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LONDON, SATURDAY, MARCH 6. NIAGARA POWER: THE TAXPAY-

ERS' RESPONSIBILITY. The report of the city electrical

liabilities they have assumed.

required by the city. In addition, there emigration assisted at public cost. is the cost of erecting, maintaining and must fall upon the tax rates.

The engineer advises against pur- manage all such cases. chasing the London Electric Company's plant, or contracting with the now 682 workhouses, with accommocompany to distribute Niagara power. dation for 322,635 inmates. At the He claims that power can be handled close of last year the number of inmore cheaply and effectively by a mates totalled 238,949. If the recommunicipal plant, and that the good- mendations of the report are carried public interest." will and business of the London Elec- out the present buildings will be used tric Company are its only desirable for the purposes of the proposed new But there is not a sufficient institutions. market for the two concerns, and one or both of them must be operated at a called forth such a document have no power say it will drive steam-gen- An awful burden of poverty and human erated electricity from the field. On wretchedness is laid upon the older the other hand, the London Electric civilizations. In Great Britain statesmen Company professes to be able to hold are earnestly trying to solve the probits own against the prices quoted by lem. Much has been done for the the hydro-electric commission. If the aged poor by means of pensions, and city plant can use no more than 3,000 the Government is heroically blazing which is said to be higher than the over the country. The hope is that cost of steam-generated power, delivered to consumers. Plainly the finanered to consumers. (These figures, of permanent uplift to the submerged course, refer to 24-hour power 365 days | millions. in the year, and do not indicate the price which consumers will actually Plainly the financial sucpower scheme depend upon whether a market can be found for 5,000 horsepower. This demand does not exist at present, but those who have faith in the project must be counting upon the creation of a larger market by the inducement of cheap power. Whether their anticipations are well-founded or not will be demonstrated by experience, which taxpavers can only hope

THE BRITISH POOR LAWS-A MOMENTOUS DOCUMENT.

will not be a costly one.

The royal commission on poor laws into the causes and condition of poverty in Great Britain, has finished its labors, the results of which are embodied in majority and minority reports, which have been published in book form.

The demand for this book, which the London Daily Mail pronounces "the most important sociological report which has been issued for threequarters of a century," has been very great, the first edition having been sold out at 5s. 6d. per copy in a few hours.

Both reports agree on these points: That general workhouses and boards of guardians should be abolished; that separate treatment should be given to the aged, the weak, the able-bodied unemployed, and the loafer; that vagrants should be detained in colonies: that labor exchanges should be instituted, and that boy labor should be discouraged or prevented.

The striking feature of the major-1ty report, which is signed by Lord George Hamilton, the chairman, and thirteen others, is the deliberate statement that the conditions of life in London and the large towns are such as to produce a degenerate race, morally and physically enfeebled, and the warning that the existence of this class is a peril to the entire community. Throughout the report runs the suggestion that the well-to-do should co-operate with the proposed new authorities, by personal service, with the object of improving the physical and moral standard of their humbler

brethren. of the majority are the following: A uniform poor rate for London, according to rateable value; the raising of the local government board to the status of a ministry of state; the discharge of the duties of boards of guardians by a public assistance aucommittees; that assistance first year of desertion; that boardedout children be superintended by women; that children of parents who are one night in the workhouse and known. the other out, be kent in special institutions, while the parents go to

