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THE REFORM CONVENTION OFF.

It has been the generally expressed wish of Liberals throughout Ontario that the convention called for the 18th and 19th of the present month should be postponed, as on these days the parties will be in the thick of the battle, and the active Reformers who would be chosen as delegates are the very men whose services will be most required in their own constituencies. It has therefore been decided to declare the convention off for the present.

THE LIBERAL LEADER CONFIDENT.

TORONTO, Feb. 6.—The Hon. Wilfrid Laurier visited the city yesterday and received a magnificent ovation at the Reform Club. He left again last night for Montreal. His reports of the outlook in Quebec are of the most encouraging character.

RETURNING OFFICERS.

OTTAWA, Feb. 6.—The following are appointed returning officers in the coming Dominion elections: Grey, N. R., A. M. Stephens; Halton, C. Freeman, M.D.; Grey, S. R., Geo. L. McCaul; Grey, E. R., Andrew Grier; North Wellington, W. White; Center Wellington, E. O'Connor; East Toronto, Thos. McMullen; Toronto West, W. H. Murray; Muskoka, W. Fry; South Simcoe, Lieut.-Col. Banting; Peel, Robt. Broddy; North York, Jas. Rogers; Kent, N. B., W. Whiten; Lincoln, J. E. Cuff; Welland, Wm. Bochner; Monck, John Henderson; Haldimand, G. E. Reichald; North Wentworth, M. B. Thomas; South Wentworth, W. G. Fletcher; West Ontario, E. G. Freel, M.D.; South Ontario, J. H. Perry; Hamilton, G. H. Mills; York West, R. D. McKenzie; York East, R. M. Garland; South Wellington, F. J. Chadwick.

THE ONTARIO REFORM CLUB—SIR RICHARD'S ADDRESS.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Reform Club at Toronto is usually a quiet affair, devoted mainly to routine. But the club does not usually have its meeting at the opening of a great political campaign, nor have the members of the club ever before had the pleasure, as they had yesterday, of receiving at an annual meeting the loved and honored leader of the party. The meeting was called for 2 o'clock and the call was responded to by a large assembly of leading Liberals, the flower of the party in the city. The meeting was called to order by Sir Richard Cartwright, president of the club. Sir Richard Cartwright referred to the crisis in political affairs which had been precipitated by the Government's action in dissolving the House. In respect of that dissolution he made abundantly clear the position taken by true Liberals. The object of the dissolution is clearly not what is pretended by the Government, but partly to avoid coming complications arising out of their own mal-administration and corruption, and partly to take advantage of their opponents and snatch a verdict. Inasmuch as the dissolution is ordered in the face of solemn pledges that no such step would be taken until the census had been completed and any necessary readjustment made, and inasmuch as it has defranchised many thousands of young men by reason of the suspension of the list-revision under the odious Franchise Act, Liberals protest against the election as a subversion of the constitution and an invasion of popular rights. But inasmuch as it brings about an appeal to the country, which they do not fear, they intend to fight the Government on the plain lines of an honest, workable policy of extension of trade relations, as against the sham proposed by the Government, which cannot and is not intended to result in any good to the country, but only to deceive the country into a further term of vassalage to the combines.

MR. LAURIER SPEAKS.

During Sir Richard's remarks Mr. Laurier entered. His appearance was the signal for tremendous applause. Before resuming his seat Sir Richard spoke in very warm terms of his friend and co-worker, and closed by proposing that Mr. Laurier be made an honorary life member of the club. This proposal was the signal for a spontaneous rising vote. Mr. Laurier declared that the Liberals were in better shape for the contest than their opponents were. He spoke particularly of his own Province of Quebec, which naturally he knows best, and was tremendously applauded as he said that there the Government would meet a decided reverse. He confirmed the reports which have been received here by the press of the Tory disintegration and the Liberal hopefulness and unanimity, Mr. Mercier, he said, would take off his coat and go to work and would be ardently supported by the members of his Cabinet. Mr. Laurier expressed the hope that the members of the Liberal Government of Ontario would do in this Province what Mr. Mercier and his friends were doing in Quebec.

At the conclusion of the general meeting the directors assembled and elected the following officers: President, Sir Richard Cartwright; first vice-president, G. B. Smith, M.P.P.; second vice-president, Joseph Tait, M.P.P.; treasurer, John Flett; secretary, E. Dickie.

