PRESUMPTUOUS TEEMER,

THE McKEESPORT SCULLER TO VISIT AUSTRALIA.

He Avers That He Will Row There for the Championship—The Australians May Not Accept Him—O'Connor Will Give Him Another Race—The American Champion's New Racing Shell.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 13.—John Teemer, the McKeesport sculler and ex-champion of America, has decided to start for Australia about the middle of January next to row any antipodean for the aquatic championship of the world.

[This is certainly very presumptuous on the ex-champion's part. The step will have a material effect on the plans of all the professional oarsmen. The Australians were drifting Americaward and there was every probability of Stansbury and Kemp visiting this country next spring. If Teemer takes this trip it will make a peculiar muddle in the whole business. O'Connor is willing to row Teemer to again determine the supremacy at any time for any amount. The least that the McKeesporter could do is to curb this caprice and accept O'Connor's offer. Teemer has been beaten by Gaudaur as well as O'Connor recently and his decision to visit Australia should not be recognized by the scullers of that country.]

TEEMER ON THE SITUATION.

He Says There is No Champion, but is Willing to Row for the Same.

John Teemer was interviewed by The Pittsburg Times and said: "I consider the title of championship of the world vacant. O'Connor will probably claim it, but he will have to contest for it. Stansbury, who was matched to row Searle, may also claim it, but he will not get it without winning it in a race. I want to say that I am in the field for the title and will row any man in the world in an attempt to secure it for reasonable stakes. All I ask is a fair show and a fair race. I have convinced the people that St. John, Hamm and Gaudaur attempted to defeat me by foul means, and I hope to see the champion title contested for in an honest manner."

It is the general belief in Pittsburg that O'Connor will defend the title against all comers and for the highest stakes possible.

Fox's Proposition to O'Connor.

Richard K. Fox wired O'Connor yesterday asking if he would row Kemp for the championship of the world and that if he posted a forfeit and the Australian refused O'Connor could claim the title. The latter wired back that he was willing to row any oarsman on American waters for $500 a side or more and that he did not desire to claim the premiership until after a race. This is very honorable on O'Connor's part and shows that he is a true sportsman who does not wish to take the advantage of any opponent.

O'Connor Tries His New Shell.

William O'Connor yesterday secured his new shell, made by George Warin of this city. He took a spin in the craft on the bay and pronounced her the best boat he has ever rowed in, at least that was his impression yesterday. Her dimensions are: Length 31 feet 4 in., width 11½ in., depth 6 in., forward 8 in., aft 9½ in., weight 29 lbs.

KILRAIN'S TRIAL.

States' Witnesses Fail to Appear and Are Fined—What Does It Mean?

PURVIS, Miss., Dec. 13.—As soon as court convened yesterday forenoon the Kilrain case was taken up and a list of witnesses were read, and it was found that two of these for the State—Captain John Fitzpatrick, the referee of the Sullivan-Kilrain prize fight, and J. W. Hinton, a lumberman—were absent. District Attorney Neville said these were important witnesses and he had told Fitzpatrick, whom he saw in New Orleans yestrday, that he must be present in court to-day. Owing to the absence of the witnesses he would have to ask for a continuance of the case until to-morrow. Judge Terrell granted the request and imposed a fine of $100 each on the absent witnesses for failing to be present in court when the case was called. District Attorney Neville says the case will last until the middle of next week if Kilrain's counsel make an obstinate defence. Captain Fitzpatrick, the leading witness for the State, is beyond the jurisdiction of the court, but he is under bond of $500 to appear.

The Great Pugs Have Come to an Agreement.

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—To-day Captain Cooke received a telegram from President Fulda of the California Athletic Club stating that Jackson, the colored pugilist, had cabled from London his willingness to meet Sullivan, provided he had five months to get ready. Fulda asked Cooke to find out if Sullivan would meet Jackson at the California Club rooms at the end of five months for a purse of $15,000. Sullivan was seen this afternoon and at once accepted the proposition.

VARSITY FOOTBALLISTS

Have Abandoned Their Proposed American Tour.

A meeting of the Varsity Association football club was held last evening in the college Y.M.C.A. building when it was finally decided to abandon the proposed trip to the New England States.

Messrs. Breckenridge, Secretary Peat, Thomson, McLay and others had worked famously for the success of the tour but yesterday when Mr. Breckenridge read letters from Pawtucket, Newark Almas, Kearney Rangers, Newark O.N.T.'s, Montreal and Ottawa giving such poor inducements it was decided to put off the tour for the present season. The Fall River Rovers were the only club to offer a guarantee, and it was a good one, viz., $200. Pawtucket did not answer the secretary's communication. The Almas offered half the gate; the O.N.T.'s promised a small percentage, while Montreal, Ottawa and the Kearney Rangers have stopped paying for the season. Thus the ambitious University kickers must remain satisfied with the honors already won. An effort will be made to revive the scheme after the May examinations when it is hoped the Varsity's prospective tourists will be more successful.

