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APPEALS FROM CANADA

Will Sir Henry Strong Review His Own Judgments?

AN OBJECTION WAS RAISED,

But it Has Been Discovered There is Not Much Force in It.

Seventy-five Per Cent of the Appeals Have Gone Direct From Provincial Courts to the Judicial Committee — Fish and Game Men Want the Hunting Tax Reduced—Thorold Board of Trade Wants a Duty on Pulp Wood and an Alien Labor Law, Two-cent Postage and Two Cents a Mile on Railways — General News From Ottawa.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—A reference to the record of cases which have been appealed to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in London during the past twenty years show that there is less force in the objection that Sir Henry Strong in London will be reviewing judgments which he has delivered at Ottawa than was at first supposed. During the period mentioned there have been 112 appeals from Canada to the Judicial Committee, and of these 75 per cent. went from courts of appeal in the several provinces direct to London. It therefore appears that only about one quarter of the cases heard in London actually passed through the Supreme Court.

SPORTSMEN TO MEET.

Representatives of fish and game clubs in Ottawa, which lease waters in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, are to hold a meeting to-morrow for the purpose of devising measures to secure a change in the Quebec laws, imposing a heavy hunting tax upon persons not domiciled in that province, but who may wish to hunt in the wilds of Quebec. Members of the Quebec Government have been approached, and it is not unlikely that they will consider favorably a proposition to reduce the tax.

EXTENDING THE WIRES.

The Superintendent of the Government Telegraphic Service is engaged in preparing for the extension of telegraph lines from Esquimaux Point, the present easterly terminus of the line on the north shore of the gulf, to Belle Isle. In the course of the next year it is expected to add about 80 miles of line, which will carry the wires as far as Natishquan, 666 miles below Quebec.

GEOLOGICAL SPECIMENS.

As a result of this year's geological survey explorations there has been a splendid addition of specimens to the museum. Owing to insufficient accommodation, however, much that would be interesting to the public cannot be placed on exhibition. In many cases specimens are crowded together to too great an extent.

HOW TO EXTEND TRADE.

On of the first official acts of Sir Richard Cartwright as Minister of Trade and Commerce was to cause circulars to be sent to the several Boards of Trade throughout the country, inviting expressions of opinion on the best methods of extending the trade of Canada. Many replies have been received at the department, some of them containing valuable suggestions. In numerous cases advantage was taken of the opportunity to lay purely local considerations before the Government. For instance the Board of Trade of Thoroid has sent a reply urging the advisability of leasing water power privileges on the Welland Canal, of using native cement in the construction of public works, and building a wharf for fruit growers of the Welland district. The board also suggests, for general advantage, the deepening of the canal system to 21 feet, the establishment of a fast Atlantic steamship service, the adoption of a 2-cent letter postage, the enforcement of a 2-cent-per-mile railway passenger rate, and lower freight rates, and the passage of an alien labor law. Another suggestion is the following in regard to pulpwood: "That it would be in the interest of the country if an export duty should be placed on pulp wood, so that the pulp industry might be retained for our own people. That under the present tariff, we are reliably informed, a cord of pulp wood delivered at the United States border is worth about six dollars, but if manufactured in Canada is worth about eighteen dollars at the place of manufacture, the difference in price being almost all in labor. That about two thousand cords are exported from Canada every day in the year, and that if an export duty on pulp wood were exacted of, say three dollars per cord, it would yield a revenue of about two million dollars a year to Canada."

AS TO SUPERANNUATION.

There is good reason to believe that there will be few if any superannuations before the superannuation and civil acts have next session been either abolished, and new acts passed, or else very materially altered. The Government has for some time past been quietly making enquiries into the working of the superannuation act, with a view to either amending or abolishing it at the next session of Parliament, and until this is done it is not at all probable that any important changes will be made in the civil service, although advantage will no doubt be taken from time to time of chances for dispensing with the services of extra employes.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

This was a dies non in the public departments, Conception Day being a statutory holiday. Few of the Ministers were at their offices or civil servants at work.

