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VACANT CONSTITUENCIES.

EIGHT EMPTY SEATS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mischievous and False Statements Denied—The Ocean Mail Matter Undecided as Yet—Award of Contracts for Public Buildings.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—Mischievous and interested parties continue to spread the false information that trouble is being caused by Canadian Customs officers refusing to allow Manitoba grain sent through the States a free entry into Canada. The Minister of Customs has received considerable correspondence on the subject, owing to the publication of erroneous statements in the press, and it may be of interest to give the views of Assistant Commissioner Parmalee on the subject. He says:

"There is of course no truth in the statement, but just so long as it suits the interests of certain parties to keep the falsehood rolling, so long will they do so, notwithstanding the unqualified contradictions that have been published. The Northern Pacific Railway and its connections are treated in precisely the same way as any other road, and cars shipped in transit from Canada over it are served just as any other of their kind."

Tidal Observations.

It is understood that the report of the Minister of Marine will contain the results of tidal observations on the Atlantic coast conducted last season by Commander Gordon. The observations were taken upon the representations of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

Unrepresented Constituencies.

There are now eight constituencies unrepresented in the House of Commons: Queen's, N.B.; Carleton, Ont.; Victoria, B.C.; Kent, Prince Edward, Russell, Halton and Glengarry. The first three were represented last session by Conservatives, all of whom have resigned. The last five were represented by Liberals, all of whom have been unseated on account of corrupt practices.

Writs have been issued for new elections for the first three, and writs will probably be issued for all the others so that the elections may be held before the meeting of Parliament, except, perhaps, Glengarry, if Mr. Purcell carries out the intention attributed to him of appealing to the Supreme Court against the decision unseating and disqualifying him, on the ground that the case was not tried within the six months prescribed by the act.

Death of Earl Cavan.

The announcement is made of the death of Earl Cavan, father of the Hon. Octavius Lambert of the Department of the Interior. The new peer, Lord Kilcoursie, who is member of Parliament for South Somerset, has ever since he sat in the House of Commons been a warm supporter of Mr. Gladstone.

The Volant's Crew.

Seven of the crew of the schooner Volant, wrecked at Souris, P.E.I., who were reported to be in a destitute condition, have been assisted by the Marine Department to reach their homes in Newfoundland. The Volant was registered at Montreal.

Ocean Mail and Other Contracts.

The ocean mail contract is understood to be still undecided, but the impression gains ground that arrangements will be made with the Allan and Dominion lines for a new contract for an improved service. Rumors having been afloat that the two great railway companies had been asked to contribute towards the increased subsidy which a faster service must involve, Postmaster-General McLelan was questioned on the subject, and said:

"The idea has been expressed that the great railway corporations, such as the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railway Companies, who will benefit, so largely, by the proposed improvement in the service, should contribute a portion of the increased expenditure, that the change will necessarily involve. There has, however, been no materialization."

The Public Works Department has let the contract for the proposed public building at Coaticook, P.Q., to Mr. Thos. T. Shurtliff, of that place, and the contract for the public building at St. Jerome, P.Q., to Mr. J. Fitzgerald, of St. Alphonse-DeKildair. Both were the lowest tenderers.

Customs Appointments.

Orders-in-council have been passed, making the following Customs appointments: Messrs. Joseph E. Pinsonneault, to be a sub-collector in Her Majesty's Customs at the outpost of Lacolle, under the survey of the port of St. Johns, Que., vice P. Dozoir, superannuated; Gray Farmer, to be a preventive officer at the outpost of Campbello, under the port of St. Andrew's, N.B.; Chas. B. O'Reilly, to be a sub-collector at the outpost of Front River, under the port of Dundee, vice McGibbon, deceased.

A Treasury Board Decision.

The Treasury Board recently considered the question of gratuities to the widows and other representatives of deceased officials and decided that the order-in-council confirming such gratuities to an amount equal to two months' salary of permanent clerks only must be adhered to, and that if it was deemed desirable to grant a gratuity to the representatives of any employe not on the permanent list the money must first be voted by Parliament.

SANDBAGGED AND ROBBED.

Footpads Relieve a Hamiltonian of $200—The Pumping Engine Breakdown.

HAMILTON, Jan 17.—Mr. John McInnis had an ugly experience on Sunday night last on Cherry-street. He was followed by a trio of roughs, one of whom struck him with a sandbag on the head, knocking him insensible, while the other two went through his pockets, relieving him of nearly $200 in cash. The affair has been kept a secret by the young man and his friends. What makes matters the worse for McInnis is that he was to have been married to-day. Detective McKenzie has the case in hand.

Whatever was the cause of the breakdown in the new pumping engine on Saturday morning, the effect was more serious than was at first supposed. Examination shows that the piston head in the high-pressure cylinder is broken. It will take a week to replace it, and meanwhile the experts have gone to their respective homes.

Ontario Creamery Association.

GUELPH, Jan. 17.—The annual convention of the Ontario Creamery Association was held in the City Hall here to-day. There was a [good] attendance. Mr. John Sprague of Ameliasburg read a paper on "Ensilage and the Silo"; Mr. Henry Goff, Elmira, one on "How to Feed Calves"; Prof. Robertson one on "The Outlook for Creameries," and Mr. Valancey E. Fuller one on "The Most Important Factors in Making Butter Industries Profitable."

Suicide at Halifax.

HALIFAX, Jan. 17.—Losford Woolrich, a commercial traveler belonging in Halifax, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself in his sample room in a Sydney hotel. He was a sergeant in the Halifax Battalion that served in the Northwest Rebellion and was very popular here. The coroner's jury found that he was temporarily insane.

The Pacific Mail Subsidy.

MONTREAL, Jan. 17.—Sir George and Lady Stephen returned from England to-day. Sir George states that his visit was chiefly to see the Imperial Government regarding the Pacific mail subsidy. All preliminaries are now settled, and they will have steamers running in about a year from now. Plans and specifications are now being prepared, and contracts will be given out immediately.

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THE MANITOBA CRISIS.

Four Members Accepted by the Reform Caucus Last Night.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 17.—The Reform caucus was held to-night, when Greenway, Jones, Joseph Martin and Smart were accepted as the new Cabinet. The question of a French representative was left till another caucus.

A. F. Martin is pressing his claims, and, if he succeeds, Prendergast's show for political distinction is gone.

Much dissatisfaction is felt at Jones' selection, but the party finally agreed to accept him. Jones is absent, but he has wired he will accept office.

BIG FIRE AT MONTREAL.