EAST LAMBTON REFORMERS.

WATFORD, Feb. 6.—The East Lambton Reformers will hold a convention in Watford on Thursday, Feb. 12, when a candidate to contest the riding will be placed in the field. The party is well organized and ready for the fray, and the prospects are excellent for redeeming the riding and wheeling East Lambton into its former proud position among the banner Reform constituencies in Ontario.

TORY CANDIDATES AGAINST RECIPROCITY.

OTTAWA, Feb. 6.—It is asserted by one of Mr. Colby's intimate friends here that the president of the Council will resign from the Cabinet when he returns from England and finds the Government trying to stand on a platform of reciprocity with the United States in natural products, a policy which Mr. Colby denounced in Parliament as one calculated to ruin the farmers of Canada.

THE TORONTO COMPLICATION.

It is stated on good authority that Col. F. C. Denison will not be acceptable to the Conservative convention, and that the Government will allow him to be set aside. Sir John Macdonald postponed making his speech in Toronto Thursday night in order to consult first with Sir Charles Tupper as to how much or how little he will say as to reciprocity in natural products.

SOUTH BRANT.

BRANTFORD, Feb. 6.—Last night the Young Liberals met to complete their organization and hear an address by Mr. William Paterson. The Reform Association are taking full steps to perfect organization. A canvass of the leading manufacturers shows the great majority as strong supporters of Mr. Paterson. The Conservatives seem to think that they are at a disadvantage in the voters' lists which must be used. They have not yet announced a date for the selection of a candidate. The Liberal convention on Saturday is sure to be an enthusiastic meeting, and if other constituencies do as good work as South Brant is certain to do the Tories will be buried on March 5.

NORTH BRUCE.

PORT ELGIN, Feb. 6.—On account of the dissolution the Liberals of North Bruce have their hands full in having both the Local and Dominion elections now going on, but they are buckling on their armor in earnest for the fight. Although this is one of the shamefully gerrymandered constituencies for the Commons, with a good candidate they have every prospect of carrying the riding. A convention has been called to meet in the village of Wiarton on Tuesday next to select a candidate. The greatest enthusiasm prevails in the ranks, and it will be seen that in both the Local and Dominion issues this grand old Reform riding will give a good account of itself.

NOTHUMBERLAND.

Hon. Peter Mitchell received a telegram from Newcastle, Northumberland county, informing him that he had been unanimously selected as their candidate by the Liberals of that county. The Liberal party of that county is more solidified than at any time since 1867. Men who opposed Mr. Mitchell at last election are with him now.

Edward Cochrane, M.P., is nominated by the Conservatives of East Northumberland.

SIR JOHN'S HUMBUG ISSUE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—There is considerable comment here on the following utterances of the leading Republican organ in New York, the Tribune: "It is safe to say that Sir John Macdonald's appeal to the constituencies at this time and on the humbug issue he has presented is a reflection, and a gross one, upon the intelligence of the Canadian electors. Why, he might just as well ask them to approve a railway to the moon as a scheme of partial reciprocity with the United States. He knows he is engaged in nothing more dignified than a humpty-dumpty show."

EAST ELGIN.

ST THOMAS, Feb. 6.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of Liberals was held Wednesday night in J. M. Glenn's office. The old Traders' Bank building has been secured as headquarters. Committees have been appointed and the work of the campaign actively commenced. The Liberals of East Elgin are enthusiastic, and it looks as though they will carry the riding again by a largely increased majority. It is expected that the convention will be called for Tuesday next.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

St. John Conservatives are in an unhappy plight, and so far have not succeeded in procuring candidates. Mr. Foster declined to leave King's county. The Liberals feel confident of winning. D. McLeod Vince, whom the Conservatives have nominated for Carleton county, is a weak man. He was defeated in 1887 by 1,119 votes. The Liberals have not yet nominated a man.

Peter Mitchell is at Northumberland to carry on the campaign against Michael Adams, whom he defeated by 746 votes in 1887.

In Restigouche county George Moffat will probably be opposed to R. B. Haddow, Liberal. A meeting of the Liberals will be held on Saturday.

Narcisse A. Landry is spoken of as the opponent of Kennedy F. Burns in Gloucester county.