Prof. Prince, Commissioner of Fisheries, left for the Maritime Provinces to-day.

Sir Richard Cartwright has returned to the city.

Hon. L. H. Davies expects to be back in Ottawa in about a fortnight.

James Robertson of Hamilton has been appointed Inspector of Militia Stores at Ottawa. It is said the appointment was necessary because Mr. Watson, the present inspector, owing to failing eyesight, has been unable to keep up with the work.

The City Council has decided to present a gold watch to the Collegiate Institute boy, Douglas Lyon, for his gallant attempt to save life in Ottawa last week.

The Supreme Court will hold a special session to-morrow for the delivery of judgments.

Julius Lay, the newly-appointed French Consul at Windsor, was entertained at dinner by members of the Press club on Monday evening. Mr. Lay leaves for his post of duty to-morrow.

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GOLD IN MANITOBA.

Winnipeggers Excited Over a Find of the Yellow Metal at Stony Mountain.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—This city is excited over a discovery of gold at Stony Mountain, only a few miles from the city.

OUR ROSSLAND SPECIAL.

The Miners Preparing to Give Hon. Mr. Blair a Reception and Banquet—Arrivals Continue Large.

Rossland, B.C., Dec. 8.—(Special to The World, via Spokane, Wash.)—Preparations are being made to give Hon. Mr. Blair a reception and banquet. He is expected to-morrow evening.

Columbia and Ontario Company, in which Toronto people are interested, is working Pug mine, near Waneta. The sixty-five foot tunnel shows good indications.

Arrivals continue large and the population is increasing. A.R.M.

PROTECTION FOR FRUIT.

The Tariff Commissioners Found No Free Trade Sympathizers in the Niagara District.

St. Catharines, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The Tariff Commissioners, represented by the Hon. Messrs. Paterson and Fielding, arrived here at 4.20 and went directly to the Judges' Chambers in the county buildings. The honorable gentlemen apologized to the delegates for their delay.

At 5 o'clock the enquiry opened with the fruit deputation from the Counties of Lincoln, Welland and Niagara, represented by Messrs. Bunting, Burnell, Schauck, Fisher and Berriman.

Mr. Burrell asked that the Government assist in putting into existence several experimental fruit farms, in equal rights with their brother tiller of the soil—the farmer.

Mr. Schauck asked that in the readjustment of the tariff, the growers of early vegetables be considered. He also asked that the embargo on American manure from the stock yards be removed.

Mr. Fielding asked how it was that California fruit was shipped across the continent to compete with the eastern fruit.

Mr. Bunting read several reports from commission agents to the effect that California fruit was sold at a sacrifice, it being a perishable article, and that the two fruits meeting on the market cause a crash.

Mr. Thompson asked that the duty on seed catalogs be taken off and the duty on No. 9 and 10 wire be lowered or removed.

E. Morden of Stamford Township, said he sold his fruit in American markets and was compelled to compete with the American products.

Mr. Hugh McShoy asked that the duty on haircloth be not removed.

W. F. Doran, representing the Dominion Suspender Company, having factories on both sides of the Niagara River, said there was severe competition among the eight or ten Canadian factories. He asked the same protection the United States manufacturers had.

Next came Mr. McMillan, representing McMillan & Haines, manufacturers of iron and brass bedsteads, etc. He said he was satisfied with the present tariff. A lowering of the duty would hurt their business.

Several others were heard and all were in favor of protection.

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Pember's Turkish baths, evening, 50c. 129 Yonge.

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Banjo concert to-night Association Hall

In the County Court.

In the County Court case of Vanderlip v. Trent, the sealed verdict was opened and recorded for the plaintiff $75 damages.

Another illegal distress action was then taken up, the plaintiff being Miss Robina Hurry and the defendants J. F. Brown and Bailiff Small.

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Mr. J. W. Bengough will begin a series of chalk talks to the Literary Society at Knox College Friday, when he will give "Preachers Preached To."

