anti-Scottites were thoroughly organized, and would surprise the community on Thursday.

UNSER FRITZ.

All News from San Remo Transmitted to the Emperor Through Bismarck.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—Frequent interviews occur between Prince Bismarck and Emperor William. This is due to the fact that all news from San Remo concerning the Crown Prince is transmitted to the Emperor through the Chancellor.

Dr. Kussmaul has sent by telegraph to Prince Bismarck a special report on the Crown Prince's case. The doctor takes an unfavorable view of the patient's condition. The Emperor has been informed that some of the matter expectorated by the Prince has been sent to Prof. Waldever of Berlin for examination.

A special service of prayer in behalf of the Crown Prince was held at the palace yesterday. The Emperor and all the members of the royal family now in Berlin attended.

The San Remo Bulletin.

SAN REMO, Feb. 27.—A bulletin issued this afternoon, the signatures to which include Dr. Kussmaul's, says: "The Crown Prince's sleep last night was good, his coughing was reduced and the mucus expectorated was less colored. The general condition of the Prince is satisfactory." The Crown Prince appeared on the balcony of his villa early this afternoon and remained there ten minutes.

Russian Garrisons Reinforced.

BUCHAREST, Feb. 27.—It is reported that the Russian garrisons on the Prussian frontier have been reinforced within the past fortnight by several brigades, which are on a war footing. There are four cavalry regiments for Pinczow, which directly menaces Cracow.

Appropriation for a Military Post.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27.—The Novoe Vremya says 2,000,000 roubles have been appropriated for the construction of a military post at Libau.

Five Hundred Houses Burnt.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Advices from Hanoi Tonquin, state that the public stores, a warehouse, a factory, several lumber yards and 500 houses have been burnt in the artisan quarter of the city. Five natives and one European were killed.

Still Thirteen Lamps Missing.

A young man named Bruce, a clerk living on King-street, was arrested last night by Detectives Burrows and John Cuddy, charged with having stolen a lamp from Government House. Early on the morning of Jan. 19 no less than fifteen lamps were walked off with on the conclusion of the ball. A man named Weir admits taking one, Bruce also pleads guilty, and thirteen are still minus. The possessors of these will save the detectives and themselves trouble by returning them to Police Headquarters.

A Venerable Lady's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Smith took place from the residence of her son, Dr. Andrew Smith, 257 Jarvis-street, yesterday afternoon, the remains being placed in the vault at the Necropolis by Undertaker W. H. Stone. The deceased was born in Kirkmichael, Ayrshire, Scotland, and was 89 years of age. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell and Rev. Mr. Campbell paid a high tribute to her character as a worthy woman and a Christian.

Fair Milliners in Town.

The hotel registers contained the names last night of the advance guard of the fair army of milliners who annually visit Toronto to purchase their spring goods. This morning's trains will bring them in crowds, and in the afternoon the wholesale millinery stores will be invaded.

—Holloway's Corn Cure destroys all kinds of corns and warts, root and branch. Who then would endure them with such a cheap and effectual remedy within reach? x

THE FISHERIES TREATY.

The United States Senate Likely to Consider it in Open Session.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—It is understood that the Senate Committee on Rules has got so far in its consideration of the proposed open executive session proposition as to agree to report an amendment to the present rules, making it in order by a majority vote to remove the injunction of secrecy from a treaty or to consider and act upon a treaty in public. It is inferred that this is to prepare a way for the consideration of the fisheries treaty in open session. The action of the committee was not unanimous. The Foreign Relations Committee has not yet taken up the fisheries treaty, but it is expected to do so at its regular meeting on Wednesday. It has sent for maps and documents thought to be necessary to an understanding of the subject.

A Diplomatist's View of the Treaty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Mr. W. H. Trescot, who was the counsel of the United States before the Halifax Commission, prints a long letter in The Herald criticising the fisheries treaty. Mr. Trescot's understanding of the treaty may be thus epitomized:

1. We are bound not to fish within the three-mile limit.
2. That this limit must be measured along shore and not across headlands.
3. That every vessel bearing the flag of the United States has the right, no matter what her business, to enter any British port, and subject to the same charges and obligations exacted from all other vessels, to buy or sell freely, to land and tranship cargo, and to do whatever any other vessel of any other friendly nation may do.
4. That, therefore, Canada cannot justly make a distinction between our fishing vessels and other merchant ships bearing our flag.

WRECKED IN A SNOWSTORM.

A Schooner Goes Down With Part of Her Crew—Other Marine Disasters.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 27.—The schooner Nellie Bowers, coal laden from New York for Portland, was wrecked in a snowstorm Saturday night on Richmond Island. The crew consisted of eight men. Captain George Spear, First Mate Robinson, Second Mate Gardiner and Cook Charles Higgins were drowned.

A Steamer Blown up.

SOUTH VALEJO, Cal., Feb. 27.—The ferry steamer Julia was blown up this morning and burned. Over fifty persons were on board, and it is known that seven were killed and many wounded.

It is believed that between thirty and forty lives were lost. Up to a late hour this afternoon twelve bodies had been recovered, two of which were burned beyond recognition.

A Barkentine Sunk.

