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Mr. Aylesworth's Bill Considered Objection to Interference in Canain Commons.

#### Government Subsidy For French Steamship Service Carried.

Ottawa, April 16 .- After the turbulent scenes of the past few days the proceedings in the House of Commons to-day were quiet almost to the point of dullness. Most of the session was spent in consideration of Government

spent in consideration of Government bills. Final touches were applied to Hon. Mr. Aylesworth's bill prohibiting the payment or acceptance of illicit or secret commissions. The House approved of an amendment, which had been added by the Senate, making any person who may be a party or knowingly privy to the offences in the act liable to punishment as well as the agent. Some discussion was evoked by Hon. Mr. Brodeur's bill, under which it was proposed to give the Government power to lease wharves and piers to railway companies or shipping companies. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries explained that the object of the bill was to increase the revenues from wharves and piers, but members of the Opposition were afraid that the Government's control of these works might be weakened by the legislation proposed, and it was agreed to allow the bill to stand over indefinitely.

It was then proposed to take up bill providing for the establishment of a department of external affairs, but in the absence of Mr. Borden, who, it was stated, desired to discuss it further, con-

sideration of it was postponed.

Hon. Mr. Brodeur moved a resolution authorizing the Government to grant a subsidy not exceeding \$200,000 a year for

Mr. Henderson objected to the proposal e ground that Canada's trade with e was not sufficiently great to war-such an expenditure.

Mr. Brodeur thought that under

minimum tariff privileges insured by treaty, trade with France was bound

to improve.

The resolution was adopted, and a bill based upon it was introduced and read a first time.

The whole of the evening session was occupied by a discussion of Hon. Mr. Templeman's, bill to compel the manufacturers of fertilizers to register with the Department of Inland Revenue and to disclose on the label of each package the guaranteed analysis of the product.

Progress was reported.

## FOR HITTING AN M. P.

Fredericton Magistrate Inflicts Penalty on O. S. Crockett's Assailant.

Fredericton, N. B., April 16.—Police Magistrate Marsh this morning convicted A. E. Hansom, land surveyor, of this city, on a charge of assaulting O. S. Crockett, M. P., and sentenced him to one month's imprisonment without the option of a fine. Defendant was ordered to pay costs amounting to fifty-five dollars.

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His Honor explained that he had imposed a severe penalty because he thought it was the duty of the courts to protect public men from being subjected to, personal violence for statements made in Parliament. Defendant's counsel applied for a stay of proceedings, and will apreal the case.

The act for the registration and licensing of private detectives goes into effect May 1st.

### GAMEY AND THE PIANO

Were Features of Tory "Edjerca tional" Affair Last Night.

Seated at the right hand of Presiden Hoodless on the platform at the Con-servative Club rooms last night, facing the largest audience (about a half room full) that the Friday night meet have yet brought forth, sat R. R. Gamey, M. P. P., the "Man from Manitou lin." In the advance notices of Mr. Gamey he was referred to as follows: "Than whom there is no better known man in the Ontario Legislature." That statement is true, and it was responsible for many things last night. Possibly Mr. Gamey never faced a more agreeable looking audience. He looked along the line of faces turned un to him. All able looking audience. He looked along the line of faces turned up to him. All were gazing at him. The excellent speech of introduction of Mr. Hoodless following was absolutely ignored. All following was absolutely ignored. Al the gazers were smiles, and Mr. Games smiled. The mutual smiles continued smiled. The mutual smiles continued, and one man would whisper to his neighbor, and the neighbor would smile. Mr. Gamey got rather tired of stretching his smiler at length, and took to studying a note book. But he was satisfied with the smiles. Little did he know the cause of the hilarity of his audience, but a stage whisper was passed around and every person was wise. For lo and behold! the man from Manitoulin was sitting next to a piano, leaning his back against it, as he listened to all the nice things Mr. Hoodless said of him. Now whether or not he noticed the piano bethe crown noticed, recalled a certain the grown noticed, recalled a certain other piano incident, and smiled more broadly.

Mr. Hoodless opened up with remarks about the small attendance usual at such meetings, and said that more inter-est should be taken in them by the members than had been evidenced

est should be taken in them by the members than had been evidenced throughout the series.

Mr. Gamey's remarks were in regard to the northern part of Ontario. He followed J. P. Downey. Cant. Machin and G. C. Wilson, all M. P. P's., who have entertained at Fridav nights of the past with the same subject. He excused himself beforehand for any political references he might be forced to make during his remarks, but said that he could, as a rule, speak little else than non-political. His remarks re the north belt were interesting, but had all been dealt with fully beforehand. Last night's meeting was the last of the edudealt with fully beforehand. Last night's meeting was the last of the educational series and next Friday night will be Old Folks at Home Night. On the platform last night with the president and speaker were Ald. Sweeney and Honkins and John Milne. A vote of thanks was tendered the speaker at the close of his address.

