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WHITEWASH.

Cigar Charley and King Bob in a New Role.

ANOTHER USE FOR THE THUMBSCREW.

Compelling Hotelkeepers to Sign a Political Pardon.

A BIG BLUFF AT THE QUEEN'S.

Rumored Re-appointment of the Present License Commissioners — Mr. Mowat Would Not Deny or Confirm the Story—The Document That Was Hawked About the Saloons Yesterday—Writing Their Names With Their Eyes Shut.

It has been known for the past two or three days that every effort was being put forward to induce the Government to continue the present License Commissioners in office, as to propose to investigate their conduct or to put new men in their places would be in a measure a confession of their maladministration. To delay the matter, it was also contended, would give The World an opportunity to bring out still further startling disclosures and make it all the more difficult to re-appoint the same men. Still further was it contended that if the Government showed the least delay in re-appointing the present Commissioners, the "terror" would in a measure be removed from over the heads of the present holders of licenses and they would begin to talk too freely, whereas the end in view was to keep them well in hand and prevent them saying anything more than has already leaked out.

The World does not pretend to be in the confidence of the Government, but it was learned that two sessions of the Cabinet were held yesterday. At one gathering the "reconstruction" took place, and at the other The World's boodle disclosures were discussed. It was rumored after the meetings that the three present commissioners had been re-appointed on a high pressure vote of the Ministers. Then, the story goes, this was reconsidered and only the name of Mr. Proctor was allowed to stand for re-appointment.

The World called up Mr. Mowat over the telephone last evening and asked if the present commissioners had been re-appointed or if new ones had been named.

The Premier said he did not feel disposed to answer the question.

Already Bearing Fruit.

The World's exposures are already bearing fruit. The filling of the vacant portfolio in the Mowat cabinet was one result. An incompleted cabinet is no longer safe. Besides, it is reported that the little Premier wanted all the assistance he could to regulate his wicked partners, who are trying to make him whitewash the license commissioners of Toronto.

But The World's shots also went home in other quarters. Charles Doherty, ex-license commissioner, giver-of-the-wink, owner of the township right to supply the public houses of Toronto with cigars (no order for less than 5000 taken), beer traveler for King Bob Davies, owner of or partner in several pubs, license broker for years, big Reform worker and "you-stick-by-me-and-I'll-stuck-by-you" patriot, was out yesterday bright and early hawking about a memorial for the signatures of licensed liquor sellers, setting forth that the present commissioners had not bulldozed them into trading with Bob Davies or Jaffray & Ryan, or buying Doherty's cigars.

Was Mr. Doherty accompanied by any one else?

Oh, yes; King Bob was with him as an assistant bearer of the document. Nearly all those who signed it did so without reading it. They were given the wink and they took it like little men. Some of them did not know whether it was their death-warrant or their salvation.

Did Mr. Ryan, Mr. Proctor, Mr. Armstrong know about this bir effort of Charley's, or was it pure missionary work on his part?

But isn't it an admission of guilt? Arnot Doherty and his boss King Bob afraid of being found out?

Aren't they afraid of losing their grip? Would they be as safe if new commissioners are named?

Why is Charley so anxious to whitewash his favorite commissioners? Why so anxious to burk investigation and to head off inquiry?

What success Charley met with is not yet known. He used the thumbscrew, of course. But you don't need to squeeze the victim's thumb; all you've got to do is to go in, open a bottle, *give the wink*, and ask the victim to sign; a hint that May is coming near; that Peter and Proctor and the Florid Carpenter will be in power; that Mowat is going to stand by them—*that he's got to stand by them*, and the thing is done.

When Charley went into the Queen's Hotel he encountered Mr. Winnett, one of the proprietors, and asked him to put his name down to the document.

What for? asked Mr. Winnett.

To meet these charges of The World, said Doherty.

Well, just look here, Mr. Doherty, said Mr. Winnett: I believe everything The World said is true, and I believe *they haven't told half the truth.*

And McGaw & Winnett's name did not go down.

But John Holderness, whose thumb has already been in the screw, had to sign. One would have thought that the bluff Yorkshireman would have ordered Mr. Doherty out. But John has already had to bow the knee to King Bob, and yesterday he kissed the hand of the King's chief man. No wonder John said he was ashamed of himself after he had done it. Be an Englishman, John, and tell the pack to go to blazes if they try it on you again. But just wait till John is put in the box before the commission of inquiry and he'll blurt out the truth. So will many others. **What are the Government Going to do?**

What does Mr. Mowat propose to do? What does he think of this whitewashing tour of Doherty and Davies? Was Doherty authorized to say *that Mr. Mowat sent him?*

Is there, then, really nothing to it?

Isn't Peter Ryan's letter to C. P. Reid & Co. *prima facie* evidence that there is something wrong, and isn't this hawking about of the whitewash petition an admission that something is to be covered up? "He who excuses accuses" is still true.

