THE TORONTO RUBBER CO
OF CANADA
T. McILROY JR. & CO
INDIA RUBBER GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION
28 KING-STREET WEST

The Toronto World.

NEW NOVEL
"A Rogue's Life"
By Wilkie Collins.
RED LETTER SERIES
At all book stores. Price 30 cents. 246

ELEVENTH YEAR. TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 8, 1890. ONE CENT.

LIVELY SCENE AT ST. JAMES'

AN IRATE PARISHIONER WANTS MORE FINANCIAL LIGHT.

The Year's Stock-taking at the Anglican Churches—Gratifying Statements in Some of the Parishes—Appointment of Officers for the Ecclesiastical Year—Other Business Transacted.

In the little schoolhouse of St. James' things did not go as quietly as might be. Mr. Henry Godson contended, when the financial statement was under consideration, that it should give a true account of the assets and liabilities, which he alleged it did not. The substance of his objection was that those presenting the statement were afraid to show the amount really owed and only rendered a one year's statement.

"It is an ex-parte statement," said Mr. Godson.

The Secretary: "That is not a proper remark to make."

Mr. Godson: "Well, I am making that remark because it is not a proper statement to place before the vestry," and Mr. Godson went on to protest that he wanted the people to know their financial condition. "I do not want to hide the thing under a bushel," said he.

To this remark the chairman took exception.

"Well, Mr. Chairman, I have heard you make use of worse language than that, do you see," retorted Mr. Godson.

The chairman reminded that the meeting was a church meeting and that in a business meeting a member did not speak upon his seat and interrupt every speaker with scurrilous language, and he went on to say that it was well the public should know the feelings which actuated Mr. Godson. "He is not a communicant of the church, he never attends public worship," said the chairman. He had a family pew for which he perhaps paid $12 per year. "His motives are so superficial that they need no explanation from me." These interruptions had not been caused by any member of the church in good standing.

Upon this Mr. Godson rose to reply amid cries of "Sit down" from the others present. He, however, contrived to get out the words addressed to the chairman: "You have attacked me; now I am going to say what I like to you."

The Chairman: "This is a personal wrangle," and here for the time being the matter dropped.

This, in brief, is the financial statement:

Receipts—Balance last year, $21. Sunday collections—mornings' general purposes, $1384; evening general purposes' $608; envelopes, general purposes, $1904; pew rents, $1068; ground rents, $1932; rent park lots, $10,108; fee fund, $42; interest, $101; tower clerk, $93; insurance (refund), $4. Real estate—On account of lots sold, $6585; general church improvement, $12,227; special collections, $2815. Total, $38,126.

Expenditure—Offering, poor of parish and sundries, $411; salaries, clergy, $1224; ordinary, $1245; organist and choir master, $850; debentures $3380; interest debentures, $8580; general improvement on account of work done, $12,994; real estate account, deposited, special, Bank of Toronto, $6695; special collections, Sunday school, annual, $370; widows and orphans annual, $410.50; Divinity students, Wycliffe, $370; missions, annual, $229; special Sunday collections $822. Total $2218. Balance in bank $1798. Grand total $58,126.

St. James' Cemetery accounts—Receipts, $8901; ordinary expenses $6502; deposit in perpetuity for care of lots $1925.

Cathedral Improvement—Paid for account of subscriptions $22,039; to material sold $249; paid by envelope $249; rebate, insurance, to balance due $1155. Total $24,752. The expenditure included $23,759 on account of work done. There remains due on subscriptions $4900.

These are the officers elected:

Sidesmen—William Hamilton, A. S. Irving, F. Wyld, Col. Grasett, S. R. Mills, A. B. Harrison, A. T. Todd, Dr. Chafee, P. Dumoulin, W. G. Goodeham, G. W. Yarker, W. N. Strathy, William Woodhouse.

Auditors—William Hamilton, Charles E. Hooper.

Finance Committee—J. R. Kerr, W. H. Beatty, W. B. Boyd, A. T. Todd, W. Grindley, J. W. S. Whitney, Henry Cawthra, G. W. Beardmore, R. N. Gooch, A. Nordheimer, Col. Grasett, George Gooderham, W. R. Brock, Hon. S. H. Blake, W. Hamilton.

Cemetery Committee—Churchwardens, J. K. Kerr, Dr. J. G. Hodgins, Col. Grasett, W. R. Brock.

Delegates to Diocesan Synod—W. R. Brock, Dr. J. G. Hodgins, R. N. Gooch.

Mission Committee—Churchwardens, Messrs. G. W. Beardmore, A. S. Nordheimer, M. Baldwin, Percival Ridout, Arthur Grasett, D. Hodgins, R. N. Gooch.

Rector's churchwarden—Col. Grasett.

People's churchwarden—O. A. Howland.

At Grace Church.