RALEIGH, N.C., Feb. 27.—The barkentine Samuel Welsh, from Philadelphia for Brunswick, G.A., with railroad iron, sunk last night twenty miles southeast of Carrituck lighthouse. The crew were saved. The vessel is a total loss.

An Italian Murdered at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Feb. 27.—Dominico Caprato, an Italian, was stabbed by Angelo Monaco in an Italian boarding house last evening. The injured man died to-day at 4 o'clock and Monaco is held on a charge of murder.

U.S. Life-Saving Crews.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Mr. Buchanan (N.J.) to-day introduced a bill in the House providing for the retirement on half pay of persons in the life-saving crews who are injured in the performance of duty.

THEATRICAL ATTRACTIONS.

"A Great Wrong" at the Toronto and "Pop" at the Grand.

"A Great Wrong" is the title of a strong melodrama which opened at the Toronto last night to a well filled house. Mr. J. B. Studley, in the double role of Kenneth Rawdon and Richard Bright (convict 1240), is an actor of admitted ability in the melo-dramatic school. His acting last night was fully appreciated by the audience and it was evident that the star had made a hit here. Mr. Studley's support is uniformly good. The play abounds in dramatic situations and startling climaxes, and is staged in splendid style. Matinee this afternoon.

Comedian John A. Mackay opened at the Grand last night in the farcical comedy "Pop." It has little plot and no sense, but is full of new songs and funny stage business. The company with which Mr. Mackay is surrounded is rather poor for such an artist, though the star himself can entertain an audience. "Pop" will be repeated this evening, to-morrow matinee and night.

The annual concert of the Canadian Order of Foresters will take place in Horticultural Pavilion on Thursday evening, March 8. The following artists will take part: Mrs. Caldwell, soprano; Mrs. Mackelcan, contralto; Miss Lida M. Tackrell, the lady whistler; Mrs. and Miss Sage, the American refined performers on the musical glasses; Mr. Fred Warrington, baritone; Mr. Reub Fax, humorist; Mr. H. L. Clarke, solo cornetist; Mr. W. E. Ramsay, elocutionist. Mr. E. W. Phillips will be the accompanist and Mr. Fred Warrington conductor.

Merry Rosy Vokes and her company of comedians will be at the Grand the last half of this week.

Tragedian Keene's repertoire at the Grand next week will be:—Monday, Richard III; Tuesday, Julius Cæsar; Wednesday matinee, Othello, with the star of Iago; Wednesday night, Richard III.

Mr. and Mrs. Doutney will take a benefit at Temperance Hall to-night, a good program being promised for 25 cents admission.

Pavilion Fireworks.

Editor World: Rev. Harvard Crosley, D.D., of New York, who was so unsparingly denounced at the Pavilion on Sunday as one whose example was worse than that of a drunkard, is of all the men in that great city the one who is the most feared and hated by the liquor dealers. Why? Because he successfully inaugurated and carried through the shutting up of the hell holes on the Sabbath Day and other restricting measures. He, who is head and front of the movement which but for the opposition of the Prohibitionists would have cut off about one-third of the vilest dens in New York, can well afford to smile at the ravings of such as friend "Schiverla." HIGH LICENSE.

"Be Sure and Call It Willie Crawford."

A male child, probably 3 months of age, was found on the doorstep of St. John's Hospital, Euclid-avenue, at 7 o'clock last night. The youngster was warmly wrapped in baby clothing, attached to which was a note requesting the hospital ladies to care for the child, for whose maintenance the writer promised to send a remittance monthly. "Be sure and call it Willie Crawford. In a short time you will know all," were the concluding sentences. The child was sent to the Infants' Home.

Editor Watts' Birthday Celebrated.

A ball and supper was held in Science Hall last night to celebrate the birthday of Mr. Charles Watts, editor of Secular Thought. An enjoyable time was spent by the company, who numbered about 150.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Turtle soup to-day and all the rest of the week at Clow's, Colborne-street.

A chance seldom offered. The Toronto General Trusts Company for the Cox estate have asked for tenders for the purchase of house No. 29, Grange-avenue. This dwelling is of solid brick and comprises ten rooms, provided with all modern conveniences. Its central location should commend it to everyone. The tenders will be received by John Winchester, Esq., Osgoode Hall, up to March 1 prox.

The Agricultural and Arts Association asked the City Council last night to give them the use of the Armory for the annual spring stallion show. A committee will report.

At a meeting of the creditors of Henry W. Sheppard, hardware dealer, 686 Yonge-street, held yesterday at the office of Messrs. Townsend & Stephens, the debtor offered 60 cents on the dollar, at three, six and nine months secured. The liabilities are $3417; assets are $2933.

In excavating a cellar on Richmond-street west, near Simcoe, yesterday a laborer named Harry Hall exhumed a large glass jar containing the fœtus of a child. Coroner Powell was notified but did not think an inquest necessary.

The taking of the evidence in the Chapman-Hall arbitration was finished yesterday forenoon and in the afternoon Barristers A. H. Marsh for Chapman and O. A. Howland for Hall addressed the arbitrators. The award will not be made for some days.

Green Turtle Soup Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week in perfection at the Bodega Restaurant.

"St. Charles."