Several Stores Gutted—A Terrific Explosion—Losses and Insurance.

MONTREAL, Jan. 17.—Shortly after 5 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the premises of J. S. Thompson & Co, auctioneers, 243 St. James-street. When the firemen opened the door a terrific explosion occurred, smashing the extensive plate glass windows in the adjoining stores and making huge rents in the walls. The fire spread to Barrett & Co.'s "Ichi Ban," both stores being gutted. The building was owned by the estate of the late F. M. W. Larocque, and is valued at $85,000. It is nearly a total wreck; insured for $10,600 in the Ætna and $3300 in the Hartford. The other losses and insurances are: J. S. Thompson, loss $15,000, insurance $5000; P. Z. Chouinard, loss $200; Oddfellows' Hall and Sons of England rooms destroyed, insurance $800; Peacock's athletic apparatus factory, loss $1000; Ichi Ban, loss $10,000, insurance $15,000. Hart & Son, job printers; J. K. Harper, jeweler, and H. Michaels, cigar dealer, also sustained slight losses.

NEW CANADIAN PACIFIC BONDS.

Algoma Branch First Mortgage Offered and Applied for Four Times Over.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Baring Brothers to-day invited applications for £750,000 Canadian Pacific Algoma branch 5 per cent. first mortgage bonds in denominations of £1000, £500 and £100 each, to mature July 1, 1937. The issue price is 98½ per cent. Sir Charles Tupper and Lord Revelstoke are trustees for the bondholders. A good augury for the new issue is that Canadian Pacific shares and bonds have been steadily rising recently, and stand to-day at 63½ and 104½ respectively.

Applied for Four Times Over.

MONTREAL, Jan. 17.—The Canadian Pacific Railway authorities to-day received a cablegram stating that the loan for the Algoma branch had been applied for four times over.

THE QUEBEC LOAN.

Put on the Market Yesterday—Said to Have Been Taken at Par.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Invitations were issued yesterday here and in Paris by the Credit Lyonnais for £722,000 4 per cent. bonds of the province of Quebec. Nominally the bonds are issued at par, but as the interest runs from Jan. 1, and as the whole money will not be called up till March 10, the real price is a few shillings under par. The provincial bonds now stand at 107 and 103 respectively.

Floated at Par.

QUEBEC, Jan. 17.—It is stated that the provincial loan was floated in London, Eng., this morning. The amount of bonds issued is set down at £722,000 sterling, repayable in 1928. They are placed at par with the Credit Lyonnais.

Steamships Overdue.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Nothing has yet been heard of the steamer Britannic, from the Mediterranean with 850 passengers. The steamship Netty Abby, which left Gibraltar the same day, arrived to-day. She encountered very heavy weather and had to put into Bermuda. The French steamship La Gascogne, due last Sunday, has not yet arrived.

New York Beekeepers in Session.

UTICA, N.Y., Jan. 17.—The nineteenth annual convention of the New York State Beekeepers Association opened in this city today. There was a good attendance. The following topics were discussed: "Does it pay to cultivate plants, especially for honey?" Decided in the negative. "Does it pay to use full sheets of foundation in the brood chamber?" Decided in the affirmative. Among the miscellaneous subjects handled was that of adulterated honey and the use of sugar for food for bees. The adulteration of honey was very strongly condemned, as was the use of sugar for bees where honey answers the same purpose.

Coal in New York State.

TROY, N.Y., Jan. 17.—The discovery of what is declared to be good anthracite coal on the farm of Andrew McClelland in Hebron, Washington County, recently, has been followed by preparations to develop the "find." A shaft is down six or eight feet already, and the quality of the coal improves below the surface. A railroad has been surveyed from Salem to Hebron, ten miles, and the rights of way are now being secured.

Dissensions Among the Parnellites.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Dissension exists among the Parnellites in regard to Mr. Parnell's proposed tactics during the coming session of Parliament. Mr. Parnell is in favor of abstaining from obstruction in order to accelerate a rupture between the Unionists and the Conservatives on the English local government measure. The two Healys and Mr. Dillon oppose such a program. Mr. Parnell will convoke a meeting of the party early in February.

Trying to Save Driscoll's Neck.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Application will be made before the full bench of the Court of Appeals to-morrow morning by Counsellor Howe for stay of proceedings in the case of Dan Driscoll, sentenced to hang in New York Friday, on the ground of newly discovered evidence. District Attorney Fellows was notified to be present.

Burned at Sea.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The American ship John T. Berry, which sailed from Philadelphia Oct. 3 for Hiogo, was burned on Jan. 9. Fourteen of the crew were landed at Nambucca Heads. A boat with eleven others is missing.

A Daniel Come to Judgment.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Jan. 17.—Judge Carter, of the Municipal Court, has decided that the train was moving too fast around the curve when the accident occurred at Bradford, but he attaches no blame to the employes.

To Avert a Unionist Bolt.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The Cabinet, after a two hours' session to-day, decided upon concessions which are calculated to avert a Unionist bolt on the Local Government Bill.

CHAT ACROSS THE CABLE.

No foreign mails have arrived at Odessa for five days, owing to the heavy storm on the ground.

The Abyssinian chiefs are divided. King John wants to delay the advance until the summer while Ras Aloula urges an immediate attack.

Ejectment notices have been posted on the Countess of Kingston's estate at Mitchellstown against 120 tenants who adopted the plan of campaign.

The Polish princely houses of Czartoroski and Radzivill have decided to remove from Paris to Vienna, on account of the growing hostility shown by France to the Poles.

At the German consulate, in London, yesterday, Samuel Fuchs swore that Prince Gustav of Sayn-Wittgenstein received 60,000 marks from him as a loan. The Prince asserted that he won the money at cards. The jury decided against the Prince.

Lord Randolph Churchill will arrive at Berlin on Jan. 23 and pass five days there.

An official despatch from San Remo denies that a new growth has appeared in the Crown Prince's throat and that there has been a recurrence of serious symptoms of cancer.

Prices on the Berlin Boerse recovered yesterday owing to the peaceful tone of the Czar's response to the New Year congratulations of the city of Moscow.

CANADA'S MINERAL GOODS

FURTHER NEWS FROM NORTHWEST ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Need of Exploration and Development—Combined Effort and Government Assistance Could do Much.