A. H. Gillmor says Charlotte county will return him no matter what candidate the Conservatives put in the field. The Conservatives meet on the 10th, and J. D. Chipman will doubtless be chosen to oppose Mr. Gillmor.

Mr. Baird has not yet signified his intention to run for Queen's county.

NORTH NORFOLK.

SIMCOE, Feb. 5.—Many Norfolk county Reformers think the Toronto convention should not be held. They feel that the time that would be devoted to it can be better spent. The Liberals of North Norfolk have changed the meeting to have been held in Simcoe to a convention to be held on Thursday, Feb. 12, in the opera house, Waterford, when a candidate to contest the riding for the Commons will be chosen.

"A PRESSING MATTER OF STATE."

It is announced that "a pressing matter of state will prevent Sir John Macdonald from attending the meeting at the Toronto Auditorium on Friday evening."

NOTES.

Mr. P. Purcell, M.P., Glengarry, says he will run again in Glengarry.

The Government printing office is working day and night on the "instructions to returning officers."

A delegation from North Victoria has gone to Ottawa to invoke the Old Man's aid in side-tracking Mr. Sam Hughes, who they say will not have the ghost of a show in that riding.

Mr. Tarte's attacks upon Mr. McGreevy have been utilized by the Liberals. They now form a campaign document. It is convenient when a party is able to provide itself with provender supplied entirely by the other side.

Mr. Chapleau, who has been charged with deceiving the Opposition on the subject of an early dissolution, explains that "At first I thought the elections might well be postponed, but now I see the infallibility of Sir John's judgment."

It appears that the Reformers of West Northumberland were not hypnotized by Mr. Chapleau's statement about the voters' lists, but went to work and had them revised, while the Conservatives laughed at them for their pains. The laugh is on the other side at present.—[Mail.

Mr. Domville is out against Hon. G. E. Foster for Kings, N. B.

Sheriff Murray, of Pembroke, will be the Liberal candidate in Pontiac.

Mr. Alonzo Wright, ex-M.P., declines to offer himself for re-election in Ottawa county.

L. Z. Mallette, contractor for the Langevin Block, Ottawa, will oppose Hugh McMillan, M.P., in Vaudreuil.

The local election in Hamilton will occur on Tuesday, Feb. 24.

There is no truth in the report that Mr. Goldwin Smith intends to stand for West Toronto.

Mr. Trenholme, Q.C., is mentioned as a probable opponent of Sir Donald Smith in Montreal West.

Mr. A. E. Poirier will probably run for Napierville and bring back the county, beguiled by Chapleau's false reciprocity cry.

Mr. McIntyre, the well-known Ottawa barrister, and a Glengarrian who was in Montreal Thursday, said there was no question about carrying Glengarry for the Liberal party.

LIBERAL CONVENTIONS.

Feb. 7—South Brant at Brantford.
Feb. 7—Centre Wellington at Fergus.
Feb. 7—North Grey at Owen Sound.
Feb. 7—Centre Wellington at Fergus.
Feb. 9—East Huron at Brussels.
Feb. 9—West Middlesex at Glencoe.
Feb. 9—North Wentworth at Dundas.
Feb. 10—West Lambton at Sarnia.
Feb. 10—North Bruce at Wiarton.
Feb. 10—Lincoln at St. Catharines.
Feb. 10—South Wellington at Guelph.
Feb. 11—North Simcoe at Stayner.
Feb. 11—North Perth at Listowel.
Feb. 12—North Norfolk at Simcoe.
Feb. 12—South Norfolk at ———.
Feb. 12—West Huron at Dungannon.
Feb. 12—North Norfolk at Simcoe.
Feb. 14—North Oxford at Woodstock.
Feb. 16—South Waterloo at Galt.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTIONS.

Feb. 7—West Toronto at St. Andrew's Hall.
Feb. 10—Haldimand at Cayuga.
Feb. 10—North Grey at Owen Sound.
Feb. 11—South Wellington at Guelph.
Feb. 12—North Middlesex at Ailsa Craig.
Feb. 12—Lincoln at St. Catharines.

BORDER STATE BRIEFS.

An Ottawa country exchange last week spoke of one of the young men of that place as being a member of a "large theol class at the university. The compositor set it up "sheol."

