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## MONDAY'S BIG BATTLE

### How Many Votes Will go to the Macdonald.

### MEN WHO HAVE WAGERED ON 5000

**The Unterrified Tackles His Worship on the Carnival Accounts—Is there Anything "Crooked" About the Business—Why are They Not Brought to Light—The Mayor and Printing Contract—All Sorts of Muhicipal Gossip.**

THERE is a big upheavel in this town at present.

It is caused by the municipal elections and the other vital questions that are to be submitted to the freeholders and electors on Monday.

Foremost in interest is the mayoralty contest, between Mr. Clarke and the Macdonald.

The stock of the latter, which was rated far below par on nomination day, has gone up by leaps and bounds, and the vote that he will poll will surprise his most bitter opponents.

Mr. Macdonald is not generally spoken of on the streets in the most flattering manner, but he is out for the votes, and the indications are that he will get heaps of them.

All kinds of betting is being indulged in. Some wagers are to the effect that he won't poll over 2000 votes. There are some people, however, who have put up money that he will get 5000.

Biz Charley Smith, one of the weathercocks around which the betting ring in Toronto centres, was heard to mutter something yesterday about offering 100 even that Macdonald would get over 4000.

Mr. Macdonald is giving the Mayor a great deal of worry over two things: The City Printing and the Carnival Accounts. The latter are being kept from the public for some reason or other. It is openly charged in the street that when they do come to light they will show a certain West End alderman up in a very uneuviable light.

In view of these rumors the Carnival Committee ought to produce the accounts. If they are all right, why should they be held back?

One of the arguments that is being mos strongly used against Mr. Clarke is his overanxiety for a fourth term. Honors in this city, they say, are rather limited and they should be passed around.

At all events many of Mr. Clarke's former friends will not vote for him on this account if for no other.

Mr. Macdonald seems to be chuckling over the prospect of occupying the civic throne, if not by the votes of the people then by the aid of the courts in proving that Edward Frederick Clarke has still an interest in the Parish Printing.

*THOSE CARNIVAL ACCOUNTS.*

**The Mayoralty Candidates Have a Lively Tilt at the Council.**

Ald. E. A. Macdonald rose to a question of privilege at yesterday's session of the City Council. He said: "At the last meeting of the council I asked you, Mr. Mayor, for access to the carnival accounts, and you told me, that I should make application to the secretary. I saw Mr. Sanderson, the officer indicated, and he told me that I could not see them. Now, as a member of the council, I demand the right to see these accounts, particularly in view of the fact that I understand there is $3000 unaccounted for and whole leaves torn out of the subscription book."

The Mayor: "Now that this matter has been pressed a second time, I feel compelled to explain. I was treasurer of the fund on the request of two gentlemen who formerly held the position I have now the honor to occupy. I told them that it was purely honorary, and that Mr. Sanderson would be the treasurer in point of fact. He opened an account in the Molsons Bank, and the check book can show how the funds in my hands have been expended. I thought it due to these persons affected or who seemed to be affected by the shrinkage in the funds. I should refrain from defending myself, although the chief object of attack, until such times as the auditors, Messrs. Townsend & Stephens, had made their report. My vouchers and back books in this matter are in the hands of the auditors."

Ald. E. A. Macdonald: "This is going around the point at issue. What I want is the accounts."

The Mayor: "I am only one member of the Carnival Committee. I told the alderman to send in his application to that committee, through the secretary, and it is for it to decide the answer."

Ald. Frankland: "The aldermen should know that there are other people interested in this besides the Mayor and it is not fair that he should be hounded, he who is chief magistrate, when he is ready to an explanation."

Ald. Macdonald: "I am not hounding him, but I say the answer was evasive."

The Mayor: "My answer was not evasive. My vouchers and books are open to all. They are, however, in the hands of the Carnival Committee."

Ald. Macdonald: "Then the secretary's answer was."

*GOSSIP FROM THE WARDS.*

**Rousing Meeting in St. David's—A Boom Along the Line.**

A meeting of the supporters of Candidate Thomas Foster of St. David's Ward was held in Ayer's Hall last night. The attendance was large and the enthusiasm of a character auguring well for Mr. Foster's election. Mr. John Patton presided. Candidates Foster, Boddy and Wallace, Ald. Gibbs, W. J. Hambly, J. G. Holmes, G. A. Gardner, A. Winters, Bryan Lynch, Capt. Hood, R. J. Fleming, also occupied seats on the platform.

Ald. Gibbs was called upon to give an account of his stewardship and pleaded that his recent vote was merely in obedience to the dictates of conscience.

Mr. Foster was received with prolonged applause on rising to address the meeting. He vigorously attacked the rate of taxation, the tendency of which was to keep outsiders from settling down here. "Then," he continued, "we do not get value for the amount of taxes we pay. If they connect our house with the main sewer we get sewer gas." [Laughter.]

