THE WORLD OUTSIDE,

THOSE SACRED CONTRACTS. Globe of yesterday: There is no dispute as to the obligation of the Kingston Street Railway to oper-Kingston Street Railway to operate its lines every day of the year. The weakness of the agreement is that no penalty is provided in the charter for failing to do so. One of the suggestions which the delegation from the Kingston City Council will lay before the government is that the legislature be asked to provide a penalty for the non-fulfilment of the service for which the charter was granted. This is surely not an unreasonable request.

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AM the agreements between public franchise-holding corporations and municipalities put thru by the legislature under the guidance of Attorney-General Gibson are without benalties. An Attorney-General seized of the public interest would have seen to this; would have listened to the prayer of the Mayors and councilmen who

asked for them.

sacred rights of the people of Ontario Spencer.

call, for a general law declaring:

gations entered into by these corporations in their "sacred contracts": 3. That provision is hereby made for

an immediate declaration (not a dragalong action in the courts) of what is an obligation under the said "sacred" contract": 4. That provision is hereby made for

the immediate forfeiture of the charter of any public franchise-holding corporation, the officers or agents of which are caught red-handed in bribery of electors, municipal officials or aldermen or legislators: 5. That provision is hereby made for

the municipalization of all such franchises on due notice and on the payment of a fair price. And such a law would be neither

sacred nor against public policy. But plans of extension in Europe, and valuable testimony could have been seit would clean our municipal and po- might find scope for her ambition cured from Thompson had similar re litical life of much that is noisome both in Turkey and in Austria. He presentations been made to him. It

WILL MEND THEIR PENCES

ments of politics, and no good politics, and no good political rails against it. Something has caused a change. Discount the bycaused a change. Discount the company bycaused cidedly against the government, which loses something in each of four provinces. The doubt that has been cast on the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme

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say, recognize that the position is critical. There are plenty of shrewd and experienced politicians among them, and it is certain that nothing will be left undone to strengthen the government and restore confidence in government and restore confidence in to Faust after his long probation than

fective." which, altho equipped by Liberal con-

solution of condolence, so overcome

retary of War, he said: In John Hay I have a great Secretary of State. In Philander Knox I have a great Attorney-General. In other cabinet posts I have great men. Elihu Root could take any of these places and fill it as well as the man who is now there. And, in addition, he is what probably none of the gentlemen could be, a great Secretary of War. Elihu Root is the ablest man I have known in our govern-mental service. I will go further. mental service. I will go further. He is the greatest man that has appeared in the public life of any country, in any position, on either side of the ocean in my time."

Root, hog, or die! But to put an obligation now on the company and to impose a penalty in lysing the praises of his chief the Teddy's Secretary of the Treasury in lyring the praises of his chief the would be to interfere with "sacred other night he hailed him as "that pretty much alone. He was not sub-

You can talk as you please about mailed shirt; he may yet have to wear whole effort seems to have been to get

there would be no great difficulty there would be no great difficulty in seating a Japanese dynasty on the Chinese throne. The Chinaman is not a soldier, but, according to the best judges, he would make one. The political and military awakening of a nation of four hundred and thirty millions, added to the population of Japan, would be not the least momentous of the revolutions of history. There would be an end to the insolent domination of the predatory powers of the tion of the predatory powers of the west, and to their carving out of "spheres of influence." There would be an end elso to the continuellous exclusion of the west. nelious exclusion of the Yellows from our shores. Not only so, but the tide of dominion might take a backward turn, and the effect might be felt in Australia and even in the Indian Empire of Great Britaia.

confiscatory nor against things Bystander thinks, might revert to her manly part, and the probability is that two countries, the results of which may clerk or two and convict a couple of After an event like the Federal by- be highly important. We see that Rus-deputy returning officers. These are elections of Tuesday both parties make sia regards Great Britain as her the little fish. It is the men behind claims, publicly, which must be dis-enemy. That impression is derived the Maguires and the Thompsons that counted. Liberals say they have lost from the Anglo-Japanese treaty, and the city wants to see brought from no ground in Quebec, and have exthe strictest observance of neutrality their hiding. To this end every encourout gloves." We should think that may be some explanation for the remay be some explanation for th

things were due largely to good for of their long pilgrimage, except the

on the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme of the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme seems to afford the best explanation of the change. It would be strange if this project, which was intended to make assurance doubly sure for the government, should prove to be a source of weakness.

