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AID FOR THE POOR.

Meeting of the Methodist Deaconess' Aid Society—A Chat With Miss Scott About Pauperization.

Mrs. D. G. Sutherland presided at the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Methodist Deaconess' Aid Society, held Wednesday afternoon at 28 McGill-street.

A committee, composed of Mrs. D. G. Sutherland, Mrs. Dr. Powell and Mrs. Frank Wallace, was appointed to confer with Rev. A. E. Chambers, Mrs. N. Ogden and Mrs. Irving Walker of the Conference Deaconess Board of Management, to make arrangements for their combined annual meeting, which will probably take place in April.

The Superintendent, Miss Scott, read her report, containing many items of carefully supervised work during the past month, among them the following:

Missionary and parish calls made 420, calls upon the sick 47, baskets of food distributed 127, new garments 35, half-worn garments 488, tons of coal to families 4, persons for whom work was secured 25.

In a chat with Miss Scott she said: "We are careful to give charity only to the destitute and to people who do not drink. The coal and rent are the hardest to meet.

"A woman came to her for work a day or two ago, whose husband has been sick in the hospital for a year or so, her daughter, who had been her mainstay, is also in the hospital. One son of 14 had been selling papers, but hurt his knee badly and lost his route. Another son has not been able to get work, and has only earned 50 cents since November.

Miss Scott carefully investigates all cases because of the great danger of pauperizing.

"Of course many frauds come here asking help, but we always find them out," she said, "but it is surprising the number of people who really need and yet are too proud to ask until driven to it as a last resort."

She told of a case she knew in Chicago of a family whose name had been mentioned in one of the Sunday papers, "and you know everybody sees those," she said.

"Well, baskets were sent them until there was provisions enough to last them a year, besides more money than they knew what to do with. After that two sons, who had been working at honest work, gave up their situations, and the whole family were utterly ruined."

The postoffice at Pickering, Ont., is now being investigated by Inspector Sweetnam. Col. Lazier of Belleville, John Baxter of Stratford and J. L. Spink of Toronto.

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TEACHERS AND TAUGHT.

Interesting Proceedings of the Toronto Anglican Sunday School Association Last Evening.

The Toronto Church of England Sunday School Association held its annual meeting last evening in Holy Trinity School house, His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto presiding.

Upon the platform also were Rev John Pearson, D.D., rector of Holy Trinity, Mr C R W Biggar, M.A., Q.C., Rev Rural Dean Sweeny, D.D., Rev Canon Cayley and Rev C L Ingles, M.A., other clergymen present being Rev C H Shortt, Rev Mr Andrews, curate of Holy Trinity; Rev J P Lewis, Grace Church; Rev Mr Cresswick of East Toronto, and Rev Anthony Hart, St. Mary's.

The attendance was very large, owing partly to the great interest taken in the results of the recent Inter-Diocesan S.S. examinations, the report of which was read by Rev. C. L. Ingles, M.A., followed by the presentation of the gold medal prizes, and certificates by the Bishop of Toronto, a complete list of the successful competitors having been given in yesterday's World.

Miss Jeannette Osler gave a model lesson, showing a thorough and concise method of instructing Sunday School scholars.

The annual reports, on the whole, showed progress, but in connection with the examinations, as an annual feature, regret was expressed that the number of boys, though the number of scholars competing had increased from 27 to 82, the number of teachers had fallen off from 20 to 13. The fact was noticed that at least ten of the boys taking honors are Church Brigade boys.

APT RECOGNITION.

The following resolution was moved by Canon Sweeny and seconded by Canon Cayley: "That the members of the Toronto Church of England Sunday School Association, before filling the office of clerical vice-president now held by the Bishop of Niagara, desire most respectfully to express to His Lordship their sense of the loss sustained by the association in being thus deprived of his valued aid and counsel as an active member of the Executive Committee, and their earnest prayer that in the high office to which he has been called his labors may be abundantly blessed, and that he, faithfully fulfilling his course, may at last receive from the Chief Shepherd a crown of righteousness."