Notes of the Kickers.

The Varsity Rugby team had their annual photo taken at Staunton's yesterday.

Charlie Krauz, the lightning Berlin Ranger half-back was in the city yesterday.

Varsity has declined to meet the Toronto Association club on the lawn this afternoon as intended.

The Torontos and the Young Canadians play their second rink match of the season in the Princess this evening.

The members of the Toronto Rugby club will place their manly forms before Bryce's camera to-day at 1.30 p.m.

The secretary of the Pawtucket Free Wanderers writes that his club are endeavoring to arrange a tour of Great Britain and Ireland.

GRAND NATIONAL CURLERS.

The Four Brothers Will Have an Excursion to New York.

The Grand National Curling Club of America committee have sent out a circular in accordance with the instructions received at the annual meeting at Albany. Seven matches will be played for the National medal, including the International two-rink match, for the Gordon medal, the time and place to be mutually agreed on by the Canadian branch and National Curling Clubs. Matches will be played for four pairs of stones, donated by Mr. Thorburne of Scotland. Buffalo has been selected as the umpire for the four brothers' match with Jersey City.

The brothers will have a grand excursion to New York for curlers and their friends, leaving Toronto about noon on Jan. 11. The Four Brothers will play Yonkers, Jan. 13, for the district medal, Jersey City, Jan. 14, also in the National match for the Gordon medal on Jan. 15. Mayor McIntyre's club will go from St. Catharines. Prospect Park will also send representatives. This will probably be the biggest gathering of curlers ever held in New York.

Any Canadian club wishing to accompany this excursion should communicate with Mr. R. Malcolm, 97 King east. Special rates can be secured for the trip.

The Argonauts Will Smoke.

The members of the Argonaut Rowing Club will open the social season on Monday, Dec. 30, by a smoking concert in their superb club house. Last season the club gave several satisfactory smokes and a grand wind-up, when some capital sparring and other creditable gymnastics were indulged in. The Argonauts have every facility for training during the winter months, and it is only natural that the men can give creditable bouts, etc. They also boast of several clever vocalists and instrumental musicians, who will entertain at the first concert.

Toronto Lacrosse Club's Second Concert.

As the smoking concert held by the Toronto Lacrosse Club recently proved such a complete success, the committee have decided to give another one next Friday evening in Webb's rooms. A good program of vocal and instrumental music is guaranteed. Those who attended the last one were so individually well pleased that it is safe to say that they will all find their way back again next Friday evening.

Messrs. Bies and Kemp Win at West Toronto

There was a good day's sport at the shoot of the West Toronto Gun Club yesterday, when several good scores were made. Mr. D. Bies, the president of the club, won in the sweep at live birds, and Mr. Charles Kemp came out first in the artificial match.

Gossip of the Turf.

The hounds will meet this afternoon at the Dutch Farm at 3 o'clock sharp.

Dear Off the Diamond.

"The Unpaid's Revenge or the New Brotherhood" is the name of a play running at Tony Pastor's theatre, New York, at present.

Hanlon was the only player taking stock in the Pittsburg Brotherhood club. The $30,000 was eagerly grabbed up by local speculators. Their outlook is certainly very rosy.

At the annual meeting of the Pittsburg National League club the report showed the institution to be in any but a lamentable financial state. Applications for the position of manager were read from Walter Barnham of Worcester, Mass., Henry T. Smith of Cleveland, and, indirectly, Robert Leadley of Detroit. Should Carroll sign a League contract he and Sunday will be considered favorably as a successor to Hanlon. The old officers were re-elected.

Spots o' Sport.

The Stanleys will shoot this afternoon for the McDowall gun. Several sweeps will follow.

W. K. McNaught of the T.L.C. has sent $10 to Dr. Guerin, Montreal, for the Cregan fund.

Mr. Hamilton Busby did not comment on the world's aquatic championship as, was expected, in Turf, Field and Farm.

Secretary J. S. Russell announces that the curling annual will be out next week and that he will have sufficient cold weather to begin operations with the stones at the same time.

Stratford will have a grand bonspiel during the week commencing Jan. 20, to which all clubs in the district shall be invited. It is expected that about twenty-five clubs will be present.

Sullivan and Jackson have not yet been matched, but The California Athletic has offered them a $10,000 purse. Jackson, of course, will agree to this but Sullivan has not yet been heard from.

Mr. Charles of this city has accepted the challenge of Mr. R. Barcoe of Newcastle, Ont., issued yesterday to shoot any man in Ontario at 50 pigeons for $100 a side. Mr. Charles has mailed $50 to bind the match, which will be shot at Newcastle next Friday.

Finest in the City.