The vestry meeting in Grace Church was, to say the least, not a satisfactory one. Rev. Mr. Lewis presided at the proceedings, and there was associated with him Mr. H. C. Fortier, people's warden. Among those present were: Railroad Contractor John Shields, Public School Chairman Frank Somers, Organist Birmingham, Ald. Irwin and John Graham. The financial report showed a deficit of some $500, and the wardens, in view of this fact, stated that it would require two weeks further time before a detailed statement could be given. Until this is furnished there will be no election of wardens. Commenting on the warden's report Rector Lewis spoke some strong words of advice. He stated that the time had come when a determined effort had to be made to pick the church out of the mire of debt into which it had fallen. The mortgage, heavy in the first place, had been allowed to stand until now, instead of paying interest on it, the church was actually paying interest on the interest. He was willing, should the wealthy members of the congregation second his efforts, to contribute the $1000 legacy left him by his dear friend the late James Tilt, Q.C., toward releasing the church from its heavy liability.

Warden Fortier was equally emphatic. He told the meeting that the congregation was actually paying 12 per cent. interest, and surely some scheme could be devised which would put the debt on a more equitable basis. Despite the fact that they had the best speaker in Toronto, the church was going backward, and he moved a resolution to the effect that hereafter all pews be free, believing that such a course would tend materially to aid the prosperity of the congregation. While willing to bow to the majority, Messrs. Shields, Irwin and Graham thought that action in this matter should be postponed, and it was so resolved. In his speech Mr. Fortier mentioned that the Confederation Life, which held the mortgage, had that day demanded the $500 accrued interest from him, accompanied by the hint that it must be paid.

St. Alban's Cathedral—Crypt Chapel.

The receipts for the past year were $1351, expenditure $1297. The building has progressed steadily—during the year and is completed outside, but much yet remains to be done inside. The subscriptions to the building fund amount to nearly $30,000.

St. George's Church.

The annual vestry meeting of this church was held yesterday evening and was largely attended and most harmonious. The rector, Rev. J. D. Cayley, presided and Mr. R. B. Street, one of the wardens, acted as vestry clerk. The retiring churchwardens, Messrs. Street and S. Bruce Harman, presented their annual statement of receipts and expenditures, which is summarised as following: Receipts—general offertory, $6100; church improvement, $934; missions, $2478. Expenditure, $9984.

The following officers were then elected:

Rector's Churchwarden—Mr. S. Bruce Harman.

People's Churchwarden, Mr. George F. Read.

Sidesmen—Douglas Armour, Q.C.; Frank Arnoldi, Q.C.; C. R. W. Biggar, Q.C.; A. M. Brown, D. Burns, A. J. B. Close, W. B. Close, B. Cumberland, E. Crickmore, W. Seton Gordon, George F. Harman, Charles B. Heath, Elmes Henderson, C. E. Holmes, H. H. Langton, T. Lightbourne, John Marland, M. A. Julius Miles, Huson W. M. Murray, Q.C., H. Muntz, L. McMurray, H. Parsons, L. V. Percival, R. B. Street, C. V. M. Temple.

Parochial Tribunal—The rector and churchwardens and Messrs. Dalton McCarthy, Q.C., and Richard Snelling, Q.C., LL.D.

In closing the proceedings the rector made a graceful and grateful reference to the work done during the year by the Ladies' Aid Association the Clerical Guild and the parish branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The election for lay representatives to the synod resulted in the choice of the same delegates as last year, viz.: Messrs. C. R. W. Biggar, Q.C., F. Barlow Cumberland and George F. Hennan.

St. George's parish, under its present rector with his efficient assistants, Rev. Allan A. Pitman and Rev. M. C. Dickenson, is undoubtedly one of the most prosperous and harmonious parishes in the city and is rapidly increasing in numbers.

The Church of the Ascension.

The Church of the Ascension, to judge from the reports submitted at the last night's vestry meeting, is forging ahead, and despite its down-town situation, is one of the most progressive English Episcopal Churches in the city. Rev. H. G. Baldwin presided and Mr. M. Currey acted as secretary. The financial statement showed a highly successful year of labor.

The receipts were: Offertory, $2381; organ guarantee fund, $328; monthly service of praise, $113; missions, $295; special funds, $204; rental of pews and sittings, $1828; receipts from other sources, $203; Rev. H. Grasett Baldwin from St. James' Rectory fund, $562; total, $6025.

The principal disbursements were: Rector's stipend, $1600; assistant minister's stipend, $1200; Edgar R. Doward, organist and choirmaster, $1000; secretary-treasurer synod for various funds, $622; gas, coal and water, $341; interest on mortgage, $322.

Mr. J. E. Berkeley Smith was elected people's warden, and the rector named Mr. R. H. Temple as his representative.

The delegates to the synod are Kivas Tully, C.E., Dr. J. A. Temple and Mr. T. D. Delamere.

Auditors—J. B. Fitzsimmons and C. E. Madison.

A committee was appointed to discuss and report upon the question of enlarging the school room.