The resolution was heartily agreed with.

EXPOSITORY LECTURES.

Another resolution carried: "That the Toronto Church of England Sunday School Association, believing that many of its members desire further opportunities for the study of Holy Scriptures beyond those afforded by the ordinary parochial Bible classes, request the clergy of this deanery to consider whether arrangements cannot be made for a course or courses of Expository Lectures to be delivered at least weekly, under the auspices of the association, upon some selected book or books of Holy Scripture."

Rev. J. Charles Roper of St. Thomas' Church volunteered to award the gold medal next year.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The officers of the association for the year 1897-98 were elected as follows: President ex officio, the Lord Bishop of Toronto; vice-presidents, Rural Dean Sweeny, D.D., Rev. C. L. Ingles, M.A., Rev A J Broughall, M.A., Miss Jeannette Osler, Mr George B Kirkpatrick; general secretary, Mr C R W Biggar, M.A., Q.C.; corresponding secretary, Mr J S Barber, 35 Murray-street; treasurer, Mr J C Wedd, Dominion Bank; council, Rev Rural Dean Sweeny, D.D., Rev Anthony Hart, Rev Charles Harper Shortt, M.A., Rev J Scott Howard, M.A., Rev A U De Pencier, M.A., Mrs Broughall, Miss Cox, Mr S G Wood, LL.B., Mr A J Williams, M.A., Mr V E Morgan, Mr Evelyn Macrae.

The evening ended socially, all the members of the association and the friends partaking of cheese coffee and cake.

The next meeting of the association will be held in St. Peter's School house on Thursday, Feb. 25, when lectures will be delivered by Rev. T. W. Patterson and Rev. Provost Welch of Trinity College.

Land Mortgage Companies' Association.

The annual meeting of the Land Mortgage Companies' Association of Ontario, which comprises 36 of the leading investment companies in the Province of Ontario, representing an aggregate paid-up capital of $27,786,657, and assets, as at Dec. 31, 1895, amounting to $106,280,522, was held yesterday afternoon in the board room of the Canada Permanent Loan & Savings Company. The report of the Executive Committee and that of the secretary-treasurer were submitted and approved. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. Herbert Mason, Toronto; vice-president, W. E. Bullen, London; secretary-treasurer, R. H. Tomlinson, Toronto; Executive Committee: Walter S. Lee, Col. James Mason and Andrew Rutherford, Toronto; R. S. Schell, Brantford; George M. Furby, Port Hope; William Buckingham, Stratford, and C. W. Cartwright, Hamilton, the only change being the election of Mr. C. W. Cartwright of Hamilton in place of Mr. George A. Somerville of London, whose company, the Huron & Erie L. and S. Company, has withdrawn from the Association.

A New Law Firm.

Mr. Edmund Bristol has retired from his partnership with Messrs. Arnoldi & Howland, who have been practising in partnership since 1878. The latter two gentlemen are continuing business under the name of Howland, Arnoldi & Johnston, having admitted Mr. Strachan Johnston into partnership with them.

The German Savings Bank at Des Moines, Ia., has closed its doors.

BLAZE AMONG THE DYNAMOS

An Eighty Thousand Dollar Fire at Daybreak.

ELECTRIC SPARKS DID IT.

East Station of the Toronto Electric Light Co. in Ruins.

Toronto's Street Lighting Reduced by One-Half, But Manager Wright Will Have Everything in Working Order in a Day or Two—Generators Brought From Peterboro and Montreal—The Insurance Companies Interested—It Was a Hot Fire, But the Snow Saved Adjoining Property.

At 3 minutes to 5 o'clock yesterday morning a fire alarm was sent in from box 121. This was followed a few moments later by a general alarm, which called the brigade to the foot of Scott-street, where the old building of the Toronto Electric Light Company was in flames. Although the firemen responded quickly, the fire had gained such headway that it was impossible to save either the building or its contents. It was in this building that the dynamos were kept which furnished the street lighting.

SPARKS FROM A DYNAMO.