A great deal will depend on the coming seession. The friends of the government, whatever their newspapers say, recognize that the position is critical. There are plenty of shrawd

Difference and present confidence in the country. The institut never looked faired to Fairst after his long probation than it is not explained how by this action shill be carefully analyzed, and wherever the government sees, all the creature comforts believe the government sees, and hote in its fences, which is sold earefully repaired.

In New Brunswick the Liberal smale no secret of the size of the hole in the fence. The new Minister of Railways, H. R. Emmerson, says that the retirement of the old minister completely destroyed the Liberal organization for the proposition in the theory of the size of the old minister completely destroyed the Liberal organization.

British expedition into Thibet, and it is not explained how by this action of these cases the attending physical had assured the sufferer that only thotel, died this evening about 6 of these cases the attending physical had assured the sufferer that only thotel, died this evening about 6 of these cases the attending physical had assured the sufferent and only thotel, died this evening about 6 of these cases the attending physical had assured the sufferent and only thotel, died this evening about 6 of these cases the attending physical had assured the sufferent and only thotel, died this evening about 6 of these cases the attending physical had assured the sufferent and only thotel, died this evening about 6 of the sufference of the sufference of the follows are of a substitute value, of the declaration of the disease; so much for the Empress of the sufference of the sufferen

Pacific and Mr. Blair, "not on the party. In that year the Liberals counterits of the railway measure, but ed 357 parliamentary supporters against solely with reference to the interests an opposition numbering 295—of who of St. John. From every platform they 2:3 were Conservatives and 6? Nation declared that St. John would be passed alists—showing an absolute major-by, and the traffic of the railway car-sty in the house of 62. Now there are ried either to Portland or Halifax. 82 Nationalist members, so that to en-The strongest possible appeals in this sure for the Liberal party now an direction were made to local interests, equal absolute majority means a conand in a city like St. John, where the siderable improvement in England and winter port view overshadows every- Scotland over the figures of 1883. Be thing else, this campaign was very ef- fore the gitneral election of 1885, Mr Gladstone appealed for an absolute ma-Mr. Emmerson attributes the defeat jority of the house, and nearly, but not largely to The St. John Telegraph, quite, succeeded. Then came his conversion to Home Rule, and the begintributions, went against the Liberal ning of the Liberal party's vagrant candidate. This course he attributes wanderings thru the purlieus of political to the defection of Mr. Blair. What decadence. The end all people know, does he mean? Is Mr. Blair dissatis- and Lord Rosebery is well advised in ADVERTISING RATES.

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18 not with is present position, and desirous of playing an active part in politics? If not, why should he seek to turn the influence of a newsplayer against his successor, as Mr. Emmerson suggests? Evidently some very extensive fence-mending will be done in New Brunswick.

YANKEE BRINE AND EAR PLUGS.
Our neighbors to the south overdo things. Their public men show their sprief at Mark Hanna's death in an exaggerated form. The president of the pro-Boer section of the Liberal party, in the shape of office, even the the Irish skeleton be insented in section.

THOSE SACRED CONTRACTS fied with his present position, and de- looking to 1880 for his inspiration and

A GOOD WITNESS GONE. is he "with sadness and tears"; So far the only valuable evidence "Strong men wept in every direction." that has been brought to light in the The president had some sense of pro- civic investigation is the testimony of portional grief; he declined to accom- young Durance, the poll clerk in subpany the funeral to Cleveland for fear division No. 9 of Ward Four. This that his opponents would say his tears evidence is a straight confession of were too copious and might be misin- fraudulent practices that have long been a feature of municipal elections in To-But on most occasions Teddy Towser ronto. The unfortunate part of it is is equally exaggerated; in speaking that the testimony of Durance implithe other day of the loss of his Sec- cates no one but Samuel Thompson

and himself. We know under whose direction Durance was induced to do wrong, but who are the men behind Thompson? That is a more important matter than the part Thompson played in stuffing the ballot box or the confession of Mr. Durance Durance appears to have been a tool in Thompson's hands. Thompson was a tool in the hands of some person or persons unknown. Durance has connected up Thompson with the wrongdoing, but Thompson the one man who could reveal the master evil-doers has been allowed to escape. Those conducting the investigation took great pains to wring a

contracts." Is The Globe now suggesting such a thing after its deliverance of Tuesday?

other night he hailed him as "that poenaed. No attempt was made to scholar" among all scholars, that prince among Americans.