Season's event—B.H.G. to-night Ass'n Hall

Mr. A. Morrison of Queen's University is in town.

The best remedy for toothache—Gibbons' Toothache Gum. Price 15c.

VARSITY IN HER GLORY

Faculty and Undergraduates Have a Good Time.

THEIR FIRST BIG DINNER

Theme Was Fidelity to Higher Education and British Institutions.

A Sturdy Loyalty and Patriotism Characterize the Speeches—Canada is Here to Stay—The Needs of the University Referred to—Minister of Education Ross Declares That the Ontario Government Has a Mining Policy and Intimates That the Government May Do Something for the University.

The faculty and undergraduates of University College held their first annual dinner in the handsome gymnasium building last night. The hall was prettily draped with the Varsity colors, the only other decorations being several large Dominion flags. A pleasant feature of the occasion was the presence of the entire faculty, testifying to the harmony of the relations which exist between the body and the undergraduates. The chair was occupied by President Loudon.

INVITED GUESTS.

The invited guests were: His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, Sir Casimir Gzowski, Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. George E. Foster, Hon. A. S. Hardy, J. P. Whitney, M.L.A., Hon. G. W. Ross, Hon. Wm. Mulock, Dr. John Hoskin, Q.C., Dr. Harper, President Chicago University; Dr. Patton, President Princeton University; Dr. Schumann, Principal Cornell University; Dr. Angel, President Ann Arbor University; Prof. W. J. Ashley, M.A., Harvard University; Dr. Peterson, President McGill University; Dr. G. M. Grant, Principal Queen's University; Dr. Galbraith, President School of Practical Science; the Father Superior, Ottawa College; Dr. Welch, Provost Trinity University; Chancellor Burwash, Victoria University; Chancellor Wallace, McMaster University; Rev. J. R. Teefy, M.A., Superior St. Michael's College; Rev. W. Caven, D.D., Principal Knox College; Rev. J. P. Sheraton, M.A., D.D., Principal Wycliffe College; Dr. Reeve, Toronto Medical Faculty; Provost Watkins, Western University, London.

NOTES OF REGRET.

At the request of President Loudon Professor Fletcher read the following despatch from the Governor-General's Secretary, dated at Sicamous, B.C.: Governor-General regrets that he is unable to have pleasure of accepting courteous invitation just now received. He offers hearty good wishes to president, faculty and undergraduates, and for success of dinner."

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier wrote, regretting that present engagements would not permit him to attend, and expressing his high appreciation of the compliment contained in the invitation.

Apologies were read from Prof. Goldwin Smith, also congratulating Toronto University upon its connection with Oxford, Principal Sheraton and others.

The menu was well-served by Webb, and a spirit of harmony and good fellowship prevaded throughout the proceedings, the enthusiasm of the undergraduates breaking out in snatches of college songs and yells as the spirit moved them.

President Loudon, in a speech full of loyalty and appreciation of the beneficent influence of Her Majesty's reign upon the growth of civilization and liberty, proposed the first toast. His assertion that nowhere in the empire were more devoted and loyal subjects to be found than in the University of Toronto, was received with every demonstration of enthusiasm.

The next toast, "Canada," was proposed by Prof. Hutton, whose reference to the excellent work done by Dr. Parkin in inspiring a feeling of patriotism, was received with applause. The Public schools were the nurseries of patriotism, but in the universities were to be found men of fixed character and patriotism. Canada is a land of equality, a land where the only aristocracy, that of nature, enjoys the right of its birthright, to carve for itself a career. With its open doors the University prevented knowledge and higher education from becoming, as they ever are, in danger of becoming, supercilious and scornful. Was it not the province of Canada to meditate between the Mother Land and her neighbors to the south? Toronto University was every year sending many graduates of all professions to the United States, and in this manner was gradually annexing that great republic to the University of Toronto. And if this great outpouring of loyal Canadians does not build up a reunion of the great Anglo-Saxon race it at least brings them together in close friendship.

CANADA HERE TO STAY.