The sidesmen for the year are: T. Langton, P. G. Routh, H. C. Boomer, W. H. Knowlton, Dr. Temple, C. E. Madison, R. C. Bicknell, Dr. Baldwin, J. H. Pritchard, T. D. Delamere, J. B. Fitzsimmons, Balfour Johnston, M. Currey, G. MacRae, W. A. Hargreaves, R. T. Coady, B. M. Armstrong, John Brown, M. T. Lester, H. W. Welch; H. Byres and George Clare.

Trinity Church (East).

Rev. A. Sanson, rector, presided at the vestry meeting of Trinity Church, Kingstreet east. These officers were appointed:

Rector's Churchwarden—A. C. F. Boulton.

People's Churchwarden—J. J. Davies.

Vestry Clerk—Thomas McIlroy.

Sidesmen—Thomas Stanley, L. Duncan, C. R. Cooper, Thomas Chisholm, Edmund Metcalfe, Frank Lloyd, John Rogers.

Delegates to Synod—Thomas McIlroy, John Rogers, S. R. Peakes.

The yearly financial statement shows receipts $2722, leaving a balance of $369.

The amount of money owing by the church is $13,000, $10,000 of which is at five per cent. and $3000 at six per cent. The rentals from the property about pays the interest, with a little over, so that the ordinary running expenses of the church have to be defrayed by the offertory. These expenses now amount to nearly $1500 a year.

Church of the Redeemer.

Rev. Septimus Jones presided at the Church of the Redeemer. The reports showed a balance on hand of $1128. The income from all sources during the year amounted to $8394, of which sum $3546 was received in voluntary offerings. The year has been one of progress and the present at the meeting were of one accord in their plans for the future. The elections of officers resulted thus:

Churchwardens—H. J. Wickham and Joseph Harris.

Vestry Clerk—W. L. Lester.

Auditors—H. St. G. Baldwin and J. O. Buchanan.

Sidesmen—Charles A. Evans, Robert Parker, D. T. Symons, F. Rolph, jr., W. S. Battin, W. P. Torrance, T. G. Foster, H. J. Bohme, A. W. Seagram, W. G. Storm, Dr. W. H. Ellis, Alfred Willson, George Ashworth, J. W. Haworth, William Bonnell, W. Monkhouse.

At a general meeting which followed Messrs. A. H. Campbell, Alfred Willson and George Musson were appointed lay representatives to the synod.

St. Paul's, Bloor-street.

Rev. T. C. Des Barres presided over the meeting at St. Paul's Church. The churchwardens presented an encouraging report from which The World gleaned some interesting figures. The average collections per Sunday during the year were $35.80, a gain of nearly $3 per Sunday over the preceding year. The church comes out with a satisfactory balance on hand of $124, the total income being $2072. The poor and the heathen have not been forgotten and a large sum of money has been expended in fuel, clothing, etc. The Gospel Temperance Society is in a flourishing state. Regular meetings being held every Tuesday under the charge of Rev. G. M. Wrong. In connection with this society a savings department has been instituted.

These officers for the ensuing year were elected:

Churchwardens—J. G. Green and Charles Langley.

Sidesmen—G. Lee, W. R. Smallpiece, Thomas Lee, Walter Gillespie, jr., Charles Marriott, R. M. Macdonald, Douglas Donaldson, Frank M. Gray.

As the present church is too small for the accommodation of the constantly-increasing membership it was decided to take steps to enlarge the building. The seating capacity will probably be increased by 250, at a cost of about $10,000. This sum is to be raised before the work is commenced. Before the meeting concluded $2000 had already been subscribed.

At the conclusion of the vestry meeting these representatives of the synod were chosen: Dr. Elliott, Stapleton Caldecott and J. R. Roaf.

St. Peter's.

At the St. Peter's vestry the churchwardens submitted a report showing $1835 subscriptions towards paying off recent improvements. The financial statement showed the receipts to have been $8724, of which $2324 was offertory and $3117 pew rents. Out of the receipts the sum of $1255 had been set apart towards improvements, after paying the usual expenses, including $2500 stipend to the minister, $800 to an assistant and $775 to the choir.

The rector chose E. P. Pearson as his churchwarden and F. S. Stewart was elected people's churchwarden.

The sidesmen elected were: F. C. Jarvis, Alexander Dixon, A. E. Gooderham and H. Boddy.

All Saints'.

The utmost harmony prevailed at All Saints' vestry. The financial report showed that during the year $2000 had been paid on the church debt, reducing it to $8000.

Messrs. G. Golding and F. Thayer were elected churchwardens and Messrs. Haywood, Logan and Dr. Pyne delegates to synod.

St. Philip's, Spadina-avenue.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Philip's Church was held last night in the schoolroom. The financial statement was presented, which showed the offertory for the year to be $2046. This amount, with special collections, made the total receipts for the year $3843.