start in life; that the aged have sive elections, and was invincible in pagne, drained it to the health of the separate housing, and be subdivided, his riding, where every man, woman municipality—and turned it upside down. which proceeds on the consensus of according to physical condition and and child, was his friend. He was an moral character; that the small homes enthusiastic advocate of women sufnor home assistance; that education forced out of the Legislature by the Berlin Rathaus visit was in the proin elementary schools be more prac- Ontario Government's recent gerrytical for boys up to 15 years of age; mander. The old man will be long that inexpensive institutional work- remembered for his homespun virtues. shops be established to train and maintain applicants with a good record and decent homes; that parents be guided > a special organiza-One year. 15 00 tion, to find other than casual work one week votes since 1906. The tariff "reform-pally, Delivered by Carrier Outside City: for boys; that contributions be made ers" made a vigorous onslaught on the from public funds to promote unemployment insurance; that Government riding, where an unusual amount of and public authorities regularize work slack times; that the board of trade intermittent employment; that trade complete acceptance of protectionist vantage. You see her in the morning, and take for their motto: Quantum est engineer, published elsewhere in full, unions be used in the insurance brings home to taxpayers with renewed scheme; that the needy unemployed party is an amazing revolution to her favorite English cross. Yes, most force the character and extent of the be helped by the public assistance authority and those needing dis-Stated in the simplest terms, they cipline sent to detention colonies; have contracted to pay the hydro-elec- that industrial and agricultural institric commission for thirty years an an- tutions, with separate ones for women nual sum ranging from \$80,586 to \$117,- and labor colonies, with pay during 186, according to the quantity of power good conduct, be established, and

For those who wilfully neglect to man. operating a municipal plant (if such a maintain themselves or their families, course is decided upon), which is esti- or are addicted to drink, gambling or mated at \$21,990 a year. To meet all idleness, detention in colonies from these obligations it will be necessary six months to three years, is profor the city to raise annually by the posed. It is further suggested that a sale of electricity the sum of \$122,726, voluntary aid council co-operate with if 1,000-horsepower is used; \$123,126 for each assistant authority and super-2,000-horsepower, \$132,326 for 3,000- vise all charities, the charity commishorsepower, \$142,326 for 4,000 horse- sion appointed by the local governpower, and \$149,326 for 5,000 horse- ment board being the centre for regpower. If the revenue from the sale istration of voluntary charities. Finally of Niagara power is not sufficient to the committee recommends the estabmake both ends meet, the deficiency lishment of homes for unmarried mothers, a woman's committee to

England and Wales together have

Fortunately the conditions that have The champions of Niagara counterpart—as yet—in this country. ver, the cost, according to other paths of social reform. The con-

THE LAW REFORM BILL.

law reform bill introduced by the Attorney-General and let the time ripen for more effective measures. So far as the superior courts are concerned. the bill is only marking time, if indeed as much may be said in its

There is no need for a law reform The change proposed is only a change ng court of appeal and to form a second division of the court of appeal from among the existing judges. are all right so far as they go; but it is appointed three years ago to inquire further provided that the members of judges themselves. Is it proper that the judges whose judgments are to be reviewed by the court of appeal should system would be wrong in principle, and would be liable to the charge that the independence of the court might be affected. The first division of the court of appeal is not to be liable to go on circuit, but the second division is: i.e., the second division judges would not occupy quite so high a position as the members of the first division. The effect would be that the second division would be a substitute for the full court with the objectionable features mentioned. It is not re

If a second division is to be created both should be made alike. A second from among the existing judges, and sion than to create it in such a way as to weaken the confidence the public have in the administration of justice If there are difficulties in the way of accomplishing this, the bill should stand over. No harm will result.

Toronto is 75 years old today, and venerable in nothing but age.

One good result may flow from the Carman-Jackson episode. It may be the means of inducing many people to read or re-read the first eleven chapters of Genesis.

Mr. Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, says that President Taft's inaugural address dashes all hope for the disarmament of the nations. An- to the Rathaus (the city hall of Berlin) other crime committed in the name of has suddenly added something very

Mr. Sam Blake has entered the field the entente cordiale. of controversy lately occupied by Dr. went to Paris in 1903 there was a great thority, composed of members of the Carman and Mr. Jackson, and is in the Czar had been there just before him, county council and public assistance full tilt against religious teachers in and all Paris had wept with emotion and Toronto University and Victoria Col- joy. What would be left for the King? given to deserted wives during the lege. He is a first-class fighting man His very first act relieved the tension. and rather likes the role. The about in a closed carriege that went trumpets seem to be sounding for the swiftly. The King appeared at once on biggest theological battle Canada has

detention colonies; that children of M. P. P. for Peel, removes a pic-widows be aided in getting a fair turesque figure. He won five succes-went to visit them, took a glass of cham-that they should be presented with