The cause of the fire has not yet been ascertained, but it is supposed to have been caused by sparks dropping from one of the dynamos. There were three men in the building at the time, Arthur Jolliffe, Charles Snowden and Engineer Cobb. They extinguished a small blaze which occurred earlier in the night. There were 75 dynamos in the building. The loss is approximated as follows: Building $5000, engines, boilers, etc. $24,000, and dynamos $48,000, amounting in all to about $80,000.

The burned building is about 50 feet from the main station, which contains the incandescent plant. As this building is completely fire proof, it escaped with a mere scorching. Owing to the fall of snow, a number of the adjacent buildings suffered but little from the sparks and cinders. The storehouse of the Lake Simcoe Ice Company was destroyed. The loss will be about $2000 on building and $1000 on plant, covered by insurance.

175 MEN AT WORK

Manager Wright lost no time in commencing to clear away the debris and make arrangements for lighting the city. He soon had 175 men at work repairing wires. He also wired Peterboro, Montreal and other cities, with the result that two carloads of dynamos arrived from Peterboro last night, and a car load will arrive by express from Montreal this morning. Part of these will be placed in the Ternulay-street building and the balance in the main building at the foot of Scott-street. Last night every alternate arc light was working throughout the city, with a slightly better service in the central part and business streets. By to-night it is expected that the system will be in proper working order.

THE INSURANCE LIST.

The Board of Fire Underwriters met in their rooms at 11 o'clock yesterday and appointed Mr. D. C. Edwards of Wallington adjuster of the union. A committee of representatives of the insurance companies interested was also appointed to assist Mr. Edwards. The total insurance on the destroyed building and plant amounts to $144,500. It is divided as follows:

On dynamos	$47,800
Machinery, boilers, etc.	24,000
Buildings	5,000
General	67,400

The companies and the amounts of their insurances are given:

Aetna	$5,500
Scottish Union and National	5,000
Hore	5,000
Mercantile	5,000
Western	5,000
North American	2,500
Western Union	2,500
Hand in Hand	2,500
Queen City	2,500
Quebec	2,500
North British and Mercantile	4,700
British American	2,500
Connecticut	2,500
Economical	1,500
Hartford	2,500
Union	5,000
National	5,000
Phoenix, Brooklyn	3,000
Royal	5,000
Lancashire	5,000
Liverpool and London and Globe	3,000
London Mutual	1,000
Phoenix (Hartford)	2,500
Keystone	2,500
Total	$144,200

The electric clocks stopped and the lights went out as soon as the alarm was given. The hose, which was stretched across the tracks, interfered somewhat with the service. One of the employes lost his bicycle and another his coat and vest containing $15 and his watch and chain.

MRS. STERNAMAN'S CASE.

An Appeal Filed in the United States Circuit Court Against Judge Coxe's Decision.

New York, Jan. 21.—An appeal has been filed in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in this district, from the decision of Judge Coxe in the United States Circuit Court at Buffalo, in which he refuses a writ of habeas corpus, and confirms the decision of United States Commissioner Fairchild, directing the extradition to Canada of Mrs. Olive Adele Sternaman, who is accused of having poisoned her husband at Rainham, Ont., on Aug. 19, 1896. It will probably be some weeks before the case is reached here. It is charged that the woman's motive was to obtain $1270 in insurance money on her husband's life. Arsenical poison was found in his exhumed body, and suspicion and circumstances are said to point strongly to her.

ELECTORAL DISTRICT SOCIETY.

Annual Election of Officers and Report of the Business for 1896.

The annual meeting of the Toronto Electoral District Agricultural Society was held at the City Hall Wednesday, in the absence through sickness of President George Vair, the chair was taken by P. G. Close, 1st vice-president. There were 88 members present and entitled to vote, having paid the $1 fee which constitutes membership. President, George Vair; 1st Vice-President, P. G. Close; 2nd Vice-President, B. Saunders.

Directors—J. J. Withrow, W. Christie, Robert Davies, James Crocker, W. S. Lee, W. F. McMaster, John Chambers, S. B. Briggs, R. J. Score.