The largest and most complete stock of grates fenders, all patterns and prices, English and American tile open fireplaces and brass novelties is to be seen at 31 Adelaide-street east. Place your orders early and take advantage of present liberal discounts. W. Millichamp, Sons & Co., largest Canadian manufacturers of hardwood mantels in the Dominion. Telephone 555. Correspondence solicited. 246

Off to Sweet Lindhlazow.

Around the festive board at the Hub Cafe last night there sat a genial crew. The workmen of William Simpson's factory, 82 Adelaide-street west, tendered a farewell supper to their esteemed foreman and fellow-workman, Archibald Lang, and turned out en masse to give him a hearty send-off. Mr. Lang is about to temporarily sever his connection with the establishment to visit his relatives at Linlithgow, Scotland, where he intends to remain a few weeks. On behalf of the establishment, Mr. James Stewart presented an address, accompanied by a silver watch, gold chain and locket. Mr. Simpson, in a congratulatory speech, expressed the feeling of all present when he said that in the departure of Mr. Lang they lost an honored friend, a skilful mechanic and an estimable citizen. Mr. Lang made a feeling reply.

Among those present were: T. Simmons (chairman), Robert McVittie, the celebrated crack shot; Joseph Oliver of Dunn & Oliver, lumber merchants; Samuel McBride, representing Robert Thompson & Co., lumber; R. J. Hovenden, John Ewon, William Ritchie and Frank Lockwood, representing sister trades, and many other jolly good fellows to the number of about 80. The menu was one of those for which The Hub is famous. With enlivening songs and speeches a sociable time was spent, the merry-makers departing at a late hour.

How to Obtain Sunbeams.

Everyone should have them. Have what Stanton's Sunbeam Photographs, $1 per dozen. Studio southwest corner Yonge and Adelaide streets. 462

Y.M.C.A. Notes.

The next entertainment in connection with the Y.M.C.A. course will be given on Tuesday evening, when Mr. Marshall from Philadelphia, will read a number of choice selections. Mr. Arthur Hewitt will play several pieces on the grand organ, and in addition there will be an interesting gymnasium exhibition at which several new features will be introduced.

To-morrow (Sunday) night at 8.30, Rev. T. H. Hector, the eloquent colored preacher from California, will deliver a special address to "men only" in Association Hall.

The charming resort of our fashionable citizens, The Arlington Hotel, Toronto, has just opened its new east wing for inspection. The arrangements and furnishings of the rooms are exquisite. 246

Buy a School! Teach the Children Music.

The Sites and Buildings Committee of the Public School Board met yesterday afternoon. There were present Trustees Somers (chairman), Herbert Kent, Schoff, Hastings, Brown, Somers, Oliver, Baird, McCracken, Ogden, Middleton, Henderson, Downard and Messrs. Bishop and Williamson. It was decided to offer the old Cherry-street school for sale at $5000. Permission was granted for the organization of a class in music at the Church-street school.

Extraordinary Ocean Passage.

The steamship Etruria, which sailed from New York last Saturday was reported at Browhead (south of Ireland) at 1 p.m. yesterday. This is one of the fastest trips of the season. The forty-five Torontonians on board will reach their destination this morning.

Fine Goods at Auction.

Mr. McFarlane will continue this afternoon and evening the sale of china, bronzes, statuary, bric-a-brac at 179 Yonge street. No reserve. Seats for ladies.

Everything Goes.

Everything goes to-day at Rogers, 436 Queen-street west. This is the greatest sale of clothing now going on in the West End. Genuine bargains. Note the address—Old No., 430 Queen-street west.

30c. Sunday Dinner. 30c.

A full dinner at the Hotel Hub, Colborne-street, from 12.45 p.m. to 2.30 p.m., for 30c. "The Hub" is sufficient guarantee.

Piddington's Book Auction.

The great book auction is still going on nightly at Piddington's, Yonge-street. Rare books, standard authors, Christmas annuals to be had at the bidder's own price.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

Mignon at the Grand and the Boston Ideals—Notes of Amusement.

The Bostonians scored another success at the Grand Opera House last evening, when Mignon was presented with this cast:

Wilhelm Meister	Tom Karl
Lotario	Eugene Cowles
Laerte	Fred Dixon
Giarno	George Frothingham
Mignon	Juliette Cordon
Frederic	Josephine Bartlett
Filina	Marie Stone

The audience was much larger than on the opening night, a tribute to the merits of the company, and a well-deserved one. This is a highly meritorious organization, not alone in the individual work of the principals, but also in the concerted work of the chorus. This afternoon and evening will close the engagement. Matinee, "The Musketeers," this evening, "Don Quixote."

At the Grand Opera House Monday evening, Dec. 16, will be given Duncan B. Harrison's picture of military life, an incident of the Queen's Own stationed in Ireland. The scenery and mechanical effects are said to be startling and realistic. Says The Philadelphia Times: "The Paymaster" cannot fail to be a go. The interest is well sustained, the scenic effects are excellent, the audience was wildly enthusiastic, and received the piece with most decided and emphatic marks of approbation.

