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Dr. Douglas on Sir John Thompson.

Rev. Dr. Douglas of Montreal is one of the martyrs of Methodism. His sacrifices in the cause are attested in his body, deformed and stricken by the hardships and dangers of his early labors in the foreign mission field. But the hand that took away his bodily strength left him the powers of his mind, his stirring voice and his impulsive and unquenchable spirit. When he rises in a Methodist gathering surrounded by his brethren his bodily afflictions instead of detracting from his oratory enhance it. In the opening sentence we speak of him as a martyr, and in that character his utterances have a sort of privileged and prophetic character that removes their author from the ordinary plane of discussion. He stands in the midst of his brethren a stricken Nestor whom it would be bad taste to confute or contradict. The inevitable tendency of such a position, even on the finest spirit, is not difficult to guess. In all reverence, be it said, it has had the effect on Rev. Dr. Douglas of strengthening his prejudices and adding a strong tinge of dogmatism to his thoughts and exaggeration to his utterances of them. These characteristics are painfully apparent in his arraignment of Sir John Thompson before the Methodist Conference of the Niagara District at Tilsonburg.

If the venerable and reverend doctor's attack on Sir John Thompson affected that gentleman alone The World would feel no call to come to his assistance, as he is eminently able to look after himself. But Dr. Douglas' speech is an attack on the first principles of liberty and religious toleration, and demands from Protestants a prompt and absolute repudiation. If there is a central idea in Dr. Douglas' speech it is that no Roman Catholic, however learned, however able, however conscientious, dare aspire to honorable and leading positions in the public life of our Dominion. If that is not the logical conclusion, of his utterance, it has no logical conclusion and in the name of British liberty it should be disavowed by every man in the community. It is possible that Dr. Douglas and those who applauded his sentences may say that his dictum only applies to a certain stripe of Roman Catholic—to one converted from Protestantism or one whom he would describe as a Jesuit or an ultramontanist. Such distinctions, however, are totally adventitious. Liberty of opinion permits a man to forsake Roman Catholicism for Protestantism, and the same liberty must be extended to the Protestant to embrace Roman Catholicism. Does Dr. Douglas think ill of the Roman Catholic who renounces that faith for Methodism? If he does not, and we know he does not, is it not the narrowest sort of bigotry to apply a different standard to the man who makes the reverse movement? Dr. Douglas says that his purpose was to "substantiate and endorse his conviction that Sir John Thompson is a lay Jesuit in the Government of this country." Let us see how he substantiates this charge, vague and cloudy though it be. Dr. Douglas said:

"Under the influence of occult forces, which he forbids that I shall name, he abandoned the faith of his Protestant father, and, by an instantaneous conversion as phenomenal as the wildest Salvationist, went over not simply to the moderation of Galilean Romanism, but, as the sequel has shown, to the ultima thule of ultramontane Jesuitism. As the immediate result of this conversion he was taken under the ægis of the maritime hierarchy. He immediately began to aggregate political influence. He entered the Nova Scotia Legislature, attaining official recognition, and worked the Legislature for all it was worth, to the advantage of his new faith."

This is all mere statement. Every conversion is in a sense instantaneous. A man's convictions may be ripening for years, but there comes an instant when he professes his new faith, and in that sense it is instantaneous. When a man forsakes the faith of his father it is fair to presume that he does so for conscientious reasons. Dr. Douglas rejects that presumption, but hints at occult forces, which honor forbids him to name. Dr. Douglas, as an honorable man, should have named them. Inuendo is impossible to meet, and may be used to destroy any man's reputation. But even if wholly instantaneous there is excellent scriptural authority for that. With respect to his working the Nova Scotia Legislature for all it was worth, he was a member of that Legislature for less than four years and he was Premier for two months. He must have got in his work very rapidly. Just what that nefarious work was the doctor omits to tell us. He ascended the bench and Dr. Douglas finds matter for dark surmise in the fact that he took "the well-nigh unprecedented step of descending again to the stormy arena of politics." He seems to have forgotten the case of Sir Oliver Mowat. He asks the question why did Sir John take the well-nigh unprecedented course of descending from the bench to politics, and answers it himself. His answer is not a surprising one. In fact it is the answer that would first suggest itself. He was ambitious to attain distinction in public life, but he expected to do so, says the doctor, because he had behind him the "united and stupendous forces" of Roman Catholicism. The doctor, knowing Sir John's inmost mind, divines that he intended to use the power thus obtained in the interest of ultramontanism. Of course this is merely a re-assertion of the original statement, without proof.