No wonder the President wears a whole offers that he had fled. The sacred contracts and vested rights; the a verbal plug in his ear like Herbert one tool to convict another tool. The tool who could have been used to con-1. That any public franchise let to a private corporation for more than twenty years is against public welfare and is hereby cut down to that Corea and Manchuria. Will it not core and Manchuria. Will it not breast of the affair. Did the sweatvict a principal found no difficulty in 2. That severe penalties are hereby imposed for non-fulfilment of the obligations entered into her at the command of China?

To judge from China would walk to making a clean breast of the affair. Did the sweat-box artists imagine that Thompson would walk to making a clean breast of the affair. box, when he knew that his poll clerk had told the authorities the whole

> No light has yet been shed on the mystery of the authorities' failure to subpoena Thompson when he was available, place him under a heavy bond and take precautions which would prevent his escape from the city. The investigation is costing the city hundreds of dollars a day. Surely a few dollars could have been spared to cut off the retreat of the most important witness in the whole investi-There is no reason why Thompson

damaging truth?

should not have received the same treatment that was accorded Durance. If defeated on the Pacific, Russia, The latter was persuaded to play the regards the Anglo-Japanese treaty as would be a farcical investigation that a declaration of friendship between the did nothing more than land a poll

Some months ago it seemed not im- song of deliverance, and only needs the Were no funds available for placing probable that the Dominion govern- trumpet of dissolution to make it the under strict watch the man whose sudment could carry the country on the strength of general prosperity, increase of trade and immigration. These strength of general prosperity, increase of trade and immigration. These strength of general prosperity increase of trade and immigration of the Liberal region of the Liberal re

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what dread and shrinking you awaited the day when you must endure the ple in the frozen cent belt would hard-

elections as you may, they are decidedly against the government, which will have some degree of sympathy for the result of the eight by-elections phase, and while the greater number recommend never freezes, and the steamboats run of the profession do not recommend never freezes, and the steamboats run this "last resort" unless they hones, by perpetually. New Denver is a desir-

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TEMPLARS TOOK UP COLLECTION. Raised \$470 Toward Liquidation of Deficit-Election of Officers and Banquet in Evening.

The final session of the Ontario Royal Templars of Temperance convention were held yesterday in St. George's Hall. At the morning meeting the discussion of the report of the temper ance and prohibition committee was concluded. The report commended those railways which had taken steps

those railways which had taken steps to secure temperance habits among their employes. More public meetings was the chief suggestion of the extension committee's report.

A subscription was taken up among the members as a step towards the liquidation of the large deficit in the funds of the order, and \$470 was collected. James Hughes of Toronto was congratulated upon having attended 21 consecutive Grand Council meetings, and was presented with a testimonial.

Alternate delegates were elected to Alternate delegates were elected to the Dominion Grand Council. The election of officers resulted as follows: Grand Councillor, J. A. Austen; Grand Vice-Councillor, Mrs. B. Deviney, Trenton; Grand Chaplain, Rev. W. P. Fletcher, Drayton; Grand Secretary, W. M. McMillan, Hamilton; Grand Herald, Clarence Mallory, Bloomfield; trustees, W. J. Armstrong, Milton; K. McKenzie, Picton; J. Hughes, Toronto; Grand Orator, L. C. Peake, Toronto; Grand Orator, L. C. Peake, Toronto; Grand Medical Referee Dr. Wm. Crawford, Hamilton; additional members of the executive: J. H. Peacock, Milton; G. M. Baird, Blenheim; James Hales, Toronto.

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The installation of officers was postponed until after the banquet, which was held in the evening in Elm-street Methodist Church, and attended by the delegates and their city friends, James Hales occupied the chair, and a short list of toasts was honored. The convention will meet again in Toronto. ion will meet again in Toronto next year.

OH, WHAT A DIFFERENCE!

Galt, Preston Hespeler and Berlin

Railways Shame Kingston Co. Hespeler, Feb. 18 .- In decided contrast to the action of the Kingston Street Railway Company in suspending its winter service on the ground that winter traffic does not pay is the acwinter traffic does not pay is the action of the Galt, Preston and Hespeler and Preston and Berlin Street Railway Companies, who have maintained a fairly good service all winter, even when the steam lines have been tied up. Clauses in the companies' charters allow them to substitute sleighs and other vehicles to maintain a winter service but advantage has not been and other venicles to maintain a winter service, but advantage has not been taken of the clauses specified. The two roads have about 18 miles of tracks, the greater portion of which are interurban, consequently the task of keeping the lines open has been rendered more difficult than maintaining a service thru the towns. ing a service thru the towns. ing a service thru the towns.