In answer to a series of questions Mr. Foster said that if elected he would vote for a reduction of taxation on labor products and favored the council petitioning the Government to enact a law exempting 50 per cent. of improvements on property from taxation as in British Columbia. He also expressed himself opposed to women occupying seats at the High School Board.

Messrs. Fleming, Boddy, Wallace, Lynch, Holmes, Hambly, Capt. Hood also spoke.

A resolution endorsing Mr. Foster's candidature was unanimously carried.

The Trades and Labor Council last night endorsed the principle of Ald. McDougall's civic reform scheme. Some strong remarks were made on a report that Ald. Frankland's candidature was being looked by civic officials, and Ald. Moses was taken to task for consulting to the renewal of the Heber Island lease.

In St. Mark's Ward Ald. Denison has dropped out, and Ald. Ritchie is practically out of the running. Ald. Lindsey's friends will put him at the head of the poll, and there he deserves to be, for he has practically done the whole work of the ward this year, and done it well, too. Besides his equalization of assessment scheme should cause every voter in the ward to mark their ballot for him. John Maloney will stand a good second, and Dr. Orr, a recent arrival from Woodbridge, and Benjamin Smith have split the Conservative vote between them, and may let J. J. Graham in. Veach is asking his friends to plump for him, and Graham has a strong following.

Mr. V. E. Ashdown of St. Matthew's Ward is a candidate for school trustee. Mr Ashdown is a rising young man in the East End. Very popular among his fellowmen. Well qualified for the position. Will doubtless be elected.

Lawyer W. M. Hall is worthy of the consideration of the electors of St. James'. He has ability, has studied the municipal issues and has a good idea of what civic reform is necessary. He ought to be one of the three elected for St. James'.

A meeting in the interest of G. M. Rose was held last night, when a large audience was largely attended. Little doubt is felt but that Mr. Rose will be elected to represent St. John's Ward.

Mr. Stephen Willcock is making a good showing in St. Stephen's. Mr. Willcock was born in Toronto 43 years ago, was a member of the Public School Board for six years and is a large property owner. He would make a good representative for the people of St. Stephen's.

*SUNDAY CARS AND MORALITY.*

**A Severe Lesson From the Dominion Criminal Statistics.**

*Editor World:* The Sunday car discussion has evolved the fact that we are living in a fool's paradise while boasting of the superior morality of Toronto. The criminal statistics of the Dominion, showing the higher morality of our sister cities which have Sunday cars, is a squelcher. Let us look at it. It is a wall of granite on the side of truth and morality. The amazing higher moral condition of our cities running Sunday cars is this (Dominion statistics): criminal convictions per thousand of population:

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| Montreal | 33 | Belleville | 30 |
| Winnipeg | 27 | St. Catharines | 29 |
| St. John, N.B. | 28 | Quebec | 20 |
| Halifax | 16 | | |

This is the standing of these seven cities where Sunday cars run. Can Toronto equal this? No. Our famous moral city stands away behind with no *less than thirty-six criminals to every thousand of its population.*

But it may be said that the people in the Lower Provinces are not so strict in enforcing the law as we are. They are the strictest people in the world. There is no spot in the British Empire where the law is more rigidly and vigorously enforced than in the old blue nose cities of St. John and Halifax. The people of these cities are similar in nationality and government to us and it cannot be by accident or chance that their criminal population is so much less than ours, as shown by the blue books.

There is only one solution of the problem. It is this. The street cars in those cities carry the people to church on Sunday. And some with criminal tendencies and others with no such tendencies if they had no opportunity of going out would be hived up in gambling and drinking dens, but the cars induce them to go out for fresh air, which all experience shows is antagonistic to crime-breeding. The closely-packed parts of all the great cities where the inhabitants never get out any distance are the hotbeds of crime. God's fresh and pure air is the greatest enemy of crime extant.

No doubt the Anglican Lord Bishop, the Catholic Archbishop and the leaders of the Baptist Church knew the story told by these statistics when they expressed their opinions in favor of Sunday cars. This is too scientific an age for any man's opinions to prevail against the facts of statistics. Our brethren of the Ministerial Association are certainly not superior to statistics. It will now devolve on them to revise their opinions in accordance with the undeniable experience of widely established facts.

By the light of the criminal statistics the arguments against Sunday cars are swept away like cobwebs before a broom. Not only that the moral argument is reversed, leading us to demand Sunday cars as a means of raising our public morality to the higher standard of our sister cities which have Sunday cars. The theorists who have given their opinions in ignorance of the facts of experience think that Sunday cars ought and should engender crime, but they do not. They have opened no gambling nor drinking saloons in the cities where they exist, but keep those cities on a higher moral plane that puts Toronto to the blush.

STATISTICAL TRUTH.