A suite of elegant luncheon and dining rooms for the accommodation of ladies and gentlemen have just been opened and furnished regardless of expense at the above named restaurant, 70 Yonge-street, first door south of the Dominion Bank. The celebrated lunch counter for the convenience of business men and others will be continued as usual. Fred Mossop, Proprietor. 246

A LAMENTABLE TAKING-OFF.

Mr. George Eyvel Meets His End Under Distressing Circumstances.

Peculiarly sad are the circumstances connected with the death of Mr. George Eyvel, who breathed his last yesterday morning at his home on Sussex-avenue. Early on Saturday morning, Jan. 27, about 2 o'clock, the people living at 376 Huron-street were roused from bed by a banging at the front door. Mr. William White, the occupant of the house, came down and found a young man in an almost helpless condition using his best endeavors to get within the door. He had broken one of the panes of glass of which the door is composed, and on the door being opened he fell in the vestibule and lay there. All they could get from him in explanation of his conduct was that he was freezing to death, was freezing to death.

The night was bitterly cold, one of the coldest of the season. The thermometer at 10 o'clock registered one below zero. The Whites suspected something else than [illegible] hands was the cause of the man's [illegible] at such an unseemly hour, and Mr. White went for the police. Two constables arrived shortly after 3 o'clock and marched him off to No. 3 Police Station, on Esther-street, which is a mile and a half from 376 Huron-street. When they got him to the station Dr. Strathy was summoned to relieve the sufferer.

The medical man says he did what he could under the circumstances and left him about 4.30 with his hands bathed in a linament and bandaged with canton flannel. His name was entered in the book as George Eyvel of 16 Sussex-street, $5.78 found in his pockets. His lamentable situation excited the sympathy of the staff on duty, and Sergeant Carr says his sympathetic cord was deeply touched when in searching his pockets a second reading book was found, undoubtedly intended for one of his children.

Dr. Strathy did not order Mr. Eyvel to be sent to the Hospital and he was in consequence locked up in the cells. Here he remained till 9 o'clock, when he was sent in a cab to No. 1 Police Station. On these circumstances being reported to the Magistrate he immediately ordered Mr. Eyvel to be taken to the Hospital, whence he was sent home.

During his illness he was attended by Dr. Bryce, and his case was serious from the outset. He was able to take but the slightest amount of liquid nourishment, and it was soon found necessary to amputate the fingers of one hand and then of the other. He was in a state of delirium the greater part of the time and could not give an intelligent explanation as to how he met with his misfortune. An evening paper last night stated that Mr. Eyvel had been sandbagged and robbed and left unconscious on the sidewalk for four hours. This statement is confirmed by the fact that his watch and chain were missing when he was taken to the station.

A chain of fatalities seem to have pursued Mr. Eyvel even after his unfortunate situation was brought to the notice of others. Although he was not more than 100 yards from his own door at 2 o'clock, it was fated for him to undergo all the exposure that has been related as following him from that hour till he got home about ten hours later. First of all when he reached Mr. White's house he was thought to be a burglar and drunk. Those who knew Mr. Eyvel would be the last to suspect that he could ever meet his end through exposure from drink. As a newspaper man no one was ever more faithful and reliable than he, and as a member of The Hansard staff he has been equally attentive to his duties. He was a sober, industrious journalist, esteemed by all his brethren of the press.

The fact that Mr. Eyvel's misfortune has been attributed to drink is one of the saddest features in connection with the event. The night being so bitterly cold, it may be the fact that Mr. Eyvel had taken a glass of liquor on his way home, but the sad plight in which he was found at Mr. White's door must have been caused by some accident or robbery such as has been above referred to. After gaining White's door it was Mr. Eyvel's fatality to be obliged to remain there for an hour or so without assistance although so near his own home. In the helpless condition in which the police found him he was taken in a cold, biting air through a distance of a mile and a half, and, although he was visited by a doctor soon after reaching the station, he was allowed to remain there four or five hours when he might have been under better treatment than lying on the cell floor. And, finally, it was only when he was recognized by one of the Police Court reporters that Mr. Eyvel got into the hands of friends who understood the situation and accorded him proper treatment.

At a meeting of the Canadian Shorthand Society last night the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That in the lamentable death of Mr. George Eyvel this morning in this city the Canadian Shorthand Writers' Association has lost its honored President, and the shorthand profession generally a conspicuous ornament.

That the success which Mr. Eyvel achieved in his profession, by steady perseverance and unremitting application, until he reached the highest position in the gift of the State, and one of the few prizes of the profession, to be won only by the development of special talents and the highest ability as stenographer and litterateur, should incite all our members to equal diligence in perfecting themselves in our noble art-science.

That the members of the Canadian Shorthand Society here assembled take this first opportunity of tendering to the Canadian Shorthand Writers' Association our sympathy with them in our common loss, and to the widow and young family whom Mr. Eyvel has left this sincere expression of our condolence on the sudden and severe loss which they have sustained in the removal of a kind husband and father.

That we hereby instruct our secretary to convey to Mrs. Eyvel this resolution, and that we request our members to make special arrangements for attending the funeral of our late friend and brother in the profession.