Mr. Mowat now knows well that there is something wrong. He has had letters from the aggrieved brewers detailing the scandals. He has heard from his own friends. He must have seen the list of hotelkeepers who are members, forced members, of the Reform Club. Let him get Inspector Dexter to go over the list with him and prick the names of the hotel men. And then when he's got the list let some trusted adviser, not in the liquor business, separate the Conservatives out from the Reformers. Did the revelations in The World have no effect on him? Wasn't he surprised when Organizer Preston's high-falutin denial, published in The Globe, was so quickly riddled by the publication of the fac-simile of a boodling cheque? Where is Preston now and what has he to say for himself? If he opens his mouth again he'll think twice what he's going to say.

What better evidence does the Attorney-General wish for of collusion between the commissioners and the favored brewer and cigar broker than that Doherty, who represents these two beneficiaries of such collusion, should rush about with whitewashing memorial?

If Mr. Mowat will hold any kind of an investigation The World will supply him with facts sufficient to fill a book.

Have we anything more? Yes we have, and we propose to ladle it out just as we ladled it out to Preston. Let The Globe make any more categorical denials and the reply will come home just as clinchingly as it did to Preston and to Small.

Oh, why is The Globe so silent, oh why is the Deacon dumb?

Defend your friends, Deacon, and don't let the Jaffrays be abused without raising your pen.

Will The Globe tell us if an opportunity is to be given us to make good our charges before a public tribunal?

The Press Speaking Out.

So far in Toronto The Telegram and News are supporting the stand taken by The World. The Empire of course is against Mr. Mowat, The Globe and Mail are left. The Mail has not said a word as yet. Four papers are against the license abuses; one must perforce defend them; and one as yet is silent. And as the press is going in Toronto so will it be all over the province. Mighty few papers will undertake to defend the license boodling that has disgraced this city. And the religious weeklies have yet to be heard from.

The Tyranny Out-Herods Itself.

Said a Reformer last night: This last act of Peter Ryan's in sending Doherty and Peter Small about with the whitewashing petition settles me as to the tyrannous rule of the Commissioners. They have by this act put the pistol to the heads of the hotel men and as much as if they don't sign the paper they need expect no mercy in May.

One Reformer's View of It.

It is doubtless true that we have been taking money from hotel men for our political fund; we are no worse than the Conservatives, who make the manufacturers "whack up" in the same way. Such was the explanation of one candid Reformer.

From Correspondents.

Editor World: Your continued determination to expose doubtful transactions is a proof of your intrepidity, and independence. Keep at it as hard as you can and you will soon find that not only "The Ontario Government," "The License Commissioners" and other combines will bow to your able dictatorship, but we will be supplied with better sausages and other articles of consumption purer and cheaper than heretofore. You will teach the capitalist that "Honesty is the best policy," and the workingman and poor man will learn how much they are being imposed upon.

A CONSTANT READER.

Editor World: Your work is a noble one in which every honest man should glory and do what he can to help. The ballots used in provincial elections have a small number or figure on each ballot by which Mr. Mowat can tell how his slaves have voted and woe to the tavernkeeper that votes wrong. Is this the ballot?

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Hold an Investigation.

From The Newmarket Era, Jan. 18.

If what The World has recently given to the public touching the general action of the License Commissioners in Toronto be true, or even a tithe of it, the duty of the Government is plain. * * An investigation is hinted at; and in view of somewhat similar charges being preferred in other places besides Toronto, we believe the Government would do a public service by ordering it, while at the same directing enquiry as to a better mode of issuing licenses than now obtains by the Board system.

After carefully perusing what has appeared on this question, we are more than ever convinced that an investigation should take place before a competent and impartial tribunal—said inquest also to be charged with the duty of endeavoring to discover some better system than now obtains. There is no use denying the fact that political taint attaches to the existing method. Both the commissioners and the inspectors are Government appointees; these appointees receive recommendation from partizan supporters of the appointing power, who have more or less "axes to grind." As the years roll by this fact is being more clearly demonstrated, and now is the time to nip the evil before becoming an ulcerated sore on the body politic.

Not Much For Reform.

From The Hamilton Spectator, Jan. 18.

The Toronto World is still whacking away at the whisky commissioner conspiracy; but Little Oliver utters not a word. He is a Reformer who hates reform as his nibs of sheol is said to hate sanctified water.

No Freedom For Hotel Men.

From The Brampton Conservator, Jan. 17.

The World has given a startling exposure to the corrupt dealing of the liquor license boodlers of Toronto. It has been known for years that the Mowat Government, through its minions for the administration of the license law, has been crushing out the independence of all engaged in the sale of liquors, and restricting their political liberties so far that in many counties and towns hotelkeepers dare not act with the freedom enjoyed by other citizens during election times. The World calls upon the Ontario Government to investigate the whole business and apply the remedy.