Petitions are being circulated in Sanilac county for presentation before the State Legislature asking for an appropriation of $5,000, to be expended in the construction of an immense drain to extend from the source of Black River in such a survey as to render arable hundreds of acres of rich marsh lands now practically worthless.

Bessie, the 9-year-old daughter of John Bevelhammer, while returning from school on the railroad track north of Mendora recently, got her foot fast between the rail and a plank and remained in a condition until discovered by the engineer of the evening train south, who stopped his train and released the child from a perilous condition by unbuttoning her shoe and removing her foot therefrom.

Count Waldersee's Fall.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—In military circles it is maintained that Count Von Waldersee's fall was due to his adverse criticism of Emperor William's leadership in the cavalry attack made during the autumn manoeuvers of the army.

Roasted and Scalded.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Lucy Smith, a 5-year-old daughter of Lyman Smith, residing near this city, upset a stove while playing. While the coals from the stove roasted her lower limbs a kettle of boiling water, which was capsized, scalded the upper part of her body. She died in great agony yesterday.

Murder on a Train.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—While a train was proceeding east yesterday from Irun, on the Spanish side of the frontier—a small French town, a run of only five minutes—a gentleman, who occupied a compartment in a first-class carriage, was thrown from the train into the river and drowned. The assassin escaped.

Gone to His Father's Cell.

COLDWATER, Mich., Feb. 5.—About 30 years ago the father of Edward Canfield, the murderer of the State school girl, Nellie Griffin, was convicted in the Circuit Court of this county for killing his wife. He was a drunken, ugly brute, and while riding with her in a sleigh one cold winter night got into a dispute with her, knocked her out into the snow, and drove off, leaving her to get home, about two miles, as best she could. She was a frail woman and in delicate health, and barely succeeded in reaching home before she died. He was sent to the State Prison at Jackson for life, but after serving a few years, and when about to die of consumption, was pardoned by the Governor.

Death from a Fall.

HAMILTON, Ont., Feb. 5.—W. D. Booker, secretary of the Victoria Mutual Fire Insurance Company, died from the effects of a fall yesterday afternoon. As he was going to the office he fell on James street, striking the back of his head on the sidewalk. He went on to the office, and there complained of a headache, but continued with his duties. Shortly afterwards he was heard to fall and was found lying on the floor and bleeding from a wound on the left side of the head. An hour later he was dead. Death resulted from a rupture of the blood vessels in the head. Deceased was about 62 years of age, and one of Hamilton's most respected citizens. He was for years secretary of the Victoria Mutual, and was an active official in the James Street Baptist Church.

A Minister's Opinion.

At a meeting of the Associated Charities of Toronto recently, Rev. Hugh Johnston, a leading Methodist minister, said: "Then there is the tariff system, which seems to be impoverishing the great masses, and if matters go on we will have to get around some big soup pot."

To insure satisfactory results Strong's Baking Powder should always be used, as all baking powders are not of uniform strength and some are not pure. This powder is made fresh daily and sold only at Strong's Drug Store, 184 Dundas street; price, 25 cents per pound. 24tf

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE WORLD OF WORK.

C. P. R. Conductors Want More Pay—Peddlers Strike—Assisted Immigration Disapproved.

The Canadian Pacific Railway authorities have received a demand from their conductors for more pay.

The peddlers at Birdsboro and Pottstown, Pa., have struck against a reduction in their wages.

About 9,000 coal miners in the vicinity of Belleville, Ill., struck Tuesday for an advance in wages.

A reduction of 10 per cent. has been made in the wages of employes of the Emma blast furnace at Cleveland, O.

In consequence of the ship owners taking hostile legislation, the London docks joint committee have abandoned discharging ships, and a conflict between the dockers and the shipowners has commenced. The latter will be compelled to organize a staff of 2,500 loaders and unloaders to meet the ordinary demands of the port of London.

A deputation from the Toronto Trades and Labor Council waited upon the members of the Central Farmers' Institute in session in the city, and a cordial welcome was tendered the representatives of labor. Mr. Jury spoke upon the subject of free trade and assisted immigration, and expressed the strenuous opposition of the labor men and labor combinations to the principle of assisted immigration. A resolution was passed at the meeting agreeing cordially with the opinions expressed by Mr. Jury on the question.

