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THE OLD LINES TO CARRY THE ATLANTIC MAILS TILL 1890.

Half a Million Not Enough to Attract Bids for a 20 Knots' Service—Mr. Foster on the Advantages of the Canadian Route Between Europe and the Orient.

OTTAWA, April 18.—The existing contract with the Allan and Dominion lines for carriage of Atlantic mails has been extended for one year.

The Government are afraid to increase the $500,000 subsidy, but it has not proved enough to attract bids for a 20 knots' service to Quebec in summer and Halifax in winter. The more sensible plan has therefore been adopted of asking lines to tender the best service they can for the half million. This will probably end in the present Canadian lines getting the contract, and building two boats somewhat faster than the Parisian and Vancouver, and they will also raise the speed of their two favorite boats.

They are to run to Southampton or Plymouth, and either continue their voyage to Cherbourg on the French coast, or have special steamers to carry freight and passengers across the Channel. Practical men do not see much sense in this French stipulation, and the expense of it will largely curtail the expenditure that might otherwise be applied to rate of speed and improved accommodation on board.

DISCUSSED BY THE HOUSE.

The Minister of Finance's Explanation of the Steamship Subsidies.

OTTAWA, April 18.—In answer to inquiries in the House this afternoon Hon. G. E. Foster, Minister of Finance, said the amount of goods entered for consumption in the nine months ending March 31, 1888, was $73,054,443, and in the nine months ending March 31, 1889, $78,246,111, not including for 1889 the Northwest Territories or British Columbia. The total export of the produce of Canada for the nine months up to March 31, 1888, was $59,790,398, and for the nine months up to March 31, 1889, $59,308,785.

Sir Hector Langevin said the building for the new printing bureau had cost to date $130,586, and the printing plant had cost $165,863.

Sir John Macdonald announced that he had received from Premier Mowat an intimation that the resolution now before the House respecting the boundaries of Ontario was acceptable to him as it stood. In consequence of certain verbal changes suggested by Hon. David Mills so as to make the resolution more clear, he had decided not to move it until Saturday.

Hon. Mr. Laurier said he had heard from Premier Mercier of Quebec that that gentleman had some objections to the boundaries proposed.

On motion of Hon. John Costigan the House went into Committee of the Whole to consider a resolution proposing a reduction of the number of cullers and that culling and measuring under the Customs Act shall be compulsory only in respect of square and waney timber. A bill founded upon the resolution was introduced.

The House went into committee to consider the Anti-Combines Bill, but on Mr. Tisdale's objection that the bill as amended had not yet been distributed the committee rose, to sit again on Saturday.

The Steamship Subsidies.

Hon. G. E. Foster moved consideration of the steamship subsidy resolutions, and in doing so explained the present position of affairs. For the proposed fast Atlantic service three tenders had been received. The first of these, from a proposed company not organized, was for a 15-knot service for a subsidy of $416,000 a-year. The second was from the Allans for a service of about 17 knots, for which a subsidy of £104,000 is asked, and the third from the Andersons, who offer to put on steamers with power sufficient for 20 knots an hour, for a subsidy of £104,000, the same as asked by the Allans. The Andersons' proposition would make the passage between Rimouski and Great Britain 148 hours long via Belle Isle Straits and 154 hours via Cape Race, and from Halifax to Great Britain 153 hours.

None of these tenders was satisfactory, and the Government, having altered its idea with respect to the service desired, entered into still further negotiations with the Allans and the Andersons. These have been going on for about four months, and the probable conclusion is within sight now.

The present position of the Atlantic mail service was not satisfactory. With the increase of travel the disadvantage under which Canada labored became more noticeable. The cabin passengers landed at Quebec in 1887 numbered 3488 and the number landed at New York the same year was 86,302. Of mail matter passing between Canada and Great Britain in 1888, the letters going by the Canadian route were 1,710,824 and the papers 2,870,495, while there were diverted to the United States route 3,008,206 letters and 6,544,021 papers. The diversion above noted took place notwithstanding the fact that our geographical and natural advantages were apparent.

A World's Highway.

The new service proposed would be distinctly a Canadian service. Though we now paid $126,000 to the Allan line these vessels have the privilege of going to an American port. This and the Pacific service would come in as a natural sequence of the development of the Canadian Pacific Railway. It had not been intended that that line should commence at Halifax or St. John and at Vancouver or New Westminster, but it was intended to be a world's highway for the stream of travel between the European countries and the countries of the far east. Our ever open ports, our coaling facilities, our temperate climate—all gave our route an advantageous position.