**Rehoboam's Installation.**

At a meeting of Rehoboam Lodge No. 15, G.R.C., A.F. & A.M., held last night, these officers were installed by V.W. Bro. Franc s Gallow, assisted by V.W. A. W. Carkeek and W. Bro. A. Park: John D. Ballantyne, W.M.; Angus Macbean, S.W.; Arthur Dignis, J.W.; J. E. Pearson, chaplain; Andrew Park, treasurer; Fred Armstrong, secretary; D. D. Grierson, assistant secretary; F. W. Unitt, S.D.; D. Hoskins, J.D.; E. H. Roberts, S.S.; J. C. Hancollins, J.D.; A. Forrester, J. G.; J. H. Pritchard, tyler; J. B. Nixon and A. Maclachlan, auditors; Francis Gallow and Malcolm Gibbs, Dep. Ball trust; R. Dinnis, representative benevolent board; J. Ward, S. Stoodley, W. Lidley, C. H. Mortimer and W. Harpsick committee; A. W. Carkeek, E.P. Clarke, W. Bain, R. L. Paterson, reception com. The retiring W.M., W. J. Graham was presented with a handsome past master's jewel in recognition of his untiring efforts on behalf of the lodge during the year. A pleasant hour was spent in the refreshment-room, where speeches were made by prominent members of the craft in response to the usual toasts.

**Col. Toledo Killed.**

PANAMA, Jan. 2.—Advices from Peru state that in suppressing the revolutionary attempt at Lima, Dec. 24, in behalf of Ex-Dictator Pierola, 26 revolutionists mostly officers were killed. Two parties of conspirators, one headed by Col. A. M. Toledo, tried to seize the artillery barrack at Lima, and were fired on and repelled by the troops. Toledo was among the killed. He was a near friend of Pierola and was prefect of Lima, where Pierola recently escaped from imprisonment. Toledo was arrested, charged with aiding the ex-Dictator to escape, but was released on his promise not to leave the capital.

**Acton Girl Shot.**

ACTON, Jan. 2.—Mabel, daughter of William Ismond of this town, who is visiting friends in St. Louis, Mo., was aroused from her sleep by a fire-alarm and arose, passed through the room in which her sister-in-law was sleeping and raised a front window, with the intention of locating the fire. This alarmed Mrs. Ismond—Mr. Ismond was away from home—and, concluding that a burglar was effecting an entrance, raised her revolver and fired. The shot took effect in Miss Mabel's left side.

**The Time Extended to Feb. 2.**

The Street Railway Franchise Committee yesterday decided to extend the time for receiving tenders for the purchase of the franchise from Jan. 15 to Feb 1. It was also decided to advertise for tenders in the daily papers for three weeks longer.

When the City Council met later in the day the action of Ald. Vokes' committee was ratified, only Feb. 2 was substituted for Feb. 1 (Sunday).

**In the New Building.**

The first call board in the new Board of Trade building was ushered in under auspicious conditions yesterday. There was a large number of grain men present and the proceedings were more than usually active. The honor of making the first call belongs to Mr. John Reid.

When Secretary Wills opened the call board an effort was made by some of the frolicsome ones, led by "Rev." D. Laidlaw, to repeat the closing scenes of Thursday, but they were quickly suppressed.

The rotunda is not yet finished and Mr. Wills had to use a carpenter's bench for a call box. The secretary's offices are completed and are a decided improvement in every respect to the old ones. The formal opening will take place about the end of the month.

**No More Musical Degrees in England.**

The corporation of Trinity University have decided to receive no more candidates for musical degrees in England after the current year, which terminates Feb. 1.

"This course has been decided upon," says The Trinity University Review, "not because of any doubts as to the right of the university to grant these degrees but on account of the misunderstandings which arose among the other universities in England with which Trinity had previously had friendly relations. As, moreover, the University of Durham has announced the intention of giving musical degrees on a similar basis to that of Trinity, the work of our own university in that respect has become unnecessary."

**Fatal Hotel Fire.**

CORSICANA, Tex., Jan. 2.—The Avenue Hotel, a wooden structure, was burned last night. A woman, two men and a boy were burned to death.

## NEW YORK THEATRES BURNT

*THE FIFTH AVENUE AND HERMAN'S GO UP IN SMOKE.*

**Involving a Total Loss of Over $500,000—The Flames Broke Out in the Fifth Avenue Theatre a Few Minutes After Fanny Davenport Had Completed the Performance of Cleopatra.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Fifteen minutes or so last night after Fanny Davenport, in the character of Cleopatra, had trod the boards of the Fifth-avenue Theatre and the audience had passed out of the Broadway and 28th-street entrances, Watchman Finn ran out of the theatre screaming "fire." A few seconds later fire engines were dashing up Broadway and until nearly 1 o'clock this morning new detachments were still responding to additional signals for help. What was at first believed to be a false alarm proved to be one that destroyed a whole block from Broadway besides the 5th-avenue Theatre, Hermann's new playhouse, a dozen stores and threatened the Sturtevant House on the east side of Broadway. Up to this writing while the fire is yet raging no lives are known to be lost. There were a dozen or more narrow escapes, and at one time it was thought three firemen caught upon the roof top would perish. Two of these men slid down a line of hose to the street. The other crawled along the roof hidden in smoke until he reached a hatchway, through which he escaped.

