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THOMPSON IN COURT

But Toronto's Civic Inquiry Has Been Indefinitely Postponed.

Toronto, Feb. 24. — Judge Wincesster yesterday morning refused to proceed with the civic inquiry pending the decision of Mr. Justice Riddell on the motion for an injunction, Mr. Riddell, of the Ontario Court, having decided in favor of the inquiry, the proceeding will be away for a few days, and the investigation was on this morning. Sam Thompson, the D. R. O., arrived at the court immediately after the adjournment was made.

AND YET ANOTHER.

Mary Malcolm Had Bright's Disease and Hope Was Abandoned—Dodd's Kidney Pills Again.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 22. — Following the cures of Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Philip of Bright's Disease comes another yet more remarkable cure of the same terrible disease by the same old reliable Dodd's Kidney Pills. Miss Mary Malcolm, who lives with her parents at 129 Marlborough avenue, this city, was ill with Bright's Disease from May till September. She was so swollen with dropsy as to be almost unrecognizable. Her death was expected to be a matter of days, if not hours. Preparations for the funeral were already commenced when it was resolved to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. Within a week the young girl was able to be out. Today she is as healthy as any one could wish to be. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it.

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ROWLEY OUT AGAIN

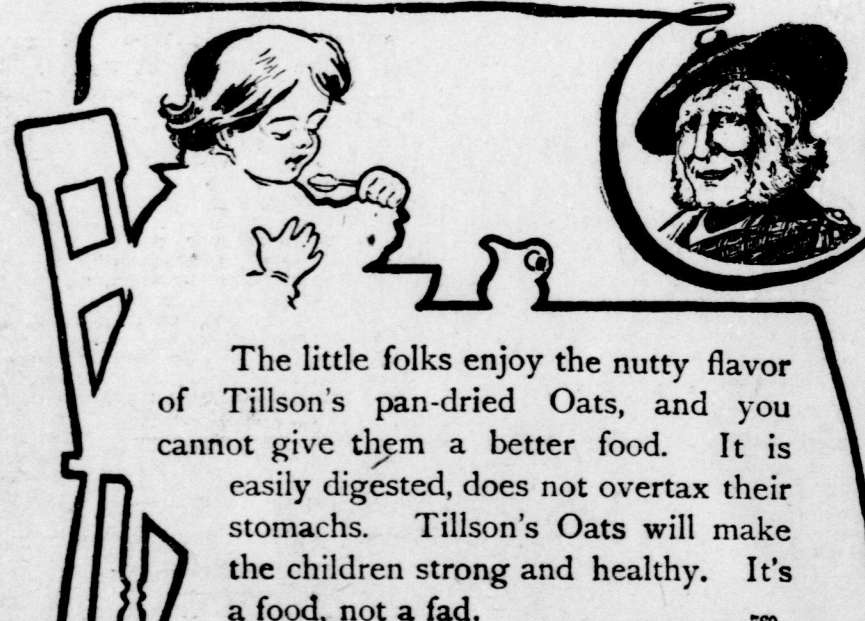
Goes to St. Thomas to Give Evidence in Atlas Loan.

Kingsport, Ont., Feb. 24. — George Rowley, ex-manager of the Elgin Loan Company, St. Thomas, and a convict serving time in the Kingston penitentiary, left yesterday afternoon, in company with J. C. Weir, a night keeper for St. Thomas, where he gives evidence in the Atlas Loan case, now on trial there.

COMBINING THE EMPIRE

Is United States Intriguing to Embarrass Chamberlain?

London, Feb. 24. — Guilford Molesworth has a letter in the Pall Mall Gazette on Canada and preferential tariffs, in which he quotes a letter received from a very eminent Canadian official, who says: "Chamberlain is absolutely right when he says the empire must be united or break up by disruption, or tolerated separation. We can get along without preferential tariffs, you cannot. If you sneer at our offers, and refuse to meet us and decline to accept our desire to combine the empire, the United States will offer reciprocity so fair that in the face of your refusal to meet us in any way, our people will be tempted to accept. And how could you blame the masses if they did accept? All hopes of combining the empire would be gone. We should be involved in a business war with the States and absorption would be inevitable. The intrigues of the States are beginning now. I am convinced writers here have already been bribed to embarrass Chamberlain."