He then gives the history of Sir John Thompson's first contest in Antigonish. He truly states that Bishop Cameron appeared very solicitous that Sir John should be elected and addressed a letter to his flock advising them to vote for the Conservative candidate. But Dr. Douglas does not record one important fact. Mr. McGillivray, Sir John's Liberal opponent, was also a Roman Catholic and an able gentleman at that. Clearly, then, if the bishop was merely desirous of seeing a good and able son of the church elected he had but to stand aside. Is it not more reasonable to suppose that friendship or political feeling, rather than ecclesiastical zeal, guided the Bishop in his action? The doctor says that Sir John has the brand of pervert on his brow. It has been as wittily as truly observed that a person who forsakes our faith is a pervert, but one that adopts it is a convert. It is evident that this is the doctor's favorite definition. The doctor then comes to what he terms Sir John's "sophistical speech" in defence of Jesuitism." The speech thus characterized was that in which he defended the Government's position in refusing to disallow the Jesuit Estates Act. Remember this was the decision not of Sir John Thompson, but of the Cabinet. On Sir John Thompson as Minister of Justice devolved the duty of defending the Government's position.

Had the office of Minister of Justice been filled by a Protestant he would have had the same duty to perform. Had he taken the same line of argument as Sir John, had he used the self-same words, we would not have heard a word about the "Jesuitical defence of Jesuitism," which is discovered by eager Protestants in every phrase of Sir John's speech. If the policy adopted was wrong put the blame on the Premier of the day and his cabinet, not on one member of it because he happened to be a Catholic. After adducing a number of such proofs as this to "substantiate" his conviction that Sir John Thompson is a lay Jesuit, the doctor says he stands on the ground of righteous impartiality and that he is "not attacking Romanism." "We want to say," he says, "that our fellow-countrymen of the Catholic faith must have their rights protected. But 800,000 Methodists in this Dominion, with thousands upon thousands of others, resist the idea that a man of the type of Sir John Thompson should ever hold empire over us." As in this long Philippic Dr. Douglas does not seem to have established anything beyond the fact that Sir John is a Catholic, we hope that the 800,000 Methodists of this Dominion will not hold that a man of that type is unfit to be premier of Canada. It would indeed be a dark day for Canada if a man having the ability, the character and the qualifications for leadership should be precluded from the aspirations that these would justify because of his religious faith. If that were the consensus of public opinion we ought to publish it abroad so that Catholics might not be induced to make their homes here under false pretences. They should be informed that the high places of state are not for them or for their sons. But this is not the spirit of Protestantism. Man's mental freedom—his indefeasible right to think as he pleases—is the great principle which Protestantism achieved for the world, and it has never had reason to regret its achievement or to endeavor to retrace its steps.

The Globe has given prominence to Dr. Douglas' attack on Sir John Thompson. It owes it to its readers to tell them what it thinks of that attack. Does it endorse it? One of the main pillars of Sir Oliver Mowat's regime is the voting power of the Roman Catholic electors of this province. Will The Globe tell this section of the community that none of the distinguished sons of their church need hope or aspire to the chief places in public life?

The Empire had very little to telegraph from Ottawa when it made a big item out of the fact that Mr. Peter Ryan had been shown into the Speaker's gallery and had, by accident, got into the front row and had been politely asked to take another seat, and had immediately complied therewith. Many others make the same mistake and yet The Empire never wires the fact to Toronto.