MONTREAL, Feb. 6.—A deputation of C. P. R. trainmen were closeted with Mr. Van Horne, the president, until after 11 o'clock last night. They refused to divulge the result, but it is understood that Mr. Van Horne declined to entertain their proposals and a strike may ensue.

A general strike has been declared at Cardiff among the dock laborers. The trouble is serious and likely to result in another long struggle between capital and labor. Every coal tip in Cardiff is idle, and strikers' pickets are guarding the entrance to all of the docks. The entire police force of Cardiff is on duty.

KEEP THEM IN MIND.

The Figures Are Numerous, But Here Is How To Do It.

"I don't know anything about your systematic ways of training the memory," said a man yesterday, "but there are certain simple mnemonics which I make use of, and which I find valuable oftentimes in keeping me from going astray. For example, I never have any trouble in remembering how 'Mississippi' is spelled, for I have firmly fixed in my memory this combination, which has been there, in fact, from my childhood, 'Miss-iss-ipp-i'—that is to say whenever I have occasion to spell 'Mississippi,' I say mentally or otherwise, 'M-i-double s, i-double s, i-double p i.'

"If I had been taught in the modern schools I suppose 'double s' would have been ruled out; you know they say 's—s' in such cases now-a-days; so while my method does admirably for me, it probably won't do at all in the cases of my children. In very much the same way I remember the orthography of Cincinnati. My mnemonic is as follows: 'C[illegible] double [illegible]' But what I wa[illegible] application of this pr[illegible] population of the United Sta[illegible] announced the other day. For [illegible] ten years there is not a ma[illegible] child in the country who will [illegible] remember the exact population [illegible] by the census bureau.

"But how many [illegible],250 do you suppose will be ab[illegible] should say, at a venture, not [illegible]redth of 1 per cent. Yet it is a thing to do. This is my way of [illegible] no difficulty in fixing in m[illegible] a combination of sounds as [illegible] Six-two, six-two-two, two-f[illegible]ing that half a d[illegible] repeating permanent part of [illegible] becomes a [illegible]ons. That is the way I shall r[illegible] population for the next decad[illegible]uld find it both difficult and a[illegible]arden my memory with 62,62[illegible]red with that six-two, six-t[illegible]re-naught is simplicity itself. [illegible] who have difficulty in remem[illegible]ering of this kind to try my me[illegible]ing like [illegible]."—[New York Tr[illegible]

Canfield Ha[illegible]

MASON, Mich., F[illegible] old, the murderer of Nellie G[illegible]ident of the city about the y[illegible] 1885. He manufactured cig[illegible] at the center's trade; bu[illegible]himself in this city; was not [illegible] in his [illegible] at times; had [illegible] wife here and she left [illegible] by the name of Miller wh[illegible]. His victim often played [illegible]yard here and there is no [illegible].

The Chili[illegible]

PARIS, Feb. 6.—A [illegible]nenos Ayres says the Chilian[illegible]gue to violence on the part o[illegible]liars. The rising occurred a[illegible] between the regular[illegible]attle lasted three hours. S[illegible]ligents and 150 of the latter [illegible]mer by the revolt the [illegible]egting Chilian regulars atte[illegible] the settle an old quarrel [illegible] around the city joine[illegible] lasted two days. Th[illegible] suffered severely. T[illegible] killed is not known e[illegible] Ancud is now quiet. [illegible] pears to be reduced t[illegible] bors. Beaten on all si[illegible]s som intended to retreat to [illegible]pegs, ume the defensive, a[illegible] is ple[illegible]antiago, which is now [illegible] pan n[illegible] friends advise the President to [illegible] Congress which would settle the [illegible].

Trouble in Barcelona.

BARCELONA, Feb. 5.—The revo[illegible]ary movement throughout Spain nea[illegible]burst into flame in this city to-day. Th[illegible]as a peaceful demonstration, in which a [illegible]tade and speeches were the main feature[illegible]oing on in favor of the Republican lead[illegible] Don Nicolas Salmeron, Alfonso Zorilla [illegible] co-worker in the propagation of repu[illegible]lican ideas. The crowds which were attracted by the procession became somewhat excited and the officer in charge of the troop of mounted gendarmes who had been detailed to maintain order lost his head and ordered the gendarmes to charge the crowd. They did so, firing their pistols and carbines right and left. The result was that several persons were more or less dangerously wounded and a number of the bullets from the gendarmes weapons were flattened around the balcony and windows of the platform on which Salmeron was speaking. The Government will be asked to order an inquiry into the conduct of the officer.