There is a Need of Reform.

From Last Night's Telegram.

There is need of alteration either in the practices or professions of the Mowat Government. Let it be what it seems to be, or seem to be what it is. From Mr. Mowat down to Arthur Sturges Hardy the members of the Government support a system that works the licensing power for all it is worth politically. What do they gain, then, by forcing the party to add hypocrisy to its other sins? The whitewash of high professions is not thick enough to hide the shady results of their methods.

Seize the Rare Chance.

Commencing to-day Messrs. McKeown & Company offer the ladies of Toronto a rare chance. They have determined not to carry over a dollar's worth of winter's goods, and to close out have so reduced the prices of all their stock that a speedy clearance must be effected. There are special drives in fine dress goods and silks, jackets, dolmans, ulsters, manties, shawls, blankets, hosiery, gloves, etc. The articles are first-class and the reductions bonafide.

A Great Music Hall.

Mr. J. Enoch Thompson announces that he has undertaken the erection of a large music hall to be situated in King-street west, on the other side of the Revere House, and to be controlled by the "Toronto Music Hall Co. (limited)" with a capital stock of $50,000. The plans have been prepared for a building 72x200 feet, and arranged to seat 2500 people.

WENT UNDER THE DON'S ICE

YOUNG WILLIAM WINCHESTER HAS HIS LAST SKATE.

The Ice Was so Weak That no One Dared to Venture on It to Save Him—Boards Were Thrown to Him, But He Could Not Hang to Them.

A young man named William Winchester, aged 18, and living at 27 Saulter-street, was drowned in the new channel of the Don last evening. It was at a quarter to eight that two boys, Thomas Beaver of 496 Parliament-street and Samuel Parkes of 265 Gerrard-street east, went to the Don for the purpose of skating. They had their skates slung over their shoulders and they reached the Don by way of Gerrard-street. As they stood on the west bank they saw a young man coming up the river. At this time the young man was on strong ice, but at a point near where the two boys stood he was seen to suddenly fall through what was weak ice and disappear in the water. He rose to the surface and called for help. The two boys and a man whose name could not be learned tore some slabs off a fence and threw them towards the drowning youth, who for several minutes hung on to the edge of the ice and called out to them, "I'll hold on as long as I can till I get a board."

But none of the boards reached him. While hanging to the ice he called for "Noble!" and "Wood!" evidently two others who had been skating with him. He did his best to hang to the ice and to reach one of the boards thrown to him, but without avail, and the few who stood on the bank and dared not risk their lives on the weak ice saw him let go his grasp and sink into the muddy waters of the Don.

A World reporter was at the scene at half-past nine. There were about one hundred people around, but not one had the slightest idea of whom the unfortunate young man was. There was a gaping hole in the ice. Through this it was that young Winchester met his death. Every effort was made to recover the body. A scow was manned and came down the river through the weak ice, and at 11 o'clock the body was recovered by David Warren, engineer in the brewery of Mr. Thomas Davies.

MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENTS.

Overhead Wires and Other Little Matters.

There was a meeting of the Legislation Committee yesterday afternoon. Present were Ald. Roaf (Chairman), Johnston, Dodds, Swait, Carlyle (St. Thos.) and the City Solicitor. It was decided to apply for the following legislation in addition to the amendments already recommended:

That the works in the new court house and city hall be done under a commission to be appointed by the Council, should the electors vote in favor of the erection of the new building;

That the Municipal Act be amended to provide for the laying of private drains from existing sewers as local improvements, where permanent pavements are to be laid down;

That after Jan. 1, 1890, no person or corporation over which the Parliament of Canada has jurisdiction shall place, erect, keep up or maintain within the limits of the City of Toronto or within such portions thereof as the Council of said city may from time to time by by-law determine, any telegraph, telephone or electric light wires above the surface of the ground, upon, along or over any street, highway, alley, lane, avenue, park or other public place except with the permission of the Council of the said city, to be given by by-laws from time to time passed by said Council thereof.

W. Harris & Co.

In reference to the item in yesterday's World in regard to telephone No. 1135, and an advertisement in an evening paper about dead and worn out animals, Mr. Harris of W. Harris & Co. explains that there is no connection between the dead animals and his business of sausage casings. The firm manufacture fertilizers out of the dead animals away out on the Don and Danforth-road, and thus rid the city of all such carcasses. Their business of sausage casings is carried on at the other address of the firm and they have business connections all over the country. The firm also do a large business in live hogs, buying them in every part of the province and in the States.

The Proposed Law School.

At the meeting of the Osgoode Literary and Legal Society this evening the question of the establishment of a law school for the Province will come up for consideration. An interesting discussion is looked for and a large attendance of students is expected. These questions will be considered:

Shall the law school be established at Toronto or shall branches be established outside of Toronto?