AT THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Ashbridge's Bay Again — The Greenish Hue Its Waters Bear.

The Board of Health yesterday decided to recommend to council that all the privy pits in rear of houses in Walton-street be closed up; that the lane between Sully and Crawford-streets be lowered, and that the pond hole at the corner of Sully and College-streets be filled in.

Dr. Allen presented an interesting report concerning Ashbridge's Bay. It was couched in unmistakable terms, and while the board were disposed to admit the entire truth of the report, at the suggestion of the Mayor it was laid on the table. This was done owing to the fact that there was a possibility of its causing the city trouble in case a lawsuit arose between the city and Gooderham & Worts. It also might affect the agreement about to be entered into between the Alexander syndicate and the city.

The waters of Ashbridge's Bay at times present a rather greenish appearance, and the popular idea is that this is owing to pollution from Peuchen's paint works. Ald. Lamb evidently had that opinion, for he believed that that company were just as responsible for the trouble as were Gooderham & Worts. Ald. Small, who evidently had read Dr. Allen's report, did not believe that the paint works were a nuisance and told Ald. Lamb he evidently wanted to drive every industry out of Toronto. Regarding this the report says:

"Samples of the water were collected from various parts of the bay, which were submitted to chemical and microscopical examination. The most striking feature found was the enormous number of microscopic organisms present, giving the water a very decided green turbidity. Green algæ and infusoria were abundant. These, though present in all waters, do not grow plentifully except where stagnant. These algæ when in large numbers excrete matters which are poisonous to fish, and as a result immense numbers of decomposing fish float on the surface of the bay and are thrown up on shore, the stench arising from which can be better imagined than described. The algæ during certain atmospherical conditions rise to the surface, forming a thick scum, which, when blown ashore, there decomposes, giving off a very offensive and nauseating odor.

"The report recommended the construction of the intercepting sewers so much talked about. The board considered that if the marsh was reclaimed the intercepting sewer might not be constructed for some time yet.

Phillips Thompson on Politics.

The Nationalist Association met at Richmond Hall last night. Mr. Phillips Thompson delivered an excellent address upon "The Best Methods of Political Action." Departures in the direction of new political parties have always been hampered by the difficulty of inducing citizens to break with the old parties. Labor men have preferred to stick to the old parties in the hope of obtaining concessions. Comparatively nothing has been gained by this method, and in late years the tendency of the parties has been against rather than in favor of liberal labor reforms. The requests of the labor bodies are now practically disregarded. The repeal of the Landlord and Tenant Act was mentioned, also the refusal to pay aldermen, and to remove the necessity of aldermanic qualifications and the conspiracy clause in the proposed Criminal Code. It was shown that the single tax party in the U. S. had attempted to influence the Democratic party, and the result has been that the single taxes accomplished nothing and were swamped.

The only method that will prove effective is to start an entirely new political organization. As a political organization the Trades and Labor Council was pronounced a failure.

Social reform, not merely labor reform, is what is necessary. We must seek to benefit all, not one class to the injury of another. We should put a candidate in the field and keep him there until we win. The earlier campaigns must be educational. But eventually there will be success. The Irish Nationalists were instanced to show the success resulting from the organization of a party entirely independent of and caring nothing for the old parties, except so far as they can be made to assist in their particular object. He recommended that aldermanic and school trustee candidates should be placed in the field in each election. The $200 deposit required in Dominion elections was referred to as a direct attack upon a new party candidate, and a protest ballot marked "Social Reform" or "Nationalism" should be cast at such elections.

The situation is not hopeless. A new organization can be effected upon the proper basis, and it will eventually accomplish its object. Workmen should never forget those who have proven false to them.

The usual discussion followed. Next Thursday night Mr. T. W. Banton will speak upon "LaSalle."

Why Indeed?