George Eyvel was born in Scotland but raised in Canada; began life as a school teacher, learned shorthand and then drifted into reporting and journalism. It was in 1875 that he came to Toronto and joined the staff of The Liberal just then started. In June of that year he went on The Globe. Some years after he bought an interest in The Sarnia Observer, but soon sold out to his partner. When the official reporting staff of the House of Commons was reorganised about 1878, Mr. Eyvel was one of the first men appointed to it, and ever since he has been one of its best men. In his day he has reported all the leading speakers of Canada. He was an excellent descriptive writer, as the columns of The Globe and other papers can bear testimony. He loved the newspaper life and his newspaper friends, and in the idle hours he liked nothing so well as to sit down with them and talk over the odd incidents of their calling.

Regret at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—Deep regret was expressed around the lobbies and the press rooms when the death of George Eyvel reached the city. Resolutions of condolence were passed by the Canadian Shorthand Association, of which the dead reporter was a member, The Hansard Staff, and by the Press Gallery of the House of Commons. Floral offerings will be sent from all these bodies.

Police Interrupt a Hamilton Cockfight.

HAMILTON, Feb. 27.—At 2 o'clock Sunday morning the police, on a hunt for cockfighters, made a descent upon the house of Patrick Connor, on the corner of Mary-street and the Grand Trunk Railway. Through cracks in the floor they looked into the cellar, and there saw fully 100 men around a pit about twelve feet square. At each side of the pit was a man holding a bird. While they watched, the birds were let go and fought for some minutes. Two of the constables found their way into the cellar. There was a cry "Police," and immediately all the lamps about the place were smashed. The men made for the windows and doors. The windows were torn out, sashes and all, and the spectators of the mill rolled promiscuously over each other. Fourteen men and three birds were taken prisoners. George Brand tried to escape from the police on the way to the station, but Officer Campaign caught him after he jumped from the patrol wagon. At the Police Court this morning the Magistrate imposed a fine of $10 on each of the captive sports, or sixty days in jail. The police have secured the names of about fifty who were present, and other prosecutions may follow.

Mr. McShane's Case.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—The efforts made to secure a settlement of the charges of corruption in the Laprairie election case against Mr. McShane have, it is stated on reliable authority, fallen through. The evidence is now before a judicial tribunal, and Mr. McShane will have to submit to the ordeal of having his case decided by the judges of the Superior Court and stand or fall thereby.

The Ingersoll Fire and Theft.

INGERSOLL, Feb. 27.—After the fire last night two boys were arrested named Short and Hingston. Short is a son of the man from whose house the money was stolen, as reported in to-day's World, and on being searched $114 of the money was found hidden in his socks and drawers. The sum missed was $120, which belonged to a sister of Mr. Short, who is on a visit from New York to her brother here.

Another "Corrected" Factory Girl.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—Before the Labor Commission to-day Millie Fontaine, employed in the St. Anns cotton factory, testified to having been beaten in the factory. The mother of this witness testified to her daughter having been discharged, as she believed, for giving evidence in a certain case.

The Dead.

Princess Helene Kotchoubey, chief lady of the Czarina's household, is dead.

IN LEGISLATIVE LOBBIES.

A DRY DEBATE ON THE REMOVAL OF A CONSERVATIVE J. P.

Bad Drainage at the London Insane Asylum—Municipal Fire Insurance—The Hunting of Deer—Progress of Bills A Deputation From Shuniah.

The usual Monday quiet reigned at the Legislature yesterday. The lobbies were next to deserted, and when the House sat about half the leather seated chairs were unoccupied. The proceedings were as spiritless at the opening, but a little warmth was developed later on. The two features of yesterday's business were the discussion of the Municipal Fire Insurance plan, and the Government's policy in appointing county magistrates.

Removal of a Conservative J. P.

Opposition Leader Meredith applied for a return of the writ of superseders issued for the removal of James Golbourne from the Commission of the Peace for the county of Peterborough; also, all information in the hands of the Government connected with it. He understood that Mr. Golbourne had been removed, not because he was incompetent or unmindful of his duties, but on the petition of political opponents. He understood that it was the policy of the Government to appoint their supporters to these offices. This was the reason why the best men did not fill the offices. [Laughter.]

The Attorney-General said representations had been made that Mr. Golbourne had done certain things not consistent with the dignity of the office which he filled. A commission was appointed and it was found that Mr. Golbourne had not the necessary property qualifications. This being the case they did not go into the charges. The Government had no policy to exclude Conservatives. Politics had nothing whatever to do with Mr. Golbourne's removal.

Mr. Gibson (North Huron) said several Conservatives had been appointed justices of the peace in his county.

Mr. Balfour said nine Conservatives had been appointed in Essex during the last few years.

Hon. Mr. Hardy—They will charge us with bribery if you're not careful. [Laughter.]

Mr. Wood (Hastings) announced that he would test the hon. gentlemen's sincerity in this respect before long.

The motion passed.

Bad Sanitation at the London Asylum.

Mr. Meredith moved for copies of all petitions and correspondence with reference to the drainage of the asylum for the insane at London, and the disposal of the sewage therefrom; also copies of all reports of the Board of Health, or any officer thereof, or any officer of the Government with reference to the same, or the disposal of the sewage of the asylum. His description of the sewage nuisance in connection with the institution showed a serious state of things. He charged the Government with having prosecuted the city of London for the pollution of the River Thames by allowing the city sewage to flow into it, while at the same time they, who were not amenable to the law, permitted the river to be polluted and the people had no way of getting redress. Much as he wanted to destroy this Government, he did not want to destroy it on such an issue as this would lead to. An epidemic might at any time break out, and he gave this timely warning and urged that the matter be attended to at once.