Mr. Carl Martens will give a soiree musicale at Victoria Hall on Monday evening, at which a choice program of concerted instrumental music will be performed, with songs by Miss Fannie Fringle and Mr. E. W. Schuch.

The Otto Hegner concert at the Academy of Music Monday evening, ought to prove a great card, in fact the card of the present musical season.

Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy cures when every other so-called remedy fails. 50 cents, by druggists.

THE TRIUMPH OF TRUTH.

Its Relation to the Henry George Theories—What Dr. Burns Thinks.

Under the auspices of the Anti-Poverty Society, Rev. Dr. Burns, principal of Hamilton Ladies' College, lectured in Shaftesbury Hall last night. His subject was "The Triumph of Truth." Graphically he sketched "the down-trodden state of the laboring classes compared with that of the wealthy, and said these inequalities showed there was something radically wrong. Having denounced militarism as exemplified in the standing armies of Europe, the Doctor expounded the principles of the land tax and the benefits which this system of taxation would confer upon the working class, his theory being the same as that of the celebrated Henry George. He emphasized the fact that unless a change takes place disastrous results will ensue. In conclusion he laid down a few rules that those interested in the great work should follow. "You must," he said, "create sentiment by the distribution of literature and by the voice of those who uphold the Henry George theory until finally your efforts, your patience and your watchfulness will be suitably rewarded." [Applause.]

Ballot Men in the Field.

The friends of the ballot in separate school elections are beginning to move, and it is said there will be strong opposition in several of the wards to the anti-ballot or clerical party. The latter has chosen a candidate in each ward. In St. Thomas' Mr. John Herbert will be the anti-ballot man. Last night a number of St. Thomas' ward separate school supporters held a meeting in a Queen-street hotel and decided to put up a candidate against Mr. Herbert.

Personal Mention.

Miss Sibyl Sanderson, the American soprano, has the influenza in Paris and has been granted ten days' leave of absence by the Opera Comique.

The Sultan of Zanzibar will be presented with the insignia of the English Order of St. Michael and St. George and the Grand Cross of the German Order of the Red Eagle on Monday. All the available British men-of-war are gathering to give eclat to the occasion.

Jottings About Town.

Mr. George Reid, sr., ex-tax collector of St. David's Ward, has consented to run for alderman for that ward for 1890.

William Purris and John Gray, two boys, were yesterday sent to jail for five days for breaking a window for purposes of theft.

Mr. Charles Watts will lecture to-morrow night in Science Hall in reply to Rev. Joseph Cook's recent lecture "Does Death End All?"

George Hill, a laborer employed at the new Parliament buildings, sustained serious injuries by being crushed with a block of stone yesterday.

James Mann, 261 King street east, was yesterday committed for trial, charged with perjury in giving evidence in a liquor case in his own behalf.

At the Young Men's Prohibition meeting in Association Hall tomorrow afternoon at 3 p.m. H. Beaty, the colored temperance advocate, will be the chief speaker.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the great auction sale of furniture of J. Stuart, cor. Gould and Yonge-street, will be continued on the ground floor. A. O. Andrews auctioneer.

When down town after dusk this evening stop at Oak Hall, King-street east, and look in their show window and you will see what you will see and then step inside and buy your winter overcoats.

At the Art Metropole, 131 Yonge-street, may be seen a lovely display of choice pictures, china, etc., suitable for holiday presents. Our friends should not overlook this store in making their selections.

The members of the Ladies Aid Society of St. George's Church, closed their sale of fancy goods last night by a successful supper in the school parlors. The attendance was large and a pleasant time was spent.

Robert Nelly, 385 King-street west, an employe at the G.T.R. freight sheds, broke his leg below the knee yesterday morning by a heavy packing case falling upon it. He was taken to the hospital and at an early hour this morning was reported as progressing favorably.

At the Shaftesbury Hall to-night, in the large hall Prof. Seymour will deliver his great lecture—subject, "The Fundamental Principles of Christianity and their Relation to Natural Laws." He will wind up with a great display of mesmerism. There is lots of fun in mesmerism. Go.

A man named William Weir, who was unable to give his correct address, fell in a fit at King and Princess-streets last evening. He was removed in the ambulance and after giving several wrong addresses was finally taken to the Hospital. There he soon recovered and was able to leave about an hour after his arrival.

The bill of fare provided during the winter months by the Literary and Theological Society of McMaster Hall is always excellent. Last night's program proved no exception. There was some outspoken discussion on what is known in England as the "downgrade" tendency amongst Baptist churches and as regards Mr. Spurgeon's withdrawal from the Baptist Union of Great Britain. The needful large-heartedness and conscientiousness was insisted upon, also charitable judgment, whilst contending earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. The discussion was profitable, and the literary and musical variations contributed to the profit and enjoyment of the evening.