The election of officers then came under consideration. Mr. W. McLean was chosen rector's warden and Mr. G. M. Evans was chosen people's warden.

The people's sidesmen appointed were J. Pellatt, W. Adam, J. McPherson, H. Mortimer, N. T. Webber, Dr. W. H. Smith, and the rector's sidesmen appointed were Dr. McMillan, Dr. Burns, J. A. Mills, J. D. Mund, J. R. Davis and S. Davis.

Mr. M. Sheppard and Mr. J. McPherson were appointed auditors and Mr. N. W. Hayles, Col. Denison and Mr. J. T. Jones were elected lay delegates to the synod.

St. Stephen's, College-street.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Stephen's Church, College-street, was held last night in the school room, Rev. A. J. Broughall in the chair. The financial statement was presented, which showed the offertory for the year ending March 15, 1890, to be $3362. This sum, with other small amounts received, makes the total receipts for the year $3690.

The sidesmen and members of the Envelope Committee chosen were: Dr. Thistle, R. J. Brown, George Deacon, C. J. McCuaig, Thomas Andrews, A. W. Roberts, D. Sutton, J. P. Clougher, G. B. Temple, John Conefaw, Inspector Hall, Dr. Dawson, Mr. Carey, jr., G. P. Berg, F. Holmes, N. McKenzie and G. F. Lewis.

The auditors appointed were Messrs. C. J. McCuaig and J. D. Oliver.

Messrs. W. A. Brown and J. H. Patterson were elected churchwardens.

Messrs. E. P. Brown and R. T. Fuller were chosen elective members of the court of contested seats.

The churchwardens have in hand $20 contributed by Mr. Farwell towards a proposed gymnasium. A vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Professor Clark for his services during Lent.

A LONDON SENSATION.

Grave Charges of Immorality Brought Against a Prominent Clergyman.

LONDON, April 7.—A sensation has come in the form of a church scandal which implicates Rev. Dr. Henry White, who for 30 years has been chaplain of the Chapel Royal and House of Commons. Dr. White has been accused by Eliza Hilebone, a laundress, with immorality. The woman gives the fullest details and evidence. The accusation came about from the woman attempting to pawn a gold watch that was recognised as having been presented to Dr. White by his congregation some 26 years ago, and bore an inscription. Eliza was arrested and Dr. White was notified, but he declined to make any charge or effort for the release of the accused woman. When the laundress was brought before the magistrate at Marylebone Police Court she made serious charges against the chaplain. Dr. White testified that the watch had been stolen from him six months ago while he was asleep in the train, and he denied that he knew or had ever seen the woman before.

Cable Flashes.

Emperor William will visit the Empress of Austria at Wiesbaden this week.

The Berlin correspondent of The London Times says Emperor William will meet Queen Victoria at Darmstadt April 21.

Emperor William charged Major Seibert, before the latter's departure for Zanzibar, to make every effort to induce Emin Pasha to enter the German service.

The Dublin Freeman's Journal says that Le Caron is living in a suburb of London. He has grown a grey beard and mustache, which have so changed his appearance that his most intimate friends could not recognise him. The Journal also says that he has been promised a further Government engagement in Australia.

HOW THE YANKEES ARE RULED.

Government by Machine Has Replaced Constitutional Government.

The government of the Constitution has practically ceased to exist. In its place has grown up something which admits of no classification among systems of government, ancient or modern. Republican in form, as nominally representative, it is not yet a republic; for its representatives, though chosen by the people, are not the people's choice. Democratic in methods, as seemingly resting on universal suffrage, it is yet not a democracy; for the periodical appeal to the popular voice is an empty ceremony. Though the government of a class, it is not an aristocracy; for it is largely composed of elements least of all deserving of respect. And though the government of a few, it is not an oligarchy de jure, though it is such de facto, for it exists by no recognized right, and its existence is not even confessed. The imperfection of language has necessitated the invention of a new form of words to describe it; and this has been supplied by those familiar with its workings, in the felicitous expression, "machine government." No phrase could have been better chosen.

How He Was Thought Of in the Leewards.

We are indebted to the kind courtesy of the Honorable George Holborow for the use of a copy of The Toronto World newspaper in which we notice the death of the Honorable John Macdonald, one of the most prominent of the Dominion Senators. Canada's loss is also ours, for the honorable gentleman had fully comprehended the benefit which would accrue by a development of the trade between the Canadas and these islands and had with energy set about its accomplishment. We were likely, under his kind and far-seeing intelligence, to become better understood and appreciated by the Canadians, and the sequence would be a great factor in our prosperity.

We won't be thought selfish when we hope that his mantle has fallen on shoulders fitting to be his representative.

Of Interest to Typewriters.

Typewriters throughout the country will be interested in a case to be tried at New Belford soon. It is a suit against the Old Colony Railroad, and will prove whether a typewriter is an article of personal baggage for which a railroad is responsible. J. Henry Lea of Fairhaven returned from Europe recently, bringing a typewriter with him as baggage. The former was badly injured, and Lea now sues for damages, making the third case of the kind the Old Colony has had to deal with.