Hon. Mr. Fraser said the selection of the site of the asylum was the primary cause of the trouble, and with its selection the Government had nothing to do. The Government had earnestly endeavored to overcome the difficulty and were considering a scheme now by which they hoped to abate the nuisance.

Mr. Meredith said no better site could be got for twenty miles around. The people of London had just cause to complain. The London people were compelled to spend $150,000 to prevent the city sewage contaminating the Thames, while the city's prosecutors were themselves guilty of allowing it to be contaminated.

Hon. Mr. Fraser: Well, we can take the asylum away altogether. If the hon. gentleman wants that it can be done.

The motion passed.

A Superannuated Teacher's Case.

Mr. Meredith moved for a return of all correspondence with reference to the claims of Mr. F. B. Wilkes to be placed on the list of superannuated teachers. He understood that Mr. Wilkes had paid his fee till he was 57 years of age and then was affected with deafness. When applying for his pension his fees and interest only was tendered him.

The Minister of Education replied that Mr. Wilkes had gone to Quebec and had there become incapacitated. He therefore placed himself beyond the jurisdiction of the Department of Education of Ontario.

The motion passed.

Municipal Fire Insurance.

Mr. Snider's bill respecting municipal fire insurance was discussed. Some of its provisions are: Any municipality could by bylaw, on being petitioned by 100 ratepayers, establish a municipal fire insurance company; the officers would be the municipal officers; no larger risk than $6000 could be taken; the assessors would be the valuators. Mr. Snider made a half-hour's speech elaborating the bill and giving statistics in favor of mutual insurance companies in comparison with stock companies. It was a new idea and needed utilization. He asked to have the bill referred to a special committee.

Hon. A. M. Ross congratulated Mr. Snider on the thorough manner in which he had gone into the subject, and the figures given seemed to indicate that some such system would be beneficial. There were many difficulties in the way, however. The classification of risks would be found a different thing in the hands of assessors. As the hon. gentleman said, it was a new idea, and needed utilization. He advised the withdrawal of the bill for the present so that municipal councils might be consulted and their views obtained. From the hon. gentleman's remarks he presumed that this was all that was desired.

Mr. Meredith pointed out that a similar bill was introduced twelve years ago. He gave Mr. Snider credit for much thought in connection with the bill, however, and favored a second reading.

Mr. Gibson (North Huron) took no stock in the project. He had no faith whatever in these mutual insurance companies. He had had experience.

Mr. Craig said the insurance business required special training, such as municipal councils were not likely to have. Improper selection of risks, he thought, would militate against the system. Compulsory insurance would also tend to increase incendiarism.

Mr. Wood (Hastings) viewed the scheme as impracticable, and while he did not cast any reflection on Mr. Snider's labor, he did not think it was worth considering at all.

Mr. O'Connor favored the bill, and Mr. Waters pointed out some objections to it.

The bill was withdrawn.

The Hunting of Deer.

Mr. Phelps' Act to further protect deer was read a second time and referred to a select committee. The bill will make still hunting illegal, and will give only one month in the year, November, to deer hunting. Only two weeks in the year, from Nov. 15 to Nov. 30, will hunting with hounds be permitted.

Hon. Mr. Hardy said still hunting was a practice very undesirable, as it, more than anything else, was the cause of thinning out the deer. He knew of a man who went to the back country and brought in between 80 and 90 deer, while a large party brought only a deer.

A Voice: Did the party have anything with them? [Laughter.]

Hon. Mr. Fraser: It was a purely cold water party.

Second Readings.

Mr. O'Connor's bill to amend the Assessment Act secured a second reading, as also did Mr. Phelps' bill to amend the Assessment Act, Mr. Awrey's bill to amend the Municipal Act, and Mr. Clancy's bill to amend the Registry Act.

Considered in Committee.

These bills were considered in Committee of the Whole and reported unamended.

Hon. A. M. Ross, to consolidate the debenture debt of the town of Wingham.

Mr. Stratton, to amend the act incorporating the William Hall Peterborough Protestant Poor Trust.

Mr. Hilliard, to authorize the town of Almonte to issue certain debentures.

Mr. Bronson, to authorize the town of Almonte to issue certain debentures.

Mr. Meredith, to renew the charter of the Saugeen Valley Railway Company, and to extend the time for the completion of the road.

Mr. Fell, respecting the debenture debt of the township of Bexley.

Mr. Bronson, to incorporate the Central Canada Exhibition Association.

Mr. Leys, respecting the Toronto General Hospital.

Mr. H. E. Clarke, to amend the Methodist Church Act of 1884.

Mr. Smith, to incorporate the village of East Toronto.

Mr. Tooley, to consolidate the debts of London West.

Mr. Bronson, to amend the act incorporating the St. Patrick's Asylum at Ottawa.

The House adjourned on the stroke of six.

A Deputation from Thunder Bay.

To-day's committee engagements are: Public Accounts, 10.30 a. m.; Private Bills, 10.30 a. m.; Railways, 10.30 a. m.; Butter and Cheese, 2 p. m.