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GOVERNMENT'S HELPFUL POLICY

Able Speech By the Minister of Agriculture—Criticism of Mr. Sutherland.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Feb. 23.—Hon. John Dryden's speech in the budget debate today was an able and convincing presentation of the inalienable benefit which had accrued to the farming interests of Ontario through the wise and progressive policy adopted by his department. He referred to the good work done by the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, the Farmers' Institutes, the Guelph Winter Fair, and the gradual improvement in the morale and educational value of the fall fairs.

The Conservative speaker of the afternoon, Mr. Donald Sutherland, of South Oxford, criticised the Government for permitting the importation of poor horses, and for neglecting the farmers generally. He said he had been given to understand that the Premier led the temperance people of the Province, and the Provincial Secretary led the liquor people. He closed by saying that he heard that the Government had submitted its proposed temperance legislation to the hotelmen, and that the latter had endorsed it.

THE O. A. C. LAUDED.

Hon. John Dryden said, in opening, that much of the criticism leveled against his department was the result of ignorance. There was abundant room for growth of the Province's agricultural resources, as well as in the quality of the output. This could only be accomplished by the adoption of better methods, but this could not be done by legislation. Many laws in this regard had been passed, such as that for the destruction of the Canada thistle, but they were simply dead letters, because the farmers would not be coerced. So the Government had depended upon education, co-operation and organization of the farmers for particular industries.

Foremost among the agricultural educational forces was the Guelph Agricultural College, which, by sending out many well-trained young men, must have an influence for good, while the publication of bulletins must make it an educational power of vast moment, and he congratulated the Conservatives on their change of opinion with regard to this college, which was no longer the subject of criticism. The equipment was not yet sufficient, and he would like to see further votes for it. Despite this, he declared the college was today without a peer as a teacher of agriculture, pure and simple. Another reason for this was the magnificent gifts donated to the college by two prominent citizens of Canada. Every farmer would be grateful for the magnificent library given by Mr. Massey, but the Government was especially gratified by the two buildings, costing \$175,000, presented by Sir William McDonald, of Montreal.

INSTITUTES DID GOOD WORK.

The next means of educational work was the Farmers' Institutes, which were begun in a small way, but had grown to such size and influence that some believed it the best educational force in Ontario. In 1899 the amount voted for traveling expenses was \$15,000, while \$9,000 had been asked for this purpose this year, and the other expenditures had equally grown. At first the growth was slow, and rapid strides were not made until a superintendent of institutes was appointed. Now every district in the Province had its institute, and these people were reached by the department every year.

Another educational force was the Women's Institute, of which there were already 57, for the teaching of various domestic and sanitary subjects to the women in charge of farm homes, and aid the introduction of culture among them.

GUELPH WINTER FAIR.

The Winter Fair at Guelph was another great educational factor. Ten years ago the farmers of Ontario were not raising the proper kind of hogs to supply the British market with bacon, and the Winter Fair was used for educational purposes along this line, large prizes being offered for the best types. The result that within five years the hog industry had been absolutely revolutionized, so that Ontario nearly topped the list in the British market today. The same thing was done with regard to beef and mutton.

Mr. Dryden described the cattle judging classes at the Guelph College and the traveling dairy sent around to educate the people in dairy work, as well as the dairy schools at Kingston and Strathroy. They were now appointing specialists to supervise, in an advisory capacity, the work of cheese factories, so as to help the producers of the milk, as well as the manufacturers, to produce the best possible article. These were to be partly paid by the factories, and he hoped eventually the factories would bear the whole expense. The result of this, by improving the product, would add greatly to the wealth of the Province, but it needed education and co-operation to secure such results.

TO ABOLISH GAMBLING.