#### REV. DR WILLIAMSON AND HATS.

(Toronto Star.)

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But the hats of to-day are specially designed to set off the beauty of those who wear them, and to attract the eyes of all who come within the range of vision. Not only do they attract the eye, but they are made so high and so large that they obstruct the view and compel attention even from the most pious and the least willing to gratify feminine vanity. Some sympathy has been given. ity. Some sympathy has been given, often mistakenly, no doubt, to the men in the congregation who dislocate their necks in vain efforts to see the preach-

necks in vain efforts to see the preacher as he argues his way through an interesting sermon.

On reflection, one will see that it is the good man in the pulpit who should receive sympathy. Unregenerate men in the pews may safely doze behind screening millinery, and perhaps the of Conciliation and Inquiry into the dispute between the Dominion Coal Company and its men, relative to the refusal of the company to recognize the American Mine Workers' Union.

The report, which is signed by Judge Wallace, of Halifax, finds that the company was justified in its refusal to recognize international unionism, on the ground that it could not deal with two labor organizations at the same time, namely, the Provincial Workmen's Association and the United Mine Workers' Union.

NEW ZEALAND'S GIFT

Meetings Held to Protest Against Government Offer.

New York, April 16.—A cable despatch to the Herald from Sydney, N. S. W., says, Public meetings of protest are in the public meetings of protest are supposed. No can it be cheering to a saying the characteristic of the man in the pulpit the gruesome idea must sometimes come that he is addressing a congregation of over-hatted women and the headess trunks of men, while now and then he gets a glimpse of what seems to be the detached head of a male parishioner peering at him through a momentary break in the hedge of flowers, vegetables, and gaudy ribbons—peering for a moment and then gone.

Nor can it be cheering to a spire New York, April 16.—A cable despatch to the Herald from Sydney, N. S. W., says: Public meetings of protest are being held throughout New Zealand, con-

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Bribrin for the pew and see crawling around
Bribrin of a large hat, with beady eyes
up-turned, what looks like a live weasel, two new Dreadnoughts for Great Britain as unconstitutional.

Extraordinary scenes took place at Christchurch, where a meeting of the Navy League in support of the Government's action degenerated into pandemonium. The speakers, including both Roman Catholic and Anglican bishops, were howled down, and the rioters rushed the police and seized the Union Jack, which they tore into shreds and trod under foot.

Many free fights that ensued were terminated only when the lights were all extinguished.

NELLIE PRYOR CAUGHT.

Woodstock Girl Charged With Horse-Stealing at London.

London, Ont., April 16.—Nellie Pryor, of Woodstock, who disappeared with a horse and rig belonging to Liveryman Hunter some days ago, was arrested in St. Thomas this morning on a charge of straling a horse and rig belonging to Liveryman Hunter some days ago, was arrested in St. Thomas this morning on a charge of stealing a horse and rig belonging to Liveryman Hunter some days ago, was arrested in St. Thomas this morning on a charge of stealing a horse and rig belonging to Liveryman Hunter some days ago, was arrested in St. Thomas this morning and marked the proper than Paisley, of King street. She secured the rights were the rights with a lateranoon to bring her back.

However! The fact is that movements to have women remove their hats in church are sure to fail. The hats cannot be removed and put on again with any degree of justice to the hats or the wearers. The only course light into the July market.

of Woodstock, who disappeared with a horse and rig belonging to Liveryman Hunter some days ago, was arrested in St. Thomas this morning on a charge of stealing a horse and rig from Liveryman Paisley, of King street. She secured the rig yesterday morning and was discovered driving around St. Thomas this morning. Detective Nickle went down this afternoon'to bring her back.

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Philadelphia, April 16.-Much of the tional rise of the Lake Superior Corpora tional rise of the Lake Superior Corpora-tion securities on the local Stock Ex-change and the vigorous buying of these issues for the London account was clear-ed up to-day in the semi-official an-nouncement that the control of the property had passed to the Canadian Pacific

The Maritime Express from Montreal was wrecked at Causpascal, Que, on Friday afternoon. The engine was derailed and partly tipped over, while two Pullmans, one diner, the baggage, express and postal cars were also thrown off the track. The only persons injured were the baggagemaster and Express Messenger Morrison, of Sussex.

# THE BRANT DRAGOONS.

The New Cavalry Regiment Successfully Organized.

Arranging For the Hydro-Electric Commission Line.