The distances thus compared: Between Liverpool and New Zealand via the United States 11,993, via Quebec 11,928 miles and via Halifax 12,252 miles. Though the number of miles by Halifax was greater the time would be shorter because there was a larger proportion of the journey overland. Between Liverpool and Australia the distances were: By United States 12,780, Quebec 12,236 and by Halifax 12,560. As far as China and Japan were concerned Canada had the advantage over the United States route in the length of the Atlantic, the land and the Pacific passage.

We paid now $126,000 a year to the Allans' and $30,000 to another company for connection with France. The new service would give direct connection with that important country and would enable us to cut off the $30,000 now paid for communication with Antwerp and Hamburg. By the diversion of mail matter we now lost $68,679 in revenue and as the diversion would not be more than half that when we had a proper service we would here gain $34,000. In ways such as those here indicated we would save about $250,000 of the $750,000 to be paid for the new service, and when we came to consider also the improved trade facilities it would open and the advantages for passenger travel he thought Canada could well afford the cost.

A general discussion then ensued, no serious objection being taken to the proposition, though the details were criticised and complaint made that the papers connected with the negotiation were not before the House.

After recess the debate on the resolution was continued. In the discussion on the third resolution, that respecting a fast weekly steamship service for the carrying of mails between Canada and the United Kingdom, making connection with a French port, Hon. G. E. Foster stated that the connection was to be direct, the steamers calling first at an English port, then crossing to France and returning to the English port. The discussion on this resolution was unfinished when at midnight the House adjourned until Saturday afternoon.

THE WIMBLEDON TEAM.

Toronto to be Represented by Four of Her Crack Marksmen.

OTTAWA, April 18.—The Wimbledon team for 1889 is now complete, the twentieth acceptance being received to-day. There being six refusals in the first twenty, the last man to get a chance to go was Staff-Sergt. Ashall of the Queen's Own Rifles, the twenty-sixth on the list of those eligible. Sergt. Ashall was across last year and also in 1883 and '85.

Toronto will have three other representatives, all members of the Grenadiers. Of these, Staff-Sergt. Thos. Mitchell, who heads the list of the twenty, has been five times with the team, in 1874, '77, '79, '81 and '83. Second on the list is Private R. McVittie, going from Canada for the first time, but who has almost from the institution of Wimbledon been one of Scotland's representatives. The third Grenadier is Staff-Sergt. F. W. Curzon, to whom the experience will be new.

Only eight of the twenty have not shot at Wimbledon. The old timers include about enough stars of the first magnitude to insure a hot contest for the Kolapore trophy, which is competed for by teams of eight. A singular fact in connection with the team of this year is that only two provinces have secured representation upon it. The skill of Ontario's marksmen has secured them the first eleven places, the 13th, 14th, 19th and 20th—fifteen in all, and the other five have been captured by Nova Scotians.

From the Gazette.

OTTAWA, April 18.—Wm. J. Parkhill of Paris, Ont., has been appointed a sub-collector of customs.

Examination for promotion in the inside and outside division of the civil service will be held on Tuesday, May 28.

The port of Orillia has been made an outport of customs and a warehousing port and placed under the survey of the Collector of Customs at Toronto.

The postoffice savings bank account for March shows the deposits during the month to have been $684,990, the repayments $762,258 and the amount at credit of depositors on March 31 $22,342,665.

VON REINOLTZ STORY FINISHED.

Other Witnesses Examined in the Jewelry Case—Phillips Still Refused Bail.

MONTREAL, April 18.—In the Maloney-Phillips case to-day Von Reinoltz concluded his evidence. He said that when he showed Phillips the letter of instruction from Ellis & Co. in the morning after the game was over Phillips said: "I thought these goods were not yours." At the restaurant in the evening he made a similar remark in the presence of Andy Maloney, and added: "Didn't I tell you so, Andy, and wasn't that the reason why I could not trade my diamonds for jewelry?" Andy assented. Witness received no consideration whatever for the jewelry except the chance of the game. He stated that the pocket book produced in court contained all his papers except the missing pawn ticket.

Hattie Johnson testified that a pocketbook exactly like that now produced was left on her bureau, she believed by Andy Maloney.

J. L. Moss, pawnbroker, said that James Baxter had told him he had a ticket for a chain pawned with him which he was going to redeem. A. M. Strassburger of New York told witness that he had seen in Baxter's possession a ticket for a chain pawned by Von Reinoltz with witness.

Georgie Wilson, who lived with Hattie Johnson at that time, stated that Miss Johnson told her that she got a pocketbook from Maloney and she gave it to her to destroy, but she did not do so, and when she heard of the present trouble, seeing Von Reinoltz' name inside, she gave it to Detective Robinson.