Shall the attendance at the law school be compulsory? and if so for what period; first, for graduates of universities; secondly, for non-graduates; thirdly, for residents of Toronto; fourthly, for non-residents?

The Carnival Once More.

The official program of Montreal Winter Carnival has been issued. Monday, Feb. 4, will be the opening day. The Governor-General and Lady Stanley of Preston will grace the proceedings with their presence and formally open the Ice Palace. Special attractions are arranged for each day of the Carnival, which will extend over six days. Those who have visited Montreal under similar circumstances will be glad to renew the pleasure, and those who have never seen the Ice Palace and the other glories of the carnival will be delighted with a visit thereto.

Sad Fate of a Young Married Man.

Frederick Carnahy, an hostler employed in the Clyde Hotel, died yesterday morning at his late residence, No. 74 Duke-street, under very sad circumstances. While engaged in throwing some fodder to a horse in the hotel stable the animal crushed him up against the wall, injuring him severely. He was taken home, and after lingering in great agony until yesterday passed away. He leaves a widow and three small children, the youngest but six months old.

James Warnock & Co., Galt.

Messrs. James Warnock & Co. of Galt desire to state that the recent fire will make but little difference to their business. They have fitted up other premises for their carriage gear department, and will be able to execute all orders within a week. The edge tool department will be in full running order in a month, when all orders will be promptly attended to.

Petroleum Soap washes without labor. Everybody uses it.

Mr. S. H. Janes' Scholarship.

At the annual meeting of shareholders of the Conservatory of Music, corner Yonge-street and Wilton-avenue, held on Wednesday last, Mr. S. H. Janes offered a scholarship which will entitle whoever is fortunate enough to win it to one year of *free* instruction in the highest grade of the piano department.

A Query.

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Where?
At Dineen's.
King and Yonge-streets.

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Lumbermen to Meet.

At a meeting of the Board of Management of the Lumber Association of Ontario at the Queen's yesterday it was decided to hold the annual meeting of association Feb. 7 at the Board of Trade rooms, Toronto. The meeting will be one of much interest, as the question of the late increases in the export duty in sawlogs and the probable effects thereof on the trade will be discussed.

The balance of our woolen gloves to be sold at a slight advance on manufacturers' prices. A. White, 65 King-street west.

THE PULSE OF TRADE.

Some Improvement in the Situation—Strike Statistics—Why Wheat Dropped.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Ten out of fifteen telegraphic advices to Bradstreet's from the larger distributing centres report a noticeable improvement in the movement of general trade. With few exceptions mercantile collections are no easier. Fears that very unfavorable results will be shown by some expected railroad reports check the other bullish elements in the speculative situation. Bonds are strong and active and investments are in good demand. Money at New York is plentiful and rates are becoming even easier on stock requirements.

There have been thus far in January 33 strikes involving 6865 men, against 60 strikes involving 36,000 men (2300 in the Reading strike) in 1888. Of the 6865 strikers this month 5000 are accounted for by the coal-miners' strike in West Virginia and cigarmakers' strike in New York City. There were 659 strikes reported to Bradstreet's in 1888 involving 267,841 employes, against 884 strikes involving 340,793 employes in 1887.

It is estimated that the total United Kingdom supplies of wheat since Sept. 1 have been sufficient to increase stocks there 10,834,000 bushels, allowing for 4,000,000 bushels weekly consumption. The outlook is for stocks larger than the normal average on April 1 next. The United States Government report of 10,000,000 bushels more wheat in the 1888 crop than had been announced in previous reports, together with the large stocks abroad, broke the wheat market 3½c.

The Week's Failures.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Business failures during the last seven days, as reported to Dun, Wiman & Co., number for the United States 284 and for Canada 46, a total of 330 against 381 last week and 387 the week previous. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 314, made up of 276 in the United States and 38 in Canada.

The New Officers of the Trades Council.

President Parr was in the chair last night at the meeting in Central Labor Hall of the Trades Council. There was the usual protest against immigration. The proposal for an assistant police magistrate was condemned. These officers were elected:

President—W. H. Parr.
Vice-President—H. T. Benson.
Recording Secretary—George W. Dower.
Financial Secretary—R. J. Whitton.
Treasurer—Charles March.
Sergeant-at-Arms—W. Wilson.
Librarian—T. Webb.
Legislative Committee—C. Marsh, D. J. O'Donoghue, R. J. Glocking, G. Harris, H. Southwell.
Municipal Committee—G. Watson, J. A. Mayrhoffer, John Armstrong, R. Hutchison, R. O. McKeown.
Educational Committee—Not elected.
Trustees—Not elected.
Auditors—R. J. Glocking, R. O. McKeown, M. C. Lee.

Development at the Canadian Sault.