CURTLY CHRONICLED.

News of the Day Without Note or Comment.

CANADIAN.

The Bishop's College buildings at Lennoxville, Que., were burned yesterday.

Sir Charles Tupper and other Canadian politicians arrived in New York on the Teutonic yesterday.

A company of 35 men passed through Ottawa Thursday morning en route to join the Northwest Mounted Police.

Action has been taken in behalf of M. T. Buchanan to unseat Mayor Stevens, of Ingersoll, on the grounds of irregularity.

The Governor-General and party visited the performance of "The Gondoliers" last night at Toronto before going out to Trinity conversazione.

The Central Farmers' Institute closed its meetings last evening at Toronto. During the final session the Committee on Combines reported, recommending the abolition of the Dominion Senate as being a hindrance to progressive legislation.

UNITED STATES.

Gen. R. J. Henderson, who was a prominent Confederate officer during the war, died at Atlanta, Ga., Tuesday.

The city poorhouse at Waterville, Me., was burned Thursday morning. One inmate, a girl of 15 years, was burned to death. Thirteen escaped. A defective chimney was the cause.

At Sylacauga, Ala., high water in the Coosa River washed away the temporary bridge of the Alabama Mineral Railway Company. Two men were drowned, and a third died of his injuries.

The steamer Rotterdam (just arrived at New York) reports having sighted the steamer Denmark on Sunday last, too far distant, however, to signal her. The Denmark was proceeding this way, and so far as could be seen was all right.

The special agent of the General Land Office reports large timber depredations in the Rainy Lake and Rainy River country in Northern Minnesota. The yearly average of logs passing through the Rainy River is between 45,000,000 and 50,000,000 feet. Of this about four-fifths comes from the United States and the balance from Canada. A very large part of this timber is unlawfully cut from Government land.

FOREIGN.

The Italian ministerial crisis continues.

The rice crop in Siam has failed and a famine will probable result.

A total of 1,225 Italian emigrants left Triest for America in the month of January.

The Pope contemplates making a large accession to the cardinalate early in the coming summer.

The Pope declines to make an official communication to the French bishops on the attitude they are to assume towards the republic.

The Berlin Post protests against the annoyance to which the Emperor and Empress are subjected during their daily walks in the Thiergarten.

At Cardiff, Wales, at a banquet given by Lord Bute, the bursting of an electric lamp caused the hall to be partly destroyed by fire. Of the 400 present none were hurt.

The Oporto insurgents will be tried by court-martial on Monday. Vaga, the civilian leader of the insurrection, has escaped, and is said to have gone to England.

The London Times publishes a letter from the Duke of Norfolk in which he protests against the attitude the Government has taken in reference to Gladstone's bill to remove religious disability.

Count Von Waldersee, the retiring chief of the general staff, took formal leave of the staff attaches at Berlin yesterday. He said: "The Emperor has ordered me elsewhere. A soldier obeys orders without asking reasons." Gen. Count Alfred Von Schlieffen, who succeeds Waldersee, is regarded as one of the most able officers of the staff.

Dear Butter.

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Feb. 5.—Charles E. Stenton, a barber of Detroit, was convicted last week of burglary, and yesterday Judge Canfield gave him three years and eight month at hard labor at Jackson. He and a pal named Cole broke into and stole fourteen tubs of butter, weighing about 800 pounds, from the creamery of Greunis, Perkins & Co. in Richmond on the night of Nov. 4, 1889. They hired a rig at Detroit, drove to Richmond, stole the butter and returned the same night. Cole was convicted and given four years at Jackson. Stenton was tried then, but the jury disagreed.

Clydesdale Association.

TORONTO, Feb. 5.—The annual meeting of the Clydesdale Horse Association of Canada was held yesterday at the Albion Hotel, President Wm. Smith, V. S., in the chair. Secretary Wade, in the fifth annual report, showed the membership had increased to 241 and that the stud book is of great help to members. During one year 63 horses registered on the books of the association had been exported to the United States. The following officers were elected: President, Wm. Smith; vice-president for Ontario, Geo. Moore. Mr. McCrae gave notice of motion that an animal bred and owned in Canadian be considered Canadian [illegible].