When the hour for adjournment arrived the magistrate announced that he could not at the present stage admit Phillips to bail, as there were likely to be further developments. As for Maloney there was no need at present for his bail being renewed as his bond would be up on Tuesday and the matter could be considered then.

Arrival of the Disabled Tyron.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The disabled steamer Tyron arrived to-day.

This should Cheer Clarke Wallace.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 18.—The House to-day passed the Anti-Trust bill.

THE LATEST BY LIGHTNING.

The Pope yesterday celebrated mass in his private chapel.

There is great activity throughout the Southern States in building cotton seed oil mills.

President Carnot yesterday opened the exhibition of revolutionary relics in the Louvre.

There are 25 cases of smallpox in Nanticoke, Pa., and the disease is spreading in that vicinity.

The German Government intends to prosecute a number of Socialist deputies after the dissolution of the Reichstag.

It is reported that Mgr. Mocenl, undersecretary of State in the Pope's household, will be raised to the cardinalate.

The civil tribunal has ordered the liquidation of the Panama Canal Company to compensate discharged employes.

Vice-Admiral Tchikhatchoff in a report to the Czar urges the immediate construction of a number of cruisers.

The body of Minnie Meyers was found a block from the heart of Kansas City yesterday morning. She had undoubtedly been murdered.

Incoming steamers at London report having experienced moderate weather and having hailed other steamers almost daily none of which mentioned the Danmark.

The President and bookkeeper of the Collender Insulating and Waterproofing Company of New York will be asked to explain the disappearance of $400,000 of the assets.

The diamond belt for which Kilrain and Sullivan will fight in July was deposited for safe keeping yesterday by Mrs. Kilrain with the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company of Baltimore.

A Samoan white book has just been issued at Berlin in which the Chancellor declares that Germany had nothing to do with the internal affairs of Samoa, that her mission is restricted to protecting Germans.

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WHAT THE SCHOOLS COST.

THE EDUCATION PARLIAMENT IN SESSION LAST NIGHT.

Passing the Estimates—Rewards for Worthy Scholars—Fortunate Teachers—New School Sites—Drill Companies in the Schools—The Coal Contracts.

The following members were present when Chairman H. A. E. Kent called the regular meeting of the Public School Board to order last night: R. S. Baird, C. A. B. Brown, A. R. Denison, G. Downard, T. A. Hastings, J. B. Henderson, H. S. Howland, H. A. E. Kent, J. Kerr, W. S. Lee, R. A. McCrocken, G. McMurrich, McSpadden, W. W. Ogden, J. Oliver, E. Schoff, F. Somers, G. Vair, T. R. Whiteside, J. S. Williams, S. Willcock, W. C. Johnston, A. F. Middleton and E. P. Roden.

The first little discussion which took place was raised by Mr. McMurrich. He objected to the loose way in which members of the Separate School Board were allowed to examine the assessment list with a view to put Roman Catholics on the roll as separate school supporters.

It was conceded that there was a laxity in carrying out the law and Mr. McMurrich finally stated his enquiry ought to be a hint to the Assessment Commissioner to carry out the law with greater rigor.

This notice of motion was given:

Mr. Howland: That this Board take the necessary action to have its bylaws amended so that in future all textbooks used in our city public schools shall be purchased by this board and furnished to the pupils free of charge.

Passing the Estimates.

The Board went into committee and passed these estimates for school expenditure for 1889: School Fund, $292,329.50; Building Accounts, $206,700, with a total increase in two of the estimates of $7500.

The committee also recommended that the teachers in the schools in St. Albans Ward be paid, for the remainder of the current year, the salaries fixed by the Parkdale School Board.

The clause carried.

The Committee on School Management recommended:

That the offer of Messrs. I. Suckling & Sons, to present the sum of twenty-five dollars in prizes to the pupils of the junior classes who successfully pass an examination in music, be accepted.

That the Regulations 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37, relating to pupils, be amended to read as follows: 33. Certificates of Honor and Medals shall be awarded, at the Christmas examination, to such pupils as have not been once absent or late, and whose conduct has been uniformly good. Pupils whose absence has been occasioned by their own sickness, or of not more than three weeks' continuance in each session, certified in writing by their parents or guardians; or who have been kept out of school on account of contagious diseases in their families, shall receive certificates. These certificates shall be of two grades, and named, respectively, 1st Honor and 2nd Honor, and the Medals of two kinds—Bronze and Silver.

The above clauses were carried. This clause in the same report was referred back: A pupil will not lose his certificate by being absent in case of the death of a parent or a member of the family. Jewish children are allowed to be absent on four additional holidays in a year without losing their certificates.