The annual report set forth that the association had been conducted on the same lines in 1896 as in the previous years, and had devoted its energies toward advancing the interests of the Industrial Exhibition Association, of which it virtually forms a part. Special prizes to the value of $328 were offered and awarded at the Industrial Exhibition and $100 at the Gardeners and Florists' Flower Show.

The membership fees for 1896 amounted to $144 and the Legislative grant to $410. The prize money as above amounted to $428; printing, $20.75, and working expenses to $69.40, leaving a balance on hand of $181.83.

Messrs. Henry Wade and James Rennie were re-elected auditors.

Aftermath of the Convention.

The delegates to the Missionary Convention left for their respective homes yesterday.

While in the city Mrs. Wellington White was entertained by Mrs. (Prof.) Wallace, 75 Bedford-road.

Bishop Galloway was a guest of Dr. J. J. Maclaren, Wellesley-street; Dr. Williams was a guest of J. W. Flavelle, 463 Jarvis, and Dr. Leonard was a guest of Hon. G. A. Cox, Sherbourne-street.

But the Fight Was Stopped.

Mark Noble, a lad who lives at 39 Richmond-street, fought with his brother yesterday. The father threw a poker at them, with the intent of stopping the fight. The poker injured Mark so badly on the foot that he was taken to the General Hospital.

THE BURNING ELECTRIC LIGHT STATION.

LIKE GUILDHALL BANQUET.

Mayor Wilson-Smith of Montreal Imitates It.

SOME IMPORTANT SPEECHES

Touching Political and Trade Matters in This Dominion.

Sir Adolphe Chapleau, Mr. Laurier and Premier Flynn Among the Speakers—The Governor-General One of the Guests—Mr. Laurier Claims the Whole Trade of the West for the Canadian Route—Sir Adolphe Chapleau Thinks Our Governor-General Should be Called the Viceroy.

Montreal, Jan. 21.—(Special.)— It remained for Mayor R. Wilson-Smith to give a banquet something similar in its object and importance to the annual Lord Mayor's function in the metropolis of the Mother Land. Among those present were Lord Aberdeen, Premier Laurier, Lieutenant-Governor Chapleau, Premier Flynn and his Cabinet, Hon. Mr. Tarte and the cream of Montreal's professional and business men, and the dinner was the finest ever given in the aristocratic Club of St. James.

There were three splendid speeches, those of the two Premiers and His Honor of Spencerwood. The point made by Sir Adolphe Chapleau was that a mistake was made at Confederation as to titles, for His Honor opined that the nobleman who rules over so vast a country as Canada should have been designated as the Viceroy, and that the head of the executive of each province should be called a governors.

The Premier of Quebec said that in the presence of the rulers from Ottawa he must declare that the Legislatures were more important than the Parliament at Ottawa.

MR. LAURIER'S REMARKS.

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier also made some important points, especially as regards the commercial relations between Canada and the States. He said it had long been his opinion that the relations should be more friendly than they were at present. Twice he was emphatic in asserting that the efforts of Parliament should be directed towards getting for Montreal and Canada at large the trade of the Western States, let it be well understood that he was against the idea that friendliness with the United States meant hostility to England. The Government intended to have, so far as they could, better trade relations with our neighbors to the south, yet if that meant hostility to England, they would have none of it. [Applause.] It was the boast of Canadians, and he was proud to say it in the presence of Her Majesty's representatives, colonials though they were, they did not believe that the sun shone on a free country than this, and they felt gratitude for the great country which had protected their liberty. It was with these sentiments that he wished to appeach the Government of the United States. If it were his duty and privilege to go to the States and speak of better trade relations between Canada and that country, he would say: "We come here, not as suppliants, but as free men, to talk business with free men, and, if you will accept a basis of free relations on this ground, let us at once negotiate; but if you expect that we come here simply to starve the country to which we belong, we shall do nothing of the kind." [Hear, hear, and applause.] They would ever be true to their allegiance. He believed that if they approached the United States in that spirit, and did not go in any gringing spirit, or any other spirit than that of freedom, self respect and dignity, they would have a hearing; and if they failed in their endeavors, we should still do by ourselves; and if we had to do by ourselves, there was a great deal for us to do. We should have the trade on both sides of the lakes and the river. At the present time we did not have it; we did not have the trade on our own side. Of the thirty million bushels of wheat grown in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, not more than one-tenth came here; it went to the seaboard by way of the American railways. Was it not time, he asked, that we should determine that every grain of that wheat should go to Europe by way of the St. Lawrence? [Applause.]