Scotland's little general election ended yesterday in the return of a Liberal free trader for Hawick by a majority of 520, a loss of only 161 unemployment was thought to be rows of priceless pearls and those magnificent diamonds which, of all adornand give out their regular work in favorable to their propaganda. There ments, are the most difficult to wear in tutions to frustrate such study is no sign that the Government is los- profusion without exceeding the limits of slack times; that the board of trade arrange with employers to try to end ing its hold upon Scotland, but the full dress sets her off to the best adhave been achieved within the five decidedly she ought to be seen in the

[Literary Digest.] tain eminent and indefatigable laborer 'Yes,' said Aldrich, ' very learned andra. man, but like a gaspipe, no richer for the illumination he has conveyed."

TORY DOCTRINE FROM A LIBERAL.

[Ottawa Journal.] But the fine old purple-nosed Tory dog- ity, which letter Mr. Harris has had na, plentifully suggestive of scorn for printed in pamphlet form. the man who lays unhallowed hands on sacred vessels, came from what for want of a more accurately descriptive title, is still known as the Liberal side of the House. It was Mr. Nesbitt who recalled the Commons to a sense of the actualities. There are popular agitations, he said, carried on both by newspapers and the These popular agitations "are usually not carefully thought out; they done through the Department are often found to have no sound foun- Oriental Languages "clandestinely." dation." But frequently they are of suf-Commons, and if it were not for a secand chamber the probabilities are that the members of the Commons might pass a meaure "in obedience to a spasmodic agitation that would not really be in the

PROGRESSIVE. [Harper's Weekly.

Sam-Mamma, did God make you? Mother-Yes dear Sam-And father, too? Mother-Yes. Sam-And sister, too? Mother-Certainly. Sam-And me, too? Sam-He's improving right along, isn't

METHODIST LAYMAN'S OPINION. A crying need of the Methodist Church is more ripe scholarship in the pulpit, and

we see in the work of the Rev. George per horsepower, including distribution, of humanitarian sentiment is sweeping Jackson. It is needful both for the pulpit and the pew. My observation has led me to feel that this spirit will be crystallized in sane, those who are attacked as modern critics an ordinary devotional and ethical Myrtle B. Charlton, and by Messrs. practical legislation, which will give a of the Bible bear more of the spirit of study of the Bible, but one conducted Culver, Finch, Miles Charlton, W. A Christ than those who bitterly them. Surely if anything can stand the It would be better to withdraw the of such men as Mr. Jackson-humble,

A PENALTY OF GENIUS.

It seems to be the frequent nenalty of genius that it is denied the privilege of perpetuating its name and kind beyond a few generations at most. Thus it is said that there is not now living a single descendant in the male line of Chaucer. oill in relation to the superior courts. Shakespeare, Spenser, Milton, Cowley, Dryden, Pope, Cowper, Gold-Butler. smith, Byron or Moore; not one of Sin Philip Sidney or of Sir Walter Raleigh The proposals to maintain the exist- not one of Drake, Cromwell, Hampden, Monk, Marlborough, Petersborough Nelson: not one of Bolingbroke, Walpole, Chatham, Pitt, Fox, Burke, Graham or ton or Davy; not one of Hume, Gibbon the court are to be chosen by the rence; not one of David Garrick, John Kemble or Edmund Kean

PRISCILLA FASTS.

hicago Evening Post. choose the judges of that court? This The fair Priscilla fasts through Lent: No devotee before a shrine Nor seeker on perfection bent Shows such determination fine

> The fair Priscilla eats no meat She dines upon a crust of toast; She does not drive along the street-She walks more miles than she can