The following clauses were carried:

That these teachers be transferred: Miss F. Sims, from Church-street to College-avenue School; Miss S. Keele, from Louisa-street to Winchester-street School; Miss A. L. Good from Bolton-avenue to Church-street School; Miss S. Cooper, from Niagara-street to Louisa-street School.

That these second class certificate teachers be appointed:

Miss L. Orr, Brunswick Hall; Miss M. Hodson, Bolton-avenue School; Miss E. Black, Miss K. McFarlen, St. Augustine Church; Miss H. Macdonald, Bolton-avenue School; Miss A. Walton, Cecil-street Hall.

That the teachers on the staff who have not been assigned positions be located as follows:

Misses Annie Stalker, in Lansdowne Hall; Jennie Tector, Prospect-avenue Hall; K. McKenzie, Ryerson School; F. T. Wood, Broadview-avenue Congregational Church; A. Wickens, Woodgreen Methodist Sunday school; E. Arnold, St. Ann's Sunday school; M. Slater, Phœbe-street Mission Hall; A. Burger, St. Ann's Sunday school; C. Mance, St. Bartholomew's Sunday school; D. Corrigan, Niagara-street School.

That an additional temporary school-room be opened in connection with Royce-street School, in order to provide the accommodation required in that neighborhood.

That $100 be granted for the purpose of purchasing books on teaching for the teachers' libraries in the various schools.

A long discussion took place on a clause appearing in the sites and building report, providing that Mrs. Moore, as caretaker of the Parkdale High School, be paid $600 per annum. Mr. W. S. Lee objected to this clause on the ground that a lady could not efficiently perform the duties of a caretaker. The provision, however, was carried.

New School Sites.

In No. 5 report of the Sites and Buildings Committee it was recommended:

That Mr. W. Rennie be offered the sum of $13,000 for a lot of land for a school site situated on the east side of George-street, having a measurement of one hundred feet frontage by a depth of one hundred and fifty-one feet.

That Mr. W. Hope be offered the sum of $45 per foot for a lot of land for a school site on the north side of Elgin-avenue, having a frontage of 188 feet by a depth of 135 feet. Total amount, $8460.

It was moved in amendment that the Board be authorized to sell the site, now owned on Huron-street. The amendment, as an addition to the original clause, was carried.

The other clauses carried were:

That they be authorized to offer Mr. Bolton $18,500 for a lot of land for a school site situate on the west side of Murray-street, having a frontage of 153 feet by a depth of 277 feet 7 inches.

That the Committee on Finance be requested to add to the estimates for the current year the sum of $150 to procure additional land in connection with Sackville-street school.

Mr. James Kerr read the report of the Printing and Supplies Committee. It recommended that the tender of Mr. John Carlyle to supply 300 wooden runs at twenty cents apiece, be accepted for use of drill companies in schools requiring them.—Carried.

The special report re the fuel contract was received and adopted without amendment and the board adjourned at 11.30.

NOTES FROM OSGOODE HALL.

Chancery Sittings—The Exchange Bank—Central Bank Cases.

Mr. Justice Robertson at the Chancery sittings yesterday heard the case of Joshua G. Beard of this city against the Exchange Bank, dismissing the action with costs. This was an action to compel the defendants to release the plaintiff from all liability as guarantor of the debts due by Messrs. S. W. Beard & Co., coal dealers, of Montreal, to the defendants, pursuant to an agreement between the parties. The case of William H. Best against William Porter was then taken up. This is an action for specific performance of a contract for the exchange of land in the city and elsewhere. The defence is misrepresentation. The case is proceeding.

The appeals of Messrs. Block and Morton in their Central Bank cases were enlarged for two weeks.

Block Paving Still Alive.

Foreman McGowan of the Toronto Street Railway Company had a gang of about twenty men at work on the block paving between Yonge and Bay-streets on King-street last night tearing up the old paving and putting in new blocks. It was six years ago last September that these blocks were put in. At that time their thickness was about 6½ inches. Specimens that were picked up and examined last night were as thin as one inch in places, so that is high time it was replaced.

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"THE HAVEN."

How a Noble Institution is Having Its Usefulness Increased.

Unknown to many thousands of Toronto's citizens is The Haven in Seaton-street. It is a refuge for unfortunate girls and women, and is worked by a committee of ladies in connection with what is known as "The Prison Gate Mission." From a humble beginning in a little room in Berkeley-street the work has spread, and yesterday saw the dedication of a new wing to The Haven. This provides 25 more beds and makes the institution complete and efficient.