THERE ARE LONG FACES.

There are long faces just now amongst the executive of the Junior Conservative Club, for it is out that a good number of resignations are coming in, and from a quarter where defection would hardly be expected. As a matter of fact, the manufacturers of Montreal, both big and small, are divided into two camps, one-half being uncomfortably neutral, while the other half is paying violent court to the Laurier Government. One year ago a Conservative candidate for the House of Commons could, if he happened to be a fairly good sort of fellow and sound on the question of protection, get all the way from $5000 to $10 000 to run his election, while to-day an archangel wearing an anti-Ministerial garb could not scrape together in this great protectionist city sufficient cash to make a dozen carters feel happy on polling day. This state of things will probably exist until Hon. Mr. Fielding brings down his tariff bill, and then we will see; but, in the meantime, the Junior Conservative Club will have to grin and bear it. However, it is pretty well accepted that these same delinquents will rally pretty strongy to Hon. Mr. Flynn when the day of the local election arrives.

LESSON TO THE GLOBE.

It used to be the ambition of Quebec Federal Cabinet Ministers to have each a newspaper, but now almost every member has his personal journalistic mouthpiece, Le Ralliement being the organ of Mr. Bourassa, M. P. for Labelle, who reads the following lesson to the senior organ of the party: "We regret," begins Mr. Bourassa, who, by the way, is the grandson of the great Papineau, "that The Toronto Globe has lost such an excellent occasion to hold its tongue, or at least to be discreet, over the matter of the Quebec bishops' mandement and L'Electeur. The greater part of the Protestant newspapers have given proof of great moderation, and, as it was a question to be settled between the Catholics and the faithful, they had nothing whatever to do with the dispute. The Globe, unfortunately, is an exception, and, under the pretence of protecting the civil liberties of Roman Catholics, The Toronto Globe speaks of nothing more or less than adopting measures forbidding bishops from interdicting newspapers. We thank The Globe for its solicitude, but we have proved that we are able to defend our liberty against those who seek to attack it, and even against The Globe itself when under the baneful direction of George Brown."

MR. TARTE'S LATEST.

He is Not in Robust Health at Present, But is Still Far From the Cemetery Gates.

Montreal, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The following is Mr. Tarte's latest: "The pious Royal announces in The Minerve that it is the hand of God which strikes me, and the virtuous Nantel makes The Monde say that I am shamming sickness. The truth is that my robust health has forsaken me for a moment, but at the same time I am far from the cemetery gates. An Ontario newspaper, after reading the cynical statement of The Minerve, said: 'If it is providence that has made Mr. Tarte sick for having settled the school question, what are we to think of the death of Mgr. Fabre, who has given up his soul to God after having disapproved of the settlement?' A party must have fallen low to employ such arguments as are used by our opponents. I presume that there is not a particle of truth in all the rumors put into circulation in the press regarding me. According to some papers, I would be made Lieut.-Governor of Quebec in place of Mr. Chapleau. But then, where would Mr. Chapleau go? The Toronto World and other newspapers have expressed the hope that Mr. Chapleau would remain in politics. His long experience of men and things in Canada would save him. I have the profound conviction, against the temptation of falling into the dangerous exaggerations which all enlightened men of both parties now agree in deploring. But it is useless to dwell upon what Mr. Chapleau would or would not do, if he reappeared on the scene; Mr. Chapleau will remain at Spencerwood and I remain at my post at Ottawa. I have not accused my friends or my enemies with the thought of deserting the ship when there is a storm in sight. I love the storm."