Editor World: How is it that our neighbors to the south, when speaking to foreigners of Canada, refer to it as the frozen country to the north, when such men as J. G. Blaine, the prospective President, and ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed, of whom the Republican papers speak as the great Republican parliamentarian, are distinguished sons of Maine, a state further north than Ontario and which should have belonged to Canada except for Yankee sharpness?

Stewarttown, June 8. JOHN A. TRACY.

"FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE."

Some of Those Who Yesterday Subscribed to This Vow.

Love affairs continue to crystallize into June weddings. The most important event in this line yesterday was that of the nuptials of Mr. George Francis Burton, son of Mr. Justice Burton, and Miss Emma Biggar of Belleville, sister of W. H. Biggar, M.L.A., and City Solicitor Biggar. St. George's Church was the scene of the ceremony, and besides the invited guests there were a large number of persons present. Rev. Mr. Cayley officiated. Miss Biggar wore a costume of white satin and orange blossoms, while her bridesmaids, Miss May Biggar and little Misses Isabel Biggar, Mollie and Norah Casey and Gladys Burton, were arrayed in crepon with china silk sashes. Mr. Hugh Langton acted as best man, while Mr. C. W. R. Biggar gave the bride away. The wedding breakfast was served at the residence of the bride's brother, 249 Simcoe-street, where a large number of presents were on view. The honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Another nuptial knot tied yesterday was that uniting "for better or for worse" Mr. William H. Patterson, eldest son of Mr. G. C. Patterson, and Miss Mary A. Hunter, daughter of Mr. Alexander Hunter. The ceremony was performed at the Sherbourne-street Methodist Church and Rev. Thomas Manning officiated.

A Jewish Wedding.

An interesting wedding took place in Webb's parlors on Wednesday evening. The contracting parties were Mr. Kahn and Miss Cohen, daughter of Mr. Mark Cohen. Many friends of the young couple were present, including Rabbi Birkenthal of Hamilton. Rabbi Eizas performed the ceremony.

Moulton College Graduating Exercises.

A good audience was present at the Bloor-street Baptist Church to hear the closing exercises of the graduating class of Moulton College. The young ladies who read essays and received diplomas were: Miss Mary Elizabeth Dryden, Brooklin; Miss Elizabeth Nuckols Newman, Toronto; Miss Clara Spalding Tomlinson, Toronto; Miss Mary Lister Wilson, Brandon, Man., all of whom took the matriculation course associated with Toronto University, and Miss Lena Harris of Brantford, who took the classical course. At the distribution of the diplomas, Miss Smiley, the principal, gave a stirring address to the graduates.

The program was as follows: Duet and chorus, "I Waited for the Lord" (Mendelssohn), Misses Smart and Jarvis and chorus; essay, "The Value of Scientific Study," Mary Elizabeth Dryden; essay, "Alaska," Lena Harris; vocal solo, "Be Thou With Me" (Hiller), Miss Sauerman; essay, "Dux Femina Facti," Clara Spalding Tomlinson; essay, "Hawthorne and Nature," Mary Lister Wilson.

Minor City Hall Matters.

Ald. Score returned from Ottawa last night. The Minister of Militia has signed the agreement regarding the rifle range, and the work of extending the Exhibition Grounds will be begun at once. The rifle concerts will not interfere with work on the grand stand. Nothing can be done at the site of the new rifle ranges till after the submission of the bylaw on June 30.

Mr. James Hewlett has been granted a permit to erect a pair of two-story brick houses at 615 Jarvis-street, to cost $10,500; Mr. John Kemp to make additions to hotel, West Market-square, costing $500; C. Thorne to build a two-story brick house in Pine Hill-road worth $6000; A. Cameron to make alterations to store at 308 Queen-street west to the extent of $1000.

Dr. Norman Allen called on Sir Oliver Mowat yesterday to ascertain what site had been fixed upon for the new Isolation Hospital. The Premier stated that he was not in favor of allowing the city to erect the building in the northern part of Riverdale Park without indemnifying the property-owners, but in case the city erected the hospital near the jail he would guarantee that the law would be altered, both in regard to the 150-yard limit and the use of a park for hospital purposes. He had written a letter to this effect to the Mayor, but it has not yet been delivered.

