THEY DIVIDED ON 41 TO 24.

THE FIRST PARTY MEASUREMENT THIS SESSION IN THE ASSEMBLY.

The Legislature to Make a Trip to the Agricultural College at Guelph on Wednesday Next—Motions, Bills and Public Measures Before the House—The Lobbies.

The Legislature put in about 2½ hours yesterday afternoon, the feature of the sitting being a division on a parliamentary procedure resolution. The Government's majority was 17 in a house of 65, 25 being the number absent and paired. This was the first division of the present session, but it did not create very much interest.

Hon. A. M. Ross, Treasurer and Minister of Agriculture, touched the House in a tender spot when he invited all hands, including their lady friends, to join him in an excursion to the Experimental Farm at Guelph on Wednesday next. The party will go by special train, and a pleasant trip is anticipated. The learned professors and students of the college have undertaken to give their distinguished visitors a good time.

The Home Rule Resolutions.

Mr. Clancey enquired about the Home Rule resolutions passed by the House on April 22, 1887, and whether copies of them had been sent to Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Parnell, and acknowledged.

The Attorney-General: Copies of the resolutions were sent to Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Parnell shortly after the prorogation. I am aware that they were received by the gentlemen, and were published for the information of the people of Great Britain. There has not yet been an official acknowledgment, or formal acknowledgment, I should say, as yet.

The First Division.

Mr. Clancey moved that in the opinion of this House all returns ordered should be brought down as early as possible consistent with a due regard to the public service. That it is to be regretted that many returns ordered by this House during the last Parliament have not yet been brought down, thereby depriving the members of the means of obtaining important and useful information.

Mr. Clancey referred particularly to the drainage assessment account. He found that in one case the sum of $42,000 had been refunded. He did not say that it was wrong, but the Government should give the people all information in regard to these accounts.

Hon. C. Fraser spoke fifteen minutes to explain what was parliamentary practice, and then moved this amendment:

That all words of the original motion after the words "public service" be omitted therefrom, and instead thereof there be inserted the following: That returns ordered in a previous session are frequently, as a matter of convenience, presented in the following session, but the strict practice of Parliament requires that when Parliament is prorogued before a return is presented an order for the return should be obtained in the ensuing session, as if no order had been previously given.

Mr. Meredith said it was ill becoming the Commissioner of Public Works to reply to the hon. gentleman's motion in the manner in which he did. He got up "like an angry dominie to lecture the hon. gentleman for having impugned his majesty's management of his department." It was the disregard of Mr. Fraser of orders of the House session after session that compelled the member for Kent to move this motion.

Hon. Mr. Fraser went into details to show that his conduct was quite right and that he had followed parliamentary practices. If they passed the motion it was equivalent to a vote of censure on the Government. It was no more than the hon. gentleman could expect.

Mr. Wood (Hastings) thought it was about time that the members of the House should assert their rights and privileges. If they asked for a return it was not for the Minister of Public Works to say whether it was important or not. What he urged was that when a return was asked for it should be brought down with all convenient speed.

The amendment was put and a division was called.

Mr. Fraser: "Dispense, dispense!"

Mr. Meredith and others: "Question!"

The whips retired and inside of ten minutes the first division of the session was taken:

YEAS.

Allan.	Ferguson.	Mack.	
Armstrong.	Field.	Mowat.	
Awrey.	Fraser.	Murray.	
Balfour.	Freeman.	Nairn.	
Ballantyne.	Gibson (Hx ron).	O'Connor.	
Bishop.	Gilmour.	Pacaud.	
Blezard.	Gould.	Phelps.	
Brodison.	Graham.	Rayside.	
Chisholm.	Hardy.	Robillard.	
Clarke (Wel.)	Hilliard.	Ross (Hur.)	
Conmee.	Lyon.	Ross (Mid.)	
Dack.	McAndrew.	Smith.	
Dryden.	McLaughlin.	Waters.	
		Widdifield—41	

NAYS.

Blyth.	Hammell.	Ostrom.
Clancy.	Hess.	Preston.
Clarke, H. E. (Toronto).	Ingram.	Rorke.
Craig.	Meacham.	Stewart.
Creighton.	Meredith.	Tooley.
Crews.	Miller.	Whitney.
Fell.	Monk.	Wood (Hast.)
French.	Morgan.	Wylie—24.

Hon. A. M. Ross announced that an opportunity would be afforded the members of visiting the Agricultural College, Guelph, on Wednesday next. He had provided a special train, and he would be pleased to have the members and their wives or sweethearts—[applause]—visit the college.

"Hayferkers" in the Grain Trade.