For many years past Sault Ste. Marie has been regarded as the place for Canadian manufactures, but owing to a variety of circumstances its development has been retarded. A short time ago a company was formed to provide water, light and power generally. They have completed arrangements and are now working at the canal. By the middle of summer they will be enabled to supply water power to manufacturers at a rate cheaper than any on this continent. The position of the Sault as a distributing power is unrivalled, and its importance as a shipping port, both by railway and water, is assured. From a national point of view the project is important. An American company has been organized for a similar purpose, but the Canadian association has got ahead of them. There is no reason why this advance should not be retained and the Canadian Sault be as great a centre of manufactures as the American.

From Asia to Europe.

Last night St. Phillip's school-house was too small to accommodate the numbers who came to hear Mr. Armstrong's lecture on "Max O'Rell's Journey from Asia to Europe through Canada." Dr. Harley Smith, in introducing the lecturer, referred to the growth of our young nation and the benefit of becoming more thoroughly acquainted with Canada's resources and treasures. Mr. Armstrong is a loyal Canadian and educated his audience in Canadian loyalty by his realistic views of our wonderful scenery and his vivid descriptions of places and events recorded in Canadian history.

The Stationary Engineers.

The stationary engineers met last night in Shaftesbury Hall. President Wickens was in the chair. A lengthy discussion took place on the tensile strength of boiler plate. Attention was drawn to a letter which appeared in a city paper a few days ago and which condemned the practice of leaving the care of boilers to inexperienced persons during certain hours, especially those boilers which are placed in the basement under the sidewalk, where an explosion might be attended with disastrous results to the passers-by.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

Mme. Albani Will be at the Pavilion on Feb 11—Other Amusements.

The event to which the music-loving people of Toronto are looking forward anxiously is the forthcoming appearance of Mme. Albani, at the Pavilion, on Monday evening, Feb. 11th. Mme. Albani will be supported by her own magnificent concert company, including Miss Damian, contralto, Sig. Massimi, tenor, Mr. Barrington Foote, basso, Mons. Prume, violin, and Sig. Bevignani, conductor. The prices have been fixed at $1, $2, $3 and $4 according to location, and the sale of seats will open at A. & S. Nordheimer's music store Jan. 28, at 10 a.m.

Mme. Albani and her superb company are being brought here by Manager O. B. Sheppard of the Grand Opera House, to whose nervy good judgment Toronto people owe this opportunity to see so many stars of the musical and dramatic world. This plucky young prince of Canadian managers made a bluff at fortune with a $7500 guarantee to bring Henry Irving here and guaranteed a like amount for the last appearance of Mme. Patti her. It is a fact that he made money on both performances, but he had the courage to run the risk of losing on the engagements, which is more than the managers in Buffalo, Montreal and other large cities would do. In his present engagement with the famous cantatrice and her great company, he is also running the risk of losing several thousand dollars.

Martha at the Grand.

The Kellogg Opera Co. gave another fine performance last night when "Martha" was presented to an audience that occupied nearly every seat on the floor and the first gallery and several of the godly chairs. The cast was:

Lionel.....Thos. H. Persse.
Plunkett.....H. Hovemen.
Tristan.....Syrian Langlois.
Sheriff.....J. Frank Hadley.
Nancy.....Fanny A. Myers.
Martha.....Clara Louise Kellogg.

Miss Kellogg scored a grand success in what was perhaps the most pleasing and popular opera of the week. Mr. "Tom" Persse repeated his triumph of a night or so before, and the rest of the cast sang their best and contributed towards what was a most pleasing performance. "Carmen" will be sung this afternoon at the matinee and "Faust" this evening.

"Mazeppa" at the Toronto Next Week.

It is a long time since "Mazeppa," the drama tization of Byron's famous poem, has been presented in Toronto. The management of the Toronto Opera House announces it for next week, and the old-time drama will be given in its best shape by a good company.

Amusement Notes.

The ever popular Kate Castleton opens a week's engagement at the Grand Opera House Monday evening in her new comedy, "A Paper Doll."

"Pop" Sellers, manager for Mrs. McKee Rankin, leaves the city to-day for San Francisco to make arrangements for his summer tour.

"The Pirates of Panzance" is on the boards for an early date. A large meeting of the members of the Harmony Club was held Thursday afternoon and it was decided to produce that opera as soon as possible.

One of the best concerts of the season will be held in the Horticultural Gardens on Thursday evening next. The object of the concert is to assist in paying the debt on the new St. Paul's Church and the Rev. Father Morris, the pastor, is certainly deserving of assistance in the building of so fine an edifice. The following ladies and gentlemen will take part: Miss Higgins, Miss Katie Roan, Mrs. Pelley, Signori Dinetti, Mr. Dinsmock, Mr. Warrington and Mr. Ramsay. The concert will be under the direction of Mr. F. H. Torrington.