Pacific Coast Notes.

The Chicago, Union Pacific and North-Western vestibuled trains from Chicago to Portland, Ore., San Francisco, Cal., and other Pacific Coast points without change arrive daily on time. The excellence of the service is evidenced by the patronage bestowed. Reservations of sleeping car accommodation made and all information furnished by J. H. Morley, Can. pass. agt., 57 Yonge-street, Toronto. 135

Sale of handsome brick residence, No. 41 Wilton-crescent, on Thursday next, at noon, by Oliver, Coate & Co., on the premises. 3

Mara & Co., Grocers, Fruit and Provision Merchants.

We have beyond dispute the most thoroughly complete grocery establishment in this city both as to stock and appointments. We have the largest assortment of table delicacies of any house in Ontario. Families once or twice a week for orders if required and goods delivered same day. Mara & Co. 280 Queen-street west; telephone 713. 135

Our big store full of new spring goods. Call and inspect our stock. The Model Clothing Store, 219 and 221 Yonge-street.

Art in Dress.

More artistic garments than those we get up were never worn. The materials of which they are made is also very handsome and the general effect is that of appropriateness happily combined with elegance. Taylor & Co., art tailors, 89 Yonge-street. 136

Ontario Mutual Life.

The man whose life is insured is relieved from harassing cares in regard to the future of those he may leave behind him. The Ontario bears all the cares and responsibilities of investment and guarantees the full amount of assurance paid for. Rates low. Office 32 Church-street.

Now that the spring has arrived, whoso is wise will plant seeds, bulbs and roots, that shall in due time produce flowers that gladden the heart and please the eye of all who pass by. The Mammoth Seed House of the Steele Bros. Co., 139 King-street east, issues an exceedingly handsome catalog, and all who apply can procure a copy.

Steamship Arrivals.

Date.	Name.	Reported at.	From
April 7.	State of Nevada	Glasgow	New York
"	Ems	Southampton	"
"	La Bretagne	New York	Havre
"	Rotterdam	"	Amsterdam
"	La Champagne	London	New York
"	Russian Prince	"	"

NOT A RAY OF SUNSHINE.

LABORERS JOIN THE BRICKLAYERS IN THEIR STRIKE.

Nearly 2000 Men Now Out—The Laborers Go Out This Morning—No Change in the Bricklayers' or Stonemasons' Strike.—Both Sides Confident of Gaining the Day.

As stated in yesterday's World a strike was declared by the Bricklayers' Union on Saturday afternoon. The fact that The World was the only paper which "caught on" was significant. Another meeting was held yesterday morning at Temperance Hall, when the action of the previous meeting in declaring a strike was ratified. There were few backward brothers and speeches and arguments were not required to stir them up. Of the 40 or 50 non-union men it is claimed that fully 20 have agreed to go out with the unionists, and in a day or two, it is contended, less than 25 bricklayers will be at work who are not receiving 36 cents per hour. The men appear confident that if they only hold together they will win the fight. They fully considered the situation and went out fully aware of the fact that if they did not mean to fight to the end it was better not to strike at all, as a defeat would be ruinous to them. Public sympathy, they claim, is behind them in the fight for what they consider their just dues, and the International Union, which has no other strikes to engage its attention at present, will stand by them in anything that is fair and support them in their efforts, since not only were the laws of the International Union that there should be a two-thirds vote by ballot favorable to the strike before it was declared lived up to, but the declaration was practically unanimous. Instead of 66⅔ per cent. voting for going out, 96 per cent. declared for a strike. Men will be allowed to work for all builders that concede the 36 cents demanded and the large employers will have to fight it out as best they may.

At the meeting yesterday, at which President Andy McCormack presided, committees were chosen to receive all letters from the masters conceding the advance and grant permits to the men to work. Quite a number of bosses who do not belong to the Federated Builders' Association as well as several who do have conceded the advance, and probably 225 bricklayers are at work receiving 36 cents per hour. Of course the strike does not apply to men employed on corporation sewers, who are paid from 40 to 45 cents an hour.

The Laborers Also Go Out.

Temperance Hall was crowded last evening by members of the International Builders' Laborers' Union, when it was decided by a vote of 345 to 11—the secretary called it 800 to 15—to strike this morning and to remain out until the demands of 21 cents per hour are acceded to. The strikers will, after being out a fortnight receive an allowance from the International Union of $5 for married men and $3 for single men. There are 1100 enrolled members of the local union, or, according to the secretary, 1400. Of this number between 300 and 400 are at work at the old rate of 19 cents per hour. All these have called out. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed when the strike was declared, and the gavel had to be repeatedly rapped by the chairman to obtain quiet. It is not necessary to publish the correspondence which led to the strike; it has already appeared in The World. On April 1 a letter was sent by Secretary Dowd to the Builders' Association asking that a conference be held with a view to preventing a strike and enquiring why the former had not been treated with the courtesy and respect accorded them in the past. To this a reply was received on April 3 from Secretary Powell of the Federated Builders intimating that the "bosses" had no objection to holding a conference Saturday afternoon, and 2½ was chosen for the meeting, and the laborers and the Builders' Association met a week later in Victoria-street. The result was far from satisfactory, however, the builders declining positively to accede the demands. The Wage Committee reported the result last evening and the declaration for a strike was the result.