Mr. Tooley moved for a return of copies of the evidence taken by Æmilius Irving, Q.C., with reference to the "Ontario Grain and Seed Company, and of the report, if any, made by him with regard to the said company, its formation or operations. He said that the farmers of this province had been shamefully bled in this seed wheat business. They bought the wheat under a guarantee of a portion of its being bought back at $15 when the crop was harvested. He hoped the report would be brought down and circulated.

Hon. A. M. Ross said the report was not completed yet. The parties had been proceeded against and punished. He hoped further frauds would be perpetrated in this respect. As soon as possible the report would be printed and circulated.

Mr. Wood (Hastings) said that he understood that parties were carrying on similar operations in Hastings.

Mr. Meredith said this was one of the worst swindles on record. He believed that fully $22,000 had been extracted from the farmers of Middlesex by this fraudulent work. If these sharks were operating in Hastings the Government should take steps to stop them.

Hon. A. M. Ross said no report had been presented to him to this effect.

Hon. A. S. Hardy gave instances where a wholesale holder of these notes had succeeded before the courts in getting payment to the extent of $15,000.

Mr. Meredith gave an instance where even an agricultural implement agent had been victimized. [Applause and laughter.]

Hon. A. S. Hardy: If the hon. gentleman had given an instance of where a commercial traveler was taken in his case would be complete. [Laughter.]

Mr. Ingram called up his notice of motion respecting the fees of sheriffs, clerks of the peace and county crown attorneys. Mr. Ingram moved for a return which Mr. Mowat said would be almost out of the question to furnish. However it was allowed to remain on the paper for the present.

Mr. Meredith's Select Committee.

Mr. Meredith moved that a select committee be appointed to enquire into the extent and nature of the timber and mineral resources of the province, and the best means within the control of its Legislature for the conservation of the former and the development of the latter, with power to send for persons, papers and records, Said committee to be composed of Messrs Armstrong, Bronson, Clancy, Clarke (Wellington), Clarke, H. E. (Toronto), Conmee, Fraser, Freeman, French, Marter, Meredith, Murray and Wood (Hastings).

Mr. Fraser looked up at the clock and said he did not think it would be politic to begin a discussion just then.

Mr. Meredith: I am prepared to go on with it for a few hours.

Mr. Fraser: We don't want a night session this evening.

The Attorney-General: I am opposed to the committee.

Mr. Meredith said Wednesday would be given up to a visit and that it would be said, if the debate or the motion was delayed till the end of the session, that the committee could do no good. He asked when the Quebec resolutions would be debated.

The Attorney-General: I think Thursday would be a good day.

Mr. Meredith: This is a matter of great importance, and if it is delayed too long the hon. members opposite will have to shoulder the responsibility.

The Attorney-General: We'll take the responsibility.

Several Little Bills.

Mr. Nairn's bill to amend the Ditches and Water Courses Act, provided that the municipal engineers might give consent to the covering of any drain which runs through the property of a private owner, except in case such covering impeded the free flow of water. It received a second reading and was sent to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Ingram's bill to amend the act to provide for the payment of witnesses for the Crown was declared irregular. It was hoisted.

Mr. Wood's (Hastings) amendment to the Municipal Act merely corrected a clerical error. The bill was read a second time and referred.

Five private bills secured a second reading Mr. Leys', respecting Trinity Church, Toronto; Mr. Bronson's, to enable the Orphans' Home, Ottawa, to borrow money; Mr. Meredith's, to renew the charter of the Saugeen Valley Railway and to extend the time for the completion of the railway; Mr. Fell's, respecting the debenture debt of the Township of Bexley; Mr. Leys', to legalize some Sault Ste. Marie bylaws.

Bills for a First Reading.

Those bills were sent up for a first reading.

Mr. Garson—An act to amend the Municipal Act.

Mr. Clancy—An act to amend the Registry Act.

Mr. H. E. Clarke—An act to incorporate the village of Chester.

Mr. Meredith—An act to confirm an agreement made between the Grand Trunk, Canada Southern and London and Port Stanley railway Companies.

Hon. A. S. Hardy—An act respecting Industrial Farms and Houses of Industry.

Hon. C. Fraser—An act to amend the act incorporating the Brockville, Sault Ste. Marie and West Port Railway Company.

Hon. C. Fraser—An act to amend the act incorporating the Ottawa and Thousand Island Railway Company.

Mr. Bishop—An act to amend the act respecting insurance companies.

Mr. Widdifield—An act to vest in Emily Rebecca Winstanly the fee simple of certain lands and premises.

Mr. Monck—An acts to incorporate the Ottawa, Arnprior and Renfrew Railway Company.

Mr. Conmee—An act respecting the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway Company.

Mr. Snider—An act to legalize certain bylaws of the Town of Berlin.