The proceedings were possessed of much interest and influential citizens and many ladies were present. Archdeacon Boddy discharged the opening religious duties, and then Mayor Clarke, who presided, congratulated the managers on the completion of the building and told how the land lay as regards the finances. The new wing had cost $7000, and $1000 had been spent in repairs to the older building. There is now a total indebtedness of $5600. The City Council contributes $500 annually and the Mayor thought that if the ladies presented their case, with the grand record of good work they are doing, this amount would be increased. His Worship read apologies for absence from Ald. McMillan, Hon. Senator Macdonald, W. H. Howland and Rev. D. J. Macdonell.

Rev. Dr. Stafford praised the work of The Haven, especially as regards deserted wives and children. Out of 215 inmates last year 18 were wives whose husbands had deserted them and there were 25 children whose fathers had forsaken them.

Rev. William G. Wallace offered the dedicatory prayer and the assembly sang the Doxology.

Mr. William Goodeham was eloquent of the "glorious work" he had seen in that Haven. "There is," said he, "nothing in this city I delight in more." And then he gave touching examples and there were many moist eyes in the room.

Rev. A. H. Baldwin read the report of the work committee and explained the employment of the inmates. "The Haven," said he, "is one of the grandest institutions in the city; and why? Because it is so Christ-like."

Mr. Clarke Gamble, Q.C., one of the oldest friends of the Haven, gave an interesting sketch of its origin and progress. He concluded, "Long live the Haven," and there was a chorus of "Amens."

Rev. Dr. Thomas expatiated on practical Christianity in upraising the fallen, and was followed by Governor Green, who made a forcible speech on prison reform and eulogized the labors of Mrs. Harvie and her colleagues who visit the jail twice a week and take care of the homeless and destitute female prisoners on their discharge.

Rev. A. J. Broughall and Commissioner Coombes added their voices to the chorus of praise and a successful dedicatory service was concluded by Dr. Stafford pronouncing the Benediction. Then came refreshments and a tour of the building, all praising the new wing and resolving to liquidate the debt as soon as possible.

THE RED-COATED REGIMENT.

An Order for New Clothes—The March Out Last Night.

The Grenadiers turned out last night under Col. Dawson about 300 strong and headed by both bands marched to the Alexandra Rink in King-street west. The movements practised were the marching past and the general salute. Owing to the very bad state of the ground the movements were only fairly done. The playing of the band on the march was greatly admired and showed wonderful improvement.

Several invitations from outside have been received for the 24th, but nothing has been settled as to the regiment's movements on that date.

These regimental orders were issued:

Captain Harston, having returned from leave of absence, will assume command of E Co.

Lieut. Gibson is transferred from "E" to "G" Co.

The new helmets for the regiment having been received, they will be issued from the quartermaster's stores on requisition from the officers commanding the companies.

The commanding officer has been pleased to make the following promotions:

To be Color-Sergeant—Sergt. W. Fowler "G" Company, vice Judge.

To be Hospital Sergeant—Corp. Adam Taylor, vice-Dent, resigned;

To be Corporals in the Ambulance Corps—Private H. Irwin and Private W. Randal.

John Small, M.P., sent two telegrams last night, one to Colonel Dawson, the other to Major Mason, stating that he had succeeded in securing a new issue of clothing for the regiment as a special case. The issue relates specially to the tunics, on the ground that those furnished the regiment on coming back from the Northwest campaign were of a poor quality.

Families leaving town for the summer can have their furniture carefully stored with Mitchell, Miller & Co., 45 Front-street east.

TORONTO'S TEACHERS.

What They Did at Their Convention Yesterday.

The Toronto Teachers' Association held its semi-annual convention yesterday in the lecture room of Grace Church. President J. L. Hughes occupied the chair. Nearly every public school teacher in the city was present. A paper written by Miss Church on "Reading Gymnastics" was read by Mr. Hughes in the absence of the writer. It dealt with the various principles of elocution and was instructive and interesting.

The Model School class of teachers led by Mr. Cringan sang several selections. The suggestions on teaching proposed at the grade meetings last fall were discussed and after a few changes they were approved of.

School Life and the Eyesight.

In the afternoon Dr. G. S. Ryerson delivered an address on the "Influence of School Life on the Eyesight." The doctor gave some profitable advice upon how to prolong the usefulness of the organ of vision and illustrated with colored materials the mistakes that are apt to be made by those afflicted with color blindness; urging that people so afflicted should be careful in choosing an occupation. Those who examine the sight of railway employes were condemned as being often loose and negligent in their work, hence so many railroad disasters. The lecturer advocated the proper distribution of light in the schoolroom; the walls to be painted a pale grey or pale blue; the writing on blackboard to be made large enough so that the scholars at the back end of the room will see without straining their eyes, and writing paper to be of a light yellow tint. Ground glass in school windows was condemned.