W. F. Maclean, M.P., had not the eloquence, nor did he pretend to be able to respond to the toast as well as Dr. Parkin whose name had also been associated with it. He was one of those who believed that Canadians are on this continent to stay, and that they intend to dominate and to rule and control the northern half of the continent. They intend to build up a great nation under British institutions by the good will of those neighbors to the south if they chose to grant it, but, in spite of them, if they must. He rejoiced to see so many of his class of '80 occupying prominent positions in the teaching faculty of the University to-day, and expressed the earnest hope that the Government of the Province would give that encouragement and assistance to the University of Toronto which she deserved, and in this connection he thought the Legislature and the Government could well afford to set apart a portion of New Ontario for this purpose.

CANADA'S HIGH DESTINY.

Dr. Parkin rejoiced to hear in the great college cry from the other end of the hall the loyalty of old Upper Canada College boys. [Cheers.] He referred to the greatness of Canada as an integral part of the great British Empire. The young Canadians that sat before him as undergraduates of the University would, as they grew up and left their alma mater and took their places in the world, ultimately become the directing and controlling force of the Dominion. After traveling around the world and studying the English-speaking people under different influences of climate and conditions of life, he had come back to Canada with a feeling of joy, gratification, and pride at the great advantages which he saw that the young men of Canada enjoyed, as compared with the students of other portions of the Empire. The professor in a Canadian university had the very finest fibre brought under his influence in the young men who came from life on the Canadian farms, and the restricted advantages which they experienced there. They came out with a determination to benefit by the opportunities afforded them, and with that humility of spirit which marked the earnest student. The conditions surrounding life in Canada tended to bring out men with force of character, men able to settle the questions of public and private life, which came up before them for settlement. In a brilliant peroration, he pointed out the vast possibilities which Canada enjoyed, and the responsibility which rested upon the graduates of her educational institutions to do their share in achieving her high destiny.

A PLEA FOR AID.

Prof. McCurdy proposed the toast of "The Ontario Legislature." He thought the transition from Canada to that of Ontario was as natural as to go from the outward branches and limbs to the heart of the tree. Dr. Parkin had referred to the fact that Canadian education was not equal to that of other nations, but, although this might be the case, in one respect at least they had attained a degree of success which some other nations had not—in the state control of the national education. He congratulated Ontario upon the happy connection between the University of Toronto and the Legislature, and upon the phenomenal growth of the University since the present Minister of Education had assumed office. He was glad to know that the Ontario Government had not only recognized that growth, but had also recognized the poverty under which the University labored. The rumors of the discovery of the great wealth of mineral resources of the province of which they had heard so much of late, had become associated somehow or other with the dreams of augmented resources of the University. There were one or two features which were indispensable to a well-equipped university. One was a post graduate course, and the other was a fully equipped library, which could not be obtained unless the Legislature, in its paternal care of the University, furnished the necessary endowment from the great riches of the province.

GOVERNMENT HAS A POLICY.

Hon. George W. Ross referred to the patern l position of the Legislature towards the educational institutions, the asylums, poor houses and other public institutions. In fact the Legislature stood somewhat in the position of alma mater to the greater portion of the community. Referring to the remarks of Mr. Maclean regarding the developing of a mining policy, which would prove of some advantage to the University, he announced that before the end of next session of the Legislature the Government will do just exactly as that gentleman proposed that the Government should do, and Ontario will have a mining policy that will be of great benefit to the province.

MIGHT BENEFIT UNIVERSITY.

This development would perhaps directly or indirectly be of great advantage to the University of Toronto, as suggested by Mr. Maclean. The Province of Ontario is not ungrateful to the University of Toronto, for all that she has done; not perhaps that the province has done its full duty towards her. It is hard for the Legislature which has so many important interests to consider, to deal with them all as they perhaps desired. It was a source of gratification to know that in every university of the United States from Harvard to Leland Stanford in California, graduates of Toronto might be found filling positions upon the teaching faculty. Culture and scholarship should go together, and he counselled the undergraduates to cultivate both. In the anxiety to develop the mineral and other resources of the country there was a danger that they might neglect those high ideals and literary harvests which lie all around them. The Government of the country would be strong and pure just as long as the young men were trained in the strength and purity of a noble manhood. As Minister of Education, he would be glad if he could see his way clear by subsidy, by gold mine grants of land, or any other means which came within the reach of the Government to strengthen, as occasion may require, any faculty that is weak. [Cheers.]