Handsome New Sleeping Cars Between New York and Toronto Via the West Shore Route.

Two of the handsomest sleeping cars that the Wagner Company have turned out from their Buffalo works are the Crathorne and Craigellachie for service on the West Shore in their through line between New York and Toronto on trains 3 and 4. These cars are vestibuled, with platforms lighted by gas and have all the modern improvements that have been devised for the comfort of passengers. Each car has 12 sections and a state room with annex and private toilet rooms, in addition to the ordinary toilet rooms also an extra large, commodious smoking room. The toilet rooms are provided with the most recent devices for the convenience of passengers. The ladies' toilet rooms are extra large, and a unique feature in their arrangement is that portieres are hung on the inside in front of each door, forming a vestibule. There are two wash bowls and a closet, the latter being in a separate compartment off the toilet rooms. The wash stands are extra large, are made of nickeline and provided with both hot and cold water. These cars are finished in mahogany, with handsome brass gas fixtures and opaline glass domes, the Pintsch System being used in lighting, making a very brilliant and bright light in every part of the car. A buffet is attached to each car, from which lunches are served.

Only a Question of Ownership.

The case of Alexander Davison against James Armstrong, wherein the ownership of a cow comes into question, was before Mr. Wingfield, J.P., again yesterday. Davison, as reported in The World yesterday, had laid a criminal charge against Armstrong. When Mr. Wingfield heard the facts he said that Davison should have brought a civil action against Armstrong, and consequently ordered Armstrong to pay all costs and dismissed the criminal charge.

A Serenade.

The Heintzman Band last evening serenaded Mr. Thomas Paddon, an old and esteemed employe of the firm, at his villa in Bolton-avenue, where a choice program was ably rendered, including solos by Mr. Thomas Baugh, their director. Refreshments were served on his beautiful grounds, and altogether a pleasant time was insured his numerous friends who had gathered to do him honor.

Ex Steamer Clara.

Just arrived from Bordeaux 18 hhds. and 20 half hhds. of clarets and sauternes, including Cotes, Panillac, Margaux and Haut Sauternes; also 350 cases of Medoc, Chateau du Roc, St. Julien, Margaux, Pauillac, St. Emilion, Pontet Canet, Barsac and Sauternes.

Special quotations by the cask or in 5 or 10 case lots. William Mara, 280 and 282 Queen-street west. Telephone 713. 135

An Important Query.

What is society to do with offenders like Jane Cukebread, a wretched woman, 62 years of age, who was charged with drunkenness at the N. London police court the other day for the 245th time? Disregarding Mr. Fred Leslie's popular advice for once, we we should say that, instead of sticking to the whisky she is used to, the victim of alcohol should try, say, Godesberger!—London (Eng.) Post and News.

Mr. John McCarthy, Toronto, writes: "I can unhesitatingly say that Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery is the *best medicine in the world*. It cured me of Heartburn that troubled me for over thirty years. During that time I tried a great many different medicines, but this wonderful medicine was the only one that took hold and rooted out the disease."

Five Months' Record of Disease.

The monthly report of the Medical Health Department shows that during the first five months of this year there have been 70 cases of typhoid fever, 730 of diphtheria and 329 of scarlet fever, compared with 193 of typhoid fever, 189 of diphtheria and 117 of scarlet fever during the same months last year.

Pure Cream of Tartar Baking Powder is good for your health. Alum and alum phosphate powders are poisonous and injurious; don't buy them at any price. Use the "Borwicke," which is an absolutely pure cream of tartar baking powder.

Hard and soft corns cannot withstand Holloway's Corn Cure: it is effectual every time. Get a bottle at once and be happy.

EX-CASHIER A. A. ALLEN.

An Order Granted for Shortening the Time for His Appearance.