**Panic Among Hotel Guests.**

The fire had been burning less than half an hour before the flames shot through the roof, causing the wildest consternation among the guests of the Brower House on the northeast corner and the Sturtevant House. The shower of sparks which covered the pavement in Broadway also set fire to the awnings of the latter. To add to the confusion there were six explosions in the Fifth-avenue Theatre which blew the blazing rafters skyward and these set fire to the roofs of the buildings surrounding the burning theatres.

**Prevented from Spreading.**

The firemen were powerless to do anything towards saving the playhouses: they worked nobly in preventing the destruction of buildings in the vicinity of the immense blaze. All the property burned belongs to the Gilsey estate, and the total damage to the buildings and contents is roughly estimated at $500,000.

**Taps From the Telegraph.**

Several men were killed at Hamburg yesterday by a nitro-glycerine explosion in Noble's factory.

Andrew Moore, aged 70, fell dead in the store of J. Sparrs, Uxbridge, yesterday.

John Brown, while felling a tree near Waverley, Ont., was fatally injured.

Union Pacific employes have had their wages reduced 15 to 30 per cent.

Twenty-two thousand deaths occurred in Guatemala from smallpox from April to September.

Five loaded steamers are lying at the Hamburg docks, unable to sail, owing to the coal trimmers' strike.

The Scotch railway strike is not affecting travel so much as it did a few days ago. The places of the strikers are being rapidly filled.

The failure of a large Santiago, Chili, mercantile house is reported. The liabilities are stated to exceed $1,200,000.

Henry Creel, a Hamilton small boy, was dangerously wounded while handling a rusty firearm yesterday.

William Dean, a well-known resident of Hamilton, died yesterday, after telling his daughter that he felt quite well.

Willie Halstead, the son of Farmer E. B. Halstead of South Grimsby, was killed by the kick of a horse yesterday.

Central and Northern California experienced an earthquake yesterday, the severest since 1868. The Lick observatory was one of the chief sufferers.

The British bark Topsy, from Kingston to Grand Cayman, went ashore on Cayman beach Dec. 12 and is a total loss. Capt. Knight, two mates, one seaman and the cabin boy were lost.

For some months smallpox has been raging along the Texas and Mexican borders as well as in several towns in the interior of Texas. Yesterday the Mexican Government sent a corps of physicians to Porfirio Diaz, across from Eagle Pass, to vaccinate the people and isolate the sick. Street quarantine has been enforced.

A 13-year-old son of E. Holborn, near Grand Valley, was playing in the yard and had got upon the wheel of a rig in the yard to escape the attack of a cross ram, from which he fell backward, striking his head upon the hard ground, and was so badly injured that he died in a few hours.

**Jottings About Town.**

For theft of a goose, James W. Berry was yesterday sent to jail for 10 days.

The Bank of Hamilton have removed to their new premises in the Canada Life Assurance Building.

The Ontario Gazette of this week publishes the boundaries of the addition to the municipal territory of West Toronto Junction.

Patrick Sullivan, the hackman who drove off with the sheriff's officer sent to arrest him, was yesterday remanded on a charge of assault.

For infringing the Liquor License Act on two occasions Isaac Scott of Lambton was yesterday fined $20 and costs on each charge.

Rev. Prof. Clark will occupy the pulpit of St. Stephen's Church, College-street, to-morrow morning.

Mr. John Charlton, M.P., will address the Young Liberals Club Monday night on Unrestricted Reciprocity.

Two boys named Thomas Walsh and A. McGee were arrested last night charged with stealing chickens from a Parliament-street dealer.

It is a year ago to-day since the first case of la grippe was received in the Toronto Hospital. During the first three months of last year 80 unmistakable cases were received.

The treasurer of the Toronto Industrial Refuge and Aged Woman's Home (McMurrich-street) acknowledges with thanks these Xmas donations: Mrs. R. Milroy $10, Philos $5.

Mr. Hugh Blain has bought a lot in Crescent-road, Rosedale, just over the new Sherbourne-street bridge, 200 feet frontage, paying therefor $85 a foot. He will erect a residence in the spring.

At 5½ yesterday morning the fire brigade was summoned to the corner of Yonge and Adelaide streets, where there was a small fire in the store of M. & J. Vokes. Cause unknown. Damage $100.

These promotions are gazetted: Q.O.R.: D. Co.—To be color-sergeant, A. G. Rooertson vice McKell; to be sergeant, S. Cunningham, vice Robertson. Ambulance Corps—To be hospital sergeant, H. Fletcher, vice Dallas.