"Alma Mater" was proposed by A. Baliner Watt, '97, and responded to by Prof. Loudon and J. Gerald Inkster, '98.

SISTER INSTITUTIONS.

"Sister Institutions," proposed by Prof. W. J. Alexander, was received with the utmost enthusiasm. In giving the toast the solidarity of the world of letters was dwelt upon.

Dr. Patterson of McGill received an ovation as he arose to reply. He expressed the gratification which it afforded him to be present to testify to the friendly relations which existed between McGill and Toronto. The Universities of Canada, he declared, rested upon the broad foundation of popular support and confidence, and as long as such continued to be the case they would continue to prosper. Prof. Watkins of the Western University returned thanks on behalf of the young lady from the west who had stepped forward to claim her place in the world of letters. The announcement that two of the professors were distinguished graduates of Toronto was received with applause. He intimated that there was a probability in the near future of her entering into closer relations with her elder sister of Toronto, while still retaining her individuality, and concluded by informing the Minister of Education that she also had an eye upon the gold mines and expected a share of their hidden wealth.

Chancellor Burwash, on behalf of Victoria, made an eloquent reply referring to the great advantage derived from the affiliation of the various centres of learning.

"University Societies" was proposed by J. C. McLennan B.A., and replied to by T. Ingram McNeece, '97, Don A. Ross, '98, and Geo. C. Sellery, '97.

"Athletics" was responded to by J. L. Counsell, '97, of the Varsity Football team, and T. Gibson, '97, president of the Athletic Association.

The Press, proposed by C. H. Clegg, '97, was replied to by B. K. Sandwell, '97.

"The Ladies," proposed by A. N. Mitchell, '00, was responded to by J. Little, '99.

The efficiency of the arrangements and the smoothness with which the proceedings were carried out reflected credit upon the management of the following committee: President Loudon, chairman; J. L. Counsell, '97, 1st vice-president; H. Boultbee, '97, 2nd vice-president; J. G. Inkster, '98, 3rd vice-president; Prof. Fletcher and W. H. Greenwood, '97, secretaries; Mr. De Lury and F. H. Barron, '97, treasurers; F. A. Cleland, '98, W. D. Fitzgerald, '98, F. R. Smith, '99, W. A. Sadler, '99, G. F. Kay, '00, committee.

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The Flames Broke Out and Burned Fiercely for Two Hours.

Barron Block, Opposite St. Lawrence Hall, Was the Scene of the Conflagration — Water Towers and All the Fire-Fighting Appliances Were Brought Into Requisition—The Old Bank of Toronto Building Among the Destroyed Property.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—One of the most disastrous fires that Montreal has experienced for a long time broke out shortly before 8 o'clock this evening. The fire apparently started in one of the upper storey in the centre of the Barron Block, a long stone block on St. James-street, extending from St. John-street to St. Francois Xavier-street, and nearly facing the St. Lawrence Hall. The fire was in a most dangerous locality in the very heart of the city, in the immediate vicinity being the Temple building, the Standard building, postoffice, Carsley's, Canada Life building, and other great business structures.

The top storey of the block were occupied by offices of various kinds, while the ground floors were occupied by Fulton & Richards, Freeman's Restaurant, A. W. Ross & Co., Gibb & Co., Central Vermont and Intercolonial ticket offices and other smaller offices.

FLAMES SPREAD RAPIDLY.