And thus she goes her daily rounds In patience fasting. What's the use Priscilla weighs two hundred pounds. And says she simply must reduce

A HAPPY PHRASE BY SIR

WILFRID. [E. W. Thomson, in Boston Transcript. A pretty instance of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's happy phrasing of the disagreeable, so as to make it almost pleasant, was court of appeal can easily be erected afforded the other day in the debate in the House of Commons on the address to the throne. His principal opponent, Mr. it is far better to risk the appointment | Borden, who had been recently re-elected chief of the Opposition, had just sat down, after some perfunctory praises of and insist upon a positive statement those parliamentary freshmen, the mover and seconder, and after some acrid recongratulating Mr. Borden on keeping his leadership, "which he has adorned for Word of God, to be accepted as such some years past, and in which he has been confirmed by a recent expression of he confidence-the well-deserved confi dence-of his supporters, as well as by the non-confidence of the people of Can-This furnished a cheerful start in mild laughter to the new House, which eems a better one than the last, since ome of the most malignant spirits of the former Opposition fell by the way in trying to get back by the path of vilifica-

KING EDWARD'S TACT.

[Manchester Guardian.] Even the most hopeful of us must have read this morning's telegrams from Per lin with a new warmth. 'The King's happy to the general tone. The best of it is that we have an exactly parallel instance which really turned the When the King his arrival in an open carriage, smiling quite confidently, and out came the of was his visit to the Hotel de Ville. The The death of John Smith, former parallel is curiously exact. There, in

the little act immediately, took what it higher critics? meant in their lively way, and the King "It would be gramme, but I think it may be concluded

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S DRESS.

turned the tide of a new entente cor-

[Lady's Pictorial.] One remarkable thing about the Queen is that, while most women look better in coming missionaries is leading so ers" made a vigorous onslaught on the one dress than another, she looks well in many young men and women to take anything. You see her in full dress, with up Bible study, which he hopes may teachings by the body of the Unionist find you have made a mistake, and like quod scimus (How great is our knowlher better in the quiet serge dress with years since Chamberlain launched his morning. And so on through all the changes—the grey Siberian costume and of learning—Quantum est quod nescicap which she wears for skating; her sailor's hat, or riding-habit, or rough MERELY PASSING THROUGH HIM sailor's hat, or riding-habit, or rough missionaries and teachers should God ulster and cap, driving the miniature missionaries and teachers should God four-in-hand of ponies, with the silvery Thomas Bailey Aldrich had a wit. "A bells, and dogs barking round-until you friend once remarked to him that a cer-tain eminent and indefatigable laborer cover what England found out long ago, tre; that the statement, 'The Word of in the field of letters was a very learned that the "fairest of daughters" is Alex- God which liveth and abideth forever

BIBLE TEACHING

(Continued from Page One.)

Teaching Is Illegal The point made is that this Biblteaching, while savoring of higher criticism, is also illegal, in that teach-

ing religious knowledge is in contravention of the federation act of the University of Toronto. This teaching and examination Then follows the letter of Hon. S. H. ficient weight to influence members of the Blake, of date Feb. 11, 1909, and addressed to Chancellor Burwash, Victoria College.

Sums Up the Case. Mr. Blake sums up his case

follows: (a) There is no provision in the statutes governing the university or giving certificates in theological subjects or religious knowledge by either of these bodies.

(b) Instruction in both of these subects is being given. (c) This work was allotted to the federated universities and colleges. (d) These latter bodies have therefore ground for complaint and the right to demand that this illegal inter-

Study and "Study." Referring to a sentence in Dr. Car-

erence with their rights shall cease.