Mr. Gould—An act respecting the railway debenture debt of the Township of Thorold.

Mr. Garson—An act to amend the act respecting cemetery companies.

TOLD AROUND THE LOBBIES.

Gossip of the Standing Committees—Wholesale Amendments to the Crooks Act Asked.

The Attorney-General presented a petition to the House praying for the exemption of all personal property from taxation, excepting taxable income.

Mr. Garson is making a dead set against exemptions and bonusing. He presented nine petitions against these practices. They came principally from labor organizations.

The Attorney-General has set a day for debating the Quebec resolutions. Thursday week, he says, would be a good day. They'll all be fresh for the fray then after their little jaunt to Guelph.

Hon. A. M. Ross' proposed excursion to Guelph on Wednesday met with favor from both sides of the House. A holiday will be in order, seeing that the work has progressed so well.

Among the experts to be summoned before the Butter and Cheese Committee on Tuesday are: Messrs. Cleland and Drake, Lindsay McGregor and McLeod, Cornwall, and the presidents and vice-presidents of the Eastern and Western Dairymen's Associations.

The Private Bills Committee met yesterday forenoon. The bill to extend the limits of Ottawa occupied most of the time. The territory which the bill proposed to incorporate with the city was curtailed considerably. It was decided that land used within the annexed district for gardening purposes should not be taxed any higher than at present. That it was divided into building lots. Another amendment made was to the effect that where water pipes run by property in the annexed district the water tax shall not be imposed unless water is used by the owners or tenants. According to the city by-law the property would have to pay water rates whether water was used or not, in cases where mains run by the property. The Central Canada Exhibition Association Bill was passed. The Toronto Industrial Bill was taken up, but after some discussion was allowed to stand.

The Railway Committee met at 11 o'clock, but no business was done owing to the fact that the parties interested in the bills were not ready to proceed. Hon. Mr. Fraser announced that the Thorold and Merriton Railway Company had withdrawn their application to manufacture electricity for sale and distribution. This railway's motive power is electric.

Mr. Wood's (Hastings) Committee on Butter and Cheese, is getting along rapidly with the work in hand.

The members of the sub-committee appointed to arrange a set of questions to be submitted to cheese manufactures throughout the country have completed their task. With these questions they propose to frame a bill for introduction to the Dominion Parliament by the Western Dairymen's Association, with the object of having criticism of its details. About a thousand of the circulars containing the questions will be issued. The General Committee which met in room 16 yesterday endorsed the sub-committee's work and appointed two others. The duty of one was to draft a set of rules and regulations which can be recommended to all factory men for passing in signs, thus enabling summary dealing with those found adulterating the milk. The other committee was instructed to draft a bill providing a simple means of incorporating cheese manufacturing companies. The committee will have the testimony of cheese and butter experts placed before it on Tuesday next. The work that is being done is of very great importance, and will be watched with interest by those engaged in the industry all over the province.

A deputation consisting of the Rev. Dr. Parker, Rev. Mr. McTavish, Rev. Mr. King, Detective Archibald, Messrs. J. E. Hall, W. J. Storm, Jos. Thompson, T. Wardell, Malcolm Gibbs, J. Brodie, J. J. McClaren, W. J. Orr, W. H. Hodden and others waited on the Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. Hardy and Hon. G. W. Ross yesterday afternoon asking for these amendments to the Crooks Act:

That it be made penative upon all houses of public entertainment to obtain a license, said license to be issued in cities by the Police Commissioners.

That shop licenses be only issued to parties who deal exclusively in liquors.

That the sale of liquors be prohibited within the precincts of any public park or place of resort, such as exhibitions, parks, theatres, skating rinks and public halls, or within 100 yards of the same or within the said distance of any place of public worship or school.

That the maximum number of licenses that may be issued be changed from one to every 400 to one to every 1000 of the population.

That some more effective veto power should be placed in the hands of the resident ratepayer against the granting of any new or the renewal of any licenses.

That there be no transfer of any license from one place to another during the license year.

That two convictions in any one license year, whether against the licensee or his servants, shall void the license and render the licensee ineligible to receive another license for at least two years after the last one. To be in addition to any other penalty which the present law provides.

That no one shall be eligible for bondsman or security for more than one licensed hotel, and such bondsman or security must also be a resident in the municipal sub-division in which the tavern or shop is situated.

That all liquor selling places be closed and sales prohibited on all statutory and civic holidays.

That the whole of the fines accruing from prosecutions conducted by other than the license inspectors be given to the municipalities to provide a fund for the prosecution of violations of the law.

That in all convictions for selling liquor without a license the penalty be imprisonment without the option of a fine, and that in all such cases there be no appeal from the decisions of the police magistrate.