The fire spread with alarming rapidity and when the brigade reached the scene, the flames were shooting out of the heart of the block, while dense clouds of sparks rose and fell on the St. Lawrence Hall, postoffice and other structures, placing them in imminent danger of catching fire. The whole brigade was called out and the firemen made desperate efforts to stop the progress of the flames. The water towers and other apparatus were brought into requisition, but at first the volume of water did not seem to have much effect and the flames rose with increasing fury, creating a lurid reflection, which lit up the whole city and attracted thousands of people to the scene. St. James-street was almost completely blocked with people.

The fire spread into the old Bank of Toronto building, on the corner of St. John and St. James-streets, and it was soon a mass of flames. While the firemen were working on this building the corner of the wall fell out, sending a wave of flames across the street. It was a brilliant scene, but was fraught with the destruction of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of the most valuable property in the city.

THE LOSS IS HEAVY.

After burning for over two hours with terrible fury, the fire was got under control by 10 o'clock.

The Barron Block, which is valued at $300,000, is a complete wreck.

Amongst those who occupied offices in the burnt block and who will lose all their effects, are: D R McCord, Advocate, Union Mutual Life Insurance Company; James L. Wiseman, engraver A H Burton, manufacturers' agent; Montreal and Western Railway; H J Beemer; James Hunter, electrician; Commercial Gazette; Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway; Ottawa and Gatineau Railway office; Dominion Alliance offices; Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company, Manufacturers' Guarantee, Accident Insurance Company, the Ward Commercial Agency, Armstrong & Co., real estate; Mutual Investment, Freehold Company, and a number of smaller offices. The premises of John Parslow, stationer, Freeman's Restaurant and Fulton & Richards, publishers, on the ground floor, are also totally wrecked.

The loss, it is expected, will amount to nearly half a million dollars.

WAS THE BODY BURIED?

It is Believed at Weston That Mrs. Curley's Remains Were Interred Contrary to Law During the Night.

Weston, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Mrs. Curley, an old resident of the village of Weston, died on the 14th of November last. Her dying request was that she should be buried beside her husband in the Weston R.C. Cemetery; but this the village authorities deemed impossible, because of a bylaw passed in August, 1895, which prohibited any more burials within the corporation limits. When the hearse drew up at the cemetery, the village constable prohibited the interment taking place. The funeral service was held by Rev. Father Bergin and the corpse was taken to St. Michael's Cemetery and put in a vault awaiting its final disposition. The grave, which had been dug, was filled in and the sorrowing relatives left the scene in anguish and dismay. They approached the Council, who were opposed to the burial taking place; but who gave no decided answer to the relatives, leaving them to think that the matter largely rested with the Board of Health. Reeve Bull tried to get the Council to act in favor or against it by bringing in a bylaw to permit interments of husbands, who had wives buried there and vice versa, but the Council shirked the issue by referring it to the Board of Health for a recommendation as to what should be done. The Board of Health would make no recommendation and said the Council had power to deal with the matter as they pleased. On Monday night last they met and a resolution was passed shelving the second reading of the bylaw for six months, which meant, as far as this individual case was concerned, the matter was decided for ever. Last night, however, things took on a new phase. The village constable had heard whispers through the day that the interment was going to take place, but how and when was the question. He visited the grave just before dark last night and saw no signs of the earth being disturbed. It was just as it had been left on the 16th of November. He examined the spot very minutely and then, when night came, went to bed as usual. It was dark. Just as gloomy and dismal a night as we have had this December. There was no clanking of horses' hoofs, but there was a scurrying of hasty footsteps on the sidewalks. There was the flash of lanterns. There was something going on which at 2 o'clock in the morning was most unusual for the quiet village of Weston and when daylight dawned the villagers whispered to each other of the noises they had heard in the night. Mr. Lemaire, who lives near the cemetery, called up the village constable and the two went to the grave, when, lo! it had been newly dug up. The earth which had been neatly rounded before, was now badly heaped up and earth scattered all around, the two sticks used to lower a coffin had been left beside the grave, and everything convinced the constable that the grave had been disturbed and an interment taken place. Near the grave is a little shed belonging to Mr. Lemaire and this he found overturned, which he takes as an insult to himself, because he has been antagonistic to the spot being used as a burial ground. The Council were apprised of the fact and don't know what to do. They fear they have been beaten and are indignant to think that their laws have been overridden. There is talk of getting a Government detective to try and find out the guilty parties, but no definite course has been decided on.