George W. Bruce, solicitor, acting on behalf of Jane Harper, has issued a writ of summons against George Playter of Collingwood, claiming $2000 damages for the seduction by him of her sister, Barbara Harper.

Mr. Winchester yesterday made an order shortening the time for appearance and defence by the defendant in the suit of G. R. Hogaboom against A. A. Allen, late cashier of the defunct Central Bank. The claim is for some $15,000 on promissory notes and overdrawn accounts.

Mr. Justice MacMahon handed out judgment in the case of Eby, Blain & Co. v. Balmer, granting an injunction till the trial. The injunction is to restrain the defendants from disposing of certain property which the plaintiffs claim.

The Chancery Divisional Court heard an appeal in the action of McGill v. the City of Brantford. The action was for damages for injuries caused by an alleged defective sidewalk and judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff for $800. Against this judgment the defendants appealed, and the parties agreeing to reduce the verdict to $500 the appeal was dismissed.

IT BREATHES PATRIOTISM.

W. R. Meredith's Letter to the Secretary of the Centennial Celebration.

Mr. Hughes, secretary of the Centennial Celebration Committee, has received the following reply from Mr. W. R. Meredith in response to an invitation to speak at the celebration on the 16th of July at Niagara: "I thank the Executive Committee for the honor done me, but regret to say that I shall be prevented being present, as I leave for Europe this month and shall not return until September. I regret this very much, as I would have been glad to exhibit, by my presence, my interest in the gathering, which I trust may result in inspiring, in some that are inclined to take too pessimistic a view of the future of Canada, some of the courage of men of 100 years ago, and in strengthening the confidence of all Canadians in their country, whose future I firmly believe is as bright as the most enthusiastic of us delight to picture it if we be but true to its and its history."

Sir Oliver Mowat has accepted the invitation to be present.

William Davies & Co., Limited.

The old and reputable firm of William Davies & Co., who have carried on a most successful business as pork packers and exporters in Toronto for nearly 40 years, have decided on applying for letters patent of incorporation as a joint stock company, of which Mr. William Davies will be president and Mr. J. W. Flavelle (lately of the firm of Gunn, Flavelle & Co.) manager. The prominent position of this firm, whose character for integrity is so universally known, makes any change in its management a distinct point of public interest, and we wish the new company all the success it deserves. The necessarily large financial arrangements connected with this new feature of the business were made through the firm of Clarkson & Cross, chartered accountants of this city, and Messrs. Blake, Lash & Cassels. The capital stock of the new company is $250,000.

Island Items.

The Island boats were well patronized last night, although the weather was rather lowering and gave signs of a storm. J. C. Gonner's specialty show were on hand to afford entertainment for the pleasure-seekers and went through their parts without a break to the strains of the Ferry Company's new band. A great day is expected for Saturday, when the artists and acrobats will give several performances.

The Reformed Episcopalians.

Bishop Campbell of Toronto presided at the Reformed Episcopal Synod at Ottawa yesterday. The Bishop gave a review of the year's work in the diocese. The report was on the whole a very favorable one, and the Reformed Church is looking forward to a continuance of the prosperity experienced during the past year.

Hello, Island!

At last Hanlan's Point enjoys telephonic connection with the city. A 6-wire cable has been laid from the Waterworks wharf along the conduit as far as the crib. A branch office of the telephone company will be established at Hanlan's Point. The cable is one mile long and weighs six tons.

Wabash Line.

A man going west should remember the great Wabash route is the banner line to all west and southwest points. They run the finest equipped trains on earth. The only railroad using the palace reclining chair cars (free) from Detroit to St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha. All trains go through the great tunnel at St. Louis. Time tables and all information from your nearest ticket agent, or J. A. Richardson, Canadian Passenger Agent, 28 Adelaide-street east, Toronto. ed

Moore's Musee.

The pretty gold-framed pictures that have been on exhibition in the Musee during the week will be given away to the ladies attending the Musee this afternoon.

The Dead.