Winter Trips South.

At this season of the year the fortunate possessor of the requisite time and means is puzzling his brain as to the trip he will take, and with so many offering it is no easy matter to choose. For your assistance we make the following suggestions:

The Quebec Steamship Co.'s fine steamers sail from New York every ten days for Bermuda, than which there is no more favored spot for winter tourists. The Clyde Steamship Co.'s steamships sail from New York three days a week for Charleston, S.C., and Jacksonville, Fla., offering very much the most pleasant, as well as the most economical, means of reaching Florida points.

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In addition to the above those wishing longer trips can get frequent sailings and first-class accommodation to Cuba and Mexican ports and Brazil and all South American ports.

On application to A. F. Webster, northeast corner King and Yonge-streets, you can have berths reserved and purchase through tickets for any of above and numerous other trips.

The Cinematographe.

The Cinematographe closes its long and successful visit to this city to-morrow night. There is, therefore, only two days now for those who have not already done so, to see it, and they should not miss the opportunity.

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FROM THE SISTER CITY.

An Old and Respected Official Dead—Cases at the Assizes—Work for the Unemployed.

Hamilton, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—After a long and busy life in the civic service Peter Balfour, Assessment Commissioner, passed away shortly after 5 o'clock this morning. The deceased was 78 years of age, and for 35 years had been connected with the Assessment Department, but prior to this he had served the city in other capacities. In 1856 he served one term as council for ward one, and when the waterworks system was introduced he was elected on the Board of Commissioners. In 1862 he became assessor, acting at first as joint assessor with the late Joseph Tyndall, then as chief assessor, and for the last seven years as Assessment Commissioner. He leaves a family of six children. James Balfour, architect; Peter Balfour, jr., Mrs. Finch, Mrs. Hossack, Mrs. Pennington and Miss Balfour. The deceased was born in Fifeshire, Scotland, and came to this city in 1842.

AT THE ASSIZES.

The case of Talbot, Crockcroft & Harvey, carpet manufacturers of Elora, against the London Guarantee and Accident Company, occupied considerable time, resulted in Judges Rose giving a verdict for the defendant with costs. The action was to recover $1200 damages, $813.33 costs and $200 counsel fees and other expenses incurred by the plaintiffs in defending an action for damages for injuries brought by F. E. Jeffries, an employe of the firm, who was injured while in their employ.

The case of Thomas and Mary Clohecy against the Hamilton Radial Railway Company for $2500 damages for injuries Mrs. Clorecy received in a collision on Sept. 10, 1896, was settled, a consent verdict for the plaintiff being entered.

WORK FOR UNEMPLOYED.

This morning a force of fifteen men was started to work on the river below the Valley Inn, the grade of which will be lowered so as to give more head-roof in the subway. Fifteen men were also set to work in the city quarry and twelve repairing the road on Main-street west. Saturday afternoon applications had been received for work from over 400 needy men.

The net civic overdraft for last year will be between $6000 and $7000.

MINOR ITEMS.

The Parks Committee is contemplating turning some land on the beach that recently came into possession of the city into pleasure grounds. City Gardener Duncan has been instructed to prepare an estimate of what it would cost to make various improvements.

McPherson, Glassco & Co. are creditors of the insolvent firm of McClurg & Co., St. Catharines, to the extent of $507.17.

At the Police Court to-day Mrs. Mary Mersden brought action against her husband, Fred, for non-support, and was given judgment for $3 a week.

The Hack Drivers' Grievances.

The hack drivers and livery stable employes are still said to be putting in their 20 hours a day, notwithstanding the fact that the Legislature a year or so ago vested in the Police Commissioners the right to ameliorate their condition. Mr. D. J. O'Donoghue will to-day ask Premier Harjo to appoint a day next week in which he can hear a deputation composed of the Legislative Committee of the Trades and Labor Council and a number of Toronto clergymen, who will ask for legislation that will remedy the drivers' grievances in a more definite manner.

An Enjoyable Gathering.