It is expected that the Attorney-General will introduce his Manhood Suffrage Bill to-day.

The petitions presented yesterday contained more protests against the bonus system and demands for workshop inspection. Mr. Garson, who seems to be taking a good deal of interest in both matters, says he will not introduce a workshop inspection bill this session. He considers that the Government's action in shortening the hours of work in the retail shops is a move in the direction of what is being petitioned for respecting workshops. Next session, he says, he will introduce a bill bearing on the subject.

The people around Port Arthur want a model farm established in that district, and the Agricultural Society being willing to go into the scheme and bear part of the expense, the Government will be asked to-day or to-morrow to grant assistance. These gentlemen will wait on the Government: Geo. H. Macdonald, mayor, D. F. Burke, J. K. Haskins, A. Squires, Geo. Marks, Thos. Marks, A. S. Wink, W. H. Langworthy, and Thos. H. Gorham all of Port Arthur; John A. McKellar and Sydney Smith, Neebing; and Wm. L. Bell and W. T. Davidson, Shuniah. They will also ask assistance for the Ontario, Manitoba and Western Railway.

Plan of hall opens at Nordheimer's March 2nd for the Canadian Order of Foresters' Concert in the Pavilion, March 8th. Reserved seats 50c. 2345

Judgments Reserved at the Assize Court.

Mr. Justice Falconbridge heard three cases in the Civil Assizes yesterday. McArthur v. Northern Pacific Junction Railway was an action to recover $8000 for timber cut by defendants on plaintiff's lands in Lambton County. Judgment was reserved. Eyre v. Becker, commenced on Saturday, was concluded, judgment being reserved. Thomson v. Campbell was an action to recover $250 for a breach of warranty in the sale of a horse. The plaintiff is J. F. Thomson, the real estate agent, and the defendant is D. W. Campbell, the well-known horse breeder of Milton. Thomson paid $250 for "Sir Charles," a thoroughbred, which, he alleges, was declared to be perfectly sound, not only by his owner, but by a veterinary surgeon as well, and that he bought the animal on the strength of these statements. He afterwards discovered that "Sir Charles" was blind in one eye and was otherwise not as represented. Judgment was reserved.

To-day's peremptory list is: Gibbard v. Rupert; Davis v. Fringe Co.; McMillan v. Ritchie; Moore v. Bickerstaff; Crae v. Littlejohn.

Miss Andrews Gets the Medal.

Grouped around the throne in the Council Chamber last night were ex-Mayor Howland, Mr. Ernest Andrews of the Ontario Bank and Miss Mabel Andrews. Everybody who reads the papers has heard of Miss Andrews' remarkably plucky rescue of two children from drowning at the mouth of the Beaver River, Georgian Bay, last summer. Last night, by desire of the Royal Humane Society, Miss Andrews was presented with the society's bronze medal in presence of the Council. The ex-Mayor made a neat little presentation speech, and the aldermen stood up and applauded. Mrs. E. F. Clarke gave Miss Andrews a beautiful bouquet.

Everybody expected to see a specimen of muscular beauty when Miss Andrews was asked to step to the foot of the throne. They were disappointed. Miss Andrews is slightly built and very pretty. She held a regular levee in a corner of the Council Chamber, and the aldermen all shook hands with and complimented her.

Religion in the Public Schools.

Before the Ministerial Association yesterday discussion was resumed on the vexed question of religious instruction in Public Schools. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell was in the chair and there was a full attendance. Rev. Hugh Johnston advocated the duty of the teachers to impart Christian truth, maintaining that the secularization of the Public Schools tended to the growth of infidelity. The committee's report, a summary of which has already appeared in The World, was then discussed clause by clause, and ultimately adopted. This report asserts instruction in Biblical truth to be a duty of the teacher. It was resolved to send copies to the Minister of Education, to the president of the Toronto Teachers' Association, the Provincial Association, and the Toronto Clerical Association. "Hospital Sunday" and "Public Worship" will be discussed at the next meeting.

Central Bank Claims.

The Master-in-Ordinary on Thursday last fixed yesterday afternoon for the reception of the liquidators' report on the claims against the Central Bank. These, however, are not yet in complete form to be filed. The work has been delayed through difficulty in deciding on a number of them and the absence from official duty of Mr. Foster, Q.C., owing to the death of his mother. Under the circumstances Master Hodgins enlarged the time till to-morrow afternoon. It is understood that some 1500 of the claims sent in are disputed. It is also probable that on March 1, the day fixed by the Master to settle the list of contributories, a further extension will be granted.

Taking Time by the Forelock.

With the close of February attention will be directed by country buyers to the consideration of the purchase of their spring lots. Before doing so a visit should be paid to the well-known Toronto house of White, Joselin & Co., who have been taking time by the forelock in securing a stock of novelties in ribbons, gloves, curtains, laces, veilings and robes for the spring trade. In order to give pre-eminence to these lines, the run for which will soon commence, they will at low rates clear out job lots in embroideries, curtains, laces, kid gloves, serims and muslins.

Moving at the City Hall.

Yesterday the sub-committee appointed to consider the question of giving the Waterworks Department more office accommodation met at the City Hall. They decided to recommend the Council to grant $4000 towards converting Caretaker Kimber's present quarters into offices for the Waterworks Department. This, with their present accommodation, will give Superintendent Hamilton's men plenty of room, and the City Clerk will probably be given an additional room. Caretaker Kimber will be given quarters in another part of the building yet to be determined upon.