The companies used every endeavor to give the public a passenger service at a cost of hundreds of dollars. At times no freight was moved, all efforts being concentrated on keeping the passenger cars moving. Day after day as fast as the lines were crifted up gangs of shovellers from Hespeler, Berlip, Preston and Galt were kept at work shovelling, no matter how cold Berlin, Preston and Gait were a work shovelling, no matter how cold and stormy the weather. For two miles at the Berlin end a passageway miles at the Berlin end a passageway five meres at the Berlin end a passageway was maintained thru snowdrifts five to fifteen feet in helght, which would fill up almost daily.

The companies would have coined money by closing the lines during the continued storms which prevailed, but revenue was not considered and a partial service at least was recipital.

A Camera Trust Now.

The Eastman Kodak Co, of Rochester, New York, which controls the trade in the States, has practically effected the purchase of the J. G. Ramsey & Co., Toronto and Montreal, retailers, and it is said that the plans include the cornering of the retail as well as the wholesale business of Canada. The establishment of the Canadian Kodak Co., a branch concern, three years ago, was the beginning of the scheme, which, it is said, now includes the establishing of a branch retail concern in every town, by offering the proprietor big for him because he is a relative and

ble on shares. morning. Staines and Toronto File Co. for \$1377. Bertha Sholnick against the Toronto

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TORONTO.

East, Bruce Result. Hugh Clark, M.L.A. for Centre partial service at least was maintain- Bruce, returned to the city yesterday, ed. town, by offering the proprietor big inducements to handle no other firm's lines and in this way beat any competitor.

These vocation is a relative and for him because he is a relative and not because of his religion. The same applies to Carrick Township, which is largely Catholic. Donnelly got a majority of 105, but that is 100 less than jority of 105, but that is 100 less than the metallic process of the metallic process. New Suits.

International Brokers' Limited against Dr. H. G. Kemp for \$1247.13 and George Crompton for \$30.

The Nasmith Co. against Alex. Brown Milling Co. for failure to deliver 5000 barrels of flour.

Aemilius Jarvis & Co. against M. S. Hodder of St. Thomas for \$4343.

Chas. Mason against Ames & Co.

Mr. Clark.

Dothlely got a majority of 105, but that is 100 less than the majority polled there in 1902 by Dr. Clapp, a Protestant. Mr. Robb pulled down the majority in Brant, a Protestant Township, from 131 to 19, yet it would not be fair to allege that it is because he is a Protestant, but because he is well known there and has represented that township in the county council for several years. Hodder of St. Thomas for \$4343.

Chas. Mason against Ames & Co. for \$1357.

Montreal Paper Co. of Thorold against Thomas and Sydney Brown of St. Catharines, to hold them accountable on shares.

> New Books at the Library Lydekker, Mostly Mannals, 200logical essays; Hooper, Ether and Gravitation; Walton, A Hermit's Wild Friends; Woodworth, Christian Socialism in England; Hillquit, History of Socialism in the United States; Jordan, Call of the Twentieth Century; Caillard, Individual Immortality; Century; Caillard, Individual Immortality;
> Lawrence, on Circuit in Kaffirland; Ashton, Gossip in the First Decade of Victoria's Reign; Wrong. The British Nation;
> A History; Skrine The Expansion of Russia, 1815-1900; Gallichen, The Story of Serville (Mediaeval Towns); Stieling, Our Regiments in South Africa, 1859-1902; Williams, From Journalist to Judge: An Autobiography; Outram, General Sir James, The Bayard of India, Life, by Captain L. J. Trotter; Martineau, James, Recollections of, With Some Letters From Him and an Essay on His Religion, by Rev. A. H. Craufurd; Goethe's Faust, translated by A. G. Latham; Jenkins, Poems of the New Century; Pemberton, Doctor Xavier; Hocking, Follow the Gleam; Robinson, Whitefriars; Wodehouse, Tales of St. Austin's; Malim, Story of Phyllis; Fern, Fitz

The State Department at Washington has accepted the resignation of W. I. Buthanan, the minister to Panama. Harold Legiwick, aged 16, and auburn haired, pleaded guitty to theft of \$20 and was given 30 days in juil at hard 'abor.

The education department has received an invitation from the managers of the proposed educational exhibition at Bradford, Eng., asking the Canadian schools to parti-