man's letter concerning the proper Biblical study of the studen Blake says:

is in the conclusion that the course solo by Mrs. of study which you describe as "not readings and short speeches by Miss ster said not. in 'a candid search for truth' with Barons, Roy Charlton and John which an insurance company won "exact scientific methods," will give Brodie, After the programme luncheon case because a fire was not caused by searchlight of investigation through all the results which you appear to de- was served by the ladies. All joined in the explosion. In natural gas exnot afraid to trust my Bible in the hands and believe a very large body of our Meet Again," after which the party laymen will concur in the conclusion dispersed, wishing Rev. and Mrs. W. evangelical, Christ-like students of the that the 'non-devotional' search for truth, and 'exact scientific their new home, methods' employed in the course of studies, to which I am objecting, in- Ridgetown, have been the guests of service to the cause of Biblical interpretation, has shaken the faith of Institute was held on Thursday afterto discredit the whole volume, to re- Parks. Mrs. D. O. White the presifensive to their lives, to refuse to re- prayer, and called on Mrs. T. S. Ham- which was done ceive the history of the creation as mond, of Aylmer, for an address. She given therein, to manufacture mistakes, to exaggerate supposed differences, to ridicule the Book of Jonah, to teach that the works of our poets are inspired as is the Word of God.

"We may take Byron or Bocaccio field, gave a demonstration on Channing; not one of Bacon, Locke, New- for our morning service in our homes, Making of Bread and Buns," and Mrs. to teach that no such person as Abra- H. C. Dance on "The Preparing of Sir ham ever lived-although his name is Tea." The attendance was large, and Joshua Reynolds or Sir Thomas Law- mentioned over one hundred times in the addresses by the ladies were much the Bible-and that this was the name appreciated. tribe in the southern portion of chapters of Genesis-the key to the Brown has moved in the former's whole Book, the story of Satan, the house, temptation, the fall, the promised

from Genesis to Revelation. "I abhor the thought that our Toronto University should aid in the work of shaking men's confidence in the Bible. Will you use your best endeavors, as chancellor of Victoria Col- Schley Asks Funds for Expedition to lege, to place Toronto University and Iniversity College in their true position under their incorporating acts, by preventing in either of them, through

Religious Knowledge or 'Theological lic here today, makes an appeal for Subjects'? affiliation with the university insist on of Dr. Frederick Albert Cook common fairness let the laymen, whose heard from since last March. money is demanded to support such instruction, know exactly what is the teaching that is insisted upon.

there be a meeting of these new lights. make his dash for the north pole. showing clearly "(a) What books of the Bible, in ad dition to Jonah, do they think should be eliminated as not being the inspired and reflects honor upon our flag. The by their students:

"(b) What chapters in the other should be treated in the same manner: what portions of the books are-"(c) Merely myths; "(d) What allegories

"(e) What poetical effusions, to be merely admired: "(f) In what way do they replace the story of the creation;

What Is Left? "(g) Was there any Garden of Eden; '(h) Was there any Adam and Eve; Was there any Satan;

"(j) Was there any sin; "(k) Was there any punishment for

Savior "(m) Was there any deluge; "(n) Was there any Abraham; "(o) By what means is the ordinary reader to know what portions (if any)

band's Robberies. of this Book are to be taken as th absolute Word of God, to be accepted and acted upon at the peril of the reader, and when does the apparent Word of God pass into scientific subjects, unreliable history, poetical effusions, myths, allegories, parables, towel and arrested Mrs. Radcliffe on a etc., which are withdrawn from the region of inspiration and are human utterances, to be dealt with as cluding a moving picture machine the reader pleases? "Do you not think, my dear chancel

the emasculated and mutilated Book That did it. The quick Paris people saw thought of the representatives of the

system be extended; that those given frage, the only subject which to drink be allowed neither pension roused him to eloquence. He was entirely the King's own idea, and was not men if the roused him to eloquence. even in the official programme. The tions to which you refer were put into the concrete shape of a real Bible, from the Paris instance that it was his the inspired Word of God, to be acing back in a little while, that it just cepted as such, and putting as an appendix the errant human portion, in-cluding 'Mistakes of Moses.'"