The annual meeting of the Knox Church Sunday School was held in the school room last evening. Tea was served to the children from 6.30 until 7.30, and the superintendent, Mr. Moerschfield, then distributed presents to all who had attended 48 Sabbaths during the year and conducted themselves properly while in school. A large percentage of the school was represented in this class. The annual report showed the number of teachers and officers to be 46, the number of boys on the roll 146 and the number of girls 170, the largest attendance per Sabbath during year 271, and the smallest 140. The treasurer's report stated the receipts of the year were $604.12 and the expenditures $582.44. Of this amount, $372 was given to missions. Brief addresses were delivered by the superintendent and Rev. Dr. Parsons, after which Mr. W. Mortimer Clark, Q.C., delighted the children with a lecture on ancient Europe and Palestine, illustrated by limelight views.

Railway Personals.

Mr. W. Whyte, superintendent of the western division of the C.P.R., passed through the city yesterday on his way to Montreal.

Superintendent J. W. Leonard returned from Montreal yesterday.

Assistant Superintendent Williams went to Aurora.

General Superintendent McGuigan of the G.T.R. was in town yesterday.

Queen Victoria's Reign.

"Britain's Girdle of the Globe" was the subject of a picture lecture given by Mr. Frank Yeigh in the theatre of the Normal School last night to the pupils of the School of Pedagogy and the Normal School. The lecture was a telling picture of the extent and power of Britain's Empire, giving as it did fine views of the Queen's dominions in five continents and the islands of the sea, and a graphic description of the progress made during Victoria's reign. The lecture will be repeated in Olivet Congregational Church this evening.

Getting Ready.

Under the supervision of Housekeeper O'Brien the Parliament Buildings are being thoroughly renovated preparatory to the coming session.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

THE ALBANI BALLAD CONCERT.

The citizens of Toronto are at last going to receive a direct benefit from the great capacity of the Massey Music Hall. It is a well-known fact that there are thousands that cannot afford to pay the high prices which great artists always demand and dictate to concert managers, but on this occasion the great Canadian singer, Mme. Albani, has consented to sing at prices ranging from 25c to $1. The bulk of the seats will be placed at 50c and 75c, and a few at $1. The 25c seats are intended for the benefit of those who would like to hear this great artist, and cannot afford any higher price. It is to be hoped that these latter seats will be left unoccupied by those who can afford to pay for higher-priced ones, and allow the people for whom they are intended to secure them. The concert will be given on Thursday, the 18th of February, and the company will consist of, besides the great soprano herself, Miss Robinson, Mr. Braxton Smith, Mr. Lampriere Pringle and Miss Langley, violinist, in fact, the same company as appeared in the city about Christmas time, and which afforded all those which heard them, a most charming program.

ROLAND REED NEXT WEEK.

That popular actor, Roland Reed, and his company will be the attraction at the Grand, beginning next Monday evening. The favorite comedian has been having, it is said, the most successful tour of his career, and as usual he will be seen in a new role. Mr. Reed's new play is "The Wrong Mr. Wright," a comedy in three acts by George H. Broadhurst. The scenes are laid at Old Point Comfort. Some very pretty effects are secured in the last act in a representation of the parade ground at Fortress Monroe. Seymour Sites (Mr. Reed) is a Frisco millionaire who has been robbed by forgery of $50,000 by his cashier. He hears that the forger has gone to Old Point Comfort, and goes there himself to do some detective work on his own book, assuming the name of Mr. Wright. It happens that the forger has also assumed the name Mr. Wright, and as the detectives get after the millionaire for robbing himself the opportunities for amusing situations are very good. The chief detective is a woman, Henrietta Oliver (Miss Rush), and instead of capturing him as a criminal she apprehends Sites as a husband. Mr. Reed, it is said, probably never had a part better suited to his comedy genius, and he has his well-known powers as vigorously as ever, and with as telling effect. Miss Rush has another very congenial part in the woman detective, and plays it in a business-like, dashing and charming manner. The sale of seats begins to-day.