Rev. Canon Patterson, rector of St. James' Church, Stratford, at the age of 65.

Judge Frank L. Gibson of the Milwaukee Supreme Court dropped dead in his room yesterday.

The World on the Island.

The World will resume their Island delivery on and after Monday next. Subscribers will leave change of address at this office.

Local Jottings.

Rev. J. C. Madill, pastor of the Concord Congregational Church, has reconsidered his resignation.

Principal Caven of Knox College has been chosen Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, now in session in Montreal.

A small fire at 701 Queen-street east, the residence of Thomas Hughes, occupied the firemen for a few minutes at noon yesterday.

George Pearce, an Oshawa lad less than 4 years old, was brought to the hospital here yesterday to be treated for extensive burns, caused by a fall into a bonfire.

John McKinley, 92 Sherbourne-street; James Burke, 25 Briton-street, and his sister, Maggie Burke, are in custody charged with obstructing P. C. Fairweather while he was making an arrest.

Hugh Corton, 23 Mitchell-avenue, 13 years old, is under arrest charged with stealing some old iron from the Upper Canada College buildings.

More evidence turned up yesterday in the Playter v. C.P.R. case, and consequently another adjournment had to be made.

James Harrison, who was taken to the hospital as the result of severe injuries caused by jumping from a second story window died at that institution about 7 o'clock last night. He formerly resided at Comber, Ont.

A general meeting of the Men's League of the Sacred Heart will be held in St. Michael's Cathedral on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Special sermons will also take place at vespers on Sunday evening.

"History of the Craft in Canada" was the subject of an address delivered last night by Most Worshipful Grand Master John Ross Robertson under the auspices of King Solomon's Lodge No. 23. There was a large attendance of visiting brethren.

The Western freight and passenger agent of the Intercolonial Railway says the earnings for May show an increase of about $10,000 over the corresponding period last year.

A concert will be given in the hall of the new Y.W.C.A. building, 18 Elm-street, Tuesday evening, 14th inst. A choice program of vocal and instrumental music, with readings, has been prepared, and a hearty invitation is extended to all young girls to be present. Collection at the door to defray expenses.

William A. Lee, who was a real estate agent, died last January worth $77,550. Of this sum $66,825 is in real estate, $10,500 life insurance and $230 in stocks. Mr. Lee left no will. He was a widower and has surviving him Fanny M. Lee, Ellen T. McTavish, Fred L., Frank P., John L. and Wm. T. J. Lee. These request the Trusts Corporation of Ontario to take out letters of administration, and the application is made accordingly.

THE COURT HOUSE.

Probability of Work Being Suspended Saturday for Want of Material.

At the Property Committee's meeting at the City Hall yesterday afternoon it was decided to place the public swimming baths either at the foot of Strachan-avenue or at the site of the old asylum waterworks. When Solicitor Biggar goes to Ottawa he will seek permission of the Government to use the former site, and a deputation will wait on the Ottawa Government for permission to use the latter.

An application was made by Mr. John Hanlan for indemnity for filling-in done at Hanlan's Point as well as for the buildings erected, in case the city take over the property at the expiration of the lease. The City Commissioner and the Assessment Commissioner were instructed to prepare plans of the amount of filling required.

Contractor Neelon appeared before the committee to request that no action be taken regarding the new Court House difficulties till he could have his counsel, Mr. Lash, present.

Architect Lennox told the committee that unless something were done at once work would be suspended Saturday. Several men have been laid off lately, but Mr. Neelon said if he could use the stone now on the ground he might employ 170 men instead of 65 or 70.

The Mayor was very strongly in favor of giving Mr. Neelon every chance to defend himself and to put his case fairly before the committee.

A special meeting of the committee will be called Monday afternoon.

A RANCHMAN MURDERED.