Among the Societies.

Etruria Circle held their annual reunion and ball last night. About 50 couples were present.

The Stationary Engineers, No. 1, met last night. A. M. Wickens presided.

The Prentice Boys will hold their annual church parade to Queen-street Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

The Prentice Boys opened a new lodge with 25 members in Jackson Hall, 699 Yonge-street, last night. The uniformed division of the organization attended.

Toronto City Council, No. 2, R. T. of T., met last night, Bro. Brooks in the chair. There were four initiations and two propositions. Bro. Richardson was elected trustee and Bro. Brooks and L. R. Kerr, representatives to the Grand Council. The lodge has organized a broom brigade.

Sanctuary Queen City, No. 7042, A.O.S., elected these officers last night: G. W. Murchison, pastor; W. Jaycock, sub-pastor; R. Housain, scribe; J. Beaton, treasurer; J. Donovan, 1st attendant; A. Macdonald, 2nd attendant, W. Samuelson, senior keeper; S. Stevenson, junior keeper; R. Hassall, T. Painter and W. Samuelson, auditors; H. K. Griffiths, T. Price and S. Stevenson, trustees; Dr. Wagner, medical examiner; T. Painter, representative to the Union and Demonstration Committee.

Victoria Lodge, No. 588, L.O.L., had three initiations and five propositions last night. Bro. E. W. Power presided. These officers were elected: J. Fawcett, W.M.; H. Hogarth, D.M.; B. Kirk, chaplain; S. Westman, financial secretary; J. Kennedy, recording secretary; W. Bowery, director of ceremonies; W. Plunkett, treasurer; T. Doughty, lecturer; 1st committeeman, J. F. Loudon; 2nd committeeman, W. G. Kennedy; 3rd committeeman, George Rayt; 4th committeeman, George Miller; 5th committeeman, H. Westman; inside tyler, J. H. O'Neil; physician, E. J. Elliott.

Steamship Arrivals.

Date.	Name.	Reported at.	From.
Dec. 13.	England	New York	Liverpool
"	Germanic	"	.....
"	Hollandia	"	Antwerp
"	Trave	"	Bremen
"	Obdam	"	Rotterdam
"	City Chicago	Queenstown	New York
"	Etruria	"	.....

ANOTHER MANGLED BODY.

A GHASTLY DISCOVERY IN THE BALLAST OF A SHIP.

The Handiwork of Jack the Ripper—The Striking Gas Stokers—Spread of the Influenza—Resting Place for the Body of Robert Browning Offered in Westminster Abbey.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The mangled body of a woman has been found among the ballast of a vessel at Middlesboro, shipped at Millwall. The hand has been found elsewhere. The police suspect that this is another victim of Jack the Ripper, and the presence of the body in the ballast calls new attention to theory that the murderer is a sailor.

A Plot to Kill the Czar.

[Special to The World.]

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 13.—A number of officers of the artillery and navy have been arrested on the charge of complicity in a plot to kill the Czar.

The Gasmen's Strike.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The coal porters, gasmen, lightermen, watermen, sailors' and firemen's unions have all joined in the issue of a common manifesto appealing to the public for funds to support the gashouse strikers pending the strike.

Balfour to Visit Ireland.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Mr. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, will shortly start on a visit to that country where he will remain several weeks. His object is to ascertain the feeling in Ireland regarding an extension of the scope of the Land Purchase Bill.

Terrible Mine Explosion.

MADRID, Dec. 13.—There has been an explosion in the Belmese mines. Fifteen injured persons have been brought to the mouth of the pit. The number of dead is unknown, but it is thought to be large.

Cable Flashes.

Dom Pedro is better and was out yesterday making visits.

The epidemic influenza in a very mild form is prevalent at Rome.

The Reichstag, 127 to 111, adopted a resolution exempting from military service all students of theology.

Three witnesses who testified for the Socialists at the recent trials at Elberfeld have been arrested for perjury.

The influenza epidemic has appeared at Antwerp. There are a large number of cases among the troops in garrison.

It is rumored in Berlin business circles that Russia is about to purchase Nobel's kerosene plant at Baku for 10,000,000 roubles.

The Journal de St. Petersbourg considers the fact that Austria permitted the recent Bulgarian loan to be effected in Vienna a violation of the Berlin treaty.

The Russian Government is about to appoint special attaches to each of the leading Russian embassies abroad, whose duty it will be to study the railway and telegraph systems of the countries in which they are located.

By a vote of 116 to 109 the Reichstag adopted a motion extending to all German colonies the operation of that clause in the Congo Act which insures universal religious toleration. The minority on this vote was made up by Conservatives.

The corvee has been abolished throughout Egypt. It has been replaced, however, by an addition to the land tax. If France will give her consent to the proposed conversion of the Egyptian debt, no further addition to the taxes will be necessary.