The more the subject of Canada's mineral stores is discussed the more it becomes incontrovertibly demonstrated that the Dominion's resources are practically boundless. The subject is well nigh inexhaustible, and its importance and urgency must secure for it early legislative recognition. Apart from this, the impression is gaining ground that even individual association would be serviceable, for isolated action cannot effectively explore, tabulate and publish the fresh facts which are constantly being brought to light. Whatever be the action of the Ontario Legislature there can be no doubt that increased attention on the part of mining engineers and capitalists will be given to mining interests and developments through the course which The World has taken on this paramount question of the need of the development of the mineral wealth of Canada, especially of Ontario. The subjoined particulars are of special interest in connection with this subject.

The action which The World has taken has been purely in the national interest. There has been a desire on its part to avoid any exaggerated or partial statement, or anything which might mislead the investing public.

There is, however, always a market for mines that are sufficiently developed to show paying ore, provided the owners will take reasonable prices and not make misleading statements as to value. A good deal of discredit has been brought on mining as an investment owing to exaggerated accounts of value.

The owners of the Beaver Mine sold seven-eighths of the property at the rate of $30,000, the remaining eighth brought $105,000. Silver Mountain East sold for $150,000. The Rabbit Mountain Mine also sold for a very large sum. These mines are in the Port Arthur district and have been sold quite recently.

Mr. Furlong, M.E., Port Arthur, states that there are many locations in that district well worthy of exploration and development. He has lately gone to the Transvaal to report on some gold mines for English capitalists.

Mr. C. F. Eschweiler, M.E., writes: "In order to make the most of the immense wealth of the country an exploring company should be formed, whose object would be a systematic finding of the precious metals and minerals. Such a company could explore better and cheaper than individuals."

The Mineral Resources of Northwestern Ontario.

Mr. G. S. Pattullo, Ontario Commissioner, sends The World a description of the mineral resources of the districts of Thunder Bay and Algoma, together with the opinions of prominent residents, old pioneers, eminent scientists, explorers, and others on this subject.

The country treated of lies between Port Savanne and Cross Lake, and in general outline is very similar to that to the north of Lake Superior. The rich mineral deposits of the district are well known. As far as it has been prospected it promises as well as any mining region in the known world, and will undoubtedly develop in such a way as to fully justify all the bright predictions that have been made concerning its future.

One of the chief points in the district is Lake of the Woods. Here are immense resources of economic and precious metals locked up in its many thousands of wood-crowned and rock-girdled islets. Copper, iron and argentiferous galena have been discovered in various places, but, with the exception of Bruce Mines, where large quantities of copper have been extracted, its mining resources may be said to be undeveloped.

Judge Robert Laird of Port Arthur writes: "A very erroneous impression prevails as to the natural resources of Thunder Bay, particularly in regard to its mineral resources. Its mineral wealth is doubtless the richest on the American continent, and would have long ago attracted more general attention but for its isolated location. Metals and minerals are found in very large paying quantities, and those properly developed have proved a source of immense revenue to the owners. The Silver Islet mine took out over $3,000,000 at very little expense. The Rabbit Mountain mine proves to be richer than the Silver Islet. Standing first among the richest discoveries of precious metals is the Jack Fish Gold and Silver mine. Native copper is found in large quantities and iron in endless amount. Zinc and iron pyrites are also found in large quantities, as well as baryta or heavy spar for paint, plumbago, soapstone and a superior quality of old red sandstone."

Rich Stores of Gold in British Columbia.

"The Inland Sentinel," published at Kamloops, B.C., contains a large number of "mining notes," from which The World extracts the following, showing the immense mineral resources of that part of Canada:

"The North Thompson River district, between the celebrated Cariboo and Big Bend mining regions, is rapidly becoming known to contain valuable auriferous deposits, and from the encouraging appearance of the prospecting already done, it is safe to assume that considerable development work will be accomplished next season and many new locations taken up. At Jameson Creek a quartz ledge has been located, the width on the surface being six feet, averaging $38 to the ton. Preparations have been made to prosecute work vigorously in the spring. The same may be said of Maiden Creek, Monte Carlo, where gold and silver have been discovered, Cherry Creek, Mission Creek and Cariboo. At the latter place, on Loughee Creek, it is stated that it is estimated that a quantity of ore sufficient to supply a stamp mill for the next fifty years will be developed. The ore averages $40 to $50 per ton of gold.

There are bright prospects throughout the inland mining country. The whole district is stated to be rich auriferous land, only requiring development to make it the greatest mining region of the present time. Along the Fraser River, which is the chief artery of the auriferous country, gold has been found and in many places large quantities taken out, from about fifty miles from its mouth to near its sources in the Rocky Mountains, a distance of about a thousand miles. The numerous tributaries of the Fraser River are also known to be gold-bearing streams, and the whole upper country, as yet imperfectly explored, gives every indication of proving one of the most valuable of the great storehouses of precious minerals.

The mining industry is as yet only in its infancy in the province, the efforts hitherto having been principally confined to the beds of streams, diggings and shallow places. Many portions of the country have not yet been explored, but enough discoveries have recently been made to show that the hills and valleys contain immense mineral stores only awaiting development at the hands of enterprising capitalists. The latest reports indicate that mining prospects never were better than at the present time, and that there is every reason to anticipate a great and permanent increase in operations in the immediate future.

During the past twelve months 120 claims have been recorded in the Government office at Kamloops. Mining men from California, Idaho, Montana and Colorado have expressed their surprise at the large number of quartz veins, highly mineralized, near the surface, and have freely admitted that they never before were in a mineral camp where from the grass roots there was such a prospect for rich mines.

The Fort Shepherd mines are believed to be the best ever discovered in the Pacific province. Goods from Revelstoke have to be packed sixty or seventy miles by the miners' trail. By constructing a road from the mouth of Kootenay for twenty-six miles to Toad Mountain, Canada would command the trade without any possibility of competition, and all ore would be shipped by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The auriferous deposits on the Similkameen River were discovered in 1860. They have been continuously mined for the past twenty-seven years, and during that period have yielded many thousands of dollars, of which no record has been obtained.

The official returns for last season exhibit a production of $130,000 in gold and 2000 ounces of platinum, valued at from $2.60 to $3 per ounce. It is a remarkable fact that up to last year platinum was thrown away by the miners under the impression that it was worthless. Many thousands of ounces of this rare metal had thus been lost in consequence of the prevailing ignorance as to its true value.

The largest gold nugget was found on Bear Creek and was worth $480. Another from Slate Creek was valued at $215, whilst several were obtained on Granite Creek and the Tulameen River which were worth about $100 each.

This portion of the country offers a wide and remunerative field for the investment of capital in the development of its mineral resources.