See Lois Fuller and Lona Barrison, the greatest mechanical novelties of the age, at the Harold A. Wilson Co., 35 King-st. W.

The people now understand that Treble's expiration of lease sale is no fake, but a genuine 20 per cent. discount off first-class goods. Dollar dress shirts selling at 80c. 53 King-street west.

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Many people when selecting their furs for this season at Dineens' are much struck with the pretty novelties shown, suitable for children and babies. Dear little capes, caps, muffs, ruffs, gauntlets, baby rugs and a lot of other pretty things, take up quite a lot of room and are by no means an unimportant item in Dineens' big stock. Those anticipating getting any furs for the youngsters this season cannot do better that to take the child to Dineens' before the big Christmas rush gets under way. Prices for these goods are lower than ever before, and Dineens are pleased to have parents come and inspect the stock.

The holiday sale of furs of all descriptions has proved a big drawing card to the public, who are now daily keeping the large number of hands busy and the store has lots of people in it all day. Some splendid bargains are being shown in Persian lamb and seal jackets, muffs, ruffs, neck scarfs, capes, capermes, caps, gauntlets and every kind of fur garment, made from the finest skins. Buy before the crowding of Christmas week at the big store, King and Yonge-streets.

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Leap Year Privileges.

As leap year is now in its departing month, it may not be amiss to remind those of the better and dearer sex who have been too modest to exercise their bissextile privilege that the bestowment of Quinn's satin or silk protectors for evening dress might possibly bring about the desired result.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W. Ladies 75c.

Bright Eyed Daisies.

Sweet smelling hyacinths and dainty violets mingle freely with the lordly roses and sprightly carnations at Dunlop's. Which will you have? Call and admire them, anyway, at 5 King west and 445 Yonge-street.

Mr. Mower Martin's pictures will be on exhibition to-day and this evening, 8 King West. Sale to-morrow.

Partnership Policies.

To business men who enter into partnership a joint policy due on the death of the first member is a first-class investment. Such a policy might save a prosperous establishment from bankruptcy when the time comes to pay the claims of a deceased partner. The Confederation Life Association issues such a policy and will be glad to furnish rates and full information on application.

Gibbons' Toothache Gum is easily applied and affords instant relief. Price 10c.

DEATHS.

COX—Passed to her rest on the morning of Dec. 7th, Sarah, dearly beloved wife of Enoch Cox, of Port Sandfield, Muskoka.

Funeral from the residence of her son-in-law, J. C. Gardner, 93 Yorkville-avenue, at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10th, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

POULTON—Drowned in Nipissing District, Nov. 27, 1896, William B. Poulton, of Toronto.

Funeral will take place from his late residence, 29 Widmer-street, Dec. 9, 2.30 p.m.

Everybody is invited to the Christmas opening of Fine Toys and Parisian Novelties at the Harold A. Wilson Co., 35 King-st. W.

Steamship Movements.

Dec. 8.	At	From
Teutonic	Queenstown	New York
Buenos Ayrean	Glasgow	Philadelphia
Edam	New York	Amsterdam
Netherlands	Antwerp	New York

THE APPEAL TO ROME

Archbishop Langevin Said to be Backed Up

BY VATICAN AUTHORITIES.

Quebec Prelates Have Returned From the Eternal City.