That any druggist convicted of the sale of liquor contrary to law be, in addition to the fine which may be imposed, deprived of the right to dispense liquor as medicine for at least two licensing years thereafter, and that some greater restrictions be placed on the quantity of liquor which druggists may sell, as well as to the persons to whom they may sell.

Mr. Dryden yesterday received a letter from Mr. Alfred Mansell of Lythall, Mansell & Walters, Secretaries of the Shropshire Sheep Breeders' Association and Stock Book Society. The letter says:

SHREWSBURY, Eng., Jan. 10, 1888.—DEAR SIR,—I have deferred writing until the Stock Book Association had decided as to the £10 cup. I am now authorized to offer, though you, for competition at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition a £10 cup for a pure bred Shropshire ram and seven of his offspring, viz., two ram lambs and five ewe lambs, also pure bred.

ALFRED MANSELL.

Mr. Whitney of Dundas and Mr. Clarke of Northumberland, the newly-elected members, were put on the committees on which the members formerly representing these constituencies acted.

Never Equalled Before.

It is the general assertion on all sides made by the ladies, that McKeown & Co., the popular dry goods house, 182 Yonge-street, are giving the greatest bargains in dry goods that have been known in Toronto for some time. The stock being bought at 60c on the dollar enables the firm to sell out at a corresponding figure, and every person who makes a purchase at McKeown's may rely on a big bargain. The stock has to be sold within 30 days.

—There are cases of consumption so far advanced that Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will not cure, but none so bad that it will not give relief. For coughs, colds and all affections of the throat, lungs and chest, it is a specific which has never been known to fail. It promotes a free and easy expectoration, thereby removing the phlegm, and gives the diseased parts a chance to heal. x

General Butler on Eli Perkins.

"I have no honor," said General Butler, at the Medico-Lego dinner at Delmonico's—"I have the honor of knowing three of the greatest liars—the greatest living liars in America."

"Who are they?" asked the venerable Sam Ward, as he dropped a chicken patraidge to listen to the General.

"Well, sir," said the General, as he scratched his head thoughtfully, "Mark Twain is one, and Eli Perkins is the other two!"

CURRENT SPORTING TALK.

THE CURLERS HAVING A GOOD TIME ALL ROUND.

Receiving the Hospitality of the Governor-General at Rideau Hall—The Red Bank Stable of Race Horses—A Prize Fight at Long Island.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—The Red Bank Stock Farm, located near here, is no doubt the most extensive establishment of its kind in Canada, and its owner, Mr. Thos. Love, has laid out considerable to make it such. Within its limits are many thoroughbreds and some highly bred trotting stock. The well-known steeplechase jockey "Billy" McBride has charge of the racehorses and occupies the position of trainer. He has joined the benedicts, and has only recently returned from his wedding trip. He is now stationed at the farm and is highly satisfied with his string of horses for next season's campaign.

The stable will train at Toronto in the spring, where McBride will move about the middle of March and take up quarters with Trainer Owen at the old Newmarket track. The cross-country representatives will be entered in all the big stakes at Rockaway, Jerome Park and Saratoga and will also perform at the Toronto meeting in May.

Frank Pierson, the Canadian jockey, has been engaged by the stable and will ride one the flat. He will join the stable about March 1. From the appearance of the horses they certainly should show up well next season if looks go for anything. The horses that will be trained this year are:

Glenarm, ch.g., aged, by Glengarry—Arizona.
Marmaduke, ch.g., aged, by Narragansett—Myrtle.
Diablo, b.m., 5 yrs., by Mortimer—Letola.
Meadow Queen, b.m., 5 yrs., by Voltigeur—Kate Condell.
Albani, br.m., 5 yrs., by Highlander—Annie Workman.
Athens, br.m., 4 yrs., by Algerine—Imp. Grey Gown.
Star, b.c., 4 yrs., by Day Star—Nellson.
Dusk, b.c., 3 yrs., by Day Star—Imp Miss Macgregor.
Kate Fisbury, gr.f., 3 yrs., by Day Star—Nellson.
Annie Mc, b.f., 2 yrs., by Day Star—Nellson.

Glenarm will be used as a hurdler, while Marmaduke, Diablo, Meadow Queen and Albani will try for cross country honors. Star is entered for the Queen's Plate here, Dusk in the Canadian Derby, Kate Fisbury in both events and Annie Mc in the Home Bred Stakes (1888) and Derby for 1889, they being the only ones engaged at present. They are all the picture of health just now and if nothing goes wrong with them the Red Bank Stable will be a prominent one next season.

Latest Quotations on the Queen's Plate.