Kamloops contains thousands of acres of agricultural and grazing lands and great stores of mineral wealth. The country has yielded many millions of gold and silver, and experience has shown that thorough exploring has only begun, and that systematic mining is as yet only in its infancy. Numerous discoveries of valuable mineral deposits have been recently been made throughout the inland country, and a large influx of capital and population is anticipated. From every point reliable information has been obtained, and the future is bright with promise. Unless the Canadian Pacific Railway reduce their high freight rates the trade of the Lower Kootenay country will remain tributary to the United States.

The mineral resources of the district are a most valuable treasure trove, for where in one single creek over $2,000,000 worth of gold was taken out in two summers by the rudest appliances there is no doubt that improved machinery will work wonders, not to speak of the most promising argentiferous quartz discoveries that have been made of late.

Mr. A. W. Smith of Lillooet bought last summer over $65,000 worth of gold dust, mainly from Cayuse Creek, Bridge River and Fraser River. The total bought in these districts was considerably over $100,000.

Near Camp McKinney rich strikes of silver-bearing quartz have been discovered, also specimens of galena rock which run as high as $200 in silver and 65 per cent. of lead. There will be a great rush into Rock Creek in the spring and extensive prospecting done.

Mr. Rathbun's Views.

The enterprising capitalist of Deseronto, Mr. E. W. Rathbun, was in town yesterday and said he had read The World's articles with much interest. "You are on the right track and the attention you are drawing to our mining industry will do good. I think that your suggestion in regard to the Government doing something toward getting out reliable information is also first-class. Another thing you suggest that struck me forcibly is in reference to cheap and reliable assays. The Government ought to provide for these being done. The stamp of a Government assay would be more reliable than a private one."

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FOR THE WELFARE OF STUDENTS.

Prominent Christian Workers Give Them Some Practical Advice.

Three hundred people attended the college students reception given at the Y.M.C.A. Building last night. Mr. L. C. Peake, one of the vice-presidents, occupied the chair. He addressed a few welcome words to the students, and said that they had been trying to carry out their plan of making this building the headquarters for the young men of the city.

Prof. Sheraton of Wycliffe College commended the building as a place where physical intellectual and spiritual wants could be supplied. He urged the necessity of manliness, and combatted the idea that Christianity was adverse to the development of manly virtues.

Mr. J. K. Ray gave a reading on "Some Reminiscences of Christopher North," exhibiting by apt facial expression and brogue the quaint dryness of Scottish character. The audience applauded liberally.

Dr. Aikins followed out the idea put forward by Prof. Sheraton, placing great importance upon the practical rather than the theoretical. It was by being practical that men developed moral courage and other manly virtues.

Rev. G. M. Milligan, who spoke next, was warmly received. He deprecated the notion that seemed to prevail in regard to religion. Some people looked upon it as something of a superfluity; they looked upon it as a bouquet, an ornament, not as a suit of clothes, a necessity. The Christian's faith was that a man could not be complete without religion; that until a man had religion he had not reached his highest development. To be a man was to be a thinking being, and true thought was the outcome of physical and mental exaltation. Until all man's powers were developed to their full capacity, he was unable to interpret God. Like only could interpret like. He advised the students to be natural. If any became doctors, they should not enter a house as if they could raise the dead or cure a cancer. [Laughter.] It was good, also, to be industrious after graduating as well as before. They should be industrious, not only in searching for truth in the sphere of their chosen profession, but also in that of others. There was a great deal to be learned in reading over the advertising columns of a newspaper. Of course there's not much to be learned from the editorial columns. [Commotion.] But this doesn't apply to Toronto papers. The newspaper men are professing not to learn from the pulpit, and we retaliate a little. However, we all need each other.

Secretary Wm. McCulloch announced that a special class in gymnastic instruction would be commenced next Friday especially for students.

700 PARISHIONERS AT HOME.

A Pleasant and Profitable Social at the Church of the Ascension.

Seven hundred persons, amongst whom were a large number of the poorer residents in the parish of the Church of the Ascension, gathered last night in the spacious schoolroom and were highly gratified with the varied entertainment which a committee of ladies had provided. It is three years since a similar conversazione was held, and the one last night reflected praise on the promoters for its laudable and practical character.

At Christmas 1300 children received half a pound of candy and five bright cents, the distribution of which disclosed some widespread poverty amongst the parents. Their necessities were relieved as far as possible and the thoughtful suggestion was made of a sociable evening, admission to be on novel terms. These were the presentation of at least one pound of groceries, and so heartily was the scheme espoused that last night a veritable grocer's store was on view in the school-room. Seven hundred and seventy-four one-pound packets were received, also presents of money, orders for coal and wood, donations for scrubbing brushes and other useful household effects. These will be distributed to the poor and prove acceptable gifts, the more so owing to the kindly spirit and spontaneity which prompted them.

The room, tastefully decorated with evergreens, flowers and choice plants, was crowded, and a banner bore the devout wish, "God Bless Our Beloved Teacher." This had personal reference to Mr. H. C. Dixon, who, with a large and devoted staff, conducts a Bible class in the church on Sunday afternoon with an average attendance of nearly 300. The members of this class, the teachers and many ladies were present and exerted themselves to make all "at home." Addresses of welcome were given by the rector, Rev. H. G. Baldwin; the curate, Rev. R. A. Bilkey, and Mr. M. Curry, superintendent of the Sunday-school. Recitations, songs, piano solos and duetts and violin trios were furnished in admirable style by four young ladies of the Bucham family, and last but not least, an ample supply of first-class refreshments and coffee was dispensed. All went merrily, and the deserving poor will reap the reward of this thoughtful kindness.

Crowds Are Rushing Yet.

—The excitement never seems to die out, crowds are all the time rushing to 179 Yonge-st. They seem never to get satisfied. No sooner they get a big bargain than they come back for another. The big discount sale is still in progress at the big housefurnishing game and toy emporium. Mr. Strathern is giving such bargains in every line of housefurnishing goods as never before was known in the city. This "snap" won't be kept up much longer, so make of your chance quick at the noted house, 179 Yonge. x

THE MANUFACTURERS' LIFE.

Sir John Attends the Annual Meeting and Receives a Handsome Portrait.

The first annual meeting of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company was held in the Council Chamber at the Board of Trade rooms at 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The President, Sir John A. Macdonald, occupied the chair. All the other officers and directors, as well as the agents throughout the country, were in attendance. Quite a number of policy-holders were present. The room was crowded throughout the proceedings.

The annual report was read by the Managing Director, Mr. J. B. Carlile, and several congratulatory speeches made.