Secretary Wills of the Board of Trade yesterday received the following from R. L. Neiles, local freight agent: "The Grand Trunk Railway authorities report a large surplus of flat cars and a full supply of box cars are now available for traffic."

The Free Methodists will hold services every evening at 8 (Saturdays excepted) during January, in the brick church at Simcoe and Caer Howell-streets. Sundays: 11 a.m., 3 and 7 p.m. Elder James Craig and Mrs. Craig will conduct the services.

Rev. O. C. S. Wallace, M.A., the new pastor of Bloor-street Baptist Church, will enter upon his duties to-morrow, preaching morning and evening. The rev. gentleman comes from Lawrence, Mass., and has an excellent reputation as a pulpiteer and theologian.

Mr. F. X. Cousineau of the "Bon Marche" wishes it understood that he is not the "Cousineau" referred to in the paragraph in Thursday's World relating to Cousineau v. City of London Insurance Co. It refers to a gentleman of the same name in an eastern portion of the province.

At the meeting of the Single Tax Association last night an address in favor of free school books was delivered by Mr. A. F. Chamberlain. The advantages are: Much saving of expense; no delays procuring books; no difficulties in promotions or removals from school to school; no difference between rich and poor.

Mr. J. L. Hughes, public school inspector, will be the speaker at the prohibition meeting in the Pavilion to-morrow afternoon. His address will be in reply to Miss Eastman of Massachusetts, who, it will be remembered, gave utterance to rather unorthodox prohibition sentiments at a meeting in the Pavilion some weeks since, when Mr. Hughes was chairman. Musical program conducted by Mrs. J. W. Bradley.

On New Year's eve the employes of Messrs. G. R. Renfrew & Co. presented Messrs. A. E. Renfrew and John Bastedo, the junior partner and the manager of the Toronto branch, with a handsome clock for the office, accompanied by a neatly worded address. The address was signed on behalf of the employes by Mr. C. J. G. Hill. Both gentlemen replied in brief speeches, thanking the donors for their beautiful present.

*THE WARTLEY HOLOCAUST.*

**Six Deaths Already Have Resulted From the Yorkshire Fire.**

LEEDS, Jan. 2.—Six of the children injured at the school fete at Wartley, have died While the children were preparing for the entertainment one of them accidentally set fire to her clothes with a lamp. She made a rush for the door, a panic ensued, and the other children also made a rush for the door. The result was that a crowd of children were crushed around the child, whose clothes were already in flames, and thereby ignited the clothes of 20 or 30 others. A number of others are expected to die.

**Eyraud's Wretched Wife.**

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Mme. Eyraud has asked for an interview with Mme. Carnot, with a view to securing her influence with her husband, the president, to induce him to commute the murderer's sentence.

The condemned man's daughter will visit her father to-morrow, taking with her a small sum of money earned by her. This she will give to the Governor of La Boquette, with the request that it be used to purchase a few comforts for Eyraud.

Several written proposals of marriage have been sent to the unfortunate girl, and even M. Eyraud has been tormented by a weak-kneed admirer, who declares that he is ready to share his life and fortune with her.

**Two Wives Cause a Bloodless Duel.**

VIENNA, Jan. 2.—Count Deym, ambassador of Austria to England, and Count de Lutzon, First Secretary of the Embassy, fought a duel with pistols near this city to-day. Neither was wounded. The affair grew out of a quarrel in London over a question of precedence affecting the wives of the two diplomats.

**Parnell in Dublin.**

DUBLIN, Jan. 2.—Mr. Parnell has arrived here and is holding a long conference with Timothy D. Harrington and Dr. Joseph Kenny. It is understood that the conference between Parnell and O'Brien will be resumed at Boulogne-sur-Mer Tuesday next. Messrs. Harrington and Gill and probably Messrs. Clancy and Sullivan will be present.

**A Whole Family Frozen.**

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A whole family of five persons without a home who have been tramping through the country were found by a roadside near Cambridge this morning all frozen to death.

**The Labor Advocate is the only Labor paper in Ontario. 246**

**Where Ignorance is Ruin.**

There are some men too embruted and depressed with hard toil and the struggle for animal existence to think for themselves. Therefore the obligation devolves with all the more force upon those who can, and if thinking men are few, they are for that reason all the more powerful. The toilers and the workers ought to be told of, and educated up to, the duty of independent Insurance, for they more than all the gilded four hundred are the children of fate—fatality. The workmen's collective system and the workmen's instalment system of insurance operated by the Manufacturers' of Toronto are the best systems of Accident Insurance ever planned for the benefit of the workingman.

**The Labor Advocate favors Free School Books. 246**

**Foul Play Suspected.**

HAMILTON, Jan. 2.—While some parties were going home at 6½ on New Year's eve they discovered H. H. Walker, a woodworker, lying in the alleyway off Gore-street. They took him home, but before they arrived the man was dead. An inquest will be held.