Since last week the odds in Keachie & Co.'s book on the Queen's Plate have been changed somewhat, as will be seen below. Vickino has been the most fancied, and several good bets were booked against her this week, and she has now the position of second favorite. Harry Cooper, the favorite, has dropped from 5 to 6 to 1, and several others have also been changed. Following are the odds:

To Win.	QUEEN'S PLATE.	Place.
5—1	Harry Cooper	10—5
8—5	Vickino	12—5
8—5	Fred and Harry	12—5
40—1	Long Shot	15—1
40—1	Castoff	15—1
60—1	Long Spin	10—1
60—1	Wild Bruce	20—1
60—1	Glen Fox	20—1
75—1	Lucky Star	25—1
75—1	Geneva	25—1
100—1	Black Bird	30—1
100—1	Evangeline	30—1
100—1	Buffalo	30—1
200—1	Bonnie Boy	65—1
200—1	Princess B	65—1
200—1	Edmonton	60—1
200—1	Beagle	60—1
200—1	D. D. Cook	60—1
400—1	Inspire	120—1

Trotting at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—This was the third day of the winter trotting here. There was a good attendance and an excellent track. The summaries follow:

2.40 class.

J. Ferguson's ch. Chestnut Jim	1	2	2	1
G. McPherson's br. h. Young Black Hawk	2	1	3	3
W. Harrison's b.m. Minnie B.	4	3	1	4
W. Grove's b.m. Peggie S	3	4	4	2
J. Burke's ch.g. Sorrel George	5	drawn		

Time—2.45, 2.44, 2.44, 2.48.

2.29 class.

R. Stewart's b. h. Ansonia	1	1	1	1
H. A. Wallace's b. g. Billy H.	4	2	2	2
J. Pigeon's b. g. Little Walter	2	3	3	4
W. Baldwin's b. g. Honesty	3	4	4	3
H. Browne's ra. m. Princess	3	4	5	5

Time—2.36, 2.37, 2.33½.

Gossip of the Turf.

Harry Blaylock has gone south to join Green Morris' stable.

Rumor says that the English jockey Wood will apply for his riding license again in three month's time. Applying for it and getting it are two different things.

Drake Carter's owner is reported with saying recently that he would not exchange him for any race horse in Canada.

The well-known hunter Silver King will accompany the filly Evangeline to Cedarhurst in May to try for honors between the flats.

News from Montreal says the Lachine Stable's trio, Percy, Attorney (lately renamed Fenton) and Skylark, is entered at Lachine, a cup splitting affair every fine day. The first two named will perform between the flags, while Skylark is thought to be a "sure thing" for the seven furlong Queen's Plate.

It is generally thought in England that Geo. Barrett will succeed in getting permission to wear silk again before the Derby. The Duke of Beaufort is doing his best to help him.

The Moss Parkers and Caledonians Tie.

The Caledonians and Moss Parkers played an interesting match yesterday afternoon for the Caledonian cup, the result being a tie, which will be played off on Monday. Rinks four and five played on the Moss Park Rink and the others on the Caledonian ice. Score:

CALEDONIANS.		MOSS PARK.	
Rink No. 1.			
T. Rennie.		E. K. Scolay.	
W. Rennie, jr.		M. Hall.	
J. Rennie.		J. Rogers.	
R. Rennie, skip	27	J. Lumbers, skip	19
Rink No. 2.			
J. Lumbers.		W. Rutherford.	
H. Abel.		J. Lugsdin.	
D. Lamb.		W. Brown.	
Dr. Ross, skip	15	Dr. Clapp, skip	17
Rink No. 3.			
W. D. McIntosh.		T. Gain.	
P. T. Dunn.		R. Watson.	
E. H. Ramsey.		D. McCullough.	
W. Ross, skip	18	D. Carlyle, skip	18
Rink No. 4.			
J. Watson.		Dr. W. H. Clapp.	
D. Black.		N. Richards.	
J. McCormick.		G. Brooks.	
J. Carruthers, skip	14	W. Summerfeldt, skip	21
Rink No. 5.			
J. Grand.		A. Malcolm.	
A. Wheeler.		H. Rossiter.	
D. Gibson.		J. D. Day.	
W. Davison, skip	17	R. Malcolm, skip	16
Total	91	Total	91

Stirlingshire Defeats Lanarkshire.

The annual match for the Scottish Counties medal was played at the Granite Rink yesterday between Stirlingshire and Lanarkshire, which resulted in the success of the former by 7 shots. Score:

STIRLINGSHIRE.		LANARKSHIRE.	
Rink No. 1.			
D. McFarlane.		J. Bain.	
John Ferguson.		W. Gillespie.	
Robt. Ferguson.		D. Prentice.	
James Ferguson, sk.	15	J. S. Russell, sk	17
Rink No. 2.			
G. Jaffray.		G. Calder.	
W. Christie.		W. Calder.	
G. Ferguson.		H. Calder.	
R. Jaffray, sk	22	G. Gillespie, sk	13
Total	37	Total	30

A Victory for the Capital City Team.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—The curling contest between the Montreal and Ottawa clubs, two rinks a side, for the Governor-General's prize, took place to-day at Rideau Hall. At 1 o'clock, after four hours' play, time was called; with Ottawa 7 points ahead. The score was, Ottawa 25, Montreal 19.