Discussing fall fairs, Mr. Dryden could not conceive how people running fall fairs could allow men with infernal gambling machines to get in for a \$5 or \$10 bill. He intended to bring in a bill this session which would contain a clause that would assist in driving these people out, and have them put in prison, where they belonged. He strongly disapproved of the permitting of any such meretricious attractions at fall fairs. Another result of organized work was a cutting down of rates on live stock for the west from over \$100 to \$10 or \$15.

while the rates for Ontario had also been much reduced.

The result of the department's efforts had been that the value of cattle sold and slaughtered in Ontario had steadily grown from \$12,000,000 in 1896 to \$23,000,000 in 1902.

THE ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE.

The hotelkeepers, at a meeting of the assessment committee of the Legislature in the morning, were successful in securing a reduction in their taxation from a 50 per cent to a 25 per cent basis. No such change, however, was made in the case of the retail liquor dealers, and as a consequence they will continue in the 50 per cent class.

The committee agreed that the brewers must pay on a basis of 100 per cent, but the maltine branch of their business will be treated the same as manufacturers, and pay only 50 per cent.

An effort was made by the clubs to secure a reduction from 50 to 25 per cent, but it was of no avail.

No other change was made in the taxing of the breweries, but after considerable discussion the reduction in favor of the hotels was made.

Dr. Houtledge (East Middlesex) has introduced a bill respecting the London, Aylmer and North Shore Railway; and Mr. Taylor (West Middlesex) has another respecting the Southwestern Traction Company, and one to incorporate the North Midland Railway.

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Just write a postal card—only the cost of a penny. All I ask is the name of a friend who needs help. Tell me the book to send.

Then I will do this—I will arrange with a druggist near him so that he may take six bottles Dr. Shoop's Restorative. He may take it a month at any risk. If it succeeds, the cost is \$5.00. If it fails, I will pay the druggist myself. And the sick one will be cured.

Don't think that too fair to be possible, for I do just as I say. I do it to convince those who don't know me, and so that everyone who needs help will accept it. I have learned that the cured ones are glad to help those who are not cured. I have thousands of testimonials on just those terms, and 28 out of each 40 have paid gladly. I have cured hundreds of thousands of people who were cured. And I spent a lifetime in perfecting the Restorative, which alone could cure in hospitals and homes. I have watched it cure the most difficult cases, but physicians never meet. I learned that it does not fail, save where some cause—like cancer—is a possibility.

My success comes from strengthening the inside nerves. My Restorative brings the nerves back to their normal state, which alone gives the vital organ of the body. Common treatments merely doctor the organs and the result is worse than the original ailment. My remedy restores the nerve power that makes these organs act. No other treatment does this, and there is no other way to make weak vital organs well.

My book will explain this. It tells about the only remedy so sure that any man dare offer it on such a plan as mine. Don't you tell me a friend who needs it? Simply state Book 1 on Dyspepsia, which book Book 2 on the Heart, which you want and address Dr. Shoop, Box 41, Racine, Wis. Book 3 for Men (sealed). Book 4 for Women (sealed). Book 5 on Rheumatism. Book 6 on Chronic cases, not chronic are often cured with one or two bottles. At druggists.

SWITCHING THE SEATS

Preparations for Opening of the Dominion Parliament.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Mr. R. L. Borden, leader of the Opposition, will arrive in the city on Monday from Virginia, to attend to the preparations for the opening of Parliament, on March 10. The sergeant-at-arms of the Commons is making arrangements for the change of seats which usually follows the by-elections. The plan as proposed for the Conservative side was yesterday sent to the Opposition, where Mr. George Taylor, for approval or suggestions. The seat occupied by the late Mr. Cargill will be given to Mr. Nat Boyer, of Manitoba, and Seymour J. Gourley, of Colchester, N. S., will succeed to Mr. Boyd's seat. The seat on the front row on Mr. Speaker's left, formerly occupied by the member from Hochelaga, now Judge Madore, will probably be given to Hon. J. L. Tarte, who would then have as his desk mate Hon. John Costigan.

THE SOO REORGANIZATION

Creditors of Subsidiary Companies Approve the New Plan.