**A Two-Legged Animal Without Feathers.**

This is Carlyle's definition of man, and he has certain needs and functions which increase with his social development. Experience and analogy teach us that there is a natural way of satisfying every natural want, and if human society is included in nature, as it certainly is, this must apply to social as well as individual wants. Life insurance is both a social and an individual want, and the most thorough and natural way of satisfying it is the Endowment plan of Insurance operated by the Manufacturers' Life of Toronto.

**Another Massacre Promised.**

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 2.—The Bee's special from Rushville says: It is definitely known that about 1,100 hostiles are fortified near the mouth of White Clay Creek, and that General Brooks with detachments of troops is swinging round to the north of them. Gen. Carr is supposed to be approaching from the west and Gen. Miles will make a dash from the south. The force thus engaged is thought to be amply sufficient for annihilating the entire band unless unforeseen complications arise.

**Read The Labor Advocate and see which aldermen favor the Street Railway monopoly. 246**

The very best gift you can possibly bestow upon your wife and family, in fact one which it is your duty to bestow, one which will provide for them in case of your death with an amount sufficient to protect them, can be secured for them by a policy on the Compound Investment Plan, or by the 15 or 20 year Income Bonds of the North American Life Assurance Company of this city. Write or call at the head office, Manning Arcade, for their descriptive pamphlets on the above plans. 246

**Bonus Bylaw Carried.**

BRACEBRIDGE, Jan. 2.—A bylaw granting a $2000 bonus to another sole leather tannery here was voted on to-day, and carried by a majority of 65.

**Mr. Wainwright Promoted.**

MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—Mr. William Wainwright, formerly assistant manager, has been appointed to the position of assistant general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway. It is understood that he will also fill the position of traffic manager made vacant by the promotion of Mr. L. J. Seargeant to Sir Joseph Hickson's place.

**Notes of the Grenadiers**

Leave of absence on private affairs has been granted to Surgeon Ryerson for three months, from Dec. 17.

A class for provisionally appointed N.C. officers and for privates wishing to qualify as N.C. officers will be formed at the armory on Thursday evening next and continued every Thursday evening until further orders.

**Mark Your Ballot Thus:**

| | YEA | NAY |
|---|---|---|
| Shall Ashbridge's Bay be reclaimed by the city? | | |
| Shall Ashbridge's Bay be reclaimed by private capital? | X | |

**Every working man should read The Labor Advocate. 246**

**Grant & Co., 246**

77 King-street east, for fine furs and stylish perfect-fitting sealskins at old prices, having purchased their season's supply in skins previous to the advance. The latest in ladies' capes and storm collars; dress and mantle trimmings cut to order at moderate prices. See our ladies' storm collars, the latest out, and only to be had at 77 King-street east.

**Bargains in Sets of Books, Prayers and Hymns at half price. Bargains in Family Bibles and Albums, Pocket Bibles at half price. All goods reduced. Note the address: Standard Publishing Co., 9 Richmond-street west.**

**Gurney's stoves repaired by competent men. Wheeler & Bain, 179 King-street East.**

Have you seen or heard of the new Corn Cure. to be had at H. C. Blachford's, 87 and 89 King-street east. Warranted to cure in eight hours or money refunded; or woods-walking made easy, foot powders for tender feet. Blacnford's is great on comfortable feet every time. 3

## THE FATE OF MAGGIE GEHL.

*DIED THE VERY DAY THE POPE CONSENTED TO HER WEDDING.*

**The Ontario Government Censured for Not Enquiring Into the Facts of the Case—A Case of Either Murder or Suicide, With the Facts Pointing in the Direction of Murder.**

PORT ARTHUR, Jan. 2.—According to adjournment the jury appointed to enquire into the sudden death of Maggie Gehl at the house of a relative a few days prior to her wedding was resumed last night.

All the jurymen were present, and the examining of witnesses was held with closed doors, only relatives of deceased being allowed to remain.

Rev. Father Baudin, Fort William Mission, sworn: A man named Gehl came to me in the month of October and said he wished to marry Maggie Gehl, his cousin. I made him aware that such being the case neither myself nor my bishop could marry them without a dispensation from the Pope which could not arrive until about six weeks. He then went away, but before leaving told me to write to his cousin, care of Mrs. Jones, when permission to marry was received. The dispensation, which was favorable, reached me on Nov. 30, the very day Maggie Gehl died, and I published the banns on the same day. After mass I immediately wrote a letter and mailed it on the same Sunday, notifying the girl that the banns had been published and that they could come and get married. Mr. Donnelly spoke to me concerning the marriage about Nov. 20 and wanted the wedding to take place as soon as possible, as she had confided to him that she was enciente.