The Other Side.

The master builders are still continuing on the even tenor of their way, doing their jobbing work—practically the only work going now—by paying an odd man now and again 36 cents per hour. They say that they have now nearly completed their jobbing work, and that they will not make any new contracts until they have a sufficient number of men to proceed to work at 33⅓ cents. They feel confident that the men will give in shortly, as yet only 6 or 10 men have been employed on the large buildings under contract, namely Parliament buildings and the new city hall and court houses, and none at all on the Confederate Life structure. The master builders complain that their profits this year are smaller than for some time past, owing (1) to the greatly enhanced number of master builders; and (2) the fact that the smaller employers of labor among these master builders, who have been indulging in in wild-cat speculative building, and constructing houses for sale as soon as erected, has been in a large measure discontinued and those heretofore engaged in this branch have come in direct competition with the other larger builders, and in order to secure contracts have cut prices below living profit. They say that there is not enough work at the present time to keep 20 per cent. of the bricklayers employed; that there are lots of men out of work looking for jobs and they can employ them. All told, the asserate, less than 100 bricklayers are employed at the present time.

Co-operating.

A sensible proposition has been made by some of the striking bricklayers, i.e., to go into business for themselves on the co-operative plan. No one will deny that it is the right of every citizen to go into business for himself, and if the bricklayers think that by assuming the position of wage-payers instead of wage-earners they can do better so well and good. The money likely to be wasted on this strike alone is several thousand dollars per week, and the prompt establishment of a co-operative bricklayers' association will save much of this. While the co-operative principle has not hitherto found favor in Toronto, there is no practical reason why it should not do so, for in Great Britain it has brought forth abundant fruit. The highest ability, the staunchest integrity and the utmost perseverance frequently have been found among British workmen who have been elected by their brethren to the management of co-operative works, as they are found among master bricklayers belonging to the union to-day who were formerly wage-earners. In other cities of this continent, too, building associations have been profitably managed by men in the condition of wage-earners.

Notes.

Meetings of the Laborers' Union will be held daily at the Central Labor Hall in Shuter-street.

The bricklayers have transferred their headquarters to Richmond Hall.

There is nothing new in the stonemasons' strike.

Altogether probably 2300 are affected by strikes of the bricklayers, stonemasons and laborers, of whom perhaps 300 have been accorded the increased wages. These figures will show the wages heretofore paid and that demanded:

	Now asked.	Old rate
Bricklayers	36	33⅓
Laborers	21	19
Stonemasons	35	32½

Labor Notes.

There have been strikes amongst the stonecutters and drillers at Point Ann and Crookston quarries, near Belleville, which have been amicably settled. Stonecutters will get $2.50, $2.75 and $3 per day according to ability, whilst the wages of drillers have been advanced from $1.40 to $1.50 per day, but only the best hands will be retained.

The meeting of the International Iron Moulders' Union will be held in the second week in July. Toronto moulders are already considering the nomination of their delegates.

LOSSES CAUSED BY FLAMES.

A Disastrous Conflagration at Waterford—$65,000 Goes Up in Smoke.

WATERFORD, April 7.—At 7 a.m. to-day the Beemer block on the east side of Main-street was discovered to be in flames from some unknown cause, and the block was entirely consumed with most of its contents. The lower flat was occupied by A. B. Walker, general merchant, and E. G. Christie, hardware store; the second flat by A. M. Barber, dwelling; third flat by the lodge rooms of the Oddfellows, A.O.U.W., Home Circle and Foresters, and the upper flat by the Masons. The fire quickly communicated to the adjoining D. L. Beemer block, occupied as a dwelling by Mrs. Beemer, the lower flat being used for shoe and barber shops. The livery barns and blacksmith shop of J. McCool were also consumed. The fire also spread northward to the Beemer Hotel, sheds and barn, which were consumed and much damage done to the hotel and contents.

A strong gale coming from the northeast carried the flames across Main-street and ignited the large brick building known as the Green block, which was also entirely destroyed. This building was occupied by D. Horning, jeweler; A. S. Bezzo and H. R. Smale, merchant tailors, and James Ross, boots, shoes and groceries. The next building, owned by E. E. Slaght and occupied by J. F. Acken, druggist and telephone office, was gutted, and then came L. D. Grover's brick building, grocery and confectionery. Elmers' brick building adjoining, empty, at which place the fire was got under control on Main-street. Hatch's block, occupied as a hardware store; A. N. Duncombe's law office, the office of O. H. Duncombe, C.S., Gibson Co.'s tin shop and A. B. Dean's blacksmith shop, on the west side of West-street, were much injured with their contents.