The curlers were then lunched by His Excellency at Rideau Hall. After lunch the other two rinks continued with the rest of the match, and resulted in the home team again winning by 11 shots. Ottawa 28, Montreal 17.

Curling at London.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The London and Forest City clubs to-day played off their tie in the contest for the Glass medal. Score: London 45, Forest City 24.

The Canucks Defeat The Americans.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—The international curling match for the Gordon medal between two rinks from Albany and New York and two rinks picked from local clubs was concluded here to-night, and resulted in a victory for the home club by 49 shots. The score was Americans 28, Canadians 88.

Lindsay and the Granites.

The Lindsay curlers play the Granites this morning on Granite ice.

The 24-Hour Go-as-You Please.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The entries for the 24-hour go-as-you-please race, to begin on the night of Feb. 21 at the American Institute, closed to-day with thirty-four contestants, among whom is D. Bennett of Toronto. The winner will receive 45 per cent. of the gate receipts, the second man 25 per cent., third 15 per cent., fourth 10 per cent. and fifth 5 per cent.

Patterson Resigns From the Athletic Association.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—A meeting of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association was held to-night to take steps to expel D. Patterson for his connection with the recent lacrosse scandal. After considerable discussion Patterson tendered his resignation.

Won on a Foul.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—A prize fight took place to-night on Long Island between J. Fell of Canada and Robert Ferguson of Chicago for $250 a side. Referee Jere Dunn gave the fight to Fell in the third round on a foul.

Dust From the Diamond.

Minneapolis has waived its claim upon "Chub" Collins' services and he will therefore play second base for Rochester.

National League umpires will be provided with regulation uniforms at the expense of the league.

The Haverhill, Mass., correspondent of The Sporting Life has this to say of Lally and Slattery, both of whom have played in that city: "In Lally Manager Cushman of the Toronto club has got a good man and a fair pitcher—one who wants only training to be the first baseman, the swiftest pitcher and as good an outfielder as there is in the International League. Slattery is, and will prove himself, a far better man in every respect for the New Yorks than Lally ever was, and the latter is no slouch. Haverhill people know them both and have summered and wintered them."

Monk Cline, who played short for Rochester last season, will captain the Memphis team.

Jay Faatz is still in Weedsport, N.Y. He will report in Cleveland next month.

Lou Knight, the well-known player and manager, is an applicant for a position on the League staff of umpires.

"Rusty" Wright is said to be opposed to the new three strike rule and the abolition of the "phantom."

Albany and Troy are signing some good players.

The International League has not yet appointed a single umpire.

Syracuse is advocating the double umpire system. It is proposed to have the official umpire judge balls and strikes, and a local man to give the other decisions.

Faatz is framing a set of rules for the government of the Cleveland team whilst on the field. Jay will see that runners slide every time in attempting to steal bases.

Buckley, the ex-Syracuse catcher who has signed with Indianapolis, is telling the people of that city that flattery is the best baserunner in the country.

Nearly every International League manager has prepared a schedule for the championship games, which will be submitted to the Schedule Committee in Buffalo, March 17.

Pete Wood, the Hamilton pitcher, does not look after his mail matter closely. A letter addressed to him has been lying in The Sporting Life office for months.

Great Race.

Six day low as you please. Bargains in underwear of all kinds. Everything goes at some price at Matthews' gents' furnishing store, 162 Queen-street east. 36

—The pangs endured by the early Christian martyrs were no doubt excruciating, but not so prolonged or infinitely more dreadful than the agonies experienced by the sufferers from inflammatory rheumatism—a disease which is easily curable at the outset with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a remedy discovered for pain—a reliable curative of kidney, liver and other complaints, and a marvelous balm for the pores as well as the most salutary kind. x

The Latest.

—Amongst the newest brands of fine cigars are the Full Dress and Gold Point 5 cent cigars, Try La Intimidad, Librerian and El Comandante, 10 cent cigar, manufactured by Spilling Bros., 115 Jarvis-street, Toronto. 136

A New Discovery.

—French cofflad makes the finest coffee on earth. Ask your grocer for it. 462

The Principal "Chloroformer" at Work.

From The St. James Gazette.