Officers Elected.

These officers were elected: J. L. Hughes, president; L. J. Clarke, vice-president; and for the executive committee Miss M. J. Keown, Mr. W. J. Hendry, Miss J. Niven, Mrs J. S. Arthurs and Miss M. Emery; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Andrew Hendry. Mr. W. F. Chapman was appointed to represent the association at the convention to be held at Niagara-on-the-Lake in August.

Funeral of an Old Citizen.

The funeral of the late George B. Holland took place from his residence, 255 Sherbourne-street, to St. James' Cemetery yesterday afternoon. A large number of friends followed the remains to the grave, the services being conducted by Ven. Archdeacon Boddy. Among the relatives of the deceased were present: Messrs. Charles E. Britton, Gananoque; Charles L. Parmenter, Gananoque; W. G. Blyth and J. Ross Robertson, sons-in-law; Master Russell Brittm, Master Arthur Blyth, Master Britton Holland, grandsons; and Messrs. Isaac Cowen and Henry Hutchinson of Rowsell & Hutchinson.

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DOWN TO DEATH.

James Mundi's Fearful Fall From the New Bridge Over the Niagara River.

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y., April 18.—A man named James Mundi, an Italian, employed on the new bridge on the Canadian side, while carrying a keg of nails over the cables, lost his footing and fell to the water below, a distance of 175 feet. He came to the surface and swam a short distance, when he went down and did not come up. Boats were sent to his rescue, but not in time. He had the reputation of being the best climber on the works. The accident happened about 9 o'clock this morning.

A Mystery of the Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., April 18.—As noon to-day the body of a man was found floating in the eddy close to shore, directly under Inspiration Point. Deceased was apparently about 35 to 40 years of age, smooth shaven, dark hair, all of which had been removed by the action of the water, except a small portion on the back of the head. He had no coat, wore a vest of diagonal cloth, dark tweed trousers, buttoned gaiters, grey woolen socks, a white shirt having either the letter "C" or "O" stamped on the lappel of the front and underclothing. He was of heavy build, would weigh about 180 pounds and was 5 feet 10 inches in height. He wore what appeared to be a pair of scapulars, indicating that he was a member of the Catholic Church. His neck was broken but there appeared no marks of violence. His pockets contained only a silver watch and a red cotton handkerchief.

DOWN ON MERCIER.

The Temperance People of Quebec Province Denounce Their Premier.

MONTREAL, April 18. — A meeting of representatives of the different temperance organizations of the province was held here to-day to organize for united political action. The action of the Legislature of Quebec in regard to the license law amendments and the remarks of Premier Mercier towards the temperance people in his recent interview with the liquor men was considered. They declared that it was the imperative duty of the temperance electors to oppose the Government in every legitimate manner.

Resolutions were adopted in favor of combining to elect such municipal councillors in each municipality as are pronounced friends of prohibition, avowed opposition to the Quebec Government on the ground that its influence was thrown in with the liquor party and that strenuous exertions be used to elect temperance men to the Dominion Parliament.

A central committee was appointed to carry out the resolutions and a temperance mass meeting, at which stirring addresses were made, was held to-night.

AN UNFORTUNATE PROPELLER.

The Myles Has Her Boiler Burnt Out at Hamilton—Ambitious City News.

HAMILTON, April 18.—The big propeller Myles, which was to have left last evening for Toledo to load corn for Kingston, had her boiler burnt out yesterday afternoon through the carelessness of the firemen in neglecting to feed water into it. The most serious loss is caused by her being obliged to cancel her contract for the cargo, which will be a dead loss of nearly $1000.

The Buffalo police think the real name of the girl known as Ruby Nelson, who was shot in a Buffalo saloon last Sunday night by Harry Spiesz and who has since been sinking rapidly, is Maggie McCleary, and that she comes from Hamilton. Careful inquiries here have, however, failed to elicit any knowledge of a girl of that name who went from here to Buffalo. Spiesz, who eluded the police and escaped after the shooting, was captured on Wednesday night in Buffalo. He says that the affair was accidental. The victim says she is a Roman Catholic, but she will not see a priest.

Tenders for the construction of the Queen-street school, aggregating $30,744, were accepted at last night's meeting of the Board of Education.

James Hill, serving a 60 days' sentence in the jail for drunkenness, died at the hospital last night and his wife, Ellen Hill, learned the news in the dock at the Police Court this morning, when she was arraigned on a like charge.