After the business of the day was over a pleasant little episode took place—the presentation to Sir John of a handsome oil portrait of himself, the gift of the officers and agents of the company. It was painted by Mr. A. D. Patterson of this city. The portrait shows a half length figure of the Premier in a tweed suit of Canadian manufacture, and the proverbial red necktie gives pleasant relief. Sir John stands in a characteristic attitude with one hand caught in his trowsers pocket. The expression is somewhat serious and statesmanlike, but the eyes give token of reserve of humor. The artist had the privilege of numerous sittings given directly by Sir John as well as opportunities of observing him within the bar of the House by special request.

Mr. Geo. Gooderham, one of the vice-presidents, read an address and presented an elegantly illuminated copy of it done by Miss Edith Shaw.

The Old Man was greeted with cheers and other enthusiasm on rising to reply. He told several yarns that made everybody laugh and then in feeling terms accepted the gift.

On the invitation of Sir John the officers and agents, the donors of the portrait, adjourned to the Queen's, where he entertained them all to dinner, sixty-five of them sitting down to the table laid in the smaller dining-room of the house. Mr. Carlile sat at Sir John's right and the vice-president his left. Mr. Alex. Manning was in the vice chair.

Mr. W. H. Storey of Acton proposed the the toast of "Our Host."

Sir John in reply regretted that he had an appointment at 3 o'clock with the Premier of Ontario, and would have to leave right away. [A voice: Coalition.] "Coalition, well there would be worse things than that. I have known Mr. Mowat all my life. He was in my office when he was a boy, and I was one of the administrators of his father's estate. I can say that Mr. Mowat is an upright, honest man. There was one happy thing about presenting me with that handsome gift this morning. The father of Mr. Patterson, who painted the portrait, Judge Patterson, who was appointed by Mr. Blake, and who is therefore above suspicion—[laughter]—pronounced me to be unusually pure the other day in the Kingston election trial. [Applause.] I suppose it's because you knew that I would be pronounced pure that you elected me your president. [Applause.]" Sir John left the dining-room, and the other toasts were honored under Mr. S. F. McKinnon's superintendence. A song was given by Mr. Yule and a recitation by Mr. R. L. Patterson.

A BROKEN RAIL

Responsible for One Accident and a Train Despatcher for Another.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 17.—A passenger train on the Lake Erie and Western Railroad was wrecked this morning near Bluffton, O., by a broken rail. The locomotive and baggage car ran over the break all right, but the smoker and ladies' car turned over on their sides and were dragged 200 yards before the train was stopped. Allen Gilbert, a traveling man from Fostoria, O., jumped from the front platform of the smoker, and the car toppled over on him, crushing him to death.

The cars took fire from the stoves after the wreck, and it was only by heroic exertions on the part of the train men that fearful loss of life was prevented. Frank Mayo's "Nordeck" Company was on the train and several of the actors were hurt.

A Careless Train Despatcher.

ROCHESTER, Jan. 17.—A special from Avoca just received says: "Erie trains 18 and 107 collided this morning one mile south of Avoca. Engineer Frank Maynard of Rochester was killed instantly, his head being cut off. Both engines were completely wrecked and one car derailed, but no other serious injury occurred. The firemen of both trains and Engineer Frank Marsh on No. 107 jumped. The tender of train 107 was driven into the mail car. Mail Agent Dulepeis of Avoca saved his life by jumping just as the engines came together. Physicians from the village were promptly on hand rendering assistance. It is said in this city that Train Despatcher Sauerbie of Wayland was to blame for the collision."

ACCIDENT IN A SAWMILL.

An Employe Frightfully Lacerated—Death of the Sufferer.

ITHACA, N.Y., Jan. 17.—Wm. Covert, an employe in W. A. J. Ozmun's sawmill, was fatally injured yesterday afternoon. The engine was stopped to do some packing, and Covert, thinking he had time to sharpen a tooth in the saw, stood with his leg thrown over the saw, with the thigh resting against the teeth. The usual signal was given before starting the mill, but he did not hear it, and the saw that usually makes about 300 revolutions to the minute began tearing and lacerating the flesh and bones of the knee-joint and followed along the thigh bone, shattering and splintering it for about two-thirds of the way to the hip-joint.

Doctors amputated the thigh. The operation proved to be too great a strain for his already weakened condition, and he succumbed to the shock about one hour after the amputation. Covert was about 40 years of age. He leaves a wife and two children.

BECKWITH MUST DIE.

The New York Court of Appeals Refuses to Grant Him a New Trial.

HUDSON, N.Y., Jan. 17.—The Court of Appeals this morning decided against granting a new trial to Oscar F. Beckwith, charged with murder. He will probably be taken before the Columbia Oyer and Terminer, now in session, and be re-sentenced. He has been sentenced to be executed five times, and by this decision will be sentenced again, making six times the sentence of death has been pronounced upon him.

[Oscar F. Beckwith, it will be remembered, was the perpetrator of the terrible crimes which shocked Amsterdam, N.Y. He was traced to Canada and captured, and after a tedious delay extradited from Toronto.]

Seven Houses and Three Men Burnt.

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., Jan. 17.—This morning fire consumed seven frame houses here occupied by Hungarians. Three men were burned to death and a woman and child are missing. The fire originated in a house where a Hungarian christening was being celebrated and it is supposed was caused by drunken inmates upsetting the stove. A rumor, which lacks confirmation, is current that the three men were killed in a quarrel and that the house was burned to hide the crime.

Brutal Sport in Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 17.—Two bull fighters have been injured, one fatally. The first case was that of Saleri, at Pueblo, who, while jumping over a bull with the aid of a pole on Sunday afternoon, was caught on the bull's horns and impaled, dying in the presence of the spectators. The second was that of a bull fighter here, who, on the same afternoon, was gored seriously. The press generally condemns the revival of bull fighting, but is unable to make any impression on the public, which continues to flock to the arena.

FORCES ON THE FRONTIER

GERMAN ESTIMATE OF THEIR COMPARATIVE STRENGTH.

It is Claimed That Russia is Maintaining the Largest Peace Effectives—Gen. Von Caprivi, Minister of Marine, Says the German Navy Need Fear no Foe.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—In the Reichstag to-day, during the course of debate on the Naval Estimates, Herr Rickert referred to a recent statement in The Cologne Gazette to the effect that the chief importance of the German navy lay in its strength for coast protection, it being a weapon of defence rather than of offence. If this were true, he asked, why continue to lavish money on the navy which was already sufficient for all defensive purposes?