Let us see him at work in a train. He has no need there to bring all his accomplishments into play; the more elementary ones will suffice. First he must mark down his "pocketbook." He lies in wait at one of the railway booking offices—Paris Lyons-Mediterranean, for instance. It is a long journey. He watches the pocketbooks opening. He selects the best filled and takes a similar ticket to that which the owner of the pocketbook asks for. He carries with him a travelling basket stocked with provisions, a good bottle of wine, superfine cigars, a pack of cards—everything, in short, required by so experienced and luxurious a traveller as himself. He takes a seat in the same compartment as the pocketbook, and chatting with the owner by vocation. After traveling about the third of the distance he again expatiates on the discomforts of railroad restaurants—the jostling, the tedium, the waiting to be served, the scant time left to the traveler. The signal, Skylark, is uttered at Lachine, a cork splitting every fine day. The first two named will perform between the flags, while Skylark is thought to be a "sure thing" for the seven furlong Queen's Plate.

It is generally thought in England that Geo. Barrett will succeed in getting permission to wear silk again before the Derby. The Duke of Beaufort is doing his best to help him.

The Moss Parkers and Caledonians Tie.

The Caledonians and Moss Parkers played an interesting match yesterday afternoon for the Caledonian cup, the result being a tie, which will be played off on Monday. Rinks four and five played on the Moss Park Rink and the others on the Caledonian ice. Score:

CALEDONIANS.		MOSS PARK.	
Rink No. 1.			
T. Rennie.		E. K. Scolay.	
W. Rennie, jr.		M. Hall.	
J. Rennie.		J. Rogers.	
R. Rennie, skip	27	J. Lumbers, skip	19
Rink No. 2.			
J. Lumbers.		W. Rutherford.	
H. Abel.		J. Lugsdin.	
D. Lamb.		W. Brown.	
Dr. Ross, skip	15	Dr. Clapp, skip	17
Rink No. 3.			
W. D. McIntosh.		T. Gain.	
P. T. Dunn.		R. Watson.	
E. H. Ramsey.		D. McCullough.	
W. Ross, skip	18	D. Carlyle, skip	18
Rink No. 4.			
J. Watson.		Dr. W. H. Clapp.	
D. Black.		N. Richards.	
J. McCormick.		G. Brooks.	
J. Carruthers, skip	14	W. Summerfeldt, skip	21
Rink No. 5.			
J. Grand.		A. Malcolm.	
A. Wheeler.		H. Rossiter.	
D. Gibson.		J. D. Day.	
W. Davison, skip	17	R. Malcolm, skip	16
Total	91	Total	91

The World's New Office is now at 19 Melinda-street.

THE ROVING CHINOOKS.

The Hot Sirocco of the Rocky Mountains that Dissipates the Blizzard's Frost.

From The Helena (Mont.) Herald.

The advance sheets of an old-fashioned chinook wind have been in circulation hereabouts for several days, but not until last night did the regular full edition come out. But when it came there was no mistaking it. It was the genuine article, and came like a Dakota cyclone passing through a furnace. It was old Boreas himself with his frozen breath thawed out and boiled. It roared through the timber on the mountains and came sweeping down on Helena and the valley like a flock of buzzards on a dead sheep. How the sirns and awnings creaked, how the windows rattled, how the chimneys played bassoon to the gale! How buildings shook and how generally the chinook took possession of the town! From 8 o'clock in the evening until after midnight the gentle zephyr from the Mikado's realms frolicked about the streets to it's heart's content, sweeping off everything that was not anchored down, knocking over chimneys, tearing down fences, lifting roofs from houses, and revelling in other such sportive antics, all the while moaning like a lost soul and breathing its torrid breath against the mass of snow and ice that melted and ran away in streams from its hot-mouthed pursuer like molten solder trying to escape the tinner's iron. Not until near daybreak did the violence of the Rocky Mountain sirocco abate, and when the dawn appeared the effects of the night's gale were apparent. Where last night there was a foot of snow the ground was laid bare, and the streets, which up to yesterday afforded excellent sleighing, were transformed into seas of slush and mud. Patches of bare ground now peep out on the hills, where yesterday snow covered everything. The mercury took a sudden upset and accomplished an upward journey of twenty degrees, landing at fifty degrees above zero, where it has stood all day. A bright sun has shone all day, and people are going about without overcoats, climbing the hills in the sweat of their brow, and sighing for parasols and palm-leaf fans. The weather has assumed the air of spring, and the winter seems buried in the past. Such are the magical effects of the great chinook, which swept over Helena, last night. It did some damage, but everyone who basked in the bright sunshine and breathed the balmy air of to-day will be inclined to forgive it for toppling over a few chimneys and demoralizing some fences. All hail your arrival, most potent chinook, and may your days be long in the land!