M. De Freycinet, French Minister of War, in a note to the French press, appeals to the editors and writers to abstain from any description or any other articles which may reveal the progress of works in preparation for the national defence.

A THIRD PARTY NOT NEEDED.

So Declares the Osgoode Legal and Literary Society at Its Weekly Debate.

The friends and members of the Osgoode Legal and Literary Society spent a pleasant time at Convocation Hall last night. It was the 58th public debate of the society, and both the affirmative and negative advocates showed the benefit derived from these weekly meetings. Fashion and beauty as well as forensic ability were well represented. Among others noticed by The World were: Dr. and Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Curry, Miss Eyre, Mr. and Miss Douglas, Mr. and Miss Cawthra, Mr. A. M. Grier, Mr. and Mrs. Anglin, Mr. and Miss Holmstead, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Weldrick, Mr. and Mrs. Neville, Mr. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Kappelle, Mr. McNamarra, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gash, Mr. Reeve (Principal of the Law School), Mrs. Justice Falconbridge, Mrs. Marsh, Mr. Davies, Mr. DuVernet, Mr. Charles Kerr, Mr. Webb, Mrs. and Miss Simpson, Miss Patterson, Miss Lamport, Mr. William Muloch, M.P.

Mr. G. F. Blackstock, Q.C., was in the chair and briefly introduced President Douglas Armour. The president, in delivering his inaugural address, referred to the progress made by the society and its great value as a debating and literary school.

The debate was then opened by Mr. E. B. Ryckman for the affirmative, the proposition being: "Resolved, That a third party is desirable in Canada at the present time." "I am a Tory by extraction," said the speaker, "and have grown black and blue in the face shouting for Sir John Macdonald." [Applause]. He spoke briefly but to the point on the resolution, urging that there are issues to-day, the separate school question, the liquor traffic, etc., which the two old parties refused to touch. But they were not slow to fight on matters of less import. The Pantanic political wave was responsible for the continual agitation in Haldimand and other counties. The Parti Nationale in Canada was condemned as a menace to our national development.

Mr. J. L. Knowles rose for the negative. The previous speaker, he said, had asserted that two parties were an evil and yet he wished to add a third evil. [Applause.] This was assuredly a carrying out of the saying that the hair of the dog is good for the bite. And so the leader for the negative wittily replied to the "hon. gentleman on the opposite side of the house," and was rewarded by frequent applause.

Mr. L. P. Duff for the affirmative and Mr. J. E. O'Connor for the negative concluded the debate. The chairman put the question to a vote and the audience by a big majority declared that the negative had won the day, or rather the night.

There was good music on the program and dancing was indulged in to a late hour.

From Police Blotters.

W. H. Thompson, 163 Union-street, reports the theft of one jack-plane, one smoothing-plane and a brace and bits.

Mary May of Sackville-street was arrested last night charged with the larceny of $2.90 from Richard McFadden, 256 Victoria-street.

W. M. Knight, who keeps a store at 559 Gerrard-street east, left his place for a short time yesterday and on his return found that $33 had been abstracted from his till.

Fred Dowe, 124 Pearl-street, was arrested on a charge of drunkenness made by his wife yesterday and also on a charge of the larceny of an axe from A. Wood, 157 York-street.

Henry Morton and James C. Logan, whose address is the lodging house at 103 York-street, were arrested by Detective Sleeman yesterday on the charge of having stolen a number of knives and spoons.

Joseph Shaw of 253 Gerrard-street east was conducting himself in a disorderly manner yesterday on Albert-street when Detective Black came along and put him behind the bars at Agnes-street station.

Robert Henry, Adelaide-street, and George Rutt, 80 Portland-street, were lodged in St. Andrew's Market station by Policeman Phillips yesterday on a charge of stealing lumber in St. Andrew's-square belonging to the corporation.

At the Hotels.

J. B. Jackson, Ingersoll, is at the Rossin.

George Richardson, Kingston, is at the Queen's.

T. Conway, Montreal, is registered at the Walker.

W. Bremner, Hamilton, is staying at the Palmer.

J. J. Drewe, Guelph, is booked at the Rossin.

W. C. Ross, Ottawa, is registered at the Queen's.

John McKellar, Ingersoll, is at the Walker.

S. Burrows, Belleville, is booked at the Palmer.

Robert J. Burdette is among the arrivals at the Rossin.

THE ENGINEERS DIFFER

On Important Features of the Esplanade Problem—Mr. Wellington Leaves Town.

Another meeting of the Esplanade subcommittee was held yesterday. These additional recommendations from the engineers received the approval of the committee:

That instead of moving Lake-street from the point determined to one more northerly, to request the Government to extend the windmill line southerly as far as necessary to furnish ample dock accommodation.

The swing bridges at the junction of King and Queen-streets and at Eastern-avenue should be built.