Gen. Von Caprivi, the Minister of Marine, replied that the German navy was equal to other purposes than coast defence. The Admiralty, he said, would adhere to its plans for strengthening the navy. In its present condition, however, the navy had no reason to fear meeting any foe.

The Militar Wochenblatt publishes with authority a reply to The Invalide Russe's late comparisons of the frontier forces. It says that authentic estimates of the peace effectives stationed in the frontier provinces of Austria, Germany and Russia show that Russia has 315,500 men with 689 field guns; Austria 38,000 men with 160 field guns, and Germany 98,200 men and 338 field guns. The Wochenblatt next compares the military situation on the Russian side of the frontier with that on the German side, taking the forces within territories of about equal area, and shows that the Russians within 119,311 square kilometres have 123,275 men, 24,198 horses and 2711 guns of all kinds, while the Germans within 119,456 square kilometres have only 81,714 men, 14,520 horses and 238 guns.

The garrison of Warsaw, consisting of 20,000 men, 3600 horses, and 50 field guns, is contrasted with the garrison of Koenigsberg, consisting of 7700 men, 1400 horses and 50 field guns, and the garrison of Breslau, with 5000 men, 1160 horses and 32 field guns.

Referring to The Invalide Russe's assertion that 4850 kilometres of railway have been constructed in Eastern Germany since 1878, The Wochenblatt states that the railway extension since 1878 amounts to only 1865 kilometres.

M. Fleurens' Reported Efforts.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—Diplomatic circles are discussing the reported efforts of M. Fleurens, the French Foreign Minister, to bring about an understanding between France, Russia and England, and are incredulous of his success.

Will Russia Fight?

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—A Times London special says the papers to-day literally swarm with reports of Russian movements of troops. It seems to be undoubted that the Second Army Corps is now under marching orders from the Caucasus to the Roumanian frontier, while the bulk of the Eleventh Corps is being moved forward, one cavalry division and one rifle brigade to the Roumanian border, and one cavalry division and two infantry divisions toward the Galician frontier apparently. Russia is going again to propose Prince Karageorgevics for the Bulgarian throne, and is massing troops to give effect to her proposition. It is practically certain that he will be rejected by the powers. Then the question is, will Russia fight?

A special train has arrived at Warsaw with a large quantity of explosives, half of which will be deposited in the citadel and the other half distributed at various stations on the railway lines leading to Austria and Germany.

From a Doubtful Source.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—The Univers has a dispatch from Rome saying: "The English Cabinet accepts in principle the Pope's mediation between England and Ireland based upon Mgr. Persico's report. The Pope demands moderate home rule, and advises the Conservatives to take the wind out of Gladstone's sails by adopting the leading points of his program, with the support of the Irish clergy."

British Trade With Canada.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—At the Associated Chambers of Commerce meeting, from Feb. 21 to 23, Commercial Union will be discussed upon a resolution requesting the council to vigilantly watch the movement and communicate to the Colonial office the great interest the chambers take in the question. The meeting is also to discuss means to increase trade between Britain and the colonies.

The Crofters' Riots.

EDINBURGH, Jan. 17.—The police on the Island of Lewis attempted to arrest a number of crofters for destroying fences of sheep farms. The crofters resisted and charged the police, finally routing them. Troops are hastening to the assistance of the police. A number of crofters who were arrested on the Island of Lewis charged with engaging in the riots have just been tried. The jury acquitted them.

Mr. Sheehy Removed to Sligo Jail.

DUBLIN, Jan. 17.—Mr. Sheehy, M.P., who was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for inciting resistance to evictions, has been removed from Tullamore Jail to the jail at Sligo.

Two Little Revolutions.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The crofter insurrection in the Orkney islands and the tithe revolt in Wales are assuming sensational proportions.

Division Court Dates for 1888.

The dates for the two Division Courts in Toronto for 1888 are: East—Jan. 17, Feb. 14, Mar. 13, Ap. 10, May 8, June 5, July 4, Aug. 28, Sep. 25, Oct. 23, Nov. 20, Dec. 18. West—Jan. 31, Feb. 28, Mar. 27, Ap. 24, May 22, June 19, July 17, Sep. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 6, Dec. 4. Jury cases—West: Feb. 24, Ap. 20, June 29, Oct. 19, Dec. 28; East: Feb. 23, Ap. 19, June 28, Oct. 18, Dec. 27. Judgment summonses (east 10 a.m., west 2 p.m.): Feb. 13, Mar. 12, Ap. 9, May 7, June 4, July 3, Aug. 27, Sep. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, Dec. 17.

A G.T. Baggageman Dies in His Car.

John Holmes, a G.T.R. baggageman, who lived at 10 D'Arcy-street, was found dead in his car by Conductor Cornell of the express train, which left Toronto for the east at 8 o'clock yesterdry morning. The discovery was made after the train passed Collinsby. Mr. Holmes had put off baggage at Ernesttown station and Napanee, and his sudden death occasioned surprise. Heart disease is thought to have been the cause of death. The remains were brought to the city last night.

Guard Rutledge's Funeral.

The funeral services of Guard Rutledge, stabbed to death by Robert Neil in the Central Prison on Saturday morning, were held at the prison chapel yesterday afternoon. The chapel was filled with friends and acquaintances of the dead guard and by citizens. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell conducted the services. The remains were afterwards taken by train to Charleston, where they will be interred.

Jewelry Jobbers at Dinner.

The first annual dinner of the Canadian Association of Jobbers in American Watches was held at the Queen's Hotel last night. The association is a "close" body, and beyond the fact that Mr. Thomas H. Lee of Toronto occupied the chair, no other information could be gleaned regarding the feast.

The Cox Examination.

Mr. E. S. Cox was examined, re the Central Bank, yesterday for nearly four hours before Special Examiner Evans. Only Mr. Foster, counsel for the liquidators, Mr. Bain, counsel for Mr. Cox, and Mr. Lye, the accountant were present. What was elicited is not known.

A cool smoking mixture, don't bite tongue, especially made up. Try it once. 15c. quarter pound. Alive Bollard, 199 Yonge-street. 135

THE OLD MAN DEPARTS.

A Number of Callers at the Red Parlor—The Premier Visits Government House.

The Old Chief left town last night for the federal capital, after spending two busy days in the provincial metropolis. His last hour was exceptionally busy. The Queen's was full of guests and most of them seemed supporters of the O. M., as they were all anxious to grasp the hand of the chief. Just before dinner he received Mayor Clarke and gave him some good fatherly advice, which His Worship received with respect. Patting him on the back the O.M. said: "Clarke, I'm glad to see you've a well-red head."