A French Financier on the Panama Canal.

From The St. James' Gazette.

M. Paul Leroy-Beaulieu, in The Economiste Francais of Jan. 28, says that he is "obliged to return to the subject of that lamentable and disastrous enterprise of Panama which threatens to cost France as much as the indemnity paid for the German war, without any chance of pecuniary remuneration." He remarks that no appeal was made to the French Government for counsel at the origin or during the conduct of the enterprise, and that it is not until all serious men regard the scheme as an utter failure that the Ministry is summoned rather than requested to come to its aid. He points out that a lottery loan would not be likely to attract subscriptions at a lower rate of discount than that already paid. The Panama directors could not, if their request were granted, borrow more money at less than 9 or 10 per cent. interest and weekly, and even daily, thus keeping the delicate membrane in a constant state of irritation, allowing it no chance to heal, and as a natural consequence of such treatment not one permanent cure has ever been effected. It is an absolute fact that no patient cannot be cured by any application made oftener than once in two weeks, for the membrane will not have time to heal before an application is repeated. It is now seven years since Mr. Dixon discovered the particular and formulated his new treatment, and since then his remedy has become a household word in every country where the English language is spoken or written, and by him seven years ago are cures still, there having been no return of the disease.

He has given these remedies values that ignorant imitators have started up everywhere, pretending to destroy a parasite, of which they deny the existence, the results of the application of which they are equally ignorant. Mr. Dixon's remedy is applied at home in two weeks, and one to three applications effect a permanent cure in the most aggravated cases.

Mr. Dixon sends a pamphlet describing his new treatment on the receipt of stamp to pay postage. The address is A. H. DIXON & SON, 305 King-street west, Toronto, Canada.—Scientific American.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. W. A. Geddes will open his new ticket office at No. 4 King-street east in a few days.

Roofers are and irongoodfer men have begun work on the new Bank of Commerce building.

Rev. Prof. Clark of Trinity College, will preach in St. Mark's Church, Parkdale, to-morrow.

Read the list of valuable properties for sale in the city and suburbs by Mr. R. Greenwood, 27 Adelaide-street east.

Wm. Backus, Geo. Stone and Edward Lake were arrested on Monday for the recent burglary at Mr. Wallace Nesbitt's.

McFarlane's last call for sale again on Monday at 2.30 p.m. Some of the best curtains ever put to any display of.

The police want an owner for a tape line, a cork-screw and seven bottles of ale found on two prisoners yesterday.

The case of "Gus" Kerr was called in the Police Court yesterday, but as he was not ready an adjournment till Monday was granted.

At the Anti-Poverty Society meeting last evening Dangerfield read by Mr. A. Jones, the Canadian Secretary, "Poverty and What Poverty Causes."

Mr. F. A. Anglin, who recently passed his final examinations, carrying off the Law Society medal, has opened an office at No. 4 King-street east.

Hon. John Sobieski, otherwise known as the "eloquent man of the Peaks," addressed the Young Men's Prohibition Club meeting in the Pavilion last afternoon.

Mr. G. C. Warburton, formerly principal bass of the Church of the Redeemer choir, has been appointed musical director of the St. Bartholomew's Church choir.

Thomas Gillil of 29 Dufferin-street was arrested last night for drunkenness. When searched at the Agnes-street Station a loaded revolver was found upon his person.

The revised edition of Scripture readings for use in the public and high schools of Ontario is now ready and can be had of the publisher, Mr. Briggs, 78 and 80 King-street east.

Prof. C. Gordon Richardson will deliver a scientific lecture illustrated by lime light, Bond-street Congregational Church on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Mr. Alex. Macbeth, barrister, who is in Texas for the benefit of his health, has not yet given up practice. He is still senior partner of Macnabb & Fowler. His friends will be pleased to hear that his health is much improved.

John Thurman hobbled into the Police Court yesterday to answer a charge of bigamy. He said that when he married for a second time he did so under the impression that the first wife had died in England. The case was remanded till Feb. 21.

All smokers will no doubt be interested in what will undoubtedly add to the comforts of the pipe. We direct their attention to the cut of the Climax pipe cleaner in another column. There is no doubt the Climax is the perfection of pipe cleaners, and will add to the health and comfort of all pipe smokers who wish to enjoy a clean and healthy smoke.

Mr. R. W. Sutherland (late of Scott, Sutherland & Co.) and Mr. Wm. Robins (late Robins Bros.) have formed a partnership to carry on the business of creditors' assignees, trustees, receivers, arbitrators, accountants, etc. Their card will be found in another column. Mr. Sutherland has had an extensive business in handling estates, and is well known to the entire business community.

Readers of our legal column to-day will notice an import in addition to its list of c