A Big West End Hardware Establishment.

One of the first and best hardware establishments in the West End is that of W. M. Adams. Established in 1856, the firm has made for itself a name and secured a good position. Mr. Adams imports hardware of all kinds, making that for builders a specialty; also oils, glass and painters supplies. On the second flat he has a large assortment of perambulators and woodenware. His general stock is large and comprehensive, and deserving inspection by those whose wants he seeks to meet.

"Mr John's Conversion."

—That is what the Grits call it. But can any public man in Canada show so clean a record as the "Good Old Man"? Can Canada show any man, of any party, who has so faithfully done his duty, not to his party alone, but to his country at large? It cannot. Then rejoice, throw up your last fur hat for John A. and then—well, tell your wife to go down to Dineen and buy some of his cheap furs, at your own price. Corner King and Yonge streets, Toronto.

Cox Estate.

An opportunity too good to be unused is presented by the placing in the market of that most desirable parcel of land fronting on the north side of the Davenport-road, comprising sixteen acres and lying just west of Frank Turner's ground. This is a beautiful situation for suburban residences. See advertisement in Wednesday's Globe.

Miss Lida M. Tackrell, the renowned lady whistler; Mrs. and Miss Sage, the refined performers on the musical glasses, and Mr. H. L. Clarke, solo cornetist, will take part in the Canadian Order of Foresters' Concert, March 8th. 2345

A New Law Firm.

Lyon Mackenzie Lindsey, who has just passed his examination for the Bar, has gone into partnership with his brother George. Their legal offices are on the ground floor of York Chambers, Toronto-street. It is a firm that ought to do well, judging from the stock its members come from.

Millionaire Landowners.

The Duke of Sutherland owns 1,208,666 acres, and Lord Middleton owns 1,005,741 acres of the soil of Great Britain. Thus between them they own one-thirty-sixth of the whole land of Great Britain and Ireland.

A horse attached to a milk wagon ran over Evans Wilson, one of Gurney's moulders, at the corner of King and Spadina avenue, breaking his left collar bone and giving him a general shaking up. He was removed to his boarding house for treatment. Accidents come upon us unawares—take out at once a policy in the Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Co.

It's All 8's!

—It is leap year, and it has just been 1000 years since there was as many 8's in the year as we have just now It is a good time for "old bachelors" to cogit-8, the girls to recipro-8 and not hesit-8 in buying their house-furnishings, perambulators and everything essential to making home what it should be, at Stuthers's, 179 Yonge-street. 8

READY FOR THE GALLOWS.

THE CONDEMNED NEIL SPENDS HIS LAST HOURS IN PRAYER.

Gloom Around the Jail—The Executioner Keeps Sheriff Mowat in Suspense—Testing the Scaffold—The Papers From Lurgan of No Importance.

Robert Neil, the condemned murderer, is spending the few short hours which intervene between him and eternity in prayer and reading. On Sunday night he slept well with the exception of a few fitful starts. Yesterday he appeared more thoughtful than usual, and seemed to listen with even greater attention than before to the spiritual consolations offered him.

In the morning, and again in the afternoon, Mr. William Gooderham visited Neil, who listened to his exhortations with deep interest.

In the jail itself a more than usually gloomy air pervades everything. The guards even seem affected by the impending execution, and speak in whispers, and walk gingerly along the flagged corridors as if unwilling to awake the echoes. In the eastern yard all afternoon men were engaged in erecting the ghastly engine of death, the job being got through with at 4 o'clock. It was tested, a wooden block weighing 280 lbs. taking the place of the man. It worked to perfection, and if the executioner does everything right the dreadful scene will be over in a short time.

Neil's weight was placed at 180 pounds, but he has gained considerable flesh since his incarceration, having eaten heartily. The guards on the death-watch describe his appetite as positively ravenous. The prison fare is meagre, but the Governor made up for it from his own private table.

Sheriff Mowat spent a good deal of yesterday down at the jail. It is safe to say that he never spent a more uncomfortable hour in his life than between 4 and 5. The executioner had arranged to be on hand at 4 o'clock but did not keep his appointment, and it was feared his heart had failed him at the last moment. But it was not so. About 5 he came strolling into the jail and relieved the Sheriff, who was beginning to think that perhaps he might be compelled to perform the disagreeable office of hanging himself. The executioner was instructed in what he had to do and was locked up for the night. He gets $50 for the work.

Neil continues obstinately to divulge the information which it is claimed he is in possession of. Governor Green made another vain attempt on him last night.

The World's Ottawa correspondent sends the following: "I saw the Minister of Justice to-day about Neil. The papers from Lurgan are of no importance and the Minister will not interfere."

Warden Massie of the Central Prison sent a letter to the Minister of Justice regarding Neil. It is practically a refutation of the statements contained in Mr. W. H. Howland's open letter, and reviews Neil's criminal record in an unfavorable light.

—Some odd curtains in chenille, turcoman, Madras muslin, lace, etc., we wish to clear out at once. We will sell them cheap. Call and see them. W. A. Murray & Co. 246

Canadian Shorthand Society.