G. T. R. to Double Track-A Serious Case.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Brantford, April 17.-The 25th Brant Dragoons, the new cavalry regiment, was formally organized here yesterday afternoon, when 28 officers pere pre-sent from Paris, Brantford and the city. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. H. F. D. Woodcock, and the augury is that achieve a splendid success in its initial year. Lieut. Col. Wilkes presided. The year. year. Meut.-Col. Wilkes presided. The uniform of searlet blue, with yellow facing, brass halmet and reed plume, was formally adopted by the officers. The crest will be an Indian head, with bow and arrows below and Tudor crown above. Orders were placed in Toronto for the new uniforms.

THE HYDRO ELECTRIC.

John Lawson, acting for the Hydro-Electric Commission, was here yester-day, making arrangements for the trans-mission lines which are to cut through this country. He will spend a week throughout the district, contracting with the farmers to cut the trees adja-cent to the power line. No trees will be allowed to stand within twenty feet. eent to the power line. No trees will be allowed to stand within twenty feet, and those farther removed will have t be trimmed in accordance with regula tions. The sum of \$2 per tree was be ing paid by Mr. Lawson for the work SERIOUS CHARGE.

The police will prefer a serious charge here against John Sears. A short time ago a young girl committed suicide at Sear's house, and another inmate, Sarah Félls, was ordered to leave the domicile. During her incarceration at the local jail, while the case was being disposed of, Sears is alleged to have brought bootle of poison, for what purpo a bottle of poison, for what purpose the police are investigating. The bottle was handed over to Medical Health Officer Pearson yesterday for analysis. She was arrested at Sear's house last night. Chief Slemin promises to have a sensation in clearing up the case, as the bottle of alleged poison was not, according to the girl, brought to the jail at her request.

TO DOUBLE TRACK.

It is understood the Grand Trunk Railway will double track the portion of the old main line between Harrisburg and Paris for freight carrying purposes. A new steel bridge, it is also stated, will be erected at St. George. UP AGAINST IT.

The Mayor and a number of aldermen held a conference here yesterday to find out if something could not be done with the Street Railway Company for tardiness in double tracking Colborne street, which the civic authorities are anxious to have paved, a contract having been let for the work more than a year ago. The feeling prevailed that nothing could be done, and that the city was strictly up against it and at the mercy of the Street Railway Company, which is having considerable difficulty in raising the necessary money to go ahead with the work.

GENERAL NOTES.

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County Constable Kerr is in Hamilton to-day, serving wittnesses to appear here Monday at the trial of Edward Hall for alleged horse thieving.

Squire Andrews is trying a case this afternoon, in which Susan Ladd is charged with abusive language and John Ladd with harboring a vicious dog. Ladd with harboring a vicious dog John Masters, a neighbor, is the com

There is an agitation in progress here to organize a humane society.

The Western Ontario Trapshooter's League has been organized, with the following officers: President, A. W. Fisher, Stratford; Vice-President, B. W. Glover, London; Secretary, A. B. Cutiffe, Brantford.

Joe Harp was taken to-day to Victo spend a period of five years for theft. toria Industrial School by P. C. Boylan

### DEAR BREAD.

#### Threats to Kill Patten, the Wheat King.

In the first mail of the day were seven letters addressed to the wheat king at his office, and all of them carried threats of violence unless the price that governs that of bread were forthwith reduced.

While loath to discuss such threats, Mr. Patten continues to keep about him a body guard. He admitted that a number of the threatening letters had been received, but said he was in uc way alarmed.

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Wilbur Wright, the aeroplanist, made three successful flights in his flying ma-dring near Rome on Friday. He rechine near Rome on Friday. He remained in the air ten, eight and seven minutes respectively, and was accompanied each time by an Italian army of

# Hopeville

Miss Ethel Degall has been home for her Easter holidays.

Miss Essie Burnett, of Dundalk, spent her holidays at her parental home here.

Miss Dingwall is home from Hamilton.

Mrs. P. A. McArthur, after her lingering illness, is able to sit up. Her many friends hope to see her able to be around again in good health.

The Women's Institute meeting was held last Wednesday at Mrs. Gibson's.

Mrs. Scriminger and Mrs. Bolger were to give a lesson on ironing. but on account of the bad roads they did not get there. The next meeting will be on the first Wednesday in May.

Mrs. J. Smith and Mrs. G. Smith were the guests of Mrs. A. Watson on Wednesday last.

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Mrs. R. Robb and two children, of Egremont, visited at the home of her uncle, Mr. William Campbell, recently.

Mrs. Robert Love has gone to Muskoka, after spending some weeks with her mother-in-law, Mrs. J. Love.

There came to Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell on Easter Sunday a young girl, to stay.