The fire company of Simcoe was communicated with and arrived 1½ hours, and the Waterous Engine Company of Brantford sent an engine, both of which did much valuable service in preventing the further spread of the flames.

The total loss on buildings as far as ascertained is about $40,000; stocks and furniture $25,000, with total insurances between $40,000 and $50,000.

An Incendiary Blaze at Guelph.

GUELPH, April 7.—Fire, probably of incendiary origin, gutted Martin O'Donnell's stable this morning. Loss $300, no insurance.

A DEAR LITTLE RUBBER DOLL

Costs Bookkeeper Nelson $800—A Breach of Promise Trial at Hamilton—The Defendant's Love Letter.

HAMILTON, April 7.—The first case tried at the Assizes, which opened here to-day, was Shaw v. Nelson, a breach of promise action in which Miss Jean Shaw of Hess-street sued for $5000 damages because W. T. Nelson, a bookkeeper in the rolling mills, described by Mr. Nesbitt as "a good-looking blonde like myself," promised to marry her and didn't. The case was not defended by Nelson and resolved itself into the jury fixing the amount to be paid to the fair plaintiff. Mr. Nesbitt addressed the jury, after which the plaintiff was put on the stand. She was neatly dressed in blue flannel with a white breastplate let in, typifying the purity of the heart that beat beneath the bodice. A dark brown felt hat that shaded her face and held up a wealth of trimming completed her outfit.

She said that she became acquainted with Nelson in December and not long after he asked her to be his wife and she consented. He told her that he had a salary of $1000 a year, $1500 in the bank and a lot. He was going to buy or build a house, and he wanted (here she blushed deeply) "a nice little wife in it." On Feb. 5 he came to her and attempted to seduce her, stating that it was only anticipating their marriage. He also asked her to live with him as his wife until June and he would marry her then before the baby was born. That was in the afternoon. Miss Shaw indignantly refused him, and when he called again in the evening her mother met him and gave him a large piece of her mind.

Mr. Nesbitt read the following sample of the correspondence to the jury:

"MY DEAR LITTLE RUBBER DOLL: I am suffering with a toothache to-night, dear, and will not be able to see you. I will call to-morrow evening. Yours faithfully, WILL."

The jury brought in a verdict of $800 for Miss Shaw.

The libel case of Ross v. The Mail Printing Company of Toronto was next taken up. This case has been in the courts for nearly two years. It was tried in January, 1889, before the same judge, and the jury disagreed, and the case has been kicked from one venue to the other since then. The alleged libel consisted in The Mail printing a despatch from its London correspondent on Sept. 15, 1888, stating that Ross, who is a constable, had been charged with tampering with a witness for the crown in an attempted train-wrecking case near Bothwell.

In Macaulay v. Pittman, an action for $2000 damages for alleged false arrest brought by A. P. Macaulay, a St. Catharines drummer, against Mr. Pittman, formerly of Toronto, but now of the St. Nicholas Hotel, the judge dismissed the action with costs.

They Did Not Like It.

A row of decidedly glum faces greeted The World in the Waterworks Department of the Hall yesterday. It was the only section of the civic service going full blast, and the officials felt proportionately wrathy when they considered that while they were working hard their comrades of the other departments were enjoying the sweets of a holiday. In view of the fact that even Board of Works men had been called off, the Waterworks gentlemen were extremely displeased. The World enquired for Superintendent Hamilton, and was told that he had been down in the morning and was spending the afternoon driving over the city with Foreman Foley.

The Billiard Tournament.

CHICAGO, April 7.—In the afternoon game of the billiard tournament Ives defeated Heiser, 275 points to 138. Ives' highest run was 70, Heiser's 45. In the evening game Schaefer conceded Day 200 points in a 500 point game. Schaefer won, 500 to 290. Schaefer's highest run 106, Daly's 18.

Bemp Accepts McLean's Challenge.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., April 7.—Kemp has accepted McLean's challenge to row a race on the Paramatta River. The race will take place three weeks after the contest between Kemp and Matterson.

The First of the Season.

An immigrant special arrived in on the C.P.R. yesterday. There were 120 immigrants on board, about half bound for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories and the others for Dakota.

Trowern, Jewelry Manufacturer, has removed from Yonge-street to 113 King-street west, south side, four doors east of Rossin House. 246

Hats Ironed While You Wait.

Gentlemen who wear glossy silk hats can now have them ironed while they wait, anytime during the hours of 10 and 3 at Dineen's hat store on corner King and Yonge-streets. This doubtless will be a great boon to bankers, lawyers, professional and business men to get their hats polished up for the small charge of 25c.