A GLADSTONIAN VICTORY.

THE UNIONISTS DEFEATED IN THE GOVAN DIVISION.

Liberals Elated by the Result of the London County Elections—Provisions of the German East Africa Bill—French Strikers Set Fire to a Factory.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—In the parliamentary election in the Govan division to-day Wilson (Gladstonian) received 4420 votes and Pender (Unionist) 3349. In the last contest Perce (Conservative) received 3574 and Dickson (Gladstonian) 3212.

The London County elections have been completed. Of the 118 members 70 are Reformers, including Lord Rosebery, Sir John Lubbock, Lady Sandhurst, Mr. Harris of the Drury Theatre and the socialist Burns, and 48 are independents. The contests did not involve politics, but the large proportion of the Liberals returned causes rejoicing in the party, as indicating a change of opinion in the metropolis. All the candidates who were members of the board of works associated with the recent plunder revelations were rejected.

The Parnell Commission.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—When the Parnell Commission met this morning R. T. Reid, M.P., one of the counsel for the Parnellites, called the attention of the court to a placard issued by The Sheffield Telegraph, on which are printed the words, "The League murdering," "Confession in open court." Justice Hannen requested that the matter be embodied in an affidavit and submitted to the court.

The taking of evidence was then resumed. Captain Plunkett, chief of the Cork police, testified as to the perpetration of outrages. He said he knew of no support given to tenants in their non-payment of rent and resistance to eviction except that given by the Land and National Leagues. Matters had improved since the passage of the Coercion Act. Captain Plunkett on cross-examination created a sensation by stating that he had heard Father O'Connor, the parish priest of Firies, denounce at a cattle sale a farmer named Curtin and that a week later the farmer was murdered. Father O'Connor did not name Curtin, but he alluded to him in such a way that there could be no mistake as to whom he meant. Replying to Mr. Davitt the witness admitted that he had met secretly in Cork in 1883 the Irish-American McDermott. He declined to say whether or not he knew McDermott as a paid agent of the police. French, the head of the detective force, also met McDermott. The witness did not know that French had paid McDermott money to concoct dynamite plots.

Referring to the further disclosure of documents Mr. Asquith, of counsel for Mr. Parnell, said that after a consultation with Sir Charles Russell it had been decided not to press the inspection of the alleged facsimile letters of Mr. Parnell.

The German East Africa Bill.

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—The East Africa bill was submitted to the Bunderath to-day. It is entitled "A bill for the protection of German interests and combatting the slave trade in East Africa." It asks a grant of 2,000,000 marks. The task of executing the provisions of the bill is entrusted to a commission which shall have the right to supervise the proceedings of the East Africa company. Regarding the proposed expedition the bill authorizes the Chancellor to draw the necessary money from the Imperial funds.

Riotous French Strikers.

PARIS, Jan. 18.—Strikers at Origuy are resorting to riotous demonstrations. They have set fire to one factory and seriously damaged others. A detachment of soldiers has been sent to suppress the rioters.

AMBITIOUS CITY NOTES.

A Chicken Thief Sentenced—Boy Larcenists—A Freight Car Derailed.

HAMILTON, Jan. 18.—At the County Court to-day Samuel Williams was convicted of stealing game cocks and sentenced to six months in the Central Prison. Maud Crawford was found guilty of stealing a gentleman's night shirt from the yard of the Victoria hotel and sentenced to six months in prison. Vincent Conley pleaded guilty to the larceny of a pipe and revolver in Dundas on Jan. 11. He was sentenced to six months in the Central.

David Young and Ralph Cole, two 13-year-old larcenists, were sent to jail for a month by Police Magistrate Cahill this morning.

At the Assizes to-day the cases of Carter v. Disney and Cockbin v. Disney were on trial. These are actions brought by William Carter and John Cockbin, of this city, against Bishop Disney, of Chatham, for arrears of salary, the plaintiffs having been engaged by Bishop Disney in 1882 to go to England with the Canadian Jubilee Singers.

Between 400 and 500 men are employed on city work. About 160 are cracking stone, over 100 are employed on the east end sewer, 50 are working at the quarry and the balance are at work in various parts of the city.

This morning a car of special freight on the Grand Trunk railway was derailed by a broken wheel about a mile west of Toronto Junction. The accommodation train going west was delayed about 30 minutes by the accident.

Valancey E. Fuller has retired from the law firm of Fuller, Nesbitt & Bicknell.

Oatmeal Mill at Fergus Burnt.

FERGUS, Jan. 18.—A disastrous fire took place here this morning, shortly after 7 o'clock, whereby James Wilson's oatmeal mill was burned to the ground, with all the machinery and most of the contents. The fire is supposed to have originated from a heated journal and the inflammable material made it impossible to save the building. Two years ago this mill was destroyed by fire. Mr. Wilson rebuilt, and ever since has been expending large sums of money on it. The insurance will not begin to cover the loss.