A steel viaduct to be built adapted for four tracks, but only two of them to be erected for the present. The first cost of the structure is estimated at $90 per lineal foot, and the cost of adding two tracks hereafter at $60.

Engineer Wellington strongly supported and Engineers Armstrong and Galt as strenuously opposed this recommendation:

That the extension of Lake-street through the proposed C.P.R. yards should be closed between the western limit of York-street and the eastern limit of John-street, and that so much of John-street extending about 400 feet south of the southern limit of the Esplanade be thrown into the C.P.R. freight shed and closed as a street, and that the C.P.R. be granted right-of-way for two tracks parallel with Esplanade-street and immediately south of the southerly limits of said street.

This clause was laid over.

Engineer Wellington submitted a report, which contains one radical change from those previously presented, viz., to expropriate 125 feet from the Parliament Buildings block, which is a great decrease in the expropriation previously proposed. The new report proposes to utilize a road at the back of the Grand Trunk freight sheds by an elevated track back of the road, thus bringing the station about 30 feet south and diminishing the size of the proposed new station in such a manner that but little deflection of Front-street will be produced.

Recognizing the force of the objections as to the policy of taking a large portion of the Government land the above proposition will carry weight. At the same time the new plan will avoid the fundamental objection, considered to be such by Engineer Wellington, of disturbing the Grand Trunk freight facilities, by abandoning the idea of building a retaining wall and substituting therefor what Mr. Wellington terms a half viaduct. He believes that to infringe upon these Grand Trunk facilities would be very disastrous indeed and would lead to endless legal difficulty. Mr. Wellington took in sanguine view of the terms upon which the 125 feet of the parliament block could be secured. If the Provincial Government had the public interest at heart it, would be willing to give that little strip in view of the great improvements which would be made in the vicinity. Another 125 feet of land from John to Peter-streets to be used for storage purposes it is also proposed to expropriate, but this item was continued in previous reports.

The estimated cost of the entire strip extending from Simcoe to Peter-streets, including the ground covered by the old Marlboro House, is $229,000.

After a discussion of the report the committee decided to meet again to-day at 2 p.m. Engineer Wellington left the city last night.

Ministers, lawyers, teachers and others whose occupation gives but little exercise should use Carter's Little Liver Pills for torpid liver and biliousness. One is a dose. Try them. 246

FOR BODY AND SOUL.

Activity in Home Mission Work by the Band of Cottage Workers.

There is manifestly more interest shown on the part of the workers and also on the part of working people, who in such large numbers attend the Richmond Hall cottage meeting. Last night's full room proved this. Many of the "free breakfasters" were there and a number of visitors for the first time. Amply repaid all were by the touching and admirable address of Rev. Dr. Thomas of Jarvis-street Baptist Church, who is always warmly welcomed at the cottage meeting. Mr. H. C. Dixon was in thankful spirits. Funds are being supplied as they are needed from week to week. Practical sympathy is shown the poor; names and addresses are taken and kindly visits paid. More cottage is needed and also a fund to provide working tools. And all this auxiliary to the gospel preaching! A new departure was taken last night in the provision of total abstinence pledges and the signing of the cards by many of those present. But more than this was done by the busy workers. Arrangements were made for the more efficient working of the free Sunday breakfast and tea. The former will commence promptly at 9 a.m., the guests being in their places at 8.45. The supper will be served punctually at 6 p.m; admission for the children being at 5.45, and not before. The staff of waitresses and waiters will be at their assigned posts at 5.30. Thus all promises well for a happy and busy day to-morrow.

Sick Headache, Dizziness, Nausea, etc., are the results of a disordered Stomach and Biliary organs—regulate the trouble at once by a few doses of Burdock Blood Bitters.

LEGISLATION FOR THE CITY.

Some Powers That Will be Asked From the Ontario Assembly.

A meeting of the Legislation Committee of the City Council was held yesterday to discuss certain suggested amendments to the Municipal Act. The recommendations adopted were:

That in cities of over 100,000 people the time within which a city may determine whether it will take up an award in an arbitration or not shall be extended to three months.

That arbitrators be compelled to make sworn statement of the number of hours spent in arbitration.

That no action for damages resulting from the prosecution of a work successfully carried out on a civic corporation unless it is entered within six months after the injury complained of. 246

A strong effort will be made to secure legislation preventing the opening of any streets less than 66 feet wide before first securing a by-law from the council. It is also proposed that the present boundaries of several old streets, as defined by the city surveyor, be confirmed by legislation in order to prevent future encroachments. Legislation will be applied for at the next session of the Legislature to compel the removal of obstructions from Toronto Bay.

Provision will be asked so that the power of the city to borrow for the purpose of purchasing the Toronto Street Railway Company's franchise be not subjected to the prescribed limitation contained in clause 1 of 52 Vic., chap. 74, which relates to the city's borrowing powers. Also to have the agreement confirmed whereby the Street Railway Company pays the city quarterly $600 per mile for the maintenance of their tracks.