The Girl Whom He Loves Pluckily Warns His Rival of Danger.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., June 9.—Bob Stockman was instantly killed on Sunday on the Blandin ranch, in Valverde County, about 100 miles southwest of Angelo. Early in the morning Stockman called on two young ladies named Monroe, by whom he was treated coolly, and supposing that Charles Blandin, a young ranchman near there, was the cause of his mistreatment by the young ladies, left remarking he would kill Blandin at sight.

One of the girls, closely chased by Stockman, at the peril of her life rode five miles to warn Blandin of his danger.

Blandin secured a pistol and met Stockman at the gate and asked what was the trouble. Stockman replied by saying, "Either you or I have got to die," and was in the act of lifting up his Winchester when Blandin fired, killing Stockman instantly.

A DISTRESS OF BARRENNESS.

Crops, Cattle and Human Beings Succumb to the Drought.

LAREDO, Tex., June 9.—The drought on the lower Rio Grande border continues unbroken. There has been no rain of consequence in Duval, Hidalgo and portions of Starr County since last September. The usually green range is as barren as the burning sands of Sahara, and seed planted in the spring has not sprouted. In this particular region the losses of live stock will be 90 per cent. In fact no live stock survives except that watered from wells or driven to adjoining counties. Distressing destitution exists among the Mexican population, which comprises three-fourths of the inhabitants of the region. But for the contributions forwarded from various points in Texas and by the Red Cross Society hundreds would have starved to death. Charity is being regularly dispensed in this region to prevent starvation.

A Successful Choir Concert.

The choir of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Bloor-street, gave a service of song last night. The hymn "He Wipes the Tear from Every Eye" was very effectively rendered by the choir without accompaniment and was highly appreciated. Miss Lailas, organist of the Central Presbyterian Church, gave an organ solo of Schumann's, entitled "Skizzen," which deserves mention. The other soloists were Madame D'Aurie, Misses Burrowes and Meek and Messrs. C. J. Bagley and Fred Warrington. The church was filled to the doors with an appreciative audience.

James Cullen, Pool's Island, N.F., writes: "I have been watching the progress of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil since its introduction to this place, and with much pleasure state that my anticipations of its success have been fully realized; it having cured me of bronchitis and soreness of nose; while not a few of my rheumatic neighbors (one old lady in particular) pronounce it to be the best article of its kind that has ever been brought before the public. Your medicine does not require any longer a sponsor, but if you wish me to act as such, I shall be only too happy to have my name connected with your prosperous child."

Honors for Torontonians.

At the meeting of the Congregational Union at Montreal on June 8 Rev. A. F. McGregor of Forest, late of Weston Church, occupied the chair, and Rev. John Burton, B.D., of the Northern Congregational Church, was appointed honorary secretary. In the list of members of the Executive Committee the name of Dr. Wild appears. Rev. Dr. McGregor delivered an address in the evening session upon the agencies contributing to the spread of Christianity.

Arts Men Dine.

The graduating class in arts at Toronto University held a dinner at Webb's last night, when a very pleasant time was spent. The president, J. C. McLennan, B.A., and others of the graduates gave addresses. Messrs. Spotton, Brydon and Pope, representing the classes of '89, '90 and '91, were present.

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Answer: Guinane Brothers.
Stranger: Who sells at the lowest prices?
Answer: Guinane Brothers.
Stranger: What firm is offering Men's Shell Cordovan Sewed Boots for $1.50.
Answer: Guinane Brothers, and they are also selling Men's Lace Cordovan Shoes for $1.00, and Lace Boots for 85c.
Stranger: Where is the best place to buy Ladies' and Children's Boots, Shoes and Slippers?
Answer: Why, my dear sir, you can buy Ladies' Kid Buttoned Boots from 65c up to the finest quality made. Walking Shoes from 55c. Ladies' Kid Slippers from 50c, Tan-Colored Shoes from 60c at Guinane Brothers.
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Stranger: Do they give credit?
Answer: NO. They never do, and by keeping to their rule they beat the world in prices.
Stranger: Well, that I think, suits me better than any place I have heard of, and I will give them a trial anyway.
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