Impersonated the Messiah.

BELVIDERE, N.J., Jan. 18.—The jury in the case of M. Nason Hunteman, indicted for impersonating the Son of God, allowing his followers to pay him divine honors and passing judgment on those for whom he conceived a dislike, brought in a verdict of guilty last night. The court this morning sentenced him to six months in the county jail and to pay $100 fine and the cost of prosecution. The prisoner made a speech setting forth that his life was in keeping with the life of Christ and the apostles, and that he stood ready to suffer anything for his religious belief.

New York Cigarmakers on Strike.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—All the cigar makers employed in forty Havana cigar manufactories in the city struck to-day against a reduction of $2 per 1000 which the bosses made eighteen months ago. The strikers are mostly Cubans with a sprinkling of Americans and Spaniards. Four firms gave in to the demands of the men.

COL. J. M. GIBSON IS CALLED.

The Eminent Hamiltonian Appointed Provincial Secretary—A Cabinet Shift.

That the Ontario Cabinet will shortly be "reconstructed" about one hundred little canaries continue to sing to young men of The World. It is now definitely known that poor Mr. Pardee will never take his seat again among the ministers.

Col. J. M. Gibson of Hamilton will undoubtedly be taken in, and the "reconstructed" Cabinet should be about like this:

Premier and Attorney-General—Hon. Oliver Mowat.
Commissioner of Crown Lands—Hon. A. S. Hardy.
Commissioner of Public Works—Hon. C. F. Fraser.
Provincial Treasurer—Hon. A. M. Ross.
Minister of Education—Hon. G. W. Ross.
Minister of Agriculture—Hon. Charles Drury.
Provincial Secretary—Col. J. M. Gibson, Hamilton.

The canaries who sang The World this information also sing that they will wager dollars to doughnuts that they sing correctly.

The above was printed in The World on Nov. 13 last. At a meeting of Mr. Mowat's Cabinet yesterday afternoon it was promulgated to the very letter. Col. Gibson of Hamilton was sworn in as Provincial Secretary and Hon. A. S. Hardy takes Mr. Pardee's portfolio in the Crown Lands Department. The House will meet for business next Thursday with a complete cabinet. The World regrets to learn that the health of Hon. T. B. Pardee has not improved any of late, and it is not likely that the hon. gentleman will ever again sit in the House. An election will be held in Hamilton at once. Col. Gibson returned to the Ambitious City last evening.

COL. J. M. GIBSON.

The Colonel's Lucky Record.

Col. John Morrison Gibson, the new Minister, is a successful and popular man.

When a student at Toronto University he was both successful in the class list and popular with his fellow-students, and ever since his graduation he has taken a more or less prominent part in University affairs.

As a law student and lawyer he rapidly rose to a lucrative practice.

As a volunteer he rose from private to the colonelcy in the 13th Battalion of Hamilton. And not only was he at the head of the regiment but he was its best shot and distinguished himself on several occasions at Wimbledon.

As a member of the Masonic body he has occupied most of the prominent offices in the gift of the craft.

In the Legislature from the first he was marked out as a rising man. He is one of the most popular members of the House, where he has also been of great service to his leaders and to his party.

No matter in what direction you look up the record of the new Provincial Secretary you will find that he has always been successful, has always made friends and what is still more remarkable, has always retained his friends and connections. He is very much like the proverbial cat; he always lights on his feet.

The World congratulates Col. Gibson on his deserved recognition by his leader and his party.

Hamilton should also be congratulated on the realization of its much-longed-for desire, the possession of a cabinet minister. The Conservatives of that burg cannot do better than to permit Col. Gibson's re-election by acclamation.

DINEEN'S CLEARING SALE.

A Store Full of Bargains.

A lot of genuine gray squirrel lined circulars worth thirty and thirty-five dollars will be sold at twenty-five. Dineen wants to clear out the goods before stocktaking. They have twenty-five very choice seal mantles on hand, all sizes, that will be sold very cheap. Also a lot of extra quality seal muffs and capes that can be got as a bargain if any is wanted. About half a dozen seal walking jackets and dolmans are marked down to a price that ought to tempt any young lady. Din en is one of the largest manufacturers in the city, and the class of goods that is turned out by them is of the highest standard. The public can depend upon bargains at this stock-taking sale. The store is on the corner of King and Yonge-sts.

Petroleum soap, six cents a bar. Try it.

A Prosperous Sunday School.

The third anniversary entertainment of the Massey Memorial Union Sabbath School was held in the hall at the Massey Works last evening, when a large and appreciative audience listened to an excellent program of songs and recitations rendered by the children of the school. At the close of the entertainment the prizes were presented. The annual statement shows that the school, under the management of Mr. J. G. Turton, superintendent, and a staff of teachers, has grown in a satisfactory manner, the membership having increased from 40 three years ago to 250.