Dyspepsia in its worst forms will yield to the use of Carter's Little Nerve Pills, aided by Carter's Little Liver Pills. Dose, one of each after eating. 246

Good For the Holiday Season.

Timely comes the announcement of a peremptory sale of articles much in request at the Christmas festive season. Oliver, Coate & Co. will, without reserve, sell by auction one of the finest stocks of china and electroplated ware that has been offered in Toronto since many days. The stock comprises elegant dinner, tea, breakfast and dessert sets, parlor lamps, table ornaments, Doulton Minton, Wedgwood and other choice ware, and electro services and articles quite a store.

A Cure for Toothache.

Gibbons' Toothache Gum is guaranteed to cure toothache instantly. Prepared by J. A. Gibbons & Co., Toronto, and sold by druggists. Price 15 cents. 6

Lottie Howard of Buffalo, N.Y., was cured of sick headache, biliousness and general debility by the use of Burdock Blood Bitters, which she praises highly.

Mimico Lots.

Messrs. Ritchie & Harris, Yonge-street Arcade, are offering Mimico lots for sale on reasonable and easy terms. Mimico property is increasing in value every day, so investors should lose no time in securing some fine lots from Ritchie & Harris's plan.

A Dyer necessity—A tube of Jelly of Cucumber and Roses for chapped hands; cannot do without it. Druggists keep it. W. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

Christmas Table Delicacies.

Mara & Co. grocers, 380 Queen-street west, have received an immense stock of fruits and table delicacies for the holidays. $20 orders delivered free at any railroad station within 100 miles of Toronto. Send for price catalog. 135

Ontario Appointments.

Notaries Public: W. D. Gregory, A. J. Williams, F. M. Young, W. L. M. Lindsey, Toronto.

Bailiffs: W. L. Hughson, Harrow, fourth division court of Essex; G. A. Nolan, Tottenham, third division court of Simcoe.

Would Like to Be Mayor of Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—W. H. Lewis announces himself as a candidate for the mayoralty.

BOB'S MUSTACHE.

And the Young Man It Grew Upon—A Pathetic Family Poem.

Mr. R. J. Burdette last evening discoursed to a large audience in the Bond-street Congregational Church. Rev. Dr. Wild presided and introduced the lecturer as "the Rev. Robert Burdette," expressing the pleasure of himself and people at having the rev. gentleman aforesaid with them.

The Reverend Robert announced his text, "The Rise and Fall of the Mustache," and for over two hours kept his audience in a convulsed state of suppressed merriment. He commenced his lecture with the small, the very small but irrepressible boy, and followed his course through all the devious windings of his checkered career as a small boy, the noisy boy, the careless, the dirty boy who wandered through country streams all day and fought against bathing his feet in the old tin wash dish at night; the school boy who learned to lie and stick to it; "yes well beloved" all kinds and manner of boy came under the skilful word-painting of the clever artist.

Then the small boy gradually developed into the awkward youth, who for the first time began to feel that his upper lip was a pasture ground for a mustache. It was the first sign of lost boyhood and the undoubted indication of a new being—the young man. He described the agony of the first shave—the desperate resolution required in going to the barber for the initial operation and after a superhuman effort getting—his hair cut. Then the fond mother took a last loving parting hair-cutting seance with her dear boy with the old general-purpose family shears and left the darling an object of terror to the neighborhood.

Then the young man's courtship convulsed the audience, as the lecturer graphically described the lover's resolution to get off a carefully-prepared conversation on very deep topics and his great success in saying and doing nothing—but staying very late.

The proposal, the interview with "papa," and mama's criticism, the wedding and numerous presents from guests invited for the purpose, the gradual growing old of "Tom" as his own children gathered around the parent knee to act out the same old story of a human life.

The lecturer was at times touchingly pathetic, as he drew beautiful pictures of home life and human character. Then at his listeners a long remarkable, suddenly the whole scene was broken in upon by something so extremely ludicrous as to dispel the serious humor in roars of laughter.

The lecture was more than a mirth-provoking combination of absurd sentences. Underlying and underneath it all there was a wholesome sermon to parents and to young men, but to parents particularly, and no doubt the many at Bond-street Church last night will carry home with them the recollection of a charming lecture, listened to by all with pleasure and with profit.

Solid Comfort.

Those requiring Boots for the winter should leave their measure at W. Pickles, 328 Yonge-street. No other but skilled workmanship this and the best of material guarantee durability. Picking for the comfort and the pockets of the wearer. Leave your orders early. 55

How to Get a Good Council for 1890.

Let the Citizens' Committee continue in existence; let them select twelve good men known to the entire city and apportion one to each ward; let the present members have the bulk of the other two seats; let the Citizens' Committee work to secure the return of