[illegible] Times on the Coming Election.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The Times says: "The adoption of the McKinley Bill is hardly likely to lessen America's opposition to Sir John Macdonald's offer of reciprocity, but the collapse of the tariff movement may weaken the forces of the American protectionists and incline them to compromise. We doubt whether the question will be fought out at the elections on the broad issue of commercial union. It is to be feared there will be an attempt made to capture the popular vote on false pretenses. It would be rash to speculate on the verdict. We have no sympathy with the so-called National Policy, to which is chargable some of the Dominion's present difficulties. We are not enamored of the plan of purchasing American sympathy by enacting differential duties against British trade."

The Handsomest Woman in London

remarked to a friend the other day that she knew Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs was a superior remedy, as it stopped her cough instantly, when other cough remedies had no effect whatever. So to prove this and convince you of its merit any druggist will give you a sample bottle free. Large size 50 cents and $1. zxv

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A TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.

Burning of a Russian Orphan Asylum—Nine Children Perish.

MOSCOW, Feb. 5.—A terrible fire occurred in an orphan asylum in this city last night. The building was burned to the ground, and most horrible scenes were witnessed as the youthful inmates were being rescued. Nine children were burned to death, and a number were seriously injured, and their lives are despaired of.

THE IRISH LEADERSHIP.

Dillon Said To Have Been Selected—The Nationalists Preparing for a General Election.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—A dispatch to the Temps from London says Gladstone has given the required assurances justifying Parnell in retiring from the leadership of his section of the Irish Parliamentary party. Dillon, the correspondent adds, will replace McCarthy as leader of the McCarthyite section, and will be selected as leader of the reunited party. A prominent Irish deputy says Parnell and McCarthy will retire from the leadership of their respective factions in favor of Dillon, whom all will obey.

In receiving a deputation of Irishmen at Leicester yesterday Mr. McCarthy, in addition to informing them that he had summoned a meeting of his followers for Feb. 12, said the Irish Parliamentary party would probably hear on that date the terms which had been made between the two sections, that the party might again, as in the good old times, and standing together like friends and brothers, fight against the common enemy. The Standard says it is rumored Mr. McCarthy will read at the meeting of his followers next Thursday, a letter from Mr. Gladstone giving his views on the present situation, and that afterwards a meeting of the whole Irish party will be had at which Mr. Parnell will explain the conditions on which he withdraws from the chairmanship and his future intentions.

Mr. Morley gave notice in the House of Commons of a motion to censure the Irish executive for its action in the Tipperary prosecutions, such action being calculated to bring the law into contempt and being a violation of the rights of citizens.

The National League Committee in Dublin has sent circulars to the various branches of the league, urging that an early organization be effected in view of a general election.

The Free Silver Men Beaten.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 6.—At the meeting of the House Coinage Committee yesterday the free coinage men were defeated in an attempt to limit the hearings on the silver question.

Killed at a Crossing.

BARRIE, Ont., Feb. 6.—A farmer named John Cameron, aged 40 years, from Vespra township, while crossing the railway track near Anderton's brewery yesterday morning with a load of sawlogs, was run into by a freight train and instantly killed.

Collision on the M. C. R.

WELLAND, Ont., Feb. 6.—Seven cars of merchandise were wrecked here Wednesday night by a rear end collision, at the Michigan Central depot, caused by the driver of the second train falling asleep and running into the first train, which was waiting at the depot. The contents of the cars were scattered over the platform and close by. The wrecking train soon cleared the track.

Probable Murder of Two Boys.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 5.—When in October last two boys named Hanson disappeared from Menah, Wis., the boat being found on its side in Lake Winnebago, it was supposed they had been accidentally drowned. Later, developements show the boys were probably shot by an angry fisherman while meddling with nets laid by the latter, and were buried at some place along the shore of the lake.

Reciprocity With Brazil.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 6.—The Post announces the negotiations which have been in progress between the United States and Brazil have resulted in the signing of an agreement—under the reciprocity clause of the new tariff law—by Secretary Blaine and Senor Menondenca, the Brazilian Minister. The agreement has been approved by President Harrison, and the proclamation announcing the fact will probably be made public without delay. The agreement will go into effect on the 1st day of January next. Similar agreements with Cuba and Venezula are being promoted.

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