Frederick Frewing, another of Hamilton's juvenile thieves, was sentenced to the Penetang Reformatory yesterday for four years.

Mrs. Scott-Siddons at Association Hall this evening.

Murdered by a Drunken Son.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 18.—West Farms was the scene of a horrible double tragedy this morning. Joseph King, a wealthy, well-known citizen, 78 years of age, was shot and killed by Edgar King, his eldest son, and the house was fired and burned. Some time afterwards shots were heard near by, which directed the assembled neighbors to a spot twenty rods away, where the murderer was found lying in a pool of blood, having shot himself. The cause of the crime is traceable to an unbalanced mind caused by dissolute habits. A few days ago the murderer gave to Charles Clark a sealed manuscript, requesting him not to open it till some time in the future, that he would soon go away, and that the letter would show why he went and where he would be. The papers were read to-day, and revealed the determination of Edgar to kill his father and aunt and himself. Edgar was once in partnership in the business of making whips and was worth considerable property. Six years ago his wife procured a divorce on the ground of drunkenness. When his property was gone he led a bad life and got what money he could from his father until the latter refused to give any more.

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Street Cars Running in Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 18.—Street cars are running on several lines in this city and St. Paul. There have been several small disturbances in Minneapolis but only one arrest.

DR. WM. ROBERTS, Professor of Medicine in the Owen's College, Manchester, Eng., in writing of Bright's disease, says: "The blood becomes speedily deteriorated by the unnatural drain through the kidneys. It becomes more watery and poorer in albumen, while urea, uric acid and the extractives are unduly accumulated in it." Warner's Safe Cure will restore the kidneys to a healthy condition and purify the blood.

Mrs. Scott-Siddons, the most intellectual elocutionist of the period, in her unique recitals at Association Hall to-night.

HE WILL SIT IN THE WORKS

ALD. E. A. MACDONALD VICTORIOUS IN A CURIOUS CONTEST.

The Two St. Matthew's Warders Draw Lots for First Choice and E. A. Wins the Game—Ald. Peter Had Religious Scruples Against Tossing With Coin.

CITY COUNCIL OF TORONTO.

Special Order of the Day. Thursday, April 18, 1889.

BUSINESS—

To consider any business which may arise from a requisition received by the Mayor in connection with the appointment of the aldermen for St. Matthew's Ward on the various standing and special committees of the council.

The above was the special matter to consider which Mayor Clarke had called the members of the council together last night. It could be easily seen from the immense crowd of citizens, which thronged every inch of available space in the gallery and even on the floor of the chamber, that it was a burning question, and one which had excited the interest of all sections of the community. There were citizens from far east of the Don, and as far west as the uttermost limit of the new ward of St. Alban's. St. Paul's Ward sent down a heavy contingent, while the central sections responded as nobly, and figured by the hundred among the big sea of faces.

The Calling of the Roll.

It had been rumored all day that there would not be a quorum, and though the event to a certain extent justified the correctness of the surmise, nevertheless there were on hand at different times during the evening enough aldermen and more to fill the number required to discuss business under the bylaws of the civic governing body. The hour of meeting was 7.30, and sharp on time City Clerk Blevins, attended by his subordinates, took their seats at the table immediately below the Mayor's throne. There were present in their places Ald. Baxter, Boustead, Carlyle (St. And.'s), Gibbs, Hill, Lennox, Maughan, Peter Macdonald, E. A. Macdonald, McMillan, Macdougall, Ritchie, Roaf, Small, Swait, Shaw and J. E. Verral. The rules of council call for 21 to form a quorum, and as soon as City Clerk Blevins, at the demand of Ald. Baxter, had called the roll and found the number not sufficient, Ald. Baxter left the council chamber, remarking that there was no use in his remaining any longer. Before he had reached the outside door Ald. Fleming, Dodds, Moses and George Verral put in an appearance. This almost evened up matters, but Ald. Peter Macdonald also beat a retreat, making his way to the members' room.

The Mayor Expresses His Regret.

At this juncture the Mayor walked into the chamber and took his seat on the throne. Under his instructions the roll was again called, and this time found to be lacking one of the requisite number. A clerk bied himself to the members' room, and found Ald. Bell, Peter Macdonald, Baxter and several others but they refused to come into council. On this being reported to the City Clerk and by him in turn conveyed to the Mayor, His Worship declared the meeting adjourned in the following words:

"Gentlemen, I am very sorry indeed, extremely sorry, that this matter should end in a fiasco, but I have no option in the matter. There is no quorum and, I declare this meeting adjourned until the next regular meeting of the council."