The Higher Critics. Having challenged the legality of the teaching Mr. Blake next deals with the matter taught. He says desire of becontinue, "notwithstanding persistent efforts of theological and other instiseeking to make the word of God of none-effect by the ever-changing noedge), instead of the more lowly one -the mark of the truly learned as he picks a pebble on the vast ocean mus (how great is our ignorance). It will be an evil day for our ministers permit that what appears to be about the only sure standing ground left us is proclaimed as an hallucination and that being born of incorruptible seed by the Word of God is an old-fashioned delusion, to be rejected with as little compunction as if it were a heathen fable. If we pursue this process of disintegration so that the shall cease, the author may well write

INTERESTING ITEMS FROM MAPLETON

over this wreck, 'They have sown the

winds, they shall reap the whirlwind."

Farewell To Esteemed Minister and His Family-Women's Institute.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Christian Endeavor Society and their friends and neighbors, gathered at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Charlton on Wednesday evening

bid them farewell prior to their deuniversity college for instruction in or parture for their new home at Hillsburg, where the former has accepted a call as pastor of the Church of Christ. Mr. Peter Bancroft read a kindlyesteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Charlare held by acquaintances and friends. Mr. Archie Thompson then presented Mrs. trian china plates; Miss Eva, with a sterling silver teaspoon, and Rev. Mr. Charlton with a well-filled purse.

Mr. Charlton made a suitable reply. A short programme was also given, thought the bill was unfair to insur-Mr. John Brodie kindly acting as ance companies, as it might make of the Welland Canal to 22 chairman. Two piano selections were them liable for damage to buildings. Where I differ toto coelo from you given by Miss Zelma Brown; a vocal Hubert Brown; two I also differ entirely from you singing, "God Be With You Till We plosions the fire would have to be 'candid G. Charlton and family prosperity in the bill was unfair

Mr. and Mrs. David Caughell, of gave an account of her trip to the convention held at Guelph, which proved very interesting. Backus, of Aylmer, spoke on "Wo men's Rights." Mrs. Adams, of Spring-

Mr. and Mrs. William Charlton, of Saviour, the typical sacrifice, and that Aylmer, moved on Tuesday, and will form. wondrous scarlet thread that runs make their home with their daughter, Mrs. D. D. Finch.

TO HUNT FOR COOK

Find Lost Explorer.

New York, March 6 .- Rear Admiral Schley, U. S. N., retired, on behalf of 'back door' or by any other mode of the Arctie Club of America, of which ntrance, teaching and examination in he is president, in a letter made pubfinancial aid to enable Dillon Wallace, "If the theological institutions in an Arctic explorer, to effect a rescue from instruction in these subjects and on the Arctic regions, where he has been the lines above referred to, then in lost to sight, since July, 1907, and not

When last reported, Dr. Cook 40 miles north of Cape Thomas Hubbard, in good condition, and ready to

Admiral Schley in his letter states: "It is the work of such men as Dr. Cook that gives prestige to our country, adds renown to our character, Arctic Club of America feels certain that our countrymen will aid in bringing about the rescue of this heroic the Bible they consider and daring explorer, or if misadventure has overtaken him, to back his honored remains for burial in the land he loved and to whose renown his wonderful career has added so much.

"It is estimated that a sum not exceeding \$30,000 will organize, equip and enable Mr. Dillon Wallace, large Arctic experience in polar exploration, to lead an expedition that will be prepared to remain, if need be, eighteen months from July, 1909. My teaches that a day, or even an hour, has a value when a life is to be saved."

MRS. RADCLIFFE ARRESTED

Charged With Complicity in Her Hus-

St. Thomas, March 5. - Following the arrest of Johnson Radcliffe at Listowel on a charge of committing various burglaries in St. Thomas Chief Armstrong today went to Lischarge of complicity. A large quantity of stolen goods was recovered, instolen from the Lyric Theatre last De-

London Life Seriously if you should die to-day, how long could your . C family live on what you have provided for their future? An Endowment Policy at life rate issued by the London Life would protect them now, and make provision for your mature years.