## Vinemount

The Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway Company have put in a much needed convenience at the depot in the nape of a pump.
Mr. J. M. Patterson is away on a trip

Mr. J. M. Patterson is away on a trip to Simcoe and Delhi this week.
Mr. Hugh Bertram has added a very fine five-year-old colt to his already fine stable of horses.
Mr. George Glidden spent Good Friday with his parents in Goderich.
Miss Elmore Moore and Mr. Willie Muir are guests at Mr. Bertram's.
Mr. S. J. Patterson spent Sunday with friends in the city. iends in the city.

Mr. Roy Young spent the holidays in

Miss Olive Merritt spent Sunday with

er parents,
Mr. J. W. Harper had a narrow escape
rom fire on Tuesday. About 10.30 a.
h, the chimney on the main part of the
ouse caught fire, and for a while looked dangerous. It was extinguished, how-ever, with very little damage. Miss Nellie Manary spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Manary.

#### Woodburn

ome, after spending a few days friends at Owen Sound. Will Thomson has returned from eaforth, where he has been purchasing to the weight of the factory.

George and Mrs. Wahl have returned to Hamilton, after visiting friends here. Charles Ridge and family have returned home after visiting friends at Simpoe.

mcoe.
A number of children in the village A number of children in the village are suffering with whooping cough. Miss Edna Twiss, of the Normal School, and Miss Kathleen Brown, of the Collegiate, Hamilton, have been spending the holidays with Miss L. Twiss. Miss Edna received many congratulations upon passing her final at the recent examinations.

Miss Sarah Jane Tossell, of Stoney Creek, is visiting friends here.

Miss Florence and Master Styles

White are visiting their grandfather, Mr. Thomas White.

# Alberton

The functal of Mr. Hugh Morwick, who died last Tuesday morning, took slace on Thursday afternoon. Services were conducted at St. Andrew's Ghurch, threaster by Rev. Mr. Webster.

Miss Maude Hunter has returned from a week's visit, to western points.

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Miles Vanderlip spent several of the Easter holidaps in Christie's Corners, the guest of his sister, Mrs. Will An-

Will and Mrs. Anderson called on Mrs G. N. Peer on Sunday.

Miss Florence Van Sickle, Hamilton, and Miss Stella Johnson, Bramtford, have been visitors at Mrs, Rutherford

Baker's.
Frank Thompson and family, of Caistorville, visited at R. Horning's this

week,
The members of the local lodge of the
C. O. F. held their next meeting on
Tuesday evening, the 27th. A good turnout is hoped for.

Smelser spent the vacation at his eme in Hamilton Miss Hazel MacMurray, Trinity, visit-Miss Lizzie Loudon on Sunday.
Miss Irene MacMurray, Hamilton,

spent her vacation with relatives here. Last Tuesday morning, during the strong wind, the pretty home occupied by Allen and Mrs. Kelly and, P. D. Kelly and wifz was burned to the ground. Much of the furniture was removed safely, though a great deal of furniture and personal effects perished in the flames.

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A. E. and Mrs. Book, Buffalo, have been helidaving at C. A. Book's,

J. and Mrs. Burke and Master Grant and Mrs. I. MacMurray and children spent Easter Sunday at Wm. Johnson's, Miss Awrey, Hamilton has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. V. Mott.

Levi Book, who has been quite ill, is C W and Wrs Durham have return

C. W. and Mrs. Durham have returned to Grimsby, after spending some time with Mrs. Levi Book.

The young people are giving a dance in the hall to-night.

L. Secord spent a couple of days at J. Hunter's.

N. R. and Mrs. Vanderlin and children were at J. Vanderlin's on Sunday.

WANTS MORE INDEMNITY.

Victim of Caledon Wreck Claims That He Acted Under Misapprehension.

Orangeville, April 16.—Justice Clute neld a night session of the Assizes last evening, sitting until 10 o'clock. In the afternoon the case of W. R. Kent vs The Ocean Accident & Guarantee Cowas tried. Mr. Kent was severely injured in the Caledon wreck disaster on September 3rd, 1907, receiving September 3rd, 1907, receiving \$4,000 from the railway and \$425 from the insurance company. He now seeks to recover a further indemnity, as in the opinion of his physician he will never fully recover, and executed a release under a misapprehension. Judgment was reserved.

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Junior fourth—Robbie Wood, Hilda

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bur, Dorothy Ellis,
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Horton, Jennie Basley, Arthur Lee.
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Stewart, Norman Blanchard, Freddie
Dawe, Edna Davey, Frank Mercer, Doris
Hudson.
First B—Alma Carpenter, Walker
Chambers, Grace Smith, Janie Bowman

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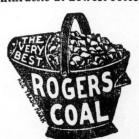
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