Toronto, Feb. 24. — Yesterday afternoon a well-attended meeting of the creditors of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company and the subsidiary companies was held here. About 75 persons, representing creditors of all the companies, were present. The meeting was presided over by J. A. McKay, official referee, and John McKay, the liquidator, who presided, was prepared to make a statement to the creditors, but did so, owing to the decision to adjourn until Tuesday, March 8. W. W. Douglas, K.C., suggested that as there was a likelihood of the reorganization of the companies being effected, it would be advisable to adjourn the meeting pro tem. A. S. Rogers, representing the Queen City Oil Company, quite agreed, and after a general discussion the resolution to adjourn was adopted. It was the consensus of opinion that there would be a waste of time in listening to the statement of the liquidator regarding the affairs of the company, and also that it might prejudice the position of the creditors to do so at this stage.

The meeting having adjourned, A. S. Rogers took the chair, and an informal meeting of the creditors was held. James Bicknell, K.C., on behalf of the company, explained the plan of reorganization. He urged that it would be in the interests of the creditors if they approved and gave assistance in carrying it through. The plans for reorganization were thoroughly discussed and a resolution passed, on motion of John McKay, Sault Ste. Marie, to adjourn the meeting. "What the creditors of the subsidiary companies of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, in informal meeting assembled, do approve of the proposed plan."

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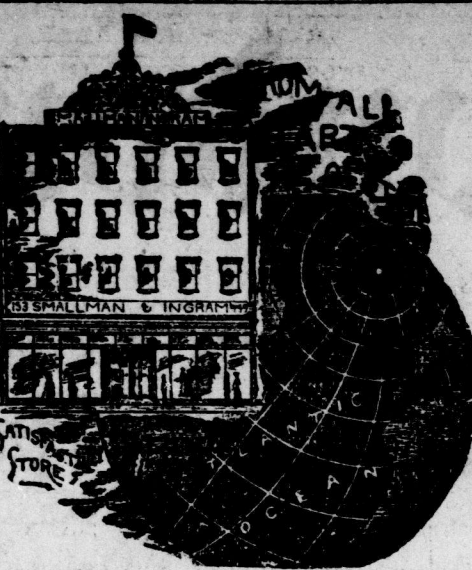
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Now showing a number of handsome materials in light weight, soft materials (black) for summer dresses. Some high-class novelties in dress patterns of Grenadine, Pekin Gauze, Crepe de Chine and Lace Stripe Voiles. If you are looking for pretty black goods, reasonably priced, these good lines will be sure to interest you.

Black Crepe de Chine, silk and wool, 46 inches, soft and clinging, a very pretty weave, and durable, per yard, \$1.00. Black Silk Crepe de Chine, smooth finish, 44 inches, plain French silk finish, very glossy, per yard, \$1.25. Black Eoelienne, silk and wool, 44 inches, a very pretty cord effect, fine and sheer, per yard, \$1.00. Black Voile, all wool, fine and heavy weaves, 44 inches, a favored material for evening or summer gowns, can be worn over silk or spun glass lining, per yard, \$1.00 and \$1.35. Black Pekin Gauze, 44 inches, a silk gauze goods with a knotted raised pin dot stripe, a handsome thin material to wear over silk, per yard, \$1.50. Black Silk Grenadine, 44 inches, very pretty, open fancy weaves for dresses, strong and durable for hand, some dresses, per yard, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Black Silk Voile, 46 inches, "Priestley's" heavy weave, pure silk, very popular covering for silk and will wear well, per yard, \$1.25 and \$1.35. Black Crepe de Chine, "Priestley's," a handsome raised weave, silk and wool, very firm, and drops beautifully in dress, will wear well, per yard, \$1.75.

In addition to the above we have just received another shipment of the newest fabrics in black for spring and summer wear, including Plain Wool Voiles from 50c to \$1.25; Crepe de Chines from 50c to \$1.50; Silk Embroidered Voiles and Crepe de Chines from \$1.00 to \$1.75, also Striped, Flaked and Silk Checked Voiles from 75c to \$1.85 per yard.

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