A NEW ENGLISH PLAY.

On Monday evening at the Toronto Opera House, Mr. James H. Wallick's company will present for the first time in this city, the great melodramatic success, both in London and New York, "When London Sleeps." It is the style of a play that pleases all classes of theatre-goers. The interest commences as soon as the curtain goes up on the circus scene in the first act, and from that time on it never ceases until the breaking of the Hindoo idol in the last act. The eleven different sets of scenery carried by the company are said to be most elaborate, and include an English circus, the exterior and interior of a noted London resort, a very realistic fire scene, with a mechanical change to the "sleeping city," showing the heroine escaping from a burning building by walking a telephone wire. The last act shows the interior of the Hindo temple of the Earl's Court Exhibition, London, and is said to be one of the most extensive stage settings on the road. The imposing Hindo idol, with its marvelous electrical effects, was built by Mr. John Williams of the Garrick Theatre, New York City, and is a wonder in stagecraft. It stands over 12 feet high and cost over $1100 to complete.

CROWDS AT THE TORONTO.

An audience which packed the Toronto Opera House from top to bottom in all gallery was on hand at yesterday's "bargain matinee" to see "The Cotton King." The advance sale for to-morrow afternoon is immense, and it will be advisable for those who wish to secure places to get them immediately.

THE LAST THREE.

Power's comedians will conclude their successful engagement at the Auditorium Music Hall with performances to-night and on Saturday afternoon and evening. All those who have not seen Hadley and Hart, the musical experts; Kane and Conwell, or the clever members of this company should not miss the opportunity now offered.

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Authentic Cases of Disease Breeding Reported From Iowa.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 21.—Two authentic cases in which contagious disease has been contracted from animals are reported in Iowa. Miss Lillie Boyce of Mason City is fatally ill of consumption, and examination proves that her pet dog is affected with tuberculosis, and Miss Boyce contracted the disease from the animal.

A child at Decorah is known to have contracted scarlet fever from a pet cat, and cents and pet rabbits in the vicinity are known to be affected.

New Patents.

Below will be found the only complete weekly up-to-date record of patents granted to Canadian inventors, which is furnished us by Messrs. Fetherstonhaugh & Co., Patent Barristers, Toronto:

Canadian patents: W. Bently, cash register; L. H. Regnauld, casing metallic links; J. Jamieson, wheel tire; J. Wilson, churn; R. F. Menzie, curtain support; D. Bradley, shaft coupling; T. W. Horn, prismatic light; R. J. McGhee, automatic wagon brake; D. Draper, mowing machine; D. F. Armstrong, wagon brake; N. Barceloux, bale tie; J. Somerville, show table; T. Hodgson, pump heads and handle attachment; H. Beaudry, packages for shipping; L. Shaife, pulley; F. Jarvis, bearing, crematory; J. Turk, et al., rotary pump; O. N. Evans, clothes drier; D. F. Morrison, composition of matter; L. Rosseau, corsets; L. Gadoury; F. G. Cole, wire mattresses; W. W. Owens, harrows; J. C. Craig, mowing machine; J. M. Brown, et al., cornice and envetrough machines; J. Moore, handlers; W. H. Dunsmore, clothes closet.

British patents: C. N. Sutherland, et al., advertising letters.

Elm Street Methodist Church.

Rev. Willis P. Odell, D. D., of Buffalo, will preach anniversary sermons in Elm-street Methodist Church on Sunday next, 24th inst., and on Monday evening will deliver a lecture on the "Rhine," illustrated with stereopticon views by Mr. F. B. Whittemore. Dr. Odell is one of the most brilliant speakers in the General Conference, and is also the most popular pastor in Buffalo, having the largest congregation that city. Mr. Harold Jarvis will sing at both services on Sunday.

Earthquake in a Persian Island.

London, Jan. 21.—The Globe publishes a despatch from Bombay, sent out by a news agency, which says that three shocks of earthquake occurred on the Island of Kishm, in the Persian Gulf, on Jan. 15, destroying thousands of houses and killing 2500 persons.

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