The best English and American Collars and Cuffs stand the present laundry system best. We have a splendid assortment of both. Wheaton & Co., 17 King-street w., opp. Jordan. 246

Advances made on merchandise warehoused with Mitchell, Miller & Co., 45 Front-street east.

BLOWN AWAY BY A CYCLONE.

TERRIBLE DISASTER AT PROPHETSTOWN, ILL.

The Whole Town Wiped from the Face of the Earth—Twenty Freight Cars Blown to Atoms—Many People Killed—The Wires All Down—Particulars Unobtainable.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 7.—A special to The Tribune from Burlington, Ia., sent at 11 o'clock to-night says it is reported that Prophetson, Ill., was blown away to-night by a cyclone. All wires are down and no particulars can be obtained.

BURLINGTON, Ia., April 7.—It is reported that Prohiststown, Ill., has been swept away by a cyclone. There are no particulars except that 20 freight cars were blown to atoms and that the whole town has been wiped from the face of the earth and many people have been killed. The wires are all down and at this hour (4 a.m.) it seems probable that no additional information will be secured to-night.

A Kentucky Village Demolished.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 7.—It is just learned here that Harper's Ferry, Ky., was almost completely destroyed by the recent tornado. The village, composed of less than two dozen houses, is a considerable distance from any railroad. All the houses were in the path of the tornado. Men, women and children were buried beneath the ruins. Not a house remained standing and the whole surrounding country was covered with wreckage. Mrs. Laura Thomas, the wife of a farmer, was found dead by the side of a large tree 100 yards from her home. An infant child of Farmer Fletcher was found beneath the ruins of its father's residence smothered to death. Seven or eight were injured badly but none fatally. The property loss will amount to $20,000.

Ontario's Favorite Cattle.

In view of the great auction sale of the herd of Jersey cattle belonging to the Lakehurst stock farm, Oakville, which is to take place Thursday on the ground, a complete catalog has been issued. In not only contains the pedigree of every animal to be offered, but is replete with information as to the trains leaving Toronto for Oakville and the mode of conveyance to and from the farm. The terms and conditions of the sale are fully explained and the records of the cattle are given in detail. Besides the Jerseys a couple of pedigreed Berkshire pigs will be put up for sale and the day promises to be the chance of a lifetime for dealers in thoroughbreds. The cattle have been prize-winners wherever exhibited, and it is only the near expiration of the lease that necessitates the auction.

Mr. Currey's Horse.

Mr. Matthew Currey, employed in the Attorney-General's office, had to leave the city yesterday on business. While he was away someone entered his stable and took his horse and buggy out without his consent. He missed it when his return and notified the police. About 6 o'clock a rig answering its description, with a very drunken youth for driver, was stopped by the police in Queen-street. The horse and vehicle were taken to Verral's livery stable and the young man to Agnes-street station, where he was registered as John R. Hughes, Orillia. It transpired late in the night that afriend of Hughes, who, by the bye, is quite a dude, called on him with Mr. Currey's horse and buggy and invited him out for a drive. He consented, got intoxicated, was deserted by his accommodating friend and was pulled. Mr. Currey will not press a charge against him.

Some Young Liberals Condemn Mr. Mowatt's Government.

The Young Liberals met last night in Richmond Hall, with R. M. McPherson in the chair. Mr. A. F. Chamberlain moved the following resolution: "That this club condemns the actions and speeches of the members of the Ontario Government on the late separate school debate." After some discussion on the part of Messrs. Duff, Herron and McCoquodale the debate was adjourned.

Y.M.C.A. Sale of Work.

A large and representative meeting of ladies who are preparing for the sale of work to be held in the Y.M.C.A. on April 24 and 25 have completed arrangements for the sale. It is intended to serve dinner and tea each day and a concert will be given in Association Hall on the 24th inst., also a gymnasium exhibition on the following evening. All interested in this work are requested to send articles for sale to Mrs. Harvie, in care of Y.M.C.A.

Not Out of Danger.

Mayor Clarke's illness took a serious turn yesterday and his medical adviser counsels change of scene and air. His relapse is due to the fact that with returning health he over-exerted himself in connection with city matters and did not pay due attention to his feeble health. It is not probable that he will be out for some time to come.

$12.50 hardwood bedroom sets, $7.50 hardwood sideboards and $3.00 baby carriages should be seen by all. Credit without interest or extra charge at Adams', 177 Yonge-street.

New English Productions.

By far and away the best and prettiest range of silk, flannel and Oxford shirtings ever sent out by enterprising English manufacturers to this young and progressive city is the collection that quinn is now showing at 115 King-street west. These goods will be made in shirts, pajama suits and night robes or will be sold by the yard.

Manufacturers, by warehousing their surplus stock with Mitchell, Miller & Co., receive negotiable warehouse receipts.

Gowns for Fair Smokers.

[New York Letter to Savannah News.]

The query, do nice women smoke, brings up the newest and prettiest gown for them to smoke in. Do you object to such a begging of