This terminated the evidence so far produced. After some discussion by the jury the foreman of the jury Williams rose to his feet and said that he and his fellow jurors were of the opinion that the Ontario Government was open to censure for the course they were pursuing in this matter. The jury had twice recommended to the Government to have an analysis of the stomach made, but until such was done the jury could not possibly come to any verdict as to the cause of the young woman's death.

Coroner Beck replied that the Government would not examine the stomach until the jury could render a verdict of either suspected suicide or murder.

The jury then withdrew and after a consultation announced that from the evidence shown it was the opinion of the jury that deceased did not come to her death by ordinary circumstances, and recommended that an analysis be made of the stomach. They then adjourned to meet again on Jan. 15.

**Dineen's Furs for New Year's.**

Presents are acceptable any time as a matter of course. But the days universally regarded as the most appropriate by those who take pleasure in making others happy with gifts are Christmas and New Year's. Hundreds of packages were delivered by us last Wednesday, with which the purchasers surprised delighted relatives and friends, and hundreds more will, in all likelihood, be sent out to-morrow in accordance with Fashion's time-honored dictum that Christmas is for children and New Year's for the big folks. And also because furs are the ideal New Year's gifts. Something pleasing to your fancy may perhaps be among these suggestions: For ladies—Seal, sable and beaver capes and jackets, caps, storm collars, gauntlets, muffs and mitts. Elegantly finished, guaranteed as to quality, and very low in price. For gentlemen—Fur overcoats, fur caps, collars, cuffs and gloves in all the popular furs and at very moderate prices. It is the elegant and stylish variety and high quality of our fur goods and the relatively very low prices to which the attention of buyers of fur New Year's gifts is especially invited.

**Farmers' Institute.**

OSHAWA, Jan. 2.—The first of the series of the Ontario Farmers' Institute meetings was held in the town hall here this afternoon. The president, Mr. Elmer Lick, occupied the chair. Prof. James, Hon. John Dryden, Farmer-General, Mr. G. C. Caston, who represented the Ontario Association, and others spoke on agriculture and horticulture, all of whom received a good hearing from the large audience of farmers present. Among others who occupied the platform was His Worship Mayor Cowan.

**Through Wagner Vestibule Sudet Sleeping Car Toronto to New York via West Shore Route.**

The West Shore through sleeping car leaves Union Station, Toronto, at 4.55 p.m. daily except Sunday, arriving in New York at 10.10 a.m. Returning this car leaves New York at 5 p.m. arriving in Toronto at 10.25 a.m. Sunday leaves Toronto at 12.30 p.m., connecting with through car at Hamilton.

**A Determined Incendiary.**

HASTINGS, Ont., Jan. 2.—For the third time within six months the ratepayers of Birdsall's school section, Asphodel township, have suffered at the hands of an incendiary, the third building falling a prey to the flames at any early hour on Wednesday morning. A mitten found adjacent to the building is expected to furnish a clue to the firebug.

Daily excursions via the Illinois Central Railroad are being run to California, Florida, Mexico and other winter resorts. Buffet sleeping cars are run through from Chicago to New Orleans and from New Orleans to Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal., and Jacksonville, Fla. By this route there is but one change of cars between Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton, London, etc., to New Orleans and two to California, Texas and Florida points.

Write A. J. McDougall, Berlin, Ont., for full particulars as to rates, etc., and for illustrated pamphlet describing points of interest en route. 136

**Dr. McConnell's Valuation.**

Dr. McConnell, V.S., of Parkdale, was one of the valuators of the street car horses on behalf of the city. The other valuators put the average price of the animals at $99.13. Dr. McConnell, however, valued them at $10 to $15 less.

**How many subscribers have you secured for The Labor Advocate? 246**

**Jurgenson Watches.**

If you carry a "Jurgenson" don't risk a large depreciation in value by allowing it to RUN TILL IT STOPS. Ed. Beeton, High Grade Watch Specialist, 25 Leader-lane. 246

**Bishop Ridley College.**

Bishop Ridley College, St. Catharines, will reopen on Monday next, Jan. 12. The college continues to increase in numbers and efficiency. In Michaelmas term 85 boys were in attendance. About a dozen new boys are expected after the holidays.

**The Sheffield House Importing Company (Registered).**

65 Yonge-street (below King.) Fine new goods for Xmas. Solid silverware wholesale prices. C. E. Robinson, Manager.

The largest stock of trusses, crutches, abdominal supporters, shoulder braces is carried by the one-price firm, established twenty years, of Charles Clothe, 184 King-street west. Trusses in hard rubber, celluloid and leather, from 75c upward. 26

**Read The Labor Advocate on the Street Railway Franchise. 246**

**Mr. Plimsoll Coming.**

Mr. Plimsoll has intimated his intention of visiting Toronto on Friday next as the guest of the city.

**Catarrh—Hay Fever—Catarrhal Deafness**

A New Home Treatment has been discovered whereby the worst cases are permanently cured by a few simple applications made for nightly by the patient at home. Send stamp for circular. A. H. Dixon & Son, 305 West King-street, Toronto.