Bismarck's Irritable Mood.

Bismarck made no less than nine speeches in the course of Tuesday's colonial debate in the Reichstag. As the Prince is now in an exceedingly nervous and irritable state it would perhaps be well for the peace of Europe if the opposition would bestow upon him a few of those new English full dress shirts that quinn opened up to-day.

Ask your grocer for Petroleum Soap.

The West End One Price Clothing House.

T. K. Rogers, the proprietor of the handsome premises at 420 Queen-street west known as the One Price Clothing House, still continues to do a rushing business. Residents in the West End will not need to come down town to buy their wearing apparel while Mr. Rogers continues to anticipate the wants of his customers as he has heretofore done.

The Colonel's Court.

The Police Magistrate yesterday sentenced Ellen Sullivan to 40 days for theft of dress goods from Messrs. John Ryan & Co. For stealing a copy of The World newspaper from an office-door in Jarvis-street Joseph McCoy was sent to jail for five days. Inspector Archibold preferred a charge against Caterer Harry Webb of violating the liquor law by the furnishing of wines at the Board of Trade dinner at the Pavilion. No evidence was heard and the case was adjourned till Tuesday.

You can now see the "Battle of Sedan" for 25 cents. Don't miss this wonderful sight.

C. & J. Allen will hold another series of Auction Sales in their spacious premises, 29 King-street west, commencing Monday, the 21st inst., at 3 o'clock, and each afternoon during the week. As this well-known firm are positively retiring from business, great bargains may be expected; private sales will be conducted in the morning.

The Sheffield House Importing Co. (Registered), 65 Yonge-street (below King). Best English silver plate suitable for wedding, complimentary and birthday gifts. C. E. Robinson, Manager. 246

To Rent—The warehouse lately occupied by Alexander & Co., 110 Bay-street, immediately in rear of Mail Buildings; splendid light; good hoist. Rent moderate. Apply 110 Bay-street.

A Cold Wave Coming.

Prepare for it. Great clearing for 30 days. Overcoats and suits to order and ready-made at ruinous prices. $5-pants for $3.50. Heavy underwear equally low. The British Arms Clothing Store, 221 Yonge-street, corner Shuter-street. R. Baker & Company.

Simply delicious—Adams' Tutti Frutti.

Ancient Time Pieces.

Valuable watches, no matter how old, remodeled and modernized, by inserting the most perfect escapement and compensation balance known in horology. E. Boston high-grade watch specialist, opposite Post-office. 246

MR. MERCIER'S COMBINE.

DISINTEGRATION SAID TO BE RAPIDLY APPROACHING.

The Force of the Riel Agitation Spent—Conservatives Returning to the Party Fold—Le Soleil's Significant Editorials—Preparing for General Elections.

MONTREAL, Jan. 18.—It looks as if the Riel agitation had about spent its force and as if the Nationalist combination is going to pieces. J. B. Rouillard, secretary of the Club Cartier, who at the time of the Riel trial abandoned the Conservative party and since then has been working most energetically for Premier Mercier in all elections in the district of Montreal and Richelieu, and who is the proprietor of Le Sud, which has been up to the present a supporter of the combination at Quebec, has jumped the traces. This journal has come out with two editorials predicting the downfall of the present administration. In one of these it said:

"'Place a beggar on horseback and he will ride to the devil.' Political events of the time bring to mind this popular saying. Since the radicals of the Liberal school see their chief at the head of the Government they imagine themselves returned to the Joly Government, confounding the latter for the former."

The second article is headed, "Decadence—Downfall," and says:

"We would never have believed that Mr. Mercier, chief of the present Government, would allow himself to be guided and influenced by a clique wanting in respect. We see with regret the far too subtle majority of the House, guiding itself by this clique, attempting to whitewash Mr. McShane as shamefully condemned by the tribunals, while at the same time we see the Legislative Council expelling from his seat Hon. Mr. Lavallee, who was maintained last year. How are we to explain these two measures? We understand members and councillors may change their opinion even in the House on a question of administration. But in this case of the Legislative Council, we ask ourselves what can be the reason. All this is very sad and miserable, and in it we see the beginning of the end."

The Quebec correspondent of La Press—presumed to be Mr. Nantel, M.P.P.—states that Mr. Mercier is preparing for general elections; that he will do so while the Commons is sitting at Ottawa, in order to take the Conservatives unawares. It says that the proceeds of Mercier's loan are all gone, that he needs a new loan of at least $3,000,000 to pay off subsidies voted by him to railways.

The statement that grave dissensions exist in the Cabinet and party is corroborated by well-informed politicians. It is given on the best authority that quite a phalanx is now