This broke up the meeting so far as the proceedings in the council chamber were concerned. In the members' room, in the rush and hurry for hats and coats, Ald. E. A. Macdonald took the opportunity to express his regret that the meeting had proved a failure, at the same time promising that he would call another special meeting, and continue in that line until the difficulty had been settled.

Ald. E. A. Makes a Proposition.

He then offered to meet Ald. Peter on equal terms and let them both settle the matters in dispute between them. His promotion, and one which found favor with all, was to toss for first choice for the seats on the various committees rendered vacant by the ill-health of Ald. Galbraith. He held that in this way both would have a fair, square show. Ald. Peter was willing to settle the matter but had religious scruples against tossing. Ald. Boustead and McMillan, however, were anxious to find some way out of the difficulty and suggested that the matter be by lot. Ald. Peter demurred, but the Mayor took him aside, and in a ten minutes' argument succeeded in persuading him to waive his objections.

How the Preliminaries Were Arranged.

This first step reached, the aldermen present with the two Macdonalds crossed over to the Mayor's private office. There the Mayor cut four slips of white paper; one was marked with the figure 1 and the others were allowed to remain blank. These, twisted into exactly the same shape, were placed in His Worship's hat. Then a discussion arose as to which of the two drawers of the lot would dip his hand into the hat first. Again the Mayor's good sense came into play. He resumed the scissors, which as a newspaper man of long-standing he knew well how to handle, and cut two slips of paper, one longer than the other. Held tight in his hand he presented them to the Messrs. Macdonald, at the same time informing them that the man who secured the longer slip would have the privilege of dipping his hand in the hat first.

Ald. Peter Secures First Dip.

Ald. Peter secured first dip. Just high enough for a man to dip his hand in without seeing the contents, the hat was held. Ald. Peter drew blank. Ald. E. A. followed and secured the coveted No 1. "What committee do you choose?" queried the Mayor. "The Board of Works, of course," replied the elated alderman. "What one will you take?" continued Mayor Clarke, addressing Ald. Peter. He answered "The Fire and Gas," and here ended the whole trouble. "I want you gentlemen to understand," said the Mayor in parting, "that this arrangement is only to last until such time as Ald. Galbraith's health will permit of his return to his duties."

E. A. Has Many Staunch Friends.

Anyone seeing the crowd of friends of Ald. E. A. Macdonald at the council last night, could have but one opinion of his popularity. He felt proud of his victory, and his brother aldermen with perhaps one or two exceptions appeared relieved that the ugly difficulty had been at length amicably arranged.

Go and hear Siddons to-night. Matinee to-morrow. Special engagement Monday evening.

The Song of the Breeze.

Breeze, when ye softly blow,
Closed with the sweets of spring,
What do ye murmur low?
What is the song ye sing?
Is it a song of birds
Warbling in meadows green?
Is it the potent words,
Hats as is hats—Dineen?

Is it a song of flowers?
Song of the laughing brook?
Song of the idle hours?
Song of sequestered nook?
Song of the perfumed air?
Song of the tender sheen?
Song of a woodland fair?
Hats as is hats—Dineen?

Is it a song of joy?
Song of the golden days
When tender greenings cloy
The winding woodland ways?
Song of a lake and sea,
Fairer than eye hath seen?
Song of the greenwood tree?
Hats as is hats—Dineen?

Breeze of the new born spring,
Trifler and flirt, I ween
This is the song ye sing:
Hats as is hats—Dineen.

New Music Hall.

Cyclorama Auditorium, Hungarian band, cosmotropic views of Jerusalem and Crystal Palace, etc. Seats for 600. Matinee to-day. Admission 25c. tf

AGAINST THE GRAND TRUNK.

The Decision of the Interstate Commerce Commissioners.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The Interstate Commerce Commission to-day promulgated its decision in the matter of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada. This decision has been looked for with much interest by railroad officials, many of whom attended the investigation when the Grand Trunk officials were before the commission. The decision, prepared by Commissioner Schoonmaker, is as follows:

1. The provisions of the act to regulate commerce apply to common carriers engaged in the transportation of passengers and property for a continuous carriage or shipment from a place in the United States to a place in an adjacent foreign country.

2. Such common carriers are subject to the provisions of the act in respect to the printing of schedules of rates, fares and charges for the transportation of passengers and property, the posting and filing with the Interstate Commerce Commission of copies of such schedules, the notice of advances and reductions and the maintenance of the rates, fares and charges established and published and in force at the time.

3. Such common carriers are also subject to the provisions of the act in respect to joint tariffs of rates, fares and charge for continuous lines or routes.

4. The carriage of freights cannot be prevented from being treated as one continuous carriage from the place of sh