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KING'S PRINTER

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Geo. McBroom, Inspector.

After a Brief Session

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, March 6. - Having again overtaken the King's printer, the Legislature was forced to adjourn after a short session yesterday afternoon, but as the Prime Minister remarked, the the House with dispatch. Several private bills were expressed, read a second time and referred to commit-

Mr. Brewster (South Brant), explained that his bill to amend the insurance act was to make insurance companies liable for natural gas exworded address, expressing the high after a recent natural gas explosion in Brantford some companies paid the controvery by placing the words Charlton with two very pretty Aus- "natural gas" in the bill. It would be of no disadvantage to the insurance Minister of Railways had not expresscompanies and was indorsed by city ed himself so favorably towards the councils in the Province. Mr. McEwing (West Wellington) Prime Minister, Mr. Graham relter-

> would be retroactive, and Mr. Brew-Regarding Mr. McEwing's objection, Mr. Brewster cited a case in the cause, and, as the companies were liable for fire now, he did not think

Hon. Mr. Foy asked if the bill

Some Objections. Hon. Mr. Foy said there would be stead of having 'done an immense Mr. and Mrs. James Warwick lately. bill in its present form, and insurance that in the not distant future would some objection to the passage of the impetus to Canada's carrying trade The last meeting of the Women's companies should be heard. The passage of the bill would cause an in- Georgian Bay Canal busy. many in this Book, has caused others noon at the residence of Mrs. Solomon crease in rates. He suggested that present, owing to the prevailing con-Ject such portions of it as may be of-dent, opened the meeting with a short reading without committing itself, was not to undertake any work involvthe House give the bill its second Mr. McNaught's bill to allow muni-

cipalities to make grants to industrial pared to take a more aggres chools was given its second reading. With respect to the water routes of Anna Toronto wishes to make a grant the Victoria, Industrial School, Mr. erred to the municipal committee.

the assessment act by allowing a uni- dees observed the movements of the form rate of 50 per cent for taxation sun and moon; later the revolution of Mr. D. S. Appleford and family have fact that weekly newspapers were parently aimless wanderings. Palestine, to reject the first eleven moved to Talbotville, and Mr. James taxed on 50 per cent of the value of notion of the planets as "lost stars" the plant, and as all other businesses was compared to the story of the Inthought the assessment should be uni- were lost, replied: "Me no lost; wig-

tention to the fact that bills had maticians. e restricted by any of the bills. Mr. MacKay's bill to amend the peaceful fashion, constructing a great

nunicipal act was read a second gnomon and determining the angle of ime, after the leader of the Opposition the ecliptic. nad explained that it was to go back to the old system of allowing the disqualification of reeves and depu ies for cause, and for preventing municipalities from having too many representatives on the county council The Audit Act.

The amendments to the audit act, which was introduced by Hon. Mr. Matheson, are considered to be very amendments is the manner in which Johnston, Presbyterian minister, Vanthe Government blocks the refusal of neck, will preach in the evening. he auditor to sanction certain expendtures, and thus give the Government tish concert, under the auspices of the increased freedom in that regard. The Presbyterian Church power of the auditor is vested in the given in the town hall of this place. treasury board. In cases where an Miss Jean Robb, of London, will be account for travelling expenses is less one of the attractions. than \$100, the account may be certiown experience in those regions fied by the minister or deputy minis- odist Church will hold a tea-meting ter of the department. The treasury and concert in the hall, when an excelboard may also direct in what man- lent programme will be given by the ner and detail public accounts and Centennial Methodist choir of London, statements are to be prepared. In assisted by Miss Sanborn, gold medalother words, the power of Mr. Clancy, ist elocutionist, of London the present auditor, is considerably curtailed.