Sir David Macpherson also had audience in the afternoon.

The World asked Sir John what was the business he had with Mr. Mowat in the afternoon.

"Principally that I went up to pay my respects to him and to Sir Alexander Campbell. I found them at Government House. It is over two years since I've met Mr. Mowat." Continuing Sir John said: "Oh, yes. Mr. Mowat and I are on the best of terms."

A little bird says that if he "behaves himself Sir John will have the Hon. Oliver in the next batch of knights that he recommends to the Queen. Mr. Mowat would feel honored in the title."

Sir John reads The World regularly and endorses its articles on mining development.

Sir John visited the Public Library in the afternoon and was shown through by Mr. Bain.

When The World called on the O.M., just before dinner, he was dancing the little John A., his grandson, who is now 3 years old, and with his mother, Mrs. Hugh John Macdonald of Winnipeg, is also at the Queen's.

Gossip From the Suburbs.

A pleasent gathering was held in Danforth Hall, Danforth-avenue, Chester Village, on Monday night. Numerous sleighing parties from the city and country began to arrive about 8 o'clock and by 9 o'clock about seventy happy faces were gathered about the stoves warming themselves after their drive. A few round games opened the proceedings and then the floor was cleared for the dance, which was kept up until about 2 o'clock. Refreshments were liberally supplied during the evening by Mrs. Playter's family and a few neighbors. A really good time was enjoyed.

The inaugural meeting of the West Toronto Junction Council was held on Monday in the Band Hall, Reede-street. Reeve D. W. Clendennan and Councillors McCormick, Peake, Spears and Lapp took the oath of office before J. P. Bull, J.P., and at once proceeded with the organization of this new municipality. R. J. Leigh was appointed clerk, John Anthony, treasurer; J. B. Bruce, assessor; P. A. Fisher, collector; G. W. Holdenby, chief constable, and Messrs. Steward, Jackson and McGuire, with the Reeve and clerk, Board of Health, and Edward Williams, health officer. An inaugural banquet will be given at the Canadian Pacific Railway dining-room on Jan. 25. Sir John Macdonald and Hon. Oliver Mowat, the County Council, the members of Parliament for West York, the Mayors of Toronto and Parkdale, and the Canadian Pacific Railway officials, with the Junction Band, will be tendered invitations.

The C. P. R.'s New Chicago Sleepers.

The Canadian Pacific Railway yesterday instituted an improved daily sleeping car service on its Chicago trains, which leave Union Station at 2 o'clock and reach Chicago the following morning at 7.45, without change. This enables passengers to get supper and breakfast on the Michigan Central Railway's magnificent dining cars. The new sleepers were built expressly for the service by the Wagner Company, and are handsomely decorated and finished in bright crimson and olive green plush. The sleepers have twelve sections, with ladies' and gentlemen's toilet rooms and luxuriously appointed smoking compartments with sofa seats and reclining chairs. They are a marked improvement over the short cars hitherto in use, and will be appreciated by the traveling public.

What is a Mugwump?

At the time of President Cleveland's election the word "Mugwump" was coined, and Senator Don Cameron was the man who coined it. But few knew its meaning. It was said to designate a Democrat who did not approve of Cleveland's nomination, and it was also said to mean one who took pay from one party and then worked and voted for the other. The former is probably the correct meaning. We have few "Mugwumps" in Canada. W. & D. Dineen continue all this week their big fur sale. Ladies' fur garments at cost. For quality and price you cannot equal Dineen's. Corner King and Yonge-streets. x

22 Years' Successful Business.

Messrs. J. & J. Lugsdin, hatters and manufacturing furriers, 101 Yonge-street, entertained their employes and invited guests to their annual supper last Monday evening. The upper flat of their large premises was the scene of a very happy assembly, being their twenty-second annual entertainment. After having done ample justice to the delicacies of the season, songs, speeches and dancings were indulged in to a late hour, when all departed wishing their employers a continuance of prosperity.

Police Court Points.

Thomas Stephenson, a boy, fired off a revolver in Severn-street, and in the Police Court yesterday was fined $1 and costs. Thomas Sheehan, stealing coal on the Esplanade, 10 days. Wm. McGuire of No. 4 Sydenham-street, having stolen property in his possession, was sent for trial. The four men held for burglary in Peterboro were discharged, as Chief Davis of that town telegraphed that he could not identify them. John Sullivan, larceny of a fur cap, sixty days. Annie Thompson, selling liquor, without a license, fined $50 and costs.

Run Down on the Street.

Last evening, as Mr. Edward Murphy, of the firm of Frothingham & Workman, was crossing St. James-street, Montreal, a carter ran him down. He was badly injured and taken home suffering from fracture of a leg and painful contusions. Take out at once an accident policy in the Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Company.

David's True Position.

Mr. David Creighton is signing himself Managing Director of The Empire Company. He was not elected a director yesterday, nor was he ever managing director. Up to Monday he was secretary pro tem. of the provisional directors; now he is manager of the business without a seat at the board.

Talk About the License Commission.

The names of Adam Armstrong, Frank Cassidy (Suckling and Cassidy) and ex-Ald. Hunter are among the latest names mentioned as the new License Commissioners, the latter gentleman by way of healing the breach that has existed among his friends and himself on account of the Centre Toronto contest.

Neil to be Kept at the Central Prison.

Pending the finding of a true bill by the Grand Jury, which meets on Monday next, the convict murderer Neil will be kept in the Central Prison.

The Vital Statistics of 1887.

The vital statistics registered at the City Hall during 1887 were: Births 3638, marriages 1479, deaths 2687.

Fun at the Granite.

Grand fancy dress carnival at the Granite Rink to-morrow night. The covered rink will be reserved for skaters in costume.

Rare Chance, Ladies.

To ladies who wish to make a little money go a long way, a splendid opportunity is afforded at McKendry's annual sale to purchase dry goods and millinery goods at most ridiculous prices. Some remarkable bargains are offered in wool clouds, wool shawls, ladies' wool jackets and cardigans, dress goods and hosiery. Go to the big sale at the Waterloo House, 278 Yonge-street, south corner Alice. 8

EAST SIMCOE PETITION.

TRIAL OF THE CASE AGAINST MR COOK COMMENCED.

Evidence for the Petitioner—A Witness Says "There was Boodle Going"—"Pretty Hot Limejuice"—Mr. Henderson Renominated in Halton.