President Thomas Pinkney of the Canadian Shorthand Society delivered an interesting address last night at the monthly meeting of the Association on "Speakers I have Taken and their Peculiarities." In his stenographic experience Mr. Pinkney had reported Rev. Dr. Talmage, Rev. Dr. Kellogg, Rev. Dr. Sutherland, Rev. Dr. Wild, and other eminent men familiar to Canadians. He was listened to with attention by a large gathering of members.

Secretary Dunlop announced that the bust of Isaac Pitman, which is to be placed in the Education Department, is expected very shortly, and on its arrival a public unveiling ceremony will be announced.

The typewriting speed contest is being rapidly arranged, and it is expected that it will be the most interesting event that has transpired in the shorthand and typewriting world for many a day. The prizes will be substantial, and it is hoped that Canadians will beat the record. Operators upon all double letter machines are to compete, but all must be members of the society.

What the Young Liberals Are Doing.

The Young Liberals met in their rooms, Yonge-street Arcade, last night, to discuss the advisability of adopting "a graduated income tax as a means for raising revenue." Mr. G. N. Dunn, who introduced the motion, supported it with vigor. Mr. King opposed it, and the question was laid over. Mr. A. F. Chamberlain gave notice of motion approving of the Fisheries Treaty just closed. Mr. A. M. Dymond gave notice of motion favoring the abolition of capital punishment. The Secretary was instructed to prepare an order paper for each meeting, and also a report of the questions of public interest discussed by the Club during the year.

Another Alleged Forger.

Robert Ledington, assistant bookkeeper in the wholesale jewelry firm of P. W. Ellis & Co., was arrested yesterday in New York city on a charge of forging the firm's name to a check on the Traders' Bank for $600. The forgery was discovered last week, when it was found his accounts were short the amount of the forged check. Ledington was traced to New York and arrested. He lived on Walton-street with his wife and two children, whom he left in his flight. He will be brought back to Canada as soon as the extradition papers can be procured.

Shannessy & Hall, photographers, 258 Yonge-street. Popular prices. 246

Skilled Female Architects.

There will be a goodly gathering of millinery big and little fish in Toronto to-day. This regular spring meeting of rosy-cheeked milliners recalls the days when queens of love and beauty had nothing to do but look sweet and embroider shirtbosoms. In this degenerate age quinn attends to the shirtbosoms, while milliners' fairy fingers design sky scrapers.

City Arbitrators.

Ex-Ald. Defoe was last night appointed the city's arbitrator in the Staunton lease case.

Mr. J. J. Withrow will act as the city's arbitrator in the Ward Island arbitration case.

Removal of the Rifle Butts.

Mayor Clarke last night read to the Council draft petitions from the city to the Dominion Government and the Ontario Rifle Association, asking for the removal of the rifle butts from Garrison Common.

The Exports of a Village.

From The Dundalk Herald.

We find that 105 car loads have been shipped from here during the past week, made up as follows: Two cars live stock, 1 car dressed hogs, 1 car barley, 3 cars peas, 8 cars oats, 39 cars cordwood, 2 cars hay, 2 cars lumber, 1 car cedar posts, 46 cars telegraph poles.

An Echo From Wayback.

From The Manitoulin Expositor.

One effect of the Central Bank failure has been to postpone the building of a church in a township near Sault Ste. Marie. Some of the funds for the building were deposited in the bank.

—Nothing new under the sun! Ain't there? Go and see Townson, the ticket writer, 11 King West. He'll show you *there is*. ed

Dr. O'Reilly, Medical Superintendent.

Editor World: To whom should I apply for information concerning the Training School for Nurses in connection with the Toronto General Hospital?

J. H. Esten, Osgoode Hall.

Editor World: Kindly inform me who is secretary of the Ontario Law Society.

W. J. WATKINS.

Registered at the Hotels.

Col. von Neirich of New York is at the Rossin.
Mr. William Slater of Montreal is at the Rossin.
Dr. MacIntyre of Brantford is at the Rossin.
Mr. A. Sharples of Quebec is at the Queen's.
Mr. W. D. Washburn, the flour merchant of Minneapolis, is at the Queen's.
Mr. Hugh Russell of Montreal is at the Queen's.
Mr. C. H. Fessenden of New York is at the Walker.
Mr. J. Sproule of San Francisco is at the Walker.
Mr. D. W. Campbell of Milton is at the Walker.
Mr. W. F. Jones of Belleville is at the Palmer.
Mr. T. W. Duncan of Seaforth is at the Palmer.
Mr. A. E. Pekey of Chatham is at the Palmer.
At the Albion Hotel: A. A. Becker, J. J. McMaster, Hilton; J. Sutherland, London; A. Foster, Berlin; J. Strong, sr., Exeter; J. C. Fraser, London; W. Mason, Dundas; J. P. Conklin, Cleveland; S. J. Steak, Syracuse; F. Gebbe, Lockport; J. J. Derve, Niagara; D. Mitchell, Perth; W. Christie, Dunganon; Rev. D. Strachan and wife, Rockwood.

Rising Temperatures.

Weather for Ontario: Fresh to strong west and north winds; fair weather; rising temperatures.

Death of an Actor.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—John Clayton, of "Dandy Dick" fame, is dead.