After the House adjourned both the Prime Minister and the leader of the a few weeks' visit to Guelph Opposition spoke of the late John Smith, ex-M. P. P. for Peel. "He was Hyde Park. a whole-hearted, kindly man." said Sir James. "I knew him for many years in the House, and all the mem bers of the House, as well as myself,

WELLAND CANAL TO BE DEEPNED

W. A. WinterStein

wonderful cohesive power of this Book Legislature Forced to Adjourn Hon. Mr. Graham Announces an Important Project for the Yesterday. Dominion.

Ottawa, March 6.-The House spent the greater part of yesterday's session in committee of supply on the railway and canal estimates, and the efficiency of the department so ably adminis-Mapleton, March 5.—The members could not be charged with tered by Hon. Mr. Graham was re-of the Church of Christ, with the not having carried on the business of flected in the absence of serious criticism on the part of the Opposition. Several phases of the transportation problem were touched upon, however, in the course of the discussion. Once more the Minister of Railways made it plain that though retrenchment has plosions. When the present act was been rendered desirable at present by passed natural gas was not in use, and the prevailing conditions, the Government's policy with respect to canals their numerous insurance and some did not. He will as soon as circumstances permit wished to put the matter beyond all assume a more aggressive character. Replying to Hon, Mr. Haggart, who

sought to make it appear that the Georgian Bay Canal project as the Canada could provide ample transportation facilities, not only for her own of the trade of the United States. He nad never expressed any opinion ad scheme. On the contrary, he believed that the geographical conditions were time to come the great carrying trade from the west would find an outlet through the The deepening of the Welland Canal would, of course, be a cheaper proposition, and he was confident that if carried out it would give such an keep both the Welland Canal and the ditions, the policy of the Government ing lareg expenditures, but as soon as conditions changed he would be pre-

Canada At the Western University McNaught explained. The bill was re- evening, Professor Patterson gave an instructive and lucid lecture on the Mr. Pearce (North Hastings) moved history of early astronomical science. ne second reading of his bill to amend In the beginning the Chinese and Chalon millers. He also referred to the the fixed stars and the planets' apvere taxed on a 35 per cent basis, he dian lost in the wood, who asked if he wam lost." Very soon men came to Hon. Sir James Whitney stated that connect the positions of the constelthe bill was one of the consequences lations with the events of their lives, of the irregular framing of bills, and and the false science of astrology was brought down would undo and ren- born. The royal astronomer of ancient useless all the other remaining China had no very enviable position features of the new bill, which will as the emperor punished any failure to be brought down. At the same time predict an eclipse with death; and he he bill might be a reasonable one. often required an eclipse for ends of But the interdependence of the clauses his own which nature made no proin the new bill was so strong that vision for-penalty the same. Yet we any change like Mr. Pearce's bill pro- are told that even under such malign posed would mean that the act would patronage, the post of royal astronhave to be remodelled. The Govern- omer was much sought after; such is ment would be glad to have members ambition. The lecturer went on with of the House make suggestions, and a resume of ancient results. The tower might-give bills second readings, but of Babel may have been a Chaldee obthe special committee to deal with the servatory. Some remarkable discovassessment act would not pay any at- eries were made by the Greek mathe-In the Middle Ages the passed second readings, nor would it grandson of that famous conquerer Tamburlaine, earned glory in more

HYDE PARK.

Much interest is being taken in The Advertiser's European trip contest, and several fair candidates are being supported by the villagers. The Methodist Church of this place hold their anniversary services Sunday next. Rev. F. E. Malott, B.A., B. D., of Colborne Street Church, London, will preach at 3 p.m., and Rev. Mr. On Saturday evening a grand Scot-

On Tuesday evening next the Meth-

We are pleased to welcome Miss Shepherd back to Hyde Park. Mrs. Peter Elson has returned from Miss M. Armstrong spent Sunday in

FOR RICE TRAFFIC.

Hong Kong, March 6 .- A Chinese-Siamese syndicate has chartered six are sorry to hear of his death."

Mr. MacKay said Mr. Smith had been one of his best friends, and he was deeply grieved to hear of his monopoly hitherto held by the North German-Lloyd Steamship Company.