ORILLIA, Jan. 17.—The East Simcoe Dominion election trial, commenced to-day before Hon. Justice Rose. Mr. Dalton McCarthy, Q.C., and Mr. Corbould appeared for petitioner, and Mr. J. J. McLaren, Q.C., for the respondent, Henry H. Cook.

Mr McLaren made objection to the case proceeding, six mouths having expired, but His Lordship overruled him.

Mr. McCarthy called William Harvey, the Secretary of the Reform Association, who testified that he handled no money during the election campaign. He received a letter a few days ago from Mr. McLaren's firm to see some parties who were named in specific charges, and he saw them.

Alex. W. Ambrose, the financial agent of the respondent, was called, and said he received $1,011.85 from Mr. Cook, spent $744.64, returned $200, and kept the balance to pay himself. He told Mr. Cook, who said it was all right, that he intended to give him something.

Joseph Owens, called on specific charges 15 and 18, was a voter at last election, received $5 from James Patten at the Russell House the day before election. Cleland, the bartender there, said boodle was going, and that witness could get it from Patten. He got it from Patten, who said, "Don't change it in the house."

Christopher Cleland, the bartender, swore that he (Owens) asked him the day before election if he thought he could get any money, and he said he ought to, and that it would be safe to take it.

James Patten testified that he was clerk of the works at the new Asylum, Orillia, in the employ of the Ontario Government. He sent Owens $5 the day before the election. He did not give it for election purposes. He never expected to get it back, as he is not worth anything. He never asked for it. He never saw Mr. Lees before. He sent Arthur Young, a laborer, $2 after the election; he sent no one else money.

Patrick Finn testified: My wife is proprietor of the Russell House. Mr. Owens asked me if there was money going and I told him I thought not; did not offer Lees any money. Don't think I showed people upstairs to Mr. Patten the day before the election. Did not take a great part in the election.

Thomas Lees testified that Finn told him that they were offering $10 for a vote. Finn asked witness to have a drink and witness took what was called lime juice and it was pretty hot juice.

At the time of adjournment Mr. McCarthy had not concluded his evidence on the question of agency. There are a great number of witnesses subpœnaed and the court was crowded all day.

Mr. Henderson Re-nominated in Halton.

MILTON, Jan. 17.—The Conservatives of Halton held a large and enthusiastic meeting here to-day to select a standard-bearer in the forthcoming election for the House of Commons, made vacant by the unseating of Mr. John Waldie, the Reform member. Mr. David Henderson, Mr. Waldie's late opponent, was unanimously chosen as the candidate. Mr. Waldie's majority over Mr. Henderson was 9. There was plenty of speech-making, among the orators being Senator McKindly, Col. Kearns and Col. Murray.

COMMERCIAL UNION.

Its Alleged Effects on Canadian Relations With Great Britain.

In the absence of President Goldwin Smith the Commercial Union Club of Toronto was presided over last night by Vice-President S. H. Janes.

Mr. W. H. Lockhart Gordon read an able paper on "The Effects of Commercial Union on Our Relations With Great Britain." He argued that the strongest opposition to Commercial Union came from those who are most interested in excluding from Canada American manufactures; that the policy of exclusion of British imports was inaugurated by the Government of Sir John Macdonald in 1879, and that the present proposal was only carrying that policy but a little further for the sake of affording greater gain. If trade improved, which was exceedingly probable, it would tend to the enrichment of the country, which would render safer and more profitable the investments of British capitalists in Canada, and Canadians would then be less prone to leave Canada to seek a home in other lands.

Mr. G. Mercer Adam, Mr. R. C. Steele, M. H. Jones, Capt. Wm. Hall, Mr. Jas. Pearson and others took part in the discussion, emphasizing the position taken by the reader of the paper.

Capt. Hall moved that Mr. Gordon be requested to hand his paper to the secretary, in order that it be incorporated in the literature of the club. Secretary Thomas Shaw seconded this, and it was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Gordon Waldron of Huron County was elected a member.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at the next meeting he should move that the title of the club be altered to "Commercial Reciprocity Club."

A Sherbourne-street Romance.

"Laura, something tells me that I can risk my happiness in your hands this evening without—" "George," interposed the fair young girl, her blue eye shining with the light of a tender pity, and her whole face aflame with an unfaltering resolution, "it is useless, I cannot marry a man who does not wear quinn's full dress shirts."

The Central Bank.

From all The World can learn it does not look as if the creditors will realize 40 cents on the dollar, even after the double liability is realized.

—The contract for the steam heating apparatus for the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company's new building on Bay-street has been awarded to Frank Wheeler, Hot Water and Steam Heating Engineer, 135 58 and 60 Adelaide-st. west.

—Gentlemen with means at their disposal can secure a few shares in a joint stock company—chartered. The safest and most promising investment in the city of Toronto. Apply in first place to Box 501, World office. x

—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

A St. Kitts Policeman in Luck.

Report of Council Proceedings in St. Catharines Journal.

Moved by J. M. Ness, seconded by W. Strong, that Police Constable Olson be given permission to purchase a suit of clothes. Carried.

Personal Mention.

Mr. George Yule, a well known inventor of Newark, N.J., is in Toronto, and is the guest of Mr. G. H. Hastings, Deer Park.

Registered at the Hotels.

Mr. J. Smith of Kingston is at the Rossin.
Mr. J. M. Fairbrother of Pawtucket, R.I., is at the Rossin.
Mr. William Snell of Montreal is at the Rossin.
Mr. Sandford Fleming of Ottawa is at the Queen's.
Mr. J. Stephenson, M. P. for West Peterboro, is at the Queen's.
Supt. James Stephenson, of the G. T. R., is at Queen's.
Mr. J. H. Elliott of London is at the Walker.
Mr. Joseph Williams of Goderich is at the Walker.
Mr. J. F. Sharpe of London is at the Palmer.
Mr. A. Curtin of Waterford is at the Palmer.
At the Albion: P. Christie, Manchester; E. R. Mayer, St. Catharines; Joseph Lee, St. Thomas; P. Saurman, Paris; Capt. J. McPhearson, Capt. F. McPhearson, Kincardine; A. Adamson, Teeswater; R. Sutherland, Wallacetown; E. H. Henps, Oshawa.
At the Grand Pacific: C. S. Lee, Ottawa; Adam Laidlaw, H. Cameron, Hamilton; David Oswald, New York; John Leckie, W. B. Newsome, Brantford; J. F. McRoy, Sarnia; A. Black, Orillia.

Lower Temperatures.

Weather for Ontario: Moderate to fresh west to northwest winds; fair, cold weather; lower temperatures.