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The latest device, only $1.50. Call early, 199 Queen-street west. 136

*GAGGERS SEEKING RE-ELECTION*

Allen (St. David's.)
Carlyle (St. Andrew's.)
Frankland (St. Lawrence.)
Gibbs (St. David's.)
Gillespie (St. George's.)
Hewitt (St. Thomas.)
Lucas (St. Patrick's.)
Macdonald P. (St. Matthew's.)
Macdonald, E. A. (St. James').
Maughan (St. George's.)
Moses (St. John's.)
Score (St. John's.)

*THE HAMILTON PETITION.*

**The Rota Judges Have Agreed to Disagree—No Decision for 10 Days.**

Mr. Justice MacMahon and Mr. Justice Ferguson, the judges who tried the Hamilton election petition, and who were to give judgment to-day at Osgoode Hall, have agreed to disagree. Accordingly, Their Lordships when they meet this morning will inform the lawyers in the case and other interested parties that they will not be ready to render their decision for 10 days. It is also hinted that they may not at the expiration of that time be able to decide the case.

Just what Their Lordships have disagreed upon is not quite clear to outsiders, but it is said to be over the "alien" group of charges. It is also said that Mr. Justice Ferguson does not think that the petitioner has made out a sufficiently strong case in regard to these charges to warrant the unseating of Mr. Stinson and that Mr. Justice MacMahon thinks a case has been made out. In case of a disagreement the case will go to the Court of Appeal if the petitioner and his friends wish to bear the expense.

*MR. WILLIAM MARA THE CHOICE.*

**He Will Represent the P.S.B. on the Free Library Board.**

The Public School Board held its last meeting for the year last night. Reports from five committees were adopted. The only other matter of business was the appointment of the representative of the board on the Free Library Board.

Trustees Roden and Williams named Mr. William Mara.

Trustees Baird and Henderson named Judge Macdougall for re-appointment.

Trustees Hastings and Hagerman moved that the matter be left over for the first meeting of the new board.

There was a breezy discussion. Mr. Baird said Judge Macdougall was a superior man and he had been told by members of the Library Board that they wished his re-appointment.

Dr. Ogden was in favor of passing the honor around. He did not believe Judge Macdougall would submit to stand a contest if he had known he was to be opposed. It would be well if Mr. Baird withdrew Judge Macdougall's name.

Mr. Baird said trustees were glad to get a second term and the Mayor to get a fourth, and why not Judge Macdougall a second?

Mr. Roden arose to speak.

"Mr. Roden is out of order," said Mr. Henderson.

"Mr. Henderson has a habit of interrupting," said Mr. Roden. "He cannot help it and so I excuse him."

Mr. Roden said that Mr. Hastings knew as well as he did that the hoist motion was out of order.

"I don't know any such thing," retorted Mr. Hastings.

Mr. Roden said Mr. Hastings wished to defer the vote because he knew he would be defeated.

Mr. Baird stuck up for the law, maintaining that they were required to vote at once, although delay might have meant victory.

A standing vote went 7 to 6 for Mr. Hastings' proposition, but when the yeas and nays were caused for Chairman Somers' vote defeated the motion.

The yeas and nays on Mr. Roden's motion were 8 to 5 in favor, and Mr. Mara was elected.

*TWO BUSINESS MEN PASS AWAY.*

**Herman Nerlich Dies suddenly at the Queen's—W. T. Duke.**

Mr. Herman Nerlich, of the wholesale fancy goods importing firm of Nerlich & Co., of Front-street, died somewhat suddenly in his room at the Queen's Hotel at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Nerlich has been ill more or less for an extended period, but he was able to be at his place of business as late as Tuesday last. The immediate cause of death is believed to be cancer of the stomach. He was walking around the corridors of the hotel on Thursday night.

About 3 o'clock yesterday morning he called "Tony" Gilchrist, the nightman, and solemnly informed him that he was about to die. He was dead in an hour. Tony sent for Dr. Strange, who arrived half an hour before the fatal event, but could do nothing for the sufferer.

Deceased was a familiar figure at the Queen's. His firm was composed of himself, his brother Henry and Charles B. Doherty. Henry lives in Dresden, Germany, where Herman was born 44 years ago. The only relative deceased had in this city was a nephew, Emil Nerlich, who has been here a year.

Deceased, who was successful in business for a number of years, leaves a fortune estimated at $75,000, of which, it is said, $40,000 goes to his brother Henry. He has also a sister in Germany.

The funeral will take place at 10 this morning, from the Queen's to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Mr. W. T. Duke died at the residence of his father, J. W. Duke, 112 Huron-street, on Tuesday, aged 24 years, from typhoid fever. He was in business with Mr. J. Curry of 45 Adelaide-street east as estate broker. Deceased