Separate School Question Claimed to be One of Principle—Rome Not Disposed to Accept Less for the Manitoba Minority Than What it is Affirmed is Granted by the Constitution—Miss Sims Lives, But is Minus an Ear and an Eye—Archbishop Fabre Continues Very Weak.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Bishop Gravel of Nicolet, Bishop Labrecque of Chicoutimi and Canon Archambault of Montreal arrived in New York from Europe yesterday. Bishop Labrecque and Canon Archambault at once took train for Montreal and arrived here this morning. Bishop Gravel will remain in New York for a day or two longer. The prelates were expected with considerable anxiety, the clergy and public in general hoping to receive some important news concerning the Manitoba school question. The bishops naturally enough are not disposed to commit themselves to any untimely statement, but from what can be gathered from those who have approached them there seems to be little doubt that they claim full success in a sense entirely in accordance with the views of Archbishop Langevin. The attitude of the Vatican, it appears, is to the effect that the question is one of principles and not one in which the more or less good working of the arrangement arrived at is to be considered. Rome, it is claimed, is not disposed to accept for the Catholic minority less than is granted them by the constitution, and by the decision of the Privy Council. Undeniable rights are recognized, and as a consequence these rights must be respected. As a corollary, Abbe Proulx is reported to have completely failed in his mission. It now remains to be seen what action will be taken by the hierarchy in a body, and a collective mandement will no doubt be issued at some early date.

MISS SIMS STILL LIVES.

The General Hospital authorities report that Miss Sims is doing slightly better than yesterday. Her right ear, however, is gone, also her left eye. The other eye is not damaged extremally, but it is not impossible she will be altogether without sight.

The funeral of the late J. H. Howell took place at 2 p.m. to-day to Mount Royal Cemetery. The service was held in the chapel of the General Hospital and was conducted by the Rev. Donald Grant.

THE ARCHBISHOP.

There is not much change in the condition of Archbishop Fabre. The distinguished prelate passed a comfortable night and morning, and no immediate danger is feared by the attending physicians. His Grace continues very weak, however, and requires constant watching. He retains perfect lucidity and is able to converse with his priests. Bishop Emard of Valleyfield was a caller at the Episcopal Palace this morning and administered the sacrament to His Grace.

Is it Only a Rumor?

A rumor, which has at least the virtue of plausibility about it, has been circulated of late as to an early dissolution of the Ontario Legislature. It is said that early next spring the Government will stump the Province with a vigorous mining development platform, and take advantage of the present weakness of the Opposition to obtain a new lease of power. The Premier, however, is mum on the subject, and Hon. J. M. Gibson laughingly intimated that the whole thing was news to him.

The World heard that among other measures the Government would propose one for the establishment of two or more public smelters in the Province, one for the smelting of iron ore and another for the treatment of gold ores of a refractory character. The statement of the Minister of Education at the University dinner last night was certainly in the direction of the Government having a vigorous policy at the forthcoming session for the development of the mines of Ontario.

This Parrot Keeps Sunday.

Hotelkeeper Crew of the Ontario House, East Toronto, boasts of a parrot that is no ordinary bird. It is 38 years old and was once the property of one of the present churchwardens of Norway Church, who got rid of it shortly after becoming warden because it called out "You old devil" to everyone who came in. The parrot talks volminously from Monday morning to late on Saturday night, but, strange to say, keeps its beak closed all Sunday. Early on Monday morning the screeching begins again and louder than ever.

Is This a Combine?

There is quite a flutter in insurance circles over the placing of a big risk on machinery and binder twine in the Central Prison. It is said that the agent who has been favored by Mr. Howard Hunter in placing the risk and collecting commission has up to this time successfully disguised what his politics are, and old-time Liberal agents are wondering where he gets his pull. Who will explain?

A Sober Civil Service.

The next class in the public service to feel the weight of the new Administration at Ottawa is made up of clerks and officials whose usefulness is impaired by over-indulgence in strong drink. Warnings have been given, suspensions have taken place, and dismissals are sure to follow if a change does not take place. Two suspensions have already occurred in this locality.

Mildness Continues.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Edmonton, 30—46; Qu'Appelle, 12—40; Winnipeg, 12—20; Port Arthur, 14—34; Parry Sound, 32—36; Toronto, 34—40; Ottawa, 22—34; Montreal, 24—34; Quebec, 24—32; Halifax, 26—42.

PROBS: Fresh westerly winds; fair, continued mild, preceded by light rain.